Thank you Co chair, your excellences’ and distinguished members of member state and stake holders and the other participants in the hall. Good afternoon to you all.

I would like to express my appreciation to the govt of Indonesia and the city of Surabaya to host this event and the Habitat Secretariat in preparation of this meeting.

Bangladesh notes that the New Urban Agenda (NUA) is a progressive, comprehensive and aspirational document. We congratulate the drafting team and acknowledge their contribution. However, we understand that in draft "one" there will be more clarity in story line and process of drafting. We also believe that a better reflection of the outcomes of thematic and regional meetings, as well as the work of the Policy Units, is reflected in the document.

A new partnership paradigm is a prerequisite for exploring and finding innovative, disruptive and unusual urban solutions. The paragraph 113 It recognizes all present stakeholders’ engagement. The renewed partnership among stakeholders, local and sub national. We believe that with the participation of the relevant stakeholders who will generate evidence-based and practical guidance for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the urban dimension of the Sustainable Development Goals, in close collaboration with Member States and through the mobilization of experts. That we have already exercised in our MSDP Project in Mymensing. A secondary City of Bangladesh.

The Revised New Urban Agenda is composed of exhaustive 156 number of clauses which systematically cover all sort of issues, but all seems political statements of Global Politics. There is one missing tool for this NUA which is very much urgent to dig out the Implicit Genetic Code of each cities of the globe. Therefore, it is necessary to add the following in the Effective Implementation: “It is necessary to find out the Implicit Urban Genetic Code of Each City in the world by its political administration to materialize the NUA through delineate the Social Space of Each City in the Urbanized Global World.”

NUA is already piloted by Government of Bangladesh through the Project “Mymensingh Strategic Development Plan (MSDP) that I mentioned earlier.

Thank you very much for your attention

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