



Policy Research Institute of Bangladesh (PRI) and World Bank Group

cordially invite you to the launch of a report on

"A Glass Half Full - The Promise of Regional Trade in South Asia"

to be held on Wednesday, 19th September, 2018, at 10:00 am. Venue: Hotel Amari, House no. 47, Rd No 41, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212

Chief Guest: Mr. Abul Maal Abdul Muhith, MP

Honorable Minister, Ministry of Finance, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Special Guest: Mr. Qimiao Fan

World Bank Country Director for Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal

Your kind presence and active participation will surely add substance to the program

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PROGRAM

Moderator: Dr. Zaidi Sattar

Chairman, Policy Research Institute of Bangladesh (PRI)

9:15 am – 10:00 am Registration

10:00 am - 10:20 am Welcome and Introductory Remarks Dr. Zaidi Sattar

Chairman, PRI

Mr. Qimiao Fan

World Bank Country Director for Bangladesh,

Bhutan and Nepal

10:20 am - 10:40 am Presentation of the Report Mr. Sanjay Kathuria

Lead Economist and Coordinator,

South Asia Regional Integration, World Bank

10:40 am-11:00 am Report Launch and Mr. Abul Maal Abdul Muhith, MP

Speech of the Chief Guest Honorable Minister, Ministry of Finance

11:00 am– 11:15 am Tea Break

11:15 am – 11:45 am Discussion by Distinguished Panelists:

Barrister Nihad Kabir

President

Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI)

Mr. Ahsan Khan Chowdhury

Chairman L CEO
PRAN-RFL Group **Dr. Abdur Razzaque**Research Director, PRI

11:45 am - 12:15 pm Open floor Discussion

12:15 pm – 12:30 pm Response by the Author Mr. Sanjay Kathuria

Lead Economist and Coordinator,

South Asia Regional Integration, World Bank

12:30 pm – 12:45 pm Closing Remarks on South Asia Trade Dr. Sadiq Ahmed

Vice Chairman, PRI

12:45 pm Lunch