

Statement delivered by Mr. Nasir Uddin, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the UN in New York on "Measures to prevent and combat corruption" under Agenda item: 86 "The Rule of Law at the National and International Levels, Sixth Committee, 75th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, 22 October 2020, 10:00 am

Mr. Chair,

My delegation aligns itself with the statement delivered by Iran on behalf of Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

The rule of law is essential for sustainable peace, protection of human rights and overall social and economic development in any society. It is also a critical factor for the achievement of 2030 Agenda. Bangladesh is deeply committed to uphold the rule of law at the local and international level for a just and peaceful world.

We take note of the comprehensive report of the Secretary General A/75/284 on the assistance by the United Nations for strengthening the rule of law. We appreciate the support provided by UN to Bangladesh in this regard including training

Mr. Chair,

Combating corruption is an important catalyst for the establishment of Rule of Law. Bangladesh subscribes to the global effort in this regard. We have signed and ratified the United Nations Convention against Corruption in 2007. We believe,

complaint box at each of the local administration offices. Every year Bangladesh observes the International Anti-Corruption Day on 09 December to raise public awareness of corruption.

Mr. Chair,

We thank the Secretary General for his statement on corruption in the context of COVID-19. During pandemic, when the public resources are scarce, it is all the more important to prevent corruption and utilize the limited resources for the welfare of the people who have been severely hurt by the pandemic.

Mr. Chair,

Corruption is a global challenge, and we must act together to address this challenge. Let me make a few points in this regard:

First, strong national effort would be the first line of defense to prevent and combat corruption at the national level.

Second, strengthening international cooperation including seamless exchange of information, intelligence-sh

Finally, we have to renew our political commitment to implement UN Convention against corruption.

Mr. Chair,

To conclude, I would like to reiterate the unwavering commitment of Bangladesh to work with the United Nations and Member States to prevent and combat corruption at the local and international level.

I thank you.