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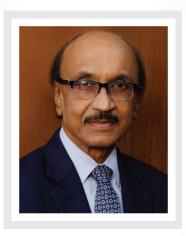


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Message from the **GOVERNOR**



I heartily welcome the publication of the Strategic Plan 2020-24 which sets out Bangladesh Bank's high level goals and objectives for the next five years with the theme of 'Fostering Stable Financial System'.

I hope that during the next five years, significant progress will be made in implementing extensive reforms of the banking system. Improving the quality of our banking system is the key to the Government's commitment to build Bangladesh as a middle-income country and driving sustainable economic growth. It is also a central element of the social services, which the Government is committed to delivering.

The priorities in this Strategic Plan are centered on key areas like improving quality of services and processes, increasing transparency and accountability, supporting inclusion and diversity and building the right systems and infrastructure.

The realization of the goals in this ambitious Strategic Plan will result in many benefits for those involved in financial services delivery and the society in general. A responsive, well-framed, systematic, transparent and motivated banking system will contribute significantly to economic progress, promote greater equality and financial inclusion in our society, as well as enhancing Bangladesh's image in the international arena.

Bangladesh still faces many challenges. These include accommodating needs of rapid population growth, targeting investment as our economic development continues to yield social dividends, serving ever-evolving needs of the society, promoting sustainable job creation and meeting the skills needs of the economy.

This Strategic Plan sets out to address most of these challenges. Bangladesh Bank looks forward to working with the various government agencies, all the stakeholders and partners in its delivery.

Fazle Kabir Governor

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INTRODUCTION



I am pleased to introduce Bangladesh Bank's Strategic Plan 2020-24 enumerating the mission, vision, values and goals that will underpin our high level work programs for the next five years. This Strategic Plan aims to ensure the policies, arrangements, facilities, resources and infrastructure required for delivering quality central banking services that will support country's economic and social aspirations.

I acknowledge the significant workload that will needed to be undertaken by our colleagues in various departments to achieve these high level goals and objectives. This will require flexibility, openness to change and a continued focus on business process improvement, while ensuring the on-going provision of quality service. Experience and progress on the implementation of our earlier Plan in the recent past years has highlighted the willingness and commitment of BB officials to implement change and contribute to economic development of the country. For the banking sector as a whole, the period covered by the Strategic Plan 2020-24 will be one of significant change and I have every confidence in our commitment and ability to deliver it.

Our progress on the implementation of this Strategic Plan will be measured against the achievement of expected outcomes. This progress will be reported on through a variety of mechanisms including BB's annual retreats. I would like to thank the colleagues of the Strategic Planning Unit and all of those who engaged in the consultation process for their valuable input and assistance in developing this Strategic Plan. I now look forward to working with you in its implementation.



Manoj Kumar Biswas Executive Director

VISION, MISSION AND CORE VALUES

VISION

To develop continually as a forward-looking central bank with competent and committed professionals of high ethical standards, conducting monetary management and financial sector's supervision to maintain price stability and financial system robustness, supporting rapid broad based inclusive economic growth, employment generation and poverty eradication in Bangladesh.

MISSION STATEMENT

We at Bangladesh Bank are carrying out its following main functions as the country's central bank:

- formulating monetary and credit policies
- managing currency issue and regulating payment system
- managing foreign exchange reserves and regulating the foreign exchange market
- regulating and supervising banks and financial institutions, and
- advising the government on interactions and impacts of fiscal, monetary and other economic policies.

We are discharging these functions in a forward looking, proactive, responsive and consultative manner. In our aspiration for ever higher standards of performance we are aware of our limitations in independence, logistics, professional know-how and appropriateness of skill sets in staffing; we are persistent in effort to overcome these limitations. In our work we shall preserve and further strengthen the already earned confidence and trust of the nation, to continue being seen as a respected institution to be emulated.

Towards achieving these, our performance commitments to our diverse broad stakeholder groups are as follows:

For the Nation

We shall catalyze and support socially responsible and environmentally sustainable development initiatives, inter alia including fuller financial inclusion of under-served productive sectors and bringing in needed new dimensions in financial markets and institutions; to facilitate broad based growth in output, employment and income, for rapid poverty eradication and inclusive economic and social progress.

For the government

We shall adopt and implement monetary and credit policies conforming with national priorities, in coordination with government's fiscal and other macroeconomic objectives. We shall optimize foreign exchange reserves and returns thereon, maintain stability in financial markets curbing excessive volatility, and provide analysis and advice to the government on issues in economic management and development.

For depositors in banks and financial institutions, investors in financial assets

We shall ensure safety of deposits in licensed banks and financial institutions with on-site and off-site supervision of their activities and with adequate financial information disclosure requirements, besides insuring small deposits. We shall maintain an interest rate structure that provides fair return on financial assets while also supporting growth in the real sector, and we shall promote and support development of markets in bonds and securities.

For banks and financial institutions in Bangladesh

We shall provide precise prudential regulatory, risk management and disclosure framework to protect solvency and liquidity of individual institutions and stability of the overall financial system, acting as lender of last resort if and when needed. We shall issue regulations and enforce compliance therewith inter alia on capital adequacy, asset classification, income recognition and provisioning, large exposure and risk management; through open consultative processes. We shall maintain external sector viability with exchange rate stability and adequate foreign exchange reserves. We shall

provide a secure and quick payment settlement system. We shall promote and support development of new financial products, services and instruments.

For banks abroad

We shall maintain a solvent, liquid domestic financial system with precise prudential regulatory, risk management and disclosure framework in line with global best practice standards. We shall maintain external sector viability with exchange rate stability and adequate reserves. We shall maintain a secure, quick payment system for settlement of claims.

For the business community, including farm and non-farm SMEs

We shall maintain liquidity conditions and credit policies ensuring adequate credit flows at market driven flexible interest rates for all productive economic activities, including in sectors like agriculture and SMEs where markets have not been very responsive. We shall foster macroeconomic stability through monetary and external sector management. We shall promote and support development of new financial products, services and instruments. We shall maintain a secure and quick payment system for settlement of claims.

For Bangladeshis abroad

We shall facilitate remittances from your earnings abroad to Bangladesh through legitimate banking channels free of involvement of money launderers or terrorism financiers. We shall support and promote development of new investment opportunities for your remittances to Bangladesh.

For our employees

We shall maintain an environment that reinforces our pride in being employees of Bangladesh Bank with compensation structure adequate to attract and retain the best in the market, job assignments and logistically well resourced work situations encouraging continuous learning and rewarding innovativeness and performance excellence by fast tracking in career path, clear delegation and delineation of responsibilities and accountabilities, fairness and objectivity in performance appraisal and personnel placement decisions.

CORE VALUES

In a working session of the Strategic Planning and Management Strengthening Workshop, 2009, participants brought up suggestions for a set of core values of BB employees to underpin morale and ethics in performing day to day activities.

The following set of core values was agreed upon:

Professionalism: We are committed to devoting the best of our attention and abilities to proper discharge of tasks, roles and responsibilities assigned to us in BB, continually upgrading of our skills and knowledge base keeping abreast with ongoing local and global developments, aiming at setting examples of excellence to inspire others within and outside BB.

Transparency & Accountability: We are committed to transparency and accountability to our stakeholders in discharge of our official decisions and actions in BB.

Open-mindedness & Receptivity to new ideas: We are committed to receptivity to new ideas and suggestions, in-house or external, coming through open vertical and lateral communication channels in setting and proactively pursuing our organizational objectives and goals.

Teamwork: We are committed to participatory, collaborative work in team relationships towards attainment of organizational objectives extending across business/ functional lines, including change management.

Integrity: We are committed to highest standards of probity and integrity in our actions and decisions in BB. We shall carefully avoid any abuse for personal gain of privileged information obtained in connection with official duties in BB; we shall also carefully avoid conflicts of institutional interests of BB with our private interests.

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ADs = Authorized Dealers
AIT = Advance Income Tax

BACH = Bangladesh Automated Clearing House

BB = Bangladesh Bank BCA = Bank Company Act BCP = Business Continuity Plan

BDT = Bangladeshi Taka

BEPZA = Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority

BEZA = Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority
BGTB = Bangladesh Government Treasury Bond
BHTPA = Bangladesh Hi-Tech Park Authority

BMRE = Balancing, Modernization, Replacement and Expansion

BoP = Balance of Payments

BPATC = Bangladesh Public Administration Training Centre

BRI = Branch Risk index

BSA = Bangladesh Standards on Auditing

BSEC = Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission BTCL = Bangladesh Telecommunications Company Limited

CAAT = Computer Assisted Auditing Tool

CBE = Certified Bank Examiner CBS = Core Banking System

CA-PKI = Certificate Authority- Public Key Infrastructure

CCTV = Closed- Circuit Television

CDLC = Central Database for Large Credit

CGA = Credit Guarantee Scheme

CHIP = Clearing House Interbank Payment

CMSME = Cottage Micro Small & Medium Enterprise

CNA = Counterfeit Note Analysis

COBIT = Control Objectives for Information and Related Technology

CSR = Corporate Social Responsibility

DC = Data Center

D-SIB = Domestic Systemically Important Bank

DFS = Digital Financial Services
DIBOR = Dhaka Inter-Bank Offer Rate
DIS = Deposit Insurance Scheme

DMFAS = Debt Management and Financial Analysis System

DTI = Deposit Taking Institution
EAS = Enterprise Archiving Solution
EMV = Europay, Master Card and Visa
EPZ = Export Processing Zone

ERM = Enterprise Risk Management
ERP = Enterprise Resource Planning

ESRM = Environmental and Social Risk Management

EZ = Economic Zone

FDI = Foreign Direct Investment

FDC = Far Data Centre FinNet = Financial Network FIs = Financial Institutions

FICO = Financial Accounting and Controlling FMI = Financial Market Infrastructure

FX = Foreign Exchange

GDDS = General Data Dissemination System

GDP = Gross Domestic Product

HTP = High-Tech Park

IAS = International Accounting Standard

ICAAP = Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process IFRS = International Financial Reporting Standard

IIAD = International Internal Audit Standard

IoT = Internet of Things

ISO = International Organization for Standardization

ISS = Integrated Supervision System

ITIL = Information Technology Infrastructure Library

KPI = Key Performance Indicator
LTED = Long Term External Debt
MFS = Mobile Financial Services

MF = Micro Finance

MIS = Management Information System

MI = Market Infrastructure MoF = Ministry of Finance MoE = Ministry of Education

MRA = Microcredit Regulatory Authority
NBR = National Board of Revenue
NBFI = Non-Bank Financial Institution

NCTB = National Curriculum & Textbook Board

NDC = National Defence College NFC = Non-Financial Corporation

NID = National ID

NRB = Non Resident Bangladeshi
OBU = Off-shore Banking Unit
OFC = Other Financial Corporation
OPAC = Online Public Access Catalogue

PCI DSS= Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard

PDBL = Primary Dealers Bangladesh Limited PMS = Performance Management System

PSED = Private Sector Short Term and Long Term External Debt

PSP = Payment Service Provider PSO = Payment System Operator

R & DC = Research and Development Centre RFID = Radio Frequency Identification Device

RIT = Rationalized Input Template RTGS = Real Time Gross Settlement SBS = Schedule Bank Statistics

SDG = Sustainable Development Goal

SDR = Special Drawing Rights

SDDS = Special Data Dissemination Standard

SME = Small and Medium Enterprise

SPCBL = The Security Printing Corporation (Bangladesh) Limited

SRP = Supervisory Review Process TNA = Training Needs Assessment

TOT = Terms of Trade

DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES

Serial	Name of the Departments	Acronym
01.	Accounts and Budgeting Department	ABD
02.	Agricultural Credit Department	ACD
03.	Bangladesh Bank Library	BBL
04.	Bangladesh Bank Training Academy	BBTA
05.	Banking Regulation and Policy Department	BRPD
06.	Chief Economist's Unit	CEU
07.	Common Services Department-1	CSD-1
08.	Common Services Department-2	CSD-2
09.	Credit Information Bureau	CIB
10.	Debt Management Department	DMD
11.	Department of Banking Inspection-1	DBI-1
12.	Department of Banking Inspection-2	DBI-2
13.	Department of Banking Inspection-3	DBI-3
14.	Department of Banking Inspection-4	DBI-4
15.	Department of Communications and Publications	DCP
16.	Department of Currency Management	DCM
17.	Department of Financial Institutions and Markets	DFIM
18.	Department of Foreign Exchange Inspection	DFEI
19.	Department of Off-site Supervision	DOS
20.	Deposit Insurance Department	DID
21.	Expenditure Management Department-1	EMD-1
22.	Expenditure Management Department-2	EMD-2
23.	Financial Sector Support and Strategic Planning Department	FSSSPD
24.	Financial Integrity and Customer Services Department	FICSD
25.	Financial Inclusion Department	FID
26.	Financial Institutions Inspection Department	FIID
27.	Financial Stability Department	FSD
28.	Foreign Exchange Investment Department	FEID
29.	Foreign Exchange Operation Department	FEOD
30.	Foreign Exchange Policy Department	FEPD
31.	Forex Reserve & Treasury Management Department	FRTMD
32.	Human Resources Department-1	HRD-1
33.	Human Resources Department-2	HRD-2
34.	Information Systems Development and Support Department	ISDSD

Serial	Name of the Departments	Acronym
35.	Integrated Supervision Management Department	ISMD
36.	Internal Audit Department	IAD
37.	ICT Infrastructure Maintenance and Management Department	ICTIMMD
38.	Law Department	LD
39.	Monetary Policy Department	MPD
40.	Payment Systems Department	PSD
41.	Research Department	RD
42.	Security Management Department	SMD
43.	SME & Special Programmes Department	SMESPD
44.	Special Studies Cell	SSC
45.	Statistics Department	SD
46.	Sustainable Finance Department	SFD

Serial	Branch Offices	Acronym
01.	Barishal	BSL
02.	Bogura	BOG
03.	Chattogram	CTG
04.	Khulna	KHL
05.	Motijheel	MOT
06.	Mymensingh	MYM
07.	Rajshahi	RAJ
08.	Rangpur	RNG
09.	Sadarghat	SGT
10.	Sylhet	SYL

STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS 2020-24

Bangladesh Bank formulated the very first Strategic Plan in 2010 to support sustainable economic growth of the country reinforcing a dynamic, efficient and resilient financial system combined with large scale digitization of processes. A total of 17 strategies were adopted in the first strategic plan which was pursued by Bangladesh Bank during 2010-14 period.

The second strategic plan for the period 2015-19 consisting 14 strategic goals was developed through participatory approaches of different departments of BB. Six strategic key areas; Balanced monetary policy, Bank supervision ensuring financial stability, Optimization of human capital, More liberalized FX regime, Sustainable financing and inclusive growth and Enterprise resource management were given priority in the Strategic Plan 2015-19. A brief review on the performance of the Strategic Plan 2015-19 is given in the next section.

To formulate the third Strategic Plan for the period 2020-24, the outcomes in the last five years were assessed and previous strategies were re-visited and refined. Once again, this strategic plan has been developed through active participation from different departments of BB and enriched through judicious contributions from senior officials of the Bank. The foundation of the plan was initially laid by all the departments in the form of Departmental Action Plans (DAPs) which were further dwelled upon in the review meetings with the relevant departments and Strategic Focus Group.

In the process of finalizing the Strategic Plan 2020-24, the following issues were taken into consideration. The government's pursuit of inclusive, environmentally sustainable growth and poverty eradication demand effective contribution of BB by conducting accommodative monetary management. Upholding the financial stability necessitates the formulation of new regulatory mechanisms to reduce possible disruptions in the financial intermediation process. Continuing improvements in the central banking functions required modernized infrastructure, systems and updated human capital under comprehensive and integrated plan combined with development initiatives. Adequate dissemination of central bank's policy measures and directives to the stakeholders are also required for inducing utmost public confidence on the banking sector.

The Strategic Plan 2020-24 consist **11 strategic goals**, these high level goals will be reached through a total of **59 objectives** which would essentially be attained by systematic implementation of **204 action** plans. Implementation of these action plans will be assessed by **253 number of measurable** performance indicators.

REVIEW OF STRATEGIC PLAN 2015-19

Bangladesh Bank's 2015-19 Strategic Plan consisting 14 strategic goals was framed in the context of the legacy of the global financial crisis and a dynamic policy environment. Six strategic key areas were given priority in the Strategic Plan 2015-19; these were, Balanced and coordinated monetary policy; Supervision & regulation for ensuring financial stability; Socially responsible (sustainable) financing and inclusive growth; Promoting more liberalized foreign exchange regime; Optimization of human capital; and Enterprise Resource Management, Effective communication and image Building. Despite the emergence of some significant new challenges over this period, the scope of the 2015-19 Strategic Plan remained largely appropriate, helping to guide the Central Bank in meeting its broad mandate.

The monetary policy stance of Bangladesh Bank stated in **Strategic Goal 1** of the Strategic Plan 2015-19 aims at achieving price and macro-financial stability along with sustainable economic growth. During this period, monetary policy stances were formulated with the target of keeping inflation below target level as well as attaining targeted GDP growth rate.

The overall macroeconomic stability for Bangladesh economy has shown resilience despite domestic and external shocks, and the economy experienced an impressive growth during last 5 years, as reflected in public and private investment and consumption, driven by higher exports, remittances and private sector credit growth. Bangladesh Bank has pursued various initiatives to support the country's growth aspirations and supported market development agenda that can help better finance long-term investment. BB continued its focus on SMEs, agriculture and green initiatives, including Long Term Financing Facility and Green Transformation Fund to make finance and growth more sustainable.

Strategic Goal 2 of the Strategic Plan 2015-19 sought to strengthen regulatory and supervisory framework to ensure overall financial sector stability and increase confidence in depository institutions. Bangladesh Bank enhanced its macro and micro-prudential policy framework by introducing several new or updated policy guidelines that are designed to enhance the resilience of the banks and encourage prudent lending practices. These include, Internal Credit Risk Rating System for banks, Capital Market Exposure, Offshore Banking Operation, Credit Card Operation, Commercial Papers, Agent Banking, Establishment of business centers, Outsourcing Arrangements, Basel III Liquidity Ratios (LCR & NSFR), Incentive for Good Borrowers, etc. Updated guidelines on Internal Control & Compliance in banks, Credit Risk Management, Asset-Liability Management, Foreign Exchange Risk Management, ICT Security for banks and FIs were also issued. There was also a continued focus on addressing the outstanding stock of non-performing loans. Code of Conduct for Banks and Non-Bank Financial Institutions was issued.

An updated Financial Projection Model (FPM) aimed to assess strengths and weaknesses of individual banks was put in place. A further development in this respect was the establishment of Central Database for Large Credit (CDLC) of banks, a new oversight framework to identify and manage low quality large exposures well ahead in time before they cause financial distress.

Another important work undertaken and completed was the Self-assessment of compliance with Basel Core Principles (BCP) for Effective Banking Supervision. Later, an IMF-WB Joint Mission conducted an assessment of the Bangladeshi banking system against the BCP as part of a Financial Sector Assessment Program, which concluded that Bangladesh has made progress in adopting international regulation, but important shortcomings remain in the regulatory and supervisory framework. BB is using the services of a Supervision Specialist (International Firm) to address the

issues identified in both Self-assessment and the IMF-WB review.

In line with the government priority "Agricultural and rural credit policy and program" is being implemented by Bangladesh Bank to ensure adequate flow of agricultural and rural credit properly, timely, in easier and hassle-free way at the farmers' level. As delineated in **Strategic Goal 3**, BB has taken strong pro-active role to improve the access to credit and other financial services especially for the unbanked and poor segment of population of the country through various financial inclusion initiatives. ICT based financial instruments (mobile banking) and introduction of agent banking have changed the landscape of financial service access to the poor in both rural and urban areas. Key achievements in this segment include, launching Pilot Credit Guarantee Scheme for women entrepreneurs; Refinance scheme of BDT 200 crore under Skills for Employment Investment Program; Policy of Climate Risk Fund; publish Environmental and Social Risk Management (ESRM) guideline; formulation of National Financial Inclusion Strategy; etc.

In order to fulfill the ever-growing demand for faster and efficient payment solutions, BB has been working continuously to develop safe, secured and efficient national payments infrastructure conforming to the international best practices. To accomplish the **Strategic Goal 4** i.e. augment efficiency of currency management and payment systems for smooth, secured and real-time transaction settlements; the following endeavors have been made, Clean Note Policy developed; Note printing capacity of Security Printing Corporation Bangladesh Limited enhanced; contract signed for procuring 2 Automated Note Processing Machines; Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) system went live; RTGS operating rules framed, Mobile Financial Services regulations and some guidelines of National Payment Switch Bangladesh published. Upgrading of Bangladesh Automated Clearing House completed. The draft National Payment and Settlement Systems Act has been finalized, which is now under review of the Government.

The focus of **Strategic Goal 5 and 6** has been directed at (i) promoting more liberalized foreign exchange regime, and (ii) manage foreign exchange reserve & government domestic debt efficiently. Several measures were undertaken during the Plan period in these regard. Simplification of current account transaction procedures; Amendment proposal of Foreign Exchange Regulation Act; Establish Online link with custom houses/NBR; Develop Market based benchmark yield curve of Govt. Securities; Automated payment mechanism for settlement of coupon and principal payment directly to beneficiaries' bank account, to name a few. A comprehensive framework on the Development of the Bond market in Bangladesh has been formulated and published. Launching Electronic Call Money Platform is nearing its completion.

As outlined in **Strategic Goal 8**, BB has also undertaken steps to further upgrade the human capital to ensure professional excellence and high ethical standard of the central bank through regular recruitment of suitable and competent personnel against the vacant posts and by increasing skills and expertise through focused training and education, investment in people and defined career development.

In addition to regular training courses conducted by Bangladesh Bank Training Academy, officials of the Bank also participated in various courses organized by different institutions within and outside the country. During the period, several batches of officials were sent to participate in higher study within the country and abroad at the initiative of BB. A good number of officials were allowed deputation/leave for higher study abroad. Bangladesh Bank Employees' Recognition Award Policy was

revised in 2015 with wider scope for recognizing outstanding performances at both individual and team level.

In order to better meet the growing regulatory demands, BB took significant strides towards organizational developments with a view to ensure effectiveness, improve efficiency and resilience. These endeavors spanned the full strategic planning period, and were a complex, resource intensive undertaking.

Maintain state-of-the-art ICT infrastructure to ensure functional reliability, security and business continuity was the target of **Strategic Goal 9**. Towards this end, ICT security guidelines was prepared and circulated; Upgraded Core Banking Solution (CBS) was put in place; Setting up two Data Centers and DR site completed; Networking and Data Storage capacity has been enhanced. To create a safer and conducive work environment, as described in **Strategic Goal 10**, Fire hydrant system was installed in Khulna office, waste water treatment plant was installed in head office; Infra-red devices were installed in Cash Department of Motijheel Office and Khulna Office. To align accounting, internal control and compliance practices with domestic and international standard under the **Strategic Goal 11** action items, Risk based audit approach has been Implemented; Qualitative efforts undertaken to comply BB financial statements with international standards.

To achieve **Strategic Goal 12** to ensure effective communication with stakeholders as well as build up stronger brand image of BB, a Communication strategy was formulated; a good number of publication reviewed and rationalized; an official gateway for social media has been formed. All the Offices of Bangladesh Bank and the relevant department in the Head Office have actively participated in effective implementation of Strategic Plan 2015-19 and cater specific requirement of financial services at respective regions as stipulated in **Strategic Goal 13 and 14**.

The 2015-19 period has been one of significant transformation phase of the Central Bank arising from a wider mandate, more intensive approach to supervision and in meeting the challenges of ever-changing environment. Significant investments were made in technology and data management; more open approach to transparency and accountability was undertaken; greater emphasis given on communications, including web disclosure and public outreach campaigns. However, many actions plans of the key areas of focus from the Strategic Plan 2015-19 will continue to be implemented in the next Plan period as Bangladesh Bank keep on improving its performance of core functions.

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STRATEGIC GOAL



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Conduct accommodative monetary management to ensure inclusive economic growth and price stability

Background

BB's monetary policy aims to maintain the right balance between keeping inflation contained and supporting economic growth in light of global and domestic conditions. Supporting productive private sector investment is critical to sustaining the recent high levels of growth. At the same time, significant increase in investment is also necessary to maintain competitiveness and generate further productivity. BB will continue to follow its policy stance to support market development agenda while opening further avenues to promote investment through wider financial inclusion. BB's inclusive, environmental sustainable supportive credit and financial policies will make meaningful contribution in supporting the government's pursuit of sustainable growth and poverty eradication on the country's path towards prosperity.

Objective 1.1 Modernize macroeconomic and monetary management framework with enhanced analytical capacity

Act	ion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
b.	Extend affiliation with various external organizations to conduct joint research with a view to enhance analytical capacity of BB officials Evaluate the effectiveness of various policies taken by BB in coordination with supervision departments	i. ii. i.	Affiliation with external organizations created Joint research initiatives undertaken and conducted Evaluation Report submitted	July 2020 December 2020 July 2020	Lead: RD, CEU Associate: MPD, SD, All relevant Departments
C.	Modernize the monetary policy framework of BB through initiating steps for making the monetary policy transmission channels more effective	i.	Necessary changes made in the monetary targeting regime	December 2024	Lead: MPD Associate: CEU, RD, DMD, SD
d.	Develop some structural macroeconomic models; in particular, inflation and output-gap	i.	The particular models developed	December 2024	Lead: MPD Associate: CEU, RD, DMD,
e.	Upgrade liquidity management capacity and enhance the liquidity forecasting horizon	i.	Forecasting horizon extended from existing 4-day to one week or more	December 2022	SD
f.	Explore the possibility of enhancing data coverage of the existing monetary aggregates (M1, M2 and M3) and initiate a new monetary aggregate (M4)	i.	Final report/research output prepared	December 2021	
g.	Create a time series data set to be required for launching structural macroeconomic models	i.	Time series data on monetary policy related variables prepared in spread sheets	December 2023	
h.	Create a time series detailed data sets on GDP, inflation, budget financing, capital market development and other macroeconomic variables required for running macroeconomic models	i.	Time series data on macroeconomic variables prepared in spread sheets	December 2023	
i.	Coordinate monetary policy and exchange rate policy implementation	i.	Joint working committee consisting officials from MPD and FRTMD for FX intervention formed	December 2020	Lead: MPD Associate: FRTMD, FEPD, CEU

Objective 1.2 Review the linkages between monetary management and inclusive growth strategy

Act	ion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Conduct study on financial inclusion in light with the monetary management, employment generation and inclusive growth	i.	Working Paper/Policy Note published	June 2022	Lead: RD, CEU Associate: MPD, SMESPD,
b.	Conduct study on Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in light with the monetary management, employment generation and inclusive growth	i.	Working Paper/Policy Note published	June 2023	PSD, ACD, SFD, FID

Objective 1.3 Enhance data coverage of different macroeconomic and monetary parameters

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Enhance BoP coverage	i.	Terms of Trade (TOT) data collected and compiled	December 2022	Lead: SD
b.	Enhance data coverage of Monetary, Financial and Banking Statistics	i. ii.	Account wise details database prepared on Deposits (SBS2) and Advances (SBS3) with fulfillment of SDG's requirement Booklet on Non-bank Financial Institutions (FIs) statistics prepared	December 2024 June 2020	Associate: ISDSD, ICTIMMD, PSD, FID
C.	Enhance coverage of Geo-coding system of financial sector	i.	Geographical location-wise financial services database prepared	December 2023	
d.	Enhance coverage of financial access statistics	i.	Gender statistics prepared	December 2020	
e.	Enhance data coverage of OFCs survey (insurance companies, mutual funds, merchant banks, broker houses, venture capitals, micro finance institutions and other financial intermediaries)	i.	OFCs survey output and review prepared	December 2022	
f.	Enhance data coverage of Sustainable Development Goals related indicators	i.	SDGs indicators' related to Bangladesh Bank prepared	December 2024	
g.	Publish booklet containing information of total foreign investment in Bangladesh including Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), External Debt and Portfolio Investment	i.	Booklet published	December 2024	
h.	Enhance data coverage of Private Sector External Debt (PSED)	i.	Long Term External Debt (LTED) from EPZ-A type companies' data prepared	December 2022	
		ii. iii.	Data on External Borrowings of Offshore Banking Unit prepared Data on debt securities and SDR in	December 2022 December	
		iv.	DMFAS incorporated Combined template for Short	2024 December	
		IV.	Term External Debt prepared	2022	

i.	Collection and compilation of Financial	i.	Urban/Rural classified data	December	
	Inclusion and Digital Financial Statistics		prepared	2022	l
	with combined RIT of SD, PSD and FID	ii.	Male/Female/Other classified		ı
			data prepared		ı

Objective 1.4 Upgrade the e-GDDS to SDDS Category

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Upgrade the e-GDDS (enhanced	i.	SDDS in place	December	Lead:
	General Data Dissemination System)			2024	SD
	to SDDS (Special Data Dissemination				Associate:
	Standard) category				ISDSD,
	, ,				ICTIMMD

Objective 1.5 Optimizing human capital by satisfying informational and recreational needs - bridging the gap

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Enhance user satisfaction through quality resources and services	i.	User need Determined	December 2020	Lead: BB Library
		ii.	Library search integrated	December 2021	Associate: ISDSD,
b.	Library promotion and user attraction	i. ii.	Book reading program enhanced 'Best Library User' award launched	June 2020 December 2022	ICTIMMD, HRD1&2, DCP, CSD1&2, EMD1&2
C.	Improve library services through innovation and adopting new technology	i. ii. iii.	Mobile library service launched Research help desk introduced Web-based e-News clipping and OPAC introduced	June 2021 June 2021 December 2021	
d.	Upgrade resources digitization and enhance security	i.	Enterprise Archiving Solution (EAS) to facilitate e-Noting Process in place	June 2024	
		ii.	Tagging RFID Security Chips to Entire Accessioned Resources is completed	December 2023	

		Summary: Strategic Goal 1	
ĺ	Total number of objectives: 5	Total number of action plans: 25	Total number of KPIs: 36

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02

Strengthen regulatory and supervisory framework and activities to enhance overall financial sector stability and increase stakeholders' confidence

Background

Sound legal, regulatory and supervisory frameworks for effective and efficient supervision combined with a strong infrastructure are essential for ensuring a secured and resilient financial sector. It is immensely important to ensure stable financial sector with mitigating financial risks by reducing possible disruptions in the financial intermediation process. The anticipatory supervisory system has to be introduced in line with international standards which would consequently develop effective governance in risk management and control processes and strengthen the transparency and disclosures.

Objective 2.1 Building responsible boards in Banks and FIs to promote good corporate governance

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Revise Fit & Proper test of selection/nomination of directors of Banks and FIs	i.	Guidelines/Circular issued	December 2020	Lead: BRPD, DFIM Associate: DOS
b.	Upgrade Corporate Governance Guidelines for FIs to ensure accountability of Directors and Key Executives of FIs	i.	Guidelines upgraded/revised	June 2021	Lead: DFIM

Objective 2.2 Conduct risk-focused bank supervision with a view to capture and mitigate overall risk exposure of banks

Act	tion Plans	Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop a risk focused supervision framework	i. Risk focused supervision framework in place	December 2023	Lead: DBI-1,2,3, 4, DFEI Associate: BRPD, DOS, FEPD
b.	Update and revise the Inspection Guidelines/Manuals and inspection procedures to consolidate the Comprehensive Inspection with the Core Risk Inspections	i. Consolidated report format developed	June 2023	Lead: DBI-1,2,3, 4, DFEI, FIID
C.	Develop and implement appropriate tools and mechanisms for supervision of activities of all types of subsidiaries of banks and FIs through proper consultation with other regulators	i. Consolidated supervision guidelines issued	December 2022	Lead: BRPD, DFIM Associate: All supervision departments

Objective 2.3 Ensure full disclosure of essential data and information to stakeholders in a timely, accurate and easily-accessible manner

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Review and enhance BB's standards on scope of external audits and the content of audit-related reports	i.	Guidelines issued to this effect	June 2020	Lead: BRPD, DFIM
b.	Revising First Schedule of Bank Company Act 1991 in line with Financial Reporting Act 2015, Bangladesh Financial Reporting Standards, Bangladesh Accounting Standards, Bangladesh Standards on Auditing, Basel Standards etc.	i.	The First Schedule of the Bank- Company Act, 1991 revised	December 2022	Lead: BRPD

Objective 2.4 Enhance financial system stability by identifying and measuring the vulnerabilities and resilience of financial institutions and system as a whole

Act	ion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop financial stability indicators for different financial markets in the context of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	i.	Relevant financial stability indicators developed and threshold levels/values to those indicators determined	December 2021	Lead: FSD
b.	Develop concept papers/ policy notes on different macro-prudential policy	i.	Three concept papers/ policy notes developed	December 2023	
C.	Develop and manage a 'Central Database for Large Credit (CDLC)' and prepare watch list for large Non-Financial Corporation (NFCs)	i.	CDLC developed and watch list for large NFCs prepared	December 2023	
d.	A perception survey on financial stability will be conducted among stakeholders and survey result will be analyzed for designing appropriate policy measures	i.	Perception survey on financial stability conducted	December 2021	
e.	Assess and monitor the potential impacts that indebtedness of large NFCs might have on the stability of the financial system. • Identify plausible systemic risks	i.	Systematic risks by top	December	
	 by top borrowers Prepare a risk assessment guidelines for banks to monitor top borrower groups 	ii.	borrowers identified A risk assessment guidelines for banks to monitor top borrower groups prepared	2021	
f.	Map Financial Stability in Bangladesh as per international best practice	i.	A model of financial stability map in the context of Bangladesh developed	December 2020	
g.	Financial projection of domestic systemically important banks (D-SIBs)	i.	Annual projection of D-SIBs and identification of potential stability threats from D-SIBs is prepared	December 2021	
h.	Develop and implement step-by-step actions in accordance with the contingency planning and the bank intervention /resolution framework	i.	Contingency plan in place	December 2022	

Objective 2.5 Establish a regulatory framework that promotes best banking practices and considers forward looking and integrated risk assessment

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Fully implement the Basel III framework customized to the Bangladesh context	i. ii. iii. iv.	Capital adequacy framework implemented Special supervision regime for Domestic Systemically Important Banks (D-SIB) Countercyclical capital buffer implemented Supervisory Review Process (SRP) and Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP) implemented	December 2024 December 2024 December 2024 December 2024	Lead: BRPD, DOS Associate: FSD
b.	Prepare comprehensive risk management guidelines by updating and combining existing Core Risk Management Guidelines and Risk Management Guidelines	i. ii.	Stress testing guidelines addressing systemic risks revisited Macro stress testing framework developed and implemented	December 2023 December 2020	Lead: DOS, FSD
c.	Issue directives about classification/provisioning against other assets and investments	i.	Appropriate directions are in place	December 2020	Lead: BRPD
d.	Introduce comprehensive policy guideline on the Off-balance Sheet Exposures	ii.	Comprehensive policy and directives on Off-Balance Sheet Exposures issued	December 2022	Lead: BRPD

Objective 2.6 Develop policy frameworks for Financial Institutions in order to ensure a sound and stable Financial Sector

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop a comprehensive policy framework for issuing license of FIs and upgrade related policies	i.	Policy guidelines issued	December 2022	Lead: DFIM, FIID
b.	Formulate time befitting policy framework regarding assessment of asset quality as well as overall financial health of FIs	ii.	Circulars/guidelines issued/updated	December 2022	

Objective 2.7 Enhance the coverage and scope of Deposit Insurance Scheme

Act	tion Plans	Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Undertake legal developments aimed to expand Deposit Insurance Scheme (DIS) membership to include all licensed FIs	i. All FIs brought under the DIS	December 2024	Lead: DID Associate: BRPD, DOS
b.	Undertake proactive measures to enhance the DIS coverage limit from the existing BDT 100,000	i. DIS coverage limit enhanced	December 2024	

c.	Examine the feasibility to establish	i. Feasibility study conducted	December	
	Deposit Insurance Department (DID)		2022	
	as a separate affiliate of BB enabling			
	inclusion of various Deposit Taking			
	Institutions (DTIs) in addition to banks			
	and FIs			

Objective 2.8 Enhance the scope of credit information and ease of obtaining data/credit reports to make credit operation more efficient

Act	Action Plans		y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Tune CIB Online System to enhance functionalities and features of CIB Online Services	i.	CIB online services optimized	December 2021	Lead: CIB Associate:
b.	Introduce mechanism to incorporate Smart NID Card in input structure and CIB report of a borrower	i.	Unique ID for every individual borrower in CIB database	December 2021	ICTIMMD, ISDSD, MRA
c.	Ensure smooth running of Collateral Information System for immovable assets	i.	Collateral Information services optimized	December 2024	
d.	Set up a data warehouse for CIB	i. ii.	Feasibility study conducted CIB Data Warehouse established	December 2024	
e.	Provide support and co-operation to MRA by CIB to set up the MF-CIB system and share knowledge between BB and MRA	i.	MF-CIB system is in Live operation	December 2022	

Objective 2.9 Safeguard Financial System against fraud-forgeries, malpractices and corruption in order to protect customer interest and rights and ensure integrity of the system

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Enhance the effectiveness of Customer Service & Complaint Management in Head Office and Branches of all banks and financial institutions	i.	Increased resolution rate of complaint	June 2021	Lead: FICSD
b.	Equip Customer Services Division (CSD) of FICSD with separate infrastructure and necessary sophisticated tools to ensure quick solution of customers' complaints	i.	Separate infrastructure and necessary sophisticated tools for CSD is in place	December 2022	Lead: FICSD Associate: CSD1&2, EMD1&2
C.	Conduct 'Root Cause Analysis' of complaints	i.	Policy recommendations made to policy related departments	December 2020	Lead: FICSD Associate: Policy departments
d.	Conduct financial literacy campaign with a view to enhancing public awareness on various fraudulent activities	i. ii.	Digital display boards/bill boards set up in busy public places by FICSD/banks and financial institutions Campaign programs arranged regularly through banks and financial institutions under the supervision of FICSD	December 2020	Lead: FICSD Associate: DCP, FID

Objective 2.10 Strengthening Integrated Supervision System of Bangladesh Bank

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Formulate a Inspection Guideline/Manual to monitor Integrated Supervision System (ISS) Reporting of Banks and FIs	i.	Guideline issued to this effect	December 2020	Lead: ISMD
b.	Prepare separate Pre-Inspection Assessment Report (PIAR) for on-site inspection on Bank Head Office and AD Branch	i.	Departmental order/Note to use PIAR issued	December 2021	Lead: ISMD Associate: DBI-1,2,3,4, DFEI, ISDSD
C.	Develop separate ISS Dashboard for Non-Bank Financial Institutions and prepare PIAR of FI for On-site inspection	i.	Dashboard prepared in ISS and Issued Departmental Order/Note to use PIAR	December 2023	Lead: ISMD Associate: DFIM, FIID, ISDSD, ICTIMMD
d.	Develop a Branch Risk Index (BRI) to identify Branch risk level in different aspect	i.	Branch Risk Index (BRI) visualized on Dashboard	December 2022	Lead: ISMD Associate: FSD, DOS, BRPD, FEPD, DFEI, ISDSD, ICTIMMD,DBI- 1,2,3,4
e.	Develop a model for generating risk report from ISS	i.	Model developed and approved	December 2022	Lead: ISMD Associate: FSD, DOS, BRPD, FEPD, DBI-1,2,3,4, DFEI

	Summary: Strategic Goal 2	
Total number of objectives: 10	Total number of action plans: 38	Total number of KPIs: 45

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03

Mainstream sustainable and inclusive financing and banking practices to ensure sustainable development

Background

BB is pursuing the financial sector for ingraining socially responsible, inclusive, environmentally sustainable financing over last decade. The banking sector responded enthusiastically with their innovative and endogenous approaches in reaching out with financial services to the underserved segment of the population. This journey has facilitated the graduation of Bangladesh into 'Lower Middle Income Country' status and will contribute to move into next level. BB will continue its effort in pursuit of this objective in coming years to achieve sustainable development goals and 'Developed Country' status by 2041.

Objective 3.1 Meeting financial services need of the agricultural sector with innovative products and tools

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Promote 'Contract Farming' as an effective tool for ensuring fair price of agricultural products	i.	Impact and outcome assessment conducted	December 2022	Lead: ACD
b.	Promote agent banking, booth banking to emphasize agricultural financing through own network	i.	Increased number of banks and amount of agricultural credit disbursement using agents and booths	June 2023	
C.	Implement the insurance based credit scheme in the agricultural sector	i. ii.	Guideline to implement insurance based credit prepared Insurance based credit scheme through commercial banks implemented	June 2024	Lead: ACD Associate: MoF

Objective 3.2 Modernize agricultural credit disbursement and reporting system

Act	Action Plans		y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Introduce online application and loan sanction system for agricultural credit through the commercial banks	i.	Automated system implemented through all commercial bank branches	June 2023	Lead: ACD Associate:
b.	Effectively monitor utilization of agricultural and rural credits through improved Web-based Agri-Credit MIS software set up at BB offices	i.	Improved Web-based Agri- Credit MIS in BB offices developed and implemented	June 2022	ISDSD, ICTIMMD

Objective 3.3 Ingrain sustainability into the entire business and risk management structure of banks and FIs

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Formulate Sustainable Banking (including Carbon Footprint Measurement, Green Business Centre) Guidelines for banks and		December 2022	Lead: SFD
	financial institutions	Can son roosprine measurement		

b.	Develop Comprehensive Sustainable Finance (including Green Finance, Climate Finance, Socially Responsible Finance, Impact Investment) Framework	i.	Policies and guidelines on Sustainable Finance (including Green Finance, Climate Finance, Socially Responsible Finance, Impact Investment) in place	December 2021	
C.	Develop Sustainability Rating for banks and financial Institutions	i.	Guidelines on Sustainability Rating for banks and FIs in place	December 2020	
d.	Establish a innovation hub/platform for major stakeholders with a view to conducting research and dialogue for catalyzing innovation in sustainable finance	i.	Innovation Hub/platform established	December 2021	
e.	Revisit the existing policies on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for banks and FIs	i.	Revised CSR policies issued	December 2020	
f.	Develop supervision (on-site and off- site) manual for CSR of banks and FIs	i. ii.	On-site supervision manual in place Off-site supervision format and guidelines issued	December 2020	
g.	Develop On-site Supervision Manual for assessing ESRM (environmental and social risk management) of banks and FIs	i.	On-site supervision manual in place	December 2020	
h.	Integrate climate considerations into ESRM and disclosure guidelines	i.	Revised ESRM guidelines in place	December 2022	

Objective 3.4 Provide prudential policy and financial support to CMSME sector

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Identify the demand and supply gap in the medium to long term SME financing	i.	Survey conducted and report submitted to this effect using primary data	December 2022	Lead: SMESPD
b.	Facilitate entrepreneurs through piloting a Credit Guarantee Scheme (CGS)	i.	Credit Guarantee Scheme formulated and implemented	December 2021	
C.	Promote new entrepreneurs/ startup business through active policy support	i.	Increased number of new entrepreneurs served	December 2022	

Objective 3.5 Deepening Financial Inclusion

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Widen the coverage of financial inclusion through agent banking	i. ii.	Countrywide mapping of agent outlets conducted Increased number of agent banking outlets based on mapping dynamics	December 2022	Lead: FID Associate: BRPD, ISDSD, ICTIMMD
b.	Reduce gender gap through inclusion of unbanked women	i.	Number of bank accounts of women increased to 2 million	June 2021	Lead: FID
C.	Develop strategies to reach underprivileged people and increase usage of financial services	i. ii.	Appropriate business model to reach underprivileged people in place Awareness building program, target group discussion arranged	December 2023	Lead: FID Associate: ACD, SMESPD, PSD

d.	Ensure active utilization of No-frill accounts by disbursing BDT 200 crore Refinance Scheme of no-frill account holders countrywide	i.	Disbursement target of BDT 180 crore achieved	December 2022	Lead: FID
e.	Develop reporting framework in line with international standard for publishing comprehensive financial inclusion report	i.	Consolidated financial inclusion report published	December 2022	Lead: FID Associate: ACD, SMESPD, PSD, SFD, BRPD, MRA

Objective 3.6 Strengthen financial education & financial literacy initiatives

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Formulate financial literacy and financial education policy	i.	Policy on financial literacy and financial education in place	December 2020	Lead: FID Associate:
b.	Reinstate and update financial education web portal in BB website	i.	Functional financial education web portal in place	June 2021	NCTB, MoE, RD
C.	Impact analysis of the financial literacy campaign to take further vibrant policy	i.	Countrywide (District level) survey conducted	December 2023	

Summary: Strategic Goal 3							
Total number of objectives: 6	Total number of action plans: 24	Total number of KPIs: 28					

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04

Modernize currency management and establish efficient payment systems for smooth and secured transactions

Background

Efficient payment system has a profound impact on economy as it increases efficiency of banking system and creates avenue to serve the unbanked segment of the population. Real time payment settlement system also reduces the settlement risk and increases the sustainability of the financial system. Introduction of modern technology in payment system enrich the quality of service and also increases the accessibility of masses to the banking services. Similarly, wide availability of banking services help to increase financial activities of the citizens and enhance the inclusion base. BB will continue its endeavor to increase the efficiency of the payment system to enhance cost efficient off-branch financial service delivery.

Objective 4.1 Promote availability of clean currency in circulation by modernizing cash management

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop and implement clean note policy to reduce soiled and mutilated notes	i.	Clean Note Policy issued and adopted	December 2024	Lead: DCM
b.	Develop Integrated Management Information System through introducing Currency Dash Board	i.	Currency dash board implemented	June 2022	Lead: DCM Associate: ISDSD, ICTIMMD, CSD-2
C.	Infrastructure development of cash storage	i. ii.	BB vaults modernized Chest/sub-chest modernized	December 2024	Lead: DCM Associate: CSD-2, All branch offices

Objective 4.2 Design, print and supply high quality secured Taka notes and coins

Ac	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Modernize Bank Note security features to combat note counterfeit	i.	New and updated security features introduced with better paper and improved printing quality	December 2020	Lead: DCM Associate: SPCBL
b.	Increase the storage capacity of SPCBL and optimize its usage	i. ii. iii.	Better management of storage vaults of SPCBL Better, faster and environment friendly disposal of production wastes New stores for SPCBL built	June 2020 December 2020 December 2021	Lead: DCM Associate: SPCBL
C.	Enhance note printing capacity of the Security Printing Corporation	i.	Roadmap for BMRE or capacity enhancement prepared and implemented	December 2024	Lead: DCM Associate: SPCBL

d.	Exporting Bank Notes, coins, uncut	i.	Policy regarding export of Bank	December	Lead:	l
	sheet of Bangladesh to international		Notes, coins, uncut sheets is in	2020	DCM	l
	wholesalers to promote our culture		place		Associate:	
	and to earn foreign currency				MoF, SPCBL	l

Objective 4.3 Strongly combat counterfeiting threats to maintain confidence in bank notes

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Enactment and implementation of the Fake Note Prevention Act	i.	Fake Note Prevention Act in place	December 2021	Lead: DCM
b.	Establishment of Counterfeit Note Analysis (CNA) Centers in Bangladesh Bank	i.	Dedicated center established	December 2021	

Objective 4.4 Improve the payment systems for increasing efficiency and reducing settlement risk

Action Plans		Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Expand the coverage of the Digital Financial Services (DFS)	i. ii. iii.	Interoperability of payment infrastructure established RTGS coverage enhanced E-payment gateway introduced	December 2020 December 2020 December 2022	Lead: PSD Associate: ICTIMMD, ISDSD
b.	Establishment of Innovation Office	i.	Innovation office established	December 2020	Lead: PSD
c.	Address the gaps and evaluate the suitability for Regulatory Sandbox	i.	Evaluation/Study completed on suitability of establishing Regulatory Sandbox	December 2022	Lead: PSD
d.	Adopt international accreditation for safe and secured payment infrastructure	i. ii.	Upgrade the payment system to PCI-DSS compliant environment Interoperable CHIP specifications as per international standard	December 2022 December 2023	PSD Associate: ICTIMMD, ISDSD

Objective 4.5 Establish necessary legal and regulatory framework for efficient payment system

Act	Action Plans		y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a. b.	Enactment of Payment and Settlement Systems Act Review of regulations/guidelines/ procedure for E-money and	i.	Promulgation of Payment & Settlement Systems Act Consolidated E-money regulations issued	December 2022 December 2021	Lead: PSD Lead: PSD
	formulation of Consolidated Regulations				
C.	Implementation of oversight framework of different payment infrastructure and Licensed PSP/PSO/MFS	i. ii.	Self-assessment of payment systems participants Quarterly review paper on performance of payment	December 2020	PSD Associate: ICTIMMD,
		iii.	systems Automation of data collection and analysis with respect to offsite oversight		ISDSD

d.	Business Continuity Plan (BCP) for	i.	Systematic testing of the BCP	December	Lead:
	Payment Systems Infrastructure		and/or crisis simulation	2021	PSD
			(Operational reliability of		
			payment systems)		

	Summary: Strategic Goal 4	
Total number of objectives: 5	Total number of action plans: 17	Total number of KPIs: 25

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05

Liberalize foreign exchange regime to boost trade competitiveness and resilience of the external sector

Background

The recent phenomenon of competing forces of nationalism and globalism in the wealthier countries has left the emerging economies with difficult choices in determining global strategy and footprint. At the same time, in the emerging world, the virtuous circle of trade, investment, workforce advantage, technical and financial skills continues. Hence, the current position of strength and stability of Bangladesh should be best utilized for the next round of further opening up towards closer integration with the global financial markets at a measured, manageable pace. Accelerating regulatory reform efforts to continue to improve the business climate may also be playing a part, needing to be redressed urgently to attract the kind of large FDI inflows that will be needed for attaining the growth vision of raising the country's per capita Gross National Income to the upper middle income country group threshold. Attaining this growth vision will also require a substantial phased easing of capital account controls on resident owned businesses, towards fuller integration with the global economy. Based on the current FX regime and its broader backdrop; the five-year strategic plan towards further liberalization on current FX regime is proposed.

Objective 5.1 Enhancing ease in current account transactions

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Simplify current account transaction	i.	ADs allowed to conduct more	December	Lead:
	related regulations with minimal,		outward current account	2024	FEPD
	essential documentation and reporting		transactions without BB's		Associate:
	requirement		approval		FEOD
		ii.	Limits for individual and corporate	December	
			FX revised	2024	
b.	Review the monitoring process of	i.	Effective post facto monitoring	December	Lead:
	outward and inward remittances and		process for outward remittance	2022	FEOD
	modify to ease the process		and inward remittances/		Associate:
			investments in place		FEPD, DFEI

Objective 5.2 Improve business climate to further regional and global competitiveness

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Formulate policy for Equity Investment by NRBs in Bangladesh	i. ii. iii.	Investment Policy for NRB Formulated Repatriation process simplified Capital account related transactions by NRBs are made easier	June 2022	Lead: FEID Associate: FEPD, FEOD
b.	Improve effective investment climate through providing information and policy support	i.	One Stop information point to provide prompt information and policy support to stakeholders in place	December 2021	Lead: FEID Associate: FEPD, FEOD, DFEI
C.	Simplify approval and intimation process for foreign investors/business	i.	Automated application system in place	December 2022	Lead: FEID Associate: FEPD, ISDSD, ICTIMDD

d.	Introduce automated application	i.	Automated application system	December	Lead:
	system for external loan by EPZ, EZ		with a provision of integrating	2022	FEID
	and HTP entities to make the approval		BEPZA, BEZA, BHTPA with BB in		Associate:
	process more efficient		place		FEOD, FEPD

Objective 5.3 Modernize operational framework for money changers

Action Plans		Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Review of operational modalities of money changers to enhance their	i.	Scope of business including transaction limit streamlined	December 2020	Lead:
	viability and usefulness		transaction innit streamined	2020	Associate:
b.	Bring limited money changers under online reporting system	i.	Online reporting system in place	June 2022	FEOD, DFEI

Objective 5.4 Develop onsite supervision framework for Bangladeshi exchange houses, finance company, etc. operating abroad

Act	Action Plans		y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Update FX risk management guidelines	i.	Risk management guidelines reviewed and updated	June 2022	Lead: FEPD Associate: FEOD, DFEI
b.	Developing inspection framework for subsidiary/ finance company/ exchange houses held by Bangladeshi scheduled banks operating abroad	i. ii.	Comprehensive FX inspection manual prepared Include subsidiary/ finance company/ exchange houses held by Bangladeshi scheduled banks operating abroad for inspection on bi-annual basis	December 2022 December 2022	Lead: DFEI Associate: FEPD, FEOD,FEID

Objective 5.5 Widen the scope of banking services for NRBs and foreign controlled companies

Act	Action Plans		y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Explore the feasibility of introducing borrowing products for NRBs	i.	Feasibility of introducing borrowing products for NRBs is	December 2021	Lead: FEPD
			explored		Associate: DFEI
b.	Exploring the feasibility of introducing borrowing products and banking facilities for foreign controlled companies	i.	Feasibility of introducing borrowing products and banking facilities for foreign nationals is explored	December 2022	Lead: FEPD

Objective 5.6 Improve operational efficiency through digitization of services

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Introduce digital signature in the	i. Online IMP and EXP forms	December	Lead:
	online IMP and EXP forms	digitally signed	2024	FEOD
				Associate:
				ICTIMMD,
				ISDSD

b.	Synchronization of permission by different department/offices and intimation related to foreign exchange	i.	Automated application system in place	December 2022	Lead: FEID Associate: FEPD, FEOD, ICTIMMD, ISDSD
C.	Develop an integrated IT system to view real time internal and external investment scenario	i.	Integrated automated application system in place	December 2022	Lead: FEID Associate: ICTIMMD, ISDSD

Summary: Strategic Goal 5								
Total number of objectives: 6	Total number of action plans: 15	Total number of KPIs: 19						



06

Building the market for long-term finance and scaling up to spur investment and growth and manage foreign exchange reserve efficiently

Background

Supply of long-term financing in Bangladesh remains constrained by the limited access of banks to longer term resources and banks' relative comfort and preference to provide shorter term financing and under developed capital market. Efforts to develop the long-term finance market and scaling up long-term finance to spur competitiveness, investment and growth are extremely essential. BB needs to play a pivotal role in maintaining appropriate balance between fulfilling government financing needs and private sector financing needs keeping in mind the fiscal and monetary targets. Record-high foreign reserves provide a buffer against external shocks and demonstrate country's external sector viability. However, management, maintenance and investment of such huge reserve postures new challenges for BB.

Objective 6.1 Facilitate activities to create a strong and vibrant domestic debt market

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop a comprehensive guidelines for administration and operation of tradable Govt. securities in electronic systems under BGTB Notification	i.	Guidelines issued under BGTB Notification	December 2020	Lead: DMD Associate:
b.	Amendment of Bangladesh Government Treasury Bond (BGTB) Notification	i.	BGTB notification circulated under market demand	June 2020	ICTIMMD, ISDSD
C.	Conduct study to find the constraint to create a vibrant long term debt market	i.	Study completed and report submitted	June 2020	External Agencies:
d.	Coordinate and collaborate with concerned regulatory and government agencies	i.	Proper coordination mechanism in place	June 2024	MoF, NBR, BSEC, PDBL
e.	Conduct feasibility study for implementation of Developed secondary market benchmark yield curve of Govt. securities for price discovery	i.	Study conducted	December 2021	
f.	Conduct Feasibility study to establish central counterparty in clearing system of govt. securities	i.	Feasibility study completed	June 2021	

Objective 6.2 Improve operational efficiency of Govt. savings instruments to create ease for the investors

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop electronic platform for	i.	Electronic platform developed	December	Lead:
	buying, selling & reimbursement	ii.	System operational	2020	DMD
	procedure for Sanchay Bond				Associate:
					ISDSD,
					ICTIMMD, PSD

Objective 6.3 Develop oversight mechanism for call money and interbank repo

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Introduction of Electronic Dealing	i.	Electronic call money platform	March 2020	Lead:
	System for Interbank Money Market		introduced		DMD
	Transactions	ii.	System operational		Associate:
b.	Publish money market reference rate	i.	Report prepared	June 2020	ISDSD,
	for making effective DIBOR	ii.	Reference rate calculated and		ICTIMMD, PSD
			published		

Objective 6.4 Promote primary and secondary transactions in Islamic bond market

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Conduct feasibility study for the	i.	Study completed and report	December	Lead:
	issuance of Islamic instruments like		submitted	2021	DMD
	Sukuk				Associate:
b.	Modernization of existing Islamic bond	i.	System operational	December	ISDSD,
	management system			2022	ICTIMMD

Objective 6.5 Increase efficiency in performing the debt management functions of the Government

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop a modern electronic system to accommodate new features (Buy Back, switching, Short sale, Re- issuance) including existing features of MI Module for the debt management process	i. ii.	Concept paper prepared System operational	June 2021	Lead: DMD Associate: ISDSD, ICTIMMD
b.	Develop a software for calculation and payment of underwriting commission	i. ii.	Concept paper prepared System operational	June 2021	
C.	Develop a database system for T-bill, T-bond for efficient reporting of government borrowing and debt servicing data	i.	Software developed	June 2021	
d.	Conduct feasibility study for Introducing Foreign Currency Bond in the Market	i.	Feasibility study completed	June 2022	

Objective 6.6 Optimize returns from prudent investment of resources, with due attention to liquidity and risks of losses

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Participate in securities lending program to achieve highest return from investment in securities	·i·	Specific policy guidelines prepared for securities lending program	December 2024	Lead: FRTMD
b.	Revisit appoint criteria and appoint more counterparts to diversify credit risk and ensure competitive return	i.	New counterparts appointed	December 2022	

Objective 6.7 Automate fund management and management information system for better performance of Forex Reserve Management function

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Digitize the fund management system as a one stop solution for prompt deposit, claim (both local & international) and charge settlement, statement generation and other related activities	i.	Fund Management System software in place	December 2022	Lead: FRTMD Associate: ICTIMMD, ISDSD, A&BD
b.	Develop a new treasury system & database for Dealing room (Front office, Mid office and Back office) to manage the FX reserves	i.	New Treasury System & Database developed	June 2020	
c.	Data migration and reconciliation between FICO and TCS	i.	Linkage among various user-ends established	June 2020	

Summary: Strategic Goal 6						
Total number of objectives: 7	Total number of action plans: 20	Total number of KPIs: 25				



07

Improve organizational efficiency and effectiveness of the Human Resources by ensuring professional excellence and high ethical standard

Background

Development of Human Resources is essential for any organization to tackle new challenge as well as to improve its overall effectiveness. Human Resource Management framework of Bangladesh Bank are being modernized and updated to transform human resources into human capital, enable and encourage appropriate leadership development and practice core values and good governance in every aspects of discharging the mandate of the central bank. BB will continue its focus on improving the work culture and industry standard human resource management under comprehensive and integrated HR Plan and development initiatives.

Objective 7.1 Review and update various HR policies and practices to achieve their purposes and improve effectiveness

Act	tion Plans	Key	/ Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Review existing recruitment policy and process to identify the opportunities of improvement	i.	Process reviewed	June 2021	Lead: HRD-1
b.	Develop and implement better process for staff placement, posting, transfer, outstation and deputation	i. ii. iii.	Proper staffing in place based on employee capacity and professional experience Employee outstation policy reviewed and rationalized Deputation policy developed	June 2021	Lead: HRD-1 Associate: HRD-2
c.	Implement rotation policy with due consideration of job specialization	i.	Rotation policy and procedure in place	June 2021	
d.	Review promotion policy and practices for various levels and cadres of employees	i.	Uniform promotion policy and procedures in place	December 2022	
e.	Formulate comprehensive HR Plan to ensure long-term human resources development initiatives	i.	Comprehensive HR Plan developed	December 2022	Lead: HRD-1

Objective 7.2 Improve performance, competencies and productivity of employees through appropriate training, grooming and mentoring

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Identify competency gap and training need analysis (TNA) of individual	i.	Proper TNA conducted to address individual knowledge and skill gap	December 2020	Lead: HRD-2
	employee	ii.	TNA prepared in line with job design or performance appraisal		Associate: HRD-1, BBTA
b.	Build up/ strengthen cooperation and collaboration network with	i.	Inter institutional agreement signed and implemented	December 2020	Lead: HRD-1
	government's HR development institutions (BPATC,NDC etc.) to benefit from mutual sharing of training expertise and facilities	ii.	Participative and consultative approach in place		Associate: HRD-2, BBTA

C.	Introduce Certified bank Examiner	i.	Detailed curriculum of the course	December	Lead:
	(CBE) for the employees working in the		designed, approved and	2020	HRD-2
	supervision cluster		implemented		Associate:
					HRD-1, BBTA

Objective 7.3 Modernize business processes and procedures to improve operational efficiency

Act	tion Plans	Key	Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Automate performance appraisal mechanism to make it more effective and user friendly	i. ii.	PMS system reviewed and updated Appropriate automation in place	December 2021	Lead: HRD-1 Associate: HRD-2
b.	Review and update various business processes, procedures and operational manuals	i.	Existing manuals and business process reviewed and updated	December 2022	Lead: HRD-1 Associate:
C.	Explore feasibility of introducing cluster based departmental structure and organizational restructuring	i. ii.	Opportunities of cluster based structure explored and reviewed Coordination with rotation and transfer policy in place	June 2023	HRD-2, SSC
d.	Introduce e-filing mechanism to facilitate business and decision making process	i.	User friendly document management system in place	June 2023	
e.	Finalize Comprehensive Rules of Business of BB	i.	Rules of Business adopted and implemented	December 2020	

Objective 7.4 Transform BBTA as a centre of excellence equipped with modern amenities

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Enhance financial empowerment of BBTA to procure goods, services and maintenance more smoothly within budgetary allocations	i.	Necessary amendment of Expenditure Regulations of BB made	December 2020	Lead: BBTA, HRD-1 Associate: HRD-2,
b.	Renovation and modernization of Academic Building and Hostel Building	i.	Renovation completed	December 2024	CSD-1&2, EMD-1&2
C.	Establish 'Human Resource Development and Excellence Centre' at Chittagong	i.	'Human Resource Development and Excellence Centre' is established	December 2024	Lead: CSD-2 Associate: HRD-1 & 2, EMD-1&2

Objective 7.5 Update and widen training modules to impart knowledge and values to banking professionals

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Automation of the training nomination	i.	Automated Nomination system in	June 2021	Lead:
	process of the participants from BB,		place		BBTA
	Banks and FIs				Associate:
					ICTIMMD,
					ISDSD

b.	Provide technical assistance and training to Banks and FIs	i.	Policy formulated regarding technical assistance and training to Banks and FIs	June 2020	Lead: BBTA
C.	Collaboration with different central banks and international training organizations	i. ii.	New collaboration(s) established Joint regional and international seminar(s) arranged	December 2022	Lead: BBTA

Summary: Strategic Goal 7							
Total number of objectives: 5	Total number of action plans: 19	Total number of KPIs: 26					



08

Create an IT environment that supports the delivery of accessible, secure, integrated, reliable and client centered programs and services to all stakeholders

Background

A reliable, up-to-date and secure ICT infrastructure is essential in discharging BB's responsibility as the central bank of the country. Earlier initiatives has successfully transformed BB's day-to-day business from largely manual to an automated one and allowed BB to collaborate seamlessly and securely, both internally and with other agencies, banks, financial institutions, and peoples in general. This Strategic Goal offers a clear path toward further modernizing IT services; phasing out legacy systems and dependency; protecting information and systems against increasingly sophisticated threats with a view to ensure functional reliability, security and business continuity.

Objective 8.1 Establish necessary IT infrastructure for promoting electronic transactions and communication

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Obtain necessary international certification (COBIT, ISO, ITIL, etc.)	i.	Proper authentication for online transaction in place	December 2023	Lead: ICTIMMD, ISDSD
b.	Establish National Electronic Payment Gateway to support electronic payment and e-commerce	i.	System implemented	December 2022	Lead: PSD, ISDSD, ICTIMMD
C.	Implementation of Online Call Money Trading System (Electronic Dealing System)	i.	System implemented	December 2021	Lead: ISDSD Associate: DMD, ICTIMMD
d.	Implementation of Digital Certification Authority (CA-PKI) enabling digital certification to ensure authenticity and reliability of digital transaction and communication	i.	System in place	December 2020	Lead: ISDSD Associate: PSD, ICTIMMD, FSSSPD

Objective 8.2 Transforming BB's business processes from manual to automated processes to increase efficiency

Act	tion Plans	Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Implementation of Financial Market Infrastructure (FMI) to increase efficiency and easy monitoring of auction and other related activities	i. FMI System implemented	December 2021	Lead: ISDSD Associate: DMD, Motijheel Office, ICTIMMD
b.	Implementation of Reserve Management System to support the management, protection and future development of BD reserve	i. System implemented	December 2021	Lead: ISDSD Associate: FRTMD, A&BD, ICTIMMD

C.	Implementation of Digital Sanchay Bond to enhance the investment facility especially for the NRBs	i.	System in place	December 2021	Lead: ISDSD Associate: DMD, Motijheel Office, ICTIMMD
d.	Implementation of web-based E- Permission for Business Entities	i.	System implemented	December 2022	Lead: ISDSD Associate: PSD,FEOD, FEID, FEPD, BRPD, HRD, ICTIMMD
e.	Implementation of Research driven activities using Data Science & Big Data Applications (i.e. data mining, advanced business analytics & forecasting)	i.	System implemented	December 2023	Lead: ISDSD Associate: ICTIMMD, SD, HRD

Objective 8.3 Implementation of in-house developed System Solutions to increase business efficiency and eliminate vendor dependency

Act	tion Plans	Key Performance Indicat	ors Timeline	Departments
a.	Implementation of in-house developed Core Banking Solution (CBS)	i. System implemented	December 2021	Lead: ISDSD Associate: A&BD, FRTMD, DMD, Motijheel Office, ICTIMMD
b.	Implementation of in-house developed Enterprise Resources Planning (ERP) System to enhance the capacity and performance of Human Resource, Payroll, Procurement, Finance, Accounting and Asset management	i. System implemented	December 2024	Lead: ISDSD Associate: HRD-1&2, EMD-1&2, A&BD, CSD- 1&2, ICTIMMD

Objective 8.4 Capacity building for ICT Personnel to cope up with ever-changing Information Technology

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Establish a standard Research & Development Centre (R&DC) to secure adaptation of emerging technologies such as Block Chain, Digital currency, IoT, Big Data Analytics, Artificial Intelligence, etc.	i.	Research & Development Centre (R & DC) established	December 2024	Lead: ISDSD, ICTIMMD Associate: HRD-1

b.	Establish state of the art standards	i.	Appropriate policy framework	December	Lead:
	by adopting International Best		formulated	2024	ISDSD
	Practices, International Certification	ii.	Appropriate training arranged		Associate:
	etc. in Secure Programming, Cyber	iii.	Certification for at least 50% of		ICTIMMD,
	Security, System Management,		the related workforce achieved		HRD-1, FSSSPD
	Database Management, Information				
	System Audit & Inspection, ICT				
	Policies and Guidelines, Data Science				
	& Big Data, Cloud Technology				
	Adaptation, Artificial Intelligence,				
	Machine learning				

Objective 8.5 Implementation of BB website in Bangla

Action Plans	Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a. Implementation of BB website Bangla to enhance mass peopl accessibility and financial litera	in i. Bangla version website is in place	December 2020	Lead: ISDSD Associate: ICTIMMD, All offices and Departments

Objective 8.6 Maintain state-of-the-art ICT infrastructure to ensure functional reliability, security and business continuity

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Develop and Implement Standard framework for uninterrupted ICT services	i.	Framework established	December 2021	Lead: ICTIMMD Associate:
b.	Develop and Implement Financial Network (Fin-Net) to provide secure and uninterrupted network connectivity for all Banks and FIs	i.	Secure and uninterrupted Financial Network (Fin-Net) established	June 2024	ISDSD
C.	Assess feasibility of Cloud Infrastructure and Information Architecture for Bangladesh Financial Sector	i.	Study on Cloud infrastructure and information architecture completed	June 2022	
d.	Build Test Environment for better management of infrastructure and emerging technologies	i.	Test environment established	December 2020	
e.	Establish Industry Standard Far Data Center (FDC)	i.	Far Data Center established	December 2021	Lead: ICTIMMD
f.	Adoption and Implementation of ISO, Data Center Standards and other relevant and necessary industry standards	i.	Policies and standards implemented	December 2024	Associate: ISDSD, CSD-1&2
g.	Formulate and implement cyber threat defense mechanism and Cyber Crisis Management Plan	i.	Cyber threat defense mechanism and Cyber Crisis Management Plan established	December 2022	Lead: ICTIMMD Associate: ISDSD

Summary: Strategic Goal 8							
Total number of objectives: 6	Total number of action plans: 21	Total number of KPIs: 23					



09

Create a work environment conducive to creativity and productivity through better service delivery

Background

A good workplace environment can have a significant impact on employee engagement, creativity and productivity. The quality of necessary service as well as timely delivery can significantly influence employee productivity. BB's effort to achieve excellence in corporate service delivery is aimed to increase its employees' productivity adding additional pace in its operation.

Objective 9.1 Expansion and modernization of office and residential space to accommodate growing business needs

Ac	Action Plans		y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Formulate a comprehensive master	i.	Master plan prepared based on all	December	Lead:
	plan for expansion and development of office and residential facilities to meet the growing business needs of all		probable future needs	2022	CSD-2
	offices				

Objective 9.2 Ensure highest level of safety, security for properties of banks and its employees

Act	tion Plans	Ke	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Install System for Infra-Red Device in existing CCTV System for night vision capabilities	i.	Appropriate security system installed	December 2022	Lead: SMD, CSD-2
b.	Upgrade Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID) for better Access Control System in Head Office	i.	Better access control system upgraded	December 2022	Associate: ICTIMMD, ISDSD
C.	Upgrade access control system by introducing 'Bio-metric' based technology for all offices of Bangladesh Bank	i.	Appropriate technology installed.	December 2022	
d.	Install Automated Vehicle Access Control system and Parking Management for all offices of Bangladesh Bank	i.	Appropriate system installed	December 2022	
e.	Install modern automated firefighting system for effective fire control system in all offices of Bangladesh Bank	i.	Appropriate system installed	December 2021	

Objective 9.3 Betterment of various service deliveries to enhance employee satisfaction

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departmen
a.	Develop a business process for	i.	Existing business process	December	Lead:
	effective online data verification for all		reviewed and upgraded	2020	EMD-1&2
	types of advances				Associate:
					ICTIMMD,
					ISDSD

b.	Develop efficient and effective fund management system (provident fund, gratuity, death benefit, pension fund	i.	An automated system installed and functional	December 2020	
C.	etc.) Develop business processes for Online requisition, approval, adjustment of TA Bills, medical allowance, travel allowance, telephone bill, Miscellaneous Payment, Stationeries etc.	i.	Relevant processes developed	December 2020	
d.	Develop a comprehensive income tax assessment and deduction management system	i.	A comprehensive system developed and installed	December 2020	Lead: EMD-1 Associate: ISDSD, ICTIMMD

Objective 9.4 Increase specialization and functionalities in legal services delivery

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Establish a research unit to analyze the contemporary important judgment and its impact in financial sector	i.	Research unit established	December 2023	Lead: LD Associate: HRD-1
b.	Monitor the court cases related to default loans of Banks and financial institutions	i.	Monitoring framework in place	December 2020	Lead: LD
C.	Upgrade legal action monitoring system	i.	Appropriate monitoring system in place	December 2022	Lead: LD Associate: ICTIMMD, ISDSD

Summary: Strategic Goal 9					
Total number of objectives: 4	Total number of action plans: 13	Total number of KPIs: 13			



10

Maintain international standards in accounting and internal control and build up stronger brand image of BB through effective communication

Background

BB has adopted International Internal Audit Standard (IIAD) and International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) to become fully compliant with international norms and practices. Efforts will be continued to maintain the quality standard ensuring reliability, transparency and full disclosure of its financial transactions. Strengthening the communication channels to disseminate central bank's policy measures and directives to stakeholders more effectively and efficiently is also important. The communication strategy would adopt standard mode of various channels like internet, print, electronic and other available mass media to build stronger positive brand image and more credibility as a central bank of the country.

Objective 10.1 Adopt and maintain aspects of national and international standards in financial reporting and internal audit

Act	tion Plans	Key	y Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Review and implement the standards of IFRS/IAS & BSA in keeping financial records and reporting to ensure compliance of international standards	i.	Financial records and reporting compliant with international standards	June 2021	Lead: ABD, IAD
b.	Update procedure manuals in line with International Internal Audit Standard (IIAD) and International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS)	i.	Procedure manuals updated	December 2021	
C.	Introduce ERM unit with feedback on the states of risk management process	i.	ERM unit introduced	December 2020	Lead: IAD Associate: HRD-1

Objective 10.2 Strengthen internal controls and compliance

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators		Timeline	Departments
a.	Implement Risk Based Audit, IT Audit	i.	Risk Based Audit, IT Audit	December	Lead:
			implemented	2021	IAD
b.	Adopt necessary automation for internal control and compliance	i.	Computer Assisted Auditing Tools (CAATs) installed and	December 2023	Lead:
	internal control and compliance		implemented	2023	Associate:
					ICTIMMD,
					ISDSD

Objective 10.3 Formulate Communication Strategy to streamline modes and practices of communication with stakeholders

Action Plans		Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
,	Formulate communication strategy to upgrade and streamline existing communication modes and practices with external and internal stakeholders	i. Communication Strategy prepared, adopted and implemented	December 2020	Lead: DCP

b.	Introduce brand and style guidelines	i.	Action plan prepared in line with	December	
	of BB to standardize norms and		branding concept	2022	
	styles of communication with	ii.	Brand Guidelines prepared,		
	stakeholders (internal & external)		adopted, and implemented		
	and mass media				
c.	Create and institutionalize Social	i.	Standard operation procedure in	June 2020	
	Media Communication Gateway		place supported by adequate		
	(Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, etc.) for		policy framework		
	BB				
d.	Formalize and strengthen office of the	i.	Appropriate framework in place	December	Lead:
	Spokesperson as well as			2020	DCP
	Communication Centre with proper				Associate:
	logistic and manpower support				HRD-1
e.	Formulate event management policy	i.	Preparation, adaptation and	December	Lead:
	to cover all the events of BB		implementation of event	2022	DCP
	successfully		management policy		

Summary: Strategic Goal 10						
Total number of objectives: 3	Total number of action plans: 10	Total number of KPIs: 11				



11

Effectively implement strategic plan of BB and cater specific requirement of financial services at respective regions

Background

Strategic objectives and priorities crafted for the next five years (2020-24) will be a stride par excellence towards complementing BB's role of maintaining sustainable economic growth and financial stability. BB is discharging its mandate through its 53 departments/units/cell and 10 regional offices. Each office replicates and corroborates the Head Office instructions, guidelines and circulars and keeps closer observation over the financial sector and ensures public service delivery at regional level. Other growth supporting activities at the regional level include promotion of real sector productive activities such as agriculture, SME, green financing and so forth. By keeping country's growth aspiration in the perspective, BB will continue its effort in pursuit of the vision to be a forward-looking central bank.

Objective 11.1 Ensure that branch offices are engaged in implementing BB's overall mandate and fostering improved service delivery to the stakeholders

Are	ea of focus	Cross Reference*
a.	Conduct risk-focused bank supervision with a view to capture and mitigate overall risk exposure of banks	SG-2
b.	Facilitate the initiatives to promote CMSME sector through medium to long term financing	SG-3
C.	Widen financial inclusion and literacy using mainstream banking infrastructure	SG-3
d.	Ingrain green banking and green finance into core business operation of banks and FIs	SG-3
e.	Provide improved banking services delivery to the Govt., banks, FIs and general people	SG-4
f.	Improve operational efficiency of cash management by augmenting modern technology	SG-4
g.	Promote availability of clean currency in circulation	SG-4
h.	Improve performance, competencies and productivity of employees through appropriate training, grooming and mentoring	SG-7
i.	Maintain state-of-the-art ICT infrastructure to ensure functional reliability, security and business continuity	SG-8
j.	Ensure adequately equipped and well-furnished modern office environment	SG-9
k.	Expansion of office area to accommodate growing business need	SG-9
I.	Betterment of Employee service deliveries to enhance employee satisfaction	SG-9

^{*}SG=Strategic Goal

Objective 11.2 Facilitate strategic plan implementation in a way to ensure effective engagement of different operational units

Ac	tion Plans	Key Performance Indicators	Timeline	Departments
a.	Devise effective framework to facilitate strategic plan implementation by the departments and offices	i. Implementation framework is in place	June 2020	Lead: FSSSPD

b.	Promote innovation, teamwork and	i.	Appropriate ways and means	December	Lead:
	coordination to achieve strategic goals		adopted and implemented	2020	FSSSPD
	and objectives				Associate:
					HRD-1, HRD-2

Summary: Strategic Goal 11					
Total number of objectives: 2	Total number of action plans: 2	Total number of KPIs: 2			

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Stakeholders' Feedback

STAKEHOLDERS' FEEDBACK

Bangladesh Bank is keen to obtain continual feedback from internal and external stakeholders those underpin the foundation of strategic planning process as well as the Strategic Plan 2020-24.

Major external stakeholders were:

- 1. Individuals representing diverse segments of the broad population, ranging from marginal farmers and small entrepreneurs to distinguished elites rich in expertise and experience.
- 2. Government Organizations including Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Commerce, Securities & Exchange Commission and Board of Investment.
- 3. Development Partners including World Bank, International Monetary Fund, Asian Development Bank, International Finance Corporations.
- 4. Trade Bodies including MCCI, Foreign Chamber and DCCI.
- 5. Association of Bankers of Bangladesh (ABB), Association of Non-Bank Financial Institutions, and a few individual banks and financial institutions.
- 6. Internal stakeholders including officers and staff at various levels in departments and offices of BB.

Feedback from Internal Stakeholders

- 1. There is a lack of coordination between supervisory and regulatory departments which need to be reduced to ensure more stronger supervisory role of BB.
- 2. Undue interferences and bureaucratic conservatism inhibits supervisory stance and good governance.
- 3. Coordination required between financial inclusions initiatives among the target group through more comprehensive communication strategy and financial literacy program.
- 4. Digitization of issue department is required through introducing modern chest management system for all chest and sub-chest over the country.
- 5. Core Banking Solution needs to be upgraded in order to get full auto generated reports.
- 6. Placement policy is absent: right persons are not ensured in the right positions.
- 7. No succession planning in place: too much workload and dependency on selective key officials.
- 8. More functional training is required for professional development of the staff.
- 9. Priority should be given to prepare comprehensive HR plan and effective capacity building.
- 10. Scopes are still limited for sharing innovative ideas.
- 11. Promotion of support staff to the management cadre need definite quality screening.
- 12. Branch offices should be empowered to take decision at zonal jurisdiction.
- 13. Staff at the branch offices should have more opportunities of foreign training/reward/recognition.
- 14. Staff canteen of BB is not up to the mark and should build new industry standard cafe.
- 15. Transport facilities for the staff should be more befitting as per hierarchy.
- 16. Discrimination of fringe benefits and perk gaps between different tires create employee dissatisfaction.

Feedback from External Stakeholders

- 1. BB should keep-up participatory and consultative process for efficient monetary management.
- 2. Coordination with fiscal policy should be ensured for better safeguarding price stability.
- 3. Adequate survey should be conducted to collect and collate clean data for efficient monetary management.
- 4. BB's authority and capacity for proper regulation and supervision of the banking system should be enhanced.
- 5. BB should engage more emphasis on policy issues and major deviations by banks and financial institutions.
- 6. BB should bring vast majority of people under financial service through various 'Financial Inclusion' drives.
- 7. BB should ensure financial sector's accountability through mainstreaming the CSR activities of banks and FIs.
- 8. BB needs to play a proactive role with regards to climate change and develop policy guideline.
- 9. Enhance public confidence by encouraging NRBs to remit money through banking channel.
- 10. Further liberalization should be in place of current FX regime and limited convertibility of Taka capital account.
- 11. Efficient debt management should be ensured to enhance secondary market trading.
- 12. BB may consider directors' training mandatory for all the directors of commercial banks including the directors of state-owned commercial banks.
- 13. Security of ATM booths, card payment system and online fund transfer should be ensured.
- 14. BB website's search engine should be upgraded with more advanced tools.
- 15. BB should spend more energy to adopt a modern and scientific Human Resources Management and ensure adequate pool of resources with requisite functional, leadership and communication skills.

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