



Advance Contracting Notice

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Country/Borrower: **Bangladesh**

Title of Proposed Project: **Urban Primary Health Services Delivery Project**

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Brief Description of Project:

The Urban Primary Health Services Delivery Project (UPHSDP) builds upon two previous urban primary health care (PHC) projects (UPHCP-I and UPCHP-II) financed by the Government of Bangladesh (GOB) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to further develop and strengthen institutional capacity for sustainable delivery of pro-poor (PHC) services in urban areas through public-private partnership (PPP). The Project will cover a physical network of 30 partnership areas (PAs) in nine city corporations and six selected municipalities, including Gazipur municipality (proposed city corporation) and Rangpur municipality (proposed city corporations). The impact of the project is improved health of the urban population, particularly the poor, women, and children. The outcome is sustainable quality urban PHC services provided in project areas, targeting the poor and needs of women and children. Project outputs are as follows: (i) Strengthened institutional governance and local government capacity to sustainably deliver urban PHC services; (ii) Improved accessibility, quality, and utilization of urban PHC services delivery system, focusing on the poor, women, and children, through PPP; and (iii) Effective support for decentralized project management.

Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works and Consulting Services to be Procured:

At the request of the Government, advance contracting was approved for procurement of partnership agreements to deliver primary health care (PHC) services in selected partnership areas and to ensure timely implementation. The Project's PHC services comprise a package of essential services delivery (ESD+), including comprehensive obstetrics care. The package focuses on maternal and child health, nutrition, family planning, and behavior change communication as fundamental components.

Procurement procedures will follow International Competitive Bidding (ICB) in accordance with the [ADB's Procurement Guidelines](#) (2010, as amended from time to time).

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