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LOAN NUMBER 2568-BAN

LOAN AGREEMENT  
(Ordinary Operations)  
(Public Expenditure Support Facility Program)

between

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH

and

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

DATED 26 OCTOBER 2009

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PLL:BAN 43157

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(Ordinary Operations)**

LOAN AGREEMENT dated 26 October 2009 between PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH (hereinafter called the Borrower) and ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (hereinafter called ADB).

WHEREAS

(A) ADB has received from the Borrower a development policy letter dated 25 August 2009 (hereinafter called the Policy Letter), setting forth certain objectives, policies and actions, described in Schedule 1 to the Special Operations Loan Agreement, referred to in recital (C) below, designed to develop the Borrower's public expenditure sector (hereinafter called the Program);

(B) the Borrower has applied to ADB for a loan from its ordinary capital resources for the purposes of the Program;

(C) by an agreement of even date herewith between the Borrower and ADB (hereinafter called the Special Operations Loan Agreement), ADB has agreed to lend to the Borrower two loans, one from ADB's Special Funds resources with soft terms an amount in various currencies equivalent to sixty four million thirty six thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 64,036,000); and another from ADB's Special Funds resources with hard terms an amount in various currencies equivalent to twenty eight million seven hundred twenty thousand Special Drawing Rights (SDR 28,720,000), both for the purposes of the Program;

(D) by an agreement of even date herewith the between the Borrower and ADB [hereinafter called the Countercyclical Support Facility (CSF) Loan Agreement], ADB has agreed to lend to the Borrower a loan from the CSF in an amount of five hundred million Dollars (\$500,000,000) for the purpose of stimulating the Borrower's economic recovery; and

(E) ADB has, on the basis inter alia of the foregoing, agreed to make a loan to the Borrower from ADB's ordinary capital resources upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I**

**Loan Regulations; Definitions**

Section 1.01. All the provisions of the Ordinary Operations Loan Regulations Applicable to LIBOR-Based Loans Made from ADB's Ordinary Capital Resources, dated 1 July 2001, are hereby made applicable to this Loan Agreement with the same force and effect as if they were fully set forth herein, subject, however, to the following modifications thereof (said Ordinary Operations Loan Regulations as so modified being hereinafter called the Loan Regulations):

- (a) Section 2.01(49) is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

49. The term "Program" means the program for which ADB has agreed to make the Loan, as described in the Loan Agreement and as the description thereof may be amended from time to time by agreement between ADB and the Borrower.

- (b) The term "Project" wherever it appears in the Loan Regulations shall be substituted by the term "Program".

- (c) Section 2.01(51) is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

51. The term "Program Executing Agency" means the entity or entities responsible for the carrying out of the Program as specified in the Loan Agreement.

- (d) The term "Project Executing Agency" wherever it appears in the Loan Regulations shall be substituted by the term "Program Executing Agency".

- (e) Section 3.03 is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

**Commitment Charge; Credit.** (a) The Borrower shall pay a commitment charge on the unwithdrawn amount of the Loan at the rate and on the terms specified in the Loan Agreement.

(b) ADB shall provide to the Borrower a credit at the rate specified in the Loan Agreement, which credit shall remain fixed for the term of the Loan. ADB shall apply the amount of the credit against the interest payable by the Borrower.

- (f) Section 3.06 is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

(a) Following any announcement by ADB that the Fixed Spread applicable to new Loans shall be reduced, ADB shall provide a Rebate to any Borrower with an outstanding Loan on which a higher Fixed Spread is applicable. The amount of the Rebate shall be determined by multiplying (i) the difference between the Fixed Spread applicable to the outstanding Loan and the Fixed Spread that will be applied to new Loans (expressed as a percentage per annum), by (ii) the principal amount of the outstanding Loan on which the Borrower shall pay interest for all interest periods commencing on and after the effective date of the lower Fixed Spread that will be applied to new Loans.

(b) Following any announcement by ADB that its Funding Cost Margin calculations with respect to any Loan Currency (or Approved Currency) in any Semester resulted in ADB achieving savings, ADB shall provide a Rebate to the Borrower. The amount of the Rebate shall be determined by multiplying (i) the Funding Cost Margin (expressed as a percentage per annum) by (ii) the principal

amount of the Loan on which the Borrower shall pay interest for the Interest Period commencing immediately after the Semester for which the Funding Cost Margin was calculated. ADB shall apply the amount of the Rebate against the interest payable by the Borrower for the Interest Period commencing immediately after the Semester for which the Funding Cost Margin was calculated.

(g) Section 3.07 is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

(a) Following any announcement by ADB that the Fixed Spread applicable to new Loans shall be increased, any Borrower with an outstanding Loan on which a lower Fixed Spread is applicable shall pay ADB a Surcharge. The amount of the Surcharge shall be determined by multiplying (i) the difference between the Fixed Spread that will be applied to new Loans and the Fixed Spread applicable to the outstanding Loan (expressed as a percentage per annum), by (ii) the principal amount of the outstanding Loan on which the Borrower shall pay interest for all interest periods commencing on and after the effective date of the higher Fixed Spread that will be applied to new Loans.

(b) Following any announcement by ADB that its Funding Cost Margin calculations with respect to any Loan Currency (or Approved Currency) in any Semester resulted in ADB incurring additional costs, the Borrower shall pay ADB a Surcharge. The amount of the Surcharge shall be determined by multiplying (i) the Funding Cost Margin (expressed as a percentage per annum) by (ii) the principal amount of the Loan on which the Borrower shall pay interest for the Interest Period commencing immediately after the Semester for which the Funding Cost Margin was calculated. ADB shall add the amount of the Surcharge to the interest payable by the Borrower for the Interest Period commencing immediately after the Semester for which the Funding Cost Margin was calculated.

(h) Section 6.01(a) is deleted and the following is substituted therefor:

(a) Subject to any conditions or restrictions specified in the Loan Agreement, the Borrower shall be entitled to withdraw from the Loan Account such amounts as shall be required to meet payments for expenditures required for the Program and to be financed under the Loan Agreement.

Section 1.02. Wherever used in this Loan Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the Loan Regulations and the Special Operations Loan Agreement have the respective meanings therein set forth.

## ARTICLE II

### The Loan

Section 2.01. (a) ADB agrees to lend to the Borrower from ADB's ordinary capital resources an amount of one hundred million Dollars (\$100,000,000), as such amount may be converted from time to time through a Currency Conversion in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.06 of this Loan Agreement.

(b) The Loan has a principal repayment period of 12 years, and a grace period as defined in paragraph (c) of this Section.

(c) The term "grace period" as used in paragraph (b) of this Section means the period prior to the first Principal Payment Date in accordance with the amortization schedule set forth in Schedule 1 to this Loan Agreement.

Section 2.02. The Borrower shall pay to ADB interest on the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time at a rate for each Interest Period equal to the sum of LIBOR and 0.60% as determined by Section 3.02 of the Loan Regulations, less a credit of 0.40% as provided by Section 3.03 of the Loan Regulations.

Section 2.03. The Borrower shall pay to ADB a commitment charge of 0.15% per annum on the unwithdrawn amount of the Loan. Such charge shall accrue from a date sixty (60) days after the date of this Loan Agreement to the respective dates on which amounts shall be withdrawn from the Loan Account or shall be cancelled.

Section 2.04. Interest and other charges on the Loan shall be payable semiannually on 1 February and 1 August in each year.

Section 2.05. The Borrower shall repay the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn from the Loan Account in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 1 to this Loan Agreement.

Section 2.06. (a) The Borrower may at any time request any of the following Conversions of the terms of the Loan in order to facilitate prudent debt management:

- (i) a change of the Loan Currency of all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan, whether withdrawn and outstanding or unwithdrawn, to an Approved Currency;
- (ii) a change of the interest rate basis applicable to all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from a Floating Rate to a Fixed Rate, or vice versa; and
- (iii) the setting of limits on the Floating Rate applicable to all or any portion of the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding by the establishment of an Interest Rate Cap or Interest Rate Collar on said Floating Rate.

(b) Any conversion requested pursuant to paragraph (a) of this Section that is accepted by ADB shall be considered a "Conversion", as defined in Section 2.01(6) of the Loan Regulations, and shall be effected in accordance with the provisions of Article V of the Loan Regulations and the Conversion Guidelines.

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **Use of Proceeds of the Loan**

Section 3.01. The Borrower shall cause the proceeds of the Loan to be applied to the financing of expenditures for the Program in accordance with the provisions of this Loan Agreement.

Section 3.02. The proceeds of the Loan may be withdrawn from the Loan Account only for the purposes of financing foreign currency expenditures incurred for Eligible Items under the Program in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 to this Loan Agreement, as such Schedule may be amended from time to time by agreement between the Borrower and ADB.

Section 3.03. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, all Eligible Items to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall be produced in, and procured from, ADB's member countries in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 4 to the Special Operations Loan Agreement.

Section 3.04. The closing date for withdrawals from the Loan Account for the purposes of Section 9.02 of the Loan Regulations shall be 30 June 2011 or such other date as may from time to time be agreed between the Borrower and ADB.

### **ARTICLE IV**

#### **Particular Covenants**

Section 4.01. (a) The Borrower shall cause the Program to be carried out with due diligence and efficiency and in conformity with sound administrative, financial, engineering, environmental and public expenditure practices.

(b) In the carrying out of the Program, the Borrower shall perform, or cause to be performed, all obligations set forth in Schedule 5 to the Special Operations Loan Agreement.

Section 4.02. The Borrower shall make available, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services and other resources which are required, in addition to the proceeds of the Loan, for the carrying out of the Program and for the operation and maintenance of the Program facilities.

Section 4.03. The Borrower shall ensure that the activities of its departments and agencies with respect to the carrying out of the Program are conducted and coordinated in accordance with sound administrative policies and procedures.

Section 4.04. (a) The Borrower shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, records and documents adequate to identify the Eligible Items financed out of the proceeds of the Loan and to indicate the progress of the Program.

(b) The Borrower shall enable ADB's representatives to inspect any relevant records and documents referred to in paragraph (a) of this Section.

Section 4.05. (a) As part of the reports and information referred to in Section 7.04 of the Loan Regulations, the Borrower shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, to ADB all such reports and information as ADB shall reasonably request concerning (i) the Counterpart Funds and the use thereof; and (ii) the implementation of the Program, including the accomplishment of the targets and carrying out of the actions set out in the Policy Letter.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing or Section 7.04 of the Loan Regulations, the Borrower shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, to ADB quarterly reports on the carrying out of the Program and on the accomplishment of the targets and carrying out of the actions set out in the Policy Letter.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **Effectiveness**

Section 5.01. The following are specified as additional conditions to the effectiveness of this Loan Agreement for the purposes of Section 10.01(f) of the Loan Regulations:

- (a) The Borrower shall have satisfied all conditions for the release of the First Tranche, as set out in Attachment 2 to Schedule 3 to the Special Operations Loan Agreement;
- (b) the Special Operations Loan Agreement shall have been duly executed and delivered on behalf of the Borrower and all conditions precedent to its effectiveness (other than conditions requiring the effectiveness of this Loan Agreement) shall have been fulfilled; and
- (c) the CSF Loan Agreement shall have been duly executed and delivered on behalf of the Borrower and all conditions precedent to its effectiveness (other than conditions requiring the effectiveness of this Loan Agreement) shall have been fulfilled.

Section 5.02. A date thirty (30) days after the date of this Loan Agreement is specified for the effectiveness of the Loan Agreement for the purposes of Section 10.04 of the Loan Regulations.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Miscellaneous**

Section 6.01. The Secretary of ERD is designated as representative of the Borrower for the purposes of Section 12.02 of the Loan Regulations.

Section 6.02. The following addresses are specified for the purposes of Section 12.01 of the Loan Regulations:

#### For the Borrower

Economic Relations Division  
Ministry of Finance  
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh  
Sher-e-Bangla Nagar  
Dhaka 1207  
Bangladesh

Facsimile Number:

+880 2 811 3088

#### For ADB


Asian Development Bank  
P.O. Box 789  
0980 Manila, Philippines

Facsimile Numbers:

(632) 636-2444  
(632) 636-2337.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto, acting through their representatives thereunto duly authorized, have caused this Loan Agreement to be signed in their respective names and to be delivered at the principal office of ADB, as of the day and year first above written.

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF  
BANGLADESH



By \_\_\_\_\_  
M MUSHARRAF HOSSAIN BHUIYAN  
Authorized Representative

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK



By \_\_\_\_\_  
PAUL J. HEYTENS  
Country Director  
Bangladesh Resident Mission

## SCHEDULE 1

### Amortization Schedule (Public Expenditure Support Facility)

1. The following table sets forth the Principal Payment Dates of the Loan and the percentage of the total principal amount of the Loan payable on each Principal Payment Date (Installment Share). If the proceeds of the Loan shall have been fully withdrawn as of the first Principal Payment Date, the principal amount of the Loan repayable by the Borrower on each Principal Payment Date shall be determined by ADB by multiplying: (a) the total principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding as of the first Principal Payment Date; by (b) the Installment Share for each Principal Payment Date, such repayment amount to be adjusted, as necessary, to deduct any amounts referred to in paragraph 4 of this Schedule, to which a Currency Conversion applies.

<u>Date Payment Due</u>	<u>Installment Share</u> (Expressed as a %)
1 February 2013	4.166667
1 August 2013	4.166667
1 February 2014	4.166667
1 August 2014	4.166667
1 February 2015	4.166667
1 August 2015	4.166667
1 February 2016	4.166667
1 August 2016	4.166667
1 February 2017	4.166667
1 August 2017	4.166667
1 February 2018	4.166667
1 August 2018	4.166667
1 February 2019	4.166667
1 August 2019	4.166667
1 February 2020	4.166667
1 August 2020	4.166667
1 February 2021	4.166667
1 August 2021	4.166667
1 February 2022	4.166667
1 August 2022	4.166667
1 February 2023	4.166667
1 August 2023	4.166667
1 February 2024	4.166667
1 August 2024	<u>4.166659</u>
Total	100.000000

2. If the proceeds of the Loan shall not have been fully withdrawn as of the first Principal Payment Date, the principal amount of the Loan repayable by the Borrower on each Principal Payment Date shall be determined as follows:

(a) To the extent that any proceeds of the Loan shall have been withdrawn as of the first Principal Payment Date, the Borrower shall repay the amount withdrawn and outstanding as of such date in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Schedule.

(b) Any withdrawal made after the first Principal Payment Date shall be repaid on each Principal Payment Date falling after the date of such withdrawal in amounts determined by ADB by multiplying the amount of each such withdrawal by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the original Installment Share specified in the table in paragraph 1 of this Schedule for said Principal Payment Date (the Original Installment Share) and the denominator of which shall be the sum of all remaining Original Installment Shares for Principal Payment Dates falling on or after such date, such repayment amounts to be adjusted, as necessary, to deduct any amounts referred to in paragraph 4 of this Schedule, to which a Currency Conversion applies.

3. Withdrawals made within two calendar months prior to any Principal Payment Date shall, for the purposes solely of calculating the principal amounts payable on any Principal Payment Date, be treated as withdrawn and outstanding on the second Principal Payment Date following the date of withdrawal and shall be repayable on each Principal Payment Date commencing with the second Principal Payment Date following the date of withdrawal.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Schedule, upon a Currency Conversion of all or any portion of the withdrawn principal amount of the Loan to an Approved Currency, the amount so converted in said Approved Currency that shall be repayable on any Principal Payment Date occurring during the Conversion Period, shall be determined by ADB by multiplying such amount in its currency of denomination immediately prior to said Conversion by either: (i) the exchange rate that reflects the amounts of principal in said Approved Currency payable by ADB under the Currency Hedge Transaction relating to said Conversion; or (ii) if ADB so determines in accordance with the Conversion Guidelines, the exchange rate component of the Screen Rate.

5. If the principal amount of the Loan withdrawn and outstanding from time to time shall be denominated in more than one Loan Currency, the provisions of this Schedule shall apply separately to the amount denominated in each Loan Currency, so as to produce a separate amortization schedule for each such amount.

## SCHEDULE 2

### Withdrawal of Loan Proceeds

1. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, the following provisions of this Schedule shall apply to the withdrawal of Loan proceeds from the Loan Account.

2. (a) Withdrawals from the Loan Account shall be made for the financing of the cost of Eligible Items.

(b) No withdrawals from the Loan Account shall be made in respect of any expenditures which have been financed by credits from official international or bilateral aid agencies or any other loans made by ADB.

3. (a) An application for withdrawal from the Loan Account shall be submitted to ADB by the Borrower and shall be in a form satisfactory to ADB.

(b) Such withdrawal applications shall be accompanied by a certificate of the Borrower confirming that with respect to each year during which the proceeds of the Loan are expected to be disbursed, the value of the Eligible Imports is expected to be equal to or greater than the amount of the Loan expected to be disbursed during such year.

(c) For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "Eligible Imports" means the total imports of the Borrower during the relevant period minus the following imports during the same period:

- (i) imports from countries which are not members of ADB;
- (ii) imports for ineligible items specified in Attachment 1 to Schedule 3 of the Special Operations Loan Agreement; and
- (iii) imports financed from credits from official international or bilateral aid agencies or any other loans made by ADB.

(d) The Borrower shall allow experts appointed by ADB to verify the value of Eligible Imports during any period in respect of which the Borrower has certified the value of Eligible Imports in its withdrawal application.

4. (a) Prior to submitting the first application to ADB for withdrawal from the Loan Account, the Borrower shall nominate an account (the Deposit Account) at the Bangladesh Bank into which all withdrawals from the Loan Account shall be deposited. The Deposit Account shall be established, managed and liquidated in accordance with terms and conditions satisfactory to ADB.

(b) Separate accounts and records in respect of the Deposit Account shall be maintained in accordance with consistently maintained sound accounting principles. Upon ADB's request, the Borrower shall have the Deposit Account audited by independent auditors, whose qualifications, experience and terms of reference are acceptable to ADB, in accordance with appropriate auditing standards. Promptly after their preparation but in any

event not later than six (6) months after the date of ADB's request, certified copies of such audited accounts and records shall be furnished to ADB, all in the English language.

(c) Throughout the Program implementation period, the Borrower shall submit trade statistics and any other information as ADB may require from time to time to assess the Borrower's compliance with the formula for determining Eligible Imports.

5. The First Tranche shall be released as soon as reasonably practicable following the Effective Date.

6. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Loan Agreement or the Loan Regulations and except as ADB may otherwise agree, no withdrawals shall be made from the Second Tranche unless ADB shall be satisfied, after consultation with the Borrower, that (a) sufficient progress has been achieved by the Borrower in the carrying out of the Program; (b) all First Tranche conditions continue to be complied with; and (c) the Borrower has fulfilled the conditions for the release of the Second Tranche specified in Attachment 3 to the Special Operations Loan Agreement.