Bangladesh to Saudi Arabia & Singapore

A Migrant Worker Story

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Pre-Departure/Organization: Migration to Saudi Arabia

- Migration Information
- Interview and Recruitment
- Job Profile
- Procedures & Migration Costs

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Story of a Migrant Worker
The Decision Making:
Why I decided to leave my country?

- Family Situation
- Professional Situation
- Motivation Factors
- Decision

Story of a Migrant Worker
Departure/Travel:
Journey to King Khaled Military City

- Departure/Airport Situation
- Transit
- Arrival/Immigration
- Reception
- Transfer to Job Site

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Story of a Migrant Worker
Stay Abroad:
Job Reality and Working Conditions

- Job Responsibility
- Working Conditions
- Skill Demand and Support

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Story of a Migrant Worker
Stay Abroad:

New Job Situation, Transfer

- Changing Situation
- New Environment
- New Responsibility

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Stay Abroad: Migration Myth and Reality

- Migration Illusion
- Expenses and Savings
- Remittances Transfer and frequency

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Story of a Migrant Worker
Stay Abroad: 
The Destination Country, Integration

- Social Contact
- Cultural Enrichment
- Leisure Time

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Stay Abroad:

Difficult Times

• Health and Welfare
• Expatriates’ Sufferings
• Mutual Support and Assistance

Story of a Migrant Worker
Stay Abroad:
Migrants’ Solidarity

- Migrants’ Community
- Personal Observation
- Bangladeshi Migrants’ Group

Story of a Migrant Worker
Stay Abroad:

Family left Behind

• Contact with the Origin

• Vacation & Wedding

• Family Situation during Absence

• Return Decision

Story of a Migrant Worker
Return:

Back Home with New Hopes

- Farewell
- Return
- Hopes and Apprehensions

Story of a Migrant Worker
Reintegration:

... Long Absence

- Family & Social Reintegration
- Migration Benefits
- Personal Reaction
- Investment Trap

Story of a Migrant Worker
Re-Migration:

Singapore

- Decision & Push Factors
- Organization & Departure
- New Job & New Life Abroad

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Final Return and Settlement: 
Migration, My Conclusion

- Comparison with First Migration Experience
- Migration Gain
- Migration Learning and New Life Perspective

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Story of a Migrant Worker
WARBE, Establishment: Changing the Nightmare of Others in Light of own Experiences

- Grassroots Based Migrants’ Organization
- Establishment & Commitment
- Goals & Objectives

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Story of a Migrant Worker
WARBE, Activities and Progress: From the Grassroots to the National Level

- Organizing Returnee Migrants
- Advocacy for Policy Changes
- Awareness on Safe and Gender Migration
- Pre-departure Training & Counseling
- Campaign for the Ratification of UN Migrants Rights & ILO Conventions

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Story of a Migrant Worker
WARBE: Activities and Progress
From the Grassroots to the National Level

- Reintegration – Programmes
- Migrants’ Savings for Alternative Investment (MSAI) Programme
- Livelihood option Training for Returnee Migrants and Family Members
- Entrepreneurship Development Training & Counseling.

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Story of a Migrant Worker
WARBE: Migrants Rights Upholder Network and Partnership

- MFA
- MRI
- IOM
- ILO
- UNIFEM
- And other

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Story of a Migrant Worker
WARBE, Migrants Rights Upholder: International Actor

- GFMD
- UN High Dialogue on Migration & Development
- UNCHR
- ILC

Story of a Migrant Worker
"Making Global Mobility a Catalyst for Development"

Some Recommendations:

• Ratification of the ILO & UN 90 Convention on the ‘Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Family’ by both the sending and receiving countries. Popularize “International Migrants Day” 18 December.

• Implementation and Enforcement of welfare and gender sensitive labour migration policy & legislation for better consideration of the migrant workers Rights.

• Skill Development, Pre-departure Training and Labour Integration & Reintegration Program by both the sending and receiving countries.

• Access to proper information about Safe Migration and Reintegration opportunities.

• Concrete action against unscrupulous visa trading, fraudulent middle man practices.

• Participation of Migrant Workers at every Decision Making Level.
Thank You!