

Bangladesh asks Myanmar to stop Rohingya exodus

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Dhaka: Raising alarm over continued influx of Rohingya Muslims, Bangladesh has asked Myanmar to immediately halt the exodus of Rohingyas and repatriate all their nationals staying in Bangladesh for years.

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Bangladesh has also expressed readiness to engage with Myanmar to discuss the process and modalities of repatriation to ensure a sustainable solution to the problem in the restive state of Rakhine, reports the Daily Times.

The offer was made at a bilateral meeting between visiting Myanmar State Minister for Foreign Affairs Kyaw Tin, also the special envoy of State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi and Bangladesh Foreign Minister A. H. Mahmood Ali.

The Myanmar delegation stated that it would take back 2,415 citizens from, which is only a small fraction of the 300,000 Myanmar citizens who took refuge, said meeting sources.

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina called for a resolution to the crisis during a meeting with Myanmar's deputy minister for foreign affairs Kyaw Tin in Dhaka.

"She said Myanmar should take back the Rohingya who migrated to Bangladesh," Hasina's spokesman Ihsanul Karim said.

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