105-Supreme Court of Bangladesh

Mid Term Expenditure

(Taka in Thousands)

Description	Budget	Proje	ection
Description	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Operating Expenditure	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00
Development Expenditure	0	0	0
Total	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00
Recurrent	208,72,25	222,65,30	236,44,95
Capital	28,38,00	31,77,00	35,72,00
Financial Asset	19,75	37,70	47,05
Liability	0	0	0
Total	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00

1.0 Mission Statement and Major Functions

1.1 Mission Statement

Establishment of an efficient judicial administration in order to ensure justice, fundamental and legal rights for all citizens of the republic.

1.2 Major Functions

- 1.2.1 Adjudicating and disposal of all original, appeals, revision and other cases arising out of different jurisdictions and brought before the court;
- 1.2.2 Rendering required judgment and direction to person or authority in order to protect the fundamental rights of the people of the Republic;
- 1.2.3 Supervision and control over the subordinate courts and tribunals as a Constitutional duty;
- 1.2.4 Rendering opinion on matters referred by the Honorable President pertaining to public importance;
- 1.2.5 Laying down of rules under the Constitution and other laws for the regulation of activities of Supreme Court and Subordinate Courts:
- 1.2.6 Execution of functions relating to the appointment, posting, promotion, discipline, leave and other activities relating to all judicial officers of the subordinate courts, tribunals, and magistracy;
- 1.2.7 Preservation of records of the adjudicated cases, providing certified copies of judgment and orders of disposed of cases and also providing information on pending cases;
- 1.2.8 Publication of Daily Cause List through website containing relevant information of Supreme Court cases and also enhancement of coordination and connectivity with the Subordinate Courts.

2.0 Mid Term Strategic Objectives and Activities

Mid Term Strategic Objectives	Activities	Implementing Departments/Agencies
1	2	3
Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient	Leveraging ICT to ensure expeditious judicial process.	Supreme Court
administration of justice	Development of necessary IT infrastructure-	

Mid Term Strategic Objectives	Activities	Implementing Departments/Agencies
1	2	3
	hardware, software and networking; Bringing all activities of the Supreme Court and Subordinate Courts under automation and	
	networking system; Regular publication of information of Subordinate Courts, such as status of pending cases, date of hearing, outcome of the cases and complete judgements, etc. Updating necessary recommendation for effective inspection and supervision of Sub-	
	Publication of paper book of death references and criminal appeal cases as well as other important works Expansion of Supreme Court's Record Room and development of infrastructure for all sections	
Simplifying access to justice	Modernizing the Supreme Court Library and automation of the library management system Facilitating easy access to legal literature including law books, journals, law reference books and text books published locally or abroad	
	Monitoring activities of the District Legal Aid Committees Supervision and implementation of all legal aid activities including legal aid given for Jail Appeals under various laws	

3.0 Poverty Reduction and Women Empowerment Reporting

3.1 Impact of Strategic Objectives on Poverty Reduction and Women's Advancement

3.1.1 Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient administration of justice

Impact on Poverty Reduction: No direct impact.

Impact on Women's Advancement: The Supreme Court is playing an important role in women empowerment and women advancement by protecting and ensuring their constitutional and fundamental rights. In addition, under the constant guidance and supervision of the Supreme court, poor and destitute women across the country are getting legal aid that helps protect their legal rights and in turn, empowers them in the society.

3.1.2 Facilitating access to justice

Impact on Poverty Reduction: No direct impact.

Impact on Women's Advancement: No direct impact.

3.2 Poverty Reduction and Women's Advancement Related Spending

(Taka in Thousands)

Description	Budget	Proje	ection
Description	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Poverty Reduction	2,43,55	2,64,84	2,90,10
Gender	105,70,23	113,45,84	121,30,50

4.1 Priority Spending Areas/Schemes

	Priority Spending Areas/Schemes	R	elated Strategic Objectives
1.	Digitization of Supreme Court Filings, Affidavits, Criminal Misc and Writ Section. In order to resolve the backlog of cases, modernization, digitization and automation of the filing, affidavit, criminal misc and Writ Sections are very important. Therefore, priority has been given to the sector.	•	Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient administration of justice Simplifying access to justice
2.	Construction of separate building for Supreme Court administration. At present there are about 2400 officers and staffs in the Supreme Court administration. It is necessary to ensure the proper working environment of the said officers and staffs in order to bring dynamism in the work of Supreme Court administration. As a result, there is a plan to construct a 20-storey administrative building in the Supreme Court with conference room, library etc. to ensure justice and this sector has been given priority.	•	Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient administration of justice Simplifying access to justice
3.	Establishment of a modern record building in Supreme Court with digital record room along with firefighting system. Supreme Court of Bangladesh has been dignified with the status of 'Court of Record' in the Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Currently Bangladesh Supreme Court has about 12 lac case records in 3 record rooms. Also, there is an increase of about 1 lac new case records every year. As a result, due to lack of space in the record rooms, documents are being kept in the balcony of the record room. Moreover, there is no firefighting system in the existing record rooms. Hence, there is a plan to establish a modern record building with a digital record room along with firefighting system and priority has been given to this sector.	•	Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient administration of justice Simplifying access to justice
4.	Establishment of a medical building to convert the Supreme Court Medical Center into a full-fledged clinic. At present, medical services are being provided to more than 100 honorable judges of Bangladesh Supreme Court and about 2400 officers and staffs at the Supreme Court Medical Center on a limited basis, which is insufficient compared to the demand. Moreover, every year the officers and staffs of the Supreme Court are supplied with a large quantity of medicines which require separate premises for proper storage. On the whole, this sector has been given priority as it is necessary to establish a medical building for the purpose of converting the Supreme Court Medical Center into a full-fledged clinic	•	Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient administration of justice
5.	Establishment of security perimeter with archway in every building of Supreme Court: Bangladesh Supreme Court is the highest court of the country. Every day, many litigants from all over the country travel to this premises to seek justice. Trials of various sensitive cases have been disposed in Bangladesh Supreme Court. As a result, in order to strengthen the security system in the Supreme Court, this sector has been given priority	•	Ensuring justice through establishment of efficient administration of justice Simplifying access to justice

Priority Spending Areas/Schemes	Related Strategic Objectives
as it is very important to establish a security zone with archways in every	
building of the Supreme Court.	

4.2 Medium Term Expenditure Estimates and Projection (2023-24 to 2025-26)

4.2.1 Expenditure by Department/Agencies/Institutional Units

(Taka in Thousands)

Description	Budget	Revised	Budget	Projection		
Description	2022-23		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	
Appellate Division, Supreme Court	19,92,00	18,42,16	25,20,00	28,00,00	31,00,00	
High Court Division	210,77,00	190,64,60	212,10,00	226,80,00	241,64,00	
Grand Total :	230,69,00	209,06,76	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00	

4.2.2 Expenditure by Economic Group Wise

(Taka in Thousands)

Economic	Description	Budget	Revised	Budget	Projec	ction
Group	Description	2022	2-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
	Recurrent Expenditure					
3111	Wages and salaries in cash	150,50,88	141,39,85	156,06,41	162,46,55	169,94,32
3211	Administrative expenses	16,65,60	15,93,30	17,61,70	19,43,00	20,04,00
3221	Fees, charges and commissions	5,05	8,05	7,55	8,60	9,20
3231	Training	9,50	9,50	13,00	16,00	22,00
3243	Petrol, oil and lubricants	3,41,00	5,26,00	5,91,00	6,73,00	7,37,00
3244	Travel and Transfer	51,00	39,00	55,00	57,00	62,00
3252	Medical and surgical supplies	12,00	18,00	20,00	24,50	25,00
3255	Printing and stationery	5,32,90	5,54,00	5,26,50	5,75,70	6,93,00
3256	General supplies and materials	1,66,00	1,76,00	1,27,00	2,01,00	2,16,00
3257	Professional services, honorariums and special expenses	11,95,10	11,18,00	10,40,10	11,05,10	12,15,10
3258	Repairs and maintenance	6,81,20	5,16,70	9,66,49	13,93,00	15,00,00
3821	Current transfers not elsewhere classified	2,50	1,85	2,50	3,00	3,00
3911	Reserve	1,52	0	1,55,00	18,85	1,64,33
	Total : - Recurrent Expenditure	197,14,25	187,00,25	208,72,25	222,65,30	236,44,95
	Capital Expenditure					
4112	Machinery and equipment	33,30,00	21,96,46	28,38,00	31,77,00	35,72,00
	Total : - Capital Expenditure	33,30,00	21,96,46	28,38,00	31,77,00	35,72,00
	Assets					
7215	Loans	24,75	10,05	19,75	37,70	47,05
	Total : - Assets	24,75	10,05	19,75	37,70	47,05
	Grand Total :	230,69,00	209,06,76	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00

5.0 Key Performance Indicator (KPIs)

Indicator	Related Strategic		Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Medium Term Targets		
	Objectives		202	1-22	202	2-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Case disposal rate of the Supreme Court									
Based on the number of newly filed cases*	1,2	%	45	62	65	70	70	75	75
b. Based on the number of pending cases**	1,2	%	35	20	35	40	50	55	55

Indicator	Related Strategic	Unit	Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Medi	lium Term Targets		
	Objectives		202	1-22	202	2-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Disposal of cases of the Subordinate Court										
Based on the number of newly filed cases*	1	%	75	85	85	85	90	90	90	
b. Based on the number of pending Cases**	- 	%	45	30	55	60	65	70	70	
Based on the inspection of Subordinate Courts	1	%	20	46	40	35	45	50	50	

^{*} Percentage of disposed cases out of the total cases filed in the respective year.

6.0 Recent Achievements, Activities, Output Indicators, Targets and Expenditure Estimates of the Departments/Agencies

6.1 Bangladesh Supreme Court

6.1.1 Recent Achievements: Bangladesh Supreme Court disposed of 1,72,934 cases in the last 3 years. Under the active supervision of the Supreme Court, 11,76,802 cases were disposed of in the subordinate courts last year. The Honorable Chief Justice of Bangladesh has constituted 8 monitoring committees consisting of 8 honorable judges of the High Court Division to supervise the courts of 8 divisions across the country. Therefore, disposal rate of the subordinate courts has been increased manifold. A web application service has been launched to initiate the process of filing (e-filing) cases of both divisions of Bangladesh Supreme Court. A state-of-the-art data center has been established at the Supreme Court. A restroom called 'Nayakunja' with all facilities has been established in the Supreme Court premises for the rest of the people seeking justice. In order to ensure the use of information technology to increase the speed of judicial proceedings, 6 court technologies have been recently developed by the Supreme Court, which are reporting tools for the monitoring committee on the online platform, activities related to the digital copy of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, Access to Appellate Division, Online Publication of Subordinate Court Judgments and Orders, Report Entry Platform for Children Courts and Supreme Court Mobile App which are playing an important role in facilitating access to justice.

6.1.2 Activities, Output Indicators and Targets

	Activities	Output Indicator	Related Strategic Unit Objectives	Unit	Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Mediu	ım Term T	argets
		indicator	Objectives		202	1-22	202	2-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1.	Leveraging ICT to simplify and streamline the judicial process	Disposal of cases	1,2	Number (000)	60	50	75	70	80	85	85
2.	Development of necessary IT infrastructure-hardware, software and networking	Online connectivity established	1, 2	%	60	55	70	65	75	80	85
3.	Automation and integration of the various activities of the Supreme Court including those of the Subordinate Courts	Online connectivity with subordinate courts established	1, 2	No. of subordinate courts	50	45	60	60	65	70	75
4.	Publication of the case information-status of pending cases, dates of hearings, results and complete judgements, etcof the Subordinate Courts on the website on a regular basis	Information provided into the website on a daily basis	1,2	Number of cases (000)	40	50	50	50	60	65	70
5.	Implementing the rules and procedure of inspection of Subordinate Courts in order to supervise effectively	Update Rules/ Regulations	1,2	Number	35	35	40	40	45	50	55

^{**} Percentage of disposed cases out of total pending cases filed till previous year.

Activities	Output Indicator	Related Strategic Unit		Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Mediu	ım Term T	argets
	indicator	Objectives		202	1-22	202	2-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Publication of death references and criminal appeal cases as well as other important works	Completion of work of paper book within stipulated time	1	%	65	50	75	70	80	85	85
7. Upgrading the physical infrastructure for all sections of Supreme Court including the expansion of the Record Room*	Completion of work	1,2	%	100	60	100	80	100	100	100
Modernizing the Library of the Supreme Court and automation of the library management system	IT system installed (Completion of work)	1,2	%	90	80	95	90	100	100	100
Facilitating better access to legal literature including the law journals, law reference books, and text books published locally or abroad	Number of people making use of reference materials	2	%	90	80	95	90	95	95	95
Monitoring the activities of the District Legal Aid Committees	Inspection	1, 2	No. of inspection	80	70	90	85	95	95	95
Supervision and implementation of all legal aid activities including legal aid given for Jail Appeals under various laws	Disposal of cases	1,2	Number	65	60	80	75	85	85	90

6.1.3 Medium Term Expenditure Estimates by Institutional Unit, Schemes and Projects

(Taka in Thousands)

Name of the Institutional Unit/Scheme/ Project	Related Activity	Actual 2021-22	Budget	Revised	Medium Term Expenditure Estimates		
			2022-23		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Operating Activities							
General Activity							
1050101 - Appellate Division, Supreme Court	1-11	14,08,58	19,84,45	18,39,51	25,17,00	27,92,80	30,88,45
1050102 - High Court Division	1-11	154,33,03	207,39,80	188,07,20	210,73,25	224,99,50	239,28,50
Total : General Activity		168,41,61	227,24,25	206,46,71	235,90,25	252,92,30	270,16,95
Special Activity							
120000801 - Loans to Government Employees	1-11	4,85	17,20	7,40	16,75	30,50	35,50
120000801 - Loans to Government Employees	1-11	0	7,55	2,65	3,00	7,20	11,55
120002299 - Other Days Observation	1-11	27,23	3,20,00	2,50,00	1,20,00	1,50,00	2,00,00
Total : Special Activity		32,08	3,44,75	2,60,05	1,39,75	1,87,70	2,47,05
Total : Operating Activities		168,73,69	230,69,00	209,06,76	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00
Total :		168,73,69	230,69,00	209,06,76	237,30,00	254,80,00	272,64,00