## **BANGLADESH**

1.	Total Population 2009	162,220,762
2.	Rural Population (as a % of total population), 2011	71.41
3.	Economically Active in Agriculture (as a % of population aged 15-64), 2011	44.41
4	Female Adult Literacy Rates (15 and over) as a % in 2008	50
5.	Male Adult Literacy Rates (15 and over) as a % in 2008	60
6.	Female Net Enrolment Ratio (NER) and Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)- Primary Education as a % for School year ending 2008	86 / 94
7.	Male Net Enrolment Ratio (NER) and Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)- Primary Education as a % for School year ending 2008	85 / 89
8.	Primary Dropouts, All Grades for School year ending in 2007 (%)	45
9.	Primary School Age Population 2008	17,411,000
10.	Out-of-School Primary-Aged Children for School year ending 2008	2,024,000
11.	Out-of-School Primary-Aged Children for School year ending 2008 % Female	45
12.	Female Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Secondary Education as a % for School year ending 2008	45
13.	Male Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Secondary Education as a % for School year ending 2008	43
14.	Female Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Tertiary Education as a % for School year ending 2009	8
15.	Male Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) - Tertiary Education as a % for School year ending 2009	13
16.	15-24 Age Group Population	30,062,000
17.	15-24 Age Group Population not in Tertiary Education or Employed as a %	35.4
18.	Total Public Expenditure on Education as a % of GNP 2008	2.2
19.	Total Primary School Teachers needed by 2015	508,565
20.	Total Recruitment of Primary School teachers to reach UPE by 2015	654,363
21.	Total Additional Primary School Teachers Required by 2015	144,071
22.	Mobile cellular subscriptions per 100 inhabitants 2010	46.17
23.	Fixed Broadband Internet subscribers per 100 inhabitants 2010	0.04
24.	Mobile Broadband Internet subscribers per 100 inhabitants 2010	0.20
25.	Households with Internet Access 2010	2.64
26.	Households with a Computer 2010	3.08

Ministry of Education	Focus:  Provide value based education Emphasize on job-oriented and need-based education Modernization of curriculum Ensure efficient management at all levels Strengthen the Information and Communication Technology Ensure teacher effectiveness at all levels Revitalize technical and vocational education Ensure gender parity at all levels of education
Ministry of Primary & Mass Education	Vision: To establish a knowledge-based and technologically-oriented competent society to ensure that every school-age child has access to primary level institutions that provide all necessary facilities, continue in school to receive and achieve quality education, and provide opportunities to pre-school children, young persons and adults to meet their learning needs in a competitive world.  Mission:  a) To ensure 100% enrollment of school aged children by 2011; b) To reduce the trend of drop-out rate of the enrolled students, so that achievements translate into comparable completion rates; and c) To eradicate illiteracy from the country by 2014.
Open Universities/Colleges/Schools	Bangladesh Open University (BOU)
Quality Assurance Agencies	University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC)
Policies/Plans/Frameworks/Acts	National skills development policy 2010-2015 (2011)  National Women's Development Policy (2011) (In Bengali)  National Education Policy (2010)  Outline perspective plan of Bangladesh 2010-2021: making vision 2021 a reality: final draft [Chapter 3.4 Promoting education, p. 25-30] (2010)  Revised National Science & Technology Policy (2010)  Non-Formal Education Policy Implementation Plan 2010-2014 (2010)  Proposed Revision of National Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Policy (2009)  Reorienting TVET Policy towards Education for Sustainable Development (2009)  Strategic Plan for Higher Education in Bangladesh 2006-2026 (2006)

	Non-Formal Education (NFE) Policy (2006)
	Education for All - National Plan of Action (NPA II) 2003-2015
Ministry of Agriculture	
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	Vision: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare seeks to create conditions whereby the people of Bangladesh have the opportunity to reach and maintain the highest attainable level of people health. It is a vision that recognizes health as a fundamental human right and therefore the need to promote health and suffering in the spirit of social justice.
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