

R & P Committee Meeting
August 12, 2002

Progress Report
Human Resource Development Division (HRD), BIDS
April 27, 2002 - July 29, 2002

1. Summary Statement

a. Division Members' Performance

Sl. No.	Member's Name	Designation	Reporting Status	Publication (No.)	Work completed (No.)	Work in Progress (No.)	Seminar/ Workshop/ Lecture (No.)	Others (No.)	Total (No.)
1.	Atiur Rahman	SRF& Chief	Reported	3	-	2	7	1	13
2.	Mahmudul Alam	SRF	Reported	-	1	2	3	-	6
3.	Pratima Paul-Majumder	RF	Reported	-	2	2	3	2	9
4.	Rita Afsar	RF	on leave	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.	Anwara Begum	RF	Reported	-	2	1	-	2	5
6.	SM Zulfiqar Ali	RA	Reported	1	1	1	2	1	6
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b. Issues under Research

Budget and Gender
Budget and Poverty
Child Labour
Civil Society
Demographic Change
Education
Environment
Female Labour Migration
Health and Poverty
Human Development
Labour Market and Woman
Micro-Finance and Poverty
Migration and Rural Livelihood
Overseas Migration
Regional Cooperation
Safety Net
Shrimp Culture
Social Capital
Structural Adjustment Policies
Tea Sector
Tobacco
Urban Housing
Urbanization and Urban Change
Water Resources
Women's Empowerment
Women's Health

Members' Individual Progress Reports:

Atiur Rahman

Senior Research Fellow & Division Chief

A. Publication:

1. The Budget and the Poor. A study commissioned by IDPAA, Proshika and conducted by Shamunnay (with PK Md. Motiur Rahman, Mirza M. Shafiqur Rahman and Nigar Nargis). Second published in The University Press Limited, Dhaka, 2002.
2. The Budget-Making Process. A study commissioned by IDPAA, Proshika and conducted by Shamunnay (with PK Md. Motiur Rahman, Mirza M. Shafiqur Rahman, Bazlul Haque Khondker, Abdur Razzak, Nigar Nargis and Technical Editor Binayak Sen). First published in The University Press Limited, Dhaka, 2002.
3. People's Budget: An Illustrative Exercise Using Participatory Tools. A study commissioned by IDPAA, Proshika and conducted by Shamunnay (with M. Ismail Hossain, Motahar Hussain, Mirza M. Shafiqur Rahman, Muhammad A. Quasem and Zulfiqar Ali). First published in The University Press Limited, Dhaka, 2002.

B. Work Completed:

None.

C. Work in Progress:

1. "Beneficiary Impact Monitoring in Open Water Fisheries Management Intervention Sites" of the Fourth Fisheries Project.
2. Prepared a paper on "South Asian Poverty Profile" for SARC in Bangladesh chapter.

D. Seminar/Workshop/Lecture:

1. Publication Ceremony of "People's Report on Bangladesh Environment 2001" (two volumes), jointly organised by Unnayan Shamannay and The University Press Limited at CIRDAP auditorium, Dhaka on April 28, 2002.
2. "Globalization and Bangladesh Poverty Culture and It Perspectives", presented at the workshop on "Partnership to Meet Development Challenges in South Asia" at Kathmandu, Nepal, May 1-3, 2002.
3. "Border Trade and Smuggling: Indo-Bangladesh Perspectives", at National Defence College, Dhaka, May 19, 2002.
4. "National Poverty Profile Status Bangladesh", SAARC UNDP start up Workshop Preparation of Regional Poverty Profile, Kathamandu, May 27-29, 2002
5. Publication Ceremony of Alternative Budget Analysis: A set of three books: The Budget and the Poor, The Budget-Making Process and The People's Budget; organised by IDPAA, Proshika, Shamunnay at Unnayan Shamannay and The University Press Limited, at CIRDAP auditorium, Dhaka, June 25, 2002.
6. "How far is the Proposed Budget 2002-2003 Pro-Poor, pro Women and Pro Environment?" presented at a Dialogue on Budget 2002-2003 focusing on Pro-Poor, Pro-Women issues organized by SAP-Bangladesh BRAC Center Inn, Dhaka 27 June 2002.
7. Delivering The Monterrey Consensus: Civil Society Perspective Bangladesh; South Asia Civil Society Consultation on Delivering the Monterrey Consensus, organized by the Commonwealth Foundation in association with the UK Government and the Commonwealth Secretariat , Colombo, Sri-Lanka, 12-13 July 2002

E. Others:

1. Division Chief, HRD, BIDS

Mahmudul Alam
Senior Research Fellow

A. Publication:

None.

B. Work Completed:

1. First draft on Education Sector (position paper) in the Sixth Five Year Plan (2002-07) of Bangladesh, submitted to GED, Planning Commission, June 30, 2002.

C. Work in Progress:

1. Development of Private Universities in Bangladesh, being revised and to be submitted by 4th week of July, 2002.
2. Role of the State and other stakeholders in Primary Education in Bangladesh: Empirical Evidence on the Basis of Panel Data for 1992-99 (with Dr. Salimullah), completed on July 15, 2002.

D. Seminar/Workshop/Lecture:

1. Presented a keynote paper titled “Development of Private Universities in Bangladesh”, jointly organized by FATFEW-IDF at Chittagong, June 07, 2002.
2. Participated as a Discussant in the Workshop titled ‘Does Research Method Matter?’ at the Grameen Trust, Dhaka June 18, 2002.
3. Five Lectures on Research Methodology for Education for BCS (Education) cadre Selected Trainees at NAEM, Dhaka, May 18-19, 2002.

E. Others:

Pratima Paul-Majumder
Research Fellow

A. Publication:

None

B. Work Completed:

1. Completed a draft report together with Dr. M.A. Mannan on “Impact Evaluation of Social Safety Nets Initiation” and submitted to Social Science Research Council (SSRC), Planning Division, Ministry of Planning.
2. Completed an article titled “Reflection of women’s Voice in the National Budget of Bangladesh”.

C. Work in Progress:

1. “Mainstreaming Gender Perspective in the Planning and Development Processes of the Economy with Special Emphasis on the 6th Five Year Plan” sponsored by PLAGE, Ministry of women and Children Affairs.
2. Working conditions in the Tea sector of Bangladesh.

D. Seminar/Workshops/Lecture:

1. Presented a paper on “Working condition in the Bangladesh tea plantation industry and socio-economic status of workers: Role of Social Dialogue” in a sub-regional Workshop organised by ILO in Colombo, Sri-Lanka, during 15-17 May, 2002.
2. Presented a paper on “Reflection of National Gender Objectives in the Annual Budget of Bangladesh” in a Seminar held in CIRDAP auditorium in June 2, 2002
3. Presented a paper on “Socio-economic insecurity affecting women’s participation in the labour market” in a National Dialogue on Insecurity of Women: Identity, Politics, and Development held in Dhaka, 27 April, 2002 organised by Forum on Women in Security and International Affairs (FOWSIA).

E. Others:

1. Member, Finance Committee, BIDS.
2. Editor, Bangladesh Unnayan Shamikha, BIDS.

Anwara Begum
Research Fellow

A. Publication:

None

B. Work Completed:

1. An article dealing with housing problems of Dhaka City was submitted for publication. Several corrections were made to the initial draft in order to meet the deadline for the June/July issue of the journal.
2. Updated a paper on “sustainable cities”, for submission as an article.

C. Work in Progress:

1. The paper on “Evidences of Best City Management Practices from Developing Countries is being prepared. (Reference material is being collected and literature review is in progress.)

D. Seminar/Workshops/Lecture:

None

E. Others:

1. Member of the Library Committee, BIDS.
2. Member, Millennium Celebration Committee, BIDS.

SM Zulfiqar Ali
Research Associate

A. Publication:

1. 'The Notion of People's Budget: An Analysis Based on Household Survey', in *People's Budget: An Illustrative Exercise Using Participatory Tools*, The University Press Limited, Dhaka, 2002.

B. Work Completed:

1. 'A Model of the Disaggregated Demand for Fish in Bangladesh: An Analysis Using the Almost Ideal Demand System (AIDS) Model', an article submitted for BDS.

C. Work in Progress:

1. Programme for Research on Chronic Poverty in Bangladesh (PRCPB) (with Binayak Sen).

D. Seminar/Workshops/Lecture:

1. Attended an international meeting on 'Budget Analysis' organised by the Centre for Budget and Policy Studies (CBPS), India held in Kathmandu, Nepal on 27-29 June 2002.
2. Presented a paper at an international conference on 'Combining Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods in Development Research' organized by the Centre for Development Studies, University of Wales Swansea, UK on 1-2 July 2002.

E. Others:

1. Associate Convener, BIDS Seminar Program.