

Press Release

The Government of Bangladesh and the Republic of Korea signed the Record of Discussion (RoD) and Terms of Reference (ToR) for the project "Capacity Building of Statistics Services based on Platform" on December 10, 2023. As part of this collaboration, KOICA will grant US\$ 9.65 million (around 106.15 crore) for the project's implementation. Since 1993, KOICA has been playing a vital role in Bangladesh's socio-economic development, supporting initiatives such as human resource development and the expansion of Information Technology.

Mr. Md. Shahriar Kader Siddiky, Secretary, Economic Relations Division, and H.E. Mr. Park Young-sik, Ambassador of Korea in Bangladesh were present during the signing. Dr. Shahnaz Arefin NDC, Secretary, Statistics and Informatics Division and Mr. Md. Anwar Hossain, Additional Secretary, ERD on behalf of the Government of Bangladesh and Mr. Taeyoung Kim, Country Director, KOICA signed the documents on behalf of the Republic of Korea.

The project's primary objectives are to establish an integrated Statistical Data warehouse and software tools to enhance statistics services, and support equipment and system environment for the National Statistical Data Warehouse (NSDWH). The project also aims to formulate a Master Plan in line with NSDS and design and build a Statistical Data Warehouse Platform, while strengthening the capacity of the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) and its partners.

Successful completion of the project will establish an integrated Central Storage for census and survey data and develop BBS as a one nation - one platform for statistical data, removing bottlenecks in data management and enhancing national statistical capacity.

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