Mr. Chair,

Distinguished Delegates

Ladies and Gentlemen

Good Afternoon

Bangladesh is engaged to establish reliable cyber access at the grassroots level, development of IT-based human resources, export-oriented development of IT industry, and the use of citizen-friendly IT technology.

we have been working intensively in implementing of SDGs related to ICTs in Bangladesh through our government agencies with the active participation of local private sectors as well as foreign participation through FDI. All our initiatives and activities playing a pivotal role to spread the ‘Digital Bangladesh’ notion all over the country. Moreover, it has significant effects in all areas including Government Services, Transport, Energy, Education, Health, Finance & banking, Productive Industry sectors, Trade and Investment and in other frontier technologies.

The present government also working closely with Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway initiatives to strengthen digital connectivity, reduce the digital divide and support digital transformation in our country through enhancing the availability and affordability of broadband Internet networks and big data, which also help us to achieve related SDGs.

Still, we have some Challenges in the achievement of SDG related to this sector which is ensuring inclusiveness. To ensure inclusiveness which we have started a mitigation plan. Substantial changes still need to be made in the public service delivery system through digitalization and incorporating innovation and simplification culture into the system. Data-driven culture should be introduced with proper intervention from the authority. And we think for all these we need more international cooperation and collaboration to each other.

Thank you all