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BGMEA's on the spot job fair today

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A day-long job fair will be held today to create job opportunities for those intend to build career in the country's apparel sector.

Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) and Skill for Employment Investment Programme (SEIP) are jointly organising the fair at International Conference Centre, Bashundhara, according to a BGMEA press release on Friday.

Commerce Minister Tofail Ahmed will inaugurate the fair in the morning while State Minister for Labour and Employment M Mujibul Haque will be present in the inaugural session.

About 40 garment factory owners will participate in the fair to pick their required workers and executives from about 1000 on the spot jobseekers.

Earlier, BGMEA president Siddiqur Rahman announced the details at a press briefing at the trade body's headquarters in the city on Thursday.

The BGMEA chief said the Finance Ministry took up the SEIP project in partnership with nine trade bodies and five public and private organisations to create 2,60,000 skilled manpower across the country by 2018.

He noted that BGMEA has tied up with the SEIP to create 43,800 skilled workers on 15 subjects by 2018 as per the requirement of the garment sector.

'BGMEA-SIEP project has already provided training to 20,000 people of which about 15,000 are operators and 5,000 are mid-level executives for garment factories. Of them, some 10,000 trainees have already got jobs in garment factories,' he said.

Siddique said this will be the first

such job fair in garment sector and BGMEA has a plan to organise such job fairs regularly.

'We hope the participation of garment factory owners will increase in the coming years,' he added.

