

Boxes and Annexes

Chronology of Major Policy Announcements: October-December, 2016

<p>FE Circular Letter No. 27 02 October 2016</p> <p>Participation Agreement of Green Transformation Fund for export oriented textile & textile products and leather manufacturing industries.</p>	<p>Bangladesh Bank (BB) has established the Green Transformation Fund (GTF) to accelerate sustainable growth in export oriented textile and leather sectors conducive to transformation of green economy in the country. To further fortify the financing arrangement under GTF, it has been decided to provision for a Participation Agreement to be signed between Bangladesh Bank and intended Authorized Dealers (ADs). To enter into the agreement, ADs have to apply in written to concerned Department of BB.</p>
<p>FE Circular No. 30 24 November 2016</p> <p>Cash subsidy for Exports of Agar and Atar products</p>	<p>Government of Bangladesh decided to give twenty (20) percent cash incentives to the exporters of domestically produced Agar and Atar products to encourage the export trade of the country. The exporters will have to place their application to get the cash incentive before the concerned authorized dealer branches of banks within six months after repatriating the export earnings to the country.</p>
<p>SFD Circular No. 02 01 December 2016</p> <p>Set up Sustainable Finance Unit and its' responsibility in Banks and Financial Institutions.</p>	<p>Bangladesh Bank (BB) has taken initiatives to ensure a stable and environment-friendly banking and overall CSR activities to support the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG). To achieve the goal more fruitfully and efficiently BB has instructed the banks and financial institutions to set up a separate 'sustainable financial unit' (may be in name of department/cell/division) in the head offices of banks and financial institutions. The BB advised the banks and financial institutions to form a 'sustainable finance committee' led by a senior most deputy managing director for monitoring and planning sustainable banking and financing related activities.</p>
<p>BRPD Circular No.08 1 December 2016</p> <p>Guidelines on Core Banking Solution (CBS) Features and Controls.</p>	<p>Guidelines on core banking solution features and controls have been issued to formulate a uniform set of instructions that should be accommodated as minimum requirement but not limited to in any Core Banking Solution (CBS).</p>

<p>SFD Circular No.03 08 December 2016</p> <p>Regarding Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) treatment plant erecting.</p>	<p>All Commercial Banks and Financial Institutes have to make sure for all type of their loans & advances that potential borrowers should compulsorily install and monitor Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP) where applicable. This Instruction will also be applicable for all existing financing.</p>
<p>Circular No. DMD-07/2016 14 December 2016</p> <p>Availing loan facility against Wage Earner Development Bond, US Dollar Investment Bond and US Dollar Premium Bond as collateral.</p>	<p>Wage Earner Development Bond, US Dollar Investment Bond and US Dollar Premium Bond can be used as collateral while availing credit facility. This circular addresses few conditions that banks should comply while sanctioning loan keeping Wage Earner Development Bond, US Dollar Investment Bond and US Dollar Premium Bond as collateral.</p>
<p>FE Circular Letter No. 31 20 December 2016</p> <p>Release of foreign exchange against cost of agent services of legal process under The USA PATRIOT Act of 2001.</p>	<p>Authorized Dealers (ADs) may within the purview of above mentioned authorization effect remittance towards cost of agent services of legal process under The USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 after satisfying themselves with the genuineness and bonafides of the requests through agreement/proforma invoice duly accepted and after deducting all applicable taxes.</p>
<p>Circular Letter No.- FEPD (LDA)147/2016-32 27 December 2016</p> <p>Policy linked drawing management of exchange houses abroad with BB under Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) process.</p>	<p>Bangladesh Bank (BB) has reset the security deposit amount of the drawing management with exchange houses abroad under Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) process. The approved banks can now deposit US \$10,000 instead of \$25,000 for Non Residence Declaration (NRD) account or term deposit and Taka 2,00,000 instead of Taka 5,00,000 for Non Resident Taka (NRT) account. But the banks can not provide any overdrawn facility in favor of money transfer institutions.</p>
<p>FE Circular No.31 28 December 2016</p> <p>Regarding Submission of Form C to Bangladesh Bank</p>	<p>Authorized Dealers (ADs) should submit Form C with the monthly/periodic returns to Bangladesh Bank (BB) from January, 2017. Online Inward Remittance Monitoring System of BB should be updated at the time of conducting such transactions. ADs shall preserve the printed copy of Form C (with related documents) at their own custody for 05 (five) years for record and inspection of BB.</p>