



Dhaka: The promised Chinese medical supplies including much needed 10,000 test kits to help combat deadly COVID-19 arrived here yesterday afternoon.

A special aircraft of Chinese government landed at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport (HSIA) here around 4.30 pm with the supplies that also included 10,000 PPE (personal protection equipment) for frontline doctors and 1,000 infrared thermometers.

Chinese Ambassador in Dhaka Li Jinmig formally handed over the supplies to high officials of health ministry at HSIA here.

The Chinese envoy said Bangladesh government and people had helped China earlier in combating with coronavirus and “we are just doing something in return for our Bangladeshi friends.”

China stands beside Bangladesh as a trustworthy and reliable partner, he added.

On March 17, the Chinese Embassy in Dhaka informed the concerned ministries here about its government’s decision to donate emergency anti-epidemic medical supplies, including a large number of test kits to Bangladesh.

Earlier, the Chinese Embassy here handed over 500 COVID-19 test kits to Bangladesh authority as the first batch of medical supplies, official of Chinese embassy said here.