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Message

I am delighted to know that the Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) is publishing an Annual Report on the activities of the fiscal year 2021-2022. I appreciate all those who are involved in this publication.

Unplanned urbanization and industrialization is creating global climate change, causing and destroying biodiversity as well as posing threat to human civilization. We have to take initiatives for planned urbanization and industrialization keeping in mind the fate of future generations. For this, our government has adopted election manifesto, seventh and eighth five year plans, blue-economy, delta plan and economic zones in each district. This will ensure sustainable economic growth as well as a clean and fresh environment.

Bangladesh is moving fast along the highway of development under the wise leadership of daughter of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu, a world renowned leader, Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Internationally recognized quality infrastructure is being developed in the country to strengthen Bangladesh's position in world trade. As part of this, the capacity of Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) has been enhanced. BAB has already achieved international recognition and has been able to issue accreditation certificates to various national and multinational Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs).

As a result, Bangladesh has already been achieved a landmark progress in the field of National Quality Infrastructure (NQI) and BAB has been able to issue accreditation, certification to 104 National and Multinational Testing, Calibration and Medical Laboratories, Certification and Inspection bodies. It plays a vital role in the sustainable economic growth of Bangladesh. I am hopeful that as continuation of this progress we will become an industry based middle income country by 2026 and become a developed and prosperous Sonar Bangla long before 2041.

This Annual Report has included different accreditation activities including BAB achievements, strategies, work plans, income-expenditure statement and other important record of services and data for the stipulated financial year. Through this, all the stakeholders involved in the accreditation process will get a clear picture of the overall activities of BAB. I believe that this initiative will help increasing the confidence among the service recipient of BAB.

I wish a wider circulation of the Annual Report 2021-2022 of BAB.

Joy Bangla. Joy Bangabandhu.

Long Live Bangladesh.

Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun MP

State Minister

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Message

I am happy to know that Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) is going to publish an Annual Report on the activities and significant achievements of the fiscal year 2021-2022 and strategic work-plan with a view to inform its stakeholders and beneficiaries. My sincere greetings to everyone involved in this publication.

BAB's accreditation which is one of the most important components of the national quality infrastructure provides the technical foundations in achieving sustainable economic growth and ensuring environmental protection and relevant SDG goals as well. I firmly believe that BAB's accreditation will not only widen access of our products and services to world market and increase global trade but will also facilitate sustainable economic growth and environmental safety. Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, the worthy daughter of the greatest Bengali of all time, the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the current democratic government is working seamlessly to attain these benefits.

BAB became the full member of Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) and International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) and achieved Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) in 2015. BAB has so far awarded accreditation to 104 testing, calibration and medical laboratories, certification and inspection bodies. BAB is making significant contribution to the overall socio-economic development of the country by gaining consumer confidence by providing accreditation services, removing technical barriers to trade and expanding trade. This has strengthened sustainable economic growth. By continuing this trend, I am hopeful that by 2026 we will become an industrially rich middle income, developed and prosperous golden Bengal long before 2041.

Now, BAB is highly praised for its activities both locally and internationally. I wish its further progress in coming days. I also heartily congratulate BAB for displaying the transparency and accountability of its activities by publishing this annual report. I wish wide circulation and every success of this annual report.

Joi Bangla, Joi Bangabandhu
May Bangladesh live forever.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Kamal Ahmed Mojumder'.

Kamal Ahmed Mojumder MP



Secretary

Ministry of Industries
Government of the People's
Republic of Bangladesh
Dhaka

Message

I am happy to know that Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) is going to publish its Annual Report picturing the activities for the financial year 2021-2022.

Quality assurance is essential at every stage of the supply chain to provide safe products and services to customers. Accreditation is an internationally recognized and widely accepted method of quality assurance. This global approach plays a significant role in ensuring the quality of products and services, preserving consumer rights, and increasing exports through developing national quality infrastructure. It enhances competitiveness in domestic and international markets by gaining buyer and consumer confidence. In a free-market economy, accreditation is considered an "Economic Passport".

Accreditation is an ongoing process carried out with utmost transparency through the active participation of stakeholders and taking into account the market demand. There is an obligation to update this process over time. BAB is publishing an Annual Report aiming at providing significant insights into the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year, the latest update on accreditation, the organization's income and expenditure statement, board structure, composition, functions, the scope of work, and layout.

The present Government has integrated the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and its targets in the Seventh and Eighth Five-Year Plan to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. The Ministry of Industries has been working tirelessly for sustainable economic growth and environment through implementing various programs. I am hopeful that BAB will have a pragmatic contribution in implementing these programs.

I congratulate all the officers and employees of BAB for publishing this report and wish the organization continued prosperity and success.

Zakia Sultana



Preface

Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) was established according to the Bangladesh Accreditations Act, 2006 to provide Accreditation to national & multinational organization such as Testing & Calibration Laboratories, Medical Laboratories, Certification Bodies, Inspection Bodies, Training Institutes and persons as per International Standards & guidelines.

BAB is working to increase the recognition & credibility of local products & services with extension of trade by removing Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) in the global market. BAB has accredited 81 testing & calibration laboratories, 04 medical laboratories, 03 certification bodies, 16 inspection bodies as of today. Besides these, there are 20/25 organization accreditation activities under process. In this fiscal year, BAB has completed Assessment, Surveillance assessment, Re assessment etc. as per BAB policy & procedures of accredited organizations. In this fiscal year, BAB has organized numbers of different awareness program such as meeting, seminar, symposium, national international training-workshops etc.

BAB is a Mutual Recognition Arrangement (MRA) signatory to the Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) and International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) for Testing & Calibration Laboratories accreditation since 2015. MRA for Medical Laboratory & Inspection Body Accreditations is achieved in 2019, which made another great success for BAB.

This annual report is published in accordance with the clause 34(1) of the BAB Act, and guidelines provided by Information Commission. Important activities accomplished in 2021-22 and detail information of BAB structure, organization, scopes, activities and future plans are highlighted in this report.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all BAB staff for their direct and indirect cooperation in different stages of publishing this annual report.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Monwarul Islam', with a horizontal line underneath.

Md. Monwarul Islam
Director General (Additional Secretary)
Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB)

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Zakia Sultana
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Abbreviations

APAC	Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation
ATLB	Association of Testing Laboratories, Bangladesh
BACB	Bangladesh Association of Certification Bodies
BAB	Bangladesh Accreditation Board
CAB	Conformity Assessment Body
DCCI	Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry
GoB	Government of Bangladesh
IAF	International Accreditation Forum
IEC	International Electro-technical Commission
ILAC	International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
MLA	Multilateral Recognition Arrangement
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRA	Mutual Recognition Arrangement
PTB	Physikalisch Technische Bundesanstalt, Germany
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
SEGA	SAARC Expert Group on Accreditation
SMIC	Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries
TBT	Technical Barriers to Trade
WAD	World Accreditation Day

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1.0 Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB)



Accreditation is the formal recognition of an organization's competence to conduct a specific conformity assessment activity such as testing, calibration, inspection or certification. This recognition is based on compliance with relevant international standards. Compliance with standards basically requires organizations to demonstrate competence, impartiality and integrity in these activities.

It provides a mean to identify a proven and competent laboratory, inspection or certification body so that they could be selected as per choice by the party concerned.

Bangladesh Accreditation Board, as a statutory organization, has been working to develop the National Quality Infrastructure and Conformity Assessment System in Bangladesh. It plays a vital role in achieving overall national development through enhancing the quality of local products and services, helps in establishing rights of consumers and promoting export. BAB is established under the Bangladesh Accreditation Act, 2006 for accrediting different Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) such as laboratories, certification and inspection bodies and training institutions.

A 14 member- board, headed by a Chairman, consists of the Secretaries to Ministry of Industries, Ministry of Food, Ministry of Commerce, Health Services Division Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and relevant Ministry/Division, two members nominated by Ministry of Industries, President of

Federation of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI), One Professor ranked person nominated by the Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), one head of a certification body nominated by the Bangladesh Association of a Certification Bodies (BACB), One head of a testing laboratory nominated by the Association of Testing Laboratories, Bangladesh (ATLB) and the Director General of BAB as Member Secretary. According to Bangladesh Accreditation Act, 2006 the Board at least meets in every 3 months.

In addition to accreditation activities, BAB organizes training courses, workshops, seminars and symposia. It maintains relations with national, regional and international peer organizations. It also facilitates the expanding export business by removing Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) through Mutual/Multilateral Recognition Arrangement (MRA/MLA) between different interstate, regional and international organizations.

BAB becomes full member of International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) and achieved ILAC MRA for testing & calibration in 2015. Earlier in May, 2014, BAB achieved full membership of Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (APAC) and signed MRA for testing & calibration in 2015. BAB also signed MRA with these two organizations for medical and inspection in 2019. Membership of International Accreditation Forum (IAF), International Halal Accreditation Forum (IHAF), the Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries (SMIIC) is in process.

1.1 Vision

To establish as a reliable accreditation organization in the Asia Pacific region.

1.2 Mission

To provide worldwide accepted accreditation service by developing organizational capacity and to maintain international recognition.



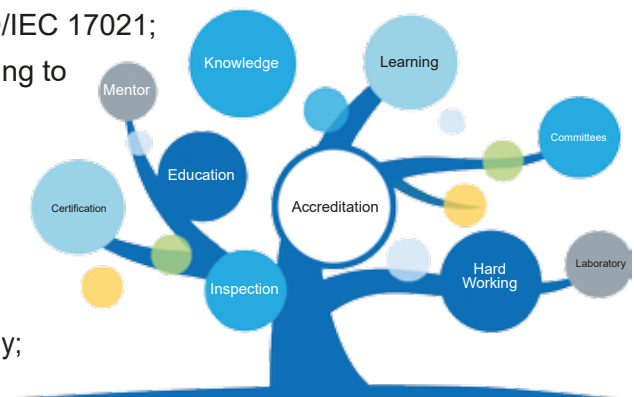
1.3 Strategic Objectives

- To provide accreditation services according to international standards;
- To build Institutional capacity;
- To create trained manpower in respective international standards in the country;
- To obtain and maintain memberships of international organizations;
- To increase awareness of accreditation among consumers and stakeholders.
- To strengthen the implementation of good governance and reform activities.



1.4 Major Functions

- Accreditation of testing and calibration laboratory according to ISO / IEC 17025;
- Accreditation of medical laboratory according to ISO 15189;
- Accreditation to inspection bodies according to ISO/IEC 17020;
- Accreditation to certification bodies according to ISO/IEC 17021;
- Arranging various types of assessor courses according to international standards and guidelines;
- Organizing technical trainings on quality matters;
- Organizing refreshment courses for Assessors;
- Organizing conclave with stakeholders;
- Celebrating World Accreditation Day in befitting manner;
- Publishing newsletter, annual report and souvenir regularly;
- Participating in the annual meeting, half-yearly meetings, and technical committees, working groups of national and international level organizations.



1.5 Citizen Charter:

SN	Name of service	Service delivery procedure	Required forms and procedures	Service fees	Time line	Responsible person
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Accreditation of testing & calibration laboratories for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of application & appointment of case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF01) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form Resource location: BAB office and website	Application fee 25,000/- per filed According to SP02 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB 15% VAT is applicable for fees	210 days (07 months) Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 2: Adequacy audit			Step 2: 05 working days	Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
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		Step 5: accreditation committee for final evaluation			Step 5: 15 working days	Case Officer & Accreditation Committee Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 6: Awarding accreditation and displaying on website			Step 6: 07 working days	Director General & Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
2	Accreditation of medical laboratories for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of application & appointment of case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF02) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form Resource location: BAB office and website	Application fee 25,000/- per filed According to SP02 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB 15% VAT is applicable for fees	210 days (07 months) Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
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3	Accreditation of certification bodies for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of application & appointment of case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF03) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form	Application fee 50,000/- per filed According to SP04 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross	210 days (07 months) Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd

		Step 2: Adequacy audit	Resource location: BAB office and website		Step 2: 05 working days	Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
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		Step 6: Awarding accreditation and displaying on website			Step 6: 07 working days	Director General & Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
4	Accreditation of inspection bodies for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of application & appointment of case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF04) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form Resource location: BAB office and website	Application fee 50,000/- per filed According to SP04 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB 15% VAT is applicable for fees	210 days (07 months) Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
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5	Renewal of Accreditation of testing & calibration laboratories for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of renewal application and forwarding to Case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF01) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form Resource location: BAB office and website	Application fee 20,000/- per filed According to SP02 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB 15% VAT is applicable for fees	165 days Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 2: Final assessment			Step 2: 90 days	Case OfficerTeam Leader/Assessment Team Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 3: Accreditation committee for final evaluation			Step 3: 15 working days	Case Officer & Accreditation Committee Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
6	Renewal of Accreditation of medical laboratories for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of renewal application and forwarding to Case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF02) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form Resource location: BAB office and website	Application fee 20,000/- per filed According to SP02 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB 15% VAT is applicable for fees	165 days Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 2: Final assessment			Step 2: 90 days	Case OfficerTeam Leader/Assessment Team Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 3: Accreditation committee for final evaluation			Step 3: 15 working days	Case Officer & Accreditation Committee Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd
		Step 4: Awarding accreditation and displaying on website			Step 4: 07 working days	Director General & Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
7	Renewal of Accreditation of certification bodies for international recognition	Step 1: Registration of renewal application and forwarding to Case officer	1. Duly filled application form (AF03) 2. Required documents as indicated in the application form Resource location: BAB office and website	Application fee 50,000/- per filed According to SP04 Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB 15% VAT is applicable for fees	165 days Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application	Mr. Md. Salaudding Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
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		Step 4: Awarding accreditation and displaying on website			Step 4: 07 working days	Director General & Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd
8	Renewal of Accreditation of inspection bodies for international recognition	<p>Step 1: Registration of renewal application and forwarding to Case officer</p> <p>Step 2: Final assessment</p> <p>Step 3: Accreditation committee for final evaluation</p> <p>Step 4: Awarding accreditation and displaying on website</p>	<p>1. Duly filled application form (AF04)</p> <p>2. Required documents as indicated in the application form</p> <p>Resource location: BAB office and website</p>	<p>Application fee 50,000/- per filed</p> <p>According to SP04</p> <p>Payable by pay order/bank draft/cross cheque in favor of BAB</p> <p>15% VAT is applicable for fees</p>	<p>165 days</p> <p>Step 1: 03 working days after receiving application</p> <p>Step 2: 90 days</p> <p>Step 3: 15 working days</p> <p>Step 4: 07 working days</p>	<p>Mr. Md. Salauddin Khan Milon Phone: +88-02-9513221 info@bab.gov.bd</p> <p>Case Officer/Team Leader/Assessment Team Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd</p> <p>Case Officer & Accreditation Committee Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd</p> <p>Director General & Case Officer Phone: +88-02-9513223 info@bab.gov.bd</p>
9	Assessor Training	<p>Participation in person</p> <p>1) Online application</p> <p>2) Confirmation of acceptance from BAB</p> <p>3) Fee payment</p> <p>4) Attendance in training</p> <p>5) Receiving certificate</p>	<p>1) Online application through portal (TF02)</p> <p>2) Challan Copy</p> <p>Resource Location: BAB Website & Facebook Page</p>	<p>1) Application fee 2000/- per day to be payable in cross cheque/ bank draft/pay order in favor of BAB</p> <p>2) 15% VAT to be payable in challan form</p>	05 days	Mr. Towhidur Rahman Assistant Director (Lab & Training) Phone: +88-02-23356092 towhid@bab.gov.bd
10	Technical Training	<p>Participation in person</p> <p>1) Online application</p> <p>2) Confirmation of acceptance from BAB</p> <p>3) Fee payment</p> <p>4) Attendance in training</p> <p>5) Receiving certificate</p>	<p>1) Online application through portal (TF02)</p> <p>2) Challan Copy</p> <p>Resource Location: BAB Website</p>	<p>1) Application fee 2000/- per day to be payable in cross cheque/ bank draft/pay order in favor of BAB</p> <p>2) 15% VAT to be payable in challan form</p>	05/03days	Mr. Towhidur Rahman Assistant Director (Lab & Training) Phone: +88-02-23356092 towhid@bab.gov.bd
11	Refresher Course	<p>Participation in person</p> <p>1) Online application</p> <p>2) Confirmation of acceptance from BAB</p> <p>3) Attendance in training</p> <p>4) Receiving certificate (if relevant)</p>	<p>1) Online application through portal (TF02)</p> <p>2) Challan Copy</p> <p>Resource Location: BAB Website</p>	Free of cost	01 days	Mr. Towhidur Rahman Assistant Director (Lab & Training) Phone: +88-02-23356092 towhid@bab.gov.bd
12	Resolution of Complaint	<p>1. Responsible person to register the complaint</p> <p>2. Evaluation and resolution of complaint in line with BAB procedure for handing complaint</p> <p>3. Informing outcome of the resolution to complainant</p>	<p>Lodging complaint</p> <p>Resource Location: 1) Responsible officer 2) BAB Website</p>	Free of cost	30 working days	GRS focal point Mr. Md. Nasirul Islam Deputy Director Phone: +88-02-9513224 Email: nasir@bab.gov.bd
13	Delivery of Information under RTI	Issuance of letter or through email	<p>Application in prescribed form</p> <p>Resource Location: 1) Responsible officer 2) BAB Website</p>	Fees indicated in RTI, 2009.	05 working days	Mr. Md. Nasirul Islam Deputy Director Phone: +88-02-9513224 Email: nasir@bab.gov.bd

2.0 Organizational Structure and Workforce

The Director General is the Chief Executive Officer of BAB. There are one Director, three Deputy Directors and five Assistant Directors. Three divisions are supported by some more sections. Total sanctioned manpower of BAB is twenty (20). The use of existing officials is given in section 17 of this annual report. The divisions and sections are shown below:

2.1 Administration & Finance Division:

- Admin Section;
- Accounts Section;
- ICT Section;

2.2 Laboratory & Inspection Division:

- a) Accreditation Section;
- b) Development Section;
- c) Store Section

2.3 Certification & Training Division;

- Training Section;
- Assessor Management Section;
- Publication & Public Relation Section.

3.0 BAB Organogram



4.0 Modernization of Office and IT Uses

To enhance the activities of BAB, BAB website has been updated with up to date information and made it user friendly. It is possible to access all information from BAB website as necessary and to download various documents, guidelines and forms those are meant to the users. Online application for accreditation is under process. BAB welcomes feedbacks, advices and cooperations from stakeholders and policy makers of the Government.

5.0 BAB Boad Meeting During 2021-2022

The 42th BAB Board Meeting

The 42nd BAB Board Meeting held on 28 September 2021 at Ministry's conference room was presided over by Acting BAB Chairman and honorable Secretary to the Ministry of Industries Ms. Zakia Sultana. This meeting exclusively discussed the manpower recruitment issue. Several other important decisions have come out of this supreme policy making board meeting.

- a. Budget review for the fiscal year 2021-2022.
- b. Making FDR from BAB's own income.
- c. Request ministry for allocation of new office space at BSCIC building, Motijheel C/A.
- d. Take initiative for reforming BAB to Department.



The 43th BAB Board Meeting

The 43rd BAB Board Meeting held on 18 January 2022 at Zoom platform was presided over by Acting BAB Chairman and honorable Secretary to the Ministry of Industries Ms. Zakia Sultana. Several important decisions have come out of this supreme policy making board meeting.

- a. Progress of the 42nd board meeting decisions.
- b. Publishing new recruitment circular while keeping previous applications valid.
- c. Accreditation of the laboratories under Food and Health & Family Welfare Ministries.
- d. Progress of accreditation activities.



The 45th BAB Board Meeting

The 44th BAB Board Meeting held on 25 May 2022 at Ministry's conference room was presided over by Acting BAB Chairman and honorable Secretary to the Ministry of Industries Ms. Zakia Sultana. This meeting exclusively discussed the manpower recruitment issue. Several other important decisions have come out of this supreme policy making board meeting.

- a. Progress of the 43rd board meeting decisions.
- b. Accreditation of the laboratories under Food and Health & Family Welfare Ministries.
- c. Annual Fee for APAC and ILAC.



6.0 Relations with Local Organizations

BAB has significantly increased cooperation and inter-communication with different ministries and departments such as Ministry of Food, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources, Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Agricultural, Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock's etc. It is growing cooperation and activities with the government policy makers, businessmen, representatives from federation and chambers like FBCCI, DCCI, MCCI etc.

Quality Infrastructure in product and service sectors is boosted up with the patronization of BAB. The role of accreditation is now considered very important for the socio-economic and life style development. BAB is presently familiarizing accreditation and its importance among the mass people and stakeholders. In line with the target of achieving Vision-2021 and Vision-2041 announced by the Prime Minister of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Sheikh Hasina, BAB is working hard with utmost sincerity and dedications.

7.0 Bab Achieved International Recognition

Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) achieved international recognition for medical testing lab and inspection body accreditation in December 2019 by Asia Pacific Accreditation Cooperation (Formerly APLAC) and in January 2020 by International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC). At the same time, BAB MRA for testing and calibration laboratory accreditation has been renewed by the same organizations.

In 2015, BAB became full member and MRA signatory for testing & calibration laboratories to the APAC and ILAC.



8.0 Relationship with other Foreign, Regional and International Organizations

BAB is actively working for achieving membership with IAF, SMIIC & IHAF. BAB has good relationship with and established good rapport with related bodies such as SEGA, SARSO etc. to increase regional and international cooperation, and to strengthen accreditation capacity. BAB actively takes part in the programs organized by such organizations and provides necessary feedback.

Signing MoUs with are in-process for enhancing cooperation and activities of BAB with global accreditation partners. Office of the National Standardization Council (ONSC), Thai Industrial Standards Institute (TISI), Thailand

9.0 BAB signs the Annual Performance Agreement (APA)

Mr. Md. Monwarul Islam (Additional Secretary), DG, BAB signs the Annual Performance Agreement (APA) for the fiscal year 2022-2023 with Ms. Zakia Sultana, Secretary and Representative of the Minister, Ministry of Industries in presence of Honorable Industries Minister Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun MP on 26 June 2022.

10.0 World Accreditation Day 2022

World Accreditation Day-2022 was observed on June 12 in Dhaka with great enthusiasm. Marking the day, Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) and Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DCCI) jointly organized a meeting at DCCI auditorium in Motijheel, Dhaka.

The theme of the day of this year is 'Accreditation: Sustainability in Economic Growth and the Environment'. BAB has taken a series of activities to celebrate the day in a befitting manner. Honorable President, Prime Minister & Industries Minister, Industries State Minister, Industries Secretary have given separate messages to grace the occasion. The day was started after paying homage to the portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and followed by inauguration of a rally by honorable Secretary of Industries. To mark the day A TV talk show was telecasted in Bangladesh Television (BTV) and SMS were broadcasted by Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission(BTRC).

The meeting was presided over by Mr. Md. Monwarul Islam, Director General (Additional Secretary), BAB, while Industries Minister Mr. Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun MP attended as the chief guest. Mr. Kamal Ahmed Mojumder MP, Industries State Minister, Zakia Sultana, Industries Secretary and DCCI, President Mr. Rizwan Rahman were present as special guests. Expressing their grave concern, speakers said, how accreditation can support sustainable economic development ensuring the safety of the environment. They also Emphasized how BAB is providing technical assistance necessary for the sustainable economic prosperity and protection of the environment by providing accreditation to various conformity assessment bodies following international standards. Speakers mentioned that BAB is playing an important role by facilitating industrial development, trade competitiveness in global markets, efficient use of natural and human resources, food safety, health and environmental protection and thus supporting achievement of the SDGs deserves high appreciation.

In this program a theme paper was presented by Professor Dr Md Imdadul Haque, Vice Chancellor, Jagannath University.

Government and non-government organizations, accreditation related personnel, businessmen and industrial personalities, laboratory personnel, academicians, journalists were present and participated in the open discussion.

Accreditation Certificate was distributed among National Food Safety Laboratory of the Institute of Public Health under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Laboratory of the Leather Research Institute of Bangladesh Council of Science and Industry Research (BCSIR) under the Ministry of Science and Technology, Dhaka Laboratory of multinational organization of ITS Labtest Bangladesh Ltd., Dhaka Laboratory of Lab Right Bangladesh Ltd., Testing Laboratory of Continental Inspection Company BD Ltd. and Certification Body-AGS Quality Action Ltd.



11. CAB Conclave

Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB) organized a Conclave for Laboratories and other conformity assessment bodies (CABs). This conclave was chaired by Mr. Md. Monwarul Islam, Director General (Additional Secretary), BAB. Discussion panel were composed of Mr. Md. Nasirul Islam, Deputy Director, BAB, Mr. Md. Mahbubur Rahman, Deputy Director, BAB and Mr. Mohammed Abbas Alam, Assistant Director, BAB. Mr. Md. Towhidur Rahman, Assistant Director, BAB acted as the moderator for the program.

This Conclave has been positioned to serve as one common platform to share, discuss and evolve policy on all critical and emerging issues relating to testing and calibration laboratory, medical laboratory, certification and inspection body practices. Key stakeholders e.g. commercial and industrial laboratories, medical laboratories, certification and inspection bodies, equipment manufacturers, Government organizations, research labs, standards and conformity assessment bodies, and scheme owners, user organizations, technology providers as well as subject experts attended the Conclave.

The theme for the conclave is “Accreditation: Delivering Confidence in conformity assessment activities.” Since accreditation is a fast growing concept in Bangladesh, this conclave helped creating awareness on the importance of accreditation among the stakeholders. Theme paper was presented by Prof. Dr. Md. Imdadul Haque, Vice Chancellor, Jagannath University, Dhaka.

The program was held at NPO Seminar Hall, Ministry of Industries (Annex Building), 91, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka on 14 June 2022 from 9:00am to 5pm.



Bangladesh Accreditation Board (BAB)

Ministry of Industries

91, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000

12.0 List of BAB Accredited Organizations

Sl. No	Name of the CAB	Scope of Accreditation
Testing Laboratory(ISO/IEC 17025)		
1.	SGS Bangladesh Limited	Textile Testing
2.	ASM Testing Laboratory, Gazipur	Chemical Testing
3.	Interstoff Apparels Ltd	Textile Testing
4.	Fish Inspection and Quality Control (FIQC) Laboratory, Dhaka	Food Testing
5.	Testing Laboratory, Dysin International Ltd.	Textile Testing
6.	TTSL	Textile Testing
7.	ITS Labtest Bangladesh Ltd., Dhaka	Textile Testing
8.	Lub-rref (Bangladesh) Ltd.	Petroleum Product Testing
9.	Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services (Bangladesh) Ltd.	Textile Testing
10.	Nestlé Sreepur QA Laboratory, Nestlé Bangladesh Ltd.	Food Testing
11.	Fish Inspection and Quality Control (FIQC) Laboratory, Chattogram	Food Testing
12.	Fish Inspection and Quality Control (FIQC) Laboratory, Khulna	Food Testing
13.	Modern Testing Services (Bangladesh) Ltd.	Textile Testing
14.	Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services (Chittagong) Ltd.	Textile Testing
15.	ITS Labtest Bangladesh Ltd. Chittagong.	Textile Testing
16.	Analytical Chemistry Laboratory, Atomic Energy Centre, Dhaka	Chemical Testing
17.	Central Laboratory, Divine Fabrics Ltd.	Textile Testing
18.	Central Laboratory, Samuda Chemical Complex Ltd.	Chemical Testing
19.	TÜV SÜD Bangladesh (Pvt.) Ltd	Textile Testing
20.	Bangladesh Material Testing Laboratory, Dhaka	Textile Testing
21.	NUSDAT-UTS, Walton Hi-Tech Industries Limited	Electrical Testing
22.	PRAN Quality Control Laboratory, PRAN Group, Narshingdi	Chemical Testing
23.	LabRight Bangladesh Limited, Dhaka	Textile testing
24.	SGS Food & Agricultural Testing Laboratory, Dhaka	Food Testing
25.	UL VS Bangladesh Ltd.	Textile testing
26.	Amber Textile Services Limited, Gazipur	Textile Testing
27.	SGS Bangladesh Limited, Chittagong	Textile Testing
28.	TÜV Rheinland Bangladesh Pvt. Ltd	Textile Testing
29.	Quality Control Laboratory (Central Laboratory), Renata Limited, Dhaka	Pharmaceutical testing

30.	Quality Control Laboratory (Potent Product Facility), Renata Limited, Dhaka	Pharmaceutical testing
31.	Pesticide Analytical Laboratory (PAL), BARI, Gazipur	Chemical testing
32.	GMS Testing Laboratory, Kashimpur, Gazipur	Textile testing
33.	Testing Laboratory, Impress-Newtex Composite Textiles Limited, Mirzapur, Tangail.	Textile testing
34.	Premier Testing Laboratory, Plot# 41-47&84, Sector# 07, CEPZ, Chittagong.	Textile testing
35.	Comfit Lab Services Ltd., 6-th Floor, Green Building, Gorai, Mirzapur, Tangail.	Textile testing
36.	Testing Laboratory, BSTI, Dhaka.	Chemical testing
37.	UP Technology Service (Bangladesh) Co. Ltd.	Textile testing
38.	National Control Laboratory (NCL)	Chemical testing
39.	Institute of National Analytical Research and Services (INARS), BCSIR, Dhaka-1205.	Chemical testing
40.	Urmi Testing Laboratory, Fakhruddin Textile Mills Ltd.	Textile testing
41.	24 Engr. Contr. B De testing Laboratory	Construction material testing
42.	Bangladesh Research and Testing Laboratory, Dhaka	Textile testing
43.	Hohenstein Laboratories Bangladesh Limited	Textile testing
44.	National Food Testing Laboratory	Food Testing
45.	Consumer Testing Laboratories Ltd.	Textile testing
46.	Waffen Research Laboratory, Dhaka	Food Testing
47.	Max Infrastructure Ltd., Quality Testing Laboratory, Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant Site	Construction material testing
48.	Creative Wash Limited-LAB, Nishat Nagar, Tongi, Gazipur	Textile testing
49.	Noman Terry Towel Testing Laboratory, Vawal, Mirzapur	Textile testing
50.	ITS Labtest Bangladesh, Gazipur	Textile testing
51.	ITS Labtest Bangladesh, Kabirpur, Ashulia/Savar, Dhaka	Textile testing
52.	Summit Testing & Calibration Laboratory, Narayanganj	Chemical testing
53.	EQMS Consulting Limited (Testing Laboratory)	Chemical testing
54.	Quality Control Laboratory (QC Lab DLS), Department of Livestock Services, Dhaka	Textile testing
55.	Geo Chem Consumer Products Services (CPS) Ltd. Dhaka	Textile testing
56.	MNT Seed Testing Lab, Gazipur	Seed Testing
57.	Quality Control Laboratory, Drug International Limited, Gazipur	Pharmaceutical testing
58.	Leather Research Institute (LRI), BCSIR, Nayarhat, Savar	Leather Testing
59.	Continental Inspection Co. (BD) Ltd., Testing Laboratory, Dhaka	Paper, Food Grain & Fertilizer Testing
60.	Dun Lab Ltd., Chattogram	Food Testing
Calibration Laboratory(ISO/IEC 17025)		
61.	National Metrology Laboratory (NML-BSTI)	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
62.	Training Institute for Chemical Industries, Polash, Narshindi	Mechanical
63.	Calibration Laboratory, Dysin International Ltd.	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
64.	OTS (Pvt.) Ltd., Dhaka	Mechanical
65.	Instrumentation Engineering Services Ltd., Dhaka	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
66.	Resource Instrument & Measurement Enterprise (RIME), Dhaka	Mechanical

67.	SGS Bangladesh Limited, Calibration Lab, Dhaka	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
68.	Quality Calibration Solutions (QCS) Private Limited	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
69.	Standard Calibration Services (SCS) Private Limited, Mirpur, Dhaka	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
70.	Calibration Laboratory, Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd.	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
71.	Peerless Calibration Services Ltd.	Mechanical, Thermal and Electrotechnical
72.	CS Lab Limited, Dhaka	Mechanical, Thermal
73.	Summit Testing & Calibration Laboratory, Narayanganj	Mechanical, Electrotechnical
74.	M/s Reverie calibration lab, Dhaka	Mechanical, Electrotechnical
Medical Laboratory (ISO 15189)		
75.	United Hospital, Pathology Laboratory	Pathological Testing
76.	Labaid Limited, Pathology Laboratory	Pathological Testing
77.	Epic Healthcare, Chattogram	Pathological Testing
78.	Praava Health BD Ltd, Dhaka	Pathological Testing
Certification Body (ISO/IEC 17021)		
79.	BSTI, Management System Certification Wing, Dhaka	ISO 9001, 14001, 22000
80.	AGS Quality Action Ltd.Dhaka	ISO 9001
81.	United Certification Services Limited, Dhaka	ISO 9001
Inspection Body (ISO/IEC 17020)		
82.	Qtex Solutions Limited	Workplace Environment
83.	Envirotech International Ltd, Uttara, Dhaka.	Workplace Environment
84.	National Testing, Calibration & Inspection Ltd	Workplace Environment
85.	ITS Labtest Bangladesh Ltd. (Inspection Division), Dhaka	Textile Products
86.	Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services (BVCPS) Bangladesh Ltd., Dhaka	Textile Products
87.	Global Environment Consultants Limited	Workplace Environment
88.	GREENBUD Testing and Inspection Services	Workplace Environment
89.	Continental Inspection Co.(BD) Ltd., Dhaka	PSI
90.	Care Line Audit & Inspection Ltd.	Workplace Environment
91.	Envirocare International Ltd., Dhaka	Workplace Environment
92.	Eurosia ITC Services Ltd.,Dhaka	Workplace Environment
93.	Pollution Solution Limited, Dhaka	Workplace Environment
94.	EQMS Consulting Limited, Dhaka	Workplace Environment
95.	CS Lab Limited, Inspection Services, Dhaka	Workplace Environment
96.	Instrumentation Engineering Services Ltd., Inspection Services, Dhaka	Workplace Environment
97.	Greentech Inspection Ltd., Dhaka	Workplace Environment
List of suspended laboratories		
98.	Concrete Innovation & Application Centre (CIAC)	Construction material testing
99.	Petromax Refinery Ltd., Mongla	Petroleum Product Testing
100.	Brachi Testing Service (BD) Ltd.,Dhaka	Textile Testing
101.	Qtex Solutions Limited, Testing Laboratory division,Uttara, Dhaka.	Chemical testing
102.	Plasma Plus Application and Research Laboratory, Dhaka	Chemical testing
103.	Norwest Testing Laboratory	Textile Testing
List of withdrawn laboratories		
104.	Quality Control Laboratory, Julphar Bangladesh Ltd., Gazipur	Pharmaceutical testing

Total number of accredited organizations (Scheme wise):

Accreditation Scheme	Type of Conformity Assessment Body (CAB)	Number
ISO/IEC 17025	Testing Laboratory Calibration Laboratory	67 14
ISO 15189	Medical Laboratory	04
ISO/IEC 17020	Inspection Body	16
ISO/IEC 17021	Certification Body	03
Total		104

13.0 Training-workshops Organized by BAB

To strengthen BAB assessor pool and enhance assessment activities in more vibrant manner, BAB time to time arranges various general and technical training-workshops. On different international standards & guidelines, BAB trained near about 1800 persons through 28 Assessor courses and 63 Technical training-workshops since its inception.

Training-Workshop Course arranged by BAB in 2021-2022

Sl. No & Course Code	Year Month Date	Dur (Ds)	Name of the Training	Type	Resource Person/s	No of Participants	Venue
100. 22062505	2022 June 21-23	03	40 th Understanding Course on ISO/IEC 17025:2017	Understanding Course	Md. Nasirul Isalm Md. Mahbubur Rahman Md. Towhidur Rahman Mohammed Abbas Alam	62	NPO Seminar Hall
99. 21122505	2021 December 28-30	03	39 th Understanding Course on ISO/IEC 17025:2017	Understanding Course	Md. Nasirul Isalm Md. Mahbubur Rahman Md. Towhidur Rahman Mohammed Abbas Alam	33	NPO Seminar Hall
98. 21122505	2021 December 6-8	03	38 th Understanding Course on ISO/IEC 17025:2017	Understanding Course	Md. Nasirul Isalm Md. Mahbubur Rahman Md. Towhidur Rahman Mohammed Abbas Alam	32	NPO Seminar Hall
97. 21112505	2021 November 23-25	03	37 th Understanding Course on ISO/IEC 17025:2017	Understanding Course	Md. Nasirul Isalm Md. Mahbubur Rahman Monirul Hoque Pasha Md. Towhidur Rahman Mohammed Abbas Alam	35	NPO Seminar Hall
96. 21112505	2021 November 9-11	03	36 th Understanding Course on ISO/IEC 17025:2017	Understanding Course	Md. Nasirul Isalm Md. Mahbubur Rahman Monirul Hoque Pasha Md. Towhidur Rahman Mohammed Abbas Alam	35	NPO Seminar Hall
95. 21092501	2021 September 26-30	05	28 th Assessor Course on ISO/IEC 17025:2017	Assessor Course	Md. Nasirul Isalm Md. Mahbubur Rahman Monirul Hoque Pasha Md. Towhidur Rahman Mohammed Abbas Alam	29	NPO Seminar Hall

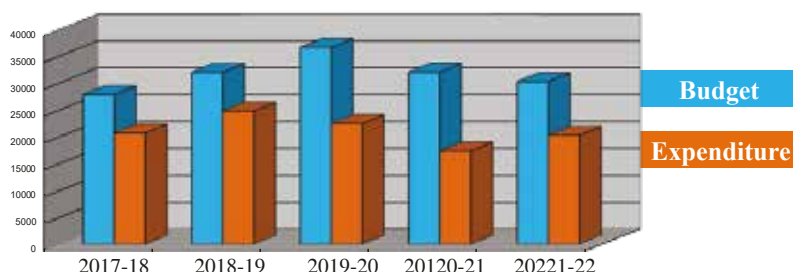
In-house Training Course arranged by BAB in 2021-2022

তারিখ	কোর্সের নাম	রিসোর্স পারসন	অংশগ্রহণকারী
০৪-০৫ অক্টোবর ২০২১	অডিট আপত্তি, আর্থিক ব্যবস্থাপনা এবং সরকারি পরিষেবার নীতি ও বিধিমালা	মোঃ জসীম উদ্দীন বাদল উপসচিব, শিল্প মন্ত্রণালয়	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
৭-৮ নভেম্বর ২০২১	ই-ফাইলিং, ওয়েবসাইট রক্ষণাবেক্ষণ এবং সাইবার সিকিউরিটিজ	মোঃ আসাদুজ্জামান সরকার, সিস্টেমস্ এনালিস্ট ও ইনোভেশন অফিসার, পেটেন্ট, ডিজাইন ও ট্রেডমার্কস অধিদপ্তর	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
১৫-১৬ নভেম্বর ২০২১	সরকারি নীতি ও বিধিমালা	জনাব মোঃ রেজাউল করিম, উপসচিব, শিল্প মন্ত্রণালয়	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
১৭-১৮ নভেম্বর ২০২১	নথি ব্যবস্থাপনা, প্রশাসনিক ব্যবস্থাপনা এবং সেবা প্রদান প্রতিশ্রুতি	মিজ লুৎফুন নাহার বেগম অতিরিক্ত সচিব, শিল্প মন্ত্রণালয়	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
২১-২২ নভেম্বর ২০২১	APA, APAMS ও IAP	ডঃ মোঃ সাইফুল ইসলাম উপসচিব, শিল্প মন্ত্রণালয়	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
২৮-২৯ নভেম্বর ২০২১	এসডিজি এবং আন্তর্জাতিক যোগাযোগ এবং সেবা প্রদান প্রতিশ্রুতি	মোঃ মোশাউফা জামান সিনিয়র সহকারী সচিব, শিল্প মন্ত্রণালয়	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
০৮- মার্চ ২০২২	জাতীয় শুদ্ধাচার কৌশল বাস্তবায়ন বিষয়ক প্রশিক্ষণ	জনাব মোঃ মাহবুবুর রহমান, উপপরিচালক, বিএবি	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
০৯- মার্চ ২০২২	সেবা প্রদান প্রতিশ্রুতি বিষয়ক প্রশিক্ষণ	জনাব মোহাম্মাদ আব্বাস আলম, সহকারী পরিচালক, বিএবি	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
১৪- মার্চ ২০২২	অধিকার প্রতিকার ব্যবস্থা ও জিআরএস সফটওয়্যার	জনাব মোঃ নাসিরুল ইসলাম, উপপরিচালক, বিএবি	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী
১৫- মার্চ ২০২২	ই-গভঃ ও উদ্ভাবন কর্মপরিকল্পনা বাস্তবায়ন বিষয়ক প্রশিক্ষণ	জনাব মোঃ তৌহিদুর রহমান, সহকারী পরিচালক, বিএবি	বিএবি'র সকল কর্মকর্তা ও কর্মচারী

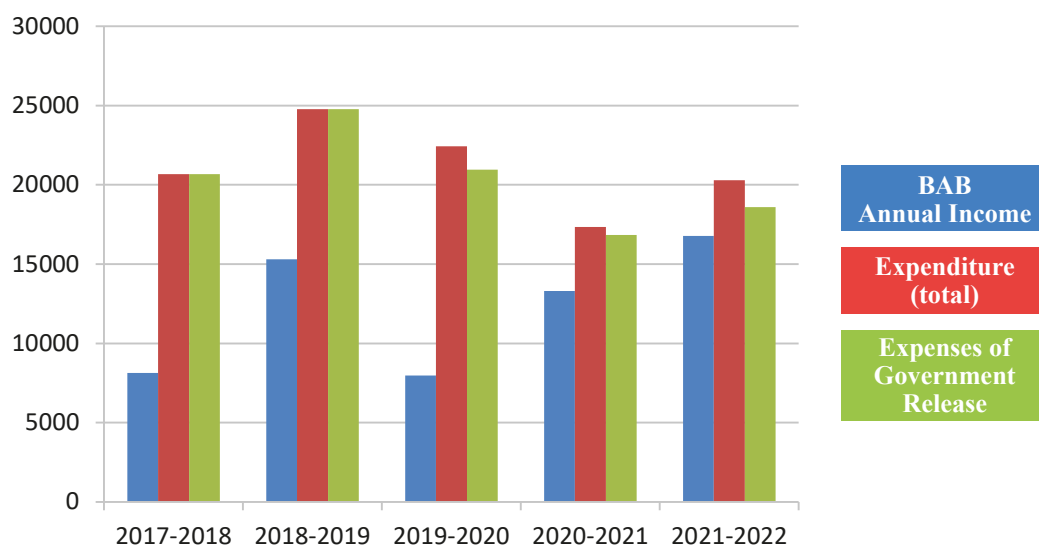
14.0 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Financial Statement

Items' Name	Total Allocated Budget	Total Expenditure	GoB Budget	Expenditure from GoB Budget	Budget from BAB Service income	Expenditure from BAB Service income
Salary	52,50,000	48,13,050	44,00,000	42,00,000	42,00,000	6,13,050
Allowance	52,66,000	44,66,568	47,66,000	39,46,000	39,46,000	5,20,568
Product & Service	1,78,50,000	98,13,849	1,31,50,000	1,30,00,000	98,14,000	00
Research grants			1,00,000	1,00,000	0	0
Pension & Retirement	7,00,000	3,24,460	0	0	0	3,24,460
Equipment	3,00,000	2,93,680	3,00,000	2,00,000	2,00,000	93,680
Establishment of non-residential buildings	50,000	31,200	50,000	50,000	31,200	00
Information & Communication Technology	6,00,000	4,49,800	3,50,000	3,50,000	3,50,000	99,800
Other Capital Resource	2,00,000	92,724	1,00,000	50,000	50,000	42,724
Grand Total	3,02,16,000	2,02,85,331	2,32,16,000	2,18,96,000	1,85,91,200	16,94,282

Years	Budget (Total)	Expenditure (Total)
	(BDT in Thousand)	(BDT in Thousand)
2017-18	27800	20665
2018-19	31980	24767
2019-20	36600	22429
2020-21	32000	17344
2021-22	30216	20285



Years	BAB Annual Income	Expenditure	Expenses of Government Release
	(BDT in Thousand)	(BDT in Thousand)	(BDT in Thousand)
2017-18	8130	20665	20665
2018-19	15302	24767	24767
2019-20	7982	22429	20949
2020-21	13306	17344	16826
2021-22	16773	20285	18591



15.0 Future Plan of BAB

- To conduct more assessments for accreditation to CABs.
- To maintain international recognition through APAC-ILAC MRA and achieve international recognition through IAF MLA, and to become member of relevant regional and international organizations.
- To impart APAC peer evaluation as part of regional and international recognition.
- Achieves membership of SMIIC, IHAF & IAF.
- To arrange more understanding trainings on accreditation standards for CABs.
- To conduct more trainings on assessor course, internal auditor course, and more technical trainings on Measurement Uncertainty, Traceability, Method Validation etc. and more awareness trainings on different international standards.
- To establish MoU with different regional and international accreditation bodies for increasing bilateral cooperation and arranging joint accreditation.
- To participate in annual meetings, midyear meetings and different training-workshops organized by different regional and international organizations.
- To arrange regular meetings, seminars, symposia at both national and international level for creating awareness among the stakeholders.
- To celebrate the World Accreditation Day 9 June 2023 in befitting manner and with greater collaboration and participation.
- To conduct Refresher Courses for BAB assessors.
- To publish BAB's bi-annual Newsletter, Annual Report, WAD Souvenir for creating mass awareness.
- To participate in Working Group (WG), Technical Committee (TC) meetings of international peer organizations.
- To open up Halal certification accreditation and accreditation for Proficiency Testing Providers.






16.0 Right To Information

BAB has assigned an RTI officer according to the clause 6 (3) (d) of Right to Information Act, 2009, who responses to the applications for information, and appeals made by citizens.








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17.0 BAB Officers & Staff

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Bangladesh Accreditation Act, 2006

Act No. IXXX of 2006

[16 July, 2006]

An Act to make provisions for issuance of accreditation certificate to different laboratories, certification bodies, inspection bodies, training institutions or persons

Whereas it is expedient and necessary to make provisions for issuance of accreditation certificate to different laboratories, certification bodies, inspection bodies, training institutions or persons;

Therefore it is hereby enacted as follows :-

Chapter I Preliminary

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may be called the Bangladesh Accreditation Act, 2006.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, appoint.

2. Definitions.-In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,

- (a) “assessor” means any person or institution appointed by the Board for assesment of conformity;
- (b) “accreditation” means the recognition of competence given by the Board in performing the tests or other activities specified in the certificate issued by the name of any laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person;
- (c) “accreditation certificate” means accreditation certificate issued by the Board under section 14;
- (d) “accreditation mark” means any registered mark determined by the Board;
- (e) “Chairman” means the Chairman of the Board;
- (f) “test” means any method or condition or practice for measurement, or measurement of any items, objects or materials tested or inspected under this Act;
- (g) “laboratory” means any institution, where testing or calibration of different elements, objects, items etc. are carried out by the experts or professionals;
- (h) “inspection body” means any institution, where inspections are carried out by the experts or professionals;
- (i) “regulations” means regulations made under this Act;
- (j) “training institution” means any institution, where training or teaching is imparted for the development of skill under any curriculum or module prescribed by the Board or any other similar institution;
- (k) “Criminal Procedure” means the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (Act No. V of 1898);
- (l) “person” means any person and any institution, company, partnership business, firm and also includes any other organization;
- (m) “Board” means the Accreditation Board constituted under section 3 of this Act;
- (n) “rules” means rules made under this Act;
- (o) “Vice-Chairman” means the Vice-Chairman of the Board;
- (p) “Director-General” means the Director-General of the Board;
- (q) “certification body” means any institution which issues certificates on different products or service by experts or professionals.

Chapter II Board

3. Establishment of the Board.-

- (1) As soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, the Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, establish a Board to be called the Bangladesh Accreditation Board.
- (2) The Board shall be a body corporate, having perpetual succession and a common seal with power, subject manage and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and shall by the said name sue and be sued.

4. Head office of the Board, etc.-

- (1) The head office of the Board shall be at Dhaka.
- (2) The Board, if necessary, may establish its branch office at any other place in Bangladesh.

5. Constitution of the Board.-

- (1) The Board shall consist of the following members, namely :-
 - (a) Secretary, Ministry of Industries, ex-officio;
 - (b) Secretary, Ministry of Food, Relief and Disaster Management, ex-officio;
 - (c) Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, ex-officio;
 - (d) Secretary, Ministry of Science and Information & Communication Technology, ex-officio;
 - (e) Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, ex-officio;
 - (f) Secretary, Ministry/Division in respect of subject matter;
 - (g) two members amongst persons having profound knowledge in the field of science, trade, industry and administration, to be nominated by the Ministry of Industries, of which one shall be a prominent scientist and the other having higher academic qualification with experience in the field of trade, industry or administration;
 - (h) President, Federation of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry;
 - (i) one representative to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) at the rank of Professor;
 - (j) Head of a Certification Body to be nominated by the Association of Certification Bodies;
 - (k) Head of a Testing Laboratory to be nominated by the Association of Testing Laboratories; and
 - (l) Director-General of the Board, who shall also be its Member-Secretary.
- (2) No act or proceeding of the Board shall be invalid or be called in question merely on the ground of any vacancy in the Board.

6. Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman, etc.-

- (1) The Board shall consist of a Chairman to be appointed by the Government and the terms and conditions of his appointment shall be determined by Government and he shall preside over the meeting of the Board.
- (2) The term of office of the Chairman shall be three years from the date of his appointment.
- (3) The members shall appoint one Vice-Chairman amongst them for three years in the first meeting of the Board and nominate a Chairman panel consisting of three members.
- (4) If any vacancy occurs in the office of the Chairman or if the Chairman is unable to discharge the functions of his office on account of absence, illness or any other reason, the Vice-Chairman shall act as the Chairman until a newly appointed Chairman holds office or until the Chairman resumes the functions of his office.
- (5) In the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, any member amongst the panel members approved by the Board in this behalf, shall act as the Acting Chairman of the Board in accordance with the serial of the panel.

7. Term of office of the members and resignation.-

- (1) The term of office of the members nominated under clause (g) to (k) of section 5(1) shall be three years from the date of their nomination.
- (2) Any nominated member specified in sub-section (1), may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Chairman and the office shall be deemed to be vacant on the date on which the resignation is accepted.
- (3) If the office of any nominated member specified in sub-section (1), becomes vacant for any reason, the vacancy may be fulfilled by fresh nomination by the concerned institution for the remainder of the term of the office.

8. Meetings of the Board.-

(1) Subject to the other provisions of this section, the Board may determine the procedure of its meeting.

(2) The meeting of the Board shall be called by the Chairman and shall be held at such place and time as may be determined by him:

Provided that there shall be at least one meeting of the Board in every three months.

(3) The meeting of the Board shall be presided over by the Chairman or, in his absence, by its Vice-Chairman, and in the absence of both of them, by any member amongst the panel members approved by the Board in this behalf, present in meeting in accordance with the serial of the panel.

(4) To constitute a quorum at a meeting of the Board, the presence of "50 percent" members shall be required.

(5) For taking decision in the meeting of the Board, the consent of the majority of the members present in the meeting shall be required.

(6) Each member shall have one vote in the meeting of the Board and, in case of equality of votes, the person presiding over the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.

(7) The members of the Board present in the meeting shall be entitled to such remuneration as may be prescribed by regulations.

9. Committee.- The Board may constitute one or more than one committees to assist it in the discharging its functions and the number of members, responsibilities and terms of reference of each committee shall be determined by the Board.

10. The functions of the Board.-

The functions of the Board shall be as follows, namely :-

(a) to issue, renew, cancel, suspend and revoke the accreditation certificate of the laboratories, certification bodies, inspection bodies, training institutions or persons under this Act;

(b) to determine and develop the criterion and requirements for issuance of accreditation certificate to laboratories, certification bodies, inspection bodies, training institutions or persons;

(c) to conduct accreditation activities in accordance with the directives laid down in the guidelines and standards determined and prescribed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electro Technical Commission (IEC) and other similar national, regional and international organizations;

(d) to ensure competence in national, regional and internationally accepted accreditation practices;

(e) to facilitate national, regional and international cooperation in accreditation;

(f) to encourage the concerned persons regarding accreditation and promote the activities of accreditation, arrange training, and organize seminars, symposiums, etc. and take necessary steps for dissemination of information on accreditation;

(g) to arrange for multilateral recognition on mutual recognition among inter-state, regional and international bodies;

(h) to undertake necessary arrangements to act as an agent of similar accreditation certification organization or of any other local or foreign organization;

(i) to appoint assessor on contract basis; and

(j) to do all other activities ancillary or incidental to any of the functions specified above.

Chapter III

Accreditation Certificate, etc.

11. Establishment and operation of laboratories, etc.- Laboratories, certification bodies, inspection bodies, training institutions, etc. may be established or operated after obtaining accreditation certificate under section 14 of this Act.

12. Conditions for establishment and operation of laboratories, etc.-The conditions for establishment and operation of laboratories, certification bodies, inspection bodies, training institutions, etc. may be prescribed by regula-

tions.

13. Application for accreditation certificate, etc.- (1) Any person desirous to establish and operate any laboratory or certification body or inspection body or training institution, etc. may apply to the Board for accreditation certificate in such forms and procedures as may be prescribed by regulations.

(2) On receipt of application under sub-section (1), the Board shall, within seven days of receipt of the application, send it to the scrutiny committee for verification of the information specified in the application.

(3) On receipt of application under sub-section (2), the scrutiny committee shall, within ninety days of receipt of the application, physically visit the site specified in the application and after examining the information and making enquiry regarding all the matters, submit a complete report to the Board on the matter.

14. Issuance of accreditation certificate.- On receipt of the report under sub-section (3) of section 13, the Board shall-

(a) if satisfied that the applicant is capable to fulfill the conditions prescribed by regulations to establish and operate any laboratory or certification body or inspection body or training institution, etc. issue an accreditation certificate to the applicant, within thirty days by realising accreditation fees specified under section 18; or

(b) if of the opinion that it is expedient to give an opportunity to the applicant for fulfilling the conditions prescribed by regulations, give thirty days time to the applicant for fulfilling the conditions; and

(i) issue an accreditation certificate within next fifteen days after being satisfied that the applicant has fulfilled all the conditions within the time specified; or

(ii) reject the application and inform the applicant about it, if he has failed to fulfill the required conditions within the time specified; or

(c) if of the opinion that the applicant has not been able to fulfill most of the conditions prescribed by regulations, and if the applicant is given the opportunity specified in clause (b), there is no possibility of being able to fulfill the rest of the conditions within the time specified, reject the application directly and inform the applicant about such rejection within fifteen days.

15. Rules regarding taking certificate of existing laboratory, etc.- If any person has established and started to operate any laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution, etc. before the commencement of this Act, he may apply to the Board, within thirty days of the commencement of this Act, in prescribed forms and procedures as may be specified in sub-section (1) of section 13 and on receipt of such application, the Board shall follow the procedures specified in sub-section (2) and (3) of section 13 and section 14.

16. Scrutiny Committee.- The Board shall constitute a scrutiny committee consisting of the Vice-Chairman, one member amongst the nominated members from clause (e) to (g) of section 5(1) and the Director-General to carry out the purposes of this Act.

17. Validity of accreditation certificate and renewal.- (1) Accreditation certificate issued under section 14 shall be valid for a period of three years.

(2) Before 90 (ninety) days of the expiry of the validity of the accreditation certificate specified in sub-section (1), on payment of specified fees, application shall be made in such form as may be prescribed by regulations to the Board and on receipt of such application, the Board shall follow the procedures specified in sub-section (2), (3) of section 13 and section 14.

18. Accreditation fees, etc.- The Board, by regulations, may fix and re-fix the rate of accreditation fees and renewal fees.

19. Preservation and display of accreditation certificate.- Each accreditation certificate issued under section 14

shall be preserved and measures shall be taken by all accredited laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person to display it at a conspicuous place of the body or institution.

20. Use of accreditation mark and its time limit.- (1) An accreditation mark shall be used by the laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person obtained accreditation certificate under section 14.

(2) The accreditation mark shall remain valid for such time as the period of accreditation certificate issued to any laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person for conducting tests or other activities.

21. Restrictions on use of accreditation mark.- (1) No person shall use, on behalf of any laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person, the accreditation mark or any image similar to the mark, in the title of any patent, trade mark or design or advertisement or in any other process without obtaining an accreditation certificate under section 14.

(2) No laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person shall use the accreditation mark or any image of the mark similar to it, without complying the conditions of the certificate issued by the Board.

22. Prohibition of use of certain names, etc.- (1) Subject to the conditions specified in sub-section (2), any person may carry out any activity, business, trade or occupation by using a name assigned to the Board by this Act or any acronym thereof.

(2) Without the written approval of the Board-

(a) no trade mark, device, brand, heading, label, ticket, pictorial representation, name, signature, letter, numeral or any signature, letter, numeral containing the words of the name or acronym or the combination thereof accepted by the Board, shall be registered under the Trade Marks Act, 1940 (Act No. V of 1940) if already not registered under the Trade Marks Act, 1940 (Act No. V of 1940); and

(b) no person may, unless obtained accreditation under section 14, provide any service or facility under a mark which contains the words "Bangladesh Accreditation" or under a description, in which that words are used in such a manner as may create the impression that, he has been issued the accreditation under section 14.

(3) If any person, on the date of the commencement of this Act, is registered under any activity, business, trade or occupation or any name specified in subsection (2) (a), irrespective of the conditions of sub-section (2), he shall be able to continue such activity, business, trade or occupation or be registered under such name.

23. Affixing of the seal of the Board.- In the case of the affixing of the seal of the Board to any instrument, the presence and attestation of an officer authorized by the Board shall be required.

24. Power to collect information, etc.-

(1) Every applicant for certificate shall provide with such information and samples of any material or substance used in relation to any process prescribed by regulations to the Board, as the Board may require.

(2) Every applicant shall be bound to give the officers of the Board access to his registered business organization.

25. Revocation of accreditation certificate.- If it appears to the Board that any laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or any person obtained accreditation certificate under section 14, is violating or not complying with the conditions or criterion specified in this Act or rules or regulations made thereunder, the Board may, after making such enquiry as it thinks fit, revoke the accreditation certificate in accordance with the provisions of regulations.

26. Appeals against administrative order, etc.- (1) For the purposes of this Act, any person affected or aggrieved by an order passed or any direction issued by the Director-General or any officer authorized by him, the person affected or aggrieved, within ninety days from the date of such order or direction, on payment of such fees as may be prescribed by regulations, may prefer an appeal for remedy-

- (a) to the Government, if the order is passed by the Director-General; and
- (b) to the Chairman, if the order is passed by any officer.
- (2) In the case of an appeal under sub-section (1), it shall be disposed of within ninety days
- (3) In the case of an appeal under sub-section (1), the decision of the Government shall be deemed to be final.

27. Confidentiality of information.-

Any information obtained by any member or any officer or employee or an assessor of the Board from any statement made or information provided or evidence given or from any inspection report made under the provisions of this Act, shall be treated as confidential:

Provided that nothing in this section shall apply to the disclosure of any information for the purpose of any prosecution under this Act.

Chapter IV

Appointment of officers and employees and assessors

28. Director-General.- (1) There shall be a Director-General of the Board.

(2) The Government shall appoint any person as the Director-General having proper expertise in the field of industry, science and technology and the terms and conditions of his service shall be determined by the Government.

(3) If any vacancy occurs in the office of the Director-General or the Director-General is unable to discharge the functions of his office on account of absence, illness or any other reason, any person nominated by the Government shall act as the Director-General until a newly appointed Director-General holds office or until the Director-General resumes the functions of his office.

(4) The Director-General shall be the full-time Chief Executive Officer of the Board, and he shall-

- (i) be liable for implementing the decisions of the Board;
- (ii) perform the responsibilities and duties provided by the Board;
- (iii) operate the administration of the Board; and
- (iv) be liable to the Board for his overall activities.

29. Appointment of officers and employees.- The Board, according to the organogram approved by the Government, may appoint such number of officers and employees, as it considers necessary for the efficient performance of its functions and the terms and conditions of their services shall be prescribed by regulations.

30. Appointment of assessor.- (1) The Board may, by contract, appoint sufficient numbers of assessors as may be necessary for the efficient performance of its functions and their qualification, remuneration and other conditions shall be determined by the Board.

(2) The functions of the assessors shall be as follows, namely :-

- (a) to inspect the activities of any laboratory, certification body, inspection body, training institution or person for issuance of accreditation certificate and submit a report thereof to the Board;
- (b) to collect samples of any article, or of any material or substance used in any laboratory, certification body, inspection body or the instrument, method or curriculum used and followed by any training institution or person for the purpose of issuance accreditation certificate and submit a report thereof to the Board; and
- (c) to perform such other duties as may be determined by the Board.

Chapter V

Funds and Annual Budget Statement, etc.

31. Funds.- (1) There shall be a fund of the Board to conduct its activities.

(2) The money from the following sources shall be credited to the fund, namely:-

- (a) annual grants made by the Government;
- (b) donations given by any person or organization;
- (c) loans taken by the Board;

- (d) profits accruing from investment of the fund; and
- (e) income accruing against services provided by the Board and from the investment of its assets.
- (3) The moneys credited to the fund, with the approval of the Board, shall be kept in any scheduled bank and the procedure of drawing that money from the bank shall be prescribed by regulations.
- (4) The Board shall invest the fund or any portion of it in such manner as it deems necessary.
- (5) The necessary expenditures of the Board shall be borne from the fund.

32. Annual Budget Statement.- (1) The Board shall, by such date in each year as may be prescribed, submit to the Government a budget statement for the next financial year mentioning the sums which are likely to be required from the Government during that financial year.

(2) The procedure specified by the Government shall be followed for the preparation of such Budget.

33. Accounts and Audit.- (1) The Board shall maintain proper accounts and prepare annual statement thereof.

(2) The Comptroller and Auditor-General, shall audit the accounts of the Board every year and shall send a copy thereof to the Government and the Board.

(3) For the purpose of an audit under sub-section (2), the Comptroller and Auditor-General or any person authorized by him in this behalf, shall have access to all records, documents, cash or money deposited in bank, securities and other property of the Board and may examine any member or officer or employee of the Board.

34. Annual report of the activities of the Board.-(1) The Director-General shall submit to the Board, within one month after the end of every financial year, a report of the conduct of its affairs of that year and the Board shall submit it to the Government and take necessary steps for publication.

(2) The Government may ask at any time a report or statement from the Board on any of its functions and the Board shall be bound to send it to the Government.

35. Power to borrow.- The Board may borrow money, from any commercial bank or any financial institution or any foreign organization approved by the Government to carry out the purposes of this act.

Explanation: Financial institution means any financial institution as defined in section 2(b) of Financial Institution Act, 1993 (Act No. XXVII of 1993).

36. Contract.- The Board may, if necessary, make contracts to conduct its affairs: Provided that in the case of any contract with any foreign government or international organization, a prior approval of the Government shall be required.

Chapter VI

Offence and Penalty

37. Offences committed by companies, etc.- Where an offence under this Act is committed by any company, every director, manager, secretary, partner, officer and employee of that company having direct involvement with the offence, shall be deemed to have committed the offence, unless he proves that the offence was committed beyond his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

Explanation: In this section-

(a) "company" means any commercial organization, partnership business, association, society and also includes any organization;

(b) "director", in the case of commercial organization, means any partner thereof or also any member of its Board of Directors.

38. Cognizance of offences.- No court shall take cognizance of any offence under this Act, except on a complaint made by the Government or the Board or any officer authorized by it in this behalf.

39. Trial of offences by Magistrate, etc.-The offences under this Act shall be tried by any first class Magistrate or, as the case may be, any Metropolitan Magistrate.

40. Penalty.- If any person violates the provisions of section 19, 20, 21 and 22 of this Act, he shall be punished for the offence with imprisonment, for a term not exceeding three months or with fine not less than Taka twenty thousand and not exceeding Taka five lac or with both.

41. Appeals against penalty.- An appeal may be preferred, against any judgement or order, passed by any first class Magistrate or, as the case may be, any Metropolitan Magistrate, to any court having jurisdiction of a session court under this Act.

42. Application of Criminal Procedure.-Subject to not being inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, Criminal Procedure shall be applicable for investigation of offences, trial, appeal and other matters relating thereto under this Act.

43. Non-cognizability and bailability of offences.- The offences under this Act shall be non-cognizable and bailable.

44. Confiscation.- (1) When any person is convicted and sentenced under this Act, the court may order to confiscate all or any part of the product and equipment in respect of which the offence was committed.

(2) All or any part of the product or equipment so confiscated under subsection (1), shall be disposed of in such manner as the court may direct.

Chapter VII **Miscellaneous**

45. Delegation of powers.- The Board, subject to the terms and conditions determined by it, may delegate any of its power to the Director-General or any other member of the Board.

46. Protection of actions taken in good faith.- No suit or prosecution or any other legal proceeding shall lie against the Government, any Member, Director-General or any other officer or employee of the Board, or any officer of the Government or the Government or for any publication, report under the authority of the Board or for any publication, report, proceeding under the authority of any officer or employee of the Government or the Board, which is in good faith, done under this Act or rules or regulations made thereunder, if it may cause or likely to be caused any damage to any person.

47. Power to make rules.- The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules to carry out the purposes of this Act,

48. Power to make regulations.- The Board may, with prior approval of the Government, by notification in the official Gazette, make regulations.

49. Publication of Authentic English Text.- (1) After the commencement of this Act, the Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, publish an English text to be called the Authentic English Text of this Act: Provided that in the event of any conflict between the Bangla and the English text, the Bangla text shall prevail.