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**REMARKS BY  
U.S. AMBASSADOR TO BANGLADESH DAN MOZENA  
GE ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW POWER GENERATION  
DEALS  
LUNCHEON**

**Westin Hotel, Dhaka  
October 3, 2012**

The Honorable Dr. Tawfiq-e-Elahi Chowdhury, Energy Advisor to the Prime Minister  
Brigadier General (R) Enamul Hoque, Minister of State for Power, Energy and Mineral  
Resources

Ambassador Luis Tejada Chacon, Ambassador of Spain to Bangladesh

Mr. Jeff Immelt, Chairman, GE

Mr. Aziz Khan, Chairman, Summit Group

Mr. Luis Delso, CEO, Isolux

Other distinguished guests, colleagues, friends ...

Jeff Immelt ... I wish to thank you for hosting this luncheon and especially for your commitment to Bangladesh. I think you will find that your faith and trust in Bangladesh as a partner are well placed.

As GE's Chairman since 2001, Jeff is a man who wears many hats: leader, manager, boss, arbitrator, reconciler, innovator, creator .... So many different hats.

Today, here in Bangladesh, Jeff has added yet another hat ...

Midwife ... I bet you have never been labeled a midwife before, Jeff!

But, indeed, GE and its partners Summit and Isolux are helping to give birth to Asia's next Economic Tiger, the Royal Bengal Tiger.

This vision of the Royal Bengal Tiger strutting powerfully and proudly across the global economic stage is no fantasy of a creative ambassador ... no, it is a reality waiting to happen ... a reality where Bangladesh is the world's biggest exporter of ready-made garments and household textiles and a huge global player in footwear, finished leather goods, pharmaceuticals, IT, small freighter manufacture, frozen fish and shrimp, silk, jute, bone china ... the list goes on and on.

But this vision cannot become reality until certain challenges are overcome, and GE is already playing a critical role in helping Bangladesh overcome a critical shortage of power. GE's deals today and in February combined add 1000 MW of low cost power to the nation's grid, making efficient use of its gas resources. GE is prepared as well to help Bangladesh overcome capacity constraints of its railway system.

But GE brings even more to the table. GE has a well-deserved reputation as one of the world's most admired companies for its high ethical standards and exemplary corporate citizenship; GE is widely respected for its well-honed management practices and its never ending drive for innovation.

As attested by the visit of GE Chairman Jeff Immelt to Bangladesh, GE is deepening its engagement with Bangladesh. As always, GE is a market leader and a pioneer in international business. I believe that GE's growing commitments to Bangladesh will help other American businesses discover the opportunities of doing business in Bangladesh. Where GE leads the way, others surely will follow.

As America's ambassador to Bangladesh, I seldom feel the deep, deep pride that I feel at this very moment, knowing that America's business at its very best ... GE ... has come to Bangladesh. Neither I nor Bangladesh could ever expect a finer corporate partner.

I look forward to GE's continued growth in Bangladesh; this expanding partnership will help bring greater prosperity to America, to South Asia, and most particularly to the wonderful people of Bangladesh.

I am so deeply grateful to GE and its Chairman Jeff Immelt for making this all possible. Thank you.

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