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*Speaking time 1.05’*

Chairperson,

Portugal welcomes the delegation of Bangladesh and thanks it for the presentation of its national report.

We commend Bangladesh for the adoption of the Mental Health Act and the National Mental Health Policy.

Portugal **recommends** that Bangladesh:

- abolish the death penalty and ratify the second Optional Protocol to the ICCPR.

- adopt an adequately funded national strategy to address the potentially high number of hidden cases of Hansen’s disease, with a focus on combating discrimination and stigmatization.

- establish a national minimum wage and intensify labour inspections, to address forced labour cases and prevent occupational accidents.

Portugal wishes Bangladesh a successful review.

Thank you.

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