

RSC's response to COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has left an unprecedented impact on the RMG sector both globally and domestically. As the COVID crisis continues to escalate through its 2nd wave, the RSC has been working with its stakeholders to improve the scenario with better outcomes. Delivering work orders in due course, while maintaining COVID-19 health and safety measures in the workplace has been a challenge for the supplier factories. Subsequently, on 6 September 2020, the RSC resumed its structural, electrical and fire safety inspections at the covered factories amid COVID-19 pandemic, so that the compliant factories can maintain their work order deadlines.

RSC has already urged its covered factories to prioritize their workers' safety. In doing so, the covered factories have been provided with a COVID-19 Checklist and factories were requested to utilize the labor-management factory safety committee to communicate these measures to workers. In addition, factories are required to provide pictorial evidence to ensure these practical measures are taken and maintained in order to prevent Covid-19 infections. Should the factory take all these measures, the RSC dispatched its engineers for relevant structural, electrical and fire safety inspections at the factory. All RSC engineers/employees have been provided with COVID-19 health and safety guidelines and PPE (personal protective equipment) to ensure their safety and wellbeing during factory inspections.



Temperature checkpoint



Covid-19 awareness Poster

As a part of minimizing risk factors, the RSC has commenced a fully virtual Safety Committee Safety Training (SCST) program for the factory workers and management and already completed more than one thousand safety training sessions (to date 1,435 sessions).

Since mid-2013, Bangladeshi RMG factories have demonstrated significant improvements in workplace safety. The goal of RSC is to carry forward these significant accomplishments through delivering a world-class workplace safety program. The RSC firmly believes that through its long-term commitment and dedication it will not only mitigate the impact of this COVID-19 pandemic but also will help to improve the GDP growth in Bangladesh.