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# Migration, debt and resource backwash: how sustainable is Bangladesh-Gulf circular migration?

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1. Precautionary savings and assets are resources that protect against risk. Precautionary savings and assets result from the knowledge that the future is uncertain (Carroll & Kimball, [2006](#)).
2. Some surveys of migrants earning in GCC countries show that Bangladeshi migrant workers earn significantly less than migrant workers of other nationalities. For example, using survey data from 1189 migrant workers in Qatar, Gardner et al. ([2013](#)) shows the mean earnings of Bangladeshi migrant workers in Qatar is QR 1050 (US\$400), which is the lowest among different nationalities in GCC.

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