# Bangladesh Bank

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## Background

Bangladesh Bank is the central bank of Bangladesh and member of the **Asian Clearing Union**.

The bank is active in developing **green banking** and financial inclusion policy and is an important member of the Alliance for Financial Inclusion. Bangladesh Financial Intelligence Unit (**BFIU**) got the membership of **Egmont Group**.



# Background

- First central bank in the world to introduce a dedicated hotline
  (16236) for the populace to complain any banking related problem.
- First central bank in the world to issue a Green Banking Policy.
- To acknowledge this contribution, then-governor Dr. Atiur Rahman was given the title Green Governor at the 2012 United Nations Climate Change Conference, held at the Qatar National Convention Center in Doha.



## History I

- After the Independence War and the eventual independence of Bangladesh, the Government of Bangladesh reorganized the **Dhaka branch** of the **State Bank of Pakistan** as the central bank of the country, naming it **Bangladesh Bank**.
- This **re-organization** was done pursuant to **Bangladesh Bank Order, 1972**, and the Bangladesh Bank came into existence.
- The 1972 Mujib government pursued a pro-socialist agenda. In 1972, the government decided to nationalize all banks to channel funds to the public sector and to prioritize credit to those sectors that sought to reconstruct the war-torn country – mainly industry and agriculture.
- In 1982, the first reform program was initiated, wherein the government denationalised two of the six nationalised commercial banks and permitted private local banks to compete in the banking sector.

## History II

• In 1986, a National Commission on Money, Banking and Credit was appointed to deal with the problems of the banking sector, and a number of steps were taken for the recovery targets for the nationalised commercial banks and development financial institutions and prohibiting defaulters from getting new loans.



#### **Branch Officies**

- Motijheel
- Sadarghat
- Bogura
- Chattogram
- Rajshahi

- Barishal
- Khulna
- Sylhet
- Rangpur
- Mymensingh





#### **Functions**

- Formulation and implementation of monetary and credit policies.
- Regulation and supervision of banks and non-bank financial institutions, promotion and development of domestic financial markets.
- Management of the country's international reserves.
- Issuance of currency notes.
- Regulation and supervision of the payment system.
- Acting as banker to the government .
- Money laundering prevention.
- Collection and furnishing of credit information.
- Implementation of the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act.
  Managing a deposit insurance scheme .

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# Organisation

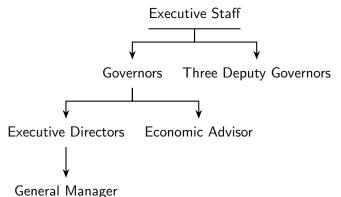
- The bank's highest official is the governor. His seat is in Motijheel,
  Dhaka. The governor chairs the board of directors.
- The executive staff is responsible for the bank's day-to-day affairs.
- Departments:
  - Debt Management
  - Law and so on

Each department is headed by one or more general managers.

 The Bank has 10 physical branches. Each is headed by a general manager. Headquarters are located in the Bangladesh Bank Building in Motijheel, which has two general managers.



### Hierarchy



- The Executive Staff is responsible for daily affairs.
- Although the general managers come under the executive directors they are not part of the executive staff.

The **board of directors** consists of the bank's **governor** and **eight other members** responsible for the policies undertaken by the bank

#### **Publications**

- Annual Report
- Bangladesh Bank Quarterly
- Monetary Policy Review
- CSR Initiatives in Banks
- BBTA Journal: Thoughts on Banking and Finance
- Annual Report on Green Banking
- Import Payments
- Financial Stability Assessment Report





# **Thank You**



