

CERTIFICATE GIVING CEREMONY ON CERTIFIED LEAD AUDITORS COURSE ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)



Industrial pollution has become a serious environmental problem for Bangladesh. Experience shows that apart from environmental pollution reduction, Environmental Management System (EMS) can reduce cost of production, improve house keeping and working conditions as well as reduce fire hazards for any industry. Environmental Management System (EMS) is an effective tool to reduce environmental pollution. However, there is a need for trained local professionals who can establish EMS in the industries to reduce pollution and increase the efficiency.

In this backdrop, Waste Concern in association with Swiss Contact- KATALYST (a project under the Ministry of Commerce, GoB) with collaboration of Bangladesh Plastic Goods Manufacturer and Exporters Association (BPGMEA) organized a 5 day long training program during March 5-9, 2007 on Advanced Environmental Management System (EMS) Auditing Course. This course, approved by the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA), UK and conducted by DNV a Norwegian company authorized to conduct the aforesaid course.

In all 20 participants from Department of Environment (DoE), Bangladesh University of Engg. and Technology (BUET), Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), World Health Organization (WHO), Waste Concern, Swiss Contact-KATALYST and industries under BPGMEA took part in the training program.

A certificate giving ceremony on Certified Lead Auditors Course on Environmental Management System (EMS) was held at the BRAC Center Inn on June 27, 2007. Dr. Khandaker Rashedul Haque, Director General of the Department of Environment (DoE) graced the ceremony as chief guest. Prof. Dr. Iraj Hossain of BUET, Md. Reazuddin, Director (Technical 1) of DoE and Mr. Harald Bekkers, Division Manager of Industry & Rural Sectors Division of Swissconatct-KATALYST were present as special guests. Mr. A. H. Md. Maqsood Sinha and Mr. Iftekhar Enayetullah of Waste Concern and Md. Jashimuddin, President of BPGMEA were also present on this occasion.

