

Chapter 03 Overseas Employment

3.1 Overseas Employment

Bangladesh Overseas Employment and Services Limited (BOESL) is the only state-owned manpower exporting company in Bangladesh. Since its inception in 1984, BOESL is playing a pivotal role in ensuring the employment of skilled, low-skilled, and professional workers abroad in a regular, safe and ethical migration process and successfully implementing all policies and goals related to foreign employment of the government.

BOESL has over 36 years of practical experience in overseas employment. It has successfully sent expatriate workers to 32 countries around the world. In the financial year 2023-24, BOESL successfully secured overseas employment of 15,558 workers in several destination countries worldwide at low or zero cost of migration. Besides this, in this long journey of around four decades, BOESL has achieved some milestones which established this organization as a unique one in the respective sector. Such as-

- Since its establishment in 1984 till June 2023, a total of 1, 60,175 workers have been sent to 33 countries.
- A total of 1, 06,253 RMG sector workers were sent to Jordan from 2010 till June 2024.
- Up to 33,374 professional and skilled workers have been sent to different countries around the globe from 2010 till June 2024.
- In addition, at the beginning of its establishment, BOESL sent 10,000 workers to Iraq under the G to G protocol in 1986.

3.2 Migration trend wave (1984-2023)

From 1984 to 2009, a total of 17,965 people migrated with employment through BOESL. On the other hand, from 2020-11 to 2022-23 financial year, a total of 1,27,612 workers have migrated to different destinations.

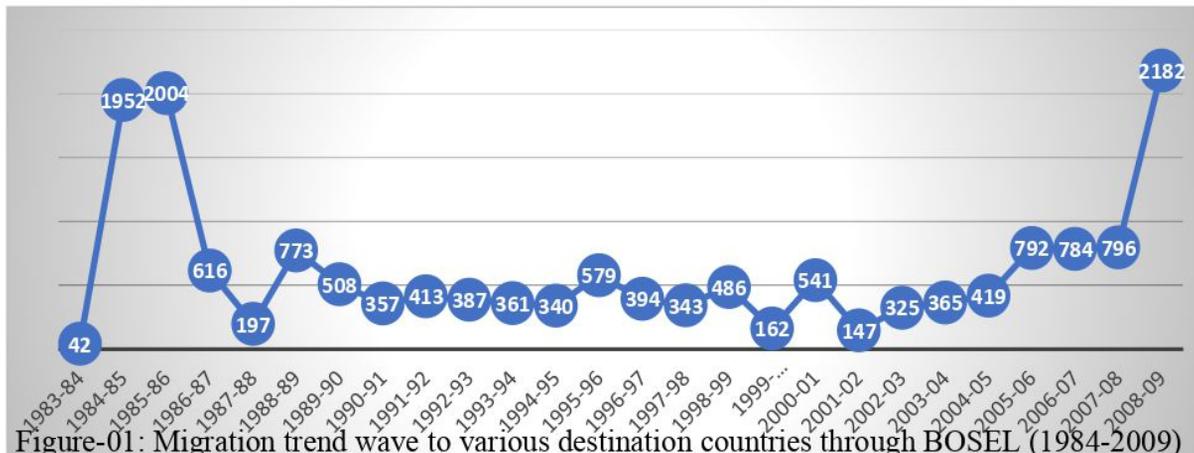


Figure-01: Migration trend wave to various destination countries through BOESL (1984-2009)

3.3 Country-wise Labour Migration

Fiscal Year															Country wise Total
Country	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	
Jordan	3539	3206	5256	5329	7800	7283	8354	8765	9494	7463	5549	15735	6978	11502	106253
Oman	-	125	15	7	5	739	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1091
UAE	7	8	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Bahrain	7	200	265	330	402	332	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1536
Qatar	29	4	2	1	-	-	121	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	162
Egypt	-	54	94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	148
South Korea	2886	1405	1428	2013	1927	2477	1565	2215	2012	983	-	2368	6749	3019	31047
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	754	766	1520
Maldives	-	-	-	-	18	7	3	48	8	-	-	-	-	14	98
Botswana	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Japan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	2	3	20	28
Mauritius	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	-	19	16	-	107
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	5	24	5	-	41
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	9	1	15
Croatia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	7	17
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	140	39	179
Kuwait	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	93	578	6	677
Fiji	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	125	155
Bolgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	51
Lebanan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Russia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	5	37
Total	6469	5002	7081	7680	10,152	10838	10243	11033	11517	8525	5556	18254	15294	15558	143,201