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Introduction

Islamic banking is a special kind of banking system. The elimination of Riba makes Islamic banking system unique and widely acceptable especially among the Muslims. The Islamic banking system is mainly based on Quranic norms and Sunnah. In this system, the risk as well as returns on investment is equally shared between the stakeholders.

The Islamic finance industry has established substantially over the last ten years. Conventional banks are also now opening Islamic branches and windows due to public demand. At present, besides conventional banking services, seventeen (17) conventional commercial banks are providing Islamic banking services through thirty four (34) Islamic banking branches and eleven (11) conventional commercial banks are providing Islamic banking services through five-hundred and thirty four (534) Islamic banking windows. It should be mentioned that seven (7) conventional commercial banks are providing Islamic banking services through branch and window both (page 2).

The journey of Islamic banking started with the aim of conducting banking business in accordance with Islamic Shariah in Muslim countries all over the world. The journey of the Islamic banking in Bangladesh began in the 1983s with the establishment of Islami Bank Bangladesh PLC. Later on, in 1987, the second Islamic bank of the country, the Al Baraka Bank Ltd was established. However, in 1996, two more banks, Al-arafah Islami Bank Ltd and Social Investment Bank Ltd were given clearance to operate under the Islamic banking principles. Therefore, they also started banking activities following Islamic Sharia'h. In Jul 2001, another bank namely Shahjalal Islami bank Ltd began its operations. Subsequently, two traditional banks namely EXIM Bank Ltd and First Security Bank was converted to Islamic bank, and in 2004 EXIM bank started operations as full-fledged Islamic bank.

After some time the fourth generation bank Union Bank Limited (UBL) started its journey as an Islamic bank in Bangladesh on 07 March 2013. NRB Global Bank was converted into an Islamic bank in January 2021 and renamed as Global Islami Bank Limited (GIBL). Then in January 2022, another conventional bank, Standard Bank Limited, was transformed into an Islamic bank. According to Bangladesh Bank, there are ten full-fledged Islamic banks operating in Bangladesh.

The detailed list of Islamic Banks is given below (including branch and window based Islamic Banks:

A. Full-fledged Islamic Banks:

1. Islami Bank Bangladesh PLC (IBBPLC)
2. Al Arafah Islami Bank PLC (AIBPLC)
3. Social Islami Bank PLC (SIBPLC)
4. Standard Bank Limited (STBL)
5. Export Import Bank of Bangladesh Limited (EXBL)
6. First Security Islami bank PLC (FSIBPLC)
7. Shahjalal Islami Bank PLC (SJIBPLC)
8. Union Bank PLC (UNBPLC)
9. Global Islami Bank PLC (GIBPLC)
10. ICB Islamic Bank Limited (ICBIBL)

B. Conventional Banks having Islamic Banking Branches:

1. AB Bank PLC (ABBPLC)
2. The City Bank PLC (CBPLC)
3. IFIC Bank PLC (IFICBPLC)
4. United Commercial Bank PLC (UCBPLC)
5. Pubali Bank PLC (PUBBPLC)
6. National Credit and Commerce Bank PLC (NCCBPLC)
7. Prime Bank PLC (PRIBPLC)
8. Southeast Bank PLC (SEBPLC)
9. Dhaka Bank PLC (DBPLC)
10. Mercantile Bank Limited (MERBL)
11. One Bank PLC (OBPLC)
12. Bangladesh Commerce Bank Limited (BCBL)
13. The Premier Bank PLC (PREBPLC)
14. Jamuna Bank PLC (JAMBPLC)
15. Bank Alfalah Limited (BAFL)
16. NRB Bank Limited (NRBBL)
17. Bengal Commercial Bank Limited (BGCBL)

C. Conventional Banks having Islamic Banking Windows:

1. Agrani Bank PLC (ABPLC)
2. Rupali Bank Limited (RBL)
3. Sonali Bank PLC (SBPLC)
4. Standard Chartered Bank (SCB)
5. Mutual Trust Bank PLC (MTBPLC)
6. Bank Asia Limited (BASL)
7. Trust Bank Limited (TBL)
8. NRBC Bank PLC (NRBCBPLC)
9. South Bangla Agriculture and Commerce Bank PLC (SBACBPLC)
10. Meghna Bank PLC (MEGBPLC)
11. Midland Bank Limited (MDBL)

In the context of Bangladesh, the extent of Islamic banking is increasing rapidly like other Muslim countries all over the world. Islamic banking which is governed by Islamic shariah is running at the same pace as conventional banking in terms of many financial indicators and it will refrain from accepting or paying any type of Riba. In this perspective Islamic banking is entirely different from conventional banking. That's why a separate, well organized and presentable publication is required to disseminate the contemporary statistics related to Islamic banking time to time. To accomplish this task Statistics Department of Bangladesh Bank has taken necessary initiatives and issued a circular [STD Circular No-2, Date: 06-02-2022] for the Islamic banking in Bangladesh. Following this circular, all full-fledged Islamic banks, IB branches and windows operating in Bangladesh started to provide monthly data related to Islamic banking on a regular basis through a prescribed template. The underlying publication has been prepared on the basis of information provided by the Islamic banking system of Bangladesh. This publication will be helpful for policy maker to formulate new policies for Islamic banking as well as for practitioners and researchers of Islamic banking and finance.

Executive Summary

(July 2024)

Deposits:

The Islamic Banking Deposits (outstanding) in Bangladesh during the last nine months shows more or less an upward trend. Total Islamic Banking Deposits reached its maximum in Jun'24 and it is recorded as BDT 440427 Crore, which is decreased by BDT 3014 crore (0.68%) and reached to BDT 437413 Crore in Jul'24. (Fig.1, Table-3)

Investments:

The Islamic Banking Investments (outstanding) in Bangladesh during the last nine months shows a conspicuous upward linear trend. Here, total Islamic Banking Investments reached its maximum in Jul'24 and it is recorded as BDT 514841 Crore which is increased by BDT 1107 crore (0.22%) from BDT 513734 crore in Jun'24. (Fig.2, Table-3)

Assets:

Over the nine months period the Islamic Banking Assets in Bangladesh shows a mixed behavior. Here Islamic Banking Assets fall down after Nov'23 gradually and reaches its minimum in Jan'24 and after that rises up again gradually and reaches its maximum in Jun'24 recorded as BDT 853397 Crore which is decreased by BDT 17665 crore (2.07%) and reached to BDT 835732 crore in Jul'24. (Fig.3, Table-3)

Export Receipts:

Over the nine months period the export receipts through Islamic Banking remain stagnant. Here variation is also negligible. In addition, in Jul'24 total export receipts through Islamic Banking stood at BDT 7526 which is decreased by BDT 226 crore (2.91%) from BDT 7751 crore in Jun'24. (Fig.4, Table-3)

Fig. 1: Deposits

(BDT in Crore)

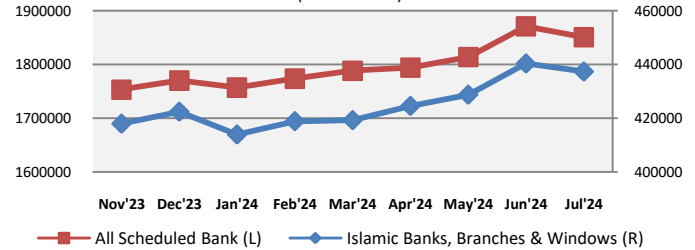


Fig. 2: Investments (BDT in Crore)

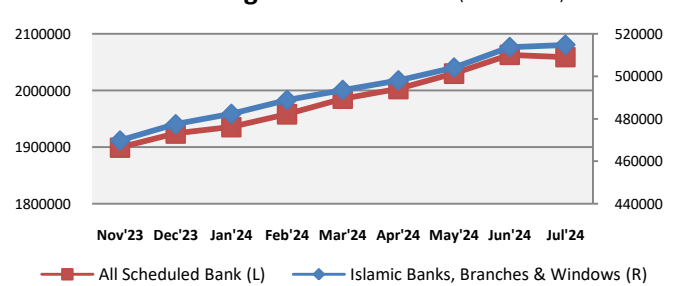


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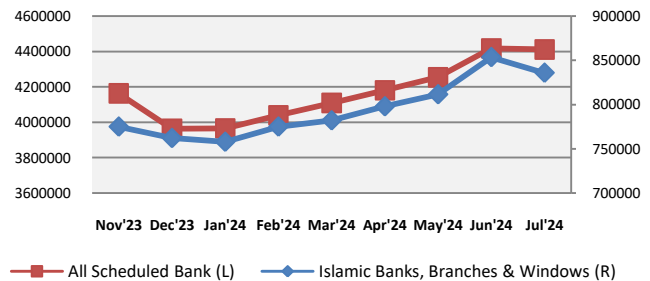
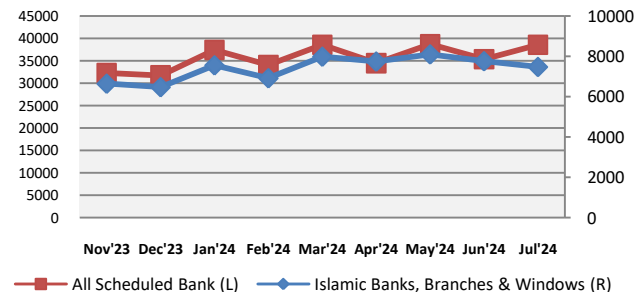


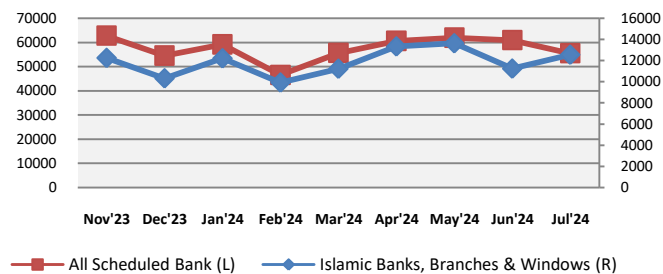
Fig. 4: Export Receipts (BDT in Crore)



Import Payments:

Over the nine months period the import payments through Islamic Banking shows similar pattern like export receipts. In Jul'24 total import payments through Islamic Banking stood at BDT 12483 crore which is increased by BDT 1252 crore (11.15%) from BDT 11231 crore in Jun'24. (Fig.5, Table-3)

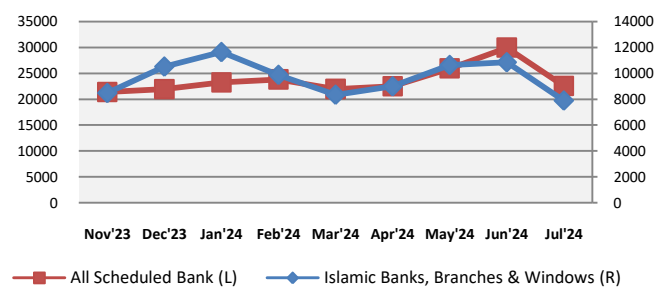
Fig. 5: Import Payments (BDT in Crore)



Wage Earner's Remittances:

The wage earners remittance through Islamic Banking remains more or less same throughout the last nine months period but exceptionally it drastically fell down in Jul'24 and reached to its minimum. Generally, growth of wage earners remittance depends on several factors like number of expatriates, festivals, different occasions, incentives, locations of banks, easy to access to the banking service, Political stability and the last but not the least preference of client about the bank. However, in Jul'24 total wage earner's remittances through Islamic Banking reached to its minimum at BDT 7892 which is decreased by BDT 2953 crore (27.23%) from BDT 10845 crore in Jun'24. (Fig.6, Table-3)

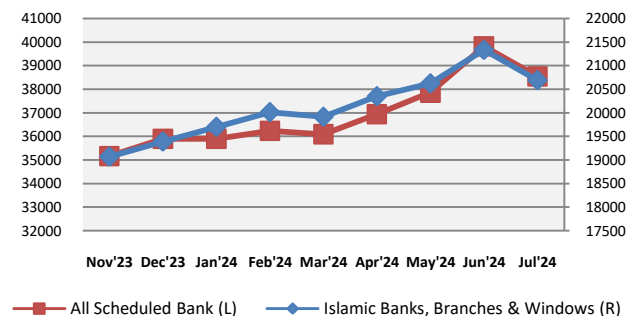
Fig. 6: Wage Earner's Remittances (BDT in Crore)



Agent Banking Deposits:

The agent banking deposits (outstanding) in Islamic Banking shows an upward trend clearly during the last nine months period except in Jul'24. That means monthly agent banking deposits in Islamic banking are increasing day by day which further indicates the savings mentality is being grown among the banking service recipients align with the increasing of bank agents. However, in Jul'24 the total agent banking deposits (outstanding) in Islamic Banking stood at BDT 20692 which is decreased by BDT 642 crore (3.01%) from BDT 21334 crore in Jun'24. (Fig.7, Table-3)

Fig. 7: Agent Banking Deposits (BDT in Crore)



Statistical Tables & Charts

Table 1: Overall Islamic Banking Scenario in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Indicators	Amount				Growth (%)		
	Jul'24	Jun'24	May'24	Jul'23	Jul'24 (Compared with Jun'24)	Jun'24 (Compared with May'24)	Jul'24 (Compared with Jul'23)
	a	b	c	d	e=((a-b)/b)*100	f=((b-c)/c)*100	f=((a-d)/d)*100
1. Total Deposits (Excluding Inter-bank & EDF)*	437413	440427	428802	--	-0.68	2.71	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	394444	398075	387327	--	-0.91	2.77	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	25407	25545	24976	--	-0.54	2.28	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	17561	16808	16500	--	4.48	1.86	--
2. Total Investments (Including Sukuk/Bond)**	514841	513734	504113	--	0.22	1.91	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	479860	479013	469583	--	0.18	2.01	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	21948	21717	21271	--	1.06	2.10	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	13033	13003	13259	--	0.23	-1.93	--
3. Total Wage Earner's Remittances^P	7892	10845	10634	--	-27.23	1.99	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	7853	10808	10585	--	-27.34	2.11	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	18.50	17.68	33.66	--	4.64	-47.46	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	20.73	19.49	15.37	--	6.38	26.79	--
4. Total Export Receipts^P	7526	7751	8089	--	-2.91	-4.17	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	6834	6963	7348	--	-1.85	-5.24	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	441	553	562	--	-20.17	-1.66	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	250	236	179	--	6.18	31.60	--
5. Total Import Payments^P	12483	11231	13622	--	11.15	-17.55	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	10491	9720	11657	--	7.93	-16.62	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	1226	985	1426	--	24.51	-30.93	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	766	527	539	--	45.41	-2.34	--
6. Total Agent Banking Deposits	20692	21334	20624	--	-3.01	3.44	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	20649	21290	20581	--	-3.01	3.45	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	41.02	41.97	41.26	--	-2.26	1.73	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	2.23	2.06	1.81	--	8.23	13.86	--
7. Total Assets (Excluding Contra.)	835732	853397	811365	--	-2.07	5.18	--
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	781793	800126	758868	--	-2.29	5.44	--
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	31791	32037	31193	--	-0.77	2.71	--
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	22148	21234	21305	--	4.30	-0.33	--

Note:

1. (--) means 'not available', P = Provisional

2. *including profit payable

3. **Excluding interbank and including profit receivable

4. Figures in Deposits, Investments & Assets are recorded as end period but figures in wage earner's remittances, export receipts & import payments are recorded as during the period.

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Table 2: Number of Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows in July 2024

Type of Banks	SI	Name of Banks	No. of Branches	No. of Windows
Full Fledged Islamic Banks	1	Islami Bank Bangladesh (IBBPLC)	395	--
	2	Al Arafah Islami Bank (AIBPLC)	219	--
	3	Social Islami Bank (SIBPLC)	179	--
	4	Standard Bank Limited (STBL)	138	--
	5	Export Import Bank of Bangladesh Limited (EXBL)	151	--
	6	First Security Islami bank (FSIBPLC)	205	--
	7	Shahjalal Islami Bank (SJIBPLC)	140	--
	8	Union Bank (UNBPLC)	114	--
	9	Global Islami Bank (GIBPLC)	104	--
	10	ICB Islamic Bank Limited (ICBIBL)	33	--
	a. Sub Total		1678	--
Banks having IB Branches	1	AB Bank (ABBPLC)	1	1
	2	The City Bank (CBPLC)	1	60
	3	IFIC Bank (IFICBPLC)	1	--
	4	United Commercial Bank (UCBPLC)	1	30
	5	Pubali Bank PLC (PUBBPLC)	3	21
	6	National Credit and Commerce Bank (NCCBPLC)	1	--
	7	Prime Bank (PRIBPLC)	5	--
	8	Southeast Bank (SEBPLC)	5	--
	9	Dhaka Bank (DBPLC)	2	--
	10	Mercantile Bank PLC (MERBPLC)	1	45
	11	One Bank (OBPLC)	2	14
	12	Bangladesh Commerce Bank Limited (BCBL)	2	--
	13	The Premier Bank PLC (PREBPLC)	2	25
	14	Jamuna Bank PLC (JAMBPLC)	2	--
	15	Bank Alfalah Limited (BAFL)	1	--
	16	NRB Bank Limited (NRBBL)	1	--
	17	Bengal Commercial Bank Limited (BGCBL)	3	--
	b. Sub Total		34	196
Banks having IB Windows	1	Agrani Bank PLC (ABPLC)	--	60
	2	Rupali Bank PLC (RBPLC)	--	2
	3	Sonali Bank (SBPLC)	--	58
	4	Standard Chartered Bank (SCB)	--	1
	5	Mutual Trust Bank (MTBPLC)	--	15
	6	Bank Asia Limited (BASL)	--	5
	7	Trust Bank Limited (TBL)	--	30
	8	NRBC Bank PLC (NRBCBPLC)	--	342
	9	South Bangla Agriculture and Commerce Bank (SBACBPLC)	--	10
	10	Meghna Bank (MEGBPLC)	--	10
	11	Midland Bank Limited (MDBL)	--	1
	c. Sub Total		--	534
Grand Total (a+b+c)			1712	730

Note: 1. HSBC bank closed providing Islamic banking services in 2013 but still they have some Islamic banking outstandings.

2. IB = Islamic Banking

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Table 3: Performances of Islamic Banking Compared to Overall Banking in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crore)

Indicators	Amount								Share (%) of Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows among All Scheduled Banks					Growth (%)						
	All Scheduled Banks				Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows				Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Changes (%)		All Scheduled Banks			Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows			
	Jul'24	Jun'24	May'24	Jul'23	Jul'24	Jun'24	May'24	Jul'23				Monthly	Yearly	Jul'24 (Compared with Jun'24)	Jun'24 (Compared with May'24)	Jul'24 (Compared with Jul'23)	Jul'24 (Compared with Jun'24)	Jun'24 (Compared with May'24)	Jul'24 (Compared with Jul'23)	
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i=(e/a)*100	j	k	l=(i-j)	m=(i-k)	n=((a-b)/b)*100	o=((b-c)/c)*100	p=((c-d)/d)*100	q=((e-f)/f)*100	r=((f-g)/g)*100	s=((g-h)/h)*100		
Deposits (Excluding Inter-bank & EDF)*	1850994	1871226	1814015	--	437413	440427	428802	--	23.63	23.54	--	0.09	--	-1.08	3.15	--	-0.68	2.71	--	
Investments (Including Sukuk/Bond)**	2059109	2062853	2030017	--	514841	513734	504113	--	25.00	24.90	--	0.10	--	-0.18	1.62	--	0.22	1.91	--	
Wage Earner's Remittances ^p	22569	29940	25938	--	7892	10845	10634	--	34.97	36.22	--	-1.26	--	-24.62	15.43	--	-27.23	1.99	--	
Export Receipts ^p	38515	35317	38656	--	7526	7751	8089	--	19.54	21.95	--	-2.41	--	9.06	-8.64	--	-2.91	-4.17	--	
Import Payments ^p	55475	60922	61916	--	12483	11231	13622	--	22.50	18.44	--	4.07	--	-8.94	-1.61	--	11.15	-17.55	--	
Agent Banking Deposits	38543	39821	37864	--	20692	21334	20624	--	53.68	53.57	--	0.11	--	-3.21	5.17	--	-3.01	3.44	--	
Assets (Excluding Contra.)	4409935	4416028	4252976	--	835732	853397	811365	--	18.95	19.32	--	-0.37	--	-0.14	3.83	--	-2.07	5.18	--	
Number of Bank Branches/Windows	11299	11297	11294	--	2442	2420	2359	--	21.61	21.42	--	0.19	--	0.02	0.03	--	0.91	2.59	--	

Note:

1. (--) means 'not available', P = Provisional

2. *Including Profit payable/accrued interest and excluding EDF

3. **In conventional banking system, Total Investments include loans & advance, Bills, Securities other than share, money at call, balances & R. Repo with NBFI's and accrued interest. In Islamic banking system, Total Investments include general investments, Bills, Sukuk, Islamic bond holdings and profit receivable.

4. Figures of Deposit & Investment are excluding Interbank

5. Figures in Deposits, Investments & Assets are recorded as end period but figures in wage earner's remittances, export receipts & import payments are recorded as during the period.

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

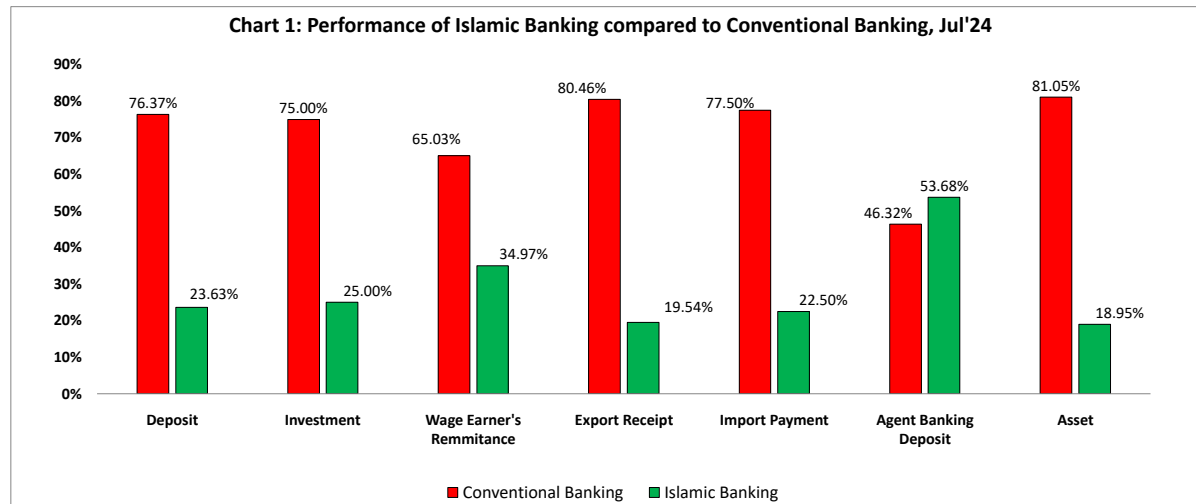


Table 4: Overall Deposits Scenario in Bangladesh by Type of Banks

(Taka in Crores)

Type of Banks	Total Deposits			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Full Fledged IBs	394444	398075	--	-3630	--
Branch Based IBs	25407	25545	--	-137	--
Window Based IBs	17561	16808	--	754	--
Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	437413	440427	--	-3014	--
Conventional Banks	1413581	1430799	--	-17218	--
All Scheduled Banks	1850994	1871226	--	-20232	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Deposits in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
Full Fledged IBs	90.18	90.38	--	-0.21	--
Branch Based IBs	5.81	5.80	--	0.01	--
Window Based IBs	4.01	3.82	--	0.20	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Deposits in All Scheduled Banks					
Islamic Banks	23.63	23.54	--	0.09	--
Conventional Banks	76.37	76.46	--	-0.09	--

Note: 1. (--) means 'not available'

2. Figures of Deposit are excluding Interbank & EDF and including profit payable/accrued interest

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

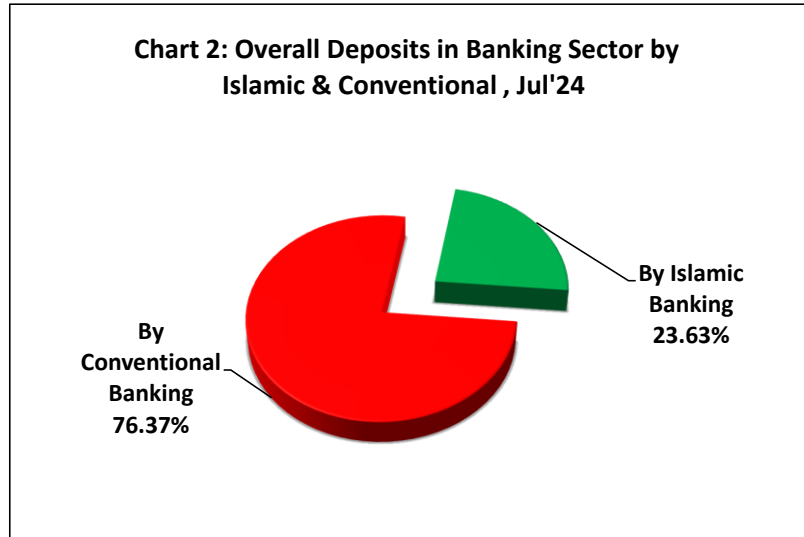


Table 5: Mode wise Islamic Banking Deposits in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Mode of Deposits	Total Deposits			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
AI - Wadeah Deposits	19594	20712	--	-1118	--
Mudaraba Deposits	379366	376609	--	2757	--
Mudaraba Savings Accounts (MSA)	80970	83028	--	-2058	--
Mudaraba Term Deposits (MTDR)	210321	206498	--	3823	--
Mudaraba Special Notice Accounts (MSNA)	19680	19564	--	116	--
Other Mudaraba Deposits	68394	67518	--	876	--
Deposits against Mudaraba Savings Bonds	607	641	--	-34	--
Special Deposit Accounts	3421	3183	--	238	--
Other Deposits	34427	39283	--	-4856	--
Total Deposits	437413	440427	--	-3014	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Deposits in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
AI - Wadeah Deposits	4.48	4.70	--	-0.22	--
Mudaraba Deposits	86.73	85.51	--	1.22	--
Mudaraba Savings Accounts (MSA)	18.51	18.85	--	-0.34	--
Mudaraba Term Deposits (MTDR)	48.08	46.89	--	1.20	--
Mudaraba Special Notice Accounts (MSNA)	4.50	4.44	--	0.06	--
Other Mudaraba Deposits	15.64	15.33	--	0.31	--
Deposits against Mudaraba Savings Bonds	0.14	0.15	--	-0.01	--
Special Deposit Accounts	0.78	0.72	--	0.06	--
Other Deposits	7.87	8.92	--	-1.05	--
Total	100.00	100.00	--	0.00	--

Note: 1. (--) means 'not available'

2. Figures of Deposit are excluding Interbank & EDF and including profit payable

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Chart 3: Mode wise share(%) in Islamic Banking Deposit, Jul'24

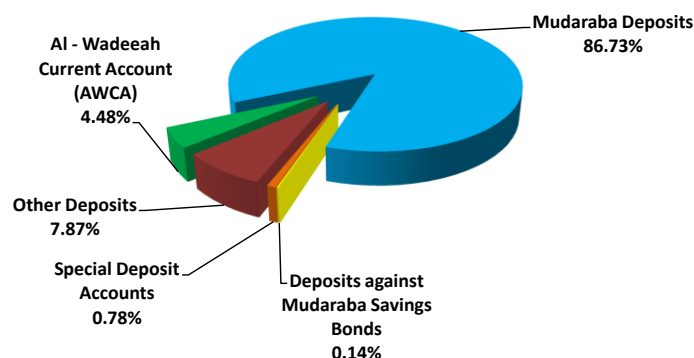


Table 6: Sector wise Islamic Banking Deposits in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Sector	Total Deposits			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Public (Government)	8199	7827	--	371	--
Other Public	23244	21712	--	1532	--
Private	405970	410888	--	-4918	--
Sub Total	437413	440427	--	-3014	--
DMB	17632	17242	--	389	--
Grand Total (Including DMB)	455045	457669	--	-2624	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Deposits in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
Public (Government)	1.80	1.71	--	0.09	--
Other Public	5.11	4.74	--	0.36	--
DMB	3.87	3.77	--	0.11	--
Private	89.22	89.78	--	-0.56	--

Note: 1. (--) means 'not available'

2. Figures of Deposit are including profit payable and excluding EDF

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

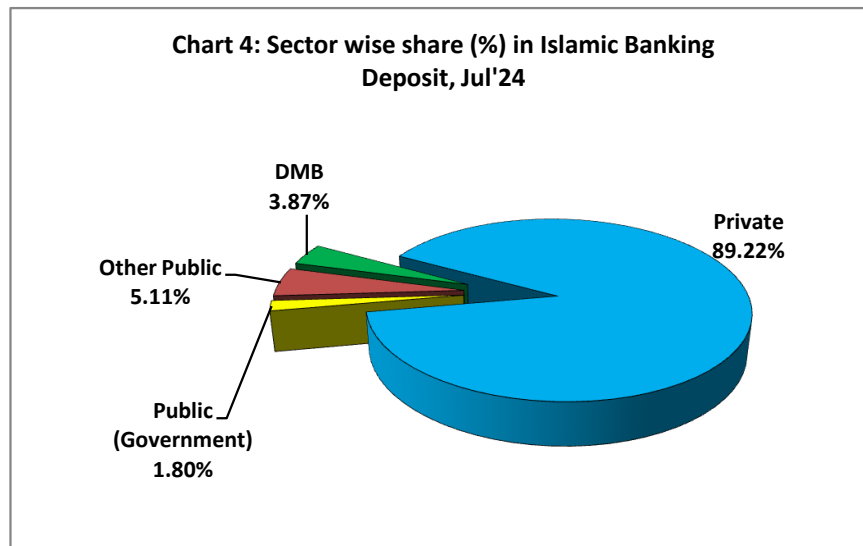


Table 7: Overall Investments Scenario in Bangladesh by Types of Banks

(Taka in Crores)

Type of Banks	Total Investments			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Full Fledged IBs	479860	479013	--	846	--
Branch Based IBs	21948	21717	--	231	--
Window Based IBs	13033	13003	--	30	--
Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	514841	513734	--	1107	--
Conventional Banks	1544267	1549119	--	-4852	--
All Scheduled Banks	2059109	2062853	--	-3744	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Investments in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
Full Fledged IBs	93.21	93.24	--	-0.04	--
Branch Based IBs	4.26	4.23	--	0.04	--
Window Based IBs	2.53	2.53	--	0.00	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Investments in All Scheduled Banks					
Islamic Banks	25.00	24.90	--	0.10	--
Conventional Banks	75.00	75.10	--	-0.10	--

Note:

1. (--) means 'not available', IBs = Islamic Banks

2. In conventional banking system, Total Investments include loans & advance, Bills, Securities other than share, money at call, balances & R. Repo with NBFIs and accrued interest. In Islamic banking system, Total Investments include general investments, Bills, Sukuk, Islamic bond holdings and profit receivable.

3. Figures of Investment are excluding Interbank

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

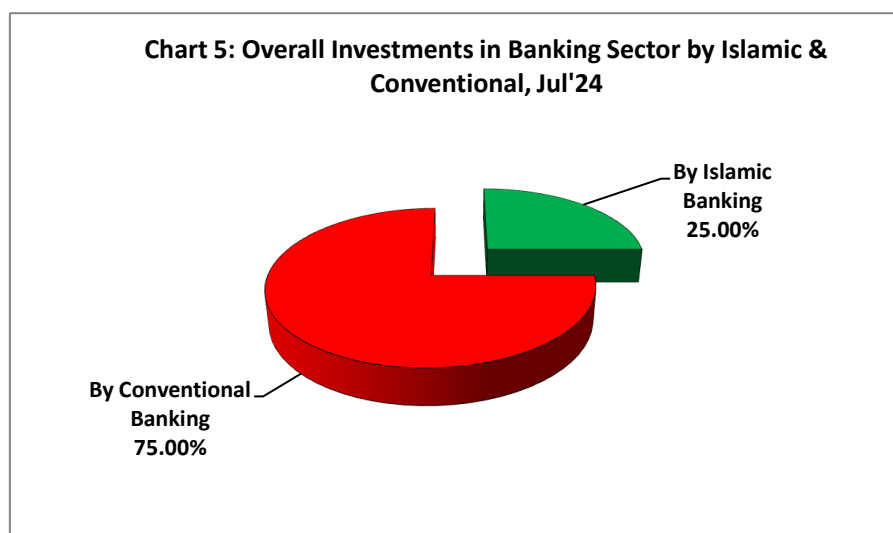


Table 8: Mode wise Islamic Banking Investments in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Mode of Investments	Total Investments			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Mudarabah	16976	15684	--	1292	--
Musharaka	378	381	--	-4	--
Bai - Murabaha	211157	210367	--	790	--
Bai - Muajjal	110776	110820	--	-44	--
Bai - Salam	8252	7973	--	278	--
Bai – Istisna	1967	1966	--	1	--
Ijarah	22619	22642	--	-23	--
HPSM	82990	82597	--	392	--
Quard - e - Hasan	12415	12759	--	-344	--
Others Investments	47312	48544	--	-1232	--
Total	514841	513734	--	1107	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Investments in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
Mudarabah	3.30	3.05	--	0.24	--
Musharaka	0.07	0.07	--	0.00	--
Bai - Murabaha	41.01	40.95	--	0.07	--
Bai - Muajjal	21.52	21.57	--	-0.05	--
Bai - Salam	1.60	1.55	--	0.05	--
Bai – Istisna	0.38	0.38	--	0.00	--
Ijarah	4.39	4.41	--	-0.01	--
HPSM	16.12	16.08	--	0.04	--
Quard - e - Hasan	2.41	2.48	--	-0.07	--
Others Investments	9.19	9.45	--	-0.26	--
Total	100.00	100.00	--	0.00	--

Note:

1. (--) means 'not available'
2. Total Investments include general investments, Bills, Sukuk, Islamic bond holdings, profit receivable.
3. Figures of Investment are excluding Interbank

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

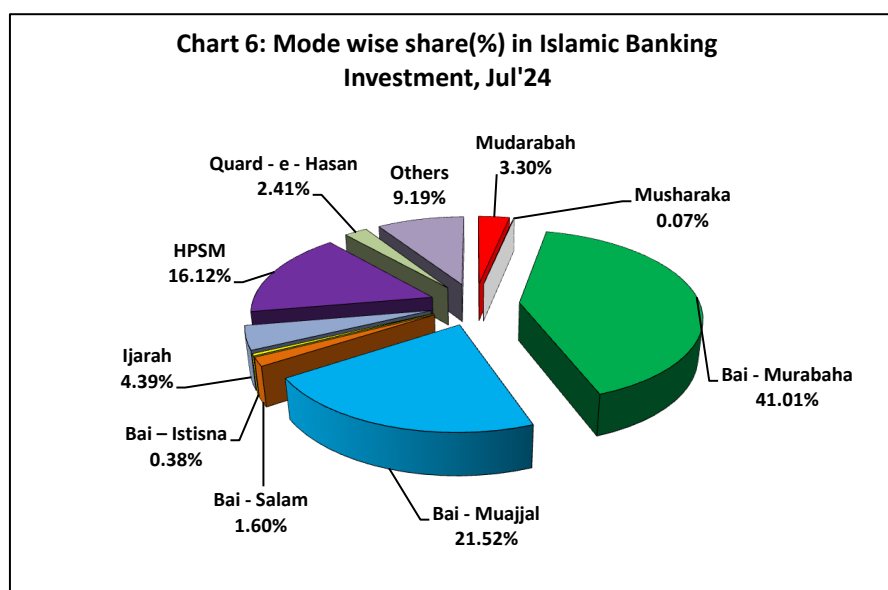


Table 9: Economic Purpose wise Islamic Banking Investments in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Economic Purposes	Total Investments			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry	6394	6488	--	-94	--
a) Agriculture	4353	4442	--	-89	--
b) Fishing	1627	1624	--	3	--
c) Forestry & logging	414	422	--	-8	--
Industry (1+2)	214584	214056	--	528	--
1. Term Investment (Excluding Working Capital Financing)	85842	85605	--	237	--
a) Large Industries	55016	54873	--	143	--
b) Small and Medium Industries	15064	15020	--	44	--
c) Cottage/ Micro Industries	849	960	--	-110	--
d) Service Industries	14913	14753	--	160	--
2. Working Capital Financing	128741	128451	--	291	--
a) Large Industries	88074	87489	--	585	--
b) Small and Medium Industries	21106	21168	--	-62	--
c) Cottage/ Micro Industries	1079	1178	--	-99	--
d) Service Industries	18482	18616	--	-133	--
Construction	31994	32253	--	-258	--
Transport	3822	3805	--	16	--
Trade & Commerce	168615	168595	--	20	--
a) Whole sale & Retail Trade	119356	119160	--	196	--
b) Export	19909	19530	--	379	--
c) Import	28581	29138	--	-558	--
d) Procurement by Government	0.69	0.64	--	0.05	--
e) Share Trading	589	597	--	-8.6	--
f) Lease Financing	180	169	--	11	--
Other Institutional Qard/Investments	24118	26436	--	-2318	--
Consumer Finance	11685	11841	--	-155	--
Miscellaneous (Poverty Alleviation and others)	53629	50260	--	3368	--
Total	514841	513734	--	1107	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Investments in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
Agriculture, Fishing & Forestry	1.24	1.26	--	-0.02	--
Industry	41.68	41.67	--	0.01	--
Construction	6.21	6.28	--	-0.06	--
Transport	0.74	0.74	--	0.00	--
Trade & Commerce	32.75	32.82	--	-0.07	--
Other Institutional Qard/Investments	4.68	5.15	--	-0.46	--
Consumer Finance	2.27	2.30	--	-0.04	--
Miscellaneous (Poverty Alleviation and others)	10.42	9.78	--	0.63	--
Total	100.00	100.00	--	0.00	--

Note:

1. (--) means 'not available'

2. Total Investments include general investments, Bills, Sukuk, Islamic bond holdings and profit receivable.

3. Figures of Investment are excluding Interbank

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Chart 7: Economic Purpose wise Islamic Banking Investment, Jul'24

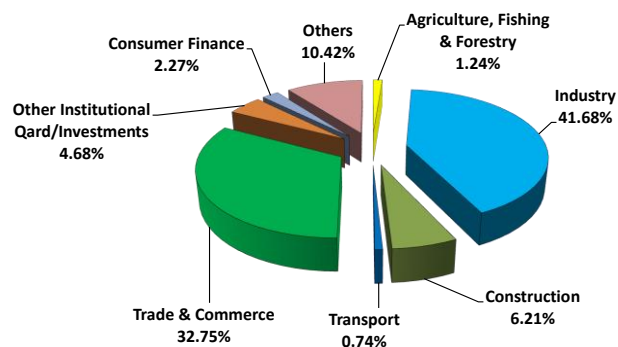


Table 10: Overall Agent Banking Deposits Scenario in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Type of Banks	Total Deposits			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Full Fledged IBs	20649	21290	--	-641	--
Branch Based IBs	41	42	--	-1	--
Window Based IBs	2.2	2.1	--	0.2	--
Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	20692	21334	--	-642	--
Conventional Banks	17851	18487	--	-636	--
All Scheduled Banks	38543	39821	--	-1278	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Agent Banking Deposits in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows					
Full Fledged IBs	99.79	99.79	--	0.00	--
Branch Based IBs	0.20	0.20	--	0.00	--
Window Based IBs	0.01	0.01	--	0.00	--
Share (%) with respect to Total Agent Banking Deposits in All Scheduled Banks					
Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	53.68	53.57	--	0.11	--
Conventional Banks	46.32	46.43	--	-0.11	--

Note: 1. (--) means 'not available'

2. IBs = Islamic Banks

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

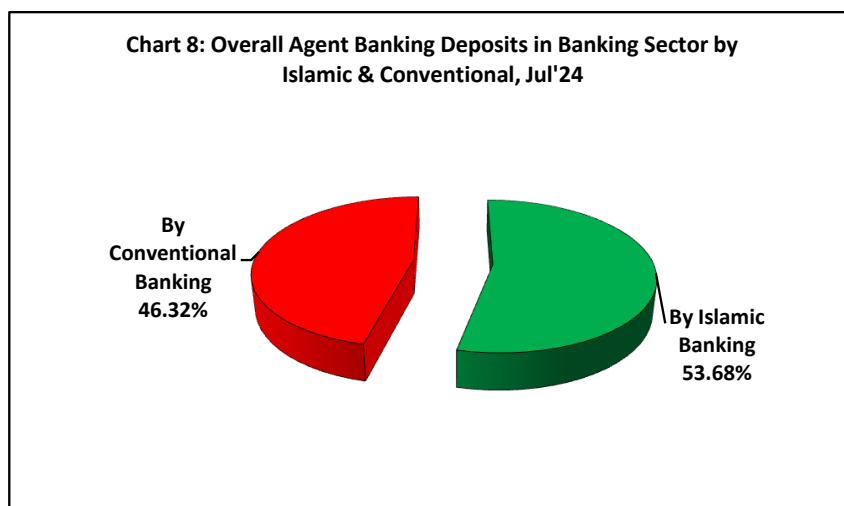


Table 11: Gender and Geo location wise School Banking in Bangladesh

Description		Total Number of Accounts			Changes	
		Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
		a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Gender wise	Male	594298	596320	-	-2022	-
	Female	535947	537495	-	-1548	-
	Others	-	-	-	-	-
	Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	1130245	1133815	-	-3570	-
	Conventional Bank	3170228	3159215	-	11013	-
	All Scheduled Banks	4300473	4293030	-	7443	-
Geo-location wise	Urban	343626	348785	-	-5159	-
	Rural	786619	785030	-	1589	-
	Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	1130245	1133815	-	-3570	-
	Conventional Bank	3170228	3159215	-	11013	-
	All Scheduled Banks	4300473	4293030	-	7443	-
Share (%) of Number of Accounts with respect to All Scheduled Banks						
Overall	Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	26.28	26.41	-	-0.13	-
	Conventional Banks	73.72	73.59	-	0.13	-

Note: (-) means 'not available'

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

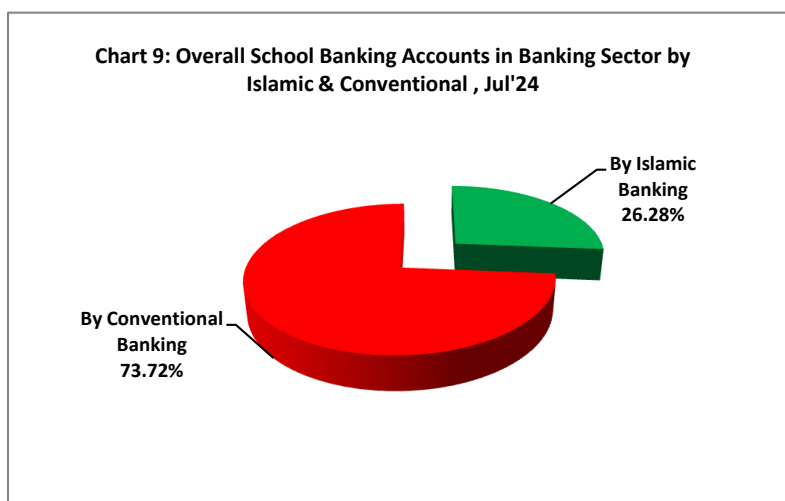


Table 12: Mobile Financial Services (MFS) in Islamic Banking

Accounts Pattern		Total			Changes	
		Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
		a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
MFS Agent		86040	85904	--	136	--
MFS Personal Accounts		1773043	1761835	--	11208	--
MFS Male Accounts		1375509	1364843	--	10666	--
MFS Female Accounts		397534	396992	--	542	--
MFS Other Accounts		12829	12809	--	20	--
Total MFS Accounts in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows		1785872	1774644	--	11228	--
Total MFS Accounts in Conventional Banks		136793557	136244941	--	548616	--
Total MFS Accounts in All Scheduled Banks		138579429	138019585	--	559844	--
Transactions Pattern		Total Transactions Amount (Taka in Crore)			Changes	
		Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
		a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
Cash In		9.31	11.84	--	-2.53	--
Cash Out		91	117	--	-26	--
P2P		1.74	1.89	--	-0.14	--
Maychent Payment		5	10	--	-5	--
G2P		0	0	--	0	--
Salary Disbursement		39	56	--	-16	--
Talktime Purchase		0.61	0.69	--	-0.09	--
Utility Bill Payment		0.197	0.145	--	0.052	--
Total MFS Transactions in Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows		146	197	--	-50	--
Total MFS Transactions in Conventional Banks		97544	123370	--	-25826	--
Total MFS Transactions in All Scheduled Banks		97691	123567	--	-25876	--
Share (%) with respect to All Scheduled Banks						
Description		Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Changes	
					Monthly	Yearly
		a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
MFS Accounts	Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	1.29	1.29	--	0.003	--
	Conventional Banks	98.71	98.71	--	-0.003	--
MFS Transactions	Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	0.15	0.16	--	-0.01	--
	Conventional Banks	99.85	99.84	--	0.01	--

Note: (--) means 'not available'

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Table 13: E-banking and E-commerce in Islamic banking

Type of Machines	Total Number of Machines			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
ATM	3708	3700	--	8	--
POS	6690	6690	--	0	--
CDM	6	6	--	0	--
CRM	830	830	--	0	--
Islamic Banks*	11234	11226	--	8	--
Conventional Banks	127565	126367	--	1198	--
All Scheduled Banks	138799	137593	--	1206	--
Transactions through Interbanks	Total Transactions Amount <i>(Taka in Crore)</i>			Changes	
	Jul'24	Jun'24	Jul'23	Monthly	Yearly
	a	b	c	(a-b)	(a-c)
MICR Cheque	30054	36269	--	-6216	--
Non-MICR Cheque	8	13	--	-4	--
EFT	8407	10832	--	-2425	--
RTGS	33392	37224	--	-3832	--
Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	71861	84339	--	-12478	--
Conventional Banks	574132	666513	--	-92381	--
All Scheduled Banks	645993	750852	--	-104859	--
Transactions through Cards					
Debit Card Transaction	10872	12468	--	-1596	--
Credit Card Transaction	181	194	--	-13	--
Prepaid Card Transaction	60.3	34.8	--	25.5	--
Islamic Banks, Branches & Windows	11113	12697	--	-1584	--

Note : 1. *Considering Full Fledged Islamic Banks Only

2. (--) means 'not available'

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Concluding Remarks

Islamic banking has been playing a significant role in Bangladesh during the last couple of decades. As Sharia'h based transactions are becoming popular to the mass people, Islamic banking activities should be well defined and more functional in both rural and urban areas. Islamic banking activities are expanding in line with conventional banking day by day. It is the high time to nurture Islamic banking activities properly aiming at achieving a great deal of financial inclusion with satisfactory level both in rural and urban areas. As a consequence it will be possible to bring a significant number of people under Islamic banking services which further strengthen and boost up financial sector. The more people engage in Islamic banking, the more deposits will be pile up which ultimately turns to be more investment.

During the period Islamic banking deposit holds approximately one-fourth of total deposit in banking industry and significant amount of deposits are collected through Mudarabah deposits scheme. At the same time private sector remains the largest sector in terms of Islamic banking deposits accumulation among all the sectors in Bangladesh.

In case of investment, Islamic banking investment holds approximately one-fourth of total investment in banking industry and full-fledged Islamic banks play vital role in Islamic investment which is 93.21% of total Islamic investment whereas investment through twenty-nine Islamic banks having Islamic branches and windows is only 6.79% of total Islamic investment. Full-fledged Islamic banks, branches and windows make significant amount of investment through Bai-Murabaha (41.01%). Islamic banks, branches and windows mainly focus on industry (41.68%), and trade and commerce (32.75%) sector for the purpose of investment. It is undeniably true that agent banking, school banking; mobile financial services, e-banking and e-commerce are now administered through Islamic banking. Major portion of investments (64.52%) of Islamic banks are in Bai mode basis. Share mode investments are very insignificant.

A big portion (34.97%) of total wage earner's remittance collected through banking channel comes through Islamic banks. Again more than half (53.68%) of total agent banking deposits in banking industry belongs to Islamic banking.

It is a great initiative that Islamic bank liquidity facility (IBLF), Mudarabah Liquidity Support (MLS) and Special Liquidity Support (SLS) were already introduced to avail liquidity facility from Bangladesh Bank based on Sharia'h by following Mudarabah principle.

Eventually the last but not the least is that the underlying review will be beneficial to the policy maker to help them to understand the necessity of separate act for growing Islamic banking industry. After all, we do believe Islamic banking sector will be the predominant sector in the entire banking industry. We wish all the best for Islamic banking sector participant including data providers, service providers, practitioner, and finally policy maker.

Appendix

Time Series Data on Islamic Banking in Bangladesh

(Taka in Crores)

Indicators	Jul'24	Jun'24	May'24	Apr'24	Mar'24	Feb'24	Jan'24	Dec'23	Nov'23
1. Total Deposits (Excluding Inter-bank & EDF)*	437413	440427	428802	424601	419299	418914	413969	422464	418001
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	394444	398075	387327	383497	380515	380066	375304	384136	380689
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	25407	25545	24976	24934	22844	23280	23270	21118	20427
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	17561	16808	16500	16170	15941	15567	15394	17210	16884
2. Total Investments (Including Sukuk/Bond)**	514841	513734	504113	498098	493578	488901	482325	477456	469790
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	479860	479013	469583	463996	459827	455525	449073	445430	438206
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	21948	21717	21271	21128	20843	20927	21027	17840	17803
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	13033	13003	13259	12974	12908	12449	12225	14186	13781
3. Total Wage Earner's Remittances^P	7892	10845	10634	8986	8336	9871	11634	10510	8472
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	7853	10808	10585	8941	8308	9854	11621	10475	8425
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	18.50	17.68	33.66	33.43	18.45	9.71	7.92	3.47	14.91
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	20.73	19.49	15.37	11.69	10.02	7.33	5.11	31.40	31.32
4. Total Export Receipts^P	7526	7751	8089	7648	7974	6908	7548	6466	6638
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	6834	6963	7348	6769	7127	6289	6768	5821	6005
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	441	553	562	620	637	470	574	352	349
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	250	236	179	259	210	149	205	293	284
5. Total Import Payments^P	12483	11231	13622	13227	11219	9921	12202	10316	12244
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	10491	9720	11657	11536	9714	8686	10910	8902	10794
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	1226	985	1426	928	981	602	840	627	779
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	766	527	539	762	524	633	452	786	671
6. Total Agent Banking Deposits	20692	21334	20624	20352	19916	20015	19703	19392	19070
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	20649	21290	20581	20309	19873	19971	19658	19349	19028
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	41.02	41.97	41.26	41.50	41.54	42.19	43.04	40.84	40.94
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	2.23	2.06	1.81	1.71	1.68	1.36	1.33	2.05	1.24
7. Total Assets (Excluding Contra.)	835732	853397	811365	797751	781884	774827	757692	761950	774849
a) Full-fledged Islamic Banks	781793	800126	758868	746288	733406	726377	709582	714487	727677
b) Islamic Banking Branches of Conventional Banks	31791	32037	31193	30920	28359	28736	28720	24615	24471
c) Islamic Banking Windows of Conventional Banks	22148	21234	21305	20543	20119	19714	19390	22847	22702

Note:

1. (--) means 'not available', P = Provisional

2. *including profit payable

3. **Excluding interbank and including profit receivable.

4. Figures in Deposits, Investments & Assets are recorded as end period but figures in wage earner's remittances, export receipts & import payments are recorded as during the period.

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.