SCALING UP RENEWABLE ENERGY IN LOW INCOME COUNTRIES (SREP)



Investment Plan for Bangladesh

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Bangladesh Country Context



Bangladesh Key Data

Total Population (2011) 144 million (2011)

Total Land Area 147,500 km²

Population Density (2011) 976/km²

Urban/Rural Pop. Rates (2011) 77%/23%

GDP (2014-2015) US\$ 196.6 billion

Incidence of Poverty (2015) 25%

74%

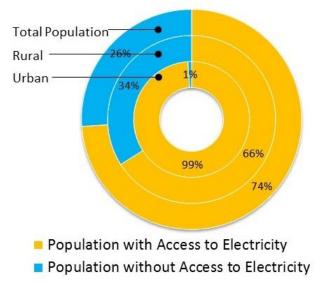
Electricity Access Rate (2015)

Climate Change in Bangladesh

About 75% of Bangladesh is less than 10m above sea level, making Bangladesh one of the world's most vulnerable countries to climate change, and Dhaka one of the five most vulnerable cities in the world. The country is particularly vulnerable to flooding from monsoons and sealevel rise. Rising temperatures have already begun to reduce crop yields. These threats could increase poverty and the incidence of waterborne diseases, and reduce the availability of clean water supply and sanitation.

Challenge 1: Rural Access to Electricity

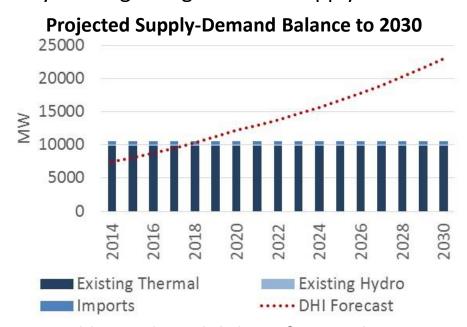
 Nationally, 99 percent of the urban population has access to electricity, but only 66 percent of the rural population does.



- While these rates have improved in recent years, lack of service has economic consequences for the poorest areas of the country.
- Barisal and Rangpur divisions have very low rural access rates: 32 and 24 percent, respectively.

Challenge 2: Energy Security

 Energy security in Bangladesh is threatened by shortages in generation supply...



- ...and limited availability of natural resources.
- These problems have led to load shedding and increased reliance on oil-fired rental power producers, raising fuel cost per kWh from USD 0.014 to 0.04 between 2009 and 2015.

- Considerable renewable energy potential
 - Resource assessments indicate that Bangladesh could realize over
 6,000 GWh of generation from renewable technologies annually
- Significant past experience developing RE projects
 - 4 million solar home systems have been installed since 2003
 - 1.5 million improved biomass cookstoves installed since 1989
- Very active private sector
 - Domestic commercial banks on-lent US\$ 287.57 million to finance RE projects in 2014
 - IDCOL and NGO partner organizations have installed more than 4 million solar home systems and 35,000 domestic biogas plants

Program	Program start year	No. of partner organizations (2014)	Achievements to date (2014)	Energy/fuel savings	Savings in Million US\$
SHS	2003	47	4 million systems installed	228 kilotons of kerosene	285
Domestic Biogas	2006	24	35,000 biogas plants	28 kilotons chemical fertilizer; 1,000 kiloton of kerosene	20

- Each of the potential renewable energy resources were evaluated against five criteria, and prioritized accordingly. The criteria considered were:
 - Scalability. The amount of developable resources potential relative to the other technologies, as measured by production potential (GWh). Resources with higher production potential were given a higher priority.
 - Availability of sites. Availability of land is an important barrier to the
 development of renewable energy in Bangladesh. Land suitable for the
 development of utility-scale plants is scarce because of seasonal variations in
 water levels and the longer-term effects of climate change.
 - Unexploited market potential. The extent to which the technology is used or the resource is already exploited in Bangladesh. Resources or technologies which already have financing available through IFI programs or through the private sector were given lower priority.
 - Readiness for implementation. Technologies were ranked higher if there was reasonably good data on resource availability and potential sites or projects.
 - Financial viability. Technologies were ranked higher if they were determined to be close to being cost-competitive with diesel generation and therefore less dependent on subsidies.

Investment Projects co-financed by SREP

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Grid-connected renewable energy

Utility-scale solar PV Solar rooftop Utility-scale wind

Executed by: World Bank and IFC

Funded by:

--SREP: US\$ 44.45 million --GoB: US\$ 69.45 million --MDBs: US\$ 230 million --Private sector: US\$ 190

million

TOTAL: US\$ 533.9 million

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Off-grid solar PV

Solar irrigation Solar minigrids

Executed by: ADB

Funded by:

--SREP: US\$ 29.95 million --GoB: US\$ 25.35 million --MDBs: US\$ 140 million TOTAL: US\$ 195.3 million 3

Waste-to-Energy Advisory Support

Waste-to-Energy advisory support

Executed by: World Bank

Funded by:

--SREP: US\$ 0.30 million TOTAL: US\$ 0.30 million



Selected Project 1: Grid-Connected Renewable Energy

- Grid-connected RE: 200 MW of utility-scale solar or rooftop solar in major urban areas
 - Utility-scale solar PV, financed through a PPP modality and tendered through a reverse auction
 - ➤ **Priority activities:** resource assessment, investment in project(s), advisory assistance, and partial risk guarantees
 - Grid-connected rooftop solar, which can be privately owned/operated (through feed-in tariffs or competitive tender for concession areas) or publicly owned/operated (through installations on public buildings)
 - ➤ **Priority activities:** resource assessment, transaction advisory, investment in projects
 - Utility-scale wind, if wind mapping exercise shows a sufficient resource and there is private sector interest
 - > Priority activities: investment in projects



Image source: Black & Veatch



20.16 kWp PV Solar Power System at Honorable Prime Minister's Office, Dhaka

- SREP grant funding to leverage concessional financing from the MDBs to support the scale-up of solar irrigation technologies and solar minigrids
 - Financing would be on-lent through the Ministry of Finance and/or Bangladesh Bank to a financial intermediary for grant funding or lowcost financing to investors, developers, or endusers

— Priority activities:

- ➤ Investments in solar irrigation or solar minigrids.

 About 25 MW of new minigrid and 13 MW of solar

 PV pump capacity would be installed.
- ➤ Technical assistance in minigrid business models and regulation. SREP funding would be used to fund a study to identify the problems in planning, regulating, and operating minigrids in Bangladesh, as well as possible improvements to the regulatory environment or possible alternative business models.



Source: GPOBA



100 kW solar PV minigrid on Sandwip Island Source: Prokaushali Sangsad Ltd.

Selected Project 3: Waste to Energy Advisory Support

 SREP funding would be used to support the development of a municipal waste-to-energy (WtE) project for Bangladesh

— Priority activities:

➤ Advisory support. SREP advisory support would identify the technical and commercial options for developing a WtE plant. This would include the development of a feasibility study and business case to consider options for ownership and operation. Such options would include a purely public arrangement and various types of PPP arrangements. Support could be provided by the World Bank.



Source: Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA)

Grid-Connected Renewables

SREP Project

rooftop solar

rooftop solar

Resource assessment

Investment in mini-grids

Investment in solar irrigation

Subtotal: Off-grid solar PV

Off-grid solar PV

Project preparation

for WtE plant

Grand Total

SREP Leverage

Energy

Investment in utility-scale solar and wind, and

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Technical assistance or transaction advisory

Development support for Waste-to-Energy

Subtotal: Development support for Waste-to-

Investment Plan Preparation Grant

Assessment of technical and commercial feasibility

Subtotal: Grid-connected renewables

MDB

Respon-

sible

WB

IFC

WB

IFC

ADB

WB

SREP

28.00

15.00

0.95

0.50

44.45

5.00

24.00

0.95

29.95

0.30

0.30

0.30

75.00

Government

of

Bangladesh

49.20

20.25

69.45

18.75

6.60

25.35

0.00

94.80

MDBs

200.00*

30.00

230.00

120.00

20.00

140.00

0.00

370.00

(Million US\$)

(Million US\$)

(Million US\$)

8.7

Private Sector

(Equity or

Debt)

100.00

90.00

190.00

0.00

0.00

190.00

Total

377.20

155.25

0.95

0.50

533.90

143.75

50.60

0.95

0.30

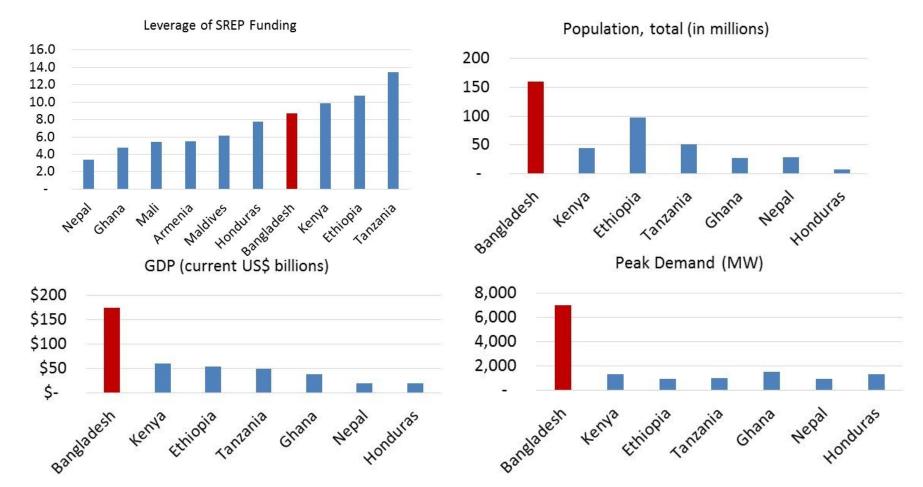
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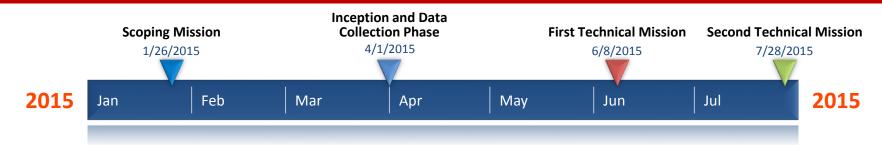
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- The US\$ 75 million in SREP funding for Bangladesh would be the highest amount to date, but is expected to leverage 8.7 times that amount
- In terms of population, GDP, and peak demand, Bangladesh is also the largest country to receive SREP funding



Stakeholder Consultations



- Stakeholders provided input throughout the IP preparation process:
 - As part of the scoping mission GoB and MDBs met to develop a plan for the preparation of the IP
 - The details on renewable energy potential and projects used in the technical assessment were collected from government agencies, utility companies, financial institutions, private companies, universities, MDBs and bilateral agencies
 - Representatives from the GoB, utility companies, financial institutions, private companies, civil society organizations, academic researchers, MDBs, and bilateral agencies were invited to a workshop given to present preliminary results on technical potential and costs and gather feedback on prioritization criteria
 - Separate presentations on the draft investment plan were given to (1) MDBs and bilateral agencies and a (2) group of private investors, academic researchers, and civil society organizations
 - SREDA posted the draft IP online and gathered public comments that were incorporated into the final investment plan

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