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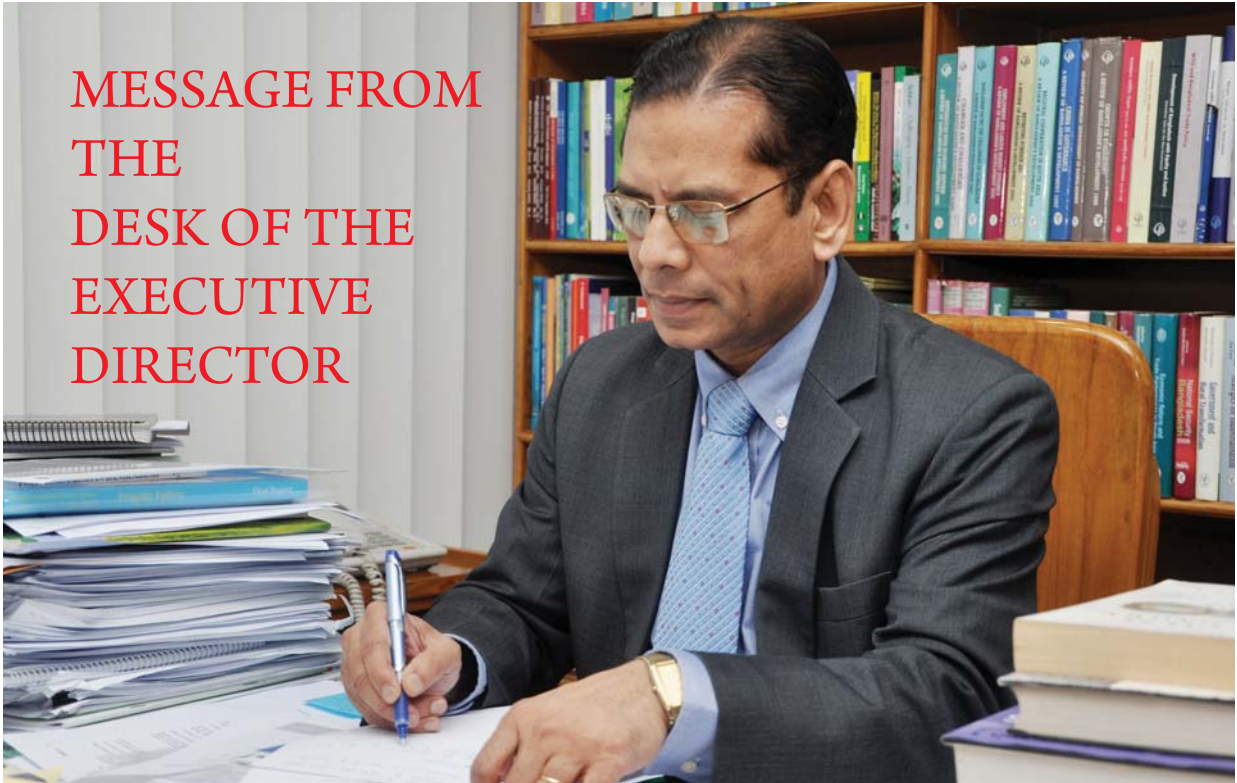


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MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Year 2014 marked yet another busy period for the CPD. Whilst the regular programmes were continued in full swing, the year also saw introduction of a number of new initiatives and activities involving both research and outreach.

The first CPD Anniversary Lecture, delivered by *Professor Louka Katseli* on the theme of “Recent Fiscal and Labour Market Adjustment Experiences in Europe and Lessons for the Low-Income Countries” was, no doubt, one of the key milestones for the CPD in 2014. CPD plans to make the Lecture an annual event.

A public dialogue was held under the “Post-Rana Plaza Monitoring: A Civil Society Initiative” of the CPD this year, to commemorate the first anniversary of the Rana Plaza tragedy of 24 April 2013. The initiative was implemented with support of several partners who joined the monitoring platform at CPD’s invitation. The exercise received appreciation

and attention of concerned stakeholders as an excellent endeavour to ensure transparency and accountability in the delivery of post-Rana Plaza actions and promises.

Colleagues at the Research and Dialogue and Communication Divisions of the CPD kept themselves busy throughout this year to implement CPD’s multifaceted activities. Some of these included monitoring the dynamics of Bangladesh’s major macroeconomic parameters, analysis of fiscal and monetary policies and sectoral developments and tracking implementation of the FY2014-15 budget. Various activities planned as part of the Think Tank Initiative (TTI) work programme was also successfully implemented in this year. An important pioneering work of the CPD in this period was estimation of women’s contribution to the Bangladesh GDP which involved a largescale household survey.

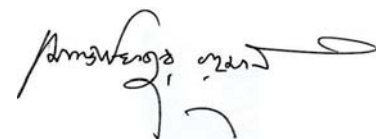
As the Annual Report will bear out, in 2014 CPD was also able to further strengthen its collaboration and partnerships with a number of globally leading think tanks and international and bilateral organisations.

A number of events and activities were carried out under the aegis of the two global networks which are being hosted by the CPD at present. A pioneering publication titled “Istanbul Programme of Action for the LDCs (2011-2020): Monitoring Deliverables, Tracking Progress” was prepared under the LDC IV Monitor programme; the publication was subsequently launched in New York. As part of the work plan of the Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals initiative, a number of research works were carried out and various events were organised in Bangladesh and abroad to emphasise the importance of South-South Cooperation and focus on implementation-related challenges of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the country level.

I would like to take this opportunity to register my deep gratitude to the Board of Trustees of the CPD and all my colleagues for what we have been able to accomplish in 2014. I am indebted to *Professor Rehman Sobhan*, Founding Chairman of the CPD, for his advice and continuing guidance and for inspiring me and my colleagues to pursue the vision and mission of the CPD. *Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya*,

Distinguished Fellow, CPD has been the driving force in taking CPD to newer heights of excellence through quality assurance and innovative approaches. *Ms Anisatul Fatema Yousuf*, Director, Dialogue and Communication Division, CPD and *Dr Fahmida Khatun*, CPD’s Head of Research and colleagues in their respective Divisions have worked with passion and dedication to ensure that all activities envisaged under the annual work plan were implemented as per timeline and without compromising the quality. *Mr M Shafiqul Islam*, Head of Finance and Administration, and his team members played an important role in ensuring high standards in financial and administrative matters.

Many institutions in Bangladesh have helped CPD researchers with necessary data and information. Electronic and print media has always been forthcoming in helping CPD take its messages and research outputs to wider audience. Many representatives of key stakeholder groups and policymakers have taken part in various CPD events and contributed importantly by sharing their insights and views. To all of them, on behalf of the CPD, I would like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude. This is also an opportunity to most sincerely thank all our network partners and collaborating institutions and organisations for their continuing support towards the CPD in implementing our plans and programmes.



(Mustafizur Rahman)



Centre for Policy Dialogue

Introduction

Over the last two decades the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) has emerged as a leading think tank stimulating all state actors, particularly the civil society, to become active players in influencing policy decisions to steer the country towards social and economic progress. With the vision of creating an inclusive society based on equity, justice, fairness and good governance, the CPD came into being in 1993, founded by eminent economist and civil society leader Professor Rehman Sobhan with support from premier civil society and NGOs in Bangladesh. The CPD's programme portfolio has evolved through decades of monitoring, research, activism and dialogue focusing on issues critical to the country's development.

Our Focus

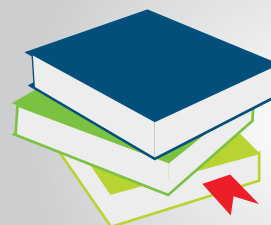
CPD strives to focus on frontier issues which are critical to the development process of Bangladesh in the present context, and which are expected to shape and influence the country's developmental prospects over the mid-term horizon.



Dialogue



Research



Publications



Dissemination
& Networking

OUR MISSION

To service the growing demand of the civil society of Bangladesh for a demand-driven and accountable development process by stimulating informed debate, generating knowledge and influencing policy-making through research, dialogue, dissemination and policy advocacy.



MISSION

VISION

OBJECTIVES

OUR VISION

To contribute to the emergence of an inclusive society in Bangladesh that is based on equity, justice, fairness and good governance.

OUR OBJECTIVES

CPD aims to enhance national capacity for economy-wide policy analyses; foster regional cooperation in poverty alleviation, trade, investment, transport and other key areas; address issues which concern Bangladesh's effective integration into the process of globalisation.



Governance and Internal Management

Board of Trustees (BoT)

The highest body in CPD's governance structure is the BoT, members of which include some of the leading lights of the Bangladesh civil society. The BoT meets at least twice a year and is tasked with providing overall guidance to the activities undertaken by the Centre. It takes decisions with regards to recruitment of senior officials, approval of research and dialogue programmes, and endorsement of the annual budget of the Centre.



Professor Rehman Sobhan
Chairman, CPD
Former Member of
the President's Advisory
Council



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Founder and Chairperson
BRAC



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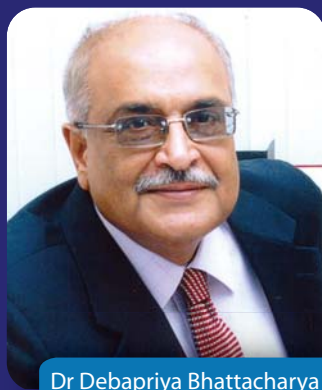


Professor Mustafizur Rahman
(Member Secretary: BoT)
Executive Director, CPD

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Additional Research
Director



Mr M Shafiqul Islam
Additional Director
Administration and Finance

Management & Implementation Committee (MIC)

The MIC meets on a regular basis to review the progress of research and dialogue activities, and discuss future plans of the CPD. The committee is also mandated to take decisions on daily administrative and management issues. A total of 25 meetings of the MIC were held in 2014.

Research Management Committee (RMC)

The RMC works to ensure proper planning and implementation of CPD's various research programmes. Chaired by the Head of Research, the RMC includes mid to senior level CPD researchers as its members. The RMC takes stock of progress in research work, discusses research proposals, and deliberates on CPD's research collaborations and partnerships. It is the RMC's task to design a research strategy for CPD to submit before the BoT for consideration and approval. During 2014, the RMC met on 4 occasions.

Review, Coordination & Planning (ReCAP)

The ReCAP body is comprised of all the CPD staff as its members. ReCAP meetings provide an opportunity for the CPD staff to discuss issues pertaining to research dialogue, administration or any other institutional matters. Seven ReCAP meetings were convened during 2014.

CPD Year in Verbatim 2014

Reflection on Issues and Policies

1

Result from a CPD Study on Women's Contribution to the Economy

Based on replacement cost (the shadow wage for similar type of work) method, the estimated value of women's unpaid household works is equivalent to 76.8% of GDP of Bangladesh

2

Post-Rana Plaza Monitoring report

Over Tk. 18 crore of its Tk. 100 crore fund so far spent from Prime Minister's Office for rehabilitation and re-employment of affected workers showed slow progress

3

The 2014 Survey of GCR report

Inadequate infrastructure, ineffective government's efforts to combat corruption and bribery are the barriers to business in Bangladesh



The economy during the first half of FY2014 faced severe disruption in production, transport and service delivery and deceleration in the investment growth and in the second half, uncertainties were compounded by the non-participatory National Election in early January 2014

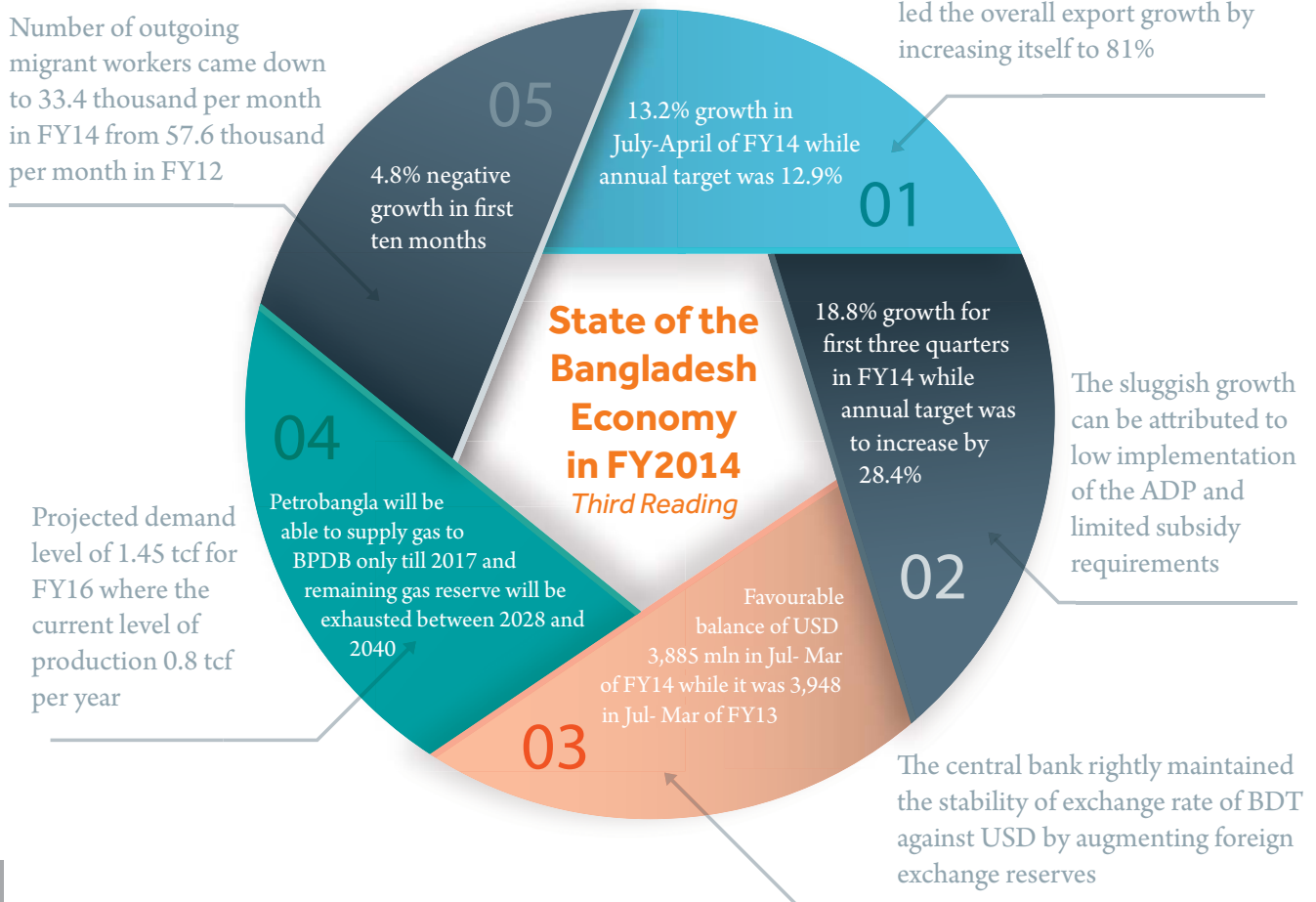


MACROECONOMIC PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

CPD has been analysing performance of key macroeconomic parameters of Bangladesh and providing stakeholders with perspectives on both strategic and policy issues and current development status since 1995. Under the flagship programme *Independent Review of Bangladesh's Development (IRBD)*, CPD has been conducting periodic review of the state of Bangladesh economy along with preparing recommendations and proposals for country budget based on the findings, and analysing the national budget, with both immediate and comprehensive readings, with an inclusive objective to have practical reflections of country needs. The economy has lost its growth momentum over the corresponding period, because of disruption driven by political confrontation. Political turmoil in 2014 resulted in supply chain disruption, transport system breakdown, raising the cost of doing business, delaying shipments and undercutting profits.

Number of outgoing migrant workers came down to 33.4 thousand per month in FY14 from 57.6 thousand per month in FY12

After experiencing considerable volatility in early months RMG led the overall export growth by increasing itself to 81%





OBSERVATIONS ON ADP IMPLEMENTATIONS

An explosion of expenditure (in ADP) happens in the last two months, and most of the projects remain behind the schedule and get extended

Professor Rehman Sobhan
Chairman, CPD

Government plans to outsource the job of monitoring and supervision of projects implementation under ADP from next year

A H M Mustafiz Kamal
Planning Minister

Economists and civil society representations can help identify the areas of unnecessary spending in ADP which the governments often cannot

M A Mannan
State Minister of Finance



State of the economy report of the first half of the FY2014 suggests that ADP implementation has been sluggish due to various internal and external reasons. Forty two out of the total of 54 ministries, rate of implementation was above the average in case of 29 ministries while the implementation record of rest of the ministries was below the average. CPD forecast said public expenditure growth for FY2014 will be to a higher tune of 27.7 per cent over the actual expenditure in FY2013. In FY2013, it was only 14.3 per cent higher compared to the same of FY2012.



CPD delivers formal reaction to national budgets every year. Following the same course the analysis of the national budget for FY2015 was presented at a media briefing on 6 June 2014 which was telecast live on Channel i

POSITIVE MEASURES IN NATIONAL BUDGET FOR FY2015



New tax bracket for high-income groups



Higher surcharge on wealth of the rich



Increased source tax for land registration



Green tax and new VAT imposition areas



Allowance increment for Liberation War fighters



Tax exemption for small industries

NEGATIVE AREAS IN NATIONAL BUDGET FOR FY2015



Declining trends in the allocations for agriculture, education and health sectors as percentage of GDP



Provision of whitening black money



Continuation of Quick rental power plants



Introducing performance-based budgeting in Bangladesh instead of a hypothetical discussion over the budgetary measures is necessary for the goals and achievements

-Professor Rehman Sobhan

Deliberations on the CPD Analysis of the National Budget FY2014-15 gained regional outreach through a local level dialogue in Sylhet in association with the Sacheton Nagorik Committee (SANAC) on 22 June 2014

Sylhet contributes lot to national economy but remains unaccounted during budget allocation



CPD RECOMMENDATIONS

01

Task Force to address pending measures of the Civil Service Act;

02

Effective devolution of power and fiscal autonomy at local governments;

03

Capacity enhancement of major investment projects implementing agencies

04

Comprehensive plan to utilise skills and investable resources of returning migrant workers



Rana Plaza

Over 70 per cent of the affected workers in the tragedy could not find reemployment—Post-Rana Plaza assessment

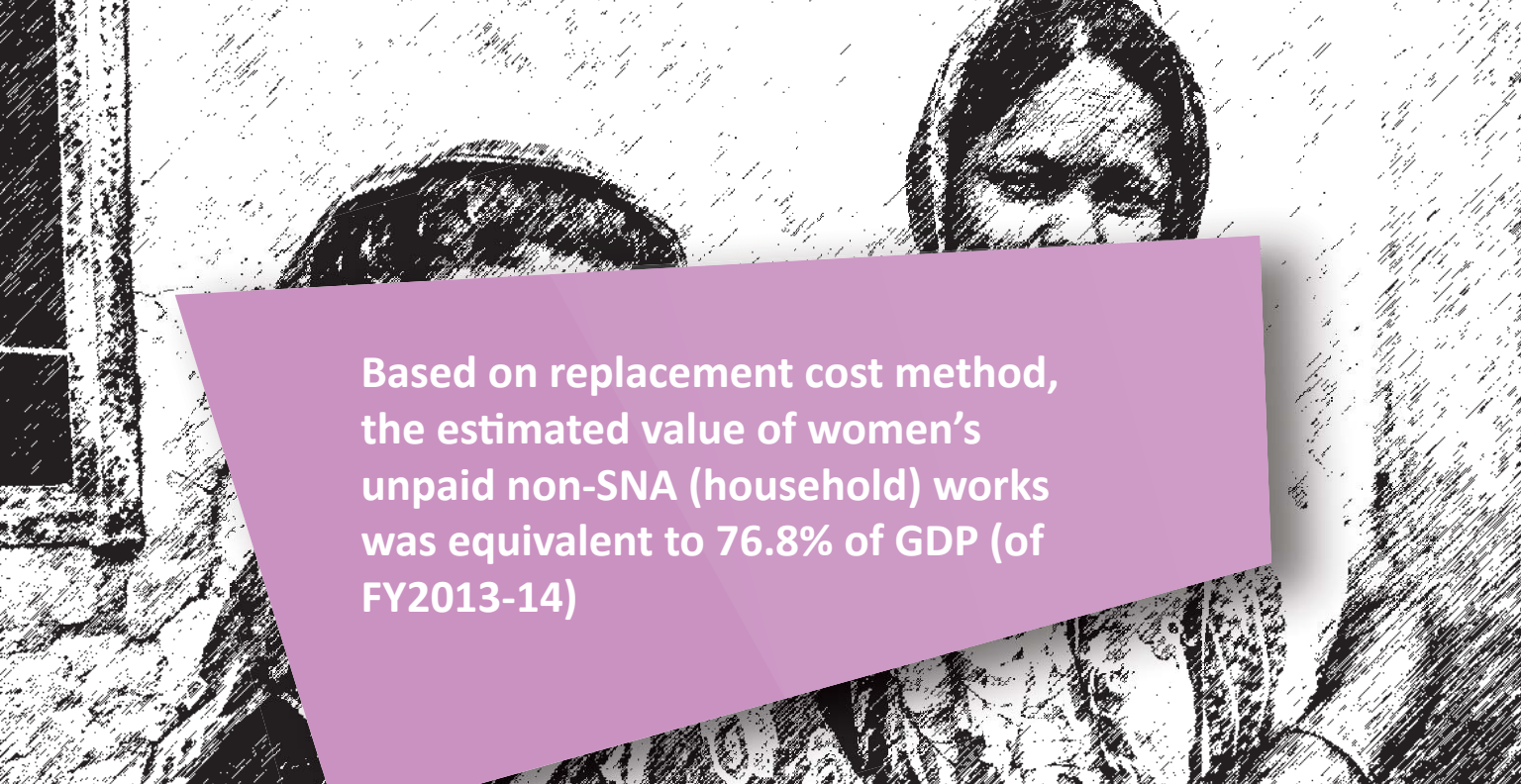
CPD undertook a programme titled ‘Post-Rana Plaza Monitoring: A Civil Society Initiative’ following the collapse of Rana Plaza. As a follow-up activity of the programme a dialogue on “Rana Plaza Tragedy and Beyond: An Update on Commitments and Delivery,” was held on 26 January 2014, in partnership with a number of civil society organisations and eminent citizens in Bangladesh. CPD dialogue highlighted that proper identification of victims and the status of delivery of compensation for the affected and their dependents have not been up to expectation despite efforts from different quarters, including government and RMG owners. Again on the 23 April 2014 a follow-up study titled “One Year after the Rana Plaza Tragedy: Where Do We Stand? The Victims, the Sector and the Value Chain” was presented by Dr Khondaker Golam Moazzem, Additional Research Director of CPD at BRAC Centre Inn Auditorium.

CARRYING THE FLAG OF COMMITMENT FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE: RANA PLAZA TRAGEDY AND BEYOND



OBSERVATIONS

- Speedy enactment of legal measures for the building collapse
- Standardising factory inspection
- Time-bound refurbishment of factories
- Turning ‘sub-contracting’ factories compliant and viable for business
- Capacity upgradation of the Ministry of Labour, Fire Service and Civil Defence Authority
- Building local ownership of reform and restructuring activities



Based on replacement cost method, the estimated value of women's unpaid non-SNA (household) works was equivalent to 76.8% of GDP (of FY2013-14)

RECOGNISING WOMEN'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE ECONOMY

- The government can form a committee to develop methodology to include women's unaccounted contribution in the GDP
- Eliminating wage discrimination and facilitating women's formal work
- Enabling women's participation in the formal sector and empowering them with education and training
- Enhancing services to reduce women's household workload education and training



CPD observed that the unpaid work performed by women does not fall within the organised market economy of the country and is not accounted in the national income. Activities such as domestic labour and care providing facilities form insubstantial value and social capital that can add substantially to the GDP of a country. More wage-based work opportunity in formal

sector is the key to making women's unaccounted contribution more visible in the society. Such valuable observations were shared during dialogue titled on "How much Women Contribute to the Bangladesh Economy: Results from an Empirical Study," jointly organised by CPD and Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF) on 25 October 2014.

Protecting GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION Products




Recognising that the traditional art of weaving Jamdani muslin in Bangladesh was included in UNESCO's list of the "Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity" in 2013, CPD also urged the government to operationalise the Geographical Indication Act to claim the authenticity of Jamdani as a Bangladeshi heritage product with Geographical Indication (GI). CPD organised a dialogue on "Protecting Geographical Indication Products in the Context of Bangladesh and the Way Forward," organised by CPD and National Crafts Council of Bangladesh (NCCB) at CIRDAP Auditorium on 17 June 2014.

LAPSES IN GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIVE PRODUCTS ACT 2013 MUST BE IDENTIFIED.....

so that Bangladesh could settle parallel enlisting of same products with countries like India, which already has taken advantage of its GI Act to entitle Uppada Jamdani sarees as an authentic Indian product.

CPD Dialogue on Political Parties and Democracy in Bangladesh

Organised by  Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)

Saturday 17 May 2014, BRAC Convention Inn Auditorium, Dhaka



Bridging People's Needs with Governance, Policies and Institutions

**democratic
practices and
participatory
culture must be
revived within
the political
parties**

As part of emphasising on participatory and credible national election, reaching out to the local community, policy-oriented civil society, private sector and political opposition CPD dialogue on the study “Political Parties and Democracy in Bangladesh,” was held on 17 May 2014 where it was observed that democratic practices and participatory culture must be revived within the political parties in order to achieve transparent and stable democratic governance in Bangladesh. CPD Distinguished Fellow Professor Rounaq Jahan drew upon the evolution of political parties in Bangladesh and the challenges that impeded democratic practices.

MAJOR CHALLENGES

- Failure in establishing post-election democratic governance
- Tradition of dynastic ruling
- Criminalisation of politics through the emergence of political muscleman
- Clientelism and illegitimate funding sources
- Rising inter and intra-party feud
- Absence of ideals and erosion of intra-party democratic practices

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Practice of democracy within political organisation
- Political parties need to stop using state agencies and state resources
- Parties should receive funds from the state budget
- Practice of boycotting parliament should be stopped
- Maintain a separation between the party and government

VAT and SD Act 2012 Concerns and Implementation Challenges

Organised by  Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD)

10 December 2014, Six Seasons Hotel, Dhaka



VAT and SD ACT 2012

CPD organised a roundtable discussion on “VAT and SD Act 2012: Concerns and Implementation Challenges” on 10 December 2014 where CPD urged for new reform agenda should safeguard the welfare of certain sectors with a view to supporting investment, growth and employment, and promoting social equity and economic justice by expanding the social safety net programmes.

KEY POINTS

- ✚ Value Added Tax and Supplementary Duty Act must be informed by equity concerns
- ✚ Institutional capacity of relevant government agencies should be strengthened
- ✚ Implementation of the Act should benefit government and ensure tax justice for entrepreneurs and consumers

Recent Fiscal and Labour Market Adjustment Experiences in Europe Lessons for the Low-Income Countries

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CPD Anniversary Lecture 2014
New global financial architecture
could safeguard
low-income countries

Bangladesh needs to have a vision for its future and a transformative strategy for its implementation shaped by its own history, endowments and culture

Dr Louka T. Katseli, Professor of Economics at the National Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

With a view to be shared with experiences and knowledge of salient experts CPD organised its first Anniversary Lecture in 2014 – the year of 20th foundation anniversary of the organisation. Dr Louka Katseli, Professor of Economics at the National Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece addressed the Lecture titled “Recent Fiscal and Labour Market Adjustment Experiences in Europe and Lessons for the Low-Income Countries” on 18 November 2014 in Dhaka. In the Lecture Dr Katseli, an expert on international economics and development policy, former Director, OECD Development Centre, Greece’s former Minister of Labour and Social Security and former Minister of Economy, Competitiveness and Shipping, emphasised on designing new global financial system that could safeguard interests of low-income countries.

DR KATSELI’S LESSONS FOR BANGLADESH FROM THE EXPERIENCE OF GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS

- Implementing a domestic transformative strategy
- Develop new sectors, products and services
- Diversifying Bangladesh’s economy beyond textiles
- Undertaking governance and institutional reforms
- Finance infrastructure by mobilising trade and domestic taxes
- Building partnerships for change at national, regional and global levels
- Shaping and investing on governance, infrastructure, human capital
- Introducing appropriate incentives for private sector mobilisation
- Designing effective social protection systems and ensuring policy coherence.



There are opportunities for pressing the Korean government for reducing the level of RoO for further bolstering the regional value chain

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-Tofail Ahmed MP, Minister of Commerce

CPD took initiative to encourage foreign direct investment and to strengthen regional cooperation with suggestions that Bangladesh can follow the footsteps of Korea’s agrarian to industrial transformation over four decades into becoming a development partner to many LDCs. The dialogue “Korean Development Experience: Lessons for Bangladesh” co-organised by CPD and Embassy of Republic of Korea, Dhaka on 23 December 2014 deliberated on Korea’s economic development, regional integration and relevant experience for Bangladesh and global best practices of CSR.

KOREAN DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE: LESSONS FOR BANGLADESH



- A Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) between the two countries is necessary to improve bilateral cooperation
- Over 31,000 Bangladeshis are currently working in Korea
- Bangladesh should focus on skill development and schooling for young workers
- Regional value chain will accelerate Korean investment in Bangladesh
- Korea’s rigid rules of origin (RoO) is a difficulty for Bangladesh to raise export



Strengthening Bangladesh's diplomatic and business presence in Indian market would be crucial to realising trade potentials



The realisation of the DFMA facilities has a historical significance as previous leaders and politicians had talked over this issue during the last three decades

- *Professor Rehman Sobhan*

CPD observed that Bangladesh will need to diversify its export basket in order to enhance export competitiveness and take full advantage of the duty-free market access (DFMA) offer of India to SAARC LDCs. Deepening bilateral relationship with India covering the spectrum of trade, investment, transport and people-to-people connectivity is also crucial for Bangladesh to realise the potential opportunities emerging from the DFMA. The observations were surfaced at the CPD dialogue on "Utilising Indian Market Access Offer through Promotion of Trade Facilitation" on 22 April 2014 in Dhaka.

With score 3.72 out of 7, Bangladesh ranked 109th among 144 economies.
Corruption came down to 2nd position (19.7%)
Inefficient government bureaucracy (14.5%) stayed on the 3rd spot
Cost of transportation at domestic level rose up to 12.8%



BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT IN BANGLADESH AND GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS REPORT 2014-15

CPD expressed concerns on business environment and prevailing investment-related challenges in Bangladesh at the CPD dialogue on “Recent Update on Business Environment in Bangladesh and Launching of Global Competitiveness Report 2014-2015” on 4 September 2014. The Global Competitiveness Report (GCR) defines ‘Business Competitiveness’ as “the set of institutions, policies and factors that determine the level of productivity of a country.”

Mobilising additional public finance, particularly domestic revenue resources and concessional foreign assistance, improving the global governance and institutions will endow the ambitious goals of post-2015 international development agenda.

–Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya, Distinguished Fellow, CPD and Chair, Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals addressed the opening plenary of the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF)



CPD: Advocating for Building Blocks in Trade and Cooperation

CPD has steered momentum for economic cooperation at regional level through its research and dialogue. Its efforts have aimed at creating a wider canvas of opportunities for cooperation in South Asia and South East in five key areas: (i) mobilising the necessary funds for building physical infrastructure; (ii) identifying and sequencing of priorities; (iii) cross-border coordination; (iv) building human resources to manage cross-border mega projects; and (v) building supply-side capacities to benefit from connectivity-driven regional market opportunities. These came from a CDP publication titled 'Connecting South Asia and

Southeast Asia: A Bangladesh Country Study'.

Considering India as major regional partner, trade facilitation is important for enhancing Bangladesh's export opportunities in the Indian market. Based on this backdrop, CPD has commissioned a study on "India's Market Access Offer Realising Potential Opportunities through Enhanced Trade Facilitation".

Major findings of the study recommended investment in land port and infrastructure development, Single Window facilities and electronic data interchange in simplifying inadequate customs and port facilities.



In-house Discussion

China's role in South Asia:
SA countries need own
'balancing' act

CPD in Regional and Global arena

Spearheading Cooperation and Opportunities



CPD has extended its reach by carrying the voice of low-income countries and the developing South to inform and influence global discourse on issues of concern and interest to our countries through LDC IV Monitor and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals. CPD findings recommended LDCs to prioritise resource mobilisation for public and private investment, industrial and sectoral policies to channel resources into the most productive sectors, activities and macroeconomic policies which foster economic growth.



Launching LDC IV Monitor Report

LDC IV Monitor is a partnership of eight international institutions of which CPD is the Secretariat. The initiative was set up in the wake of the UN LDC IV aiming to work on LDC issues and provide independent assessment of the state of the Istanbul Programme of Action (IPoA) implementation.

Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya, Chair of LDC IV Monitor, introduced the publication of the report titled “Istanbul Programme of Action for the LDCs (2011-2020): Monitoring Deliverables, Tracking Progress,” to an audience including Ambassadors, UN officials, representatives of international development community and members of the LDC IV Monitor on 15 October 2014 in New York. The global community should extend all possible support towards smooth graduation of the LDCs from its status by delivering on all the commitments of the IPoA.



Southern Voice

2015 On Post-MDG International Development Goals



KEY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE DIALOGUE WERE:

- Develop framework to identify the basic principles, scope and modalities, instruments and triggers of SSC.
- Generate evidence of cooperation and strategic engagement.

Southern economies shifting from about 25 per cent of world's GDP in 1980 to 45 per cent in 2010, have emerged as strong drivers of global growth

- *Dr Fahmida Khatun, Research Director, CPD*

In order to fully explore the scope of South-South Cooperation (SSC) and to help demystify some of its South Asian experiences, the Southern Voice on Post-MDGs initiated the dialogue on “Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A South Asian Perspective.” The National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER), New Delhi and CPD were partners of the Southern Voice on Post-MDGs in organising the event in New Delhi, India on 27-28 March 2014.



POST-2015 DATA TEST PRESENTATION OF INITIAL FINDINGS FROM COUNTRY LEVEL



CPD and the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA), Ottawa, in association with Southern Voice on Post-MDGs, the UN Foundation and the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation organised two workshops on 14 and 15 October 2014 to bring country-level perspectives to discussions on the post-2015 agenda by assessing the implications of implementing the new agenda at the national level.

The Data Test team presented their findings to a wide range of stakeholders engaged in the post-2015 discussions and negotiations, including the UN Secretary General's Independent Expert Advisory Group on the Data Revolution, diplomats from UN Missions in New York and UN staff. The workshops provided an opportunity for experts from seven countries to share their experience and research findings with member states, think tanks, UN and civil society in the New York policy community, and to explore implications for the data revolution and for the post-2015 agenda more broadly.



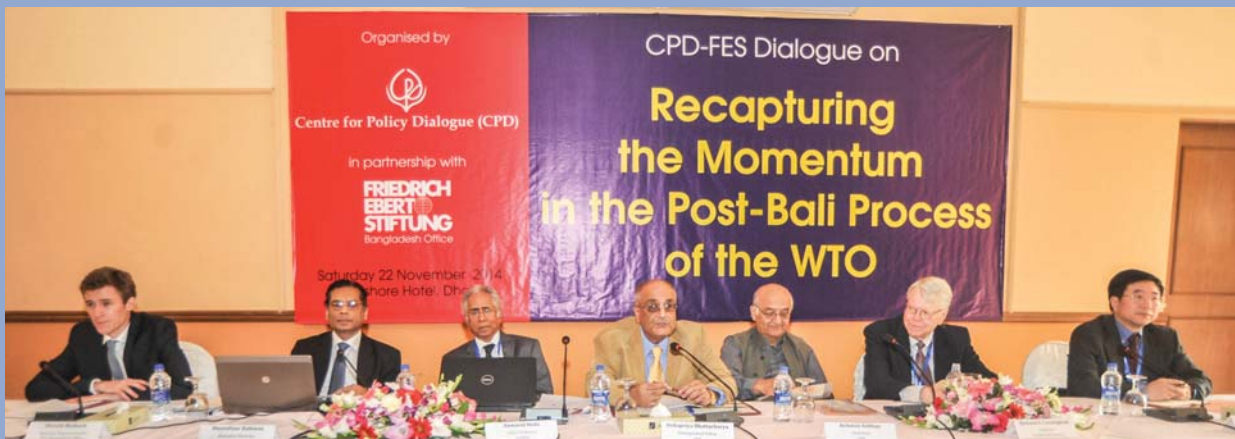
LDCS WILL.....

need to narrow down differences within the LDC Group

have to identify category-specific concerns regarding Trade Facilitation Agreement

need to remain engaged in future Request-Offer negotiations in Geneva

need to build coalitions in post-Bali negotiations in Geneva during the run up to MC- 10



RECAPTURING THE MOMENTUM IN THE POST-BALI PROCESS OF THE WTO

To determine the needs of LDCs, including Bangladesh, to reform domestic regulations in taking cognisance of changes in the global economy CPD, jointly with Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES), organised the dialogue titled “Recapturing the Momentum in the Post-Bali Process of the WTO,” at Lakeshore Hotel on Sunday 22 November 2014.

CPD Executive Director Professor Mustafizur Rahman noted in his keynote WTO in the Post-Bali Phase: Whither LDC Issues? that LDCs have been taking advantage of the multilateral trading system but their concerns and interests are hardly being reflected and addressed in the WTO.

The dialogue led to the Dhaka Roundtable on “Reviving the Multilateral Trading System: Post-Bali Issues” on 23-24 November 2014 which was co-organised with the South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA).





The two important dialogues were organised by CPD in association with the DFID-ESRC Growth Research Programme (DEGRP) on 20 February 2014 in Dhaka. These two dialogues were focused on Bangladesh’s garments and agriculture sectors to discuss the challenges and solutions for economic transformation and growth.

Having the Hon’ble Minister for Commerce Mr Tofail Ahmed, MP as the Chief Guest at the first dialogue titled “Bangladesh’s Garments Sector: Upgradation and Structural Transformation” asserted the needs in textile and garments sector of the country.

Panel Presenters Dr Dirk Willem te Velde, Head of Programme, International Economic Development Group, ODI recommended favourable changes in public policy, and incentives for Bangladesh’s RMG industry which has an export value greater than the individual GDP of some 90 countries. Another Panel Presenter Dr Christopher M Woodruff, Professor of Economics, University of Warwick emphasised on the requirement of innovations in production process in factories as goods become more complex.



The second dialogue of the day titled “Bangladesh’s Agriculture and Structural Transformation” focused on country’s needs to prioritise agricultural marketing and labour productivity to raise agricultural productivity where Mr A H M Mustafa Kamal, MP, Hon’ble Minister for Planning, GoB attended as the Chief Guest.

Keynote presenter Dr Stephen Wiggins, Research Fellow, Agricultural Development and Policy, Overseas Development Institute (ODI) argued against common misperception that ‘agricultural productivity is stagnant, and is difficult to raise’. He stressed that agricultural productivity can grow faster than the manufacturing sector.



In association with European Report on Development (ERD) 2014, CPD organised a workshop on “Financing and other Means of Implementation in the Post-2015 Context” in Dhaka on 19 February 2014.

The report aimed to provide a framework for discussions on bringing the finance and post-2015 goal setting processes together. It was also focused to feed into the synthesis of all the processes by late 2014 for a post-2015 agreement that would be adopted in September 2015.

Dr Dirk Willem te Velde, ERD 2014 Team Leader briefly dwelt on the ERD 2014 and financing in the post-2015 context. CPD Distinguished Fellow Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya, also the Chair of Southern Voice on Post-MDGs, as a Core Team Member of ERD 2014, shed light into the country illustrations on Bangladesh, Ecuador, Indonesia, Kenya, Mauritius and Moldova.



COMMON APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY FOR THE COUNTRY ILLUSTRATIONS

- country context (benchmark)
- transformative agenda-related national development objectives
- suitability of means of implementation



Communicating Policy Research-Capacity Building is the Key

CPD recognised the role of journalists in raising awareness on Bangladesh’s status and progress regarding the Post-2015 International Development Agenda. An Appreciation Course titled “Current National and Global Issues” was organised by CPD in two phases for the journalists of print, electronic and online media on 29 October and 16 November 2014. Objective of the course was to enable the participants to have a deeper understanding on contemporary national and global issues for informative and investigative reporting on the MDGs and post-2015 agenda.

Journalists’ job is to get behind the numbers, investigate the facts and follow-up on their work to inform the people

- Professor Rehman Sobhan



Workshop on Research Communication

Digital channels for wider research dissemination



WAY FORWARD

CPD aspires to remain actively engaged in its pursuit of inclusive governance and a society built on notions of justice, equity and fairness which are its founding mandate. CPD will endeavour servicing this mandate through the research, public policy, agenda building and effective outreach.

In the coming days, CPD hopes to focus its attention towards the aforesaid areas as both demand urgent and continuing attention of all concerned stakeholders and citizens in Bangladesh. At global level, CPD will continue to hold its stand for strengthened global development cooperation to improve the global governance and institutions so that low-income countries can accelerate national efforts to reduce poverty, inequality and discrimination.

CPD has continued its wide-ranging research including CPD's flagship *Independent Review of Bangladesh's Development* programme, its work on inclusive growth and distributive justice, research focused on economic reforms, improving macroeconomic management and political governance.

During the year of political turmoil, CPD's flagship report on State of the Bangladesh Economy

underscored the need for a congenial political environment to lost investment dynamism needed for restoring growth acceleration. Activities related to the national budget and analysis of the Bangladesh economy remained on the forefront in 2014. In the backdrop of budget discussion, CPD proposed to establish four independent commissions that are expected to raise the efficacy of economic governance and effective implementation of the budget.

In these years, CPD emerged as a leading civil society think tank that takes pride in its local roots and global reach, championing the cause of the underprivileged and the marginalised in Bangladesh, and articulating the demands of the low-income countries in regional and global fora. By pioneering a tradition of dialogue and constructive engagement among key stakeholders in Bangladesh's development, CPD is promoting a culture of informed debate and discussion between non-state actors and the policymakers.

Lessons learnt in the last two decades will hopefully contribute in constructing evidence-based knowledge that empowers civil society to advance the cause of good governance, transparency and accountability.



Financial Report



FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

CPD is committed to maintain the highest possible standards with regards to its financial management by following stipulated rules and regulations and best accounting practices, through internal auditing and independent external auditing, which are conducted on a regular basis. On financial matters CPD remains accountable to its Board of Trustees, NGO Affairs Bureau, National Board of Revenue (NBR) and its supporting agencies and institutions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF CPD

Hoda Vasi Chowdhury & Co. has carried out the audit of the financial statements of the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) for the calender year 2014.

The Auditor has reported that the financial statements, prepared in accordance with Bangladesh Financial Reporting Standards/Bangladesh Accounting Standards, give a true and fair view of the state of the CPD and its projects' affairs as on 31 December 2014 and of the results of its consolidated operations and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended and comply with the requirements of applicable laws and regulations.

The summary of the Statement of Income & Expenses for the year ended on 31 December 2014 and the Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) as on 31 December 2014 are provided below. These extracts provide an overview of the state of financial affairs of the Centre.

Statement of Income & Expenses for the year ended on 31 December 2014

	Amount in Taka ('000)	
	Year Ended 31 Dec 2014	Year Ended 31 Dec 2013
Incoming Resources		
Fund and grants	119,265	101,784
Other receipts	19,140	21,309
Total resources	138,405	123,093
Resources Expended		
Administrative and management expenditure	67,873	54,212
Project/programme expenditures	133,642	97,668
Total Expenditure	201,515	151,880
Reserve/Deficit	(63,110)	(28,787)

Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) as on 31 December 2014

	Amount in Taka ('000)	
	Year Ended 31 Dec 2014	Year Ended 31 Dec 2013
Assets		
Fixed Assets	123,862	117,645
Current Assets	151,755	178,163
Less: Current Liabilities	(1,301)	(1,066)
Net Assets	274,316	294,742
Represented by		
Unrestricted Funds	208,716	227,028
Restricted Funds	65,600	67,714
	274,316	294,742

Annex 1

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Annex 2

CPD Professionals in International Fora

Rehman Sobhan, Chairman

- Was a Discussant in panel discussion on “Towards a Desirable Future for India” at international symposium titled Towards a Desirable Future for India in an Increasingly Globalized Society, organised by Institute for Human Development (IHD), during 9-11 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Participated at international conference on The Status and Role of Social Science Research in Asian Countries, organised by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and Think Tank Initiative (TTI), during 13-15 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Delivered a lecture on “Bangladesh’s Rana Plaza Disaster: Perspectives on the Political Economy of Globalisation” at the Observer Research Foundation (ORF), on 18 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Attended the Second Asia Think Tank Summit on Promoting Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration, co-hosted by Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) and University of Pennsylvania, during 21-22 May 2014, in Tokyo, Japan.
- Made a presentation on “Rana Plaza and the Lessons from the Political Economy of Globalisation” at the Development, Thought and Policy Lecture Seminar at the New School, on 8 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Addressed the inaugural session and chaired the plenary session on “Summary, Conclusions and Way Forward” at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Attended Panel Discussion on “Women, Work and Structural Transformation in South Asia,” organised by IHD, International Labour Organization (ILO), UN-ESCAP SSWA Office and IDRC, hosted by South Asia Research Network (SARNET), on 17 December 2014, in Ranchi, India.
- Attended the 56th Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics (ISLE), on 18 December 2014, in Ranchi, India.
- Led a discussion on “Environmental Crisis, Interstate Tensions, and Extremism” at the regional dialogue on Development, Democracy and Peace, organised by Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD), on 20 December 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.

M Syeduzzaman, Member, CPD Board of Trustees

- Participated at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.

Mustafizur Rahman, Executive Director

- Made a presentation “Salient Features of the Country Studies on the Economy of Tomorrow: Bangladesh” at a Seminar on Economic Policies for Inclusive and Sustainable Development in South Asia, as part of the ‘South Asian Regional Forum on Economy of Tomorrow,’ organised by Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) and Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), during 23-25 February 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.
- Was a Designated Speaker at the session “Regional Initiatives” at a seminar on India’s Engagement with Bangladesh and Myanmar, organised by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, during 6-7 March 2014, in Kolkata, India.
- Was a Discussant at a Seminar on Regional Cooperation on Trade, Climate Change and Food Security in South Asia: Some Reflections and Way Forward, organised by South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics & Environment (SAWTEE), Oxfam and Swedish Standards Institute (SSI), during 13-14 March 2014, in Lalitpur, Nepal.
- Was a Discussant at the session on “SAFTA Liberalization – Progress, Challenges, and Prospects,” and moderated discussion on “Informal Trade in SAARC” at a roundtable meeting for the study on SAARC Regional Economic Integration, organised by Asian Development Bank (ADB), during 24-25 March 2014, in Manila, Philippines.
- Chaired the session on “South Asian Experience with SSC,” at a dialogue on Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A South Asian Perspective, organised by National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) and CPD, in association with Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals, during 27-28 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Was a Panellist at the Focus Session on “Locating South-South Cooperation within Emerging Development Cooperation Architecture,” organised by Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals, in association with CPD and NCAER, at the First High-Level Meeting (HLM) of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC), on 15 April 2014, in Mexico City, Mexico.
- Made a presentation on “Bangladesh Country Study” at the Midterm Stock Taking Workshop of Post-2015 Data Test Initiative, organised by CPD, North-South Institute (NSI), Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals and Partnership for African Social and Governance Research (PASGR), during 28-30 April 2014, in Nairobi, Kenya.
- Participated at the Inaugural Panel Discussion on “Envisioning South Asia” at the launch of the SARCist Initiative of the Centre for Policy Research (CPR), supported by The Asia Foundation, on 15 May 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Was a Panellist at a session on “Four Years of TTI: Integrating Learning within Organisations Reflecting on Achievements and Challenges,” at the 4th TTI Regional Meeting 2014 on Asia in the New World: Emerging Research Themes, organised by Institute of Social and Environmental Transition (ISET)-Nepal, during 9-10 June 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- Was a discussant on “China’s New Development and its Regional Implications – China and Asia as Partners in Development” at the international conference on China’s New Development: Common Visions for Asian – European Co-operation, organised by FES and Chinese Association for International Understanding (CAFIU), during 16-19 June 2014, in Tutzing, Germany.
- Participated at a multi-stakeholder dialogue and knowledge sharing workshop, organised by Integrated Support Programme for Inclusive Reform and Democratic Dialogue (INSPIRED), during 2-4 July 2014, in Madrid, Spain.
- Participated at a regional conference on Developing a Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection in South Asia: A Multi-Stakeholder Contribution to upcoming SAARC Summit, organised by South Asia Center for Policy Studies (SACEPS) and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES), during 21-22 August 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.

- Participated in the Myanmar-Bangladesh Track II Workshop, organised by the Myanmar Institute of Strategic and International Studies (MISIS) and FES Yangon Office, during 22-25 September 2014, in Yangon, Myanmar.
- Participated at a workshop on Post-2015 Data Test: Unpacking the Post-2015 Data Revolution at the Country Level, organised by CPD, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA) and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 14 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Participated at a workshop on Views from the Field: How will the Post-2015 Agenda be Delivered and Implemented? organised by CPD, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA) and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 15 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Attended the launch of the LDC IV Monitor report Istanbul Programme of Action for the LDCs (2011–2020): Monitoring Deliverables, Tracking Progress, jointly organised by UN Foundation, Permanent Missions of Turkey and Benin (LDC Coordinator in the UN) and LDC IV Monitor partners, on 15 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Made a presentation on “Implications for the Data Revolution and the Post-2015 Framework,” at Challenges of Implementing SDGs at Country Level: Data Issues and Beyond, hosted by Center for Global Development (CGD) and organised by NPSIA and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 17 October 2014, in Washington, D.C., USA.
- Was a panellist at the plenary session on “Regional Cooperation for Food Security in South Asia” and extended concluding remarks at plenary session on “Summary, Conclusions and Way Forward” at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Participated in the 2014 Global Think Tank Summit on Think Tanks, Public Policy and Governance: National, Regional and Global Perspectives, during 4-6 December 2014, in Geneva, Switzerland.
- Was a designated speaker at a session on “Regional Economic Cooperation and Connectivity in South Asia” at 17th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC), organised by SDPI, during 9-11 December 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.

Debapriya Bhattacharya, Distinguished Fellow

- Was a Discussant at the session “A New Framework for Poverty Eradication and Sustainable Development,” at the conference The Post-2015 Development Framework: Priorities for the Least Developed Countries, organised by Wilton Park, on 29 January 2014, in West Sussex, UK.
- Moderated the session “Data-enabled National, Regional and International Frameworks for Monitoring and Accountability of Development Delivery,” at a dialogue on Data and Accountability for the Post-2015 Development Framework, organised by UNDP, on 31 January 2014, in New York, USA.
- Attended a Roundtable Meeting on Trade Cooperation in a Multipolar World Economy, organised by Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), during 13-14 February 2014, in Seoul, Korea.
- Participated at the Inception Workshop of the Initiative Unpacking the Data Revolution at the Country Level: An Early Examination of Candidate Post-2015 Goals, Targets and Indicators, led by CPD, NSI, Ottawa and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals, during 26-27 February 2014, in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
- Delivered a Special Lecture on “Triangular Cooperation among Bangladesh, India and Myanmar: The Fourth Angle?” at the seminar on India’s Engagement with Bangladesh and Myanmar, organised by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, during 6-7 March 2014, in Kolkata, India.

- Was a Discussant at a seminar on Regional Cooperation on Trade, Climate Change and Food Security in South Asia: Some Reflections and Way Forward, organised by SAWTEE, Oxfam and SSI, during 13-14 March 2014, in Lalitpur, Nepal.
- Chaired a panel discussion on “Integrating SSC in GPEDC” at a dialogue on Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A South Asian Perspective, organised by NCAER and CPD, in association with Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals, during 27-28 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Chaired the Focus Session on “Locating South-South Cooperation within Emerging Development Cooperation Architecture,” organised by Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals, in association with CPD and NCAER, at the First High-Level Meeting (HLM) of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC), on 15 April 2014, in Mexico City, Mexico.
- Attended the Midterm Stock Taking Workshop of Post-2015 Data Test Initiative, organised by CPD, NSI, Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals and PASGR, during 28-30 April 2014, in Nairobi, Kenya.
- Attended the European Report on Development (ERD) 2014 Country Illustration Workshop: Tanzania, organised by Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF), on 9 May 2014, in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
- Attended the European Report on Development (ERD) 2014 Country Illustration Workshop: Moldova, organised by European Business Association (EBA) Moldova, on 15 May 2014, in Chisinau, Moldova.
- Made a presentation on “Post-2015 International Development Agenda: Issues Related to Means of Implementation,” as an invited expert at the Post-2015 Development Orientation and Briefing Programme IX, organised by United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), on 20 May 2014, at UN Headquarters, New York, USA.
- Made a presentation on “Post-2015 International Development Agenda: Other Means of Implementation,” as an invited expert at the Post-2015 Development Orientation and Briefing Programme VII, organised by UNITAR, on 22 May 2014, at World Meteorological Organization, in Geneva, Switzerland.
- Was a Panellist at the session on “The global partnership to deliver post-2015: Making it count” at the conference on International Cooperation in the 21st Century: Partnerships for Delivering the Post-2015 Agenda, organised by Chatham House, London in association with the Overseas Development Institute, the Korea International Cooperation Agency and with support from Rockefeller Foundation, during 27-28 May 2014, in London, UK.
- Participated at the European Report on Development (ERD) 2014: Part B Synthesis Workshop, during 2-3 June 2014, in Athens, Greece.
- Was a discussant at a policy session on “International Development Research Centre: Think Tanks: Promoting Local Solutions, Influencing Regional and Global Thinking,” at the 17th World Congress of the International Economic Association (IEA), during 7-12 June 2014, in Amman, Jordan.
- Played the role of a Provincial Leader for developing a game to examine water security challenges in South Asia, organised by CNA Corporation and Skoll Global Threats Fund, during 25-26 June 2014 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Was a Panellist at the dialogue “From Rio+20 to post-2015: towards an integrated and universal sustainable development agenda” at the Second Meeting of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, held under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) at the UN Headquarters, during 30 June-9 July 2014, in New York, USA.
- Participated at Data Revolution Expert Workshop at Overseas Development Institute (ODI) during 10-11 July 2014, in London, UK.
- Participated at a workshop ahead of Open Working Group (OWG) 12 on How to Craft a Compelling Narrative and Select Transformative Targets at UN Foundation, on 12 July 2014, in New York, USA.

- Attended the Asia-Pacific regional consultation on Accountability for the Post-2015 Development Agenda during the 70th session of UNESCAP at UN Conference Centre, during 4-8 August 2014, in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Attended a peer review meeting of the European Development Report 2014, organised by Overseas Development Institute (ODI) on 17 September 2014, in Brussels, Belgium.
- Participated at a workshop on Post-2015 Data Test: Unpacking the Post-2015 Data Revolution at the Country Level, organised by CPD, NPSIA and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 14 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Participated at a workshop on View from the Field: How will the Post-2015 Agenda be delivered and implemented? organised by CPD, NPSIA and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 15 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Attended the launch of the LDC IV Monitor report Istanbul Programme of Action for the LDCs (2011–2020): Monitoring Deliverables, Tracking Progress, jointly organised by UN Foundation, Permanent Missions of Turkey and Benin (LDC Coordinator in the UN) and LDC IV Monitor partners, on 15 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Participated at a workshop on Challenges of Implementing SDGs at Country Level: Data Issues and Beyond, hosted by CGD and organised by CPD, NPSIA and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 17 October 2014, in Washington D.C., USA.
- Addressed the closing plenary on “Post-2015 Agenda and its Implementation Challenges,” at the Annual Conference of Development Studies Association, on 1 November 2014, in London, UK.
- Delivered lead presentation at the plenary session on “Post-2015 Agenda: South Asian Perspectives” at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Participated in 4th session of the ESCAP Committee on Statistics: Preparatory Expert Group Meeting on Data and Statistics for the Post-2015 Development Agenda, during 9-10 December 2014, in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Made a presentation on “Synthesis of key findings from six ERD country illustrations,” at the OECD High Level Meeting on Financing and other Means of Implementation in a Post-2015 Context, on 15 December 2014, in Paris, France.
- Was a discussant at a session on “The Post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals and their implications for PCD approaches and tools,” and made a presentation on “The role of trade in the Post-2015 Development Agenda” at a session on “Coherence between the International Trade Agenda and the SDGs: Shaping PCSD Targets and Indicators in the SDG Framework,” at 8th meeting of the National Focal Points for Policy Coherence for Development (PCD), during 17-18 December 2014, in Paris, France.
- Made a presentation on “Main Findings of the LDC IV Report and its Relevance in the Implementation of the IPoA by 2020” as part of the OECD Development Centre Dev Talks Series, on 18 December 2014, in Paris, France.

Rounaq Jahan, Distinguished Fellow

- Was a Discussant in the session “Employment” at the international symposium on Towards a Desirable Future for India in an Increasingly Globalized Society, organised by IHD, during 9-11 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.

- Delivered a public lecture on Gender Mainstreaming in Public Policy: An Elusive Agenda, at the Institute for Research on Women, Gender and Sexuality at Columbia University, on 9 October 2014, in New York, USA.
- Participated at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.

Anisatul Fatema Yousuf, Director, Dialogue and Communication

- Led a team at a workshop on Developing a Strategic Approach to Policy Engagement and Communication (PEC), organised by TTI, Institute of Development Studies (IDS) and Practical Action, Nepal, during 11-12 February 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- Attended a series of meetings with the Communications Team of IDS, during 6-7 May 2014, in Brighton, UK.

Fahmida Khatun, Research Director

- Made a Presentation on “Regional Cooperation to Address Climate Change Impact in South Asia” as a Discussant at a seminar on Regional Cooperation on Trade, Climate Change and Food Security in South Asia: Some Reflections and Way Forward, organised by SAWTEE, Oxfam and SSI, during 13-14 March 2014, in Lalitpur, Nepal.
- Made a presentation at the session “Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A Southern Perspective on Experience and Challenge” at a dialogue on Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A South Asian Perspective, organised by NCAER and CPD, in association with Southern Voice on Post MDG International Development Goals, during 27-28 March 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Made a presentation on “Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A Southern Perspective on Experience and Challenge” at a Focus Session on “Locating South-South Cooperation within Emerging Development Cooperation Architecture,” organised by Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals, in association with CPD and NCAER, at the First High-Level Meeting (HLM) of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC), on 15 April 2014, in Mexico City, Mexico.
- Made a presentation on “Emerging Challenge and Agenda for South-South Cooperation for Enhancing Human Development” at an international symposium on Human Development in Global South: Emerging Perspectives in the Era of Post-Millennium Development Goals, organised by IHD, New Delhi and Wada Na Todo Abhiyan (WNTA) in association with UNESCAP, during 28-29 April 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Made a presentation on “Building Resilience to Nutrition Insecurity and Weather Shocks,” at an international conference on Building Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security, organised by the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), during 15-17 May 2014, in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- Was a Panellist at a session on “Organisational Adaptation in the Changing Eco-systems” at the 4th TTI Regional Meeting 2014 on Asia in the New World: Emerging Research Themes, organised by Institute of Social and Environmental Transition (ISET)-Nepal, during 9-10 June 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- Made a presentation “Energy and Social Policies: Energy Subsidies in Bangladesh” at the Asian Regional Dialogue on What Kind of Energy for a Socially Just, Resilient and Green Dynamic Growth in Asia? as part of the Economy of Tomorrow (EoT) Project of FES, during 23-24 June 2014, in Bali, Indonesia.
- Addressed the session “Working Together for a Greener World,” at the conference ASEM – Asia and Europe Working Together, organised by the EU-Asia Centre, on 16 September 2014, in Brussels, Belgium.

- Participated at a workshop on Post-2015 Data Test: Unpacking the Post-2015 Data Revolution at the Country Level, organised by CPD, NPSIA and Southern Voice on Post-MDG International Development Goals with support of UN Foundation and William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, on 14 October 2014, in New York, USA.
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- Participated at a validation forum on research studies: “Gender, Trade, and Green Growth” and “Gender and Safe Mobility: Promising Global Practices” organised by UN Women, International Organization for Migration (IOM) and Asian Development Bank (ADB), during 28-29 October 2014, in Manila, Philippines.
- Was a panellist at the parallel session on “Macroeconomic Performance, Prospects and Policy Coordination” at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Participated in a learning workshop on Gender Responsive Budgeting Revisited: Sharing Regional Experiences, organised by the UN Women Office for India, Bhutan, Maldives and Sri Lanka with ADB, during 27-28 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.

M Shafiqul Islam, Additional Director, Admin and Finance

- Led a team of CPD Accounts Division in a peer exchange visit to Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on Best Practices, Ways of Working, Systems and Structure, as part of the TTI Peer Exchange Programme under the Matching Grant Fund, during 13-16 April 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.

Khondaker Golam Moazzem, Additional Research Director

- Made a presentation “Work Place Challenges in the RMG Sector Supply Chain of Bangladesh: Changing Perspective on Social Dialogue,” at ASEM Seminar on the Promotion of Social Dialogue, during 10-11 March 2014, in Brussels, Belgium.
- Made a presentation “Regional Investment Cooperation under the Proposed South Asia Economic Union: State of FDI Policies, Its Trends, Challenges and Outlook,” at a Roundtable Meeting for the study on SAARC Regional Economic Integration, organised by ADB, during 24-25 March 2014, in Manila, Philippines.
- Participated at the 28th Biannual Research and Training Workshop, organised by SANDEE, during 16-20 June 2014, in Thimpu, Bhutan.

- Participated in stakeholders' consultative workshop on The Role of the Bangladesh–China–India–Myanmar (BCIM) Economic Corridor in Regional Integration: Perspectives from Northeast India, organised by Institute of Chinese Studies, on 18 July 2014, in Kolkata, India.
- Addressed the session “Border Trade and Border Management: Challenges and Possibilities,” at a consultative workshop on The India-Bangladesh Connectivity: Issues and Challenges, organised by Observer Research Foundation, during 19-20 September 2014, in Kolkata, India.
- Participated at a view exchange meeting organised by Yunnan Institute of Social Science, during 26 October-2 November, in Kunming, China.
- Was a panellist at the plenary session on “South Asia Connectivity: Regional Agenda for South Asia Economic Union,” and made a presentation on “Financial Sector of South Asia Revisiting the Benchmark Condition” at the parallel session “Financial and Monetary Cooperation” at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Made a presentation on “Environmental Regulations and the Textile Industry in Bangladesh,” at a session on “Policies, Regulation and Environmental Compliance in Textile Industries in South Asia” at 17th Sustainable Development Conference (SDC), organised by SDPI, during 9-11 December 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.

Md. Humayun Kabir, Deputy Director, Administration

- Participated in a course on Human Resource Management in an International Context, organised by MDF Training & Consultancy, during 19-23 May 2014, in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Uttam Kumar Paul, Deputy Director, Accounts & Mohammad Shamimur Rohman, Accounts Associate

- Participated in a peer exchange visit to SDPI on Best Practices, Ways of Working, Systems and Structure, as part of the TTI Peer Exchange Programme under the Matching Grant Fund, during 13-16 April 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.

Avra Bhattacharjee, Deputy Director, Dialogue and Outreach & Muhammad Nabil, Dialogue Associate

- Participated at a Workshop on Developing a Strategic Approach to Policy Engagement and Communication (PEC), organised by TTI, IDS and Practical Action, Nepal, during 11-12 February 2014 in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Nazmatun Noor, Deputy Director, Dialogue and Outreach

- Participated in an exchange visit, organised by Chinese Association for International Understanding (CAFIU), during 9-18 April 2014, in Beijing, Fujian and Yunnan, China.

Towfiqul Islam Khan, Research Fellow

- Attended an Expert Group Meeting on Informing the Data Revolution at Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), organised by the Partnership for Statistics in the 21st Century (PARIS21), during 17-18 February 2014, in Paris, France.
- Made a presentation “Poverty Reduction in Bangladesh: How to Promote a Socially Inclusive Economy” at South Asian Regional Forum on Economy of Tomorrow, organised by FES and SDPI, during 23-25 February 2014, in Islamabad, Pakistan.
- Attended the Steering Committee Meeting of Regional Research Programme Tax Policy and Enterprise Development in South Asia, coordinated by Governance Institutes Network International (GINI), Islamabad with support from International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Ottawa, on 30 May 2014, in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Participated at the international conference on Empirical Research on Trade in Services, organised by Centre for WTO Studies, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, during 21-22 August 2014, New Delhi, India.
- Participated at 7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII), hosted by RIS, during 5-7 November 2014, in New Delhi, India.
- Participated at a consultative meetings on issues related to Financial Transparency and Fiscal Policies in Developing Countries, organised by Centre for Budget and Governance Accountability (CBGA), during 16-17 December 2014, in New Delhi, India.

Khaleda Akhter, Senior Research Associate

- Attended researchers’ meeting of the South Asian Trade and Transport Facilitation Audit Project, organised by SAWTEE, during 3-4 July 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Kishore Kumer Basak, Senior Research Associate

- Was a discussant at a session on “Promoting Intra-Regional Investment and Technology Transfer in South Asia” in a regional consultation on Deepening Economic Cooperation in South Asia: Expectations from the 18th SAARC Summit, organised by SAWTEE, GIZ, Federation of Nepalese Chamber of Commerce and Industry, CUTS International and ICRIER, during 23-24 November 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Md. Zafar Sadique, Senior Research Associate

- Was a panellist at a session on “Macro and Meso Level Gaps relating to Trade, Transport And Transit Facilitation in South Asia” at the seminar on Trade, Transport and Transit Facilitation in South Asia: Imperative of Bridging Macro-Meso-Micro Gaps, hosted by CUTS International, during 29-30 October 2014, in Kolkata, India.
- Participated at a consultative meetings on issues related to Financial Transparency and Fiscal Policies in Developing Countries, organised by CBGA, during 16-17 December 2014, in New Delhi, India.

Mashfique Ibne Akbar, Senior Research Associate

- Attended a conference on Regional Cooperation on Energy Security in South Asia among Countries like Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal and Pakistan, organised by CUTS International and FES, during 7-8 August 2014, in Kolkata, India.
- Participated in the Asia-Pacific Trade Economists' conference on Trade in the Asian Century - Delivering on the Promise of Economic Prosperity, organised by Asia-Pacific Research and Training Network on Trade (ARTNeT), during 22-23 September 2014, in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Presented a co-authored paper on "Evaluating Prospects of Monetary Integration in ASEAN" at the international conference Towards the 2015 ASEAN Economic Community (AEC): Progress and Prospects, at University Pelita Harapan, on 22 October 2014, in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Farzana Sehrin, Research Associate

- Participated at a brainstorming meeting on Mega FTAs and the Indian Economy: Analyses of Impacts and Counter Measures, organised by CUTS International, on 24 January 2014, in New Delhi, India.

Umme Salma & Mahenaw Ummul Wara, Research Associates

- Attended the South Asia consultation on The Post-2015 Development Agenda: Sustainable Development Goals and the Means of Implementation, organised by ADB, UNDP and UNESCAP in partnership with SAARC, during 26-28 August 2014, in Nagarkot, Nepal.

Naimul Gani Saif, Research Associate

- Attended a seminar on The Future of Bay of Bengal: Potentials and Challenges for Enhanced Cooperation between Bangladesh, India and Myanmar, organised by FES, during 3-4 March 2014, in Kolkata, India.

Shahida Pervin, Research Associate

- Participated in Seventh South Asian Training Programme on CGE Modelling, organised by SAWTEE, South Asian Network on Economic Modeling (SANEM) and Centre for WTO Studies (CWS), during 20-24 November 2014, in Kathmandu, Nepal.

Annex 3

CPD Officials in Government Committees

Professor Mustafizur Rahman, Executive Director

- Member, Steering Committee of BCIM Country Study Group
- Member, Panel of Economists for the Seventh Five Year Plan of Bangladesh (2015-2019)
- Member, Advisory Committee on the WTO set up by the Ministry of Commerce
- Member, National Consumer Rights Protection Parishad (NCRPP)
- Member of the Panel of Experts on Bangladesh's Sixth Five Year Plan (2011-2016) and Perspective Plan (2010-2021)
- Member, Governing Council, Institute of Public Finance Bangladesh (IPF)
- Member of Advisory Committee of Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC)

Dr Khondaker Golam Moazzem, Additional Research Director

- Member, Advisory Board of the Accord on Fire and Safety in Bangladesh
- Member, Working Group, Bangladesh Partnership for Cleaner Textile (PaCT) Project
- Board Member, SME Foundation
- Member, CSR Guideline Development Committee for Developing the National CSR Guideline for Bangladesh, Planning Commission

Mr Towfiqul Islam Khan, Research Fellow

- Member, Technical Committee, National Accounting Wing, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS)
- Member, Review Committee of Experts on Bangladesh Diagnostic Trade Integration Study (DTIS), Ministry of Commerce

Ms Khaleda Akhter, Senior Research Associate

- Member, Core Group on Trade Facilitation, WTO Cell, Ministry of Commerce

Mr Kishore Kumer Basak, Senior Research Associate

- Member, Strategic Advisory Committee (SAC) for EU-funded INSPIRED project, SME Cell, Ministry of Industries

Annex 4

CPD Staff List

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Research Division

Dr Fahmida Khatun, Research Director
Dr Khondaker Golam Moazzem, Additional Research Director
Mr Towfiqul Islam Khan, Research Fellow
Mr Kazi Mahmudur Rahman, Senior Research Associate (till February 2014)
Ms Khaleda Akhter, Senior Research Associate
Mr Muhammad Al Amin, Senior Research Associate (study leave from August 2014)
Ms Nusrat Jahan, Senior Research Associate (till January 2014)
Mr Kishore Kumer Basak, Senior Research Associate
Mr Md. Zafar Sadique, Senior Research Associate
Ms Mehruna Islam Chowdhury, Senior Research Associate (till June 2014)
Mr Mashfique Ibne Akbar, Senior Research Associate
Ms Meherun Nesa, Research Associate (rejoined after study leave from October 2014)
Ms Farzana Sehrin, Research Associate
Ms Saifa Raz, Research Associate (study leave from August 2014)
Ms Umme Salma, Research Associate (till December 2014)
Ms Umme Shefa Rezbana, Research Associate
Ms Mahenaw Ummul Wara, Research Associate
Mr Md. Naimul Gani Saif, Research Associate
Mr Mohammad Afshar Ali, Research Associate
Ms Shahida Pervin, Research Associate
Ms Afnan Ashfaque, Research Associate (till September 2014)
Mr Mostafa Amir Sabbih, Research Associate (from May 2014)
Ms Kashfi Rayan, Research Associate (from May 2014)
Ms Hosna Jahan, Research Associate (from September 2014)
Mr Nirman Saha, Research Associate (from September 2014)
Ms Atiya Rahman, Research Associate (September-November 2014)
Ms Nusrat Afroz Tania, Research Associate (from November 2014)
Ms Nashia Zaman, Research Associate (from December 2014)
Ms Dwitiya Jawher Neethi, Programme Associate (till January 2014)
Mr Gazi Joki Uddin, Programme Associate (till April 2014)
Ms Shahzeen Hafiz, Programme Associate (till October 2014)
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Ms Sana Kainat Moyeen, Programme Associate (from September 2014)
Ms Maeesa Ayesha, Programme Associate (from November 2014)

Dialogue and Communication Division

Ms Anisatul Fatema Yousuf, Director, Dialogue & Communication
Mr Md. Shamsul Islam, Publication and Communication Consultant (December 2014)
Ms Nazmatun Noor, Deputy Director, Dialogue and Outreach
Mr Avra Bhattacharjee, Deputy Director, Dialogue and Outreach
Mr A. K. M Fazley Rabbi Faruque, Publication and Print Associate
Mr Muhammad Zahir Hassan Nabil, Dialogue Associate
Ms Zeenath Sultana, Dialogue Associate (from October 2014)
Mr Mubrook Mohammed, Publication Associate (from November 2014)
Mr Md. Shaiful Hassan, Programme Associate (DTP)
Ms Afsanoor Ahmed, Programme Associate (till September 2014)
Mr Palash Ranjan Sanyal, Programme Associate (February-June 2014)

Administration and Finance Division

Mr M Shafiqul Islam, Additional Director, Admin. & Finance
Mr Iqbal Hossain, Deputy Director, SAC (till July 2014)
Mr M. Humayun Kabir, Deputy Director, Administration
Mr Uttam Kumar Paul, Deputy Director, Accounts
Mr A H M Ashrafuzzaman, Deputy Director, IT
Mr Hamidul Hoque Mondal, Senior Administrative Associate
Mr Abdul Quddus, Senior Administrative Associate
Mr Kamalesh Chandra Mondal, Senior Accounts Associate (till March 2014)
Mr Md. Mamun-ur-Rashid, Senior Administrative Associate (from June 2014)
Mr Md. Shamimur Rohman, Senior Accounts Associate
Mr Muhammad Zillur Rahman, Accounts Associate (from May 2014)
Mr Md. Hasanur Rahman, Front Desk Officer
Ms Diana Meriline Chowdhury, Executive Assistant (from November 2014)
Mr Ziaul Hoque Zia, Programme Associate (Accounts) (from November 2014)
Ms Sifat Sagufta Hossain, Executive Assistant (till May 2014)
Ms Jennifer Hossain, Executive Assistant (till August 2014)
Ms Tahsin Monir Choudhury, Executive Assistant (April-August 2014)
Ms Nusrat Shafiquddin, Executive Assistant (August-September 2014)
Ms Munmun Marium, Executive Assistant (September-October 2014)
Mr Shoeb Siddique, Junior Administrative Associate
Mr Harunur Rashid, Junior Administrative Associate

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Visiting Associate

Name	Home Institute	Duration at CPD
Ms Irina Veleva	Barcelona Graduate School of Economics	From 2 December 2014

Interns

Name	Home Institute	Duration at CPD
Ms Adiba Afros	Institute of Business Administration (IBA), Dhaka	17 December 2013 – 25 March 2014
Mr Ziad Quader	North South University, Dhaka	6 January 2014 – 6 June 2014
Ms Nadee Naboneeta Imran	Dhaka University	6 January 2014 – 6 June 2014
Ms Anika Zaman	BRAC University, Dhaka	27 January 2014 – 27 May 2014
Ms Anjum Noor Choudhury	Mount Holyoke College, USA	1 July 2014 – 22 August 2014
Mr Ali Ishraq Khabir	Mitchell College, London	1 June 2014 – 1 July 2014
Ms Alaka Halder	Princeton University, NJ, USA	6 August 2014 – 5 September 2014
Mr A F M Rafid Hassan Akand	Australian National University	14 September 2014 – 23 December 2014

Annex 5

Chronology of CPD Events

6 January	100th RECAP Meeting held
12 January	201st MIC Meeting held
16 January	Special BoT Meeting of CPD held
19 January	Third Discussion Meeting on Follow-up of Rana Plaza Tragedy held
22 January	Expert Group Meeting on Analytical Review of Bangladesh's Macroeconomic Performance in FY2013-14 (Second Reading) held
25 January	Press Briefing on Analytical Review of Bangladesh's Macroeconomic Performance in FY2013-14 (Second Reading) organised
26 January	Dialogue on রানা প্লাজা দুর্ঘটনা ও পরবর্তী পদক্ষেপসমূহ: প্রতিশ্রুতি ও বাস্তবায়নের সর্বশেষ পরিস্থিতি held
26 January	202nd MIC Meeting held
29 January	Meeting with the BBS officials on survey for MJF study on women's contribution to GDP held
1 February	Research Coordination Meeting with GINI, Pakistan officials held for the study titled Tax Policy and Enterprise Development in South Asia
5 February	Collective Birthday celebrated (September-December 2013)
10 February	203rd MIC Meeting held
19 February	ERD 2014 Country Illustrations Workshop organised
20 February	DFID-ESRC Growth Research Programme (DEGRP) Consultation on Challenges of Economic Transformation and Growth: Manufacturing and Agriculture held
22 February	Launching Ceremony of CPD-Agamee Prakashani publication titled বাংলাদেশের অর্থনীতি: ভিতর ও বাহির arranged
27 February	Seminar on Tax Policy and Enterprise Development in South Asia (with students) organised
22-27 February	SDPI team visited CPD under TTI Matching Grant – Peer Exchange Visit Programme
2 March	204th MIC Meeting held
2 March	Meeting with the US Embassy officials held
3-8 March	Training of field investigators for the study on Estimating Women's Contribution to Economy organised
9 March	Expert Group Meeting for CPD-MJF Study on Estimating Women's Contribution to the Economy: The Case of Bangladesh held
10 March	Discussion Meeting on Draft Report of Geographic Indicators of Jamdani Textile Production in Dhaka, Bangladesh held
11 March	Inception Workshop on Post-2015 Data Test: Unpacking the Data Revolution at the Country Level organised
18 March	Ambassador of PR China in Bangladesh visited CPD

18 March	205th MIC Meeting held
28 March	NCAER-CPD-Southern Voice Regional Dialogue on Deconstructing South-South Cooperation: A South Asian Perspective held in New Delhi, India
1 April	IMF officials visited CPD
2 April	Expert Group Meeting (with Accord, Alliance and BUET) on Post-Rana Plaza Development and Future Research Agenda held
3 April	Expert Group Meeting (with BGMEA, BKMEA and BEPZA) on Post-Rana Plaza Development and Future Research Agenda held
7 April	Meeting with development partners on Post-Rana Plaza Development and Future Research Agenda held
7 April	Ambassador of Switzerland in Bangladesh visited CPD
7 April	206th MIC Meeting held
8 April	Indian High Commissioner in Bangladesh visited CPD
10 April	27th RMC Meeting held
15 April	Focus Session 4 on Locating South-South Cooperation within Emerging Development Cooperation Architecture [At the First High-Level Meeting (HLM) of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC)] held in Mexico City, Mexico by CPD-NCAER-Southern Voice
21 April	CARE Bangladesh Country Director visited CPD
22 April	Dialogue on Taking Advantage of Indian Market Access Initiative through Promotion of Trade Facilitation held
23 April	Programme on রানা প্লাজা দুর্ঘটনার এক বছর held
24 April	Country Directors of Oxfam Bangladesh and Save the Children visited CPD
27 April	207th MIC Meeting held
29 April	Officials from the Policy Analysis and Development Agency, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Indonesia visited CPD
4 May	Press Briefing on Recommendations for the National Budget FY2014-15 organised
4 May	101st RECAP Meeting held
5 May	Expert Group Meeting on Geographic Indicators of Jamdani Textile Production in Dhaka, Bangladesh held
5 May	Meeting with DFID Bangladesh officials held
6 May	208th MIC Meeting held
7 May	In-house Discussion on China as a Balancer in South Asia: An Economic Perspective held
12 May	209th MIC Meeting held
17 May	Dialogue on Political Parties and Democracy in Bangladesh held
18 May	210th MIC Meeting held
18-21 May	Workshop on Research Communication organised
18-22 May	CPD-Channel 24 Live Talk Show Series on অর্থনীতি ও বাজেট telecasted
22 May	A Korean Study Team under the Asia Development Fellowship of The Asia Foundation visited CPD
22 May	Discussion Session on Research Communication held

29 May	Expert Group Meeting on Analytical Review of Bangladesh's Macroeconomic Performance in FY2013-14 (Third Reading) held
29 May	Discussion meeting held in honour of Dr Stefan Dercon, Chief Economist, DFID
31 May	211th MIC Meeting held
1 June	Press Briefing on Analytical Review of Bangladesh's Macroeconomic Performance in FY2013-14 (Third Reading) organised
4 June	212th MIC Meeting held
5 June	Expert Group Meeting with Lawyers on Geographic Indicators of Jamdani Textile Production in Dhaka, Bangladesh held
6 June	Media Briefing on CPD's Analysis of the National Budget FY2014-15 organised
7 June	Participants from the Royal College of Defence Studies, UK visited CPD
14 June	Dialogue on Analysis of the National Budget FY2014-15 held
15 June	213th MIC Meeting held
17 June	CPD-NCCB Dialogue on ভৌগলিক নির্দেশক পণ্য সুরক্ষার গুরুত্ব: বাংলাদেশ শ্রেণিকৃত ও করণীয় held
22 June	CPD-SANAC (Sylhet) Dialogue on 2014-15 অর্থবছরের বাজেট পর্যালোচনা held in Sylhet
7 July	102nd RECAP Meeting held
16 July	28th RMC Meeting held
17 July	Validation Meeting on ERD 2014: Bangladesh Country Illustration Report held
17 July	Special CPD Iftar held
21 July	214th MIC Meeting held
23 July	Validation Workshop on Post-2015 Data Test: Unpacking the Data Revolution at the Country Level – Bangladesh Country Study organised
24 July	215th MIC Meeting held
24 July	42nd BoT Meeting held
12 August	216th MIC Meeting held
13 August	103rd RECAP Meeting held
18 August	YSSS session on Reflecting Gender Issues in Post-2015 Development Agenda held
21 August	217th MIC Meeting held
25 August	29th RMC Meeting held
25 August	Collective Birthday (January-June 2014) celebrated
3 September	218th MIC Meeting held
4 September	Dialogue on A Recent Update on Business Environment in Bangladesh and Launching of Global Competitiveness Report 2014-15 held
9 September	YSSS session on Fiscal Autonomy and Financial Management of Local Government in Bangladesh held
10 September	219th MIC Meeting held
28 September	104th RECAP Meeting held
2 October	220th MIC Meeting held
21 October	221st MIC Meeting held

25 October	CPD-MJF Dialogue on How much Women Contribute to the Bangladesh Economy: Results from an Empirical Study held
27 October	222nd MIC Meeting held
28-30 October	Appreciation Course for Journalists (Phase I) on Current National and Global Issues organised
5-7 November	7th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES VII) on Towards South Asia Economic Union held in New Delhi, India
10 November	105th RECAP Meeting held
13 November	YSSS session on 'Shut-Down Rule' vs 'Closure': Which One is Relevant for Closed Garment Factories of Bangladesh? held
16 November	Appreciation Course for Journalists (Phase II) on Current National and Global Issues organised
18 November	CPD Anniversary Lecture 2014 on Recent Fiscal and Labour Market Adjustment Experiences in Europe: Lessons for the Low-Income Countries held
22 November	CPD-FES Dialogue on Recapturing the Momentum in the Post-Bali Process of the WTO held
23-24 November	CPD-SAIIA Dhaka Roundtable on Reviving the Multilateral Trading System: Post-Bali Issues organised
25 November	223rd MIC Meeting held
25 November	30th RMC Meeting held
27 November	Press Briefing on Launching of UNCTAD's LDCs Report 2014 – Growth with Structural Transformation: A Post-2015 Development Agenda organised
2 December	224th MIC Meeting held
2 December	43rd Special BoT Meeting held
10 December	Roundtable Discussion on VAT and SD Act 2012: Concerns and Implementation Challenges organised
11 December	In-house Seminar on Election with a Difference: Analysing the Verdict of Indian Elections in 2014 held
15 December	106th RECAP Meeting held
23 December	CPD-Embassy of the Republic of Korea in Bangladesh Dialogue on Korean Development Experience: Lessons for Bangladesh held
23 December	225th MIC Meeting held
30 December	Expert Consultation on State of the Bangladesh Economy in FY2014-15 (First Reading) held



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