Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Bangladesh Government undertakes a variety of Social Security programs ranging from allowance to livelihood improvement and also financial support programs in multiple sectors, targeting specific sections of population. Rooted in SDGs; the Delta Plan 2100, Vision 2041 perspective plan are some of the key national policies, incorporated in our 8th Five Year Plan, geared towards holistic national development.

2. At this backdrop, in combatting the adversities of COVID-19, Government has already disbursed additional allowances to persons under social safety net, and disability identification survey. We also revoked the loan recovery under rural social service program and provided financial assistance and food. On the occasion of the birth centenary of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, under the dynamic leadership of the Hon’ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, the Government has taken the scheme of building and providing homes to all homeless people in Bangladesh. The initiatives by the Government and the civil society for the autistic population has earned Bangladesh global recognition and appreciation.

3. Overall, the approaches taken by the Government of Bangladesh is truly to the spirit of the SDGs, to leave no one behind. In doing so, the concerned Ministries have adopted multi-tiered planning policies garnered through effective partnerships across the board.

4. Finally, we in Bangladesh are working for creating a society that is pro-people, and by people we mean people from all sectors and all strata of life, irrespective of their religion, status, and ability. We envision a Bangladesh that will be Sonar Bangla, or Golden Bengal, where there will be no discrimination.
Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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