Invest in Economic Zones
Invest in Bangladesh

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100 economic zones are being set up across the country and I am urging Bangladeshi expatriates and the foreigners to invest in Bangladesh, capitalizing on the benefits offered by the government.

Honorable Prime Minister
People’s Republic of Bangladesh
Sheikh Hasina
In the last few decades, Bangladesh has achieved unprecedented development in the world economy and has now become an ‘emerging tiger’. With the farsighted plan of the present government, we have started the journey from agro-based to industrialized economy. Due to its investment-friendly policies, easy availability of manpower and geopolitical reasons - Bangladesh is currently one of the most attractive destinations for investors. The Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (BEZA) patronized by the Honorable Prime Minister, has emerged as a dynamic investment promotion organization of the country. It has earned confidence from investors establishing a land bank. The most encouraging news is that Bangladesh has moved to the top among the LDC countries in the UNCTAD report on foreign investment and one of the notable indicators is investment in special economic zones. By setting up Economic Zones in all potential areas of Bangladesh including backward and less developed regions, the economic venture of this organization has become more vibrant. In line with the target of establishing 100 economic zones and aiming to generating 10 million direct and indirect employments, BEZA is working persistently to achieve a dignified economic growth and better investment scenario. BEZA is keen to welcome any foreign or local investment of diverse industries. BEZA emphasizes on creating value for the investors maintaining One Stop Service (OSS), customer satisfaction, free flow of information, stakeholders’ participation and competitive incentive packages for the investors. Besides, BEZA is working consistently to streamline its objectives and strategies to some very pertinent issues like Sustainable Development Goal, Vision 2021, and Vision 2041 that are related to economic and social development of the country. I am confident that this organization will provide ample opportunities by setting some salient strategies and standards that can help us in achieving sustainable economic growth and better investment scenario.
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BANGLADESH
“A RAPIDLY INDUSTRIALIZING ECONOMY”

“Bangladesh the Next China”
McKinsey & Company

“Bangladesh is the fastest growing economy in the Asia-Pacific region”
ADB

“Bangladesh one of the Frontier 5 economies”
J.P. Morgan

“The Next Eleven” Bangladesh among the 11 nations, have high economic potential”
Goldman Sachs

“Bangladesh marked the highest proportion (73.2%) of expansion as the future business plan for Japanese firms in next 1-2 years.”
JETRO

Bangladesh is Becoming South Asia’s Economic Bull Case
THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

Bangladesh is 9th Emerging Stable Economy among 66 countries

“28th & 23rd largest economy of World by 2030 & by 2041”
pwc

“Bangladesh will be the 12th economic power of the world in 2050”
UBS

Bangladesh 2nd fastest growing economy in South Asia
THE WORLD BANK
COMPETITIVE EDGE OF BANGLADESH IN INVESTMENT SEGMENTS

Export Oriented
- Abundance of competitive work-force, Labor cost advantage, Duty free Market Access, Bond Facilities in EZs

Consumer Market
- Population of more than 170 Million, along with 3 billion regional market with Young and Brand Conscious Consumers

Process Simplification
- Investment Facilitation through One Stop Service Centre

Infrastructure/Energy
- Number of Mega Projects, Increased Volume of ODA, external finance

Unencumbered Land
- Unencumbered land for Industrial Development
VISION 2041 FOR BANGLADESH

01 GDP Growth 9.9%

02 GDP Per Capita (USD) 12,500

03 Investment to GDP ratio 46.88%

04 Share of Industry in GDP 33-35%

05 FDI to GDP ratio 3%

06 Export Earnings (USD) 300 billion
Background

Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (BEZA) was established on the basis of Bangladesh Economic Zones Act, 2010 and it was officially instituted by the government on 9 November 2010. BEZA aims to establish economic Zones in all potential areas in Bangladesh including backward and under developed regions with a view to encouraging rapid economic development through increase and diversification of industry, employment, production and export. BEZA is an investment promotion agency under the Prime Minister’s Office (PMO) and is mandated to establish, license, operate, manage and control economic zones in Bangladesh.
The Governing Board is the highest body that undertakes overall policy decisions. It is headed by the Honorable Prime Minister with top-level representations from Ministries or Divisions of Industries, Commerce, Finance, Planning, Science and Information and Communication Technology, Power, Energy and Mineral Resources, Communications, Labour and Employment, Environment and Forests, Agriculture, Posts and Telecommunications, Foreign Affairs, Home, Shipping, and the Prime Minister’s Office including the apex chambers and private sectors.

The Executive Board consisting of an Executive Chairman (as Chief Executive) and 3 Executive members to oversee day to day operation of BEZA. The Executive Board exercises all powers and performs all functions as may be exercised and performed by the Authority.
VISION

To become a sustainable development driving force and a world class investment promoter and service provider.

MISSION

BEZA’s mission is to persistently create value for the investors by establishing attractive investment facilities in the economic zones.

Objectives

- Develop 100 EZs by 2030
- Create 10 million job opportunity (Direct & Indirect)
- Foster planned industrialization while generating additional production/Export worth 40 billion USD
Offerings of BEZA

- Adequate Land
- Fiscal & Non fiscal Incentives
- Uninterrupted Utility Connection
- Both domestic & International Market
- One Stop Service
- Infrastructure
MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS OF BEZA

- Land Bank
- Coordinated effort with other govt. agencies
- Process simplification through One Stop Service Centre
- 97 Approved Economic Zones
- Creation of country’s first Auto-hub and Garments Village
- Government to Government (G2G) Economic Zone
- Establishment of country’s first planned industrial city
- Dedicated utilities
- Green Industrialization
- 48 online services
As per BEZA act government/developers may develop the following Economic Zones

1. Economic Zones established through Public and Private Partnership by local or foreign individuals, body or organizations.

2. Private Economic Zones established individually or jointly by local, non-resident Bangladeshi or foreign investors, body, business organizations or groups.


4. Economic Zones under Government to Government (G2G) Agreement.

5. Special Economic Zones established privately or by public-private partnership or by the Government initiative, for the establishment of any kind of specialized industry or commercial organization.

6. Economic Zones established in collaboration with and/or partnership between Government Authorities of Organizations.
### Potential Investments Sectors

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BEZA would provide multiple incentives to the developers of the Economic Zones as well as to the manufacturing unit investors. Benefits to the zone developers range from income tax exemption to reduction of capital expenditure. The incentive structure for investment includes exemption of Taxes, custom/excise duties and non-fiscal incentives such as no FDI ceiling, issuance of work permits and recommendation for residents/Citizenship.

Fiscal Incentives
Non Fiscal Incentives

For further details
ONE STOP SERVICES (OSS)

125 Services

48 Services online
For BSMSN, BEZA would like to build strong partnership with the private sector and entrepreneurs. BEZA has prepared a comprehensive master plan for developing this self-contained Industrial City including, incorporating industrial commercial Sea Port, Rail Connectivity, Marine Drive, Residential Area, Tourism Park, Power Plant, Hospital, School and University etc.

BEZA’s Target from Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar

- Ensure employment for 1.5 million people within next 15 years
- Ensure $25 billion production/export from this industrial enclave
- Develop a planned Industrial City on 30,000 acres of land
WHY BANGABANDHU SHEIKH MUJIB SHILPA NAGAR?

- 1.5 million projected employment
- Leisure aspects with beautiful water bodies
- Production/export target
- Commercial area
- Industrial area
- Green Economic Zone
- Residential area
- Social and environmental compliance
- Sea port
- Modern Education facility
- Smart city
- Healthcare facilities
MOHESHKHALI ECONOMIC ZONE

Moheshkhali Economic Zone (Dhalghata) is located besides the Bay of Bengal and total area is about 3500 acres. BEZA has allotted about 510 acre lands to SPL Petrochemical Complex Ltd. This Investor will build a petrochemical production base and a large LPG terminal in Moheshkhali EZ. According to the plan, SPL will build petrochemical refinery, warehouse of petrochemical products and LPG terminal. Modern jetty facility will also be installed there for loading and unloading raw materials and products.

Potential Investment Sector

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Why Moheshkhali Economic Zone

- Direct access to waterways
- Availability of hassle free ready land
- Potential Industrial and PowerHub of Bangladesh
- Proposed Sea Port
SHREEHATTA ECONOMIC ZONE

The zone is located at the junction of Moulvibazar, Sylhet and Habiganj District. Six conglomerates including a non-resident Bangladeshi women entrepreneur have already invested in the zone. The proposal consists of estimated USD 1.5 billion investment with expected employment creation of 45,000.

- Proposed employment: 45,000
- Availability of:
  - natural gas
  - water
  - electricity
- Land already exhausted
- Approved Investment: USD 1.5 billion
Jamalpur district has comparative advantage in terms of abundant agricultural and livestock resources accompanied by favorable labor-cost. With the prospect of harnessing those potentials of the district and the surrounding regions, the strategically chosen Jamalpur EZ is expected to attract local and foreign investment.

Total Area: 436 acres
G2G ECONOMIC ZONES

G2G EZ is a fairly new concept embraced by BEZA with an aim to host investors especially, but not exclusively, from the respective counterpart of the arrangement. BEZA has successfully negotiated with Japan, India and China through Prime Minister’s office for establishing Government to Government EZs in the country.
JAPANESE ECONOMIC ZONE
(BANGLADESH SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE)

Japan, the largest bilateral development partner of Bangladesh, has always been seen as a trusted friend by Bangladeshi people. The relentless support of successive Japanese government in almost every major sector in Bangladesh is always well appreciated here. The bilateral relationship has reached a new height as the Government of Bangladesh embarked on the venture with the government of Japan for the establishment of Japanese Economic Zone at Narayanganj under G2G arrangement. Touted as the future industrial hub by many, this EZ is expected to host and promote big scale investment from Japan. BEZA and Sumitomo Corporation of Japan have entered a Joint Venture Agreement to develop this 1000 acres zone.
CHINESE ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL ZONE (CEIZ)

Potential Sectors:
- Pharmaceutical
- Automobile assembly
- Chemicals
- Textile and Garments
- Light Engineering
INDIAN ECONOMIC ZONE’S
(MIRSARAI & MONGLA)

Bangladesh and India signed a MoU for establishing two G2G Economic Zones under BEZA in Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar in Mirsarai and Mongla. Indian Economic Zones will be developed under Indian concessional line of credit. Adani Ports and SEZ Limited will develop Indian Economic Zone at Mirsarai.

Current Development

Feasibility Study has been completed

Potential Sectors

- Agro-Processing
- Light Engineering
- Chemicals
- Automobile assembly
- Textile and Garments
Mongla Economic Zone

Powerpac Economic Zone has been established on 205 acres of land at Mongla, Bagerhat. Due to the close proximity of Mongla Port, the zone is already luring potential conglomerates. Offsite works have been completed and onsite ground works are continuing in full swing.

Mirsarai Economic Zone

Mirsarai Economic Zone at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa agar is the second public-private partnership model EZ initiated by BEZA. This 500 acres zone is fully furnished with offsite utilities. Onsite development works are also in progress.
SABRANG TOURISM PARK

Sabrang Tourism Park will be the first exclusive tourism park in the Cox’s Bazar district encompassing an area of 1027 acres. Sabrang is an amazing hill and sea beach territory, multifaceted diverse and admirably beautiful. The purest air, lofty hill, sea and lagoon create perfect conditions for the development of all types of tourism & entertainment.

Advantages of the Zone

- Located with exclusive beach front
- Half an hour Sea cruise to St. Martin- a coral island
- 8 km away from Teknaf land port
- 60 Minutes proximity to Cox’s Bazar International Airport
- Access to the Bay of Bengal
- Well-connected by road and sea
- Availability of local operators in tourism sector
NAF TOURISM PARK

Naf Tourism Park will be the first island-based tourism park in Bangladesh with an area of 271 acres. This park, with a magnificent scenic beauty, is located on an almond-shaped island raised in the midst of a river adjacent to Teknaf Upazila of Cox's Bazar.

Advantages of the Zone

- Located beside the hill range of Teknaf in the midst of Naf river
- One hour Sea Cruise to St. Martin - a coral island
- Teknaf Land Port only 0.4 km from the tourism park
- 1 hour proximity to Cox’s Bazar Airport

Specialty of Tourism Park

- Theme Cruise
- 5 Star Hotel
- Cable car
- Multi Formatted Food Court & Themed Pavilions
- Jungle Jogging Tracks, Night Camps, Eco Friendly Resorts
- Mini Golf Course, Light and Sound show
- Entertainment zone
- Sky bridge
- Oceanarium, Water sports Complex
- Game parlours, Birds Watching and View Towers
- Harbour Bridge
SONADIA ECO-TOURISM PARK

During the construction and operation phase of eco-tourism park the existing eco system including flora-fauna and other natural elements will be conserved carefully along with a splendid Jhau forest created by BEZA. Furthermore special conservatory will be incorporated in the tourism park to preserve the natural lives of crabs, turtles and birds.

The main attractions will be:
- Resort
- Hanging Restaurant
- Children Park
- Eco-Cottage
- Swimming Pool
- Fun lake
- Aqua Park
- Water sport
- Gulf

Eco-sience zone
Adventure zone
Family entertainment zone
Knowledge centre zone
Heritage and hospitality zone
Entrance zone
PRIVATE ECONOMIC ZONES

Government is keen to endorse local investment and planned industrialization with the aim to crowd in more private participation in economic zones. As a result, BEZA has awarded 20 prequalification licenses to potential conglomerates. Among them 11 Private Economic Zones received final licenses. Till now USD 3 Billion investment has been done and 300000 employments have been generated in these zones.

The Major Licensees

1. Meghna Economic Zone
2. Abdul Monem Economic Zone
3. Aman Economic Zone
4. Bay Economic Zone
5. Meghna Industrial Economic Zone
6. City Economic Zone
7. Sirajganj Economic Zone
8. Karnafuly Dry Dock Special Economic Zone
9. East West Special Economic Zone
10. Kishoreganj Economic Zone
11. Hoshendi Economic Zone
REPUTED INVESTORS
IN ECONOMIC ZONES
BEZA is committed to the long-term sustainability of the economic zones.

The objective of the Green and Resilient Economic Zone (GREZ) guideline is to establish a new national performance standard for EZs in Bangladesh and to enhance their competitiveness.

It aims to enhance the sustainability, resilience, and competitiveness of EZs through actions, such as mitigating and avoiding greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, pollution, and resource depletion; setting higher labour standards and fostering greater community development; and avoiding and minimising damages and business disruptions from natural disasters and shocks. Desalination plant, rainwater harvesting system, water treatment plant, central effluent treatment plant, solid waste treatment plant, solar energy production, sewage management, flood management, plantation, creation of green belt, recreation facilities with beautiful lakes and water bodies remains high on the agenda. Development partners like IFC, UNDP, WRG 2030 and World Bank are consistently collaborating with BEZA in many aspects of green industrialization with their technical expertise.

BEZA has begun mandatory plantation of two million trees in economic zones to make them green and environment-friendly.
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

BEZA strongly believes in integrated development with societal contribution and coherence. Hence, the authority plans to upgrade skills and expertise of 30,000 people under the PRIDE project, which has been prepared exclusively to develop Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar and 6 more EZs. Under social responsibility BEZA is also taking initiative for:

- Resettlement and Rehabilitation
- Skill Development Training
- Prioritizing Female Workers
- Day Care Center
- EZ Welfare Policy
- Updated Labor Law
MASTER PLAN OF BANGABANDHU SHEIKH MUJIB SHILPA NAGAR
YOUR INVESTMENT OUR CARE...