

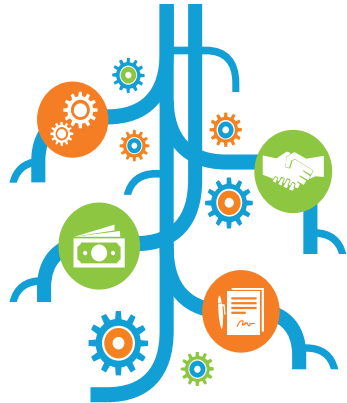


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Human and Social Development (HSD) Sector

Education, Health and Social Protection



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Outline

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- Health sector overview and challenges
- Current ADB Portfolio in HSD in Bangladesh
- Project-wise packages
- Emerging HSD priorities and pipeline projects



Education sector overview and challenges

Overview

- Around 160,000 education institutions
- Over 1 million teachers
- About 40 million students
- MoPME: pre-primary and primary, MoE: secondary, tertiary

Overall challenges

- Education and vocational institutions not integrated to labor markets and economic growth priorities
- Limited public-private partnerships
- Limited use of new/advanced technology
- Lack of coherent strategy to deal with industry 4.0

School Education (PPE-G12)

- Improved access; but low learning achievement
- Lack of well-prepared teachers and school leaders
- Insufficient STEM focus
- Lack of soft skills

TVET & Skills

- Largely institutional
- Limited role of employers and private sector
- Skill-job mismatches
- Limited use of new/advanced technologies
- Changing workforce patterns
- Lack of soft skills

Higher Education

- Improved access; but gainful jobs a problem
- Weak university-industry linkages
- Inadequate innovation systems
- Need for centers of excellence
- Lack of soft skills



Health sector overview and challenges

Overview

- The pyramid-shaped health care system
- 13,907 Community Clinics, 1,362 Union Subcenters, and 424 Upazilla Health Complexes at the primary health care level
- 59 District or General Hospitals at the secondary health care level
- 11 Specialized Hospitals and 18 Medical College (teaching) Hospitals at the Tertiary level
- Health expenditure: 2.8% of GDP; out-of-pocket spending still, 63% of total health spending.

Key challenges

- Shortage & uneven distribution of health workers; doctor-patient ratio: 6 per 10,000 population.
- Quality gaps: weak regulation, overcrowded facilities, limited diagnostic capacity.
- Rapid rise of NCDs, climate-linked diseases (dengue, heat stress), and aging population.
- Fragmented governance & weak health information systems limit planning and accountability.



Current ADB Portfolio in HSD in Bangladesh

Projects/Programs	Sector/sub-sector	Amount (million USD)	Duration	EA/IA
Education				
L4334 (COL): Skills for Industry Competitiveness and Innovation Program	Skills	300	2023-2029	MoF
L4614 (COL): TVET Teachers for Future (TTF) Program	TVET	150	2025-2030	TMED, MoE
L4348 (COL): Improving Computer and Software Engineering Tertiary Education Project	Higher Education	100	2023-2028	SHED, MoE
Health				
L4387 (COL) + L4388 (OCR) Vaccines Therapeutics Diagnostics manufacturing and Regulatory Strengthening (VTDM-RS) Project	Health	336	2024-2030	MOHFW, EDCL and DGDA



L4334 (COL): Skills for Industry Competitiveness and Innovation Program (SICIP)

Type	Package	Timeline	Estimated Cost (USD M)	IA
Civil works	Total 9 Packages	2025-2028	56	MOF
Goods	Total 120 Packages	2025-2028	55	MOF
Services	Total 11 Packages	2025-2028	5	MOF
Total			116	



L4614 (COL): TVET Teachers for Future (TTF) Program

Type	Package	Timeline	Estimated Cost (USD M)	IA
Civil works	TTF/EED/W-01 to TTF/EED/W-31	2025-2027	88.31	EED
Goods	DTE/TTF/G-01 to DTE/TTF/G-46	2025-2027	41.96	DTE
Services	DTE/TTF/S-01 to DTE/TTF/S-30	2025-2027	10.14	DTE
Total			140.41	



L4348 (COL): Improving Computer and Software Engineering Tertiary Education Project

SL	Package	Timeline	Estimated Cost (USD M)	IA
BUET/G-6/ Lot 2/Part 2	Procurement of CSE lab equipment for establishment of labs at BUET	Q2/2027	1.25	BUET PIU
BUET/G-6/ Lot 1	Procurement of IT equipment for establishment of Incubator at BUET	Q2/2027	0.93	BUET PIU
BUET/S-1	Consultancy services for supervision of construction works	Q2/2026	0.38	BUET PIU
JUST/S-1	Consultancy services for supervision of construction works	Q1/2026	0.38	JUST PIU



L4387 (COL) + L4388 (OCR) Vaccines Therapeutics Diagnostics manufacturing and Regulatory Strengthening (VTDM-RS) Project

- **Package - EDCL/Turnkey-01:** Turnkey arrangement for design and build, ready to operate manufacturing facility VTDs; Estimated cost - \$213.94 million; Procurement Method – OCB
- **Package - DGDA/WD-01:** Turnkey arrangement for design and build for national drug control laboratory and training complex; Estimated cost - \$26.00 million; Procurement Method – OCB

*OCB – Open Competitive Bidding





Emerging HSD priorities and pipeline projects

Projects/Programs	Sector/sub-sector	Amount (million USD)	Duration	EA/IA
Education				
NextGen Education Program	Primary and Secondary	350	2026-2030	MoE and MoPME
Fifth Primary Education Development Program (PEDP5)	Primary	320	2028-2031	MoPME
Strengthening Agricultural Tertiary Education Project	Tertiary	150	2026-2030	MoE
Health				
Health Sector Digital Transformation Program (HSDTP)	Health	250	2027-2031	MOHFW
New model of Urban Primary Healthcare Services Delivery	Health	50	2028-2032	MOHFW



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