**Bangladesh statement in the review of the Third Cycle of UPR of Uruguay**

**Geneva, 23 January 2019**

Mr. President,

My delegation welcomes the Uruguayan delegation and appreciates the presentation of its national report.

We thank Uruguay for undertaking a number of legal and policy measures in line with its commitment to promote and protect human rights. Although the adoption of National Human Rights Plan, National Gender Equality Strategy 2030 and National Legal Protection Plan for PwDs 2015–2020 is encouraging, the United Nations country team found that there was still gap in the legislative framework on human rights. My delegation, would, therefore, like to recommend Uruguay to -

1. Take measures to remove the gender wage gap and meet several treaty bodies’ concerns;
2. Respect the rights guaranteed under international law of parents to raise and educate their children in accordance with their moral and religious convictions;
3. Adopt measures for full participation of Afro-Uruguayans at all levels of government and in decision-making positions in public and private sectors as recommended by CERD;
4. Take measure to improve “deplorable and unhealthy” living conditions found in some detention facilities.

We wish Uruguay a successful review.

Thank you.