



# Bangladesh: Strengthening Social Resilience Program (Subprogram 1)

Project Name	Strengthening Social Resilience Program (Subprogram 1)												
Project Number	55041-001												
Country / Economy	Bangladesh												
Project Status	Active												
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Loan Technical Assistance												
Source of Funding / Amount	<table border="1"><tr><td colspan="2"><b>Loan 4076-BAN: Strengthening Social Resilience Program (Subprogram 1)</b></td></tr><tr><td>Ordinary capital resources</td><td>US\$ 250.00 million</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"><b>TA 6735-BAN: Strengthening Social Resilience Program</b></td></tr><tr><td>Japan Fund for Prosperous and Resilient Asia and the Pacific</td><td>US\$ 1.20 million</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"><b>Loan: Strengthening Social Resilience Program (Subprogram 1)</b></td></tr><tr><td>Japan International Cooperation Agency</td><td>US\$ 350.91 million</td></tr></table>	<b>Loan 4076-BAN: Strengthening Social Resilience Program (Subprogram 1)</b>		Ordinary capital resources	US\$ 250.00 million	<b>TA 6735-BAN: Strengthening Social Resilience Program</b>		Japan Fund for Prosperous and Resilient Asia and the Pacific	US\$ 1.20 million	<b>Loan: Strengthening Social Resilience Program (Subprogram 1)</b>		Japan International Cooperation Agency	US\$ 350.91 million
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Operational Priorities	OP1: Addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities OP2: Accelerating progress in gender equality OP6: Strengthening governance and institutional capacity												
Sector / Subsector	Finance / Inclusive finance Health / Health system development Public sector management / Social protection initiatives												
Gender	Effective gender mainstreaming												
Description	The proposed program aims to support the Government of Bangladesh in strengthening the social resilience of its people. The programmatic approach, consisting of two subprograms, is proposed to design and support sequenced policy packages and to enhance the inclusiveness and responsiveness of social development in Bangladesh												
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	<p>Bangladesh has had considerable success in reducing poverty, lowering the poverty incidence from 48.9% in 2000 to 20.5% in 2019. However, while many people were lifted from extreme poverty, a considerable number continue to live at a subsistence level barely sustained by day work. These are the people who are highly vulnerable to shocks such as major illnesses and external events, including disasters triggered by natural hazards.</p> <p>The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic significantly affected the socioeconomic situation of Bangladesh. The growth rate of its gross domestic product (GDP) decreased by 3% in 2020, from a pre-COVID-19 estimate of 8.2%. Among those hit hardest by the pandemic are poor people who faced further impoverishment, and many vulnerable people who fell back into poverty.</p> <p>Continued social protection support is critical to cushioning the effects of the pandemic. The government intends to leverage the COVID-19 pandemic as an opportunity to strengthen its social protection programs as an essential means of building the resilience of the poor; supporting inclusive recovery; and working toward faster, sustainable, and resilient development.</p> <p>The program is aligned with the country partnership strategy, 2016-2020 of the ADB for Bangladesh, which prioritizes investments in human capital through social programs and improved rural livelihoods; and with the operational priorities of ADB's Strategy 2030, particularly 1-addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities, 2-accelerating progress in gender equality, and 6-strengthening governance and institutional capacity. The program will (i) have direct positive impacts on poor, vulnerable women and men by improving the coverage of key social protection programs, (ii) contribute to gender equality by ensuring the consideration of gender-specific needs in urban health planning, and (iii) strengthen the institutional capacity for social protection by reforming the administration and management of social protection programs.</p>												
Impact	Social resilience of people strengthened (National Social Security Strategy of Bangladesh, 2021/2025)												
<b>Project Outcome</b>													
Description of Outcome	Responsive, inclusive, and efficient social development enhanced												
Progress Toward Outcome													
<b>Implementation Progress</b>													
Description of Project Outputs													
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)													
Geographical Location	Nation-wide												
<b>Safeguard Categories</b>													
Environment	C												
Involuntary Resettlement	C												
Indigenous Peoples	C												
<b>Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects</b>													
Environmental Aspects													
Involuntary Resettlement													

Indigenous Peoples

Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation	
During Project Design	1st, 2nd Qtr
During Project Implementation	Throughout
Business Opportunities	
Consulting Services	Not Applicable
Procurement	Not Applicable
Responsible ADB Officer	Shiroishi, Hiroko Uchimura
Responsible ADB Department	South Asia Department
Responsible ADB Division	Human and Social Development Division, SARD
Executing Agencies	Finance Division, Ministry of Finance

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	24 Mar 2021
Fact Finding	06 Apr 2021 to 07 Apr 2021
MRM	29 Apr 2021
Approval	18 Jun 2021
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	13 Dec 2022

## Loan 4076-BAN

Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
18 Jun 2021	22 Jun 2021	24 Jun 2021	30 Sep 2021	-	26 Aug 2021

Financing Plan		Loan Utilization			
	Total (Amount in US\$ million)	Date	ADB	Others	Net Percentage
Project Cost	250.00	Cumulative Contract Awards			
ADB	250.00	13 Dec 2022	250.00	0.00	100%
Counterpart	0.00	Cumulative Disbursements			
Cofinancing	0.00	13 Dec 2022	250.00	0.00	100%

## TA 6735-BAN

Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
18 Jun 2021	29 Jun 2021	29 Jun 2021	31 Dec 2023	-	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
0.00	1,200,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200,000.00	13 Dec 2022	139,339.53

Project Page	<a href="https://www.adb.org/projects/55041-001/main">https://www.adb.org/projects/55041-001/main</a>
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