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Barua stresses boosting productivity

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Industries Minister Dilip Barua Sunday stressed the need for boosting productivity for the country's socioeconomic development.

He said most of the developed countries, especially Asia's economic giants -- Japan, India, Malaysia, Indonesia, have earned economic prosperity by giving priority to small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

"The government is putting its best efforts to ensure rapid green industrialisation by boosting productivity in the industrial sector," he said while addressing the inaugural session of a training workshop titled 'Total Quality Management for SMEs in the Service Sector'.

Asian Productivity Organisation (APO) and National Productivity Organisation (NPO) under the Industries Ministry arranged the 5-day international workshop at Ruposhi Bangla Hotel in the city.

The government has taken proper initiative to solve the problem of regulation and marketing-related troubles in the SMEs sector, Dilip Barua mentioned adding: "We are taking the experience from the developed countries in this connection."

He said the government has decided to give national productivity and quality awards to encourage the entrepreneurs for boosting productivity in their industrial units.

APO Programme Officer Kritchai Anakamane, and NPO Director Dr M Nazrul Islam and Joint Director Abdul Baki Chowdhury also spoke at the inaugural session, chaired by APO Bangladesh Country Director and Industries Secretary M Moinuddin Abdullah.

The speakers at the workshop said industrialisation is going more competitive because of creative invention and innovation of new technological tools pouring fuel in the competition.

Some 24 participants from Bangladesh, Fiji, Indonesia, Malaysia, Iran, India, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam are attending the workshop.