

Subject: Kabir Steel Ship Breaking Limited further CLARIFICATION on the alleged incident dated 28 Mar 2016.

Chittagong, 03 May 2016

With reference to the REJOINER dated 26 April 2016 from NGO Ship Breaking Platform, we the Kabir Ship Breaking Limited would like to express our reservation/s under each para of the Platform's rejoinder as follows;

Accident and shooting at Kabir Steel Ship Breaking

We the management of Kabir Ship Breaking Limited would like to register our frustration on the rejoinder write-up from the platform. The incident had nothing to do with the core activities of Kabir Ship Breaking itself which are related to the recycling of ships.

There was no shooting instead these were some warning shots. This is totally untrue that the body of Sumon was ever taken into the yard. The truth was that the body was removed by shifting the lorry using the yard's own crane and then transferring the body to local police station using the yard's ambulance under the escort of the policemen. Local police / authority should have all the relevant records on this.

Despair of the local community

We the management of Kabir Ship Breaking limited can guarantee that we are having very friendly relationship with the people around us. We welcome the platform's own survey within the mentioned locality to find the fact, if otherwise.

Open questions

We know what the facts are. As such, we have absolutely no objection if the platform does its own survey to clear their doubt whatsoever.

Need for independent investigation and end of impunity

We do not have any reservation whatsoever for any investigation being carried out to satisfy the platform to clear their doubt.

Our society is most cohesive one in this part of the world. We speak same language, we have the same culture and we eat the similar food – all over Bangladesh. Further we are living in the world's most populated land. As such, in context of Bangladesh, people know each other more

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personally than from the other part of the world. But we can assure that we the Kabir Ship Breaking limited and/or other entities of ours never involve to any politics whatsoever.

Kabir Steel's claim of a safe work environment

We are 100% confident on our commitment for a safe work place for all including those for the environment. Since January 2015 – we have brought many changes in line with green policy. We are getting our workers' health being checked regularly ensuring that our workers can go back home after their duty in safe health.

Kabir Steel's claim to work in line with international standars

We do mean what we said. Also we know that so far for ISO 30001 or EU compliance there is no such scheme and/or decision for accreditation of such certifying body. Still we have gone for this on volunteer basis just to make our works according to the industry requirements. We think that the people should appreciate our effort for doing something in real.

Conclusion

We are always open to provide any clarification whatsoever on this issue at any time. Our intention is to make sure we all are in right track with correct information so that all are benefitted from our contribution to the society.

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