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# **Economic and Financial Developments**

#### **Executive Summary**

A broad-based growth momentum across the economy continued during the first two quarters of FY23, hinging upon the performance of the agriculture and service-related sectors aided by supportive monetary and government policy measures. According to the latest available data, industry sector also observed promising performance in Q1FY23. The real GDP growth of FY22 exhibited a marginal downward revision to 7.10 percent from 7.25 percent estimate in the midst of the combined risks posed by challenges to the post-pandemic recovery and the Russia-Ukraine war-induced global uncertainties. Consequently, per capita GNI moderated and grew by 7.80 percent in FY22 compared to the growth rate of 11.39 percent in FY21. Considering the recent macroeconomic developments, the government has revised the GDP growth target to 6.50 percent, previously set at 7.50 percent for FY23.

The headline CPI inflation started to soften from the recent highs mainly because of the global impact of falling commodity and fuel prices. However, the inflation remained above the revised targeted level of 7.50 percent in Q2FY23. In the last month of Q2FY23, point-to-point headline inflation came down to 8.71 percent on the back of declining food prices as the local market started to transmit the impact of global food and fuel price decline. However, non-food inflation kept mounting gradually, reflecting rising import cost impacted partly by the significant depreciation of BDT against USD amid already high global commodity prices. Core inflation, which calculates non-food and non-fuel inflation, continued to rise this quarter to 9.52 percent from 8.41 percent in the previous quarter. The 12-month average CPI inflation also increased gradually to 7.70 percent in Q2FY23 from 6.96 percent in Q1FY23.

The current account deficit (CAD) continued to narrow down since Q4FY22 and stood at USD 1.71 billion (0.36 percent of GDP) in Q2FY23, reflecting a reduced trade gap on the back of increasing export earnings and decreasing import growth to negative territory. The financial account faced a shortfall in Q2FY23, driven mainly by trade credit and other short term loan repayments. The shortfall in the financial account resulted in a moderate widening of the overall balance of payment (BoP) deficit to USD 3.72 billion in Q2FY23, which created some depreciation pressure on the BDT. To reduce the exchange rate volatility, Bangladesh Bank injected USD 4.24 billion (net) into the foreign exchange market during Q2FY23. Consequently, the gross official reserve declined to USD 33.75 billion at the end of December 2022.

The slowdown in broad money (M2) growth continued this quarter due to a considerable decline in the net foreign asset (NFA) due to forex market interventions by BB. In contrast, net domestic asset (NDA) increased marginally. A rise in money demand resulted in liquidity mismatches in the banking system, prompting BB to raise its reserve money. Simultaneously, the repo rate increased by another 25 basis points to 5.75 percent at the end of December 2022. Nonetheless,

weighted-average interest rates on both lending and deposit increased slightly in Q2FY23, while rates in the call money and inter-bank repo markets continued to rise sharply.

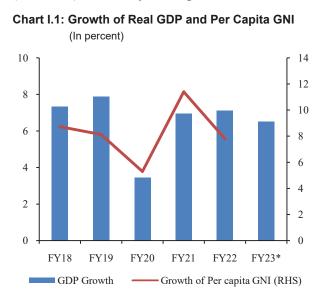
The capital market exhibited a weak performance during the quarter under review than the previous quarter, reflected in price indices, market capitalization, price-earnings ratio, and turnover, reflecting the recent adverse macroeconomic situation in the domestic and global economies. Only issued capital increased during this quarter under review. The overall fiscal stances exhibited stable momentum in Q2FY23, reflected in higher revenue mobilization and lower government expenditure than Q2FY22.

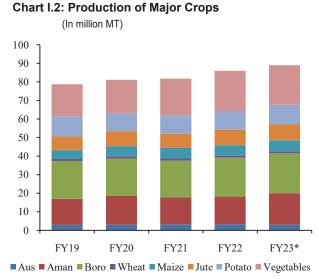
Non-performing loan (NPL) in the banking sector decreased in Q2FY23, reflecting BB's relaxed policy initiatives for the loan repayment process to combat the ongoing macroeconomic challenges. On the other hand, both banks' advances and deposit growth decreased, resulting in a rise in the overall advance-deposit (ADR) ratio in Q2FY23.

The overall growth momentum of Bangladesh economy is expected to continue in the face of prompt policy initiatives of BB and the government. The inflationary situation in Bangladesh is anticipated to soften again on the back of improved inflation scenario of the major trading partner economies. However, the outlook is subject to considerable uncertainties which could emerge from the continuous unfavorable global developments, including the Russia-Ukraine war and the tight global financial conditions led costs, among others. Nevertheless, BB will continue carefully monitoring such developments affecting the growth prospects while maintaining inflation and exchange rate stability.

#### I. Real Economy

I.1 A broad-based growth momentum across the economy appeared to have continued during the first two quarters of FY23, hinging upon strong performance of the agriculture and service sectors aided by supportive monetary policy and government measures. Similarly, promising performance was observed in the industry sector during the first half of FY23. The real GDP growth rate was revised downward slightly from 7.25 to 7.10 percent in FY22, according to the final estimates of the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS). However, the revised growth rate was higher than the 6.94 percent rate in FY21, reflecting that the economy was resilient in FY22 in the midst of the combined risks posed by challenges to the post-pandemic recovery and the Russia-Ukraine war-induced global uncertainties. The per capita GNI grew moderately at 7.80 percent in FY22 compared to the growth rate of 11.39 percent in FY21. Overall, taking into consideration the recent macroeconomic developments, the government has revised recently the GDP growth target for FY23 and set it at 6.50 percent which was previously set at 7.50 percent (Chart I.1). Similarly, strong external demand was observed during the first half of FY23.





<sup>\*</sup> Target set by the coordination council meeting of the government. Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS).

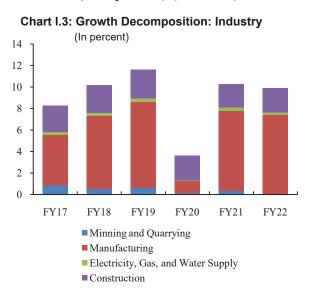
\*Target (except Aus and Aman)
Source: Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE).

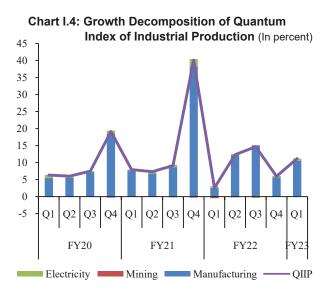
I.2 Due to continued resilient performance of the agricultural sector during the pandemic and post-pandemic periods, the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) has set healthy growth targets for main crops in FY23. An increase in crop cultivation area, higher market prices, favorable weather, and better crop management techniques would likely to result in an increase in agricultural output for the current fiscal year. In comparison with FY22, all the major rice varieties, including *aus*, *aman*, and *boro* are anticipated to rise by 13.73, 9.27, and 2.65 percent, respectively, in FY23. The production of *aman* rice, the second-biggest crop of the country after *boro*, exceeded the production target of 16.35 MMT and grew by 13.70 percent to 17.01 MMT in FY23. Adequate sunlight and irrigation as well as balanced fertilizer application helped to exceed the target production despite insufficient rainfall during the planting season, according to the latest release of the DAE. However, production of aus rice declined by 7.52 percent mainly because of the inundation of water during the cultivation season.

In addition, with increased cropping intensity, attractive market circumstances, affordable financing and subsidies, growth targets for the major non-rice crops such as wheat (6.86 percent), potatoes (4.05 percent), jute (3.36 percent), and onions (2.98 percent) are expected to achieve targets in the coming periods (Chart I.2).

According to the Food Planning and Monitoring Unit of the Ministry of Food, the local markets observed food price hike to some extent since the nominal and real price of wheat climbed 14.61 and 15.83 percent, respectively, in Q2FY23. On the other hand, the nominal and real prices of rice increased by 2.93 and 4.03 percent respectively in Q2FY23. However, government has revised its budget for FY23 for public sector food grain imports of 1.6 MMT of which 0.9 MMT rice and 0.7 MMT wheat were targeted for public distribution mostly to cushion low income earning sections of the people<sup>1</sup>.

I.3 The industry sector observed growth slowdown during FY22 according to the final estimates of BBS registering 9.86 percent growth compared to the growth of 10.29 percent in FY21. Although manufacturing sector, the largest sub-sector in industry, was broadly stable during FY22 with 11.41 percent growth, mining and quarrying sub-sector posted negative growth (1.12 percent) along with slashed growth performance of the electricity and gas sub-sector (6.15 percent) (Chart I.3).





Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS).

Source: BB Staff's calculation based on BBS data.

Available data of the first quarter of FY23 showed promising performance in the industrial sector activity. The index of medium and large scale industrial production increased by 11.16 percent in Q1FY23, driven mostly by 11.17 percent growth of manufacturing output which experienced 2.86 percent growth over the same period of last year. This robust growth was also positively affected by the 7.89 percent growth in electricity and 3.53 percent growth in mining which turned to the positive growth rates after seven consecutive quarters of negative rates. The production in medium and large-scale manufacturing industry grew by 5.62 percent according to the quantum index, hinging upon the production growth of wearing apparel (19.45 percent),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bangladesh Food Situation Report, Volume-131, October-December, 2022, FPMU, Ministry of Food.

beverage (17.99 percent), pharmaceuticals (1.89 percent), paper and paper products (57.97 percent), basic metal (16.55 percent), electric equipments (14.91 percent) and motor vehicles and trailers (106.35 percent) (Chart I.5). With a healthy growth of credit to industry (8.58 percent) especially in case of term loan (7.59 percent) during Q2FY23 (Table I.9), industrial production is expected to increase during the remaining periods of the current fiscal year.

Chart I.5: Heat Map for Large and Medium Scale Manufacturing Output Growth (In percent)

|                                    | XX7 - : -1-4 |     | FY2 | FY22 |      |      |      | FY23 |     |     |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|
|                                    | Weight       | Q1  | Q2  | Q3   | Q4   | Q1   | Q2   | Q3   | Q4  | Q1  |
| General Index of Manufacturing     | 100          | 8.3 | 7.3 | 14.2 | 46.8 | 14.4 | 13.3 | 11.4 | 3.1 | 5.6 |
| Food products                      | 10.8         | -4  | 6   | 8    | 14   | 11   | -14  | -23  | -25 | -4  |
| Beverage                           | 0.3          | 11  | 13  | 71   | 160  | 52   | 89   | 52   | 54  | 18  |
| Tobacco product                    | 2.9          | -11 | -7  | -9   | -15  | -9   | -15  | -14  | -23 | 4   |
| Textile                            | 14.1         | 17  | 6   | 21   | 50   | 26   | 25   | 5    | -9  | -1  |
| Wearing app arel                   | 34.8         | 3   | -4  | 3    | 106  | 17   | 42   | 48   | 33  | 19  |
| Leather and related product        | 4.4          | 63  | 35  | 78   | 116  | 47   | -26  | -37  | -46 | -12 |
| Wood and product of wood and cork  | 0.3          | 5   | 41  | 26   | 12   | 16   | -15  | -10  | -5  | 11  |
| Paper and paper products           | 0.3          | 14  | -7  | 17   | -11  | 14   | 68   | 56   | 108 | 58  |
| Printing and recorded media        | 1.8          | 11  | 16  | 10   | 3    | -3   | -11  | -9   | -5  | 5   |
| Coke and refined petroleum product | 1.3          | -6  | 83  | 103  | 171  | 14   | -39  | 3    | -5  | -2  |
| Chemical and chemical product      | 3.7          | 43  | 8   | 12   | 15   | -24  | -10  | 0    | 18  | -25 |
| Pharmaceuticals products           | 8.2          | 14  | 14  | 21   | 19   | 12   | 18   | 10   | 6   | 2   |
| Rubber and plastic products        | 1.6          | -8  | -8  | -8   | 6    | -7   | -7   | 27   | 27  | 2   |
| Non-metallic mineral product       | 7.1          | 5   | 9   | 16   | 31   | 14   | 3    | 5    | -6  | -6  |
| Basic metal                        | 3.2          | -15 | 2   | -5   | 65   | 24   | 14   | 18   | 17  | 17  |
| Fabricated metal product           | 2.3          | 47  | 51  | 37   | 33   | -22  | -28  | -30  | -23 | -16 |
| Computer and electronic products   | 0.2          | -11 | -19 | -1   | 143  | -14  | 2    | -4   | -19 | -41 |
| Electrical equipments              | 0.7          | 121 | 249 | 254  | 92   | -39  | -56  | -60  | -38 | 15  |
| Machinery and equipments           | 0.2          | 3   | 2   | 0    | 3    | -1   | 1    | 4    | 6   | 9   |
| Motor vehicles and trailers        | 0.1          | -61 | -64 | -13  | 114  | 105  | 480  | 150  | 161 | 106 |
| Transport equipment                | 0.7          | 13  | 4   | 12   | 31   | -1   | -6   | -3   | -54 | -56 |
| Furniture                          | 0.9          | -16 | -5  | 18   | 19   | -13  | -4   | -21  | -10 | 11  |

Source: BB staff's calculation based on BBS data.

I.4 The service sector-related activities, derived from different proxy indicators, showed moderate performance in Q2FY23.

Among those proxy indicators, total cargo handling through Chattogram port decreased by 4.55 percent (y-o-y). Credit to trade and commerce, and consumer finance grew by 18.29, and 26.55 percent (y-o-y), respectively, in Q2FY23 (Chart I.5). Moreover, credit to construction sector also grew by 10.62 percent in Q2FY23. Credit to transportation also registered positive growth (0.11 percent) after continued negative growth since Q1FY21.

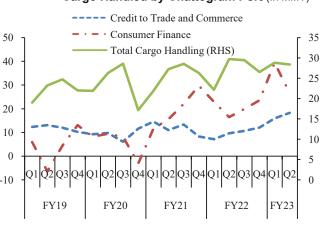
Overall, government's policy supports and an

The service sector-related activities, Chart I.6: Growth of Credit to Trade and Commerce and Consumer Finance (In percent) and Total Cargo Handled by Chattogram Port (In MMT)

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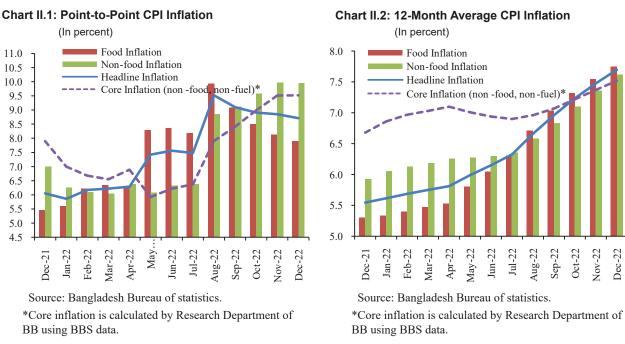


\* Credit to Trade and Commerce and Consumer Finance data are Provisional. Source: Bangladesh Bank and Chattogram Port Authority. improvement in the activities particularly in the industry sector are expected to have a trickle-down effect on activities in the service sector.

I.5 Looking forward, the growth momentum is expected to be stronger in the rest of the period of current fiscal year, hinging upon ongoing growth supportive fiscal and monetary policies, growing strong domestic and external demand, improving external situations, and rising business confidence. The economic headwinds faced mostly by the Asian and Pacific countries are also expected to fade soon with easing global financial conditions, declining oil and food prices and economic rebounding of China. However, the growth outlook 6.50 percent for FY23 is subject to considerable uncertainties which could emerge from the continuous unfavorable developments in global economies.

#### II. Price

2.1 The headline CPI inflation (point-to-point) started to soften in Q2FY23, reflecting partly the moderated global commodity prices. The point-to-point headline inflation came down to 8.71 percent in December 2022 after reaching a decade high of 9.52 percent in August 2022 although it remained above the targeted level of 7.5 percent for FY23. The decline in headline inflation was mostly contributed by its food component that fell to 7.91 percent in December 2022 from 9.08 percent in September 2022, reflecting pass-through effect of declining global commodity prices. However, non-food inflation kept rising gradually and reached 9.96 percent in December 2022 from 9.13 percent in September 2022, indicating rising import costs influenced by significant depreciation of BDT against USD to some extent. Core inflation continued to rise in this quarter under review and reached 9.52 percent in December 2022 from 8.41 percent in September 2022. The 12-month average CPI inflation also increased gradually to 7.70 percent in Q2FY23 from 6.96 percent in Q1FY23 (Chart II.1 & Chart II.2). Nevertheless, inflation momentum<sup>2</sup> remained favorable in the current quarter revealing the recent downturn in inflation (Chart II.3).

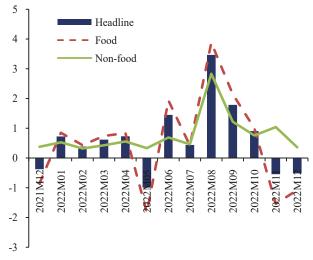


2.2 After experiencing an episode of high inflation, the point-to-point food inflation started to ease in Q1FY23 though it still remained above the typical period average. In Q2FY23, food inflation declined by 1.17 percentage points from 9.08 percent in previous quarter. The slowdown in food inflation came mainly from a decline in vegetables, fish, fruits, spices, and edible oils and fat prices. Vegetables prices sharply fell to -1.9 percent in November 2022 from 11.2 percent in September 2022, and then inched up to 0.9 percent in December 2022. Fish (fresh) and dry fish price dropped by 0.39 percentage points, while fruits and spices prices fell by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Change in annual inflation rate for two consecutive month ≈ Base effect + Momentum effect. Momentum refers to the contribution to the change in the annual inflation rate from the month-on-month rate of change in current year, i.e. ln(pt) − ln(pt-1). While the contribution to the change in the annual inflation rate from the month-on-month rate of change one year earlier, i.e. ln(pt-12) − ln(pt-13). Momentum is favorable if it turns negative and consequently lowers the headline inflation and vice versa.

10.24 and 3.49 percentage points respectively in December 2022 compared to September 2022. Edible oils and fats prices cooled down by 6.54 percentage points in December 2022 although they maintained double digit inflation. On the other hand, cereal prices, other than rice, continued its upward trajectory with more than 30.0 percent inflation in this quarter resulted from the Russia's export restriction on wheat by imposing a floating export tax and export quota (Chart II.4). Decomposition of food inflation showed that contribution of cereals and pulses inflation gradually increased in this quarter while fish, vegetables, fruits inflation contribution went down in this quarter than the previous quarter (Chart II.5). Moreover food inflation momentum of the contribution of the previous quarter (Chart II.5).

#### Chart II.3 Inflation Momentum (In percent)



Source: BB staff's calculation based on BBS data.

(Chart II.5). Moreover, food inflation momentum sharply dropped in this quarter (Chart II.3).

Chart II.4: Point-to-point Inflation Heat Map (In percent)

|  | WEIGHTS | Dec-21 | Jan-22 | Feb-22 | Mar-22 | Apr-22 | May-22 | Jun-22 | Jul-22 | Aug-22 | Sep-22 | Oct-22 | Nov-22 | Dec-22 |
|--|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Headline   | 100.00  | 6.05   | 5.86   | 6.17   | 6.22   | 6.29   | 7.42   | 7.56   | 7.48   | 9.52   | 9.10   | 8.91   | 8.85   | 8.71   |
| Food, Beverage and Tobacco                         | 56.18   | 5.5    | 5.6    | 6.2    | 6.3    | 6.2    | 8.3    | 8.4    | 8.2    | 9.9    | 9.1    | 8.5    | 8.1    | 7.9    |
| 1. Food  | 52.17   | 3.6    | 3.6    | 4.9    | 4.7    | 4.6    | 7.7    | 8.2    | 8.2    | 10.3   | 9.1    | 8.5    | 8.0    | 8.2    |
| (a) Cereals  | 21.62   | 8.6    | 4.8    | 3.5    | 2.0    | 1.7    | 11.0   | 9.3    | 9.4    | 6.1    | 5.2    | 5.7    | 6.9    | 7.4    |
| (i) Rice   | 20.31   | 8.6    | 4.7    | 3.4    | 1.7    | 1.5    | 10.9   | 9.1    | 9.1    | 5.7    | 4.8    | 5.2    | 5.6    | 6.0    |
| (ii) Other Cereals                                 | 1.30    | 8.8    | 5.1    | 6.0    | 7.8    | 6.2    | 12.5   | 14.3   | 14.1   | 13.4   | 13.8   | 15.9   | 33.5   | 34.7   |
| (b) Pulses:  | 1.51    | 2.0    | 4.1    | 2.1    | 0.8    | 2.0    | 3.1    | 5.1    | 4.8    | 6.0    | 5.8    | 6.5    | 8.8    | 9.4    |
| (c) Fish (fresh) & dry fish                        | 6.98    | 6.9    | 5.7    | 6.4    | 7.9    | 4.0    | 5.0    | 2.1    | 1.5    | 6.2    | 8.3    | 10.0   | 8.5    | 7.9    |
| (d) Eggs and Meat                                  | 4.94    | 6.4    | 5.4    | 4.4    | 4.9    | 7.8    | 11.1   | 11.4   | 10.1   | 14.9   | 14.2   | 13.3   | 16.2   | 14.5   |
| (e) Vegetable                                      | 4.78    | -13.5  | 0.5    | 18.6   | 17.0   | 12.6   | 2.9    | 13.0   | 14.9   | 11.4   | 11.2   | 9.4    | -1.9   | 0.9    |
| (f) Fruits   | 1.85    | -6.2   | -8.4   | -11.5  | -6.5   | -2.3   | -3.1   | -7.8   | -3.8   | 15.3   | 17.5   | 13.6   | 14.3   | 7.3    |
| (g) Spices   | 4.29    | -6.8   | -3.8   | -0.5   | -2.4   | 1.4    | -2.3   | 1.2    | 2.4    | 19.6   | 9.8    | 4.2    | 2.6    | 6.4    |
| (h) Edible oils & fats                             | 1.93    | 24.4   | 15.3   | 17.8   | 21.5   | 23.0   | 31.8   | 31.1   | 21.8   | 25.3   | 25.5   | 18.8   | 21.0   | 19.0   |
| (i) Milk and milk products                         | 2.05    | 3.0    | 2.9    | 1.8    | 4.7    | 3.9    | 1.8    | 3.7    | 4.6    | 7.3    | 1.8    | 3.9    | 8.0    | 3.9    |
| (j) Miscellaneous food items                       | 2.24    | 14.1   | 9.6    | 7.6    | 8.4    | 9.2    | 11.5   | 14.1   | 13.7   | 17.2   | 16.5   | 16.0   | 14.0   | 17.3   |
| 2. Beverage  | 1.34    | 67.7   | 80.2   | 69.9   | 77.4   | 64.3   | 38.6   | 20.6   | 18.8   | 17.0   | 17.1   | 18.1   | 27.9   | 20.0   |
| 3. Tobacco & Products                              | 2.67    | 14.1   | 13.2   | 7.7    | 10.4   | 11.2   | 5.8    | 7.3    | 6.0    | 4.5    | 6.2    | 6.2    | 4.8    | 1.3    |
| Non-food   | 43.82   | 7.0    | 6.3    | 6.1    | 6.0    | 6.4    | 6.1    | 6.3    | 6.4    | 8.8    | 9.1    | 9.6    | 10.0   | 10.0   |
| I. Clothing and Footwear                           | 6.84    | 9.3    | 6.8    | 7.1    | 7.1    | 7.9    | 8.0    | 8.2    | 8.4    | 7.7    | 7.5    | 7.5    | 7.6    | 7.0    |
| II. Rent, Fuel & Lighting                          | 14.88   | 1.7    | 1.5    | 1.9    | 2.0    | 2.3    | 2.5    | 3.9    | 3.9    | 8.4    | 7.6    | 7.4    | 7.1    | 7.0    |
| III. Household Furniture, operations and repairing | 4.73    | 7.8    | 7.8    | 7.5    | 6.9    | 6.9    | 7.3    | 7.1    | 6.9    | 7.7    | 7.8    | 8.7    | 10.0   | 10.8   |
| IV. Medical Care & Health Expenses                 | 3.47    | 2.4    | 1.8    | 1.1    | 1.1    | 1.2    | 1.4    | 1.5    | 1.5    | 10.9   | 15.9   | 16.6   | 19.6   | 19.8   |
| V. Transport and Communication                     | 5.80    | 18.4   | 17.4   | 16.6   | 16.0   | 16.2   | 16.4   | 9.3    | 8.3    | 10.4   | 11.2   | 11.6   | 10.9   | 10.9   |
| VI. Recreation &Educational Expenses               | 4.28    | 4.6    | 4.6    | 4.4    | 4.6    | 5.4    | 5.9    | 7.0    | 7.5    | 8.1    | 7.4    | 7.8    | 7.9    | 7.8    |
| VII. Miscellaneous Goods & Services                | 3.82    | 8.2    | 7.3    | 6.1    | 6.3    | 6.8    | 7.1    | 7.8    | 9.5    | 10.4   | 11.4   | 13.9   | 15.5   | 15.6   |

Source: BB staff's calculation based on BBS data.

2.3 Non-food inflation continued its uptrend in Q2FY23 and reached 9.98 percent in November 2022 before marginally decreased in December 2022 to 9.96 percent. This rise in non-food inflation was mostly driven by the price increase in household furniture, operations and repairing, medical care and health expenses, recreation and educational expenses, and miscellaneous goods and services which increased to 10.79, 19.77, 7.80, and 15.62 in December 2022 from 7.77, 15.92, 7.38, and 11.44 percent in September

2022, respectively. Transport and communication expenses maintained higher inflation although it decelerated modestly in this quarter (Chart II.4). On the contribution side, prices of rent, fuel and lighting shared the utmost to overall non food inflation in this quarter. The contribution of medical care and health expenses and household furniture operations and repairing and miscellaneous goods and services showed an increase in Q2FY23 than in Q1FY23 (Chart II.6). The non-food inflation momentum softened marginally in the current quarter although it remained unfavorable (Chart II.3).

Chart II.5: Decomposition of CPI Food (excluding beverage and tobacco) Inflation (In percent)

(In percent) Clothing and Footwear Rent, Fuel & Lighting Household Furniture, operations and repairing Medical Care & Health Expenses 12 Transport and Communication Recreation &Educational Expenses 10 Miscellaneous Goods & Services Non-food 8 6 4 2 Feb-22 Mar-22 Apr-22 May-22 Jun-22 Jul-22

Chart II.6: Decomposition of CPI Non-food Inflation

Cereals Pulses ■ Fish Egg & Meat Vegetables Fruits 12 Spices ■ Edible oils & Fats 10 ■ Milk & Milk Products Misc. Food items Food 8 (Excluding beverage 6 & tobacco) 4 2 0 Aug-22 Jul-22 Sep-22

Source: BB staff's calculation based on BBS data.

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2.4 Headline CPI inflation in rural and urban areas decelerated to 8.86 and 8.43 percent in December 2022 from 9.12 and 9.03 percent in September 2022, respectively. Food inflation in both the areas declined while non-food inflation witnessed a rise. Non-food inflation in rural areas was higher than that of the urban areas stemmed mainly from higher inflation in clothing and footwear; and rent, fuel and lighting.

Chart II.7: Inflation Heat Map (In percent)

|                | Weights | Dec-21 | Jan-22 | Feb-22 | Mar-22 | Apr-22 | May-22 | Jun-22 | Jul-22 | Aug-22 | Sep-22 | Oct-22 | Nov-22 | Dec-22 |
|----------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Rural Headline | 100.00  | 6.1    | 6.5    | 6.5    | 6.6    | 7.9    | 8.1    | 6.3    | 8.0    | 9.7    | 9.1    | 8.9    | 8.9    | 8.9    |
| Rural Food     | 57.04   | 4.6    | 6.0    | 5.8    | 5.7    | 8.7    | 9.3    | 4.8    | 9.1    | 10.5   | 9.1    | 8.4    | 8.0    | 8.5    |
| Rural Non-food | 38.59   | 6.3    | 6.2    | 6.1    | 6.5    | 6.3    | 6.5    | 6.9    | 6.6    | 9.2    | 9.5    | 10.0   | 10.3   | 10.3   |

|                | Weights | Dec-21 | Jan-22 | Feb-22 | Mar-22 | Apr-22 | May-22 | Jun-22 | Jul-22 | Aug-22 | Sep-22 | Oct-22 | Nov-22 | Dec-22 |
|----------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Urban Headline | 100.00  | 5.7    | 5.5    | 5.6    | 5.7    | 5.8    | 6.5    | 6.6    | 6.5    | 9.2    | 9.0    | 8.9    | 8.7    | 8.4    |
| Urban Food     | 43.18   | 0.9    | 1.4    | 2.4    | 2.1    | 2.3    | 5.4    | 5.7    | 6.0    | 9.9    | 9.3    | 8.6    | 7.8    | 7.5    |
| Urban Non-food | 53.48   | 7.1    | 6.2    | 5.9    | 5.9    | 6.3    | 5.8    | 6.1    | 6.1    | 8.4    | 8.7    | 9.1    | 9.5    | 9.5    |
|                |         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |

Source: BB staff's calculation based on BBS data.

2.5 Nominal wage growth continued to creep up in Q2FY23, minimizing the gap with inflation as inflation decelerated from its recent highs. The average wage rate increased to 7.03 percent in December 2022 from 6.86 percent in September 2022. Among the three sectors, service sector witnessed the highest wage growth of 7.26 percent in this quarter while that was 7.05 percent in the previous quarter. The wage rate in the industry and the agriculture sector grew by 7.12 and 6.95 percent, respectively, in December 2022 (Chart II.8).

Chart II.8: Wage Rate (Percentage Change, Point-to-point)

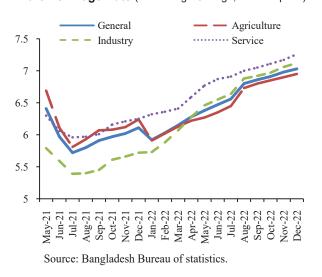
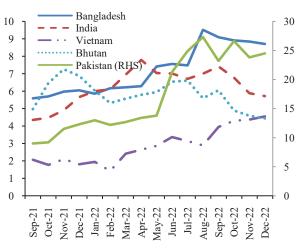


Chart II.9: Inflation in Peer Countries (In percent)

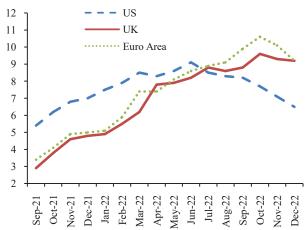


Sources: Central Banks and Statistics Departments of Respective Countries.

- 2.6 Among the selected peer countries, inflation momentum exhibited a mixed trend in Q2FY23. CPI inflation in India and Bhutan declined to 5.72 and 4.44 percent in December 2022 from 7.41 and 6.05 percent in September 2022, respectively. Pakistan experienced a highly volatile inflation momentum in the current quarter and reached to 24.5 percent in December 2022. Moreover, CPI inflation in Vietnam went up to 4.55 percent in December 2022 from 3.94 percent in September 2022 (Chart II.9).
- 2.7 Inflation scenario in advanced economies broadly improved in Q2FY23 although it still remained high. The United States managed to pull CPI inflation steadily down to 6.5 percent in December 2022 from 8.2 percent in September 2022. While inflation in the UK and Euro areas exhibited a downturn and both reached 9.2 percent in December 2022. Slowdown in energy and food prices along with tightening monetary policy of the advanced economies favored mostly the inflation to setback.

2.8 Global commodity price indices experienced a mixed trend in Q2FY23 compared

Chart II.10: Inflation in Advanced Economies
(In percent

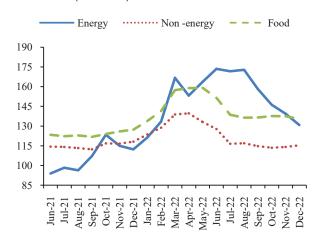


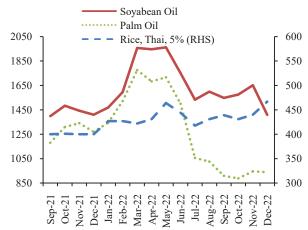
Sources: Respective Central Banks and Statistics Departments.

to Q1FY23. Energy price index nosedived on the back of crude oil price while non-energy price index increased slightly. Crude oil price plummeted to 76.78 USD a barrel in December 2022 from 90.63 USD a barrel in September 2022. On the other hand, food price index stepped down marginally because of softening soybean oil price. Soybean oil price dropped to 1409.24 USD a metric ton in December 2022 from 1548.32 USD a metric ton in September 2022. On the contrary, palm oil price increased to 940.39 USD a metric ton in December 2022, off-setting the soybean oil price decline to some extent. Of the food grains, rice price started increasing in the current quarter and reached 467 USD a metric ton in December 2022 from 439 USD a metric ton in the last month of the previous quarter. Russia's export restrictions which include a floating export tax and export quota on cereals and war-affected supply disruptions of cereals from Ukraine heavily weighed on the global cereal prices as these countries account for almost 35 percent of the dollar value of total global trade of cereals (Chart II.12 & Chart II.13).

Chart II.11: Global Commodity Price Indices (2010=100)

Chart II.12: World Commodity Price (USD/M.T.)





Source: Commodity Market Outlook, World Bank.

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Looking ahead, inflationary pressure is likely to soften in coming months in the face of deceleration in global commodity prices and better than targeted harvest of *aman* along with boro paddies. In addition, the exchange rate pressure is predicted to ease which would have favorable impact on imported commodity prices, hence the domestic inflation. However, the inflation outlook is subject to significant uncertainties arising from the persistent supply disruption and global commodity prices. Nonetheless, geopolitical tension of Russia-Ukraine war still remains concern. Also the higher inflation in most trading countries and the probable supply bottlenecks in China pose additional risks to domestic inflation outlook. Notwithstanding, BB's monetary policy is cautiously restrictive to righty address the inflation issues and to arrest the unanchored inflation expectations. Besides, government's open market operations and other supply side interventions would also help cushion the low-income group from the high inflation toll.

#### III. Money and Credit Market

3.1 Money market witnessed some liquidity contraction in Q2FY23, originated from a large net sell of foreign currency by Bangladesh Bank in the face of balance of payment deficit, a sudden rise in currency holding by public, and a low growth of bank deposits. To ensure adequate liquidity in the banking system, Bangladesh Banks took several supportive measures for both conventional and islami banks. Simultaneously, Bangladesh Bank raised its repo rate by another 25 basis points to 5.75 percent at the end of December 2022 in response to rising inflationary pressure. On the other hand, net domestic assets (NDA) increased slightly, although broad money (M2) growth continued falling owing to a considerable decline in net foreign assets (NFA). The contraction of liquidity led to a sharp rise in interest rates in the interbank market in Q2FY23, while interest rates in the retail market increased marginally.

Chart III.1: Broad Money (M2) Growth (In percent):
Program vs. Actual

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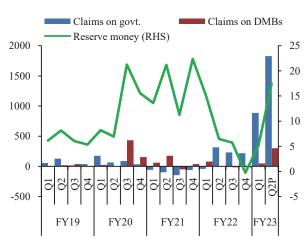
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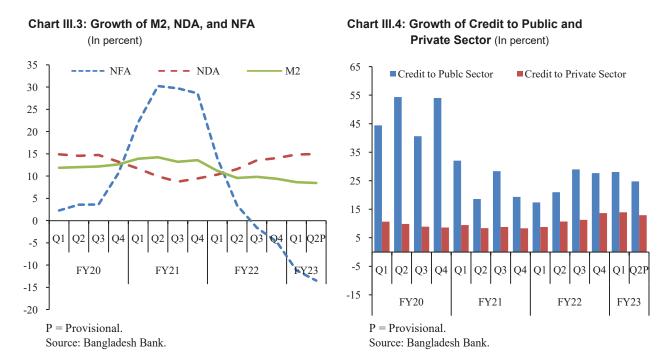
Chart III.2: Reserve Money, Claims on Govt. and DMBs Growth (In percent):



Source: Bangladesh Bank; P = provisional.

- 3.2 In response to the liquidity stress in the economy reflected by the high growth of currency outside bank (27.3 percent) in Q2FY23, Bangladesh Bank took several timely measures to uphold the confidence in the financial system. Consequently, reserve money growth remained buyout during this quarter under observation by registering 17.4 percent growth (y-o-y) against the programmed growth of 9.0 percent at the end of December 2022. This growth momentum emanated from the exorbitantly high growth of claims on government (1828.1 percent) coupled with significant growth of claims on DMBs (301.3 percent) (Chart III.2).
- 3.3 On the other hand, the slowdown in M2 growth continued for the consecutive three quarters and stood at 8.47 percent against the growth target of 10 percent for December 2022 (Chart III.1). This growth slowdown stemmed particularly from a significant contraction of NFA which has been declining rapidly from the beginning of the last fiscal year. From the beginning of FY23, the declining growth momentum of NFA accelerated further, and by the end of this quarter, NFA growth rate became as low as -13.48 percent (Chart III.3).

The contraction of NFA resulted mainly from unfavorable developments in the external sectors, which were primarily brought on by persistent geopolitical concerns, increased commodity prices, and higher import payments. Nonetheless, the external sector observed negative import growth (13.24 percent) and remittance growth (-0.25) in Q2FY23, while 10.33 percent (y-o-y) export growth was observed. Several policy initiatives of BB and the government particularly fed into the initiative to lower the current account deficit and improve the overall balance of payments situation.



On the contrary, the net domestic asset (NDA) continued its steady growth (14.95 percent) in this quarter, hinging upon favorable developments in other items (net) and broadly stable growth in domestic credit against the growth target of 16.6 percent for December 2022. Meanwhile, the continuation of the government's numerous austerity measures reflected by the growth moderation of the credit to public sector, which was 24.80 percent (Chart III.4) against the target of 33.3 percent for December 2022, along with a slight increase in the net sale of national savings certificates (NSCs) 2.04 percent (y-o-y) in Q2FY23.

After observing healthy growth momentum during the post-pandemic rebounding stage since FY22, credit to the private sector growth moderated somewhat in Q2FY23 by registering 12.89 percent growth compared to the growth target of 13.6 percent for December 2022. Some major factors could be attributed to this growth deceleration; tight liquidity situations in the banking system; decelerated import growth amid sharp depreciation and several import limiting measures; looming global economic crisis. Besides, private sector credit by economic purpose over the same period revealed that credit to trade and commerce, agriculture, and construction increased by 18.29, 18.20, and 10.62 percent (y-o-y) compared to the same period last year while the growth of credit to industry (8.58 percent), and consumer finance (26.55 percent) moderated. Additionally, the growth of

credit to transport shifted gear in this quarter by recording a positive growth after observing negative growth for the last ten quarters (Table I.9). For the remaining quarters of FY23, expansion of loans to the private sector is predicted relying upon recently introduced 'Export Facilitation Pre-finance Fund (EFPF)' by Bangladesh Bank to ensure further impetus in the industrial sector activities, increase external sector demand, and introduce favorable developments in associated sectors<sup>3</sup>.

Chart III.5: Volume of Transactions in Retail Money

Markets (In billion BDT)

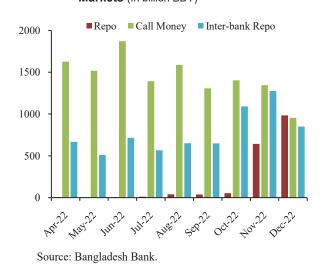
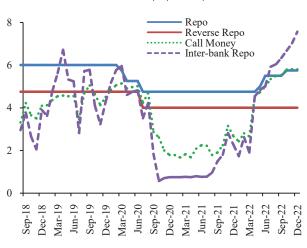


Chart III.6: Movements in Policy and Money
Market Rates (In percent)



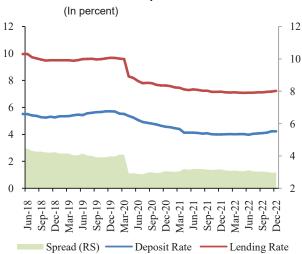
Source: Bangladesh Bank.

3.5 At the end of December 2022, the total liquid assets of scheduled banks stood at BDT 3938.01 billion against the minimum regulatory requirement of BDT 2481.99 billion. Total liquid assets declined by 5.33 percent in Q2FY23 compared to Q1FY23. Among the major impetus, Bangladesh Bank's recent interventions in the foreign exchange market with the sale of USD mopped up local currency from the market, contributing to a 4.86 percent drop in total liquid assets in excess of maintained SLR in December 2022 compared to the previous month.

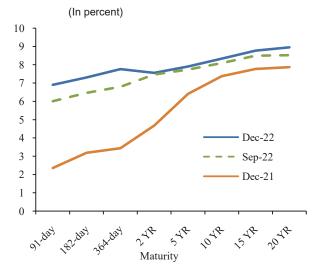
On the other hand, to stabilize the money market, BB has provided increased liquidity supports and injected BDT 1679.70 billion through repo operation during Q2FY23, which was BDT 89.34 billion during Q1FY23 registering a staggering 1780.22 percent growth of repo in volume during Q2FY23 compared to Q1FY23 (Chart III.5). Similarly, the ongoing liquidity stress resulted in an upward movement of interest rates in retail money markets. The weighted-average interest rate in the inter-bank call money markets and inter-bank repo market remained elevated and increased to 5.8 percent and 7.6 percent in December 2022 from 5.5 percent and 6.3 percent in September 2022, respectively on the back of upward revision of the repo rate from 5.5 percent of September 2022 to 5.75 percent in December 2022 (Chart III.6). Meanwhile, the weighted-average interest rate on lending rose to 7.22 percent in December 2022 from 7.12 percent in September 2022, and the weighted-average interest rate on deposit climbed to 4.23 percent from 4.09 percent during the same period (Chart III.7).

BB's Export Facilitation Pre-Finance Fund (EFPF), BRPD Circular No.-01, Date: 1 January 2023.





**Chart III.8: Interest Rate of Government Securities** 



Source: Bangladesh Bank.

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- The yields on government securities of all maturities edged up slightly in Q2FY23 in the face of declined deficit financing from domestic sources and increased deficit financing from foreign sources in this quarter under observation compared to the last quarter. This quarter observed notable upward shifts of the weighted average yields of short-term government securities and moderate upward shifts of long-term government securities. For short-term government securities, yields on 91-day, 182-day, and 364-day treasury bills crept up to 6.9, 7.3, and 7.8 percent in December 2022 from 6.01, 6.5, and 6.8 percent in September 2022, respectively. In addition, yields on treasury bonds with terms of 2-year, 5-year, 10-year, 15-year, and 20-year increased to 7.55, 7.9, 8.33, 8.77, and 8.95 percent from 7.47, 7.73, 8.09, 8.49, and 8.52 percent, respectively, during the same time (Chart III.8).
- 3.7 Despite numerous initiatives of the Bangladesh Bank, the continuous decline of broad money growth (8.47 percent) on the back of significant reserve money growth (17.4 percent) in December 2022 increased the demand for further insights on how the central bank can navigate in an increasingly complex time. However, optimistic outlook of external sector with expected increased remittance inflow ahead of Ramadan and Eid along with growth of exports on the back of increasing economic activities in the advanced economies would likely to have a positive impact on NFA and subsequent growth of M2 in coming months. On the other hand, as global commodity prices are falling, progressive expansion of the private sector is also expected. BB will keep up its prudent and timely policy measures to accomplish its monetary aims and keep inflation under control.

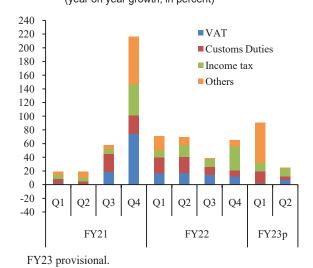
#### IV. Fiscal Sector

- 4.1 The overall fiscal stances exhibited a slow momentum in Q2FY23, reflected in weak revenue mobilization and lower government expenditure than in Q2FY22. The budget deficit narrowed down in this quarter compared to the same quarter of the previous year mainly because of the government's spending cut in the face of COVID-19 and the Russia-Ukraine war-led global economic crisis. To finance the deficit, the government primarily has a preference on foreign rather than domestic sources in the quarter. A large share of domestic financing came from the banking sector. In the second quarter of FY23, the total revenue, expenditure and deficit financing, as a percentage of GDP, stood at 1.9 percent, 2.35 percent and 0.46 percent, respectively.
- 4.2 The total revenue inched up in Q2FY23 however, as a percent of annual GDP, it slipped to 1.89% from 2.0%. The total revenue increased by 6.1 percent to BDT 839.92 billion (1.89 percent of annual GDP) in Q2FY23 from BDT 791.3 billion in Q2FY22 (2.0 percent of annual GDP). The NBR tax revenue increased 7.2 percent to BDT 757.7 billion in Q2FY23 from BDT 707.2 billion in Q2FY22 on the back of higher income tax collection (12.3 percent), VAT collection (6.8 percent) and customs duties (5.2 percent). Nonetheless, NBR's revenue collection from other sources was 0.6 percent in Q2FY23 compared to 11.7percent in the previous quarter (Chart IV.2). In the first six months of the current fiscal year, overall revenue collection stood at 37.4 percent of the revenue target of BDT 4330.0 billion, which was slightly lower than 37.8 percent in the first six months of FY22. On the other hand, non-NBR tax revenue collection stood at BDT 16.47 billion, same as the previous year, while non-tax revenue decreased somewhat (Chart IV.1).

Chart IV.1: Trends in Total Revenue (year on year growth, in percent)

NBR tax revenue Non-NBR tax revenue 150 Non tax revenue 100 50 Q4 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 -50 FY21 FY22 FY23p FY23 provisional.

Chart IV.2: Trends in NBR Tax Revenue (year on year growth, in percent)



Sources: Ministry of Finance, National Board of Revenue.

Source: National Board of Revenue.

4.3 The restrictive import policy amid global war-related supply disruption restrained government to spend on fiscal activities. Total Government expenditure decreased by 1.4 percent to BDT 1043.7 billion in Q2FY23 from BDT 1058.1 billion in Q2FY22, mainly because of a decline in current expenditure (Chart IV.3). Current expenditure decreased 3.7 percent to BDT 595.7

billion in Q2FY23 from BDT 618.6 billion Q2FY22. On the other hand, Annual Development Program (ADP) expenditure went up by 2.5 percent to BDT 383.5 billion from BDT 374.0 billion. During the first half of the fiscal year 2023, total expenditure was about 30.0 percent of the annual budget of BDT 6780.6 billion for FY23. On the other hand, the government implemented 24.5 percent of ADP expenditure target and 35.0 percent of the current expenditure target in the first half of FY23.

Chart IV.3: Trends in Government Expenditure Chart IV.4: Sources of Financing of Budget Deficit (year on year growth, in percent) (In billion Taka) Bank Financing Non-bank Financing 100 Current Foreign Financing Total Financing 800 ADP 80 Others 600 60 400 40 200 20 0 Q1 Q2 Q2 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q2 Q4 -20 -200 FY23p FY21 FY22 FY21 FY22 FY20 FY23p -40 -400 FY23 provisional. FY23 provisional. Sources: Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Planning. Sources: Bangladesh Bank; Ministry of Finance.

- 4.4 The fiscal deficit narrowed in Q2FY23 compared to Q2FY22 due to faster revenue collection growth over expenditure. The deficit declined 32.0 percent to BDT 203.78 billion in Q2FY23 from BDT 269.05 billion in Q2FY22 (Chart IV.5). Most of the budget deficit was financed from foreign sources in Q2FY23 while only a marginal share came from domestic sources. Of the BDT 203.78 billion financing, BDT 192.3 billion was collected from foreign sources and BDT 11.54 billion was collected from domestic sources. This quarter, a larger share of domestic financing came from banking sources than non-bank sources. Domestic financing was comprised of BDT 14.95 billion borrowing from the banking sector and BDT 3.41 billion from non-banking sources. Bank and non-bank borrowing observed a decline of 80.1 percent and 111.2 percent in Q2FY23 compared to Q2FY22, respectively.
- 4.5 Bangladesh has maintained satisfactory macroeconomic performance amid the global crisis of the COVID-19 pandemic and Russia-Ukraine war-related supply bottlenecks. Growth in revenue collections and government's spending cut helped budget deficit to shrink further in Q2FY23. However, global turmoil remained, which posed a risk to the country's fiscal stance through the foreign exchange and trade path. In addition, tightening fiscal operations might impact the output, leaving a spiral effect on fiscal deficit.

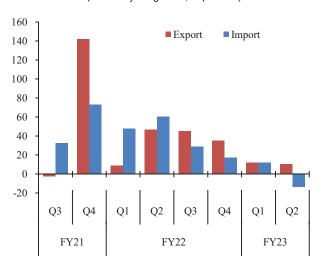
#### V. External Sector

- Despite a significant improvement in the current account balance, the overall balance of payment (BoP) deficit widened to USD 3.72 billion in Q2FY23 from USD 3.45 billion in Q1FY23 because of an unusual deficit in the financial account. During the first-six month of FY23, the deficit in the overall balance stood at USD 7.17 billion. The deficit in the overall balance continued exerting depreciation pressure on BDT. To limit excessive volatility in the exchange rates, Bangladesh Bank injected (net) USD 4.24 billion in the foreign exchange market during Q2FY23. As a result, the gross official foreign exchange reserve declined to USD 33.75 billion at the end of December 2022.
- 5.2 The deficit in the current account balance, which recorded an upsurge amid post-COVID growing domestic demand as well as, global commodity price shocks due to the war in Ukraine and other supply-side factors, maintained a downward trend since Q4FY22 and declined to USD 1.71 billion (0.36 percent of GDP) in Q2FY23 from USD 3.56 billion (0.75 percent of GDP) in Q1FY23 (Chart V.1), mainly because of widening the trade deficit. The deficit in the current account balance amounted to USD 5.27 billion in H1FY23, which is significantly lower than the deficit in H2FY22. Trade deficit moderated to USD 4.75 billion in Q2FY23 from USD 7.55 billion in Q1FY23, aided by a faster fall in imports in the face of sharp depreciation of BDT and BB's several policies aimed at limiting luxury and unnecessary imports.

Chart V.1: Trends in Current Account and Overall Balance (Percent of GDP)

1.5
1.0
0.5
0.0
-0.5
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Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2
FY21 FY22 FY23

Chart V.2: Trends in Export and Import Growth
(Year on year growth, in percent)

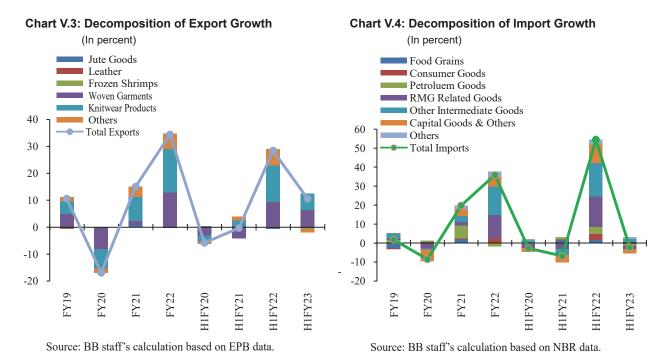


Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

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5.3 Since Q1FY21, the financial account experienced a shortfall in Q2FY23 by registering a deficit of USD 1.45 billion, resulting from a large deficit (net) in DMB's and NBDC's foreign asset-liability position, trade credit, and higher repayment of short-term loan than inflow in this period, while other major transactions in the financial account, such as long and medium-term loan and net FDI inflow maintained their surplus position with upward trends. During this period, the surplus in the capital account increased from USD 36 million in Q1FY23 to 135 million in Q2FY23.

Amid growing global growth uncertainty originating from the war in Ukraine and elevated global inflation, export growth moderated to 10.33 percent in Q2FY23 (y/y) compared with 11.89 percent growth in Q1FY23 (Table V.1). The growth momentum of total export was overwhelmingly concentrated in the performance of ready-made garment (RMG), while the export of other products witnessed negative growth. Total RMG exports registered 17.35 percent (where woven 17.93 percent and knitwear 16.89 percent) growth in Q2FY23 compared with 13.41 percent (woven 18.73 percent and knitwear 9.40 percent) growth in Q1FY23, while the exports of leather and leather related goods, frozen fish, and jute and jute products posted negative growth in Q2FY23.



- 5.5 Import payment declined by 13.24 percent (y/y) in Q2FY23 (chart V.4) compared to a positive growth of 11.7 percent in Q1FY23. BB's various restrictive policy measures for taming import growth, exchange rate depreciation, and global price hike played key role for this downturn in import payment. The reduction of import payment was centered in import of intermediate goods, capital machinery, and capital goods, while import of food items and consumer goods registered positive growth during this period. Import payment for intermediate goods, which constitutes about three-fifth (58.21 percent) of total import cost, declined by 15.65 percent during this quarter, where as import of intermediate goods, significantly determined by RMG related goods (39.30 percent of intermediate goods) declined by 16.78 percent. Moreover, negative growth of LC opening (36.15 percent) in Q2FY23 could provide some respite for foreign exchange reserve in coming months.
- 5.6 The inward remittances declined by 0.22 percent to USD 4.8 billion in Q2FY23 after recording 4.9 percent positive growth in Q1FY23. A-half of the total remittances came from gulf region with 5.40 percent negative growth, of which 37.8 percent from Saudi Arabia with 20.0 percent decline, led to turn down total remittance inflows. However, the remittance inflows from

UAE, USA, and Euro region grew by 48.8 percent, 15.9 percent, and 10.6 percent respectively (Chart V). Moreover, BB has taken some policy measures to uphill the inward remittance growth<sup>4</sup>.

Chart V.5: Country-wise Growth of Remittance Chart V.6: Appreciation/ Depreciation (+/-) of Inflows (In percent) **National Currency of Peer Countries** against USD 80 Gulf Region Saudi Arabia UAE Euro Region Vietnam 60 Asia Pacific Region USA UK Total Philippines -8.64 40 -21.96 Pakistan 20 -8.58 Indonesia 0 -9.44 India -20 -8.90 China -40 -0.61 Cambodia -13.13 Bangladesh -60 Q2FY23 Q2FY22 Q3FY22 Q4FY22 -25 -20 -15 -10 -5 Source: BB staff's calculation based on IFS, IMF data. Source: Bangladesh Bank.

5.7 Increasing deficit in the balance of payment, monetary tightening by the US Fed and geopolitical tension together led to depreciating pressure on BDT against USD. Moreover, allowing more flexibility of exchange rate culminated in a sharp depreciation of BDT's exchange rates. The exchange rate of BDT/USD depreciated to 99 at the end of December 2022-amounting 13.13 percent depreciation since January 2022. Bangladesh Bank sold USD 4.2 billion in Q2FY23 to mitigate the demand-supply gap in the foreign exchange market. Consequently, gross official reserve declined to USD 33.8 billion at the end December 2022. The nominal effective exchange rate (NEER) and the real effective exchange rate (REER) also recorded high depreciation of 10.97 percent and 9.97 percent respectively at the end December 2022.

Chart V.7: Effective Exchange Rate Indices
(Base : Jun-2016=100)

120

110

100

NEER

REER

NEER

NEE

Source: Bangladesh Bank.

5.8 It is expected that BB's supportive policies for remittance inflow, high growth of overseas employment amid improved economic and working condition in the source countries, and Ramadan effect would have a positive effect on inward remittances in the upcoming quarters. In addition, the negative growth of import LC opening, strong growth of export, and disbursement of IMFs loan's installment could provide some respite for foreign exchange reserve in coming quarters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> BB allowed BDT to depreciate significantly to reduce the exchange rate differential, waived the money transfer fees by local banks for expatriate remitters, allowed the MFS in the remittance collection and distribution process, and eased the remittance repatriation and cash incentive distribution process.

#### VI. Banking Sector

6.1 The overall banking sector showed a mixed performance in Q2FY23, as evidenced by a reduction of the ratio of non-performing loans (NPLs) to total loans, a declining trend in the growth of both bank advances and deposits, a deterioration in maintaining provision, and a deceleration of excess liquidity in the banking system. The ratio of gross non-performing loans to total loans declined in Q2FY23 compared to Q1FY23, owing mostly to State-owned Commercial Banks (SCBs) and Private Commercial Banks (PCBs). Moreover, the ratio of net nonperforming loans decreased in Q2FY23 compared to Q1FY23, following two consecutive quarters of steady growth, mostly due to state-owned commercial banks (SCBs). Liquidity condition in banking sector kept worsening because of a host of reasons such as continuous dollar sales by the Bangladesh Bank, declining remittance trend, growing inflationary pressure. In addition, hike in BB's policy rates to curb inflationary pressure also has impact on liquidity in banking sector.

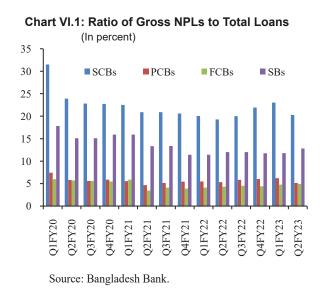


Chart VI.2: Ratio of Gross NPLs and Net NPL to Total Loans (In percent) 14 Gross NPL Net NPL 12 10 8 6 4 2 Q4FY19 Q4FY21 Q2FY22 Q4FY17 Q2FY19 Q2FY21 Q2FY Source: Bangladesh Bank.

- The Non-Performing Loan (NPL) in the banking sector observed an improvement in Q2FY23, mostly due to favorable loan repayment policies confronting the ongoing macroeconomic stress. The ratio of gross NPLs to total loans declined and reached 8.16 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 9.36 percent at the end of Q1FY23. The gross NPLs ratio in the SCBs and PCBs edged down to 20.28 percent and 5.13 percent, respectively at the end of Q2FY23 from 23.04 percent and 6.20 percent, respectively at the end of Q1FY23. Moreover, NPLs ratio of FCBs and SBs marginally grew to 4.91 percent and 12.80 percent, respectively at the end of Q1FY23 from 4.77 percent and 11.80 percent, respectively in the previous quarter (Table VI.2 and Chart VI.1-Chart VI.2). The ratio of net NPLs to total loans also declined to 0.08 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 0.90 percent at the end of Q1FY23, reflecting narrowed provision shortfall compare to previous quarter of Q1FY23 (Table VI.1, Table VI.2 and Chart VI.2).
- 6.3 The overall capitalization in the banking sector has maintained above the regulatory requirement of 10 percent of risk-weighted assets during Q2FY23, reflecting adequate capital buffers to absorb uncertainties and risks. The PCBs' capital-to-risk-weighted assets ratio (CRAR)

rose to 13.80 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 12.72 percent at the end of Q1FY23, indicating adequate capitalization. Although the CRAR of SCBs inched up to 6.26 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 6.18 percent at the end of Q1FY23, maintained below the minimum capital requirement. However, the overall CRAR modestly increased to 11.83 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 11.01 percent at the end of Q1FY23 (Table VI.3 and Chart VI.3).

FCBs PCBs ■ Dec. 2022 All banks Sep. 2022 **SCBs** -45 -40 -35 -30 -25 -20 -15 -10 -5 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40

Chart VI.3: Capital to Risk Weighted Assets Ratio (CRAR) (In percent)

Source: Bangladesh Bank.

Table 6.1: Comparative Position of Classified Loan and Provision Maintained (In billion BDT)

| Quarters | Items                   | SCBs    | SBs   | PCBs   | FCBs  | All Banks |
|----------|-------------------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-----------|
|          | Total classified loan   | 449.8   | 39.9  | 515.2  | 27.9  | 1032.74   |
| Q2FY22   | Required provision      | 370.3   | 23.3  | 390.8  | 22.2  | 806.54    |
| Q2F 1 22 | Provision maintained    | 199.7   | 23.6  | 414.4  | 28.8  | 666.47    |
|          | Excess(+)/ shortfall(-) | -170.6  | 0.3   | 23.5   | 6.6   | -140.07   |
|          | Total classified loan   | 487.4   | 40.2  | 578.0  | 28.8  | 1134.41   |
| Q3FY22   | Required provision      | 365.0   | 23.3  | 439.8  | 22.5  | 850.68    |
| Q3F 1 22 | Provision maintained    | 204.0   | 23.7  | 447.8  | 27.8  | 703.22    |
|          | Excess(+)/ shortfall(-) | -161.0  | 0.3   | 8.0    | 5.2   | -147.46   |
|          | Total classified loan   | 554.3   | 41.9  | 626.8  | 29.6  | 1252.58   |
| Q4FY22   | Required provision      | 315.3   | 23.9  | 499.4  | 24.1  | 862.68    |
| Q4F 1 22 | Provision maintained    | 209.1   | 24.5  | 468.3  | 28.7  | 730.48    |
|          | Excess(+)/ shortfall(-) | -106.2  | 0.6   | -31.1  | 4.5   | -132.20   |
|          | Total classified loan   | 605.01  | 42.27 | 666.95 | 29.70 | 1343.96   |
| O1EV22   | Required provision      | 321.10  | 23.97 | 518.00 | 23.74 | 886.83    |
| Q1FY23   | Provision maintained    | 213.26  | 24.54 | 484.55 | 29.18 | 751.53    |
|          | Excess(+)/ shortfall(-) | -107.84 | 0.57  | -33.45 | 5.43  | -135.29   |
|          | Total classified loan   | 564.6   | 47.1  | 564.4  | 30.5  | 1206.57   |
| Q2FY23   | Required provision      | 301.4   | 24.7  | 491.3  | 24.1  | 841.57    |
| Q2F 1 23 | Provision maintained    | 213.2   | 24.8  | 463.9  | 29.6  | 731.48    |
|          | Excess(+)/ shortfall(-) | -88.3   | 0.1   | -27.5  | 5.6   | -110.09   |

<sup>6.4</sup> The banking industry's profitability witnessed an improved at the end of December 2022 compared to December 2021, as shown by an increase in both return on assets (ROA) and return on

equity (ROE). The net profit of the banking sector jumped to BDT 141.93 billion at the end of December 2022 from BDT 57.78 billion at the end of December 2021, partly driven by a notable rise in interest income and exchange gain from non-interest income sources and a decline in bad debt provisioning. The overall ROA and ROE rose to 0.62 percent and 10.67 percent at the end of December 2022 from 0.25 percent and 4.44 percent at the end of December 2021, respectively. The ROA and ROE for SCBs went up to 0.18 percent and 4.55 percent at the end of December 2022 from -0.68 percent and -21.61 percent at the end of December 2021, respectively. Moreover, ROA and ROE for the PCBs also modestly rose to 0.71 percent and 11.04 percent at the end of December 2022 from 0.62 percent and 9.34 percent at the end of December 2021, respectively (Table VI.4).

6.5 The gap of growths between bank's deposits and bank's advances widened significantly at the end of Q2FY23. Although, bank's advances maintained a moderate growth of 14.1 percent at the end of Q2FY23, bank's deposit growth further deteriorated. The bank's deposit growth fell to 5.6 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 7.8 percent at the end of Q1FY23, reflecting weaker saving owing from high inflationary pressure. Consequently, the overall advance-deposit ratio (ADR) rose to 79.00 percent in end-December 2022 from 76.23 percent in end-September 2022 and remained broadly stable (Table 6.2, Chart VI.5).

Table 6.2: Deposit and Advance Position of Scheduled Banks (In percent)

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| Bank groups | Year-on-year gro | owth of deposit, % | Year-on-year grov | wth of advances, % | 6 Advance Depo | osit Ratio (ADR) |
|-------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|
|             | (excluding       | ; interbank)*      | (excluding        | g interbank)       |                |                  |
|             | Dec. 22          | Sep. 22            | Dec. 22           | Sep. 22            | Dec. 22        | Sep.22           |
| SCBs        | 0.5              | 0.3                | 18.8              | 17.7               | 69.00          | 64.81            |
| PCBs        | 6.9              | 10.5               | 13.2              | 14.6               | 84.64          | 82.18            |
| FCBs        | 15.5             | 11.4               | 7.8               | 0.4                | 50.90          | 48.3             |
| SBs         | 6.4              | 9.6                | 11.2              | 10.0               | 75.76          | 73.43            |

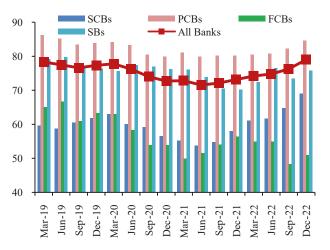
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Source: Bangladesh Bank. \*Adjusted deposits growth for ADR.

Chart VI. 4: Advance Deposit Ratio (In percent)

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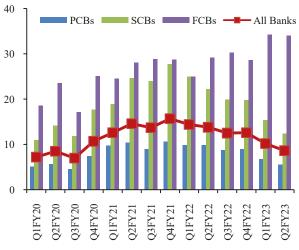
Source: Bangladesh Bank.

Chart VI. 5: Excess of SLR as % of TDTL

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Source: Bangladesh Bank staff's calculation.

6.6 The surplus liquidity in the banking sector has further declined to BDT 1457.28 billion at the end of Q2FY23 from that of BDT 1703.2 billion at the end of Q1FY23, partly due to BB's intervention to the foreign exchange market by selling USD emanating from the Russia-Ukraine war along with higher demand for credit. The excess liquidity- the excess of CRR and SLR as a percent of total demand and time liabilities (TDTL) has declined to 8.6 percent at the end of Q2FY23 from 10.2 percent at the end of Q1FY23 (Table 6.3, Chart VI.6).

Table 6.3: Liquidity Position of the Scheduled Banks (In billion BDT)

|                           |           | CRR          |               |                | SLR              |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
|                           | Required  | Balance with | Excess (+)/   | Required       | SLR eligible     | Excess(+)/      |
| Bank groups               | Reserves  | BB in local  | shortfall (-) | Liquidity      | liquid assets of | shortfall () of |
|                           | TCSCI VCS | currency     | in reserve    | Diquidity      | banks**          | SLR             |
| 1                         | 2         | 3            | 4             | 5              | 6                | 7               |
|                           |           |              | As of end D   | December, 2022 | 2                |                 |
| SCBs                      | 160.50    | 186.30       | 25.80         | 516.90         | 1013.27          | 496.37          |
| SBs*                      | 17.56     | 17.83        | 0.27          | 0.00           | 0.00             | 0.00            |
| PCBs (other than Islamic) | 290.13    | 333.97       | 43.83         | 956.31         | 1501.51          | 545.19          |
| Private Banks (Islamic)   | 162.91    | 253.42       | 90.51         | 225.89         | 325.67           | 99.77           |
| FCBs                      | 33.02     | 78.01        | 44.99         | 118.76         | 434.71           | 315.94          |
| All                       | 664.12    | 869.53       | 205.40        | 1817.87        | 3275.15          | 1457.28         |
|                           |           |              | As ofend      | September, 20  | )22              |                 |
| SCBs                      | 161.4     | 169.7        | 8.3           | 520.2          | 1143.5           | 623.3           |
| SBs*                      | 17.5      | 19.1         | 1.6           | 0.0            | 0.0              | 0.0             |
| PCBs(other than Islamic)  | 285.7     | 301.2        | 15.5          | 940.9          | 1575.6           | 634.7           |
| Private Banks (Islamic)   | 160.2     | 218.5        | 58.4          | 222.0          | 358.3            | 136.3           |
| FCBs                      | 31.6      | 68.3         | 36.8          | 1155           | 424.4            | 308.9           |
| All                       | 656.3     | 776.8        | 120.5         | 1798.6         | 3501.8           | 1703.2          |

Source: Bangladesh Bank.

Note: According to the circular No-MPD-02, 2013 with effect from February 01, 2014 SLR has been calculated separately (excluded CRR) as 13% for conventional banks and 5.5% for Islamic banks of the total demand and time liabilities.

According to circular No. MPD-03, April 09, 2020, CRR revised to 4.0 percent from 5.0 percent effective from April 15, 2020

6.7 Although the ratio of non-performing loans to total loans showed some improvements, the narrowing excess liquidity may remain a concern in coming quarters. However, continuing several refinance schemes for the agricultural sector along with funding opportunities for the CMSMEs would enable adequate liquidity in the banking sector. Moreover, optimistic outlook on external developments with declining import payments coupled with falling world commodity prices might improve liquidity situation in coming months. Nevertheless, good governance in the banking sector, an enhanced loan recovery process, and constant monitoring would play an important role in maintaining stability in the banking industry.

<sup>\*</sup> SLR does not apply to specialized banks as exempted by the Government.

<sup>\*\*</sup>includes cash in tills, balance with BB in foreign currency, balance with Sonali Bank as an agent of BB, unencumbered approved securities and excess reserve (column 4)

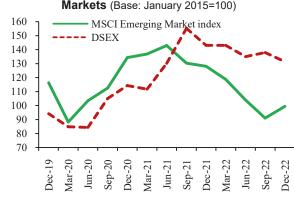
#### VII. Capital Market

7.1 The recent adverse macroeconomic situation in the domestic and global economies partly led to the volatile performances of the capital market during the couple of quarters. The capital market showed a weak performance during Q2FY23 compared to Q1FY23, as reflected in movements in price indices, market capitalization, price-earnings ratio and turnover. All capital market indicators except issued capital decreased during the quarter under review. Market capitalization plummeted by 2.8 percent to BDT 4471.7 billion in Q2FY23 from BDT 4601.6 billion in Q1FY23 (Table VII.1). With increasing trade and financial integration, the synchronized movements between the global equity market and DSE observed for the last couple of years which diverged in Q2FY23 (Chart VII.2).

Chart VII.1: Trends in DSEX Index and Turnover



Chart VII.2: Synchronization of DSEX with Global Markets (Base: January 2015=100)

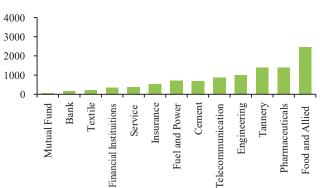


Source: DSE Monthly Review, Various Issues.

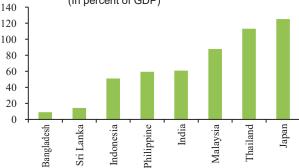
Chart VII.3: Index of Major Sectors, December 2022

Sources: Dhaka Stock Exchange and www.msci.com.

7.2 The DSE broad index (DSEX) and DSE-30 index witnessed a downward movement in Q2FY23 over Q1FY23. In the quarter under review, the DSEX index has decreased by 4.7 percent from Q1FY23 and 8.1 percent from Q2FY22 (Chart VII.1 and Table VII.1). The DSE-30 index declined by 5.8 percent from Q1FY23 and 13.1 percent from Q2FY22 (Table VII.1). Sector-wise indices<sup>5</sup> show that food and allied index reached the highest (2475.7), while mutual fund sector's index remained at the lowest level (69.6) in Q2FY23 (Chart VII.3).







Source: DSE Monthly Review, December 2022.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Sector wise index= (Sector wise market capitalization/ Sector wise paid-up capital)X100

7.3 The market capitalization of DSE went down by 2.8 percent to BDT 4471.7 billion in Q2FY23 from BDT 4601.6 billion in Q1FY23. Among all sectors, the pharmaceuticals and chemical sector holds the highest share (16.29 percent), and the Jute sector holds the lowest share (0.08 percent) of total market capitalization (Table VII.2). Moreover, market capitalization as a percent of GDP decreased from 13.05 percent in Q1FY23 to 9.04 percent in Q2FY23 (Chart VII.4).

Chart VII.5: Heat Map for Sectoral Price Earnings Ratio of DSE

| Sector              | Share of Total<br>M.cap Dec-22 | Mar-20 | Jun-20 | Sep-20 | Dec-20 | Mar-21 | Jun-21 | Sep-21 | Dec-21 | Mar-22 | Jun-22 | Sep-22 | Dec-22 |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Bank                | 14.9                           | 6.6    | 6.7    | 7.9    | 8.1    | 7.9    | 9.2    | 9.7    | 9.8    | 9.5    | 8.0    | 7.8    | 7.7    |
| Financial Instituit | tions 4.2                      | 14.8   | 15.9   | 22.6   | 24.7   | 20.1   | 23.4   | 31.1   | 23.8   | 21.9   | 20.4   | 20.3   | 18.9   |
| Engineering         | 11.8                           | 10.2   | 10.1   | 14.5   | 35.3   | 36.2   | 42.5   | 26.9   | 17.6   | 17.1   | 17.1   | 19.1   | 20.4   |
| Food & Allied       | 8.5                            | 16.4   | 17.4   | 21.2   | 23.5   | 25.5   | 27.1   | 32.3   | 31.4   | 22.6   | 21.1   | 20.5   | 21.1   |
| Fuel & Power        | 10.0                           | 9.5    | 9.5    | 11.6   | 11.9   | 12.8   | 13.6   | 16.1   | 11.7   | 12.2   | 11.7   | 11.3   | 12.2   |
| Textile             | 3.8                            | 12.2   | 11.7   | 14.3   | 17.9   | 16.8   | 23.9   | 30.2   | 22.5   | 24.1   | 22.3   | 22.8   | 16.6   |
| Pharmaceuticals     | 16.3                           | 14.6   | 15.2   | 17.8   | 19.6   | 19.7   | 21.1   | 24.9   | 19.8   | 20.1   | 19.5   | 20.4   | 17.9   |
| Service & Reales    | tate 0.6                       | 12.6   | 12.6   | 15.6   | 21.4   | 19.4   | 23.8   | 35.2   | 25.9   | 22.7   | 21.3   | 27.2   | 20.1   |
| Cement              | 2.5                            | 22.5   | 20.8   | 23.0   | 29.8   | 27.4   | 27.0   | 39.9   | 21.4   | 17.2   | 16.5   | 17.2   | 15.7   |
| IT                  | 0.9                            | 19.2   | 19.2   | 23.6   | 25.1   | 21.6   | 28.4   | 37.5   | 34.6   | 35.0   | 28.4   | 32.3   | 30.7   |
| Tannery             | 0.7                            | 12.7   | 12.7   | 20.2   | 24.9   | 23.2   | 28.5   | 87.4   | 89.9   | 84.0   | 61.5   | 55.1   | 34.7   |
| Insurance           | 3.6                            | 12.1   | 12.2   | 21.5   | 26.0   | 19.2   | 31.6   | 28.0   | 28.1   | 24.0   | 19.5   | 16.9   | 17.2   |
| Telecommunicati     | on 13.0                        | 9.4    | 9.6    | 13.3   | 18.3   | 19.7   | 18.4   | 19.3   | 16.9   | 16.1   | 15.6   | 15.4   | 15.1   |
| Miscellaneouse      | 4.9                            | 18.9   | 18.9   | 20.6   | 34.4   | 41.5   | 46.0   | 57.6   | 23.2   | 23.0   | 21.7   | 23.0   | 11.8   |

Sources: DSE Monthly Review, Various Issues.

≤15 ≥25

7.4 The DSE's overall price-earnings (P/E) ratio edged down in Q2FY23 from the level of Q1FY23. The average price-earnings ratios fell to 14.11 in Q2FY23 from 14.91 in Q1FY23. Sector-wise P/E data show that the banking sector's P/E score was the lowest position while that of the tannery sector held the highest position in Q1FY23 (Chart VII.5). Cross-country data on price-earnings (P/E) ratios as of December 2022 show that Bangladesh has a moderate P/E ratio among the South and East Asian selected countries (Table 7.1).

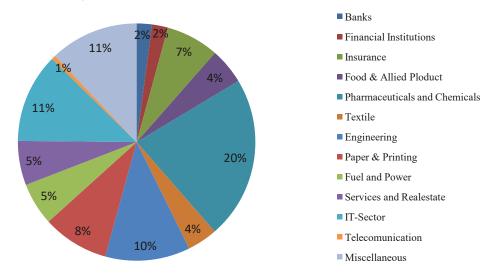
Table 7.1: Selected Countries: Price Earnings Ratio, Dividend Yield and Market Capitalization as of December 2022

|            | Price Earnings Ratio | M. Cap to GDP Ratio |  |  |  |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Bangladesh | 15.48                | 9.04                |  |  |  |
| India      | 23.51                | 60.84               |  |  |  |
| Sri Lanka  | 4.85                 | 14.37               |  |  |  |
| Thailand   | 18.42                | 113.01              |  |  |  |
| Hong Kong  | 10.31                | 1239.72             |  |  |  |
| China      | 13.13                | 36.70               |  |  |  |

Source: DSE Monthly Review, December 2022.

7.5 The DSE's liquidity condition and issued capital were slightly improved in Q2FY23. The value of issued equity and debt increased by 1.4 percent in Q2FY23 from Q1FY23. Since four new companies were listed in the capital market during the quarter under review, the number of listed securities rose to 408 at the end of Q2FY23. The total turnover value decreased by 39.0 percent in Q2FY23 from Q1FY23 (Chart VII.1). Sector-wise turnover data showed that the pharmaceuticals and chemicals sector achieved the highest (20 percent) turnover in Q2FY23 (Chart VII.6). Market liquidity as measured by the Turnover Velocity Ratio (TVR) down to 39.9 percent in Q2FY23 from 63.7 percent in Q1FY23.

Chart VII.6: Turnover of Major Sectors in Q<sub>2</sub>FY23



Source: DSE Monthly Review, December 2022.

The Bangladesh Bank (BB) and Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) took several steps to restore investor confidence in Bangladesh's capital market. To diversify investors' portfolios through risk-free investment in government securities, the BSEC started trial trading on 10 October 2022 in both stock exchanges. Moreover, to increase the attainment of international investors, the memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between the BSEC and the Securities and Commodities Authority (SCA) of the United Arab Emirates to explore opportunities for dual listing, bond issue, joint subscription, and commodities exchange in both countries. Also, BB provided additional time to banks to adjust their investment from the capital market exposure limit.

## **Tables**

Table I.1: Macroeconomic Framework: Key Economic Indicators

(Growth in percent, unless otherwise indicated)

| Indicators                         | FY16              | FY17   | FY18   | FY19   | FY20   | FY21   | FY22 <sup>R</sup> |  |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|--|
| Real GDP (Base 2015 -16)           | -                 | 6.59   | 7.32   | 7.88   | 3.45   | 6.94   | 7.10              |  |
| GDP deflator                       | -                 | 5.05   | 5.81   | 3.65   | 3.85   | 4.12   | 5.05              |  |
| CPI Inflation (average)            | 5.50              | 5.94   | 5.78   | 5.47   | 5.65   | 5.56   | 6.15              |  |
| CPI Inflation (point to point)     | 5.90              | 5.44   | 5.54   | 5.71   | 6.02   | 5.64   | 7.56              |  |
| Money and credit                   |                   |        |        |        |        |        |                   |  |
| Private sector credit              | 16.78             | 15.66  | 16.94  | 11.32  | 8.61   | 8.35   | 13.66             |  |
| Broad money (M2)                   | 16.35             | 10.88  | 9.24   | 9.88   | 12.64  | 13.60  | 9.43              |  |
| External Sector                    |                   |        |        |        |        |        |                   |  |
| Exports, f.o.b.                    | 8.90              | 1.70   | 6.66   | 9.10   | -18.89 | 14.89  | 33.45             |  |
| Imports, f.o.b.                    | 5.90              | 9.00   | 25.23  | 1.80   | -8.57  | 19.71  | 35.95             |  |
|                                    | In percent of GDP |        |        |        |        |        |                   |  |
| Gross Domestic Savings             | 27.27             | 27.07  | 26.45  | 26.88  | 27.08  | 25.34  | 25.22             |  |
| Gross domestic investment          | 30.24             | 30.95  | 31.82  | 32.21  | 31.31  | 31.02  | 32.05             |  |
| Total revenue                      | 8.55              | 9.40   | 9.83   | 10.73  | 10.98  | 8.78   | 8.64              |  |
| Tax                                | 7.49              | 8.27   | 8.80   | 9.81   | 9.87   | 7.36   | 7.76              |  |
| Nontax                             | 1.06              | 1.13   | 1.03   | 0.92   | 1.10   | 1.28   | 0.88              |  |
| Total expenditure                  | 12.75             | 13.65  | 14.08  | 14.99  | 15.82  | 12.50  | 12.71             |  |
| Current expenditure                | 7.24              | 8.30   | 7.98   | 9.04   | 9.31   | 6.96   | 6.95              |  |
| Annual development program         | 4.38              | 4.99   | 5.82   | 5.66   | 6.08   | 4.87   | 5.13              |  |
| Other expenditure (residual)       | 1.12              | 0.36   | 0.27   | 0.30   | 0.42   | 0.67   | 0.63              |  |
| Overall balance (including grants) | -3.96             | -4.04  | -4.08  | -4.14  | -4.73  | -3.72  | -4.07             |  |
| Financing (net) (a+b)              | 4.20              | 4.25   | 4.25   | 4.27   | 4.73   | 3.72   | 4.07              |  |
| a. Domestic financing              | 2.99              | 3.01   | 2.50   | 2.67   | 3.07   | 2.38   | 2.24              |  |
| Banking System                     | 1.53              | 1.03   | 0.75   | 1.05   | 2.60   | 1.13   | 1.56              |  |
| Non-bank                           | 1.47              | 1.98   | 1.75   | 1.62   | 0.47   | 1.25   | 0.68              |  |
| b. Foreign Financing               | 1.20              | 1.04   | 1.57   | 1.60   | 1.66   | 1.34   | 1.84              |  |
| Current account balance            | 1.61              | -0.45  | -2.98  | -1.45  | -1.26  | -0.91  | -4.02             |  |
| Overall balance                    | 1.90              | 1.08   | -0.27  | 0.05   | 0.85   | 2.23   | -1.16             |  |
| Broad Money (M2)                   | 44.15             | 43.72  | 42.06  | 41.32  | 43.33  | 44.22  | 43.01             |  |
| Broad Money (M3)                   | 51.87             | 53.07  | 52.05  | 51.98  | 53.74  | 54.64  | 52.82             |  |
| Deposit (DD+TD)                    | 38.24             | 37.77  | 36.69  | 36.07  | 37.25  | 38.26  | 37.04             |  |
| Private Sector Credit              | 32.33             | 33.39  | 34.39  | 34.23  | 34.61  | 33.68  | 34.02             |  |
|                                    | In billion USD    |        |        |        |        |        |                   |  |
| Exports, f.o.b.                    | 33.44             | 34.02  | 36.29  | 39.60  | 32.12  | 36.90  | 49.25             |  |
| Imports, f.o.b.                    | 39.90             | 43.49  | 54.46  | 55.44  | 50.69  | 60.68  | 82.50             |  |
| Gross official reserves            | 30.18             | 33.41  | 32.94  | 32.72  | 36.04  | 46.39  | 41.83             |  |
| In terms of month of imports       | 7.2               | 6.6    | 6.0    | 6.0    | 6.1    | 6.2    | 6.3               |  |
| Memorandum items:                  |                   |        |        |        |        |        |                   |  |
| Nominal GDP (In billion Taka)      | 20,758            | 23,243 | 26,392 | 29,514 | 31,705 | 35,302 | 39,717            |  |
| Nominal GDP (In billion USD)       | 265               | 294    | 321    | 351    | 374    | 416    | 460               |  |
| Exchange rate (Taka per USD)       | 78.26             | 79.12  | 82.10  | 84.03  | 84.78  | 84.81  | 86.30             |  |

Sources: Bangladesh Bank; Ministry of Finance and Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics; R = Revised

Table I.2: Real GDP Growth by Sectors: Base 2015-16

(In percent)

| Sectors  | FY17    | FY18    | FY19    | FY20    | FY21    | FY22 <sup>R</sup> |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|
| Agriculture  | 3.20    | 3.54    | 3.26    | 3.42    | 3.17    | 3.05              |
| Agriculture  | (13.62) | (13.14) | (12.56) | (12.52) | (12.07) | (11.61)           |
| Agriculture, forestry and fishing                      | 3.20    | 3.54    | 3.26    | 3.42    | 3.17    | 3.05              |
| i) Crops and horticulture                              | 2.22    | 2.75    | 2.07    | 2.50    | 2.29    | 2.61              |
| ii) Animal farmings                                    | 2.77    | 2.90    | 3.01    | 3.19    | 2.94    | 3.10              |
| iii) Forest and related services                       | 5.00    | 5.08    | 5.13    | 5.34    | 4.98    | 5.08              |
| iv) Fishing  | 4.73    | 4.93    | 4.99    | 4.40    | 4.11    | 2.64              |
| Industry   | 8.27    | 10.2    | 11.63   | 3.61    | 10.29   | 9.86              |
| industry   | (32.98) | (33.85) | (34.99) | (34.94) | (36.01) | (36.92)           |
| a) Mining and quarrying                                | 17.29   | 9.55    | 11.31   | 3.16    | 6.49    | -1.12             |
| b) Manufacturing                                       | 7.09    | 10.45   | 12.33   | 1.68    | 11.59   | 11.41             |
| i) Large Industry                                      | 4.63    | 11.08   | 12.79   | 0.41    | 10.61   | 15.68             |
| ii) Small, Medium, and Micro Industry                  | 10.06   | 11.10   | 10.61   | 2.69    | 13.89   | 4.84              |
| iii) Cottage Industry                                  | 9.29    | 7.45    | 14.17   | 3.67    | 10.27   | 11.12             |
| c) Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply | 7.07    | 8.27    | 8.24    | 0.67    | 9.54    | 6.15              |
| d) Water supply, sewerage, and waste management        | 3.63    | 2.96    | 6.31    | 2.18    | 6.65    | 9.54              |
| e) Construction  | 9.76    | 10.06   | 10.47   | 9.13    | 8.08    | 8.71              |
| Service  | 6.37    | 6.55    | 6.88    | 3.93    | 5.73    | 6.26              |
| Set vice   | (53.40) | (53.01) | (52.45) | (52.54) | (51.92) | (51.48)           |
| a) Wholesal@and retail trade                           | 8.22    | 8.74    | 8.85    | 3.21    | 7.64    | 8.46              |
| b) Transportation and storage                          | 6.13    | 6.74    | 7.01    | 1.73    | 4.04    | 5.75              |
| c) Accommodation and food service activities           | 5.39    | 5.52    | 5.64    | 1.69    | 4.53    | 5.37              |
| d) Information and communication                       | 8.35    | 6.77    | 7.36    | 6.57    | 7.11    | 4.79              |
| e) Financial and insurance activities                  | 5.30    | 6.94    | 8.25    | 4.72    | 5.82    | 5.87              |
| f) Real estates activities                             | 3.33    | 3.48    | 3.61    | 3.68    | 3.42    | 3.70              |
| g) Professional, scientific and technical activities   | 3.97    | 4.08    | 4.17    | 3.38    | 5.09    | 4.25              |
| h) Administrative and support service activities       | 6.40    | 7.74    | 8.17    | 6.33    | 6.02    | 6.01              |
| i) Public administrative and defence                   | 11.23   | 8.67    | 6.49    | 5.49    | 6.05    | 4.91              |
| j) Education   | 5.95    | 5.89    | 7.06    | 5.33    | 5.81    | 7.87              |
| k) Human health and social work activities             | 10.33   | 9.20    | 12.20   | 10.70   | 10.6    | 9.88              |
| l) Arts, entertainment and recreation                  | 4.98    | 5.24    | 5.48    | 5.43    | 5.76    | 6.07              |
| m) Others service activities                           | 3.14    | 3.22    | 3.27    | 3.06    | 3.08    | 3.19              |
| GDP (at constant market price)                         | 6.59    | 7.32    | 7.88    | 3.45    | 6.94    | 7.10              |

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics; R = Revised.

Note: The parentheses indicate the percentage share of total producer price GDP at constant price.

Table I.3: Nominal GDP by Sectors: Base 2015-16

(In billion Taka)

| Sectors  | FY16   | FY17   | FY18   | FY19   | FY20   | FY21   | FY22 <sup>R</sup> |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Agriculture  | 2,795  | 3,012  | 3,294  | 3,534  | 3,804  | 4,107  | 4,455             |
| Agriculture, forestry, and fishing                     | 2,795  | 3,012  | 3,294  | 3,534  | 3,804  | 4,107  | 4,455             |
| i) Crops and horticulture                              | 1,383  | 1,487  | 1,623  | 1,734  | 1,861  | 1,996  | 2,154             |
| ii) Animal farmings                                    | 467    | 495    | 532    | 563    | 597    | 633    | 674               |
| iii) Forest and related services                       | 372    | 399    | 436    | 466    | 504    | 559    | 637               |
| iv) Fishing  | 574    | 631    | 703    | 771    | 842    | 918    | 990               |
| Industry   | 6,449  | 7,263  | 8,441  | 9,696  | 10,435 | 11,761 | 13,472            |
| a) Mining and quarrying                                | 331    | 400    | 443    | 526    | 552    | 591    | 589               |
| b) Manufacturing                                       | 4,224  | 4,666  | 5,490  | 6,259  | 6,531  | 7,497  | 8,644             |
| i) Large Industry                                      | 2,212  | 2,378  | 2,757  | 3,119  | 3,180  | 3,574  | 4,229             |
| ii) Small, Medium, and Micro Industry                  | 1,291  | 1,467  | 1,739  | 1,981  | 2,087  | 2,490  | 2,736             |
| iii) Cottage Industry                                  | 721    | 821    | 995    | 1,160  | 1,263  | 1,433  | 1,680             |
| c) Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply | 246    | 292    | 326    | 381    | 445    | 449    | 504               |
| d) Water supply; sewerage, waste management            | 21     | 23     | 25     | 27     | 28     | 30     | 38                |
| e) Construction  | 1,628  | 1,882  | 2,157  | 2,503  | 2,879  | 3,195  | 3,696             |
| Service  | 10,630 | 11,943 | 13,431 | 15,008 | 16,332 | 18,110 | 20,271            |
| a) Wholesale and retail trade                          | 2,885  | 3,246  | 3,737  | 4,184  | 4,458  | 4,977  | 5,671             |
| b) Transportation and storage                          | 1,580  | 1,787  | 1,978  | 2,197  | 2,323  | 2,562  | 2,853             |
| c) Accommodation and food service activities           | 239    | 267    | 301    | 335    | 360    | 399    | 445               |
| d) Information and communication                       | 248    | 273    | 295    | 322    | 351    | 384    | 414               |
| e) Financial and insurance activities                  | 651    | 722    | 817    | 933    | 1,032  | 1,153  | 1,295             |
| f) Real estates activities                             | 1,925  | 2,142  | 2,360  | 2,607  | 2,880  | 3,130  | 3,402             |
| g) Professional, scientific and technical activities   | 39     | 43     | 47     | 52     | 57     | 63     | 69                |
| h) Administrative and support service activities       | 142    | 157    | 173    | 200    | 230    | 271    | 311               |
| i) Public administrative and defence                   | 667    | 785    | 902    | 990    | 1,070  | 1,170  | 1,274             |
| j) Education   | 545    | 609    | 682    | 770    | 856    | 956    | 1,095             |
| k) Human health and social work activities             | 546    | 635    | 734    | 868    | 1,015  | 1,185  | 1,382             |
| 1) Arts, entertainment and recreation                  | 30     | 34     | 38     | 42     | 48     | 53     | 61                |
| m) Others service activities                           | 1,132  | 1,244  | 1,368  | 1,507  | 1,652  | 1,807  | 1,999             |
| Total GVA at current basic price                       | 19,874 | 22,218 | 25,166 | 28,238 | 30,570 | 33,978 | 38,198            |
| Tax less subsidy                                       | 884    | 1,025  | 1,226  | 1,276  | 1,134  | 1,324  | 1,519             |
| GDP at current market price                            | 20,758 | 23,243 | 26,392 | 29,514 | 31,705 | 35,302 | 39,717            |

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics; R = Revised.

**Table I.4: Crop-wise Agricultural Production** 

|                     | Actual   | for FY21   | Target   | for FY22   | Actual   | for FY22   | Target   | for FY23   |
|---------------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|----------|------------|
| Crops               | Area     | Production | Area     | Production | Area     | Production | Area     | Production |
|                     | (Lac     | (Lac M.    |
|                     | Hectare) | Ton)       | Hectare) | Ton)       | Hectare) | Ton)       | Hectare) | Ton)       |
| Aus                 | 13.05    | 32.85      | 13.30    | 34.84      | 11.59    | 32.45      | 13.09    | 36.90      |
| Aman                | 56.26    | 144.38     | 58.30    | 150.47     | 57.20    | 149.58     | 59.06    | 163.45     |
| Boro                | 47.87    | 198.85     | 48.73    | 209.51     | 49.52    | 209.77     | 49.78    | 215.34     |
| <b>Total Rice</b>   | 117.18   | 376.08     | 120.33   | 394.81     | 118.31   | 391.80     | 121.93   | 415.69     |
| Wheat               | 3.29     | 10.85      | 3.37     | 12.26      | 3.15     | 10.86      | 3.18     | 11.60      |
| Maize               | 5.64     | 56.63      | 5.76     | 58.75      | 5.52     | 56.30      | 5.62     | 57.68      |
| <b>Total Cereal</b> | 126.11   | 443.56     | 129.45   | 465.83     | 126.98   | 458.96     | 130.72   | 484.98     |
| Jute                | 6.82     | 77.25      | 4.87     | 106.52     | 7.45     | 82.77      | 7.45     | 85.55      |
| Gram                | 0.04     | 0.06       | 0.04     | 0.06       | 0.04     | 0.05       | 0.03     | 0.05       |
| Moong               | 2.63     | 2.52       | 2.66     | 3.37       | 2.32     | 2.83       | 2.43     | 3.07       |
| Mosur               | 1.83     | 2.58       | 1.83     | 2.60       | 1.53     | 2.08       | 1.55     | 2.20       |
| Mustard             | 5.90     | 7.87       | 5.95     | 8.22       | 6.11     | 8.24       | 6.70     | 9.38       |
| Onion               | 2.53     | 33.62      | 2.60     | 35.04      | 2.59     | 36.41      | 2.67     | 37.50      |
| Potato              | 4.69     | 98.87      | 7.50     | 86.11      | 4.64     | 101.45     | 4.64     | 105.56     |
| Vegetables          | 9.36     | 197.19     | 9.48     | 200.19     | 10.34    | 216.70     | 10.13    | 212.99     |

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics and Department of Agriculture Extension, Ministry of Agriculture.

Table I.5: Quantum Index of Medium and Large-scale Manufacturing Industries, Mining and Electricity (Base: 2005-06)

|               |       | FY21   |       |       |             |            | FY22  |       |       |       |  |
|---------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
|               | FY21  | FY22   | $Q_2$ | $Q_3$ | Q 4         | $Q_1$      | $Q_2$ | Q 3   | Q 4   | $Q_1$ |  |
| Manufacturing | 454.6 | 499.5  | 450.2 | 461.1 | 471.2       | 448.4      | 513.6 | 548.0 | 488.2 | 500.3 |  |
| Mining        | 180.6 | 159.5  | 181.0 | 168.5 | 166.6       | 160.8      | 163.9 | 158.2 | 155.1 | 166.5 |  |
| Electricity   | 345.9 | 356.7  | 308.1 | 303.3 | 391.0       | 405.1      | 325.2 | 280.7 | 415.7 | 437.1 |  |
|               |       |        |       | Grov  | wth in perc | ent (y-o-y | ·)    |       |       |       |  |
| Manufacturing | 15.43 | 9.89   | 7.00  | 9.35  | 42.56       | 2.86       | 14.09 | 18.84 | 3.62  | 11.57 |  |
| Mining        | -3.16 | -11.68 | -1.14 | -9.82 | -10.95      | -22.03     | -9.48 | -6.12 | -6.90 | 3.53  |  |
| Electricity   | 13.06 | 3.14   | 9.63  | 12.71 | 28.99       | 6.35       | 5.55  | -7.45 | 6.32  | 7.89  |  |

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics.

Tables I.6: Quantum Index of Medium and Large-scale Manufacturing Industries by Major Industries (Base: 2005-06)

|   |        |        | FY21   |                |        | FY     | 722    |                | FY23   |
|---|--------|--------|--------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|--------|
|   | Weight | $Q_2$  | $Q_3$  | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$  | $Q_2$  | $Q_3$  | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$  |
| General Index                               | 100.0  | 450.2  | 488.4  | 496.7          | 498.8  | 509.8  | 536.2  | 500.2          | 500.3  |
| Food products                               | 10.8   | 663.9  | 688.2  | 725.7          | 617.0  | 572.3  | 510.7  | 493.6          | 504.8  |
| Beverages                                   | 0.3    | 258.0  | 433.3  | 528.0          | 562.4  | 487.4  | 658.2  | 811.9          | 663.6  |
| Tobacco products                            | 2.9    | 132.6  | 135.6  | 128.7          | 114.9  | 113.3  | 111.5  | 101.7          | 122.9  |
| Textile                                     | 14.1   | 261.0  | 288.5  | 324.9          | 311.0  | 326.3  | 300.7  | 296.1          | 307.9  |
| Wearing apparel                             | 34.8   | 399.7  | 435.4  | 441.3          | 506.7  | 565.9  | 643.5  | 585.2          | 603.7  |
| Leather and related products                | 4.4    | 518.4  | 683.1  | 850.8          | 799.2  | 386.0  | 388.3  | 375.2          | 445.8  |
| Wood and products of wood and cork          | 0.3    | 538.5  | 532.0  | 427.8          | 452.8  | 455.4  | 425.8  | 403.3          | 501.5  |
| Paper and paper products                    | 0.3    | 187.2  | 180.2  | 203.5          | 245.4  | 315.2  | 358.8  | 385.4          | 387.7  |
| Printing and reproduction of recorded media | 1.8    | 234.9  | 238.0  | 229.3          | 206.1  | 208.6  | 207.4  | 207.7          | 216.1  |
| Coke and refined petroleum products         | 1.3    | 119.2  | 109.4  | 116.5          | 122.9  | 72.7   | 112.1  | 112.8          | 113.6  |
| Chemicals and chemical products             | 3.7    | 141.2  | 143.4  | 134.0          | 120.6  | 127.6  | 138.6  | 153.0          | 94.3   |
| Pharmaceuticals and medicinal chemical      | 8.2    | 1002.0 | 1031.8 | 1037.8         | 1075.9 | 1180.8 | 1178.1 | 1176.2         | 1098.0 |
| Rubber and plastic products                 | 1.6    | 428.3  | 422.2  | 415.9          | 395.7  | 399.2  | 532.3  | 519.1          | 411.6  |
| Other nonmetallic mineral products          | 7.1    | 544.5  | 632.9  | 554.0          | 551.0  | 561.8  | 669.2  | 528.5          | 493.5  |
| Basic metal                                 | 3.2    | 197.9  | 185.5  | 189.6          | 200.3  | 225.2  | 220.0  | 225.5          | 233.5  |
| Fabricated metal products                   | 2.3    | 473.2  | 491.9  | 401.6          | 340.9  | 340.0  | 303.5  | 268.7          | 272.1  |
| Computer, electronic and optical product    | 0.2    | 264.9  | 291.2  | 278.0          | 285.8  | 269.3  | 279.8  | 226.1          | 167.5  |
| Electrical equipment                        | 0.7    | 988.2  | 1246.1 | 950.7          | 327.9  | 438.9  | 379.7  | 399.7          | 356.0  |
| Machinery and equipment                     | 0.2    | 769.8  | 797.4  | 775.9          | 761.8  | 774.4  | 822.8  | 812.6          | 811.5  |
| Motor vehicles and trailers                 | 0.1    | 104.1  | 234.6  | 320.2          | 347.4  | 604.1  | 585.9  | 796.1          | 794.2  |
| Other transport equipment                   | 0.7    | 745.0  | 747.7  | 721.4          | 696.0  | 697.0  | 689.3  | 317.8          | 309.3  |
| Furniture                                   | 0.9    | 182.9  | 241.8  | 210.1          | 142.5  | 176.0  | 175.5  | 173.0          | 168.6  |

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics.

**Table I.7: Cargo Handled by Chattogram Port** 

(In thousands Metric Tons)

|        |         |         |                | FY21           |                |                | FY             |                | FY23           |                |                |
|--------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|        | FY21    | FY22    | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> |
| Export | 7,368   | 7,969   | 1,835          | 1,946          | 1,869          | 1,933          | 2,084          | 2,036          | 1,916          | 1,925          | 1,852          |
| Import | 96,588  | 99,903  | 25,399         | 26,590         | 24,439         | 20,223         | 27,648         | 27,411         | 24,621         | 26,882         | 26,525         |
| Total  | 103,956 | 107,872 | 27,234         | 28,536         | 26,308         | 22,156         | 29,732         | 29,447         | 26,537         | 28,807         | 28,377         |
|        |         |         |                |                | Growth is      | n percent      | (y-o-y)        |                |                |                |                |
| Export | 10.88   | 8.16    | 1.77           | 6.56           | 56.16          | 12.47          | 13.58          | 4.65           | 2.53           | -0.43          | -11.14         |
| Import | 10.67   | 3.43    | 3.76           | -0.71          | 53.09          | 0.31           | 8.85           | 3.09           | 0.74           | 32.93          | -4.06          |
| Total  | 10.68   | 3.77    | 3.62           | -0.25          | 53.31          | 1.27           | 9.17           | 3.19           | 0.87           | 30.02          | -4.56          |

Source: Chattogram Port Authority.

**Table I.8: Trends in Private Sector Credit** 

(In billion Taka)

| Institutions                          |        |        |        | FY21   |           |           | FY     |        | FY23   |        |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                       | FY21   | FY22   | Q2     | Q3     | Q4        | Q1        | Q2     | Q3     | Q4     | Q1     | Q2     |
| Outstanding                           |        |        |        |        |           |           |        |        |        |        |        |
| Banks <sup>1</sup>                    | 11,889 | 13,512 | 11,413 | 11,604 | 11,889    | 12,107    | 12,633 | 12,914 | 13,512 | 13,794 | 14,261 |
| Non-banks <sup>2</sup>                | 671    | 693    | 675    | 665    | 671       | 672       | 673    | 690    | 693    | 704    | 704    |
| Microfinanceinstitutions <sup>3</sup> | 606    | 739    | 642    | 659    | 606       | 628       | 667    | 719    | 739    | 754    | 819    |
| Total                                 | 13,166 | 14,944 | 12,731 | 12,927 | 13,166    | 13,302    | 13,972 | 14,323 | 14,944 | 15,252 | 15,785 |
|                                       |        |        |        | Gr     | owth in 1 | percent ( | y-o-y) |        |        |        |        |
| Banks                                 | 8.34   | 13.66  | 8.37   | 8.79   | 8.34      | 8.77      | 10.68  | 11.29  | 13.66  | 13.93  | 12.89  |
| Non-banks                             | -0.29  | 3.28   | -0.30  | -1.61  | -0.29     | 0.72      | -0.42  | 3.72   | 3.28   | 4.82   | 4.71   |
| Microfinance institutions             | -1.22  | 21.89  | -5.44  | 57.00  | -1.22     | 4.77      | 3.88   | 9.20   | 21.89  | 19.98  | 22.82  |
| Total                                 | 7.39   | 13.51  | 7.08   | 9.92   | 7.39      | 7.30      | 9.75   | 10.80  | 13.51  | 14.66  | 12.97  |

Sources: <sup>1</sup>Monetary Policy Department; <sup>2</sup>Department of Financial Institutions and Markets, Bangladesh Bank;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Grameen Bank, BRAC, ASA, Proshika.

**Table I.9: Bank Advances (Private Sector) by Economic Purposes** (In billion Taka)

| Sectors                     |        |                   |                | FY21           |                |           | FY     | 22 <sup>R</sup> |                | FY      | 23 <sup>P</sup> |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|----------------|---------|-----------------|
|                             | FY21   | FY22 <sup>R</sup> | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$     | $Q_2$  | Q <sub>3</sub>  | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1^R$ | $Q_2^P$         |
| Outstanding                 |        |                   |                |                |                |           |        |                 |                |         |                 |
| a. Agriculture              | 511    | 606               | 477            | 488            | 511            | 509       | 541    | 557             | 600            | 625     | 639             |
| Crops                       | 462    | 554               | 432            | 441            | 462            | 462       | 492    | 510             | 549            | 583     | 587             |
| Others                      | 49     | 52                | 45             | 47             | 49             | 47        | 49     | 47              | 51             | 42      | 52              |
| b. Industry                 | 4,715  | 5,278             | 4,527          | 4,594          | 4,715          | 4,793     | 4,961  | 4,958           | 5,292          | 5,242   | 5,387           |
| Term Loan                   | 2,365  | 2,614             | 2,232          | 2,295          | 2,365          | 2423      | 2,527  | 2,530           | 2,620          | 2,598   | 2,719           |
| Working capital financing   | 2,351  | 2,664             | 2,295          | 2,299          | 2,351          | 2370      | 2,435  | 2,428           | 2,671          | 2,644   | 2,668           |
| c. Construction             | 943    | 1,037             | 928            | 932            | 943            | 988       | 1,003  | 1,031           | 1,041          | 1,098   | 1,110           |
| d. Transport                | 76     | 66                | 82             | 78             | 76             | 75        | 70     | 70              | 65             | 67      | 70              |
| e. Trade and Commerce       | 3,774  | 4,232             | 3,603          | 3,682          | 3,774          | 3813      | 3,951  | 4,080           | 4,230          | 4,475   | 4,673           |
| f. Other Institutional loan | 254    | 288               | 278            | 272            | 254            | 244       | 282    | 294             | 289            | 276     | 307             |
| g. Consumer finance         | 862    | 1,071             | 820            | 832            | 862            | 888       | 954    | 999             | 1,064          | 1,125   | 1,208           |
| h. Miscellaneous            | 39     | 73                | 42             | 38             | 39             | 40        | 49     | 60              | 70             | 76      | 84              |
| Total                       | 11,174 | 12,650            | 10,756         | 10,917         | 11,174         | 11,350    | 11,811 | 12,047          | 12,650         | 12,984  | 13,478          |
|                             |        |                   |                | Gr             | owth in 1      | percent ( | у-о-у) |                 |                |         |                 |
| a. Agriculture              | 11.19  | 17.32             | 13.14          | 13.31          | 11.19          | 11.06     | 13.25  | 14.08           | 17.32          | 22.73   | 18.20           |
| Crops                       | 9.26   | 18.85             | 12.23          | 12.38          | 9.26           | 10.65     | 13.81  | 15.62           | 18.85          | 26.11   | 19.49           |
| Others                      | 33.37  | 2.91              | 22.60          | 22.70          | 33.37          | 15.25     | 7.87   | -0.28           | 2.91           | -10.28  | 5.29            |
| b. Industry                 | 8.48   | 12.22             | 9.08           | 6.48           | 8.48           | 9.34      | 9.59   | 7.91            | 12.22          | 9.38    | 8.58            |
| Term Loan                   | 9.78   | 10.81             | 10.93          | 8.23           | 9.78           | 12.93     | 13.20  | 10.22           | 10.81          | 7.25    | 7.59            |
| Working capital financing   | 7.20   | 13.64             | 7.35           | 4.78           | 7.20           | 5.89      | 6.07   | 5.60            | 13.64          | 11.55   | 9.60            |
| c. Construction             | 2.52   | 10.40             | 4.26           | 0.90           | 2.52           | 7.37      | 8.15   | 10.60           | 10.40          | 11.16   | 10.62           |
| d. Transport                | -13.31 | -14.14            | -4.54          | -1.85          | -13.31         | -12.19    | -14.37 | -10.58          | -14.14         | -10.57  | 0.11            |
| e. Trade &Commerce          | 8.31   | 12.08             | 10.97          | 13.37          | 8.31           | 7.12      | 9.65   | 10.80           | 12.08          | 17.36   | 18.29           |
| f. Other Institutional loan | -13.36 | 13.91             | -4.23          | -4.18          | -13.36         | -8.98     | 1.49   | 8.17            | 13.91          | 13.10   | 8.85            |
| g. Consumer finance         | 29.68  | 23.49             | 15.57          | 21.99          | 29.68          | 22.89     | 16.42  | 20.02           | 23.49          | 26.65   | 26.55           |
| h. Miscellaneous            | 9.07   | 77.12             | 26.31          | -4.52          | 9.07           | 9.29      | 17.72  | 56.38           | 77.12          | 89.25   | 70.62           |
| Total                       | 8.57   | 13.21             | 9.46           | 9.14           | 8.57           | 8.78      | 9.81   | 10.36           | 13.21          | 14.40   | 14.11           |
|                             |        |                   |                |                | Sh             | are in pe | ercent |                 |                |         |                 |
| a. Agriculture              | 4.57   | 4.74              | 4.44           | 4.47           | 4.57           | 4.49      | 4.58   | 4.63            | 4.74           | 4.81    | 4.74            |
| Crops                       | 4.13   | 4.34              | 4.02           | 4.04           | 4.13           | 4.07      | 4.16   | 4.23            | 4.34           | 4.49    | 4.36            |
| Others                      | 0.44   | 0.40              | 0.42           | 0.43           | 0.44           | 0.42      | 0.41   | 0.39            | 0.40           | 0.33    | 0.38            |
| b. Industry                 | 42.20  | 41.83             | 42.09          | 42.09          | 42.20          | 42.22     | 42.00  | 41.15           | 41.83          | 40.37   | 39.97           |
| Term Loan                   | 21.16  | 20.71             | 20.75          | 21.03          | 21.16          | 21.34     | 21.39  | 21.00           | 20.71          | 20.01   | 20.17           |
| Working capital financing   | 21.04  | 21.12             | 21.34          | 21.06          | 21.04          | 20.88     | 20.61  | 20.15           | 21.12          | 20.36   | 19.80           |
| c. Construction             | 8.44   | 8.23              | 8.63           | 8.54           | 8.44           | 8.70      | 8.50   | 8.55            | 8.23           | 8.46    | 8.24            |
| d. Transport                | 0.68   | 0.51              | 0.76           | 0.71           | 0.68           | 0.66      | 0.59   | 0.58            | 0.51           | 0.51    | 0.52            |
| e. Trade &Commerce          | 33.77  | 33.44             | 33.50          | 33.73          | 33.77          | 33.60     | 33.45  | 33.86           | 33.44          | 34.46   | 34.67           |
| f. Other Institutional loan | 2.27   | 2.29              | 2.58           | 2.49           | 2.27           | 2.15      | 2.39   | 2.44            | 2.29           | 2.13    | 2.28            |
| g. Consumer finance         | 7.71   | 8.41              | 7.62           | 7.62           | 7.71           | 7.83      | 8.08   | 8.29            | 8.41           | 8.67    | 8.96            |
| h. Miscellaneous            | 0.35   | 0.55              | 0.39           | 0.35           | 0.35           | 0.35      | 0.42   | 0.50            | 0.55           | 0.58    | 0.62            |
| Total                       | 100.0  | 100.0             | 100.0          | 100.0          | 100.0          | 100.0     | 100.0  | 100.0           | 100.0          | 100.0   | 100.0           |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank. R= Revised. P = Provisional.

**Table I.9 (1): Performance Indicators of NBFIs** 

(In billion Taka)

| Sectors                       |        |                   | FY             | 21     |          | FY        | FY23 <sup>P</sup> |         |         |         |
|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|--------|----------|-----------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|
|                               | FY21   | FY22 <sup>P</sup> | Q <sub>3</sub> | $Q_4$  | $Q_1$    | $Q_2$     | Q <sub>3</sub>    | $Q_4^R$ | $Q_1^R$ | $Q_2^P$ |
| NBFIs Advances (Outstanding)  |        |                   |                |        |          |           |                   |         |         |         |
| a. Agriculture                | 5.0    | 5.2               | 5.3            | 5.0    | 5.0      | 4.7       | 4.9               | 5.2     | 5.7     | 5.7     |
| Crops                         | 3.8    | 4.1               | 4.1            | 3.8    | 3.8      | 3.5       | 3.8               | 4.1     | 4.5     | 4.6     |
| Others                        | 1.2    | 1.1               | 1.2            | 1.2    | 1.2      | 1.2       | 1.1               | 1.1     | 1.1     | 1.1     |
| b. Industry                   | 267.5  | 269.1             | 262.2          | 267.5  | 264.8    | 268.1     | 274.8             | 269.1   | 267.1   | 277.6   |
| Term Loan                     | 213.2  | 211.1             | 208.6          | 213.2  | 206.4    | 207.8     | 215.9             | 211.1   | 212.0   | 218.8   |
| Working capital financing     | 50.1   | 52.8              | 49.5           | 50.1   | 55.0     | 56.1      | 54.3              | 52.8    | 49.4    | 52.5    |
| Factoring                     | 4.2    | 5.3               | 4.1            | 4.2    | 3.4      | 4.2       | 4.6               | 5.3     | 5.6     | 6.3     |
| c. Construction               | 91.0   | 97.1              | 91.9           | 91.0   | 91.2     | 93.6      | 96.2              | 97.1    | 97.3    | 95.9    |
| d. Transport                  | 12.1   | 16.7              | 15.1           | 12.1   | 13.9     | 14.9      | 15.9              | 16.7    | 17.1    | 17.9    |
| e. Trade and Commerce         | 156.4  | 152.8             | 156.6          | 156.4  | 151.4    | 143.6     | 148.8             | 152.8   | 156.5   | 157.0   |
| f. Other Institutional loan   | 38.5   | 40.8              | 40.2           | 38.5   | 39.6     | 38.7      | 39.4              | 40.8    | 40.9    | 41.7    |
| g. Consumer finance           | 96.2   | 106.4             | 94.7           | 96.2   | 94.3     | 104.6     | 106.5             | 106.4   | 106.1   | 105.2   |
| h. Miscellaneous              | 0.4    | 0.3               | 0.5            | 0.4    | 0.4      | 0.4       | 0.3               | 0.3     | 0.3     | 0.3     |
| <b>Total Advances</b>         | 667.0  | 688.6             | 666.5          | 667.0  | 660.5    | 668.5     | 686.8             | 688.6   | 690.9   | 701.3   |
| NBFIs Deposits by its type    |        |                   |                |        |          |           |                   |         |         |         |
| Fixed Deposits                | 419.5  | 409.8             | 423.0          | 419.5  | 421.4    | 415.7     | 413.0             | 409.8   | 404.6   | 426.0   |
| Recurring Deposits            | 3.7    | 5.9               | 3.1            | 3.7    | 3.7      | 5.2       | 5.5               | 5.9     | 6.1     | 6.3     |
| Special Purpose Deposits      | 2.7    | 4.5               | 2.8            | 2.7    | 2.6      | 3.9       | 4.1               | 4.5     | 4.5     | 4.3     |
| Restricted (Blocked) Deposits | 0.2    | 0.6               | 0.1            | 0.2    | 0.2      | 0.2       | 0.2               | 0.6     | 0.6     | 0.6     |
| <b>Total Deposits</b>         | 426.0  | 420.9             | 429.0          | 426.0  | 427.9    | 425.0     | 422.7             | 420.9   | 415.9   | 437.2   |
| Interest Rates of NBFIs       |        |                   |                |        |          |           |                   |         |         |         |
| Deposit Rate                  | 7.82   | 7.49              | 8.28           | 7.82   | 7.51     | 7.62      | 7.36              | 7.49    | 7.48    | 7.74    |
| Advances Rate                 | 11.25  | 9.85              | 11.66          | 11.25  | 10.89    | 10.43     | 10.22             | 9.85    | 9.11    | 8.89    |
| Spread                        | 3.43   | 2.36              | 3.38           | 3.43   | 3.38     | 2.81      | 2.86              | 2.36    | 1.63    | 1.15    |
|                               |        |                   |                | Growth | in perce | nt (y-o-y | )                 |         |         |         |
| NBFIs Advances                |        |                   |                |        |          |           |                   |         |         |         |
| a. Agriculture                | -6.83  | 4.87              | -3.26          | -6.83  | 9.51     | -8.94     | -6.88             | 4.87    | 13.43   | 22.30   |
| Crops                         | -3.69  | 8.25              | -2.49          | -3.69  | 15.44    | -11.80    | -7.04             | 8.25    | 20.07   | 32.59   |
| Others                        | -15.45 | -5.71             | -5.73          | -15.45 | -5.70    | 0.29      | -6.32             | -5.71   | -7.42   | -6.84   |
| b. Industry                   | 7.11   | 0.62              | 4.04           | 7.11   | 4.83     | 1.40      | 4.80              | 0.62    | 0.87    | 3.52    |
| Term Loan                     | 6.17   | -1.01             | 3.25           | 6.17   | 0.68     | -0.53     | 3.47              | -1.01   | 2.75    | 5.29    |
| Working capital financing     | 11.16  | 5.47              | 7.98           | 11.16  | 25.79    | 10.14     | 9.86              | 5.47    | -10.18  | -6.44   |
| Factoring                     | 8.90   | 25.26             | -0.74          | 8.90   | -12.47   | -7.34     | 10.90             | 25.26   | 65.37   | 49.17   |
| c. Construction               | -1.28  | 6.74              | -1.90          | -1.28  | -0.50    | 1.95      | 4.70              | 6.74    | 6.70    | 2.55    |
| d. Transport                  | -7.45  | 38.27             | 6.17           | -7.45  | 3.10     | -3.10     | 4.82              | 38.27   | 23.56   | 20.55   |
| e. Trade & Commerce           | -2.59  | -2.28             | 1.46           | -2.59  | -1.31    | -4.94     | -5.03             | -2.28   | 3.35    | 9.37    |
| f. Other Institutional loan   | -3.48  | 6.09              | 4.55           | -3.48  | 2.49     | -6.05     | -1.80             | 6.09    | 3.33    | 7.83    |
| g. Consumer finance           | 0.47   | 10.59             | -5.99          | 0.47   | 0.40     | 13.52     | 12.48             | 10.59   | 12.51   | 0.52    |
| h. Miscellaneous              | -75.04 |                   | -71.25         | -75.04 | -87.01   | -34.50    | -36.75            | -21.34  | -28.39  | -27.69  |
| <b>Total Advances</b>         | 1.37   | 3.23              | 0.89           | 1.37   | 1.45     | 1.04      | 3.05              | 3.23    | 4.61    | 4.92    |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank. R= Revised. P = Provisional.

**Table I.10: Trends in Agricultural Credit** (In billion Taka)

|                                   | FY21  |       |                |                |                |            |                | FY23           |                |                |                |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                   | FY21  | FY22  | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$      | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> |
| Program/Target (July - June)      | 262.9 | 283.9 | 262.9          | 262.9          | 262.9          | 283.9      | 283.9          | 283.9          | 283.9          | 309.1          | 309.1          |
| Total disbursement                | 255.1 | 288.3 | 73.9           | 64.4           | 70.0           | 52.1       | 92.9           | 70.1           | 73.3           | 65.8           | 100.9          |
| Crop                              | 128.9 | 128.3 | 41.8           | 31.6           | 30.7           | 23.0       | 44.5           | 32.0           | 28.9           | 30.8           | 48.3           |
| Irrigation                        | 2.5   | 2.4   | 0.8            | 0.6            | 0.7            | 0.4        | 0.5            | 0.7            | 0.8            | 0.9            | 0.5            |
| Agricultural equipment            | 1.9   | 2.4   | 0.5            | 0.5            | 0.6            | 0.3        | 0.6            | 0.6            | 0.8            | 0.7            | 0.5            |
| Live-stock                        | 35.3  | 54.3  | 9.6            | 10.0           | 8.3            | 9.3        | 16.0           | 13.2           | 15.8           | 13.5           | 21.4           |
| Fisheries                         | 29.5  | 35.9  | 7.8            | 7.9            | 8.8            | 7.2        | 11.2           | 8.3            | 9.2            | 8.6            | 11.6           |
| Grain storage & marketing         | 1.8   | 1.8   | 0.4            | 0.4            | 0.6            | 0.3        | 0.5            | 0.5            | 0.5            | 0.5            | 0.4            |
| Povertyalleviation                | 20.4  | 21.1  | 4.5            | 4.5            | 7.7            | 3.5        | 8.1            | 5.2            | 4.4            | 3.5            | 6.7            |
| Others                            | 34.9  | 42.2  | 8.6            | 8.9            | 12.7           | 8.1        | 11.6           | 9.6            | 12.9           | 7.5            | 11.5           |
| Total recovery                    | 271.2 | 274.6 | 78.1           | 56.8           | 73.5           | 55.9       | 80.1           | 63.8           | 74.9           | 70.8           | 93.5           |
| Total overdue                     | 58.7  | 59.5  | 65.7           | 62.9           | 58.7           | 71.7       | 69.3           | 64.7           | 59.5           | 78.0           | 72.1           |
| Outstanding                       | 459.4 | 498.0 | 440.89         | 453.5          | 459.4          | 456.9      | 476.6          | 488.9          | 498.0          | 502.5          | 510.0          |
| Overdue as percent of outstanding | 12.77 | 11.95 | 14.91          | 13.86          | 12.77          | 15.69      | 14.55          | 13.24          | 11.95          | 15.53          | 14.14          |
|                                   |       |       |                |                | Gro            | wth in per | rcent 1        |                |                |                |                |
| Total disbursement                | 12.14 | 13.03 | 2.03           | 5.13           | 20.09          | 11.24      | 25.60          | 8.89           | 4.74           | 26.37          | 8.61           |
| Total recovery                    | 27.67 | 1.25  | 9.64           | 4.43           | 70.82          | -11.02     | 2.49           | 12.29          | 1.88           | 26.68          | 16.81          |

Table I.11: Microcredit Operations of Grameen Bank and Large NGOs (In billion Taka)

| Institutions                         | FY21   |        |       |                |                | FY    |       | FY23           |                |       |                |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|----------------|-------|----------------|
|                                      | FY21   | FY22   | $Q_2$ | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$ | Q <sub>2</sub> |
| 1. Total disbursement                | 948.5  | 1157.1 | 296.3 | 281.3          | 152.5          | 176.5 | 337.1 | 328.6          | 314.9          | 316.0 | 404.5          |
| i) Grameen Bank                      | 196.8  | 206.6  | 58.3  | 61.0           | 25.0           | 30.0  | 54.8  | 63.1           | 58.6           | 56.6  | 66.8           |
| ii) BRAC                             | 419.1  | 491.0  | 144.9 | 116.2          | 65.4           | 82.9  | 155.7 | 130.2          | 122.2          | 139.0 | 190.6          |
| iii) ASA                             | 324.8  | 446.4  | 91.6  | 101.6          | 59.8           | 61.4  | 123.2 | 131.6          | 130.2          | 115.9 | 141.9          |
| iv) Proshika                         | 7.8    | 13.2   | 1.5   | 2.5            | 2.4            | 2.2   | 3.4   | 3.7            | 4.0            | 4.5   | 5.2            |
| 2. Total recovery                    | 1011.1 | 1118.6 | 280.9 | 283.3          | 210.1          | 207.0 | 303.2 | 294.4          | 314.0          | 325.7 | 352.1          |
| i) Grameen Bank                      | 206.7  | 203.2  | 61.1  | 58.6           | 27.0           | 34.3  | 58.1  | 57.5           | 53.3           | 54.9  | 61.8           |
| ii) BRAC                             | 492.7  | 527.6  | 135.6 | 134.6          | 117.2          | 109.7 | 144.1 | 128.7          | 145.2          | 149.8 | 157.3          |
| iii) ASA                             | 304.0  | 375.0  | 82.6  | 87.7           | 63.7           | 60.8  | 97.8  | 104.7          | 111.7          | 116.7 | 127.8          |
| iv) Proshika                         | 7.7    | 12.8   | 1.6   | 2.3            | 2.2            | 2.3   | 3.1   | 3.5            | 3.9            | 4.3   | 5.2            |
| 3. Loans outstanding                 | 606.2  | 738.9  | 642.3 | 658.5          | 606.2          | 628.5 | 667.2 | 719.1          | 738.9          | 754.1 | 819.4          |
| 4. Loans overdue                     | 41.4   | 32.7   | 24.5  | 32.2           | 41.4           | 33.1  | 42.3  | 41.8           | 32.7           | 33.7  | 24.9           |
| 5. Overdue as percent of outstanding | 6.80   | 4.43   | 3.81  | 4.90           | 6.80           | 5.27  | 6.34  | 5.81           | 4.43           | 4.47  | 3.04           |

Source: Grameen Bank, BRAC, ASA and Proshika.

Source: Agricultural Credit Department, Bangladesh Bank.

1 Quarterly growth rate refers to growth over the same quarter of the previous year.

**Table I.12: Microcredit Operations of MFIs** (In billion Taka)

| Indicators                        |        |        | FY     | 20     | FY     | 21     | FY     | FY23   |        |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                   | FY21   | FY22   | July-  | Jan-   | July-  | Jan-   | July-  | Jan-   | July-  |
|                                   |        |        | Dec/19 | Jun/20 | Dec/20 | Jun/21 | Dec/21 | Jun/22 | Dec/22 |
| Total disbursement                | 1512.1 | 1918.3 | 774.9  | 589.2  | 718.8  | 793.3  | 891.2  | 1027.1 | 1400.6 |
| Total recovery                    | 1397.1 | 1652.7 | 794.9  | 536.6  | 766.4  | 729.8  | 724.5  | 928.2  | 1148.1 |
| Loans outstanding                 | 949.9  | 1241.5 | 856.5  | 892.2  | 925.2  | 949.9  | 1073.8 | 1241.5 | 1402.7 |
| Loans overdue                     | 79.0   | 101.5  |        |        | 33.7   | 79.0   | 79.0   | 101.5  | 109.4  |
| Overdue as percent of outstanding | 8.31   | 8.17   |        |        | 3.64   | 8.31   | 7.35   | 8.17   | 7.80   |

Source: Microcredit Regulatory Authority.

Table I.13: Industrial Term Lending by Banks and NBFIs

(In billion Taka)

| Institutions                    |                |        | F              | Y21     |                | F              | Y22              |                |                | FY23           |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--------|----------------|---------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                 | FY21           | FY22   | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q 4     | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub>   | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> |
| Disbursement                    |                |        |                |         |                |                |                  |                | <u> </u>       |                |
| SOBs                            | 57.2           | 64.5   | 9.9            | 23.5    | 7.7            | 12.0           | 21.7             | 23.1           | 7.1            | 4.2            |
| PCBs                            | 545.5          | 547.3  | 133.7          | 149.7   | 122.8          | 150.6          | 121.4            | 152.5          | 143.9          | 260.9          |
| Foreign banks                   | 32.0           | 32.6   | 14.8           | 7.3     | 4.5            | 9.8            | 6.5              | 11.9           | 8.4            | 8.6            |
| Specialized banks               | 8.1            | 10.3   | 1.7            | 2.5     | 2.1            | 0.01           | 3.63             | 4.50           | 9.96           | 7.97           |
| Non-bank financial institutions | 44.9           | 68.9   | 13.7           | 11.3    | 11.2           | 15.4           | 20.1             | 22.1           | 16.2           | 14.0           |
| All Banks and NBFIs             | 687.7          | 723.6  | 173.8          | 194.3   | 148.3          | 187.7          | 173.4            | 214.1          | 185.6          | 295.7          |
| Recovery                        |                |        |                |         |                |                |                  |                |                |                |
| SOBs                            | 27.4           | 30.1   | 11.1           | 5.3     | 2.8            | 6.9            | 9.1              | 11.4           | 14.1           | 11.9           |
| PCBs                            | 450.7          | 502.6  | 131.9          | 114.2   | 101.2          | 147.9          | 125.6            | 127.9          | 166.9          | 462.9          |
| Foreign banks                   | 33.7           | 35.5   | 6.5            | 8.1     | 7.9            | 9.5            | 10.0             | 8.0            | 4.5            | 6.7            |
| Specialized banks               | 9.9            | 12.5   | 4.5            | 4.3     | 4.1            | 2.0            | 3.3              | 3.1            | 1.6            | 3.0            |
| Non-bank financial institutions | 63.2           | 67.9   | 14.9           | 15.4    | 13.7           | 18.6           | 17.7             | 17.9           | 19.0           | 21.4           |
| All Banks and NBFIs             | 584.9          | 648.6  | 168.9          | 147.3   | 129.8          | 184.8          | 165.7            | 168.3          | 206.1          | 505.9          |
| Outstanding                     |                |        |                |         |                |                |                  |                |                |                |
| SOBs                            | 752.5          | 633.8  | 705.6          | 752.5   | 601.2          | 590.5          | 603.3            | 633.8          | 648.9          | 661.3          |
| PCBs                            | 2,050.0        | 2152.5 | 1931.5         | 2050.0  | 2065.5         | 2099.0         | 2104.5           | 2152.5         | 2218.9         | 2516.7         |
| Foreign banks                   | 78.8           | 70.8   | 79.3           | 78.8    | 75.2           | 73.7           | 70.2             | 70.8           | 73.6           | 71.7           |
| Specialized banks               | 17.5           | 24.1   | 18.8           | 17.5    | 18.9           | 31.9           | 32.2             | 24.1           | 28.2           | 33.4           |
| Non-bank financial institutions | 254.1          | 323.0  | 255.3          | 254.1   | 272.4          | 294.0          | 295.5            | 323.0          | 317.8          | 317.5          |
| All Banks and NBFIs             | 3,152.9        | 3204.1 | 2990.5         | 3152.9  | 3033.3         |                | 3105.7           | 3204.1         | 3287.4         | 3600.5         |
|                                 |                |        |                |         | Growth         | in perce       | ent <sup>1</sup> |                |                |                |
| Disbursement                    |                |        |                |         |                |                |                  |                |                |                |
| SOBs                            | -23.92         | 12.70  | -2.53          | 82.10   | -29.55         | -7.38          | 118.83           | -1.49          | -7.14          | -65.19         |
| PCBs                            | -5.89          | 0.35   | 13.45          | 53.68   | -3.71          | 11.92          | -9.16            | 1.88           | 17.13          | 73.28          |
| Foreign banks                   | -23.68         | 2.15   | -13.83         | -2.09   | -31.96         | 207.80         | -56.18           | 62.05          | 86.98          | -11.54         |
| Specialized banks               | 208.66         | 26.43  | 532.69         | 42.34   | 21.46          | -99.57         | 112.32           | 78.68          |                | 86583.70       |
| Non-bank financial institutions | 3.83           | 53.38  | -2.31          | 538.68  | 44.77          | 26.06          | 47.49            | 96.01          | 44.83          | -8.92          |
| All Banks and NBFIs             | -7.40          | 5.23   | 8.97           | 60.16   | -4.02          | 13.78          | -0.22            | 10.20          | 25.13          | 57.54          |
| Recovery                        | 51.05          | 10.04  | 2.50           | 15.00   | 40.50          | 20.25          | 10.51            | 112.00         | 10.1.10        | <b>5</b> 2.24  |
| SOBs                            | -51.97         | 10.04  | -3.59          | -17.02  | <b>-49.78</b>  | 28.27          | -18.51           | 113.89         |                | 73.34          |
| PCBs                            | -18.74         | 11.51  | -2.03          | 42.91   | 25.86          | 19.02          | -4.72            | 11.99          | 64.87          | 213.08         |
| Foreign banks                   | 57.76          | 5.31   | 27.76          | 85.11   | -24.87         | 12.55          | 53.44            | -1.80          | -43.39         | -29.48         |
| Specialized banks               | 357.60         | 26.11  | 437.58         | 1269.45 | 804.36         | 181.00         | -26.88           | -26.28         | -61.61         | 50.98          |
| Non-bank financial institutions | 1.88           | 7.47   | 6.97           | 42.37   | -15.33         | 11.56          | 18.77            | 16.10          | 38.37          | 15.52          |
| All Banks and NBFIs             | -16.11         | 10.90  | 1.75           | 44.63   | 14.64          | 18.91          | -1.90            | 14.24          | 58.79          | 173.81         |
| Outstanding                     | 24.50          | 15.70  | 22.64          | 24.52   | 20.76          | 25.24          | 14.50            | 15.70          | 7.00           | 11.00          |
| SOBs                            | 34.52          | -15.78 | 33.64          | 34.52   | 20.76          | 25.34          | -14.50           | -15.78         | 7.92           | 11.98          |
| PCBs                            | 13.12          | 5.00   | 10.97          | 13.12   | 10.17          | 8.08           | 8.96             | 5.00           | 7.43           | 19.90          |
| Foreign banks                   | -6.38          | -10.23 | -1.78          | -6.38   | -2.18          | 1.99           | -11.41           | -10.23         | -2.20          | -2.75          |
| Specialized banks               | -2.90<br>15.19 | 37.20  | 12.04          | -2.90   | 0.87           | 50.97          | 71.50            | 37.20          | 49.48          | 4.65           |
| Non-bank financial institutions | -15.18         | 27.11  | -15.19         | -15.18  | -0.76          | 19.31          | 15.75            | 27.11          | 16.66          | 7.99           |
| All Banks and NBFIs             | 13.68          | 1.62   | 12.12          | 13.68   | 10.59          | 12.21          | 3.85             | 1.62           | 8.38           | 16.55          |

Source: SME & Special Programmes Department, Bangladesh Bank.

1 Quarterly growth rate refers to growth over the same quarter of the previous year.

**Table II.1: Trend in Inflation** 

(Base: 2005-06=100)

| Period    | General | Food           | Non-food | General | Food        | Non-food |
|-----------|---------|----------------|----------|---------|-------------|----------|
|           |         | Point-to-Point |          | 12      | Month Avera | nge      |
| 2020      |         |                |          |         |             |          |
| January   | 5.57    | 5.12           | 6.30     | 5.60    | 5.54        | 5.70     |
| February  | 5.46    | 4.97           | 6.23     | 5.60    | 5.50        | 5.77     |
| March     | 5.48    | 4.87           | 6.45     | 5.60    | 5.43        | 5.86     |
| April     | 5.96    | 5.91           | 6.04     | 5.63    | 5.46        | 5.90     |
| May       | 5.35    | 5.09           | 5.75     | 5.61    | 5.43        | 5.89     |
| June      | 6.02    | 6.54           | 5.22     | 5.65    | 5.52        | 5.85     |
| July      | 5.53    | 5.70           | 5.28     | 5.64    | 5.54        | 5.79     |
| August    | 5.68    | 6.08           | 5.05     | 5.65    | 5.61        | 5.72     |
| September | 5.97    | 6.50           | 5.12     | 5.69    | 5.71        | 5.66     |
| October   | 6.44    | 7.34           | 5.00     | 5.77    | 5.87        | 5.62     |
| November  | 5.52    | 5.73           | 5.19     | 5.73    | 5.82        | 5.59     |
| December  | 5.29    | 5.34           | 5.21     | 5.69    | 5.77        | 5.56     |
| 2021      |         |                |          |         |             |          |
| January   | 5.02    | 5.23           | 4.69     | 5.64    | 5.78        | 5.43     |
| February  | 5.32    | 5.42           | 5.17     | 5.63    | 5.82        | 5.34     |
| March     | 5.47    | 5.51           | 5.39     | 5.63    | 5.87        | 5.26     |
| April     | 5.56    | 5.57           | 5.55     | 5.60    | 5.84        | 5.22     |
| May       | 5.26    | 4.87           | 5.86     | 5.59    | 5.82        | 5.23     |
| June      | 5.64    | 5.45           | 5.94     | 5.56    | 5.73        | 5.29     |
| July      | 5.36    | 5.08           | 5.80     | 5.54    | 5.68        | 5.33     |
| August    | 5.54    | 5.16           | 6.13     | 5.53    | 5.60        | 5.43     |
| September | 5.59    | 5.21           | 6.19     | 5.50    | 5.49        | 5.52     |
| October   | 5.70    | 5.22           | 6.48     | 5.44    | 5.32        | 5.64     |
| November  | 5.98    | 5.43           | 6.87     | 5.48    | 5.29        | 5.78     |
| December  | 6.05    | 5.46           | 7.00     | 5.54    | 5.30        | 5.93     |
| 2022      |         |                |          |         |             |          |
| January   | 5.86    | 5.60           | 6.26     | 5.62    | 5.33        | 6.06     |
| February  | 6.17    | 6.22           | 6.10     | 5.69    | 5.40        | 6.13     |
| March     | 6.22    | 6.34           | 6.04     | 5.75    | 5.47        | 6.19     |
| April     | 6.29    | 6.24           | 6.39     | 5.81    | 5.53        | 6.26     |
| May       | 7.42    | 8.30           | 6.08     | 5.99    | 5.81        | 6.27     |
| June      | 7.56    | 8.37           | 6.33     | 6.15    | 6.05        | 6.31     |
| July      | 7.48    | 8.19           | 6.39     | 6.33    | 6.31        | 6.35     |
| August    | 9.52    | 9.94           | 8.85     | 6.66    | 6.71        | 6.58     |
| September | 9.10    | 9.08           | 9.13     | 6.96    | 7.04        | 6.84     |
| October   | 8.91    | 8.50           | 9.58     | 7.23    | 7.32        | 7.10     |
| November  | 8.85    | 8.14           | 9.98     | 7.48    | 7.55        | 7.37     |
| December  | 8.71    | 7.91           | 9.96     | 7.70    | 7.75        | 7.62     |

Source: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS). Note: Food includes food, beverage & tobacco.

**Table II.2: Commodity Prices in the International Markets** 

|                                      |       | FY21   |        |        | FY     | FY23   |        |        |        |
|--------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|                                      | $Q_2$ | $Q_3$  | $Q_4$  | $Q_1$  | $Q_2$  | $Q_3$  | $Q_4$  | $Q_1$  | $Q_2$  |
| Rice (USD/MT)                        | 493.3 | 542.3  | 484.7  | 405.7  | 400.3  | 425.3  | 446.3  | 429.3  | 446.0  |
| Soybean oil (USD/MT)                 | 971.6 | 1169.0 | 1493.1 | 1433.7 | 1445.9 | 1674.1 | 1887.4 | 1560.2 | 1545.6 |
| Sugar (USD/kg)                       | 0.31  | 0.35   | 0.37   | 0.42   | 0.42   | 0.41   | 0.43   | 0.40   | 0.40   |
| Crude Petroleum (Dubai) (USD/Barrel) | 43.9  | 59.5   | 66.4   | 71.4   | 77.9   | 96.5   | 108.9  | 98.3   | 84.6   |
| Palm Oil (USD/MT)                    | 917.8 | 1013.5 | 1073.0 | 1128.7 | 1307.0 | 1548.0 | 1633.6 | 997.3  | 925.0  |

Source: World Bank. Note: MT=Metric Ton.

**Table II.3: Inflation in South Asia** 

(Point-to-point)

| Countries     |      |       |       | FY21  |       | FY22  |       |       |       | FY23  |       |
|---------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|               | FY21 | FY22  | $Q_2$ | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$ | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$ | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ |
| Bangladesh    | 5.64 | 7.56  | 5.29  | 5.47  | 5.64  | 5.59  | 6.05  | 6.22  | 7.56  | 9.10  | 8.71  |
| Bhutan        | 7.42 | 6.54  | 7.72  | 9.11  | 7.42  | 4.97  | 6.87  | 5.57  | 6.54  | 6.05  | 4.44  |
| India(CPI NS) | 6.26 | 7.01  | 4.59  | 5.52  | 6.26  | 4.35  | 5.66  | 6.95  | 7.01  | 7.41  | 5.72  |
| Pakistan      | 9.70 | 21.30 | 8.00  | 9.10  | 9.70  | 9.00  | 12.30 | 12.70 | 21.30 | 23.2  | 24.5  |
| Vietnam       | 2.41 | 3.37  | 0.19  | 1.16  | 2.41  | 2.06  | 1.81  | 2.41  | 3.37  | 3.94  | 4.55  |

Source: Central Banks and Statistics Departments of respective countries. Note: Quarterly data indicate end quarter.

**Table III.1: Movements in Reserve Money** (In billion Taka)

|                                   |         |         | FY             | 721            |           | FY         | 22             |                | FY      | 723     |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------|-----------|------------|----------------|----------------|---------|---------|
|                                   | FY21    | FY22    | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$     | $Q_2$      | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$   | $Q_2$   |
| Outstanding                       |         |         |                |                |           |            |                |                |         |         |
| 1. Net foreign assets of BB       | 3,669.2 | 3,477.6 | 3,468.4        | 3,669.2        | 3,617.3   | 3,546.1    | 3,447.6        | 3,477.6        | 3,190.4 | 2,975.0 |
| 2. Net domestic assets of BB      | -188.5  | -6.0    | -431.8         | -188.5         | -384.0    | -309.4     | -236.0         | -6.0           | 210.4   | 825.1   |
| a) Claims on public sector        | 205.0   | 583.7   | -65.4          | 205.0          | 105.8     | 86.1       | 162.9          | 583.7          | 753.0   | 1,089.9 |
| i) Claims on govt. (net)          | 172.9   | 549.3   | -98.0          | 172.9          | 72.7      | 54.6       | 128.0          | 549.3          | 716.6   | 1,053.4 |
| ii) Claims on other public sector | 32.2    | 34.4    | 32.6           | 32.2           | 33.0      | 31.5       | 34.9           | 34.4           | 36.3    | 36.5    |
| b) Claim on private sector        | 58.4    | 59.4    | 54.6           | 58.4           | 58.3      | 57.0       | 57.8           | 59.4           | 60.2    | 62.6    |
| c) Claims on banks                | 189.5   | 160.7   | 190.8          | 189.5          | 183.8     | 166.0      | 161.4          | 160.7          | 273.5   | 666.1   |
| d) Other items (net)              | -641.4  | -809.7  | -611.8         | -641.4         | -731.8    | -618.5     | -618.2         | -809.7         | -876.2  | -993.4  |
| 3. Currency issued                | 2,268.9 | 2,561.8 | 2,018.8        | 2,268.9        | 2,276.7   | 2,294.9    | 2,319.2        | 2,561.8        | 2,616.4 | 2,923.6 |
| i) Currency outside banks         | 2,095.2 | 2,364.5 | 1,842.2        | 2,095.2        | 2,096.2   | 2,107.2    | 2,126.9        | 2,364.5        | 2,400.0 | 2,681.8 |
| ii) Cash in tills                 | 173.7   | 197.3   | 176.6          | 173.7          | 180.5     | 187.7      | 192.4          | 197.3          | 216.4   | 241.8   |
| 4. Deposits of banks with BB      | 1,211.8 | 909.8   | 1,017.8        | 1,211.8        | 956.6     | 941.8      | 892.3          | 909.8          | 784.4   | 876.5   |
| 5. Reserve money (RM)             | 3,480.7 | 3,471.6 | 3,036.6        | 3,480.7        | 3,233.3   | 3,236.7    | 3,211.6        | 3,471.6        | 3,400.8 | 3,800.1 |
| 6. Money multiplier (M2/RM)       | 4.48    | 4.92    | 4.89           | 4.48           | 4.90      | 5.01       | 5.08           | 4.92           | 5.07    | 4.63    |
|                                   |         |         |                | Grow           | th in per | cent (y-o- | ·y)            |                |         |         |
| 1. Net foreign assets of BB       | 28.3    | -5.2    | 31.8           | 28.3           | 15.3      | 3.9        | -0.6           | -5.2           | -11.8   | -16.1   |
| 2. Net domestic assets of BB      | -1110   | 96.8    | -540.5         | -1110          | -17.1     | 16.7       | 45.3           | 96.8           | 154.8   | 366.7   |
| a) Claims on public sector        | -54.1   | 184.7   | -126.4         | -54.1          | -28.4     | 107.7      | 349.1          | 184.7          | 611.7   | 1165.9  |
| i) Claims on govt. (net)          | -59.0   | 217.7   | -144.1         | -58.9          | -40.3     | 315.7      | 230.6          | 217.7          | 885.7   | 1829.4  |
| ii) Claims on other public sector | 26.1    | 6.7     | 26.5           | 26.2           | 27.7      | 11.2       | 7.1            | 6.7            | 10.1    | 15.7    |
| b) Claim on private sector        | 9.3     | 1.6     | 11.7           | 9.3            | 15.7      | 7.0        | 5.9            | 1.6            | 3.2     | 9.8     |
| c) Claims on Banks                | 37.7    | -15.2   | -48.7          | 37.7           | 81.3      | 2.9        | -15.4          | -15.2          | 48.8    | 301.3   |
| 3. Currency issued                | 9.0     | 12.9    | 5.2            | 9.0            | 10.7      | 13.0       | 14.9           | 12.9           | 14.9    | 27.4    |
| 4. Deposits of banks with BB      | 58.6    | -24.9   | 25.6           | 58.6           | 27.1      | -6.7       | -12.3          | -24.9          | -18.0   | -6.9    |
| 5. Reserve money (RM)             | 22.4    | -0.3    | 11.3           | 22.4           | 15.1      | 6.5        | 5.8            | -0.3           | 5.2     | 17.4    |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

**Table III.2: Movements in Broad Money** (In billion Taka)

|                               |          |          | FY       | 21             |             | FY         | 22       |          | FY       | 23       |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|-------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|                               | FY21     | FY22     | $Q_3$    | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$       | $Q_2$      | $Q_3$    | $Q_4$    | $Q_1$    | $Q_2$    |
| Outstanding                   |          |          |          |                |             |            |          |          |          |          |
| 1. Net foreign assets         | 3,823.4  | 3,643.0  | 3,622.0  | 3,823.4        | 3,775.9     | 3,691.6    | 3,564.0  | 3,643.0  | 3,354.4  | 3,194.0  |
| 2. Net domestic assets        | 11,785.6 | 13,438.2 | 11,216.0 | 11,785.6       | 12,082.3    | 12,514.8   | 12,735.0 | 13,438.2 | 13,873.9 | 14,385.7 |
| a) Domestic credit            | 14,399.0 | 16,717.5 | 13,707.3 | 14,399.0       | 14,689.0    | 15,321.9   | 15,627.1 | 16,717.5 | 17,100.7 | 17,617.6 |
| Credit to public sector       | 2,510.4  | 3,205.1  | 2,103.5  | 2,510.4        | 2,581.8     | 2,689.4    | 2,712.7  | 3,205.1  | 3,306.6  | 3,356.3  |
| Credit to govt. (net)         | 2,210.3  | 2,833.1  | 1,789.1  | 2,210.3        | 2,275.4     | 2,345.4    | 2,354.9  | 2,833.1  | 2,924.9  | 2,936.2  |
| Credit to other public sector | 300.2    | 372.0    | 314.4    | 300.2          | 306.4       | 344.0      | 357.8    | 372.0    | 381.7    | 420.1    |
| Credit to private sector      | 11,888.6 | 13,512.4 | 11,603.8 | 11,888.6       | 12,107.2    | 12,632.5   | 12,914.4 | 13,512.4 | 13,794.1 | 14,261.3 |
| b) Other items (net)          | -2,613.4 | -3,279.3 | -2,491.4 | -2,613.4       | -2,606.8    | -2,807.1   | -2,892.1 | -3,279.3 | -3,226.9 | -3,231.9 |
| 3. Narrow Money               | 3,758.3  | 4,259.0  | 3,297.8  | 3,758.3        | 3,665.7     | 3,793.1    | 3,755.6  | 4,259.0  | 4,184.5  | 4,525.4  |
| a) Currency outside banks     | 2,095.2  | 2,364.5  | 1,842.2  | 2,095.2        | 2,096.2     | 2,107.2    | 2,126.9  | 2,364.5  | 2,400.0  | 2,681.8  |
| b) Demand deposits            | 1,663.1  | 1,894.6  | 1,455.6  | 1,663.1        | 1,569.5     | 1,685.9    | 1,628.7  | 1,894.6  | 1,784.5  | 1,843.6  |
| 4. Time deposits              | 11,850.7 | 12,822.2 | 11,540.2 | 11,850.7       | 12,192.5    | 12,413.2   | 12,543.5 | 12,822.2 | 13,043.8 | 13,054.3 |
| 5. Broad money                | 15,609.0 | 17,081.2 | 14,837.9 | 15,609.0       | 15,858.2    | 16,206.4   | 16,299.1 | 17,081.2 | 17,228.3 | 17,579.7 |
|                               |          |          |          | Grow           | th in perce | nt (y-o-y) |          |          |          |          |
| 1. Net foreign assets         | 28.59    | -4.72    | 29.71    | 28.59          | 14.02       | 3.41       | -1.60    | -4.72    | -11.16   | -13.48   |
| 2. Net domestic assets        | 9.49     | 14.02    | 8.74     | 9.49           | 10.34       | 11.57      | 13.54    | 14.02    | 14.83    | 14.95    |
| a) Domestic credit            | 10.11    | 16.10    | 11.40    | 10.11          | 10.20       | 12.37      | 14.01    | 16.10    | 16.42    | 14.98    |
| Credit to public sector       | 19.33    | 27.67    | 28.34    | 19.33          | 17.42       | 21.00      | 28.96    | 27.67    | 28.07    | 24.80    |
| Credit to govt. (net)         | 22.01    | 28.18    | 33.75    | 22.01          | 19.44       | 22.61      | 31.62    | 28.18    | 28.55    | 25.19    |
| Credit to other public sector | 2.75     | 23.93    | 4.31     | 2.75           | 4.30        | 11.00      | 13.80    | 23.93    | 24.57    | 22.12    |
| Credit to private sector      | 8.35     | 13.66    | 8.79     | 8.35           | 8.77        | 10.68      | 11.29    | 13.66    | 13.93    | 12.89    |
| 3. Narrow money               | 14.49    | 13.32    | 13.34    | 14.49          | 12.60       | 12.76      | 13.88    | 13.32    | 14.15    | 19.31    |
| 4. Time deposits              | 13.35    | 8.20     | 13.17    | 13.35          | 10.77       | 8.67       | 8.69     | 8.20     | 6.98     | 5.16     |
| 5. Broad money                | 13.62    | 9.43     | 13.21    | 13.62          | 11.19       | 9.60       | 9.85     | 9.43     | 8.64     | 8.47     |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

**Table III.3: Interest Rates Developments** 

| Instruments  | Sep.20 | Dec.20 | Mar.21 | Jun.21 | Sep.21             | Dec.21             | Mar.22             | Jun.22             | Sep.22 <sup>R</sup> | Dec.22 <sup>P</sup> |
|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| T - Bills  |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 14 - day   |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 91 - day   | 2.93   | 0.53   | 0.75   | 0.52   | 2.00               | 2.36               | 2.43               | 5.94               | 6.01                | 6.90                |
| 182 - day  | 3.71   | 1.12   | 0.99   | 0.68   | 2.50               | 3.19               | 3.05               | 6.44               | 6.47                | 7.30                |
| 364 - day  | 3.86   | 1.91   | 1.86   | 1.21   | 2.76               | 3.44               | 3.75               | 6.62               | 6.80                | 7.76                |
| BGTB   |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 2 - year   | 4.61   | 3.28   | 3.13   | 2.44   |                    | 4.68               | 4.61               | 7.21               | 7.47                | 7.55                |
| 5 - year   | 5.57   | 4.48   | 4.24   | 3.84   | 4.67               | 6.41               | 6.11               | 7.80               | 7.73                | 7.90                |
| 10 - year  | 6.48   | 5.68   |        | 5.38   | 6.19               | 7.38               | 6.92               | 8.03               | 8.09                | 8.33                |
| 15-year  | 6.70   | 6.58   |        | 5.65   | 6.19               | 7.77               | 7.48               | 8.27               | 8.49                | 8.77                |
| 20-year  | 6.98   | 7.01   |        | 6.06   | 6.31               | 7.87               | 7.63               | 8.48               | 8.52                | 8.95                |
| Repo   |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 1-3 day  | 4.75   | 4.75   | 4.75   | 4.75   | 4.75               | 4.75               | 4.75               | 5.50               | 5.50                | 5.75                |
| Reverse Repo   |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 1-3 day  | 4.00   | 4.00   | 4.00   | 4.00   | 4.00               | 4.00               | 4.00               | 4.00               | 4.00                | 4.00                |
| Bangladesh Banks Bills   |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 07-Day   |        |        |        |        | 1.28               |                    | 0.00               | 0.00               |                     |                     |
| 14-Day   |        |        |        |        | 1.51               |                    | 0.00               | 0.00               |                     |                     |
| 30-Day   |        |        |        |        | 1.89               |                    | 0.00               | 0.00               |                     |                     |
| Call Money Rate  | 2.87   | 1.79   | 1.82   | 2.25   | 1.90               | 2.66               | 2.66               | 4.88               | 5.53                | 5.80                |
| Lending Rate   |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| All Banks  | 8.04   | 7.69   | 7.57   | 7.43   | 7.38               | 7.42               | 7.28               | 7.26               | 7.14                | 7.21                |
| State Owned Banks  | 6.49   | 6.18   | 6.21   | 6.20   | 6.28               | 6.47               | 6.35               | 6.32               | 6.28                | 6.46                |
| Private Banks  | 8.43   | 8.06   | 7.91   | 7.74   | 7.65               | 7.67               | 7.53               | 7.5                | 7.38                | 7.42                |
| (a) Domestic   | 8.45   | 8.10   | 7.96   | 7.81   | 7.72               | 7.73               | 7.57               | 7.55               | 7.39                | 7.43                |
| (b) Foreign  | 7.87   | 7.26   | 6.70   | 6.17   | 5.87               | 6.10               | 6.28               | 6.39               | 6.87                | 7.09                |
| Specialized Banks  | 7.68   | 7.59   | 7.59   | 7.24   | 7.19               | 7.13               | 7.09               | 7.01               | 6.65                | 6.93                |
| Islamic Banks  | 9.18   | 8.49   | 8.14   | 8.02   | 8.01               | 8.10               | 7.79               | 7.69               | 7.25                | 7.14                |
| Deposits Rate  |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| All Banks  | 4.89   | 4.56   | 4.39   | 4.14   | 4.09               | 4.06               | 4.04               | 3.98               | 4.13                | 4.23                |
| State Owned Banks  | 4.48   | 4.43   | 5.43   | 4.32   | 4.24               | 4.12               | 3.87               | 3.84               | 4.11                | 3.99                |
| Private Banks  | 5.00   | 4.57   | 4.32   | 4.02   | 3.98               | 3.98               | 4.05               | 3.98               | 4.09                | 4.26                |
| (a) Domestic   | 5.22   | 4.78   | 4.53   | 4.22   | 4.18               | 4.18               | 4.25               | 4.17               | 4.29                | 4.48                |
| (b) Foreign  | 1.72   | 1.37   | 1.16   | 0.92   | 0.87               | 0.87               | 0.85               | 0.9                | 0.96                | 1.00                |
| Specialized Banks  | 5.71   | 5.43   | 4.48   | 5.62   | 5.46               | 5.67               | 5.37               | 5.27               | 5.44                | 5.56                |
| Islamic Banks  | 5.62   | 5.14   | 4.87   | 4.56   | 4.49               | 4.38               | 4.45               | 4.39               | 4.44                | 4.82                |
| National Savings Certificate <sup>®</sup>                            |        |        |        |        |                    |                    |                    |                    |                     |                     |
| 5 – year Bangladesh Sanchayapatra <sup>1</sup>                       | 11.28  | 11.28  | 11.28  | 11.28  | 11.28 <sup>a</sup>  | 11.28 <sup>a</sup>  |
| 3 – year Sanchayapatra (Tin Mas<br>Antar Munafa Vittik) <sup>2</sup> | 11.04  | 11.04  | 11.04  | 11.04  | 11.04 <sup>b</sup> | 11.04 <sup>b</sup> |                    | 11.04 <sup>b</sup> | 11.04 <sup>b</sup>  | 11.04 <sup>b</sup>  |
| 5 – year Pensioner Sanchayapatra <sup>3</sup>                        | 11.76  | 11.76  | 11.76  | 11.76  | 11.76°             | 11.76°             | 11.76°             | 11.76°             | 11.76°              | 11.76°              |
| 5 – year Paribar Sanchayapatra <sup>4</sup>                          | 11.52  | 11.52  | 11.52  | 11.52  | 11.52 <sup>d</sup> | 11.52 <sup>d</sup> | 11.52 <sup>d</sup> |                    | 11.52 <sup>d</sup>  | 11.52 <sup>d</sup>  |

Sources: Monetary Policy Department and Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank; Department of National Savings;

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... = No auction; P = Provisional, R = Revised. Note: Revised interest rates for NSC were effective from 21 September 2021.

a The interest rates are 11.28%, 10.30% & 9.30% for upto Tk 15 lac, 15+ lac to 30 lac, & above 30 lac respectively.

b The interest rates are 11.04%, 10.0% & 9.0% for upto Tk 15 lac, 15+ lac to 30 lac, & above 30 lac respectively.

c The interest rates are 11.76%, 10.75% & 9.75% for upto Tk 15 lac, 15+ lac to 30 lac & above 30 lac respectively.

d The interest rates are 11.52%, 10.50% & 9.50% for upto Tk 15 lac, 15+ lac to 30 lac & above 30 lac respectively.

Table III.4: Outstanding Stocks of Bangladesh Bank Bills, Treasury Bills, Bonds and NSD Certificates (In billion Taka)

| Instruments                  | Sep.20 | Dec.20 | Mar.21 | Jun.21 | Sep.21 | Dec.21 | Mar.22 | Jun.22 | Sep.22 | Dec.22 |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Bangladesh Banks Bills       |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| 07-Day                       | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    |
| 14-Day                       | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 7.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    |
| 30-Day                       | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 95.0   | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    |
| Sub Total                    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 102.0  | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    |
| T - Bills                    |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| 14 - day                     | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 0.0    | 1.0    |
| 91 - day                     | 165.0  | 156.0  | 127.0  | 112.5  | 142.9  | 196.0  | 102.8  | 302.8  | 277.0  | 403.3  |
| 182 - day                    | 185.0  | 156.0  | 105.0  | 121.0  | 162.3  | 138.7  | 106.4  | 183.0  | 215.0  | 180.0  |
| 364 - day                    | 332.0  | 279.0  | 248.5  | 287.5  | 272.5  | 286.8  | 284.6  | 305.1  | 292.1  | 309.8  |
| Sub Total                    | 682.0  | 591.0  | 480.5  | 521.0  | 577.6  | 621.5  | 493.7  | 790.9  | 784.2  | 894.1  |
| BGTB                         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
| 2 - year                     | 357.0  | 382.0  | 397.0  | 440.0  | 430.0  | 431.2  | 453.0  | 413.0  | 388.0  | 393.0  |
| 5 - year                     | 510.0  | 558.5  | 573.5  | 566.5  | 597.0  | 637.6  | 651.6  | 711.6  | 757.6  | 799.6  |
| 10 - year                    | 772.7  | 805.7  | 825.7  | 865.7  | 911.7  | 941.7  | 955.2  | 999.2  | 1037.7 | 1046.7 |
| 15-year                      | 359.7  | 384.2  | 388.2  | 416.2  | 429.7  | 451.2  | 466.7  | 510.8  | 526.6  | 538.1  |
| 20-year                      | 335.9  | 359.9  | 363.9  | 385.9  | 397.3  | 416.8  | 433.4  | 488.2  | 506.0  | 522.5  |
| Sub Total                    | 2335.2 | 2490.2 | 2548.2 | 2674.2 | 2765.6 | 2878.4 | 2959.8 | 3122.7 | 4000.1 | 4194.0 |
| National Savings Certificate | 3138.0 | 3226.2 | 3353.4 | 3440.9 | 3526.5 | 3536.8 | 3606.1 | 3640.1 | 3643.4 | 3609.0 |
| Total (excluding BB bills)   | 6155.2 | 6307.4 | 6382.1 | 6636.1 | 6869.7 | 7036.7 | 7059.6 | 7553.8 | 7643.5 | 7803.0 |

Sources: Monetary Policy Department, Bangladesh Bank; National Savings Directorate.

**Table IV.1: Government Fiscal Operations** 

(In billion Taka)

|                             |                   |                   | (III DIIIIOII | FY:            | 22             |         |        | FY23    |         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
|                             | Revised<br>Budget | FY22 <sup>R</sup> | $Q_1^P$       | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q <sub>3</sub> | $Q_4^P$ | Budget | $Q_1^R$ | $Q_2^P$ |
| Revenue                     | 3,890             | 3,431             | 682           | 792            | 883            | 1,071   | 4,330  | 780     | 840     |
| a) NBR Tax revenue          | 3,300             | 3,013             | 584           | 707            | 748            | 977     | 3,700  | 672     | 758     |
| i) VAT                      | 1,276             | 1,169             | 241           | 281            | 294            | 353     | 1,412  | 245     | 300     |
| ii) Customs duties          | 381               | 353               | 77            | 85             | 93             | 98      | 441    | 91      | 90      |
| iii) Income tax             | 1,053             | 1,026             | 179           | 215            | 237            | 398     | 1,210  | 198     | 241     |
| iv) Others                  | 590               | 465               | 87            | 127            | 124            | 127     | 637    | 138     | 127     |
| b) Non- NBR tax revenue     | 160               | 70                | 9             | 16             | 25             | 14      | 180    | 18      | 16      |
| c) Non- tax revenue*        | 430               | 348               | 90            | 68             | 110            | 80      | 450    | 91      | 66      |
| Expenditure                 | 5,935             | 5,050             | 958           | 1,058          | 1,160          | 1,870   | 6,781  | 986     | 1044    |
| a) Current*                 | 3,406             | 2,762             | 707           | 619            | 678            | 755     | 3,732  | 712     | 596     |
| b) ADP                      | 2,100             | 2,038             | 196           | 374            | 420            | 1,048   | 2,461  | 219     | 384     |
| c) Others*                  | 430               | 250               | 56            | 65             | 62             | 66      | 588    | 56      | 65      |
| <b>Budget Deficit</b>       | -2,045            | -1,618            | -276          | -267           | -277           | -799    | -2,451 | -206    | -204    |
| Financing                   | 2,045             | 1,618             | 276           | 267            | 277            | 799     | 2,451  | 206     | 204     |
| a) Domestic financing       | 1,243             | 889               | 147           | 106            | 85             | 551     | 1,463  | 118     | 12      |
| i) Bank financing           | 873               | 619               | 60            | 75             | 2              | 482     | 1,063  | 85      | 15      |
| ii) Non-bank financing      | 370               | 269               | 87            | 31             | 83             | 69      | 400    | 33      | -3      |
| b) Foreign financing**      | 802               | 729               | 129           | 161            | 191            | 248     | 987    | 89      | 192     |
|                             |                   |                   |               | In perc        | entage of C    | GDP     |        |         |         |
| Revenue                     | 9.79              | 8.64              | 1.71          | 1.99           | 2.23           | 2.71    | 9.73   | 1.75    | 1.89    |
| a) NBR Tax revenue          | 8.31              | 7.59              | 1.46          | 1.78           | 1.89           | 2.46    | 8.31   | 1.51    | 1.70    |
| i) VAT                      | 3.21              | 2.94              | 0.60          | 0.71           | 0.74           | 0.89    | 3.17   | 0.55    | 0.67    |
| ii) Customs duties          | 0.96              | 0.89              | 0.19          | 0.21           | 0.23           | 0.25    | 0.99   | 0.20    | 0.20    |
| iii) Income tax             | 2.65              | 2.58              | 0.44          | 0.54           | 0.60           | 1.00    | 2.72   | 0.45    | 0.54    |
| iv) Others                  | 1.49              | 1.17              | 0.22          | 0.32           | 0.31           | 0.32    | 1.43   | 0.31    | 0.29    |
| b) Non-NBR tax revenue      | 0.40              | 0.18              | 0.02          | 0.04           | 0.06           | 0.05    | 0.40   | 0.04    | 0.04    |
| c) Non tax revenue          | 1.08              | 0.88              | 0.23          | 0.17           | 0.28           | 0.20    | 1.01   | 0.20    | 0.15    |
| Expenditure                 | 14.94             | 12.71             | 2.40          | 2.66           | 2.92           | 4.72    | 15.24  | 2.22    | 2.35    |
| a) Current                  | 8.57              | 6.95              | 1.77          | 1.56           | 1.71           | 1.92    | 8.39   | 1.60    | 1.34    |
| b) ADP                      | 5.29              | 5.13              | 0.49          | 0.94           | 1.06           | 2.64    | 5.53   | 0.49    | 0.86    |
| c) Others                   | 1.08              | 0.63              | 0.14          | 0.16           | 0.16           | 0.17    | 1.32   | 0.13    | 0.14    |
| <b>Budget Deficit</b>       | -5.15             | -4.07             | -0.69         | -0.67          | -0.70          | -2.01   | 5.51   | -0.46   | -0.46   |
| Financing                   | 5.15              | 4.07              | 0.69          | 0.67           | 0.70           | 2.01    | 5.51   | 0.46    | 0.46    |
| a) Domestic financing       | 3.13              | 2.24              | 0.37          | 0.27           | 0.21           | 1.39    | 3.29   | 0.26    | 0.03    |
| i) Bank financing           | 2.20              | 1.56              | 0.15          | 0.19           | 0.01           | 1.21    | 2.39   | 0.19    | 0.03    |
| ii) Non-bank financing      | 0.93              | 0.68              | 0.22          | 0.08           | 0.21           | 0.17    | 0.90   | 0.07    | -0.01   |
| b) Foreign financing        | 2.02              | 1.84              | 0.32          | 0.41           | 0.48           | 0.62    | 2.22   | 0.20    | 0.43    |
| Memorandum item             |                   |                   |               |                |                |         |        |         |         |
| GDP at current market price | 39,717            | 39,717            | 39,717        | 39,717         | 39,717         | 39717   | 44,500 | 44,500  | 44,500  |

Source: Budget Summary, Ministry of Finance; NBR; Bangladesh Bank; BBS. \*=Estimated, \* \*= Grants included; P = Provisional, R = Revised.

**Table V.1: Balance of Payments** (In million USD)

|  |        |                    | FY    | 21    |         | FY2        | 22         |            | FY      | 23      |
|--|--------|--------------------|-------|-------|---------|------------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
|  | FY21   | FY22 <sup>RP</sup> | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$ | $Q_1^R$ | $Q_2^{RP}$ | $Q_3^{RP}$ | $Q_4^{RP}$ | $Q_1^P$ | $Q_2^P$ |
| Current Account Balance                  | -4575  | -18639             | -4070 | -4020 | -2545   | -5752      | -5999      | -4343      | -3564   | -1706   |
| Trade balance                            | -23778 | -33250             | -8345 | -8560 | -6775   | -8932      | -9200      | -8343      | -7548   | -4752   |
| Export f.o.b.                            | 36903  | 49245              | 9196  | 9354  | 10546   | 12718      | 13353      | 12628      | 11800   | 14032   |
| of which: Readymade garments             | 31457  | 42613              | 7942  | 7969  | 9059    | 10841      | 11527      | 11185      | 10274   | 12722   |
| Import f.o.b.                            | 60681  | 82495              | 17541 | 17914 | 17321   | 21650      | 22553      | 20971      | 19348   | 18784   |
| Services                                 | -3020  | -3955              | -910  | -1028 | -606    | -1077      | -1195      | -1077      | -1059   | -896    |
| Credit                                   | 7439   | 9925               | 1861  | 1991  | 2161    | 2595       | 2254       | 2915       | 2262    | 2290    |
| Debit                                    | 10459  | 13880              | 2771  | 3019  | 2767    | 3672       | 3449       | 3992       | 3321    | 3186    |
| Primary Income                           | -3172  | -3152              | -613  | -781  | -731    | -759       | -809       | -853       | -782    | -1079   |
| Credit                                   | 217    | 345                | 70    | 82    | 93      | 64         | 100        | 88         | 90      | 125     |
| Debit                                    | 3389   | 3497               | 683   | 863   | 824     | 823        | 909        | 941        | 872     | 1204    |
| Secondary Income                         | 25395  | 21718              | 5798  | 6349  | 5567    | 5016       | 5205       | 5930       | 5825    | 5021    |
| Official Transfers                       | 51     | 16                 | 11    | 29    | 7       | 5          | 3          | 1          | 15      | 23      |
| Private Transfers                        | 25344  | 21702              | 5787  | 6320  | 5560    | 5011       | 5202       | 5929       | 5810    | 4998    |
| Of which: workers' remittances           | 24778  | 21032              | 5654  | 6179  | 5408    | 4831       | 5059       | 5734       | 5673    | 4820    |
| Capital & Financial Account              | 14525  | 13956              | 5797  | 6450  | 2286    | 4746       | 4558       | 2366       | 386     | -1313   |
| Capital account                          | 458    | 181                | 66    | 333   | 68      | 70         | 28         | 15         | 36      | 135     |
| Capital transfers                        | 458    | 181                | 66    | 333   | 68      | 70         | 28         | 15         | 36      | 135     |
| Financial account                        | 14067  | 13775              | 5731  | 6117  | 2218    | 4676       | 4530       | 2351       | 350     | -1448   |
| Foreign direct investment(Gross Inflows) | 3387   | 4636               | 780   | 774   | 907     | 1422       | 1202       | 1105       | 1159    | 1469    |
| Of which: FDI net liabilities            | 1355   | 1827               | 310   | 213   | 375     | 743        | 516        | 193        | 457     | 694     |
| Portfolio investment                     | -269   | -158               | -71   | -41   | -62     | -27        | -21        | -48        | -15     | -15     |
| Of which: Investment by NRBs             | 209    | 114                | 40    | 35    | 32      | 28         | 26         | 28         | 32      | 24      |
| Other investment                         | 12981  | 12106              | 5492  | 5945  | 1905    | 3960       | 4035       | 2206       | -92     | -2127   |
| Net aid flows                            | 6032   | 8284               | 1848  | 2866  | 1439    | 1808       | 2199       | 2838       | 885     | 1825    |
| Medium and long - term (MLT) loans       | 7449   | 9811               | 2235  | 3216  | 1863    | 2162       | 2591       | 3195       | 1298    | 2204    |
| MLT amortization payments                | 1417   | 1527               | 387   | 350   | 424     | 354        | 392        | 357        | 413     | 379     |
| Other long term loans                    | 1684   | 1443               | 471   | 690   | 479     | 537        | 206        | 221        | 89      | -319    |
| Other short term loans                   | 2064   | 3114               | 471   | 1061  | 172     | 1231       | 247        | 1464       | 659     | -897    |
| Trade credit                             | 3749   | -1920              | 2606  | 864   | -405    | -105       | 682        | -2092      | -1252   | -1537   |
| DMBs and NBDCs                           | -548   | 1185               | 96    | 464   | 220     | 489        | 701        | -225       | -473    | -1199   |
| Assets                                   | 391    | 791                | 68    | 166   | 550     | 14         | -445       | 672        | -94     | 495     |
| Liabilities                              | -157   | 1976               | 164   | 630   | 770     | 503        | 256        | 447        | -567    | -704    |
| Net Errors & Omissions                   | -676   | -697               | -892  | -146  | -551    | 25         | 135        | -306       | -268    | -704    |
| Overall Balance                          | 9274   | -5380              | 835   | 2284  | -810    | -981       | -1306      | -2283      | -3446   | -3723   |
| Reserve Assets                           | -9274  | 5380               | -835  | -2284 | 810     | 981        | 1306       | 2283       | 3446    | 3723    |
| Bangladesh Bank                          | -9274  | 5380               | -835  | -2284 | 810     | 981        | 1306       | 2283       | 3446    | 3723    |
| Assets                                   | 9924   | -3711              | 435   | 2869  | -29     | -18        | -1947      | -1717      | -4685   | -3376   |
| Liabilities                              | 650    | 1669               | -400  | 585   | 781     | 963        | -641       | 566        | -1239   | 347     |

|  |       |                    | FY    | FY21   |         |            | 22         | FY23       |         |         |
|--|-------|--------------------|-------|--------|---------|------------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
|  | FY21  | FY22 <sup>RP</sup> | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$  | $Q_1^R$ | $Q_2^{RP}$ | $Q_3^{RP}$ | $Q_4^{RP}$ | $Q_1^P$ | $Q_2^P$ |
| Memorandum Items                         |       |                    |       |        |         |            |            |            |         |         |
| Gross official reserves                  | 46391 | 41827              | 43441 | 46391  | 46200   | 46154      | 44147      | 41827      | 36476   | 33748   |
| In months of imports of goods & services | 5.8   | 5.6                | 5.0   | 5.6    | 6.1     | 6.3        | 5.5        | 5.4        | 5.2     | 5.0     |
| In months of prospective imports         | 6.2   | 6.3                | 5.3   | 7.2    | 6.6     | 6.8        | 6.0        | 6.2        | 5.8     | 5.5     |
| Export growth (in percent)               | 14.89 | 33.44              | -2.25 | 141.77 | 8.77    | 46.91      | 45.20      | 35.00      | 11.89   | 10.33   |
| Import growth (in percent)               | 19.71 | 35.95              | 32.26 | 72.92  | 47.59   | 60.49      | 28.57      | 17.06      | 11.70   | -13.24  |
| Remittances growth (in percent)          | 36.11 | -15.12             | 29.45 | 39.50  | -19.44  | -22.46     | -10.53     | -7.22      | 4.90    | -0.25   |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

R=Revised, P=Provisional RP=Revised but still provisional.

**Table V.2: Trends in the Commodity Composition of Exports** (In million USD)

| Items                      |          |          | FY      | 721     |         | FY      | 722     |         | FY      | 23      |
|----------------------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                            | FY21     | FY22     | $Q_3$   | $Q_4$   | $Q_1$   | $Q_2$   | $Q_3$   | $Q_4$   | $Q_1$   | $Q_2$   |
| 1. Raw jute                | 138.2    | 216.2    | 30.1    | 23.1    | 39.5    | 80.3    | 37.6    | 58.8    | 55.4    | 51.5    |
| 2. Jute goods              | 1023.3   | 911.5    | 255.3   | 184.8   | 172.8   | 297.5   | 259.4   | 181.8   | 190.2   | 188.8   |
| 3. Tea                     | 3.6      | 2.1      | 0.9     | 0.4     | 0.4     | 0.7     | 0.8     | 0.3     | 0.5     | 0.6     |
| 4. Leather                 | 119.1    | 151.4    | 28.6    | 35.9    | 32.0    | 37.9    | 46.0    | 35.6    | 34.5    | 29.6    |
| 5. Frozen shrimps and fish | 444.4    | 499.1    | 80.0    | 103.5   | 145.0   | 177.0   | 86.7    | 90.4    | 126.2   | 102.8   |
| 6. Woven garments          | 14,496.7 | 19,398.8 | 3,814.4 | 3,663.0 | 3,895.3 | 4,843.8 | 5,569.4 | 5,090.3 | 4,624.9 | 5,712.1 |
| 7. Knitwear products       | 16,960.0 | 23,214.3 | 4,128.0 | 4,305.9 | 5,164.2 | 5,997.5 | 5,958.3 | 6,094.4 | 5,649.5 | 7,010.2 |
| 8. Fertilizer              | 0.0      | 0.0      | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     | 0.0     |
| 9. Terry towels            | 34.8     | 46.0     | 9.7     | 6.1     | 12.0    | 12.4    | 10.8    | 10.8    | 10.7    | 7.9     |
| 10. Others                 | 5,538.2  | 7,643.2  | 1,357.9 | 1,497.4 | 1,560.9 | 2,229.6 | 1,938.1 | 1,914.7 | 1,805.0 | 1,710.9 |
| Total exports              | 38,758   | 52,083   | 9,705   | 9,820   | 11,022  | 13,677  | 13,907  | 13,477  | 12,497  | 14,814  |
| Of which: exports from EPZ | 5306     | 6899     | 1278    | 1474    | 1531    | 1676    | 1835    | 1857    | 1,688   | 1,721   |
| Total exports (adjusted)   | 36,903   | 49,246   | 9,196   | 9,354   | 10,591  | 12,763  | 13,263  | 12,629  | 11,800  | 14,032  |

Source: Export Promotion Bureau, Bangladesh.

**Table V.3: Major Destination-wise RMG Related Exports** (In million USD)

|                          |       |       | FY     | 21             |           | FY        | 22    |       | FY.    | 23     |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|--------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
|                          | FY21  | FY22  | $Q_3$  | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$     | $Q_2$     | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$ | $Q_1$  | $Q_2$  |
| Exports of RMG           | 31457 | 42613 | 7942   | 7969           | 9059      | 10841     | 11528 | 11185 | 10274  | 12722  |
| European Countries       | 20297 | 26837 | 5149   | 5058           | 5604      | 6891      | 7368  | 6974  | 6278   | 7999   |
| USA                      | 5946  | 9013  | 1407   | 1639           | 1912      | 2319      | 2358  | 2423  | 2010   | 2268   |
| Other Countries          | 5214  | 6763  | 1387   | 1272           | 1543      | 1631      | 1801  | 1787  | 1986   | 2455   |
| Woven Garments           | 14497 | 19399 | 3814   | 3663           | 3895      | 4844      | 5569  | 5090  | 4625   | 5712   |
| European Countries       | 8116  | 10364 | 2253   | 2014           | 2011      | 2575      | 3155  | 2623  | 2275   | 2936   |
| USA                      | 3888  | 5893  | 928    | 1044           | 1171      | 1511      | 1593  | 1617  | 1367   | 1610   |
| Other Countries          | 2493  | 3142  | 634    | 605            | 713       | 758       | 821   | 850   | 983    | 1165   |
| <b>Knitwear Products</b> | 16960 | 23214 | 4128   | 4306           | 5164      | 5997      | 5958  | 6094  | 5649   | 7010   |
| European Countries       | 12181 | 16474 | 2896   | 3044           | 3593      | 4316      | 4214  | 4351  | 4003   | 5062   |
| USA                      | 2059  | 3120  | 480    | 595            | 741       | 808       | 765   | 806   | 643    | 658    |
| Other Countries          | 2720  | 3620  | 752    | 666            | 830       | 873       | 980   | 937   | 1003   | 1290   |
|                          |       |       |        | Growt          | h in perc | ent (y-o- | -y)   |       |        |        |
| Exports of RMG           | 12.55 | 35.47 | -1.70  | 107.22         | 11.48     | 46.12     | 45.14 | 40.36 | 13.41  | 17.35  |
| European Countries       | 13.45 | 32.23 | -1.88  | 106.96         | 7.39      | 41.46     | 43.10 | 37.89 | 12.03  | 16.08  |
| USA                      | 15.54 | 51.57 | 0.72   | 112.78         | 21.03     | 75.71     | 67.60 | 47.82 | 5.13   | -2.21  |
| Other Countries          | 6.13  | 29.71 | -3.40  | 101.50         | 16.20     | 32.83     | 29.94 | 40.55 | 28.70  | 50.51  |
| Woven Garments           | 3.24  | 33.82 | -11.93 | 93.60          | 6.35      | 44.30     | 46.01 | 38.97 | 18.73  | 17.93  |
| European Countries       | 4.94  | 27.70 | -11.05 | 91.88          | 2.26      | 36.77     | 40.04 | 30.26 | 13.10  | 14.05  |
| USA                      | 3.04  | 51.58 | -12.45 | 99.15          | 11.69     | 74.16     | 71.78 | 54.93 | 16.73  | 6.57   |
| Other Countries          | -1.64 | 26.03 | -14.18 | 90.16          | 10.13     | 24.98     | 29.56 | 40.39 | 37.89  | 53.73  |
| <b>Knitwear Products</b> | 21.94 | 36.88 | 10.12  | 120.42         | 15.69     | 47.63     | 44.34 | 41.54 | 9.40   | 16.89  |
| European Countries       | 19.93 | 35.24 | 6.69   | 118.31         | 10.50     | 44.42     | 45.48 | 42.93 | 11.42  | 17.30  |
| USA                      | 49.88 | 51.56 | 42.06  | 141.81         | 39.45     | 78.68     | 59.53 | 35.35 | -13.21 | -18.62 |
| Other Countries          | 14.41 | 33.08 | 8.00   | 112.99         | 21.98     | 40.49     | 30.26 | 40.69 | 20.81  | 47.72  |

Source: Compiled by Statistics Department of Bangladesh Bank using the data of EPB.

**Table V.4: Export Performance for July-September, 2022** 

(In million USD)

|                                      | Export               | Export           | Strategic            | Export               | Export               | % Change of       | % Change of             |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
|                                      | for                  | Target           |                      | Performance          |                      | export            | export                  |
|                                      | FY22                 | for              | for July-            | for July-            | •                    | performance       | performance             |
|                                      |                      | FY23             | Dec,                 | Dec, 2022            | Dec, 2021            | over Export       | for July-Dec,           |
|                                      |                      |                  | 2022                 |                      |                      | Target            | 2022 Over               |
| All Products (A+B)                   | 52 092 7             | 59 000 0         | 27,191.0             | 27,311.3             | 24,698.6             | 0.44              | July-Dec, 2021<br>10.58 |
| A. Primary Commodities:              |                      | 2,028.1          | 950.8                | 748.3                | 993.1                | -21.30            | -24.65                  |
| Frozen & Live Fish                   | 532.9                | 634.0            | 297.2                | 246.4                | 339.0                | -17.11            | -2 <b>4.0</b> 3         |
| Agricultural Products                | 1,162.3              |                  | 653.6                | 501.9                | 654.0                | -23.21            | -23.26                  |
| B. Manufactured Commodities:         |                      |                  | 26,240.2             | 26,563.0             | 23,705.5             | 1.23              | 12.05                   |
| Cement salt stone etc.               | 9.6                  | 11.0             | 5.2                  | 4.7                  | 3.9                  | -9.11             | 19.95                   |
| Ores, Slag and Ash                   | 46.8                 | 70.0             | 32.8                 | 19.5                 | 20.4                 | -40.52            | 4.27                    |
| Petroleum bi Products                | 33.5                 | 45.0             | 21.1                 | 8.9                  | 12.3                 | -57.82            | -27.47                  |
| Chemical products                    | 364.1                | 429.6            | 201.4                | 155.6                | 200.7                | -22.71            | -27.47                  |
| Plastic, Melamine Products           | 166.3                | 200.0            | 93.8                 | 100.2                | 71.1                 | 6.84              | 40.97                   |
| Rubber                               | 46.8                 | 60.0             | 28.1                 | 14.6                 | 24.5                 | -48.10            | -40.48                  |
| Leather & Leather products           | 1,245.2              | 1,440.0          | 675.1                | 637.3                | 564.0                | -5.60             | 13.00                   |
| (including leather footwear)         | 1,243.2              | 1,440.0          | 0/3.1                | 037.3                | 304.0                | -3.00             | 13.00                   |
| Wood and Wood Products               | 5.2                  | 6.5              | 3.1                  | 3.3                  | 1.3                  | 6.56              | 151.94                  |
| Handicrafts                          | 42.8                 | 50.0             | 23.4                 | 14.9                 | 21.4                 | -36.31            | -30.14                  |
| Pulp                                 | 0.0                  | 0.0              | 0.0                  | 0.0                  | 0.0                  | -30.31            | -30.14                  |
| Paper and Paper Products             | 105.1                | 115.0            | 53.9                 | 95.1                 | 42.6                 | 76.37             | 123.35                  |
| Printed Materials                    | 2.4                  | 2.5              | 1.2                  | 2.8                  | 0.6                  | 140.17            | 360.66                  |
| Silk                                 | 1.0                  | 1.7              | 0.8                  | 0.3                  | 0.6                  | -63.75            | -45.28                  |
| Wool and woolen Products             | 0.2                  | 0.3              | 0.8                  | 0.3                  | 0.3                  | -50.00            | - <del>4</del> 3.28     |
| Cotton and Cotton Products           | 244.9                | 260.0            | 121.9                | 153.4                | 102.5                | 25.83             | 49.67                   |
| Jute and Jute Goods                  | 1,127.6              |                  | 600.1                | 485.9                | 590.1                | -19.03            | -17.65                  |
|                                      | 216.8                | 1,280.0<br>260.0 | 121.9                | 109.3                | 126.2                | -19.03            |                         |
| Man Made Filaments and Staple Fibers |                      |                  |                      |                      |                      | -36.31            | -13.34                  |
| Carpet  Specialized Taytiles         | 36.8<br>314.8        | 44.0<br>387.0    | 20.6<br>181.4        | 13.1<br>120.8        | 18.9<br>193.3        | -33.44            | -30.59<br>-37.54        |
| Specialized Textiles                 |                      |                  |                      |                      |                      |                   |                         |
| Readymade Garments Knitwear          | 42,613.2<br>23,214.3 |                  | 21,940.3<br>12,001.5 | 22,996.7<br>12,659.7 | 19,900.7<br>11,161.6 | 4.81<br>5.48      | 15.56<br>13.42          |
| Woven Garments                       | -                    |                  | -                    | -                    |                      |                   |                         |
|                                      |                      |                  | 9,938.8              |                      | 8,739.1              | 4.01              | 18.29                   |
| Home Textile                         | 1,621.9              | 1,980.0          | 928.2                | 601.3                | 716.0                | -35.23            | -16.02                  |
| Other Footwear                       | 449.2                | 520.0            | 243.8                | 250.8                | 212.8                | 2.88              | 17.84                   |
| (excluding leather footwear)         | 264.6                | 410.1            | 102.2                | 240.1                | 162.0                | 24.90             | 46.50                   |
| Headgear/Cap                         | 364.6                | 410.1            | 192.3                | 240.1                | 163.8                | 24.89             | 46.59                   |
| Umbrella Waking Sticks               | 0.2                  | 0.3              | 0.1                  | 0.0                  | 0.1                  | -85.71            | -81.82                  |
| Wigs and Human Hair                  | 105.9                | 130.0            | 61.0                 | 67.2                 | 46.0                 | 10.25             | 46.02                   |
| Building Materials  Coronic Products | 1.1                  | 1.3              | 0.6                  | 0.4                  | 0.2                  | -32.79            | 78.26                   |
| Class and Class areas                | 41.4                 | 50.0             | 23.4                 | 21.4                 | 20.1                 | -8.75             | 6.31                    |
| Glass and Glass ware                 | 18.7                 | 24.0             | 11.3                 | 5.2                  | 9.8                  | -53.87            | <b>-47.09</b>           |
| Engineering Products                 | 795.6                | 964.4            | 452.1                | 261.1                | 444.3                | -42.25<br>2564.20 | -41.24<br>2846 15       |
| Ships, boats & floating structures   | 0.2                  | 0.3              | 0.1                  | 5.1                  | 0.1                  | 3564.29           | 3846.15                 |
| Other Manufactured Products          | 365.6                | 429.0            | 201.1                | 173.9                | 197.2                | -13.52            | -11.80                  |

Source: Export Promotion Bureau, Bangladesh.

Table V.5: Trends in the Commodity Composition of Imports (In million USD)

|   |        |        | FY             | 721            |                | FY     | 722            |                | FY     | 723    |
|---|--------|--------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------|----------------|----------------|--------|--------|
|   | FY21   | FY22   | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | $Q_2$  | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$  | $Q_2$  |
| A. Food Grains                          | 2,681  | 2,562  | 761            | 780            | 541            | 1,047  | 552            | 421            | 405    | 919    |
| 1. Rice                                 | 851    | 427    | 288            | 320            | 232            | 165    | 20             | 10             | 83     | 308    |
| 2. Wheat                                | 1,830  | 2,135  | 472            | 460            | 309            | 882    | 533            | 411            | 322    | 612    |
| B. Consumer Goods                       | 4,156  | 5,779  | 1,192          | 1,288          | 1,160          | 1,414  | 1,749          | 1,456          | 1,346  | 1,532  |
| 3. Milk & cream                         | 344    | 419    | 112            | 97             | 112            | 62     | 118            | 127            | 86     | 80     |
| 4. Spices                               | 404    | 363    | 89             | 92             | 87             | 73     | 92             | 111            | 80     | 85     |
| 5. Edible oil                           | 1,926  | 2,893  | 505            | 682            | 576            | 806    | 732            | 779            | 922    | 830    |
| 6. Pulses (all sorts)                   | 681    | 829    | 272            | 192            | 182            | 155    | 318            | 174            | 129    | 254    |
| 7. Sugar                                | 800    | 1,276  | 213            | 226            | 203            | 319    | 489            | 264            | 129    | 284    |
| C. Intermediate Goods                   | 38,307 | 55,192 | 11,557         | 11,418         | 11,481         | 14,003 | 15,026         | 14,682         | 13,207 | 11,811 |
| Petroluem goods                         | 8,985  | 7,993  | 3,865          | 2,368          | 1,615          | 2,114  | 1,877          | 2,387          | 1,701  | 1,761  |
| 8. Crude petroleum                      | 2,616  | 936    | 2,142          | 131            | 254            | 237    | 192            | 252            | 230    | 239    |
| 9. POL                                  | 6,369  | 7,057  | 1,724          | 2,237          | 1,361          | 1,877  | 1,685          | 2,135          | 1,470  | 1,522  |
| RMG related goods                       | 14,069 | 22,254 | 3,473          | 4,555          | 4,839          | 5,578  | 6,250          | 5,587          | 4,945  | 4,642  |
| 10. Raw cotton                          | 3,186  | 4,439  | 920            | 1,045          | 1,040          | 988    | 1,306          | 1,105          | 1,353  | 1,330  |
| 11. Yarn                                | 2,436  | 5,245  | 559            | 914            | 1,254          | 1,224  | 1,496          | 1,271          | 815    | 632    |
| 12. Textile and articles thereof        | 6,553  | 9,937  | 1,486          | 2,051          | 2,000          | 2,676  | 2,727          | 2,535          | 2,146  | 2,079  |
| 13. Staple fibre                        | 1,040  | 1,569  | 283            | 306            | 310            | 421    | 442            | 395            | 387    | 390    |
| 14. Dyeing and tanning materials        | 855    | 1,065  | 226            | 240            | 236            | 269    | 280            | 281            | 244    | 211    |
| Other intermediate goods                | 15,253 | 24,945 | 4,218          | 4,494          | 5,027          | 6,311  | 6,899          | 6,708          | 6,561  | 5,408  |
| 15. Clinker                             | 1,048  | 1,223  | 295            | 314            | 242            | 321    | 347            | 313            | 329    | 256    |
| 16. Oil seeds                           | 1,406  | 1,758  | 372            | 545            | 293            | 504    | 401            | 559            | 522    | 93     |
| 17. Chemicals                           | 2,974  | 3,765  | 740            | 829            | 853            | 915    | 1,000          | 997            | 956    | 882    |
| 18. Pharmaceutical products             | 363    | 1,482  | 105            | 106            | 259            | 381    | 397            | 445            | 89     | 74     |
| 19. Fertilizer                          | 1,360  | 4,391  | 433            | 276            | 762            | 1,263  | 1,363          | 1,004          | 1,717  | 1,667  |
| 20. Plastics and rubber articles thereo | 3,168  | 4,316  | 895            | 994            | 950            | 1,052  | 1,142          | 1,173          | 988    | 806    |
| 21. Iron, steel & other base metals     | 4,933  | 8,010  | 1,378          | 1,431          | 1,669          | 1,874  | 2,250          | 2,217          | 1,961  | 1,629  |
| D. Capital Goods & Others               | 13,012 | 16,434 | 3,493          | 3,962          | 3,690          | 4,517  | 4,455          | 3,772          | 3,594  | 3,704  |
| 22. Capital machinery                   | 3,825  | 5,463  | 1,105          | 1,194          | 1,167          | 1,597  | 1,470          | 1,230          | 1,300  | 1,360  |
| 23. Others Capital goods                | 9,187  | 10,971 | 2,388          | 2,767          | 2,524          | 2,920  | 2,985          | 2,542          | 2,294  | 2,344  |
| E. Others                               | 7,440  | 9,195  | 1,959          | 1,917          | 1,848          | 2,421  | 2,594          | 2,333          | 2,354  | 2,324  |
| Grand Total c.i.f.(A+B+C+D+E)           | 65,595 | 89,162 | 18,961         | 19,365         | 18,720         | 23,402 | 24,376         | 22,664         | 20,905 | 20,289 |
| Of which Import by EPZ                  | 3,489  | 5,130  | 868            | 1,067          | 1,105          | 1,312  | 1,396          | 1,317          | 1,126  | 998    |
| Grand Total f.o.b.(adjusted)            | 60,681 | 82,495 | 17,541         | 17,914         | 17,321         | 21,650 | 22,553         | 20,971         | 19,348 | 18,784 |
|   |        |        |                |                |                |        |                |                |        |        |

Source: Compiled by Statistics Department of Bangladesh Bank using the data of National Board of Revenue (NBR).

| Items                            |         | FY         | 722     |                |            | FY             | 23      |                |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------|---------|----------------|------------|----------------|---------|----------------|
|                                  |         | Q 3        |         | Q <sub>4</sub> |            | Q <sub>1</sub> |         | Q <sub>2</sub> |
|                                  | Opening | Settlement | Opening | Settlement     | Opening    | Settlement     | Opening | Settlement     |
| Consumer goods                   | 2,676   | 2,322      | 2,130   | 1,813          | 2,619      | 1,995          | 1,402   | 2,131          |
| Intermediate goods               | 2,407   | 1,959      | 1,481   | 1,823          | 1,494      | 1,560          | 1,092   | 1,249          |
| Industrial raw materials         | 8,685   | 8,628      | 7,677   | 7,832          | 6,594      | 8,235          | 5,442   | 7,041          |
| Capital machinery                | 1,254   | 1,129      | 1,131   | 2,171          | 625        | 1,453          | 649     | 921            |
| Machinery for misc. industries   | 1,143   | 1,086      | 840     | 1,218          | 741        | 900            | 509     | 687            |
| Petroleum and petroleum products | 1,862   | 1,790      | 2,242   | 2,580          | 2,769      | 2,971          | 2,107   | 2,391          |
| Others                           | 5,705   | 5,244      | 5,475   | 5,437          | 4,156      | 5,096          | 3,902   | 4,744          |
| Total                            | 23,731  | 22,159     | 20,976  | 22,874         | 18,997     | 22,209         | 15,104  | 19,166         |
| of which back to back            | 3,158   | 3,220      | 2,318   | 3,133          | 2,431      | 2,914          | 2,064   | 2,423          |
|                                  |         |            | G       | rowth in per   | cent (y-o- | y)             |         |                |
| Consumer goods                   | -2.60   | 28.45      | 14.25   | -7.96          | 2.12       | -0.23          | -38.13  | -15.84         |
| Intermediate goods               | 32.42   | 34.76      | -19.87  | 3.71           | -15.03     | 2.79           | -49.15  | -33.28         |
| Industrial raw materials         | 33.75   | 59.05      | 2.22    | 34.32          | -10.70     | 27.22          | -38.35  | 0.31           |
| Capital machinery                | 18.64   | 10.84      | -53.00  | 108.52         | -55.23     | 55.37          | -65.58  | -47.44         |
| Machinery for misc. industries   | 18.00   | 25.21      | -13.90  | 29.13          | -47.61     | -3.45          | -60.12  | -36.90         |
| Petroleum and petroleum products | 48.91   | 52.62      | 59.39   | 88.04          | 59.46      | 111.51         | 18.49   | 5.62           |
| Others                           | 47.56   | 43.80      | 32.45   | 38.74          | -0.25      | 34.51          | -28.69  | -1.37          |
| Total                            | 30.39   | 43.96      | 4.12    | 35.88          | -6.96      | 30.26          | -36.15  | -10.19         |
| of which back to back            | 31.58   | 73.19      | -15.03  | 48.71          | -23.27     | 13.52          | -40.12  | -14.79         |

Source: Foreign Exchange Operation Department, Bangladesh Bank.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Table V.7: Country-wise Workers' Remittances} \\ & (In \ million \ USD) \end{tabular}$ 

| Countries                  |        |        | FY             | 21             |       | FY    | 22             |                | FY23  |       |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|
|                            | FY21   | FY22   | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ | Q <sub>3</sub> | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ |
| Gulf Region                | 13,611 | 11,114 | 3,044          | 3,341          | 2,976 | 2,547 | 2,583          | 3,008          | 2,832 | 2,409 |
| Saudi Arabia               | 5,721  | 4,542  | 1,290          | 1,364          | 1,304 | 1,131 | 1,051          | 1,056          | 999   | 910   |
| UAE                        | 2,440  | 2,072  | 506            | 561            | 446   | 369   | 451            | 805            | 788   | 549   |
| Qatar                      | 1,450  | 1,346  | 342            | 434            | 356   | 329   | 329            | 332            | 352   | 347   |
| Oman                       | 1,536  | 897    | 301            | 365            | 292   | 189   | 201            | 216            | 170   | 143   |
| Kuwait                     | 1,887  | 1,690  | 472            | 475            | 442   | 398   | 396            | 453            | 403   | 360   |
| Bahrain                    | 578    | 567    | 132            | 142            | 136   | 131   | 154            | 146            | 120   | 101   |
| Euro Region                | 1,245  | 1,578  | 273            | 322            | 377   | 366   | 376            | 459            | 501   | 404   |
| Italy                      | 811    | 1,054  | 171            | 210            | 258   | 248   | 243            | 305            | 343   | 268   |
| France                     | 201    | 256    | 46             | 49             | 55    | 57    | 67             | 77             | 76    | 59    |
| Greece                     | 90     | 96     | 22             | 25             | 23    | 23    | 23             | 27             | 31    | 34    |
| Germany                    | 67     | 84     | 17             | 18             | 19    | 17    | 22             | 26             | 24    | 22    |
| Others Euro Region         | 76     | 88     | 16             | 21             | 22    | 20    | 21             | 25             | 28    | 22    |
| Asia Pacific Region        | 3,173  | 1,828  | 673            | 707            | 495   | 416   | 435            | 483            | 551   | 405   |
| Malaysia                   | 2,002  | 1,022  | 414            | 441            | 291   | 231   | 236            | 265            | 325   | 219   |
| Singapore                  | 625    | 385    | 137            | 143            | 112   | 89    | 92             | 93             | 90    | 86    |
| South Koria                | 209    | 136    | 40             | 39             | 26    | 30    | 36             | 44             | 44    | 33    |
| Australia                  | 142    | 129    | 36             | 37             | 28    | 30    | 34             | 37             | 37    | 27    |
| Japan                      | 80     | 69     | 18             | 18             | 18    | 16    | 17             | 18             | 31    | 23    |
| Others Asia Pacific Region | 116    | 88     | 28             | 29             | 21    | 19    | 21             | 27             | 23    | 18    |
| Rest of the World          | 6,748  | 6,512  | 1,664          | 1,811          | 1,561 | 1,503 | 1,665          | 1,783          | 1,789 | 1,601 |
| USA                        | 3,462  | 3,438  | 843            | 973            | 858   | 834   | 824            | 923            | 1,000 | 967   |
| UK                         | 2,024  | 2,039  | 496            | 508            | 452   | 428   | 573            | 586            | 509   | 403   |
| South Africa               | 420    | 315    | 110            | 114            | 77    | 67    | 94             | 77             | 73    | 68    |
| Canada                     | 134    | 127    | 31             | 35             | 28    | 29    | 31             | 39             | 34    | 26    |
| Mauritius                  | 88     | 91     | 23             | 22             | 22    | 24    | 24             | 20             | 30    | 21    |
| Others Countries           | 620    | 502    | 162            | 160            | 123   | 120   | 120            | 139            | 144   | 117   |
| Total                      | 24,778 | 21,032 | 5,654          | 6,179          | 5,408 | 4,831 | 5,059          | 5,734          | 5,673 | 4,820 |
|                            |        |        |                |                |       |       |                |                |       |       |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

**Table V.8: Exchange Rate Movements** (Taka per Currencies)

| Period    | US D    | ollar  | U.K. Pound | J.K. Pound Sterling |         | RO     | Japanes | e Yen  |
|-----------|---------|--------|------------|---------------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
|           | Period  | End    | Period     | End                 | Period  | End    | Period  | End    |
|           | Average | Period | Average    | Period              | Average | Period | Average | Period |
| 2020-21   |         |        |            |                     |         |        |         |        |
| July      | 84.81   | 84.80  | 107.26     | 110.21              | 97.05   | 100.00 | 0.79    | 0.81   |
| August    | 84.84   | 84.83  | 111.29     | 113.26              | 100.29  | 100.98 | 0.80    | 0.81   |
| September | 84.80   | 84.84  | 110.07     | 109.13              | 100.01  | 99.64  | 0.80    | 0.80   |
| October   | 84.80   | 84.80  | 110.13     | 110.09              | 99.87   | 99.60  | 0.81    | 0.81   |
| November  | 84.80   | 84.80  | 111.89     | 112.92              | 100.27  | 101.45 | 0.81    | 0.81   |
| December  | 84.80   | 84.80  | 113.86     | 115.54              | 103.09  | 104.28 | 0.82    | 0.82   |
| January   | 84.80   | 84.80  | 115.64     | 116.21              | 103.27  | 102.92 | 0.82    | 0.81   |
| February  | 84.80   | 84.80  | 117.48     | 118.16              | 102.55  | 102.41 | 0.81    | 0.80   |
| March     | 84.80   | 84.80  | 117.59     | 116.53              | 101.08  | 99.35  | 0.78    | 0.77   |
| April     | 84.80   | 84.80  | 117.32     | 118.16              | 101.35  | 102.82 | 0.78    | 0.78   |
| May       | 84.80   | 84.80  | 119.28     | 120.32              | 102.93  | 103.38 | 0.78    | 0.77   |
| June      | 84.81   | 84.81  | 119.03     | 117.36              | 102.27  | 100.90 | 0.77    | 0.77   |
| 2021 - 22 |         |        |            |                     |         |        |         |        |
| July      | 84.80   | 84.81  | 117.20     | 117.88              | 100.25  | 100.44 | 0.77    | 0.77   |
| August    | 84.95   | 85.20  | 117.32     | 117.24              | 100.03  | 100.51 | 0.77    | 0.78   |
| September | 85.26   | 85.50  | 117.16     | 114.80              | 100.40  | 99.15  | 0.77    | 0.76   |
| October   | 85.61   | 85.68  | 117.06     | 117.31              | 99.29   | 99.07  | 0.76    | 0.75   |
| November  | 85.78   | 85.80  | 115.55     | 114.24              | 97.94   | 96.89  | 0.75    | 0.76   |
| December  | 85.80   | 85.80  | 114.09     | 115.73              | 96.99   | 97.38  | 0.75    | 0.75   |
| January   | 85.95   | 86.00  | 116.57     | 115.29              | 97.39   | 95.85  | 0.75    | 0.75   |
| February  | 86.00   | 86.00  | 116.45     | 115.30              | 97.57   | 96.91  | 0.75    | 0.74   |
| March     | 86.06   | 86.20  | 113.37     | 113.20              | 94.77   | 96.18  | 0.73    | 0.71   |
| April     | 86.23   | 86.45  | 111.80     | 108.49              | 93.47   | 91.27  | 0.69    | 0.67   |
| May       | 87.18   | 89.00  | 108.62     | 112.60              | 92.25   | 95.93  | 0.68    | 0.70   |
| June      | 92.03   | 93.45  | 113.51     | 113.33              | 97.33   | 97.57  | 0.69    | 0.68   |
| 2022-23   |         |        |            |                     |         |        |         |        |
| July      | 93.89   | 94.70  | 112.60     | 115.23              | 95.77   | 96.78  | 0.69    | 0.71   |
| August    | 94.91   | 95.00  | 113.87     | 110.73              | 96.10   | 95.13  | 0.70    | 0.68   |
| September | 95.62   | 96.00  | 108.43     | 104.54              | 94.79   | 93.46  | 0.67    | 0.67   |
| October   | 96.62   | 97.00  | 109.09     | 112.65              | 95.06   | 96.66  | 0.66    | 0.66   |
| November  | 97.62   | 98.00  | 114.55     | 117.16              | 99.53   | 101.22 | 0.69    | 0.71   |
| December  | 98.85   | 99.00  | 120.33     | 119.34              | 104.49  | 105.55 | 0.73    | 0.74   |

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Table V.9: Trends in Foreign Aid

(In million USD)

|                                |       |         | FY    | 721            |         | FY22 <sup>RP</sup> |            |            |         | FY23 <sup>P</sup> |  |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------|-------|----------------|---------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------|-------------------|--|
|                                | FY21  | FY22 RP | $Q_3$ | Q <sub>4</sub> | $Q_1^R$ | $Q_2^{RP}$         | $Q_3^{RP}$ | $Q_4^{RP}$ | $Q_1^P$ | $Q_2^P$           |  |
| a. Grants (i+ii)               | 509   | 198     | 78    | 361            | 75      | 76                 | 30         | 17         | 51      | 158               |  |
| i) Food Aid                    | 17    | 3       | 7     | 4              | 2       | 0                  | 1          | 0          | 13      | 13                |  |
| ii) Project Aid                | 492   | 195     | 71    | 358            | 73      | 76                 | 29         | 17         | 39      | 145               |  |
| b. Loans (MLT)                 | 7,449 | 9,811   | 2,235 | 3,215          | 1,863   | 2,162              | 2,591      | 3,195      | 1,298   | 2,204             |  |
| A. Total (a+b)                 | 7,958 | 10,008  | 2,313 | 3,577          | 1,938   | 2,238              | 2,621      | 3,212      | 1,349   | 2,362             |  |
| B. Amortization(1+2)           | 1,915 | 2,118   | 700   | 468            | 594     | 446                | 555        | 522        | 526     | 528               |  |
| 1) Principal                   | 1,419 | 1,606   | 501   | 377            | 420     | 361                | 403        | 423        | 389     | 390               |  |
| 2) Interest                    | 496   | 511     | 200   | 91             | 174     | 85                 | 152        | 100        | 137     | 138               |  |
| C. Net Foreign Financing (A-1) | 6,539 | 8,402   | 1,812 | 3,200          | 1,518   | 1,877              | 2,218      | 2,789      | 961     | 1,972             |  |

Source: ERD; MOF; Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank Note: R=Revised, P= Provisional, RP=Revised but still provisional

Table VI.1: Gross NPL Ratios by Type of Banks

(In percent)

| Type of Banks                | 20    | 2020  |       |       | 21    |       | 2022  |       |       |       |  |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
|                              | Sep   | Dec   | Mar   | Jun   | Sep   | Dec   | Mar   | Jun   | Sep   | Dec   |  |
| State Owned Commercial Banks | 22.46 | 20.90 | 20.91 | 20.62 | 20.07 | 19.28 | 20.01 | 21.93 | 23.04 | 20.28 |  |
| Specialized Banks            | 15.92 | 13.32 | 13.36 | 11.44 | 11.44 | 12.02 | 12.01 | 11.74 | 11.80 | 12.8  |  |
| Private Commercial Banks     | 5.56  | 4.66  | 5.13  | 5.44  | 5.47  | 5.31  | 5.84  | 6.01  | 6.20  | 5.13  |  |
| Foreign Commercial Banks     | 5.86  | 3.46  | 4.13  | 3.91  | 4.12  | 4.29  | 4.53  | 4.40  | 4.77  | 4.91  |  |
| All Banks                    | 8.88  | 7.66  | 8.07  | 8.18  | 8.12  | 7.93  | 8.53  | 8.96  | 9.36  | 8.16  |  |

Source: Banking Regulation and Policy Department, Bangladesh Bank. Note: Data in September 2020 contains information without OBU.

Table VI.2: Net NPL Ratios by Type of Banks

(In percent)

| Type of Banks                | 20    | 020   |       | 202   | 1     |       | 2022  |       |       |       |  |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
|                              | Sep   | Dec   | Mar   | Jun   | Sep   | Dec   | Mar   | Jun   | Sep   | Dec   |  |
| State Owned Commercial Banks | 2.93  | 0.00  | 2.67  | 2.48  | 2.45  | 2.53  | 3.39  | 5.98  | 7.72  | 5.22  |  |
| Specialized Banks            | 2.70  | 1.32  | 1.22  | -0.61 | -0.65 | 0.40  | 0.46  | -0.14 | -0.06 | 1.41  |  |
| Private Commercial Banks     | -0.94 | -1.54 | -1.29 | -1.17 | -1.18 | -1.07 | -0.82 | -0.61 | -0.47 | -1.31 |  |
| Foreign Commercial Banks     | -0.38 | -0.56 | -0.29 | -0.38 | -0.38 | -0.73 | -0.46 | -0.49 | -0.62 | -0.56 |  |
| All Banks                    | -0.22 | -1.18 | -0.48 | -0.47 | -0.55 | -0.43 | -0.07 | 0.49  | 0.90  | -0.08 |  |

Source: Banking Regulation and Policy Department, Bangladesh Bank. Note: Data in September 2020 contains information without OBU.

Table VI.3: Capital to Risk Weighted Asset Ratios by Types of Banks

(In percent)

| Type of Banks                | 202    | 2020 2021 |        |        |        | 2022   |        |        |        |        |  |  |
|------------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|
|                              | Sep    | Dec       | Mar    | Jun    | Sep    | Dec    | Mar    | Jun    | Sep    | Dec    |  |  |
| State Owned Commercial Banks | 8.25   | 4.34      | 6.49   | 6.82   | 6.25   | 3.71   | 6.76   | 6.43   | 6.18   | 6.26   |  |  |
| Specialized banks            | -33.73 | -32.92    | -31.86 | -32.16 | -34.31 | -33.62 | -33.58 | -35.77 | -37.27 | -40.29 |  |  |
| Private Commercial Banks     | 13.29  | 13.96     | 13.44  | 13.26  | 13.09  | 13.72  | 13.22  | 12.97  | 12.72  | 13.80  |  |  |
| Foreign Commercial Banks     | 25.59  | 28.24     | 28.04  | 28.46  | 27.10  | 25.45  | 26.00  | 26.44  | 30.36  | 31.65  |  |  |
| All Banks                    | 11.94  | 11.64     | 11.67  | 11.57  | 11.22  | 11.08  | 11.41  | 11.15  | 11.01  | 11.83  |  |  |

Source: Department of Off- site supervision, Bangladesh Bank.

Table VI.4: Profitability Ratios by Type of Banks

(In percent)

| Type of Banks                | Return on Asset (ROA)* |       |       |       |       |        | Return on Equity (ROE)* |        |        |        |  |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--|
|                              | 2021                   | 2022  |       |       |       | 2021   | 2022                    |        |        |        |  |
|                              | Dec.                   | Mar.  | Jun.  | Sep.  | Dec.  | Dec.   | Mar.                    | Jun.   | Sep.   | Dec.   |  |
| State Owned Commercial Banks | -0.68                  | 0.16  | 0.21  | 0.15  | 0.18  | -21.61 | 4.00                    | 5.43   | 3.92   | 4.55   |  |
| Specialized Banks            | -3.03                  | -3.69 | -3.31 | -2.74 | -2.65 | -13.21 | -15.99                  | -13.68 | -10.96 | -10.45 |  |
| Private Commercial Banks     | 0.62                   | 0.54  | 0.59  | 0.59  | 0.71  | 9.34   | 8.23                    | 9.38   | 9.45   | 11.04  |  |
| Foreign Commercial Banks     | 1.17                   | 2.41  | 2.57  | 2.68  | 2.48  | 7.59   | 15.15                   | 16.03  | 16.05  | 14.65  |  |
| All Banks                    | 0.25                   | 0.45  | 0.52  | 0.53  | 0.62  | 4.44   | 7.89                    | 9.37   | 9.48   | 10.67  |  |

Source: Department of Off- site supervision, Bangladesh Bank; Note: All are annualized except the quarter of December.

**Table VII.1: Indicators of Capital Market Developments** 

|   |         |         | FY      | 721            |                | FY             | 722     |                | FY23           |                |  |
|---|---------|---------|---------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|
|   | FY21    | FY22    | Q 3     | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> | Q 3     | Q <sub>4</sub> | Q <sub>1</sub> | Q <sub>2</sub> |  |
| Number of listedsecurities <sup>1</sup> | 388     | 403     | 382     | 388            | 390            | 395            | 401     | 403            | 404            | 408            |  |
| Issued equity and debt (billion Taka)   | 848.8   | 928.0   | 836.0   | 848.8          | 862.5          | 870.1          | 913.2   | 928.0          | 933.9          | 947.2          |  |
| Market capitalization (billion Taka)    | 4,588.4 | 4,565.8 | 4,031.0 | 4,588.4        | 5,266.8        | 4,832.5        | 4,793.0 | 4,565.8        | 4,601.6        | 4,471.7        |  |
| Turnover (billion Taka)                 | 2,547.0 | 3,169.7 | 628.8   | 889.0          | 1,191.3        | 814.3          | 719.0   | 445.1          | 732.4          | 446.5          |  |
| DSE broad index                         | 6,150.5 | 6,376.9 | 5,278.2 | 6,150.5        | 7,329.0        | 6,756.7        | 6,757.8 | 6,376.9        | 6,512.9        | 6,206.8        |  |
| DSE -30 index                           | 2,208.4 | 2,295.6 | 1,994.4 | 2,208.4        | 2,710.5        | 2,532.6        | 2,474.0 | 2,295.6        | 2,330.4        | 2,195.3        |  |
|   |         |         |         | Gro            | wth in per     | rcent (y-o     | -y)     |                |                |                |  |
| Number of listed securities             | 5.43    | 3.87    | 3.80    | 5.43           | 5.12           | 5.05           | 4.97    | 3.87           | 3.6            | 3.29           |  |
| Issued equity and debt                  | 12.99   | 9.34    | 11.65   | 12.99          | 12.98          | 5.25           | 9.23    | 9.34           | 8.3            | 8.86           |  |
| Market capitalization                   | 78.10   | -0.49   | 56.57   | 78.10          | 51.88          | 22.85          | 18.90   | -0.49          | -12.6          | -7.47          |  |
| Turnover                                | 226.38  | 24.45   | 131.65  | 1,706.8        | 154.13         | 45.32          | 14.34   | -49.93         | -38.5          | -45.17         |  |
| DSE broad index                         | 54.18   | 3.68    | 31.68   | 54.18          | 47.66          | 25.08          | 28.03   | 3.68           | -11.1          | -8.14          |  |
| DSE -30 index                           | 64.68   | 3.95    | 49.86   | 64.68          | 59.82          | 28.95          | 24.05   | 3.95           | -14.0          | -13.32         |  |

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange.

<sup>1</sup>Include debenture but exclude govt. bond.

**Table VII.2: Group-wise Market Capitalization of Dhaka Stock Exchange** (In billion Taka)

| Name of Group                      |       |       | FY    | 721   |       | FY    | 22    |       | FY    | 23    |
|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                                    | FY21  | FY22  | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$ | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ | $Q_3$ | $Q_4$ | $Q_1$ | $Q_2$ |
| Banks                              | 679.6 | 680.0 | 562.8 | 679.6 | 725.3 | 727.0 | 711.3 | 680.0 | 665.5 | 666.6 |
| Financial Institutions             | 212.0 | 197.3 | 168.0 | 212.0 | 285.4 | 228.4 | 200.9 | 197.3 | 197.2 | 188.0 |
| Mutual Funds                       | 46.2  | 39.1  | 36.3  | 46.2  | 45.3  | 40.5  | 40.0  | 39.1  | 38.6  | 38.5  |
| Engineering                        | 603.9 | 552.6 | 523.4 | 603.9 | 642.7 | 565.5 | 553.9 | 552.6 | 538.0 | 525.3 |
| Food & Allied Product              | 385.7 | 392.3 | 375.0 | 385.7 | 460.9 | 445.6 | 419.8 | 392.3 | 381.0 | 378.6 |
| Fuel and Power                     | 465.9 | 475.0 | 442.6 | 465.9 | 561.0 | 469.4 | 482.2 | 475.0 | 456.8 | 446.2 |
| Jute Industry                      | 2.0   | 2.0   | 2.1   | 2.0   | 2.3   | 2.1   | 2.1   | 2.0   | 2.6   | 3.6   |
| Textile Industry                   | 147.4 | 173.0 | 103.7 | 147.4 | 185.4 | 165.9 | 176.0 | 173.0 | 176.4 | 170.7 |
| Pharmaceuticals and Chemicals      | 638.3 | 710.5 | 591.2 | 638.3 | 764.4 | 716.2 | 730.0 | 710.5 | 752.3 | 728.3 |
| Paper and Printing                 | 15.1  | 27.5  | 14.7  | 15.1  | 23.4  | 34.4  | 36.2  | 27.5  | 44.0  | 40.0  |
| Services and ReaEstate             | 20.9  | 26.1  | 17.0  | 20.9  | 30.9  | 25.6  | 27.9  | 26.1  | 33.3  | 27.1  |
| Cement Industry                    | 119.4 | 118.9 | 90.8  | 119.4 | 166.8 | 127.0 | 131.0 | 118.9 | 124.2 | 111.1 |
| Insurance                          | 222.7 | 166.0 | 137.4 | 222.7 | 225.4 | 214.0 | 194.1 | 166.0 | 160.5 | 162.4 |
| Telecommunication                  | 730.6 | 590.9 | 702.6 | 730.6 | 765.2 | 687.8 | 655.1 | 590.9 | 581.4 | 580.2 |
| Miscellaneous                      | 294.2 | 380.1 | 261.8 | 294.2 | 380.6 | 377.1 | 399.6 | 380.1 | 412.0 | 404.9 |
| Corporate Bond                     | 4.1   | 34.4  | 4.0   | 4.1   | 4.1   | 6.2   | 33.0  | 34.4  | 37.1  | 37.6  |
| <b>Total Market Capitalization</b> | 4,588 | 4566  | 4,033 | 4,588 | 5,269 | 4,832 | 4,793 | 4,566 | 4,601 | 4,472 |

Source: Dhaka Stock Exchange.



## **Major Policy Announcements: October — December, 2022**

| TERRO CI 1 11 AG                |  | 1 (15)  |                             |   |  |  |
|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| FEPD Circular No. 28;           |  | ` ′   | •                           | account of actual payments                        |  |  |
| October 10, 2022:               | _  | against relevant invoices of webinar solution services, subject   |                             |   |  |  |
| Payment of fees for webinar     |  | payment of applicable taxes/levies. The authorization for payme   |                             |   |  |  |
| solution services to conduct    | against own use by ADs. In case of requirement for online payme          |   |                             |   |  |  |
| virtual meetings                | against the ab   | ove mentione  | ed services, AD             | Os may use virtual card or one                    |  |  |
|                                 | time card i  | n the name  | of nominate                 | ed official of the entities.                      |  |  |
|                                 | Alternatively  | , for settlen   | nents of such               | n payments ADs may use                            |  |  |
|                                 | International  | Remittance C  | Cards (IRC) iss             | sued under circular No. 18 of                     |  |  |
|                                 | May 31, 2021   |   | ,                           |   |  |  |
|                                 |  |   | gence with reg              | gards to KYC and AML/CFL                          |  |  |
|                                 |  |   | tine to Bangla              |   |  |  |
| BRPD Circular Letter No. 41;    |  |   |                             | ease foreign direct investment                    |  |  |
| October 26, 2022:               | _  |   |                             | can be given for importing                        |  |  |
| <i>'</i>                        |  |   |                             |   |  |  |
| Policy for Post Import          | _  | _   | _                           | , not imported through local                      |  |  |
| Financing-PIF                   |  | L/C but through cross border transaction between same group or  |                             |   |  |  |
|                                 | related organ  |   |                             |   |  |  |
| FEPD Circular Letter No. 38;    | All Authorized Dealers (ADs) are instructed to pay import/accepted       |   |                             |   |  |  |
| October 26, 2022:               | bills, local of  | or foreign on   | time. Otherv                | vise, Bangladesh Bank may                         |  |  |
| Import/Accepted Bill Payment    | cancel AD  | License and   | also take no                | ecessary action against the                       |  |  |
| on maturity                     | respective lia   | ble Officer of  | the bank.                   |   |  |  |
| FEPD Circular Letter No. 39;    | All Authorized Dealers (ADs) are advised not to do any trade and         |   |                             |   |  |  |
| October 27, 2022:               | trade related transactions with Sri Lanka through ACU mechanism.         |   |                             |   |  |  |
| Payments through Asian          |  |   |                             |   |  |  |
| Clearing Union (ACU).           |  |   |                             |   |  |  |
| FEPD Circular Letter No. 41;    | Bangladeshi students who are studying in educational institutions of     |   |                             |   |  |  |
| November 09, 2022:              | China are still studying under online teaching arrangements from         |   |                             |   |  |  |
| Release of foreign exchange for | Bangladesh due to travel restrictions imposed by that country for        |   |                             |   |  |  |
| online study abroad             | ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. These students are now applying for           |   |                             |   |  |  |
|                                 | visas for which all the due tuition fees need to be paid. So it has been |   |                             |   |  |  |
|                                 | decided that ADs may continue to effect outward remittances on           |   |                             |   |  |  |
|                                 |  | account of these students till September 30, 2022 subject to observance   |                             |   |  |  |
|                                 |  | latory instruct   | -                           | o, 2022 subject to observance                     |  |  |
| PSD Circular No. 16;            |  | <u> </u>  |                             | hrough Interesponded Digital                      |  |  |
| · ·                             |  | Fees and charges against transactions through Interoperable Digital Transaction Platform (IDTP) "Binimoy" are as follows. |                             |   |  |  |
| November 10, 2022:              |  | ` `   |                             |   |  |  |
| Determination of Platform Fees, | Fund<br>Issuing  | Fund receiving  | Interoperable fess (as % of | Maximum Service charge for customer including VAT |  |  |
| Interoperable Fees and Service  | Institutions   | Institutions  | transaction)                | imposed by fund issuing                           |  |  |
| Charges for transactions        |  |   | <u> </u>                    | Institution(as % of                               |  |  |
| through Interoperable Digital   | 1  | 2   | 2                           | transaction)                                      |  |  |
| Transaction Platform (IDTP)     | Bank   | 2<br>Bank   | 0.00                        | 4 10  |  |  |
| "Binimoy"                       | Dank   | PSP   | 0.45                        | 0.00  |  |  |
|                                 |  | MFS   | 0.45                        | 0.00  |  |  |

|                                |  | Provider  |                  |                              |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
|                                | PSP  | Bank  | 0.00             | 1.00                         |  |  |
|                                |  | PSP   | 0.75             | 0.50                         |  |  |
|                                |  | MFS<br>Provider   | 0.75             | 0.50                         |  |  |
|                                | MFS  | Bank  | 0.00             | 1.00                         |  |  |
|                                | Provider   | PSP   | 0.75             | 0.50                         |  |  |
|                                | Trovider   | MFS<br>Provider   | 0.75             | 0.50                         |  |  |
| FEPD Circular No. 34;          | To bring w   | ider flexibili  | ty, licensed N   | MFSPs will be allowed to     |  |  |
| November 29, 2022:             |  | repatriate wage earners' remittance in association with internationally |                  |                              |  |  |
| Inward wage remittances by     | recognized online payment gateway service providers  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
| Mobile Financial Service       | (OPGSPs)/ba  | (OPGSPs)/banks/digital wallets/card schemes and/or aggregators          |                  |                              |  |  |
| Providers (MFSPs)              | abroad (hereinafter referred to as approved/licensed foreign payment   |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                | service providers, foreign PSPs). In this context, MFSPs shall have  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                | standing arrangements with foreign PSPs to receive foreign currency in their account and equivalent Taka value will be credited to the wage earners' MFS accounts. Subsequently foreign PSPs shall provide credit to the designated AD's nostro account. After receiving amount in Taka, wage earners' can use the MFS account from abroad to do all transactions in Taka.  ADs are advised to provide settlement account services to MFSPs. |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
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|                                |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                | Operational procedures in this regard are as follows: (a) ADs shall transfer the fund, on receipt in their nostro accounts, to settlement accounts in equivalent Taka of MFSPs. (b) As an alternative to (a) above, ADs may maintain accounts in the name of foreign PSPs at their desire in foreign currency/Taka.  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
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|                                |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
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| FEPD Circular No. 35;          | _  | •   |                  | from and to the ADs are in   |  |  |
| November 29, 2022:             | approved for   | eign currencie  | es as per notifi | ication issued by Bangladesh |  |  |
| Bangladesh Bank's transactions | Bank from ti   | me to time. A   | All such transa  | ctions with Bangladesh Bank  |  |  |
| with Authorized Dealers        | are required to be in multiples of USD 10,000 or equivalent other  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                | approved for   | eign currencie  | es, subject to a | minimum of USD 50,000 or     |  |  |
|                                |  | _   | •                | ncies. ADs are free to quote |  |  |
|                                | _  |   | -                | erbank market and with their |  |  |
|                                | customers."  | es for transac  | tions in the int | croank market and with then  |  |  |
| EEDD Cincil at Latter No. 45   |  | D1  | - 1 411 A41.     |                              |  |  |
| FEPD Circular Letter No. 45;   |  |   |                  | orized Dealers (ADs) to give |  |  |
| December 04, 2022:             | Cash Incentive against Inward remittances earned by Armed Forces   |   |                  |                              |  |  |
| Regarding Disbursement of      | `  |   |                  | om UN peace keeping at 2.5   |  |  |
| Cash Incentive against Inward  | percent rate of  | effective from  | 01 January, 20   | 22.                          |  |  |
| remittances earned by Armed    |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
| Forces members from UN peace   |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
| keeping Mission                |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |
|                                |  |   |                  |                              |  |  |

| BRPD Circular Letter No. 49;<br>December 11, 2022:<br>Cash margin on import L/C  | To retain the price of edible oil, chickpeas, pulses, peas, onion, spices, sugar and dates during Ramadan month and to ensure adequate supply, the Authorized Dealers (ADs) are asked to maintain the rate of cash margin on import L/C at the minimum level based on bank-customer relationship.   |
|--|---|
| SPA Circular Letter No. 02;<br>December 12, 2022:<br>Purchase of fuel/oil in foreign<br>exchange by Airlines/ Shipping<br>lines or their agents in<br>Bangladesh | To bring ease in transactions for purchases fuel/oil in foreign exchange by air lines, shipping lines or their agents in Bangladesh, Authorized Dealers (ADs) may settle these FX transactions through the FCY RTGS (Foreign Currency Real Time Gross Settlement) platform.   |
| BRPD Circular Letter No. 50;<br>December 14, 2022:<br>L/C Margin for Import of Rice<br>and Wheat   | To retain the price of rice and wheat in local market at a tolerable level and to ensure supply chain uninterrupted, the Authorized Dealers (ADs) are asked to maintain the cash margin rate on import L/C of rice and wheat at the minimum level based on bank-customer relationship.  |
| FEPD Circular No. 37; December 15, 2022: Discount claims against export trade  | Applications for discount claims against export of garment accessories will be considered within the purview of readymade garments.  In accordance with the decision of the Government, Discount Committee will consider applications for discount claims against exports of leather goods. Accordingly, ADs may submit applications for discount claims against such exports to Discount Committee through Foreign Exchange policy Department at Bangladesh Bank, head office in compliance with usual formalities and procedures. In view of the decision, Leather goods and Footwear Manufacturers and Exporters Association of Bangladesh (LFMEAB) will be co-opted as member of the committee. |
| BRPD Circular Letter No. 51; December 18, 2022: Loan Classification  | Due to the prolonged external war situation and its long-term negative effects the costs of production in the industrial sector have increased. As a result, the real income of the borrowers has decreased.  In order to retain country's economic activities smooth and to ease the payment of borrower's loan installments, it is decided that the term loan shall not be marked as classified if 50% of loan installment is paid by end December 2022 instead of 75% of loan installment payable during October- December 2022.  The unpaid portion of the term loan payable during April –December   |
|  | 2022 have to pay by 1 year at equal installment (Monthly/Quarterly) after expiry of predetermined tenure/term.  But based on banker-customer relationship, installments can be rescheduled and collected as per the new schedule, considering the remaining tenure extended 1 year period.  |

| DOS Circular Letter No. 37;     | The banks are given time limit to bring down their excess investment    |
|---------------------------------|---|
| December 19, 2022:              | (based on 31 August 2022) in the capital market (buying share of other  |
| Time limit to bring down excess | company individually or jointly by bank) at the permissible limit by 31 |
| investment in the Capital       | December 2023.  |
| Market                          |   |
| DFIM Circular Letter No. 27;    | The term loan/lease/investment which were unclassified up to            |
| December 21, 2022:              | September 2022 shall not be marked as classified, if minimum 50% of     |
| Loan/lease/investment           | loan payable during October-December 2022 is paid by end of             |
| classification of FI's          | December 2022.  |
|                                 | The rest portion of the unpaid installment shall be payable by next 1   |
|                                 | year of predetermined time at equal installment (monthly/quarterly).    |
|                                 | Based on FIs-customer relationship, installment can be rescheduled      |
|                                 | and collected according to new schedule, with considering 1 year        |
|                                 | extended period with the remaining tenure.                              |
| BRPD Circular Letter No. 54;    | To retain the industrial sector uninterrupted and smoothen the          |
| December 22, 2022:              | electricity production and lubricant supply at a plausible level, cash  |
| Cash Margin on Import L/C       | margin can be maintained for import of goods related to production of   |
|                                 | engine oil/lubricants based on bank-customer relationship.              |
| FEPD Circular Letter No. 47;    | The 'Open Position Limit' of AD banks approved by Bangladesh Bank       |
| December 22, 2022:              | on 14 July, 2022 shall remain the same until further instructions.      |
| Regarding approved 'Open        |   |
| Position Limit'                 |   |
| L                               |   |

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