

BANGLADESH









GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President Abdul HAMID

Head of Government

Prime Minister Sheikh HASINA

Government Type

parliamentary republic

Capital

Dhaka

Legislature

unicameral House of the Nation or Jatiya Sangsad (350 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court of Bangladesh (organized into the Appellate Division with 7 justices and the High Court Division with 99 justices)

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Mohammad ZIAUDDIN

US Ambassador

Ambassador Earl Robert MILLER

GEOGRAPHY

Area

Total: 148,460 sq km Land: 130,170 sq km Water: 18,290 sq km

Climate

tropical; mild winter (October to March); hot, humid summer (March to June); humid, warm

rainy monsoon (June to October)

Natural Resources

natural gas, arable land, timber, coal

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

the economy has grown strongly since 2005 despite periods of political instability, poor infrastructure, corruption, insufficient power supplies, and lagging economic reforms

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$690.3 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$4,200 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$35.3 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 12.9%, US 12.2%, UK 8.7%, Spain 5.3%,

France 5.1%, Italy 4.1% (2017)

Imports

\$47.56 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 21.9%, India 15.3%, Singapore 5.7% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

162.7 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

0.98% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Bengali at least 98%, indigenous ethnic groups

1.1% (2011 est.)

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Language

Bangla 98.8% (official, also known as Bengali), other 1.2% (2011 est.)

Religion

Muslim 89.1%, Hindu 10%, other 0.9% (includes Buddhist, Christian) (2013 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 38.2% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 3.17% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

73.9% (2018)