

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN THE

URBAN DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE (UDD)

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS

GOVERNMENT OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH

AND THE

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

FINALLY REPRESENTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE

FEDERAL INSTITUTE FOR GEOSCIENCES AND NATURAL RESOURCES (BGR)
BUNDESANSTALT FÜR GEOWISSENSCHAFTEN UND ROHSTOFFE

REGARDING THE

BANGLADESH-GERMAN TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT

GEO-INFORMATION FOR URBAN PLANNING AND

ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE (GPAC-BGR)



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In reference to

The “Agreement between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh regarding Technical Cooperation in 2016” (Annex 1)

Recognizing

the importance of incorporation of geo-information in sound and sustainable urban planning and adaptation to climate change,

Considering

the mutual benefits of strengthening technical cooperation between Germany and Bangladesh in that field, and supporting the Millennium Development Goals,

Bearing in mind

past and current projects involving Bangladeshi and German professionals, and in particular the work being jointly carried out in various fields of promoting geo-information in urban planning and development in Bangladesh,

The Urban Development Directorate (herein referred to as “**UDD**”) and the Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources (referred to herein as “**BGR**”) with reference to the Technical Cooperation project “Geo-information for Urban Planning and Adaptation to Climate Change” implemented by the BGR, hereby agree to the following:

Article 1

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aims at providing a framework for cooperation between UDD and BGR, and in particular:

- Data exchange (analogous and digital)
- Training in Bangladesh
- Development of guidelines and recommendations
- Development of templates (Examples) for specifications for Terms of References in public tender processes to improve the quality of geo-information in urban planning and development implementation in various steps and scales
- Provide support to urban planners to improve the capability in interpreting and using the geo-information in planning processes
- Development of practical methods to include geo-information in a multi-thematic planning process
- Monitoring of technical work
- For specific field work the target areas will be as predefined by the Bangladesh - German Technical Cooperation for projects in the focal area of “Adaptation to Climate Change in Urban Areas”, exceptions will be made for the development of recommendations and methods



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- Support to disseminate knowledge amongst the urban planning and development related professionals and geoscientific experts as well as the strive for standardization
- to the development of new, side or follow-up projects in the field of geo-information for urban planning,

Article 2

To that aim, UDD and BGR shall facilitate joint efforts in those fields, and in particular:

For UDD: Providing administrative and logistic support for the visit and field work in Bangladesh of GPAC-BGR experts, for instance by providing counter parts and space for trainings, seminars/workshops, data collection, technical monitoring, joint discussions to elaborate methods etc. jointly conducted with GPAC-BGR experts.

For BGR: Supporting capacity-building of UDD, exchange of expertise, knowledge, guidelines, project documents (hard and soft copies), free of cost software. This will include technical training in Bangladesh.

Specific projects to be supported within this framework shall be decided on a case by case basis, after agreement of both parties.

Article 3

UDD and BGR shall regularly report to each other on the actions implemented as part of this MoU, and acknowledge the support received as part of this MoU in their respective publications and other communication channels.

Article 4

This MoU shall be valid up to the end of the Technical Cooperation Project “Geo-information for Urban Planning and Adaptation to Climate Change” which is, according to the present conditions, the 30th of June 2021. If the project is extended, this MoU will automatically be extended to the same end.

The MoU may be renewed if follow-up projects will continue the work in the respective field after agreement of both parties.



Article 5

This MoU may be terminated by either party upon 6 (six) months written notice of termination to the other party. Termination of this MoU shall not affect any ongoing activities initiated under this MoU but not yet completed at the time of termination unless otherwise decided between the parties. In that case, claims for the completion of the ongoing activities after termination of MoU will be resolved by the Parties amicably.

Article 6

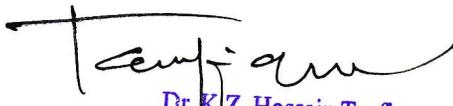
This MoU does not impact other agreements entered by each of the respective Parties. Both Parties have signed this MoU in good faith.

Article 7

Each partner carries its own costs. For services of any kind under this MOU will be made no reciprocal fees or costs.

Signed in two originals in English in the City of Dhaka, Bangladesh.

For UDD


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Enclosed:

Annex 1: Agreement between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh regarding Technical Cooperation in 2016

For BGR

On behalf


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