



Press Release

The Annual Consultation Meeting and signing of the Host Country Agreement between The Government of the People's of Bangladesh and The Government of the French Republic

Annual Consultation meeting between the Economic Relations Division and Agence Française de Développement (AFD) took place in Paris on 16 May, 2022. ACM discussed the challenges of the ongoing projects of the Construction and Augmentation of Substation and Installation of the Capacitor Bank in Power System within DPDC area, Gandharbpur Water Treatment Plant project (Dhaka Environmentally Sustainable Water-DESWSP), Saidabad-III Water Treatment Plant project, Program to finance safety retrofits and environmental upgrades (SREUP) in the RMG sector, Cash Transfer Modernization (CTM) and other projects. Some future prospective projects of the AFD in the area of climate change, water, transport, sanitation were also discussed. On behalf of the Government of Bangladesh Ms. Fatima Yasmin Secretary, Economic Relations Division led the Bangladesh delegation and Mr. Jacky AMPROU, AFD's Regional Director for South Asia, New Delhi, India was the leader from the AFD side. In the meeting Honorable Ambassador of Bangladesh in Paris, Mr Khondker M. Talha along with Bangladesh delegates Ms. Julie MARSAUDON, Deputy Director Asia Department, Ms. Emeline JANNAUD, Country Manager for Bangladesh, Mr. Benoit CHASSATTE, Country Director for Bangladesh, Dhaka were present.



Host Country Agreement Signing ceremony in Paris on 16 May 2022



In the event of the Annual Consultation meeting post Host Country Agreement signing ceremony between The Government of the People's of Bangladesh and The Government of the French Republic took place. Host Country Agreement was signed on 12 May, 2022. On behalf of the Government of Bangladesh Ms. Fatima Yasmin, Secretary, Economic Relations Division and on behalf of the Government of the French Republic Mr. Guillaume Audren de Kerdrel, Charge d'Affairs ad interim, Embassy of France in Bangladesh signed the agreement. The objectives of the Host Country Agreement are to establish representative offices by AFD and to conduct French development cooperation (financial and technical) activities in Bangladesh.

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