

Recruiting agencies' service charge shouldn't cross BDT 10,000 : BMET DG

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Dhaka : The service charge taken by recruiting agencies in Bangladesh to send labours to Malaysia should not exceed BDT 10,000, said Shahidul Alam, Director General, Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training (BMET) on December 27.

"It [service charge] should be reasonable," he claimed, during a workshop organised by BMET at its conference room in the capital.

Malaysia and Bangladesh recently signed a memorandum of understanding for employing Bangladeshis in the Southeast Asian country.

According to the expatriates' welfare ministry, costs incurred in Malaysia, including service charge taken by Malaysian recruiting agencies, will be borne by employers. The government is yet to fix a migration cost, which will be incurred in Bangladesh to send workers to Malaysia.

The accumulated amount should not be high, the DG mentioned, adding that they want the transactions made during migration to Malaysia to go through a bank or an online system.