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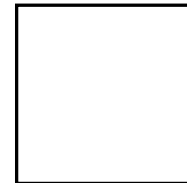
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# Map of Bangladesh



# About Bangladesh

The People's Republic of Bangladesh is a 147,570 sq. km deltaic country with a population of approximately 170 million and Dhaka, a city that is over 400 years old, is its capital.

The Father of the Nation of Bangladesh, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, led the country to independence after a nine-month (26 March – 16 December 1971) war of liberation from the then West Pakistan. As such, the people of Bangladesh celebrate their day of Independence and National Day on 26 March and their Victory Day on 16 December.

The official language is Bangla, but English is also widely spoken. The people of Bangladesh heroically fought for their mother tongue, Bangla, on 21 February in 1952, and then later in 1999, the UNESCO decided to officially recognize the day as the International Mother Language Day and it has been observed since 2000 by people all around the world.

The vast majority of its population are Muslims, however, people of other faiths such as Hinduism, Christianity and Buddhism have been living in harmony for centuries as well. People of all faiths celebrate the Pohela Boishakh (First day of Bangla New Year on 14 April) in a grand manner along with celebrating various other national festivals all throughout the year.

The current working labour force of almost 65 million people is comprised of about 36% women. Bangladesh is the second largest exporter of Readymade Garments (RMG) and other quality products such as pharmaceuticals, leather, ceramics, jute, electronics and light engineering products, shrimps and other frozen fish, agricultural produces and handicrafts.

Bangladesh's over 410 billion USD economy is fast-approaching towards half a trillion USD and is expected to do so in just two years' time with the current exports earnings of 40 billion USD, remittance of about 25 billion USD and foreign currency reserve of 46 billion USD.

Under the dynamic leadership of current Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, daughter of Father of the Nation, Bangladesh has graduated from being a LDC (Least Developed Country) to a Developing MIC (Middle-Income Country). In order to materialize the 'Vision-2041' of being a fully developed country of the world, the Hon'ble Prime Minister undertook several massive development projects.

Today, Bangladesh takes pride in building one of the largest and economically transformational infrastructure project of the 6.15 km-long both road and railway Padma Bridge of 3.65 billion USD, to be opened for traffic by end of 2022, completely by self-finance! Bangladesh's development story, especially the implementation of ongoing and future mega projects, has earned it the reputation in the region as a hotspot for global investment.

The people of Bangladesh are known for their warm hospitality and welcoming attitude. Please do visit Bangladesh to see its unique nature and people!



## Foreword

It gives me immense pleasure to bring out this photography book "Glimpses of Bangladesh" highlighted photographs of two award winning Bangladeshi photographers- Mr. Mustafiz Mamun and Mr. Abdul Momin. The Embassy of Bangladesh in the Kingdom of Bahrain has arranged a Photo Exhibition of those two photographers at the Seef Mall, Manama in May 2022 in association with the Colours of the East, a Bahraini Art Gallery. The objective of the exhibition was to showcase nature, beauty and the people of Bangladesh to people of Bahrain. This book contains those amazing pictures of beautiful Bangladesh! I am sure visitors to the exhibition will love those beautiful shots of those two talented photographers. We bring out this publication to present these special photos to wider audience in the Kingdom of Bahrain and beyond. I am confident after seeing these beautiful places and people of Bangladesh, readers of the book will be interested to visit the country-Beautiful Bangladesh- at their earliest opportunity.

I would like to express my appreciation to President of Bangladesh Travel Writers Association, Mr. Ashrafuzzaman Uzzal for his support to organise the photo exhibition. I am also grateful to Architect Mahdi Al Jallawi, CEO of the Colours of the East for his full cooperation in arranging the exhibition. Our special thanks to the two photographers Mr. Mustafiz Mamun and Mr. Abdul Momin for their dedication to capture beautiful shots of Bangladesh. We express our deep appreciation to the sponsors of the photo exhibition as well as printing of this book.

Dr. Md. Nazrul Islam  
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*People paying tribute at the National Memorial (Jatiya Smriti Shoudha)  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*Celebration of the International Mother Language Day at Central Shaheed Minar  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*Aparajeyo Bangla "Unvanquished Bengal" - a Liberation War sculpture  
- Mustafiz Mamun*



*Bangabandhu's crop field  
mosaic in Sherpur, Bogra  
breaks Guinness World Records  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*The Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur, Dhaka  
- Mustafiz Mamun*

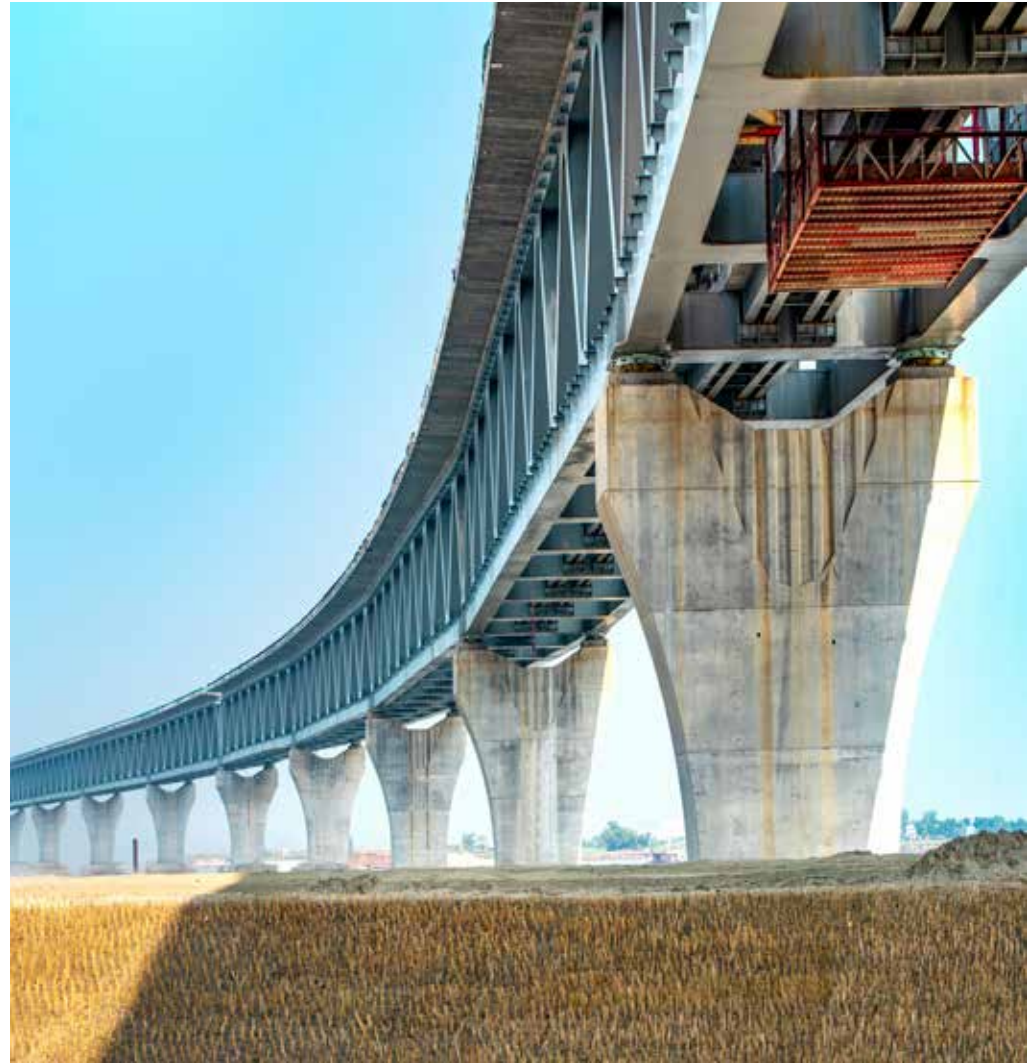




*A snap shot of Bangladeshi all rounder Shakib Al Hasan during the Asia cup Final Match - 2012  
- Mušafiz Mamun*





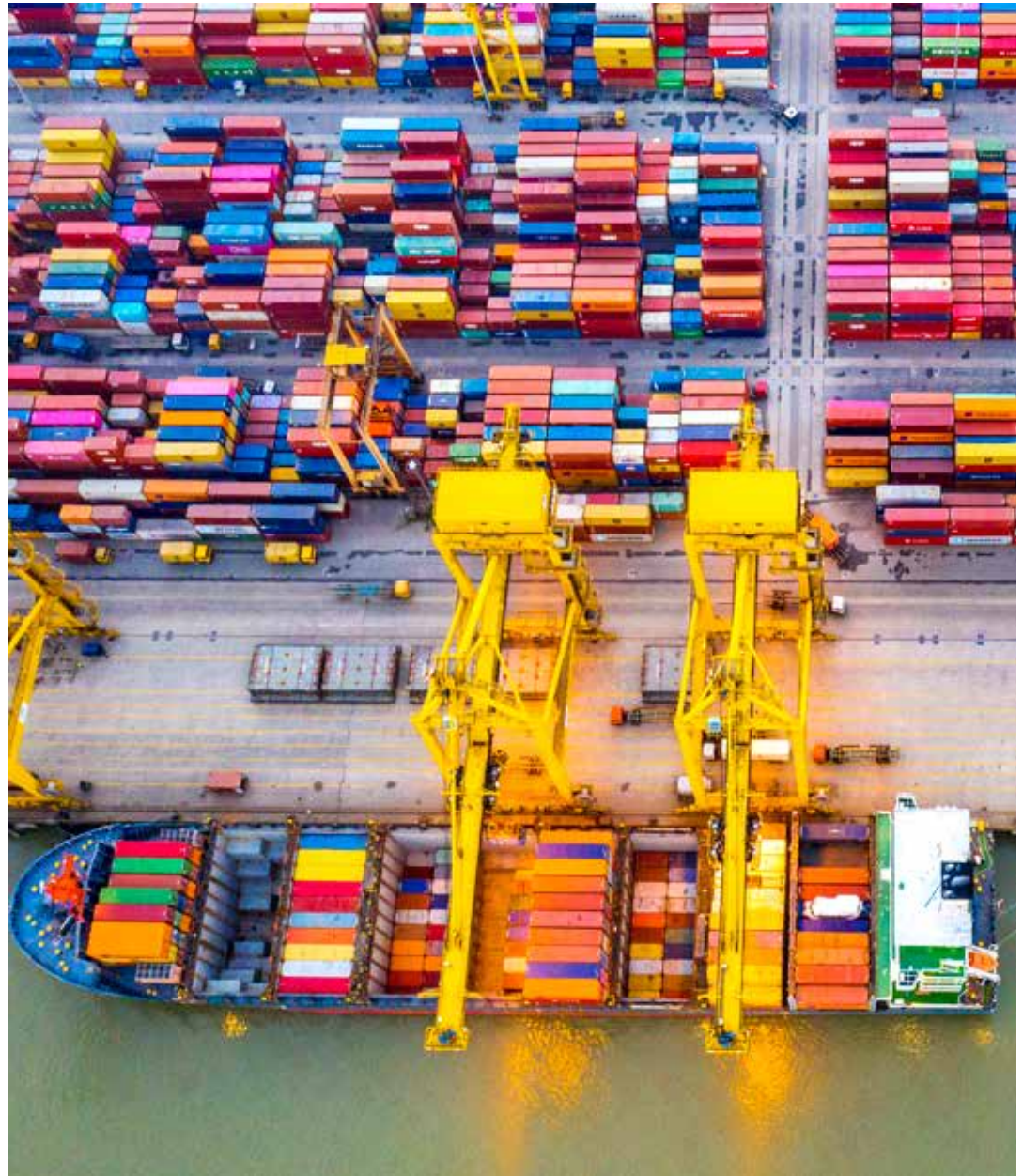


*The 6.15 k.m. Long Padma Bridge, completely constructed by self finance!  
- Abdul Momin*









*The Chittagong Port- the main sea port of Bangladesh, on the banks of the Karnaphuli River  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*Jute- Economically and Environmentally sustainable agricultural products  
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*A largest traditional sailing wooden boat  
-Mustafiz Mamun*



*Beautiful naf which divides Bangladesh and Myanmar  
-Abdul Momin*





*Traditional pottery industry  
-Abdul Momin*





*Traditional cane-made handicrafts  
-Abdul Momin*





*The world longest natural sea beach in Cox Bazar  
-Abdul Momin*





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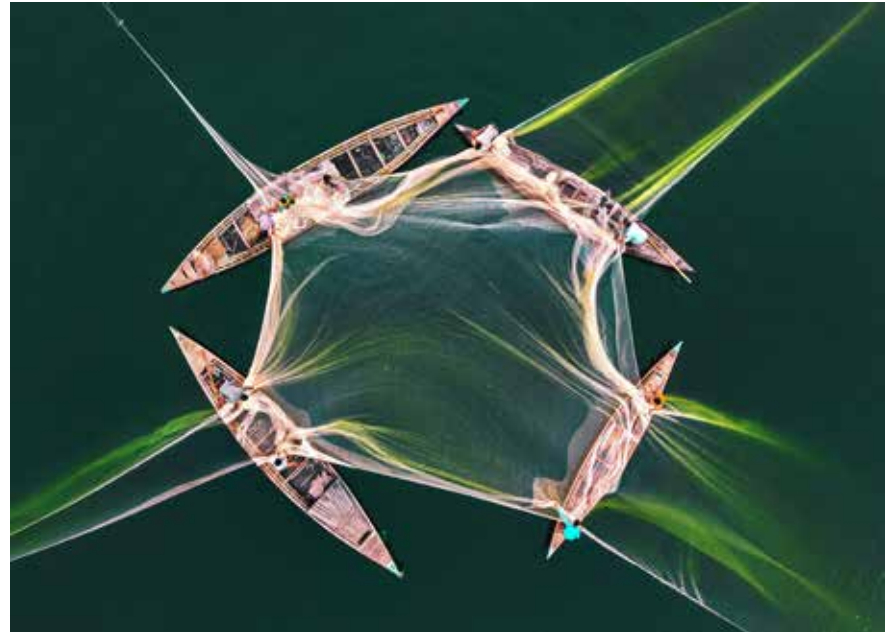


*Fishing boats at Teknaf, Cox's Bazar  
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*A traditional boat racing on karatoa river  
-Abdul Momin*





*Paddle steamer (Rocket) on the Gabkhan Channel, Jhalakathi  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*Beautiful Kaptai Lake  
-Abdul Momin*





*Star Island - Kaptai Lake  
-Abdul Momin*





*Saint Martin (Coral Island) - A Peace of paradise on bay of Bengal  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*A resort at Saint Martins Island also known as 'Narikel Jinjira', is the only coral island in Bangladesh  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*Traditional fishing boats (Sampan) at Saint Martin Island  
-Abdul Momin*





*Children playing in the Mustard Field  
-Abdul Momin*





*A winter morning  
- Abdul Momin*





*A foggy winter morning  
- Abdul Momin*





*Green paddy field at Jamalganj, Sunamganj  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*Floating vegetable garden at Najirpur of Pirojpur  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*Farmers on their way to sell their harvested pineapples using bicycles*  
*- Mustafiz Mamun*





*Watermelon wholsale market  
- Abdul Momin*





*Kanshat mango market- the largest wholesale mango market in Bangladesh  
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*Farmers use small boats to sell guava / traditional fruits on floating market at Jhalakathi  
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*Bottle Gourd market  
-Abdul Momin*





*Cauliflower wholesale market  
-Abdul Momin*





*Corn harvesting*  
*-Abdul Momin*





*Red potatoes  
Abdul Momin*









*Red Chili Pepper Sorting  
Abdul Momin*





*Smiling Girl  
- Abdul Momin*





*Lotus Boy  
- Abdul Momin*









*World largest mangrove forest Sundarbans- a UNESCO world heritage site  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*A scenic view of bandarban  
-Abdul Momin*





*The scenic beauty of Shari River in Sylhet  
- Abdul Momin*









*Spectacular view of a Tea Garden in Sylhet - Bangladesh ranks 4th in the world in tea production  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*Somapura Mahavihara - a UNESCO world heritage site in Paharpur, Naogaon  
-Abdul Momin*





*Shait-Gumbad (Sixty Dome) Mosque- a UNESCO world heritage site  
- Abdul Momin*





*Eid prayer at Baitul Mukarram National Mosque  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*Bishwa Ijtema - one of the biggest Muslim congregations in the world  
- Abdul Momin*





*A photo of funeral of Marma ethnic in Bandarban  
-Mustafiz Mamun*





*Dancers from the Monipuri ethnic community  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





*A baul singer performing a Lalon song  
- Mustafiz Mamun*





People of all faiths celebrating of Bangla New Year (Pahela Baishakh) - Mustafiz Mamun







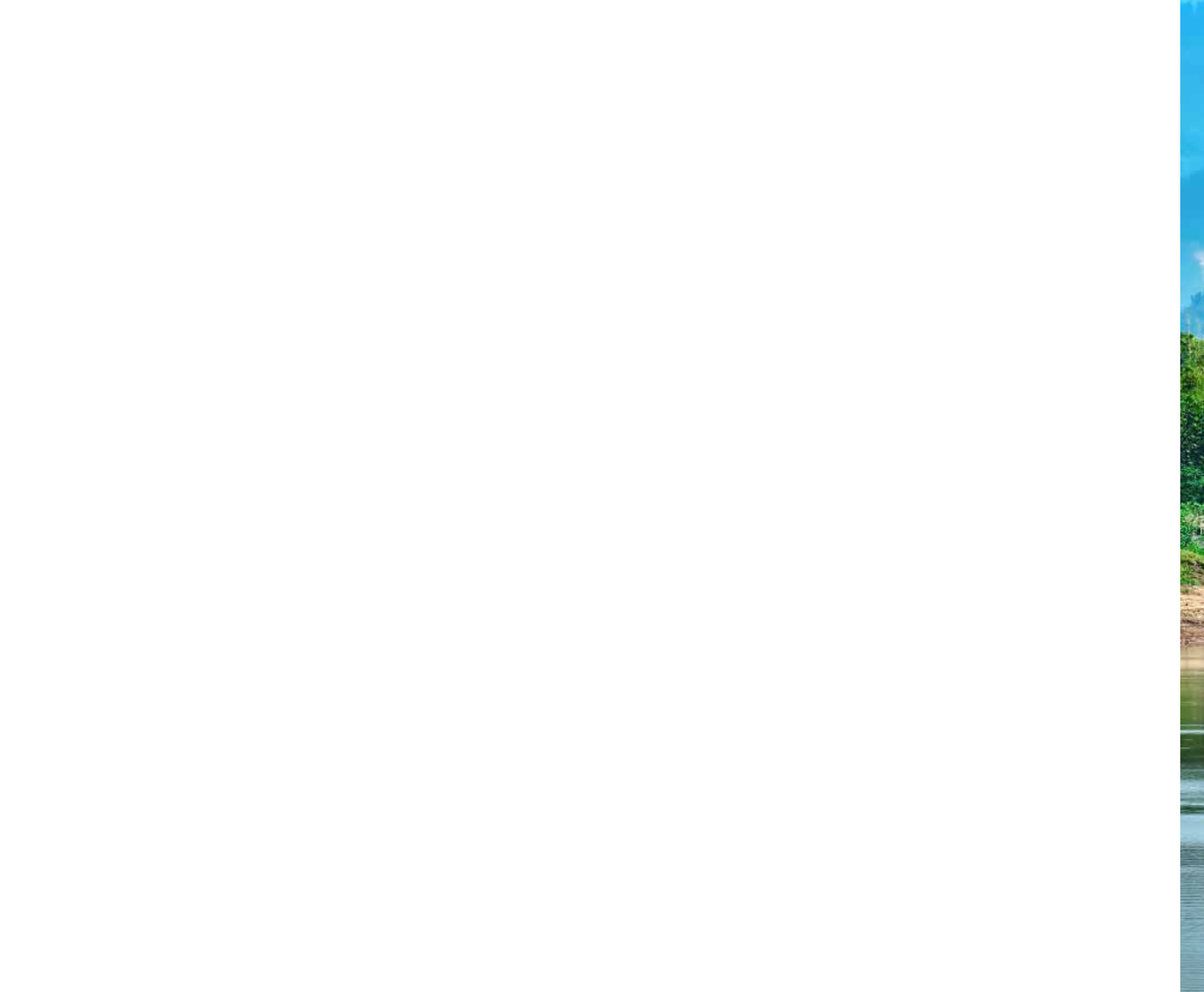
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