Acronyms

ACS	Agro Service Centre
ADB	Asian Development Bank
ADP	Annual Development Programme
AI	Artificial Insemination
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
APSCL	Ashuganj Power Station Company Ltd.
APTA	Asia Pacific Trade Agreement
ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
BADC	Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation
BAEC	Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission
BANBEIS	Bangladesh Bureau of Education at Information and Statistics
BAPA	Bangladesh Paribas
BAPEX	Bangladesh Petroleum Exploration & Production Company Limited
BARC	Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council
BARD	Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development
BARI	Bangladesh Agriculture Research Institute
BB	Bangladesh Bank
BBA	Biman Bangladesh Airlines Limited
BBS	Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics
BBBF	Bangladesh Better Business Forum
BCAA	Bangladesh Civil Aviation Authority
BCAS	Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies
BCC	Bangladesh Computer Council
BCF	Billion Cubic Feet
BCIC	Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation
BELA	Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers' Association
BEPZA	Bangladesh Export Processing Zone Authority
BERC	Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission
BFDC	Bangladesh Fisheries Development Corporation
BFIDC	Bangladesh Forest Industries Development Corporation
BFDC	Bangladesh Film Development Corporation
BNH	Bangladesh National Herbarium
BFFWT	Bangladesh Freedom Fighter Welfare Trust
BFIDC	Bangladesh Forest Industries Development Corporation
BGIIB	Bangladesh Government Islamic Investment Bond
BGMEA	Bangladesh Garment Manufactures and Exports Association
BGTB	Bangladesh Government Treasury Bond
BHB	Bangladesh Handloom Board
BHBFC	Bangladesh House Building Finance Corporation
BIMSTEC	Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical & Economic Cooperation
BSE	Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy
BCSIR	Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research
BSFIC	Bangladesh Sugar and Food Industries Corporation
BSIC	Bangladesh Standard Industrial Classification
BIDS	Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies
BINA	Bangladesh Institute of Nuclear Agriculture
BINP	Bangladesh Integrated Nutrition Project

BIST-EC	Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka and Thailand Economic Cooperation
BIT	Bangladesh Institute of Technology
BIWTA	Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority
BIWTC	Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Corporation
BJC	Bangladesh Jute Corporation
BJMA	Bangladesh Jute Mills Association
JDPC	Jute Diversification Promotion Center
BJMC	Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation
BJSA	Bangladesh Jute Spinners Association
BKB	Bangladesh Krishi Bank
BKIICT	Bangladesh Korea Institute of Information and Communication Technology
BKMEA	Bangladesh Knitwear Manufactures and Exporters Association
BKSP	Banagldesh Krira Shikkya Protistan
BLPA	Bangladesh Land Port Authority
BMD	Bangladesh Meteorological Department
BMET	Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training
BMKT	Bangladesh Muktijoddha Kalyan Trust
BMDA	Bangladesh. Barind Multipurpose Development Authority
BMRE	Balancing, Modernisation, Rehabilitation and Expansion
BNH	Bangladesh National Herbarium
BOC	Bangladesh Oxygen Company
BOESL	Bangladesh Overseas Employment Services Limited
BOGMC	Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Minerals Corporation
BOI	Board of Investment
BOP	Balance of Payments
BOST	Board of Investment Online Service Tracking
BOT	Build, Operate and Transfer
BPC	Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation
BPC	Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation
BPD	Bangladesh Postal Department
BPDB	Bangladesh Power Development Board
BPI	Bangladesh Petroleum Institute
BPO	Business Process Out souring
BR	Bangladesh Railway
BRAC	Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee
BRDB	Bangladesh Rural Development Board
BRRI	Bangladesh Rice Research Institute
BRTA	Bangladesh Road Transport Authority
BRTA	Bangladesh Rural Telecom Authority
BRTC	Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation
BSB	Bangladesh Shilpa Bank
BSB	Bangladesh Sericulture Board
BSC	Bangladesh Shipping Corporation
BSCIC	Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation
BSEC	Bangladesh Steel and Engineering Corporation
BSFIC	Bangladesh Sugar and Food Industries Corporation
BSIC	Bangladesh Standard Industrial Classification
BSRS	Bangladesh Shilpa Rin Sangstha
BSTI	Bangladesh Standard and Testing Institution
BTB	Bangladesh Tea Board
BTCL	Bangladesh Telecommunications Company Limited

BTMA	Bangladesh Textile Mills Association
BTMC	Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation
BTRC	Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission
BTTB	Bangladesh Telegraph and Telephone Board
BUET	Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology
BWDB	Bangladesh Water Development Board
C&F	Clearing & Forwarding
CASE	Clean Air Sustainable Environment
C&F	Custom & Fright
c.i.f.	Cost, Insurance and Freight
CAAB	Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh
CBN	Cost of Basic Needs
CC	Community Clinic
CCU	Coronary Care Unit
CCULB	Cooperative Credit Union League of Bangladesh
CDA	Chittagong Development Authority
CDF	Credit and Development Forum
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CDRS	Client Data Recording System
CDS	Central Depository System
CDWMB	Chittagong Dock Workers Management Board
CEPZ	Chittagong Export Processing Zone
Cft	Cubic Feet
CIC	Central Intelligence Cell
CMC	Compliance Monitoring Cell
CMIS	Computer-based Management Information System
CNG	Compressed Natural Gas
CPA	Chittagong Port Authority
CPI	Consumer Price Index
CPP	Cyclone Preparedness Programme
CPR	Contraceptive Prevalence Rate
CRR	Cash Reserve Requirement
CSD	Centre for Sustainable Development
CSE	Chittagong Stock Exchange
CTG	Chittagong
CVDP	Comprehensive Village Development Programme
CWSA	Chittagong Water and Sewerage Authority
CY	Calendar Year
DAP	Di-Ammonium Phosphate
DSS	Directorate of Social Services
DAS	Data Acquisition System
DC	Developed Countries
DCC	Dhaka City Corporation
DCI	Direct Calorie Intake
DDN	Digital Data Network
DESA	Dhaka Electric Supply Authority
DESCO	Dhaka Electric Supply Company
DFID	Department for International Development
DLS	Department of Livestock Services
DMA	Dhaka Metropolitan Area
DMB	Deposit Money Bank

DMP	Dhaka Metropolitan Police
DoE	Department of Environment
DoF	Directorate of Fisheries
DoL	Department of Livestock
DPP	Development Project Proforma/Proposal
DSE	Dhaka Stock Exchange
DSL	Debt Service Liabilities
DTA	Domestic Tariff Area
DTCB	Dhaka Transport Coordination Board
DTW	Deep Tubewell
DWA	Department of Women Affairs
DUTP	Dhaka Urban Transport Project
ECA	Ecologically Critical Area
ECP	Emergency Contraceptive Pill
ECR	Electronic Cash Register
EDP	Environmentally adjusted net Domestic Product
EFA	Education for All
EGBMP	Enterprises Growth and Bank Modernisation Project
EGCB	Electricity Generation Company of Bangladesh
ENI	Environmentally adjusted Net Income
EOI	Expression of Interest
EPB	Export Promotion Bureau
EPI	Extended Programme for Immunization
EPP	Express Parcel Post
EPZ	Export Processing Zone
EPS	Employment Permit System
ERC	Energy Regulatory Commission
ERD	Economic Relations Division
ESCAP	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
EU	European Union
CPPIB	Cyclone Preparedness Programme Implementation Board
FPOCG	Focal Point Operation Coordination Group of Disaster Management
DMTATF	Disaster Management Training and Public Awareness Building Task Force
NGOCC	NGO Coordination Committee on Disaster Management
ExML	Extendable Markup Language
f.o.b.	Free on Board
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation
FAP	Flood Action Plan
FCB	Foreign Commercial Bank
FCDI	Flood Control Drainage Irrigation
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FEI	Food Energy Intake
FFW	Food for Work
FFWC	Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre
FI	Financial Institution
FPMU	Food Planning and Monitoring Unit
FSSAP	Female Secondary School Assistance Project
FT	Feet
FTA	Free Trade Area
FWV	Family Welfare Visitor
FWA	Family Welfare Assistant

FY	Fiscal Year
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GEMS	Global Environmental Monitoring System
GEP	Guaranteed Express Post
GHG	Green House Gas
GIS	Geographical Information System
GMP	Good Medicine Practice
GMP	Growth Monitoring and Promotion
GNI	Gross National Income
GoB	Government of Bangladesh
GR	Gratuitous Relief
GSB	Geological Survey of Bangladesh
GTDP	Gas Transmission and Development Project
HBFC	House Building Finance Corporation
HCR	Head Count Ratio
HCU	Hydrocarbon Unit
HES	Household Expenditure Survey
HDI	Human Development Index
HIES	Household Income and Expenditure Survey
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HNPP	Health, Nutrition and Population Programme
NINS	National Institute of Neuro-Sciences
HNPSP	Health, Nutrition and Population Sector Programme
HPAI	Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza
HS	Harmonised System
HYV	High Yielding Variety
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organisation
ICB	Investment Corporation of Bangladesh
ICB AMCL	ICB Asset Management Company Limited
ICD	Inland Container Depot
ICPD	International Conference on Population and Development
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
ICZMP	Integrated Costal Zone Management Plan
IDA	International Development Assistant
IDB	Islamic Development Bank
IDLC	Industrial Development Leasing Company
IFADP	Integrated Food Assisted Development Project
IIFC	Infrastructure Investment Facilitation Center
IMED	Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Division
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMR	Infant Mortality Rate
IMO	International Maritime Organisation
IOC	International Oceanographic Center
IPCC	International Panel on Climate Change
IPLC	International Private Leased Circuit
IPO	Initial Public Offering
IPP	Independent Power Producer
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
IPPC	International Plant Protection Convention
IRC	Import Registration Certificate

ISP	Internet Service Provider
ISBBPB	Strengthening of BOI, BEPZA, Privatisation Commission and BSCIC
IT	Information Technology
ITES	Income from Information Technology enabled services
ITU	International Telecommunication Union
IUCN	International Union for the Conservation of Nature
IUD	Intra Uterine Device
JDPC	Jute Diversification Promotion Centre
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
JMBA	Jumuna Multipurpose Bridge Authority
JV	Joint Venture
K Cal	Kilocalories
KAFCO	Karnafuli Fertilizer Company Limited
KDA	Khulna Development Authority
kg.	Kilogram
km	Kilometer
KV	Kilo Volt
Kwh.	Kilowatt Hour
LAN	Local Area Network
LC	Letter of Credit
LDC	Least Developed Country
LGED	Local Government Engineering Department
LGRD	Local Government and Rural Development
LLP	Low Lift Pump
LPG	Liquefied Petroleum Gas
LT	Low Tension
LTU	Large Taxpayers Unit
M&A	Mergers and Acquisition
M_2	Broad Money
MATI	Medical Assistance Training Institute
MCH	Martial and Child Health
MCHTI	Maternal and Child Health Training Institute
MCWC	Mother and Child Welfare Center
MDG	Millennium Development Goal
MDWMB	Mongla Dock Workers Management Board
MFA	Multi Fibre Arrangement
MG	Meter Gauge
MICS	Mixed Indicator Cluster Survey
Mkwh	Million Kilowatt Hour
MLT	Medium and Long Term
MMIS	Market Monitoring and Information System
MMR	Maternal Mortality Rate
MOET	Multiple Ovulation and Embryo Transfer
MoFL	Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock
MOHFW	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
MOP	Muriate of Potash
MOSICT	Ministry of Science and Information Communication Technology
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPA	Mongla Port Authority
MPO	Monthly Payment Order
MPS	Mobile Phone Services

MT	Million Taka
mt.	Metric Ton
MTBF	Medium Term Budgetary Framework
MTMF	Medium Term Macroeconomic Framework
MVA	Mega Volt Ampere
MW	Mega Watt
NAMA	Non-Agriculture Market Access
NAPA	National Adaptative Programme of Action
NAPE	National Academy for Primary Education
NBFI	Non-Bank Financial Institution
NBR	National Board of Revenue
NCB	Nationalised Commercial Bank
NFA	Net Foreign Asset
NGO	Non-Government Organisation
NH	National Highway
NINP	National Integrated Nutrition Project
NNP	National Nutrition Programme
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NOC	No Objection Certificate
NPKS	Nitrogen, Phosphate, Potassium, Sulphate
NPL	Non-Performing Loan
NSC	National Savings Certificate
NSICT	National Science and Information & Communication Technology
NSD	National Savings Directorate
NSAPR	National Strategy for Accelerated Poverty Reduction
NSP	Nishorga Support Project
NSV	Non Scalpel Vasectomy
NTM	Non-tariff Measures
NTRCA	Non-government Teachers' Registration and Certification Agency
NWD	Nation Wide Dialing
NWMP	National Water Management Plan
NWRD	National Water Resources Database
NWRC	National Water Resources Council
NZPDCL	North-West Zone Power Distribution Company Ltd.
NWP	National Water Policy
O&M	Operation and Maintenance
OCR	Ordinary Capital Resources
ODBC	Open Bata Base Connectivity
ODS	Ozone Depleting Substance
OFI	Other Financial Institution
OISCA	Organisation for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement
OTC	Over-The-Counter
PA	Project Aid
PAU	Piney Analysis Unit
PBB	Power Development Board
PBS	Palli Bidyut Samity
PCB	Private Commercial Bank
PDBF	Palli Daridro Bimochan Foundation
PEDP	Primary Education Development Programme
PESP	Primary Education Stipend Project
PGCB	Power Grid Company of Bangladesh

PKSF	Palli Karma Sahayak Foundation
PLC	Public Limited Company
PMAP	Post-MFA Action Programme
PMS	Poverty Monitoring Survey
PO	Public Organisation
POL	Petrolium Oil Lubricant
POP	Persistent Organic Pollutant
PPP	Private Public Partnership
PPR	Public Procurement Regulation
PRSP	Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper
PSC	Production Sharing Contract
PSIG	Private Sector Infrastructure Guidelines
PSMP	Power System Master Plan
PSO	Public Service Obligation
PTA	Performance Target Activities
PTI	Primary Teachers Training Institute
QIP	Quantum Index of Industrial Production
R& D	Research and Development
RADP	Revised Annual Development Programme
RAJUK	Rajdhani Unnayan Kartipaksha
RAKUB	Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank
RDA	Rajshahi Development Authority
RDA	Rural Development Academy
REB	Rural Electrification Board
REER	Real Effective Exchange Rate
R&HD	Roads and Highways Department
RMC	Rural Maternity Centre
RMG	Readymade Garments
ROA	Return on Asset
ROE	Return on Equity
ROSC	Reaching out of School Children
RPC	Rural Power Company
RPM	Rural Maintenance Programme
RRC	Regulatory Reforms Commission
RSS	Rural Social Services
S&D	Special and Differential
S&T	Science and Technology
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
SAFTA	South Asian Free Trade Area
SAPTA	South Asian Preferential Trade Agreement
SB	Specialised Bank
SBA	School-based Assessment
SBLL	Strategic Business Unite
SCBs	State-owned Commercial Banks
ODS	Ozone Depleting Substances
SD	Supplementary Duty
SEA-ME-WE	South-East-Asia, Middle East, WesternEurope-4
SEAQEP	Secondary Education Access and Quality Enhancement Project
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
SEEA	System for Environment and Economic Accounts
SESDP	Secondary Education Sector Development Project

SESIP	Secondary Education Sector Improvement Project
SFI	Specialised Financial Institution
SLR	Statutory Liquidity Ratio
SMA	Special Mention Account
SME	Small and Medium Enterprise
SOE	State Owned Enterprise
SPARRSO	Space Research and Remote Sensing Organisation
SPBMS	Schools' Performance Based Management System
SPSDP-II	Sustainable Power Sector Development Program-II
SRLP	South-west Rehabilitation Loan Programme
SSC	Secondary School Certificate
SSP	Single Super Phosphate
STCW	Standard of Training Certification and Watch kipping
STOL	Short Take-Off and Landing
STP	Strategic Transport Plan
STW	Shallow Tubewell
SVRS	Sample Vital Registration Survey
T&D	Transmission and Distribution
TFR	Total Fertility Rate
TB	Tuberculosis Bactius
TCB	Trading Corporation of Bangladesh
TCF	Trillion Cubic Feet
TFR	Total Fertility Rate
TIN	Tax Identification Number
Tk.	Taka
TMSS	Thengamara Mohila Sabuj Sangha
TNC	Trade Negotiation Committee
TNCs	Transitional Corporations
TNC	Trade Negotiating Committee
TPS-OIC	Trade Preferential System among OIC Countries
TR	Test Relief
TRADE	Tariff Relief Assistance for Developing Economies
TRIMs	Trade Pleated Investment Measures
TRIPs	Trade Related Aspect of Intellectual Property Rights
TQISEP	Teaching Quality Improvement in Secondary Education
TVET	Technical and Vocational Education and Training
UCD	Urban Community Development
U.D	Utilization Declaration
UGC	University Grants Commission
UHFWC	Unions Health & Family Welfare Center
ULDC	Upazila Livestock Development Complex
UN	United Nations
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNCSD	United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development
UNCTAD	United Nations Commission for Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNFPA	United Nations Fund for Population Activities
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Emergency Fund

UNSO	United Nations Statistical Office
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VAT	Value Added Tax
VCGs	Village Conservation Groups
VDP	Village Defence Party
VGD	Vulnerable Group Development
VGF	Vulnerable Group Feeding
VOIP	Voice Over Internet Protocol
VRS	Voluntary Retirement Scheme
VSAT	Very Small Aperture Terminal
WAN	Wide Area Network
WASA	Water and Sewerage Authority
WFP	World Food Programme
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development
WTO	World Trade Organisation
WVA	Weighted Average
WZPDC	West Zone Power Distribution Company