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**SECRETARIAT
BAY OF BENGAL INITIATIVE FOR MULTI-SECTORAL
TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION
DHAKA**

**Nineteenth Session of the BIMSTEC Senior Officials' Meeting
28 August 2018
Kathmandu, Nepal**

Draft Provisional Agenda

ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

01. Opening of the Meeting
02. Election of the Chairperson
03. Adoption of the Agenda
04. Report by the Secretary General on progress of BIMSTEC activities

REPORTING ITEMS

05. Review of the progress since the Special Session of the BIMSTEC Senior Officials' Meeting (S-SOM) held in Kathmandu, Nepal on 11 August 2018
06. Consideration of the Reports of the Meetings held since Fifteenth BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting

Trade and Investment

- 06.01. Report of the First Meeting of the Working Group on Customs Cooperation held in New Delhi, India on 10-11 May 2018

Transport and Communications

- 06.02. Report of the Second Meeting of the BIMSTEC Transport Connectivity Working Group (BTCWG) held in Bangkok on 13-14 November 2017

06.03. Report of the First Meeting of the BIMSTEC Coastal Shipping Agreement held in New Delhi, India on 27-28 November 2017

06.04. Report of the First meeting of the Working Group on BIMSTEC Motor vehicle Agreement held in New Delhi on 09-10 April 2018

Technology

06.05. Report of the Fourth Meeting of the BIMSTEC Expert Group on the Establishment of BIMSTEC Technology Transfer Facility (TTF) held in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 21-22 November 2017

Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime

06.06. Report of the Second Meeting of the BIMSTEC National Security Chiefs held in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 28 March 2018

06.07. Report of the Eighth Meeting of the BIMSTEC Joint Working Group on Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime (JWG-CTTC) held in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 13-14 August 2018

Agriculture

06.08. Report of the Sixth Meeting of the BIMSTEC Expert Group on Agricultural Cooperation held in Chiang Rai, Thailand on 12-16 December 2017

Poverty Alleviation

06.09. Report of the First BIMSTEC Experts Group Meeting on Poverty Alleviation (EGMPA) held in Kathmandu, Nepal on 01 November 2017

06.10. Report of the Third Meeting of the BIMSTEC Senior Officials' Meeting on Poverty Alleviation held in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 19 December 2017

06.11. Report of the Third BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting on Poverty Alleviation held in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 20 December 2017

Public Health

06.12. Report of the First Meeting of the BIMSTEC Task Force on Traditional Medicine held in New Delhi, India on 24-25 October 2017

Administrative and Financial Matters

06.13. Report of the Special Meeting of the BIMSTEC Joint Working Group on the Establishment of the BIMSTEC Permanent Secretariat held in Dhaka, Bangladesh on 05 April 2018

06.14. Report of the Eighth Meeting of the BIMSTEC Joint Working Group on the Establishment of the BIMSTEC Permanent Secretariat held in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 10 July 2018

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL ISSUES

07. Consideration of the Secretariat's revised budget for FY 2017 and estimated budget for FY 2018

08. Consideration of the modalities for the procurement of a vehicle for the Secretariat

PREPARATION FOR THE FOURTH BIMSTEC SUMMIT

09. Finalization of the draft Provisional Agenda and the draft Report of the Sixteenth BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting

10. Finalization of the draft Provisional Agenda and draft Declaration of the Fourth BIMSTEC Summit

11. Status of BIMSTEC Agreements, MoUs and other Legal Instruments envisaged to be signed at the Fourth BIMSTEC Summit

OTHER ISSUES

12. Any Other Matters

13. Date and Venue of the Twentieth Session of the BIMSTEC Senior Officials' Meeting

REPORT ADOPTION

14. Consideration and Adoption of the Report of the Nineteenth Session of the BIMSTEC Senior Officials' Meeting

CLOSING OF THE MEETING

15. Closing of the Meeting
