Dhaka, August 13: Bangladesh U-15 national football team is geared up to grab on to the title of the Saff U-15 Championship scheduled to be held at Nepal from August 18.

The team, guided under former national defender Parvez Babu, is scheduled to fly for the Himalayan state on Wednesday.

In the official press meet held at the BFF House on Sunday, coach Parvez Babu hoped to put the best in order to retain the title.

Bangladesh had won the title in the last edition and the coach wants to continue the success spree. "We are the defending champions, and it will act as our motivation to uphold the flag of the country again."

The coach says hosts Nepal and India both are title contenders, and Bangladesh will first target the semis and will think about the next step then.

Talking about the preparation, Parvez Babu said he was satisfied with it. "We worked hard for over a month, we have 11 players from BKSP and other players who have played in the Super Mokh Cup. I know them, and I am confident with them. We will try our best to succeed."

Skipper Ziad Hossain puts the faith in his team, and said the performance was satisfactory. "The coach always said that we will fly to Nepal to be the champions and we are prepared for the hard times ahead. We are confident of our strengths," the youngster added.

Bangladesh is pitted in the group A facing Sri Lanka on August 18 and will face Bhutan on August 22 to complete the group matches.

Full Squad and contingent to Nepal -

Goal Keepers

Mohammed Emon Hawlader Md Sameule Bashar Lemon Hossen

Defenders

Md Saiful Islam Yeasin Arafat Nazmul Biswas Rony Kumer Md Jehad Hossain Sadekujaman Fahim

Md Runi Hadeir

Midfielders

Md Minhazul Karim Shadin Mohammed Raja Sheikh Md Faysal Ahmed Fahim Md Arif Hossain Md Mojibor Rahman Jony Shantu Das Akkas Ali Dipok Roy Md Nahian Md Akash

Forwards

Md Habibur Rahman Md Miraj Molla Md Uzzal Hossen

Team Manager - Mohammad Amer Khan, Head Coach - Mostofa Anwar Parvez, Assistant Coaches - Md Mahboob Alam Paulo, Ahasunuzzaman Jhatu, Goalkeeper Coach - Jahan E Alam Nury, Physio - Md Shazive Shams Bakshi, Team attendant - Md MohsinÂÂ