

Grant No. 56
159 - Bridges Division
Medium Term Expenditure

(Taka in Thousands)

Description	Budget 2024-25	Projection	
		2025-26	2026-27
Operating Expenditure	9,27,00	10,20,00	11,22,00
Development Expenditure	7308,83,00	8039,71,00	8843,68,00
Total	7318,10,00	8049,91,00	8854,90,00
Recurrent	863,66,00	670,69,54	84,72,13
Capital	6454,44,00	7379,21,46	8770,17,87
Financial Asset	0	0	0
Liability	0	0	0
Total	7318,10,00	8049,91,00	8854,90,00

1.0 Mission Statement and Major Functions**1.1 Mission Statement**

Development of socio-economic condition of the country by ensuring integrated transport system through construction and maintenance activities of bridges, tunnels, flyovers, expressways, subways and other infrastructure of 1500 meters and above length.

1.2 Major Functions

- 1.2.1 Planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of bridges of 1500 meter or over, toll road, flyover, expressway, subway, causeway, link road, tunnel etc;
- 1.2.2 Determine and collect tolls from vehicles for using the large bridges, toll roads, tunnels etc.;
- 1.2.3 Operation and maintenance of large bridges and other infrastructures;
- 1.2.4 Assisting other agencies to operate and maintain their utilities on large bridges and other infrastructures;
- 1.2.5 Ensuring security within the controlled areas of large bridges and other infrastructures; and
- 1.2.6 Feasibility study for the construction of large bridge, subway, tunnel and other infrastructures.

2.0 Medium Term Strategic Objectives and Activities

Medium-Term Strategic Objectives	Activities	Implementing Departments/Agencies
1	2	3
1. Assistance in ensuring integrated and uninterrupted transport system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance, safety and development activities of Bangabandhu Bridge and Approach Road Maintenance, safety and development activities of Mukterpur Bridge and Approach Road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bangladesh Bridge Authority
2. Improving the efficiency of transport system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction of elevated section of BRT corridor Construction of Payra bridge on Kachua-Betagi-Patuakhali road Road widening and construction of elevated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bangladesh Bridge Authority

Medium-Term Strategic Objectives	Activities	Implementing Departments/Agencies
1	2	3
	road from Panchabati to Mukterpur bridge • Construction of elevated road from Mithamoin upazila of Kishoreganj district to Morichkhali of Karimganj upazila	
3. Support to reduce traffic congestion in big cities	• Support to Dhaka Elevated Expressway PPP Project • Construction of Dhaka-Ashulia Elevated Expressway • Construction of Dhaka East-west Elevated Expressway	• Bangladesh Bridge Authority

3.0 Poverty and Gender Reporting

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

3.1.1 Development of integrated road transportation systems and facilitation to reduce traffic congestion & increasing efficiency of transportation system

Impact on Poverty Reduction: Construction of large bridges and other large infrastructures is creating employment opportunities for poor people. This will further improve their socio-economic status, which will help in poverty alleviation. Due to the connection of the south-western region of the country with other regions of the country, especially the north-central region through Padma Bridge, the overall GDP growth rate will increase by 1.23% and poverty will be reduced at the rate of 0.84% every year. Moreover, due to construction of Karnaphuli Tunnel and Dhaka-Ashulia Elevated Expressway the GDP growth rate will increase by 0.166% and 0.217% respectively, apart from job creation, which will directly help in poverty alleviation.

Impact on Women's Advancement: As a result of land acquisition for the implementation of Padma Bridge and other large infrastructures, women are being given priority in the rehabilitation of victims (training, establishing their rights through inclusion of women in various committees during planning and implementation, tree plantation programs for women, etc.) and they are being benefitted socially and financially. On the basis of the "Gender Action Plan" prepared for the Padma Bridge project, activities are being undertaken for the development of women. On the other hand, in the Gender Action Plan prepared for the Greater Dhaka Sustainable Urban Transport Project, the issue of women's safety and the participation of women in its implementation phase has been confirmed. Also, participation of women is ensured in operation and maintenance activities of Padma Bridge, Bangabandhu Bridge and Mukterpur Bridge

3.1.2 Improving the efficiency of transport system

Impact on Poverty Reduction: Overall, investment and employment are increasing in rural and urban areas of the country. As a result, the economic activities of the country are increasing, the marketing of the goods produced by the poor people of the country is becoming easier, business is expanding. Above all, employment is created for the poor, which is directly and indirectly helping in poverty alleviation and improving standard of living. Due to the increase of the efficiency of the transport system, accidents are reduce. People's family life will be secure. Especially when the breadwinner of the family dies in an accident, the family falls into sudden poverty. Ensuring safe roads will reduce accidents, thereby reducing poverty.

Impact on Women's Advancement: Marketing and sales of products produced by village women becomes easier. Participation of women in various activities including business and commerce is

increasing as the movement of women has become easier and faster due to the increased efficiency of the transport system

3.1.3 Support to reduce traffic congestion in big cities

Impact on Poverty Reduction: A different dimension to life will be added and the environment will be improved in Dhaka Metropolitan and other divisional cities. This will save the working hours of the city dwellers. The saved working hours can be used for the socio-economic development of the country. This will have a positive impact on poverty alleviation.

Impact on Women's Advancement: Women will easily and safely be able to travel to workplaces and desired destinations in the fastest possible time. Women's participation in economic activities will increase

3.2 Poverty Reduction and Women's Advancement Related Spending

(Taka in Thousands)

Description	Budget 2024-25	Projection	
		2025-26	2026-27
Poverty Reduction	7091,51,34	7009,10,51	8089,06,37
Gender	2605,93,19	2847,72,83	2600,79,55

4.1 Priority Spending Areas/Schemes

Priority Spending Areas/Schemes	Related Medium Term Strategic Objectives
<p>1. Maintenance of Padma Bridge</p> <p>The 'Padma Bridge', built with the own funding of the Government of Bangladesh, was inaugurated by Honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on 25 June 2022 and has been opened to traffic from 26 June 2022. In order to reduce the economic divide with South Bengal, priority has been given to the operation, maintenance and toll collection activities of the bridge</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistance in ensuring integrated and uninterrupted transport system
<p>2. Maintenance of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Tunnel</p> <p>The Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Tunnel was inaugurated by Honourable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on 28 October 2023 and has been opened to traffic from 29 October 2023. Priority has been given to the operation, maintenance and toll collection activities of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Tunnel to ensure economic mobility by ensuring uninterrupted transport system.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistance in ensuring integrated and uninterrupted transport system
<p>3. Construction of Dhaka-Ashulia Elevated Expressway</p> <p>The 24-km Dhaka-Ashulia Elevated Expressway from Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport to EPZ via Ashulia is under implementation at an estimated cost of Taka 17,553.04 crore. On 12 November 2022, the Hon'ble Prime Minister inaugurated the construction work of the project. Once the project is implemented, it will play an important role in reducing traffic congestion and improving communication system in the northern part of Dhaka city, including Savar, Ashulia, Nabinagar and adjacent industrial areas of EPZ</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support to reduce traffic congestion in big cities
<p>4. Construction of Dhaka Elevated Expressway</p> <p>In order to reduce traffic congestion in Dhaka city, the construction work of a total of 46.73 kilometers (19.73 kilometers long main elevated expressway and 27 kilometers long ramps) including ramps is underway under Public Private Partnership (PPP) from Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport to Kutubkhali on Dhaka-Chattogram Highway at a cost of Tk 8,940.18 crore. Under the project, the 11.5 km long elevated section from Hazrat Shahjalal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support to reduce traffic congestion in big cities

Priority Spending Areas/Schemes	Related Medium Term Strategic Objectives
International Airport to Farmgate was inaugurated by Honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on 02 September 2023 for vehicular traffic. Reducing traffic congestion and increasing efficiency in the transport sector has been identified as a priority.	
<p>5. Construction of elevated road from Mithamoin Upazila Sadar of Kishoreganj District to Morichkhali of Karimganj Upazila</p> <p>In order to accelerate the economic activities of the haor region, the construction of flyover from Mithamain upazila headquarters of Kishoreganj district to Morichkhali of Karimganj upazila has been identified as priority.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improving the efficiency of transport system

4.2 Medium Term Expenditure Estimates and Projection (2024-25 to 2026-27)

4.2.1 Expenditure by Department/Agencies/Institutional Units

(Taka in Thousands)

Description	Budget	Revised	Budget 2024-25	Projection	
	2023-24			2025-26	2026-27
Secretariat	9073,23,00	7928,74,10	7318,10,00	8049,91,00	8854,90,00
Grand Total :	9073,23,00	7928,74,10	7318,10,00	8049,91,00	8854,90,00

4.2.2 Expenditure by Economic Group Wise

(Taka in Thousands)

Economic Group	Description	Budget	Revised	Budget 2024-25	Projection	
		2023-24			2025-26	2026-27
	Recurrent Expenditure					
3111	Wages and salaries in cash	3,50,00	2,38,05	3,65,05	4,23,00	4,66,00
3211	Administrative expenses	58,00	50,40	74,50	76,00	85,00
3221	Fees, charges and commissions	1,00	1,00	50	1,00	2,00
3231	Training	35,00	35,00	35,00	45,00	50,00
3243	Petrol, oil and lubricants	15,00	15,00	18,00	18,00	22,00
3244	Travel and Transfer	60,00	52,00	57,00	57,00	62,00
3252	Medical and surgical supplies	0	1,00	2,00	3,00	4,00
3255	Printing and stationery	25,00	17,00	25,00	28,00	35,00
3256	General supplies and materials	0	3,50	3,00	4,00	5,00
3257	Professional services, honorariums and special expenses	31,00	26,15	39,95	39,00	47,00
3258	Repairs and maintenance	80,00	65,00	77,00	81,00	90,00
3823	Current transfers for projects	920,73,00	787,36,00	856,69,00	662,94,54	76,04,13
3911	Reserve	50,12,00	0	0	0	0
	Total : - Recurrent Expenditure	977,40,00	792,40,10	863,66,00	670,69,54	84,72,13
	Capital Expenditure					
4112	Machinery and equipment	2,30,00	2,22,00	2,30,00	2,45,00	2,54,00
4211	Capital expenditure for project	7672,11,54	7059,12,00	5632,13,00	5864,85,51	2708,83,20
4911	Reserve	421,41,46	75,00,00	820,01,00	1511,90,95	6058,80,67
	Total : - Capital Expenditure	8095,83,00	7136,34,00	6454,44,00	7379,21,46	8770,17,87
	Grand Total :	9073,23,00	7928,74,10	7318,10,00	8049,91,00	8854,90,00

5.0 Key Performance Indicator (KPIs)

Indicator	Related Strategic Objectives	Unit	Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Medium Term Targets		
			2022-23			2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1. Construction of Dhaka-Ashulia Elevated Expressway	3	% Cumulative progress	-	5	55	25	60	100	

Indicator	Related Strategic Objectives	Unit	Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Medium Term Targets		
			2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2. Support to Dhaka Elevated Expressway	2	% Cumulative progress	95	94.40	100	100			
3. Construction of bridge over Payra river on Kachua-Betagi-Lohalia-Kalaiya road		% Cumulative progress	5	3	20	20	70	100	
4. Widening of Road and Construction of Elevated Road from Panchabati to Mukterpur Bridge		% Cumulative progress	-	2	60	30	100		
5. Construction of BRT lane (elevated part)			92	95.56	100	100			
6. Construction of elevated road from Mithamin Upazila Sadar of Kishoreganj District to Morichkhali of Karimganj Upazila	2	% Cumulative progress	-	-	5	5	20	50	85

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

6.1 Bangladesh Bridges Authority

6.1.1 Recent Achievements: The 11.5 km long section of Dhaka Elevated Expressway from Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport to Farmgate built on PPP basis was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 02 September 2023 and opened for traffic from 03 September 2023. The first under river multilane road tunnel in Bangladesh and South Asia, "Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Tunnel" built under the Karnaphuli River was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on October 28, 2023 and the tunnel was opened for traffic on October 29, 2023. Besides this, on November 14, 2023, Hon'ble Prime Minister virtually placed the foundation stone of construction of bridge over the river Payra at 17th km (Z-8052) of Kachua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaiya Road and widening of road and construction of elevated Road from Panchabati to Mukterpur Bridge project. After the inauguration, Tk. 1218 crore 56 lakh has been collected as toll from Padma Bridge, Tk. 8200 crore 37 lakh from Bangabandhu Bridge and Tk. 9 crore 14 lakh from Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Tunnel till December 2023. According to the agreement signed between the Finance Division and the Bangladesh Bridge Authority, 6 (six) installments of the loan taken for the construction of Padma Bridge amounting to Tk 948,01,19,584 (nine hundred forty eight crore one lakh nineteen thousand five hundred and eighty four) has been paid.

6.1.2 Activities, Output Indicators and Targets

Activities	Output Indicator	Related Strategic Objectives	Unit	Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Medium Term Targets		
				2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1. Construction of Dhaka-Ashulia Elevated Expressway	Completed portion of the expressway	3	K.M. equivalent (cumulative)	-	-	20	6	14	24	
2. Support to Dhaka Elevated Expressway PPP Project	Land acquisition and resettlement activities of the project	3	% Cumulative progress	95	94.40	100	100			
3. Construction of Payra Bridge on Kachua-Betagi-Patuakhali Road	Completed portion of the bridge	2	K.M. equivalent (cumulative)	-	-	0.5	0.6	1.20	1.69	
4. Widening of Road and Construction of Elevated Road from Panchabati to Mukterpur Bridge	Completed portion	2	K.M. equivalent (cumulative)	-	-	-	-	17		
5. Construction of elevated part of BRT corridor	BRT lane (elevated part)	2	K.M. equivalent (cumulative)	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.5			

Activities	Output Indicator	Related Strategic Objectives	Unit	Revised Target	Actual	Target	Revised Target	Medium Term Targets		
				2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6. Construction of elevated road from Mithamin Upazila Sadar of Kishoreganj District to Morichkhali of Karimganj Upazila	Completed portion of the elevated road	2	K.M. equivalent (cumulative)	-	-	-	-	-	4.5	6.75
7. Maintenance, safety and development activities of Mukterpur Bridge and Approach Road	Mukterpur bridge suitable for vehicular traffic	1	Number of vehicles crossing* (lac)	47.25	48.90	49.35	51.34	53.91	56.61	59.44
8. Maintenance, safety and development activities of Bangabandhu Bridge and Approach Road	Bangabandhu bridge suitable for vehicular traffic	1	Number of vehicles crossing* (lac)	79.19	73.64	83.15	81.00	89.10	98.01	107.82

* Non motor vehicles # According to project targets

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 2022-23	Budget	Revised	Medium Term Expenditure Estimates		
			2023-24		2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Operating Activities							
General Activity							
1590101 - Secretariat		7,23,04	8,97,00	7,26,10	9,27,00	10,20,00	11,22,00
Total : General Activity		7,23,04	8,97,00	7,26,10	9,27,00	10,20,00	11,22,00
Total : Operating Activities		7,23,04	8,97,00	7,26,10	9,27,00	10,20,00	11,22,00
Development Activities							
Annual Development Program							
221000159 - Reserve for unapproved project Bridges Division	1-7	0	381,31,00	0	510,01,00	310,21,00	5362,13,00
224104500 - Construction of Tunnel under the river Karnaphuli (01/11/2015-30/06/2023) approved	6	1197,36,82	735,18,00	521,52,00	0	0	0
224104600 - * Support to Dhaka Elevated Expressway (01/07/11-31/12/2024) Approved	3	400,91,00	221,07,00	128,87,00	315,39,00	0	0
224104700 - Construction of Padma Multipurpose Bridge (01/01/2009-30/06/2024)	1-2	2499,98,50	1,00	3112,26,00	0	0	0
224113800 - Construction of Dhaka-Ashulia elevated expressway (01/09/2017 - 30/06/2022) Approved	8	638,52,00	5870,23,00	3378,07,00	3796,88,00	4033,72,00	1015,19,00
224310300 - Construction of Bridge at 17th Kilometer (Z 8052) on Kachua-Betagi-Patuakhali-Lohalia-Kalaiya Road over the river Paira (01/03/2020-31/12/2025)	2	80,60,00	859,38,00	27,73,00	160,00,00	541,93,00	0
224333400 - Widening of Existing road and Construction of Elevated road from Panchabati-Mukterpur bridge (01/01/2021 - 30/06/2025) Approved		642,04,49	962,08,00	479,85,00	879,98,00	97,98,00	0
224371900 - Construction of an Elevated Road from Mithamain Sadar Upazila to Morichkhali of Karimganj Upazila in Kishoreganj District	5	0	35,00,00	272,68,00	1003,20,00	2113,85,00	1156,40,00
224388800 - Construction of Bridge on Matlab Uttar- Gazaria Road over the River Meghna-Dhonagoda	7	0	0	50,00	643,37,00	942,02,00	1309,96,00
Total : Annual Development Program		5459,42,81	9064,26,00	7921,48,00	7308,83,00	8039,71,00	8843,68,00
Total : Development Activities		5459,42,81	9064,26,00	7921,48,00	7308,83,00	8039,71,00	8843,68,00
Total :		5466,65,85	9073,23,00	7928,74,10	7318,10,00	8049,91,00	8854,90,00