

Bangladesh now has 150 green garment factories -- highest in the globe

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Bangladesh now has the highest number of green garment factories in the globe with the Leadership in Environmental and Energy in Design (LEED) certification given by the United States Green Building Council (USGBC).

Even a few months ago, the number of green buildings was 144, but this month the tally touched 150 with the last one's inclusion in the list on October 7, according to Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association.

Of the 150, some 44 are platinum rated, 93 are gold, 9 are silver standard and four are just certified.

Some 500 more garment factories are waiting to be certified LEED by the USGBC.

Currently, nine of the top 10 green garment factories and 40 of the top 100 are located in Bangladesh, as the local garment suppliers have been strengthening workplace safety with the recommendations from the Accord and Alliance, two foreign building inspection and remediation agencies formed after the Rana Plaza building collapse in April 2013 when some 1,138 workers died.