



Bangladesh Private Sector Development Support Project



WORKSHOP Enhancing Economic Zones



7 February 2006, Dhaka Sheraton Hotel

AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00 Registration of the Participants

9:00 – 9:45 Inaugural Session
Session Chair: Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

9:00 – 9:05 Welcome Address
Mamdood Hossain Alamgir, Director, Board of Investment

9:05 – 9:15 Session Chair's Address
Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

9:15 – 9:45 Chief Guest's Address
Mahmudur Rahman, Executive Chairman, Board of Investment and Adviser, Energy and Mineral Resources Division

9:45 – 11:00 Session 1: An Overview of Economic Zones in Bangladesh
Session Chair: Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

9:45 – 10:00 Export Processing Zones in Bangladesh: Past, Present, and Future
Brig. Gen Md. Zakir Hossain psc, G (Retd), Chairman, BEPZA

10:00 – 10:15 Industrial Estates in Bangladesh: Past, Present, and Future
S.R. Osmani, Chairman, BSCIC

10:15 – 10:45 Key Findings of the Economic Zones Project in Bangladesh
Fatima Shah, Task Team Leader, FIAS

10:45 – 11:00 Concluding Remarks
Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

11:00 – 11:15 Tea/Coffee

11:15 – 13:00 Session 2: Enhancing Economic Zones for the New Millennium
Session Chair: Mahbubur Rahman, International Chamber of Commerce Bangladesh

11:15 – 11:25 PSD Core Group Efforts
Craig Wilson, Program Manager, Investment Climate Assessments, SEDF

Enhancing Economic Zones: Agenda (cont.)

11:25 – 11:45 Economic Zones Study Tours Review
Mamdood Hossain Alamgir, Director, Board of Investment

11:45 – 12:45 A Strategy for Economic Zones in Bangladesh
Kishore Rao, Managing Director, BearingPoint

12:45 – 13:00 Concluding Remarks
Mahbubur Rahman, International Chamber of Commerce Bangladesh

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Session 3: Breakout Groups

Breakout Group 1 Modernizing the Policy/Regulatory/Institutional/Legal Frameworks for Economic Zones
Moderator: Md. Nazrul Islam ndc, Member, Executive Council, Board of Investment
Resource Person: Kishore Rao

Breakout Group 2 Public-Private Partnerships in Infrastructure Provision
Moderator: S.R. Osmani, Chairman, BSCIC
Resource Persons: Ajit Kumar and Fatima Shah

Breakout Group 3 Establishing a Special Economic Zone in Bangladesh
Moderator: Brig. Gen Md. Zakir Hossain psc, G (Retd), Chairman, BEPZA
Resource Person: Craig Wilson

15:30 – 15:45 Tea/Coffee

15:45 – 16:45 Session 4: Economic Zones Concluding Session *Session Chair: Mahmudur Rahman, Executive Chairman, Board of Investment and Adviser, Energy and Mineral Resources Division*

15:45 – 15:55 Recommendations of Breakout Group 1

15:55 – 16:05 Recommendations of Breakout Group 2

16:05 – 16:10 Recommendations of Breakout Group 3

16:10 – 16:30 Economic Zones: Fitting All the Pieces Together
G. M. Khurshid Alam, The World Bank Dhaka Office

16:30 – 16:45 Concluding Remarks
Mahmudur Rahman, Executive Chairman, Board of Investment and Adviser, Energy and Mineral Resources Division



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WORKSHOP Reducing Administrative Barriers to Investment



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8:30 – 9:00 Registration of the Participants

9:00 – 10:45 **Session 5: Introduction to Administrative Barriers**
Session Chair: Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome Address
Mamdood Hossain Alamgir, Director, Board of Investment

9:10 – 9:15 Session Chair's Address
Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

9:15 – 9:30 Introduction to Administrative Barriers Review
Craig Wilson, Program Manager, Investment Climate Assessments, SEDF

9:30 – 9:45 ABR Working Group Insights on the Review Process
ABR Working Group Members

9:45 – 10:30 Findings of the First ABR in Bangladesh
Iftekar Ahmed, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

10:30 – 10:45 Introducing Regulatory Impact Analysis into the Reform Process
Peter Ladegaard, Regulatory Governance Specialist, FIAS

10:45 – 11:00 **Tea/Coffee**

11:00 – 2:00 **Session 6: Discussion: A Strategy for ABR in Bangladesh**
Session Chair: Farooq Sobhan, President, Bangladesh Enterprise Institute

Discussion ABR for National Board of Revenue
Topic 1

Discussion ABR for Department of Environment
Topic 2

Discussion ABR for Board of Investment/Bangladesh Bank
Topic 3

2:00 – 3:00 **Closing Lunch**