# Approaches for Combating Corruption in Infrastructure Projects in Bangladesh

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## Necessity of Infrastructure Projects

- Communication Development
- Power Generation
- Utility service development
- Extraction of Mineral Resources

## Necessity of Infrastructure Projects

Lack of quantity

Lack of quality infrastructure.

#### Setbacks of Integrity Risks

- Reduced Quality
- Misallocation/Misuse of State Revenues
- Wasted Resources
- ➤ Inflated Project Cost
- > Environmental and Safety Risks

#### Approaches towards lessening Integrity Risks

- Multi-tier Project Appraisal and Approval Process
- Multi-Tier Project Monitoring
- Legal frameworks
- Approaches by ACC and CPTU

#### Infrastructure Project Approval Process of Bangladesh in a Nutshell

Preparation of DPP by Implementing Agency

Any Query

Project Scrutiny
Committee
(Chaired by the
Secretary of respective
Ministry)



Manpower Review Committee of Finance Division Project appraisal by PEC of Planning Commission

DPP to Planning Commission

After positive review by Finance Division, the PSC finalizes the DPP

If any recasting is required, the PEC sends the DPP to concerned Ministry

DPP to ECNEC/ Ministry of Planning for final approval



# **Major Criteria for Project Appraisal By PEC at Planning Commission**

- Relevancy with the national priority
- Overall allocation and existing projects of the agency;
- Relevancy of the project National Documents
- Impact on revenue budget after completion of the project;



- Project duration
- Necessary fund mobilization
- Environmental Impact Analysis by DoE (if necessary).
- If the project is a next phase of any earlier project then the Evaluation Report of previous phase prepared by IMED;
- Report from IMED for Revision (In case of time extension and budget rescheduling)

## Project Monitoring Mechanism

• Monitoring by PD at Project

Monitoring by Implementing Agency

Monitoring by Concerned Ministry

Monitoring by IMED and Planning Commission

 Regular Quarterly and half yearly auditing by concerned ministry and finance division

## Data Collection System and Process-

#### **Project Monitoring Information System (PMIS)**

PMIS is the active part of IMED business. It is about a project database containing information of all development projects under the Annual Development Program (ADP).

- Implementing agencies input project development data in the system.
- •IMED monitors the project and makes necessary recommendations.

#### **Post-Implementation monitoring**

• Evaluation Reports by IMED at the end of each fiscal year.

Recommendations by IMED/ Planning Commission

## Legal Frameworks

- Public Procurement Act and subsequent rules.
- Right to Information Act
- Whistle Blowers Protection Act
- National Integrity Strategy

#### Other Innovative Approaches

 Recommendations to erase institutional corruption by ACC.

Implementation of e-procurement system by CPTU.

## Thank You