



measures for different segments of vulnerable population of our society. This support package is equivalent to 3.7 % of our GDP. We are sorry to see that instead of collective actions, many actions based on narrow national interest are weakening the multilateral system that we have painfully built over a long time. For the LDCs we must not allow this health crisis to turn into a humanitarian and economic crisis.

Bangladesh and all other LDCS are heavily dependent on migration and remittance. The first victim of this pandemic were the migrant workers and many of them lost their job permanently, stranded in the foreign land with uncertain future and their economic benefits abruptly vanished.

We must guard against the propensity of diverting financial and other resources to COVID-19 related activities from the sectors which are vital to the interests of the LDCs. One such sector is climate change. LDCs continue to face severe and fast deteriorating impacts from climate change, even though they are least responsible for causing climate change. International promised support for adaptation must be provided to LDCs while developed countries and advanced economies must implement mitigation measures so that the global temperature doesn't rise more than 1.5 degrees centigrade. All these unfortunate developments will hinder the achievement of SDG targets in the LDCs.

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