



# Advance Contracting Notice

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**Date:** 6 July 2015

**Country/Borrower:** Bangladesh

**Title of Proposed Project:** P42378-BAN: Power System Expansion and Efficiency Improvement Investment Program (Tranche 3)

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**Brief Description of the Project:**

The Government of Bangladesh has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Islamic Development Bank (IDB) towards the cost of the Power System Expansion and Efficiency Improvement Investment Program (Tranche 3). The advance contracting was approved in June 2015. Approval of advance contracting will not commit to subsequently to approve the project or to finance the procurement costs.

The project will address two key areas in the electricity supply industry in Bangladesh which suffers from acute power shortages: (i) replacing energy-inefficient thermal power plants by more efficient combine cycle gas turbine with increased capacity; and (ii) reducing transmission

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and distribution loss by constructing or upgrading 132kv transmission lines, substations and installing prepayment metering systems.

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

The procurements of the project will be conducted through international competitive bidding (ICB) procedures which includes 3 packages:

- A. Ashuganj 400MW combined cycle power plant (CCPP) East; EA is APSCCL
- B. 132 kV transmission line and substations at Chittagong Division; EA is PGCB
- C. Prepayment e-Metering in Dhaka Division, EA is REB

All procurements will follow [ADB's Procurement Guidelines \(2015, as amended from time to time\)](#). For package (i), as the procurement will be conducted jointly by ADB and IDB, the list of eligible countries and firms will comply with ADB's Procurement Guidelines (2015) and IDB's Guidelines for Procurement of Goods and Works under Islamic Development Bank Financing, May 2009.

Specific procurement notices for procurements and consulting services contracts will be announced, as they become available, in ADB's Business Opportunities and IDB's websites.

**Date of Advance Contracting Approval:** 1 July 2015