**Chapter 1: Recognition of Need**

* 1. **Introduction:** In this paper we are going to make an analysis on the prevailing system of Bangladesh Sericulture Research and Training Institute.

Bangladesh Sericulture Research and Training Institute(BSRTI) is an autonomous national research institute that carries out research on [sericulture](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sericulture) (silk farming) and supports the sericulture industry in [Bangladesh](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bangladesh). The organization is located in the city of [Rajshahi](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rajshahi).

The institute traces its origins to the Silk Institute that was established in Rajshahi in 1898, during the colonial [British Raj](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British_Raj) period. During the post-colonial [East Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/East_Pakistan) period (1955–1971) there were two institutes, the Silk Research Institute and Silk Technology Institute. Following national independence, the institutes were merged to form Silk Research and Training Institute in 1974. Now renamed the Sericulture Research and Training Institute, it is under the [Bangladesh Sericulture Board](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bangladesh_Sericulture_Board). The institute is the only one in Bangladesh specializing in silk research. It has developed a number of high yielding [Mulberry plant](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mulberry_(plant)) [cultivars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cultivar) and [silkworms](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Silkworms).