PHL Embassy in Dhaka Hosts Cocktail Reception for the Filipino Delegates to the 16th Dhaka International Film Festival

From left: Film producer of "Bomba" (The Bomb) Mr. Dennis Evangelista, lead actor of "Bomba" (The Bomb) Mr. Allen Dizon, Ambassador Vicente Vivencio T. Bandillo, and Dhaka International Film Festival Director Mr. Ahmed Muztaba Zamal.

20 January 2018, Dhaka- The Philippine Embassy in Dhaka hosted a cocktail reception for the Filipino delegates participating in the 16th Dhaka International Film Festival (DIFF) on 18 January 2018 at the Ascott Palace, Baridhara, Dhaka, attended by the members of the diplomatic corps in Bangladesh, the Filipino community in Dhaka, and the DIFF organizers and international delegates.

The event highlighted the contribution of the Philippines and Filipino film makers in the global scene through innovative films, particularly the continued participation of Philippines films in the Dhaka International Film Festival.

Ambassador Vicente Vivencio T. Bandillo, in his speech, emphasized the "importance of films and film making and their role in recording a people's social and cultural history, including performances and dances, which provide evidence of their ways of life, expression, and even speech, therefore making films not just a device for storytelling but a register of a people's psyche and social trends reflecting morals of a period and moods of an era. "

Ambassador Bandillo delivers his welcome remarks

The three Filipino films participating in the 16th DIFF are "The Decaying" directed by Mr.Sonny Calvento and competing under the Cinema of the World Category, "Baconaua" (Sea Serpent) produced by Mr. Ferdinand Lapuz, and "Bomba", (The Bomb) directed by Mr. Ralston Jover and produced by Mr. Dennis Evangelista , both of which compete under the Asian Competition Category. **END**