

INTRODUCTION

Bangladesh is one of the fastest-growing economies in the world. The country has had an annual growth rate of GDP of over 6 percent over the past decade under the stewardship of the present government and has become the 'Development Surprise' to the world. BEPZA as one of the official organs of the government to promote, attract and facilitate local & foreign investment in the EPZs, is significantly contributing to the economic development of Bangladesh.

BEPZA, formed according to an act of 1980, has been empowered for the creation, development, operation and management of EPZ in Bangladesh. Presently there are eight EPZs in the country. Chattogram EPZ is the pioneer among them started journey in 1983. Afterwards, Dhaka, Mongla, Cumilla, Ishwardi, Uttara (Nilphaman), Adamjee and Karnaphuli EPZ have been established across the country. All the EPZs are operating successfully with half a million young & energetic workforce and contributing around 20% of the total national export of the country.

The success of EPZs inspired the government to establish economic zone in the country. BEPZA is also establishing the 'BEPZA Economic Zone' at Mirsharai, Chattogram. The authority has utilized its 40 years of long experience, knowledge and professionalism in developing the zone as the smart zone of the future which is very close to becoming operational. Moreover, observing the astounding success of the existing EPZs, the government has decided to set up three more EPZs under BEPZA: Patuakhali EPZ in the south, Jashore EPZ in the south-west and Rangpur EPZ in the northern part of the country for the development of those regions.

Geo-regional location, lucrative fiscal & non-fiscal incentives, less production cost, moderate infrastructures, secured custom bonded enclave with an amicable Worker-Management-Owner network have turned BEPZA as one of the hotspots of investment in the globe.

Type of Investment

- Type A** : 100% Foreign Ownership.
Type B : Joint venture between Bangladesh and Foreign Investors (no limit on extent of equity share).
Type C : 100% Bangladeshi Ownership.

Protection of Investment

The World Bank has ranked Bangladesh as one of the best countries for investors Protection, making it the best in the South Asia. The Foreign Private Investment (Promotional and Protection) Act, 1980 secures all foreign investment. Bangladesh is also the signatory of the following agency:

- MIGA**
 Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) provides security under international law.
ICSID
 International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Dispute (ICSID) provides arbitration facility.
WIPO
 World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) safeguards copyright interests.
DFC
 The United States International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) is the development finance institution of the United States federal government.

SCOPE OF INVESTMENT

BEPZA provides infrastructure facilities including fully serviced plots under a 30 years lease and Standard Factory Buildings (SFB) for 02 years lease on renewable basis to the investors for setting up industry. All utility connections are readily available for the enterprises of EPZs.

Plots & SFB

Name of EPZ	Tariff	
	Plot* (US\$ / Square Meter / Year)	Standard Factory Building (SFB) (US\$ / Square Meter / Month)
Chattogram, Dhaka, Adamjee, Cumilla, Karnaphuli	2.50	3.00
Ishwardi, Mongla, Uttara	1.40	1.75
BEPZA Economic Zone	2.75	3.50

*Average plot size of EPZs- 2000 Square Meters and BEPZA EZ - 3600 Square Meters

Utilities

EPZ	ELECTRICITY (Tk./Kwh)	WATER (Tk./CuM)	GAS (Tk./CuM)
Chattogram	10.89	47.96	33.00
Dhaka	10.89	40.70	33.00
Cumilla	10.89	41.45	33.00
Karnaphuli	13.61 (Peak) 9.80 (Off Peak)	47.96	33.00
Adamjee	10.89	41.15	33.00
Ishwardi	10.89	35.18	33.00
Mongla	10.89	48.30
Uttara	10.89	40.70

* Electricity: Kwh= Kilowatt Hour, 11 Kv, 3 phase, 50 cycles/sec, Water: CuM= Cubic Meter

Eco-friendly Service Oriented Industries

BEPZA has approved Eco-friendly Service Oriented Industries to ensure maximum protection for the environment.

Power Plant : Chattogram and Dhaka EPZ are producing around 200 Megawatts electricity.

WTP : Water Treatment Plants have been established in Adamjee, Cumilla, Chattogram, Karnaphuli, Ishwardi and Mongla EPZ.

CETP : Central Effluent Treatment Plants are operating in Dhaka, Chattogram and Cumilla EPZ.



PACKAGE OF INCENTIVES

Fiscal

- 7 years Tax holiday for Uttara, Ishwardi and Mongla EPZ; first 03 years 100% exemption, next 03 years 50% exemption and last 01 (7th) year 25% exemption
- 5 years Tax holiday for Chattogram, Dhaka, Cumilla, Adamjee and Karnaphuli EPZ; first 02 years 100% exemption, next 02 years 50% exemption and rest 01 year (5th) 25% exemption
- Duty free import of raw materials, machinery, equipment and construction materials
- Duty free export of finished goods
- Relief from double taxation
- Exemption from dividend tax for tax holiday period
- Full repatriation of profit, capital and establishment
- Cash incentives for export oriented sectors

Non-Fiscal

- No ceiling on foreign and local investment
- 100% foreign ownership permissible
- Enjoys GSP benefits in EU countries, UK, Japan, Australia, Canada
- Foreign currency loan from abroad under Off-Shore Banking Unit (OBU) facilities
- Medium/long term external borrowing facilities
- Non-Resident Foreign Currency Deposit (NFCD) allowed for 'A' Type industries
- Operation of FC account by 'B' and 'C' Type industries allowed
- 100% backward linkage, raw materials, accessories are allowed to sell for export oriented industries inside and outside EPZs
- 10% sale of finished products except garments; sale of defective finished goods and surplus raw materials to Domestic Tariff Area (DTA) is allowed
- Import and Export on CM / CMP / CMT basis allowed
- Intra / inter zone Sub-contracting and transfer of goods allowed
- Sub-contracting with export oriented industries of outside EPZ allowed
- No UD (Utilization Declaration), IRC (Import Registration Certificate), ERC (Export Registration Certificate) required



Footwear Factory

ONE STOP FACILITIES

- BEPZA offers One Window Same Day Service
- As per 'OSS (BEPZA) Rules, 2019' BEPZA has established OSS Centre in Executive Office & all EPZs
- Simplified project approval procedure
- Work Permits issued by BEPZA
- Import and Export Permits issued by EPZ within the same day through automation system
- Customs clearance at the factory site
- Investors are required to deal only with BEPZA for investment and all other operational needs

Support Services

- Business:** Bank, Courier, Post Office, C & F Agent, Shipping Agent, MTO etc.
Administrative: Customs Office, Police Station, In-house Security, Fire Station, Public Transport, Medical & Child Care Centre, Warehouse / Godown, Dormitory etc.
Others: Restaurant, Health Club, Investors Club, Recreation Centre, Commissariat, School and College, Sports Complex, Exclusive Telephone Exchange, Electricity Sub Station, Business Centre, Anglers Club etc.

Investors

South Korea, China (including Taiwan and Hong Kong), Japan, India, U.S.A., U.K., Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Germany, Italy, Canada, The Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, France, Thailand, British Virgin Islands, Sweden, Singapore, Panama, Ireland, Spain, U.A.E., Turkey, Malta, Indonesia, Australia, Portugal, Rumania, Mauritius, Ukraine, Kuwait, Marshall Islands, St. Kitts and Nevis, Cayman Island and host country Bangladesh.



RMG Plant

WORKFORCE

Availability of an easily trainable energetic workforce along with plenty of skilled and semi-skilled workers is one of the major advantages of EPZs.

Monthly Wage Scale



The Core Strength of BEPZA
 "Workers Management Owners Synergy"

Grade	Minimum Wages
Helper	BDT 12,800
Junior Operator	BDT 13,800
Operator	BDT 14,450
Sr. Operator	BDT 15,200
High Skilled	BDT 17,000

Grade	Minimum Wages
Junior Operator	BDT 14,025
Operator	BDT 14,825
Sr. Operator	BDT 15,950

Grade	Minimum Wages
Un-Skilled	BDT 13,250
Semi-Skilled	BDT 14,175
Skilled-Grade-2	BDT 14,825
High Skilled	BDT 17,000

Terry Towel, Sweater, Wigs & Other Related Industries a. For salaried workers

Grade	Minimum Wages
Un-Skilled	BDT 13,250
Semi-Skilled	BDT 14,175
Skilled-Grade-2	BDT 14,825
High Skilled	BDT 17,000

b. For piece rated workers

Grade	Minimum Wages
Piece Rate Workers	BDT 13,250

*BDT = Bangladeshi Taka

Benefits

Yearly 5-10% increment, Festival Bonus, House Rent, Medical Allowance, Conveyance and Night Allowances, Maternity, Transport & Food Benefits, Overtime & Termination Benefit, Provident Fund, Earn Leave Encashment

Annual Leave

10 days Casual leave ; 14 days Sick leave;
 11 days Festival holiday;
 18 days Earned leave on average

Working Hours

48 hours a week in a factory



Electronics Company

PRODUCTS



Garments, Terry Towel, Garments Accessories, Metal Products, Paper Products, Golf Shaft, Textile & Knitting, Leather Products and Footwear, Electrical Equipment and Components, Camera & Camera Lens, Mobile Parts, Electronic Products, Energy Saving Bulb, LED Lamp & Selection Button, Marble Column & Tiles, Crockery, Bi-cycle, Cosmetic & Hollywood Mask, Wig & Fashion Hair, Cap, Tent & Tent Accessories, Camping Items, Different Type of Coffin, Rope, Bag, Luggage, Thermal Bag, Agro-based products, Chemicals, Optical Goods, Engineering Products, Automobile Parts, Battery, Toys, Pharmaceutical Products, Diversified Jute Items, Carpet, Scientific Measuring Instruments, Laboratory Ware, Printing and Publishing, Furniture, Service Oriented Industries, Festive Carnival Products, Cigar & Cigarette, Zipper, Packing Materials, Dental Accessories, Car Seat Heater, Mannequin Heads, Paper cartoon, Industrial Gloves, Fishing Net, Lighter, Miscellaneous etc.

Chattogram EPZ

Established: 1983
Location : South Halishahar
 3.10 kms from the Chittagong Sea Port
 5.50 kms from the main Business Centre in Chattogram
 8.2 kms from Shah Amanat International Airport, Chattogram
Profile of Zone
 Area: 453 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 501
 Standard Factory Buildings: 1,37,040.35 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Supply by Service Oriented Treatment Plant & Chattogram WASA
 Gas : Supply by Karnaphuli Gas Distribution Company Ltd.
 Power : Service Oriented Power Plant and PDB through own Sub-station

Dhaka EPZ

Established: 1993
Location : Ganakbari, Savar
 35 kms from Dhaka City Centre
 25 kms from Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, Dhaka
 304 kms from Chittagong Sea Port
Profile of Zone
 Area: 356.22 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 451
 Standard Factory Buildings: 1,13,422.00 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Own Supply System
 Gas : Supply by Titas Gas Transmission & Distribution Company Ltd.
 Power : Supply by Power plant and own Sub-station

Karnaphuli EPZ

Established: 2006
Location : North Patenga, Chattogram
 6 kms from Chittagong Sea Port
 10 kms from main City Centre of Chattogram
 9 kms from Shah Amanat International Airport, Chattogram
Profile of Zone
 Area: 209.06 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 258
 Standard Factory Buildings: 56,633.06 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Supply by Karnaphuli RO Water Ltd.
 Gas : Supply by Karnaphuli Gas Distribution Co. Ltd.
 Power : Supply by Own Sub-station & PDB



Adamjee EPZ

Established: 2006
Location : Siddhirganj, Narayanganj
 15 kms from Dhaka City Centre
 40 kms from Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport, Dhaka
 255 kms from Chittagong Sea Port
Profile of Zone
 Area: 292.62 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 273
 Standard Factory Buildings: 93,279.13 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Own supply system through Treatment Plant
 Gas : Supply by Titas Gas T&D Company Ltd.
 Power : Supply by Own Sub-station

Cumilla EPZ

Established: 2000
Location : Old Airport area, Cumilla
 167 kms from Chittagong Sea Port
 97 kms from Dhaka City Centre
Profile of Zone
 Area: 267.46 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 244
 Standard Factory Buildings: 1,01,866.71 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Own supply system through Treatment Plant
 Gas : Supply by Bakhrabad Gas Distribution Co. Ltd.
 Power : Sub-station by Cumilla Palli Bidyut Samity

Uttara EPZ
Established: 2001
Location : Shangalshi, Nilphamari
 16 kms from Saidpur Airport
 409 kms from Dhaka Airport
 682 kms from Chittagong Sea Port
 568 kms from Mongla Sea Port
Profile of Zone
 Area: 213.66 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 190
 Standard Factory Buildings: 72,878.00 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Own supply system
 Power : Supply by Own Sub-station

Mongla EPZ
Established: 1998
Location : Mongla Port area, Bagerhat
 105 kms from Jashore Airport
 210 kms from Dhaka via Maowa
 407 kms from Chittagong Sea Port via Maowa
Profile of Zone
 Area: 302.97 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 254
 Standard Factory Buildings: 66,610.55 Square Meters
 SFB under construction: 18,963.12 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Public Health Engineering Department and Own supply network through treatment plant
 Power : Supply by Own Sub-station

Ishwardi EPZ
Established: 2001
Location : Paksey, Pabna
 10.60 kms from Ishwardi Airport
 130 kms from Bangabandhu (Jamuna) Bridge
 220 kms from Dhaka, 280 kms from Mongla Port
 484 kms from Chittagong Sea Port
Profile of Zone
 Area: 308.97 acres
 Number of Industrial Plots : 324
 Standard Factory Buildings: 64,576.00 Square Meters
 SFB under construction: 6,543.08 Square Meters
Utility Services
 Water : Own supply system through Treatment Plant
 Gas : Supply by Pashchimanchal Gas Company Ltd.
 Power : Supply by Own Sub-station

BEPZA Economic Zone

The Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina unveiled the foundation stone plaque on January 2018
Location : Mirsharai, Chattogram
 65 KM from Chittagong sea Port, Chattogram
 77 KM from Shah Amanat International Airport, Chattogram,
 70 KM from Chattogram EPZ
Profile of Zone
 Area : 1138.55 Acres
 Industrial Plots : 539 (Proposed)
 Size of the Plot : 3600 Square Meters (Approximately)
 Standard Factory Building : SFB will be built like EPZs with all modern facilities
Utility Services
 Water & electricity are available and gas will be available after development

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How to Apply

- A forwarding letter addressing to the Executive Chairman, BEPZA
- Collect BEPZA Project Proposal Form on payment of Taka 3000
- Submit the filled in BEPZA Project Proposal Form along with required documents mentioned in the Project Proposal Form including Money Receipt. Major Required documents are:
 - Proforma invoice of the machineries
 - Investor's bank solvency certificate & Passports' copies of the Directors
 - Memorandum and Articles of Association & Certificate of Incorporation (from Registrar of Joint Stock Companies & Firms, Bangladesh)



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