

Dacca-Algiers ties to grow further

Mr. Abdel Kader Maachou, Adviser to the Algerian Ministry of Petroleum, left Dacca on Friday after attending the third periodic meeting of Algeria-Bangladesh joint cooperation in the field of petroleum and gas technology, reports BSS.

Mr. Maachou who was leading the Algerian delegation at the meeting held in Dacca from March 21 to March 24 told reporters at the airport that bilateral cooperation between his country and Bangladesh would further grow in the future.

About the nature of help that Algeria would extend to Bangladesh in establishing a petroleum institute Mr. Maachou said initially the Algerian assistance will be of advisory nature but added that material

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help might also be forthcoming in the later stage.

He said a joint committee was formed with Algerian and Bangladeshi officials to look into the matter of setting up the proposed institute. Besides, two other committees were formed for selection and recruitment of Bangladeshi technicians and students for training and teachers for recruitment in Algeria.

The Algerian delegation during its visit in Bangladesh has informed the Bangladesh Government that the Algerian Institute of Petroleum would recruit 15 Bangladeshi teachers for basic sciences and mechanical engineering.

Mr. Maachou was seen off at the airport by Dr. Nazrul Islam, Chairman of Petro-bangla.