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Later, the Bangladeshis took shelter in an old camp at their employer's institution.

On Feb 18, their camp was yet again attacked and they were driven out into a madrasa.

The workers alleged that during then, even after repeated requests, the Bangladeshi Embassy in Libya didn't provide them with any support.

Later, the stranded Bangladeshis were able to reach to an Egyptian frontier with the assistance of a number of Libyan citizens.

The workers further alleged that the authorities at the Bangladeshi Embassy in Libya had not even taken any initiative to repatriate them, whereas many other embassies were quite prompt in sending back their citizens to their homeland.

The Bangladeshi workers were flown home between Mar 2 and Mar 4, with the assistance of the International Organisation for Migration (IOM).

The workers at the press brief pressed for a 10-point demand, including employment of the repatriated Bangladeshi workers on a priority basis, providing them with interest free bank loans, and arranging compensation from the Libyan government.

The organisation's joint convenor Abu Syed read out the written statement at the press brief.

A number of key figures of the organisation, among others, also attended the press briefing.

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