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## **Bangladesh – Urban Sector**

# Bangladesh – Fastest urbanization rates in the world

## Urbanizing quickly

- urban population growth from 1.9m in 1950 to 46.1m in 2010
- Urban population growth from 4.3% to 28.1% in 60 years
- growing at 6% per year while national population growth is 2.2%

## Urbanization is uneven

- 60% of urban population in 4 largest cities (Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna, Rajshahi)
- 4% in 300 smallest urban centers

## Dhaka

- 6<sup>th</sup> largest & fastest growing city in the world
  - 14.6m in 2010 (18.7m in 2020)
  - 400,000 new migrants every year
  - of which 140,000 are eco-refugees (affected by floods)
  - 70% of population live in 20% of land

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Urban poor communities mobilized to form representative and inclusive groups and prepare community action plans

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- TA on People's Process, Community Banking

Poor urban communities have healthy and secure living environments

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**Community infrastructure support**

**Latrine, Water Supply, Drainage, Footpath, Housing Improvements, etc.**

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Management

Urban development models/strategies developed and Urban Policy

## UN-HABITAT COMPONENTS

	2000 - 2012	2012
<b><u>COMMUNITY MOBILISATION</u></b>		
Towns/Cities	24	24
CDCs	2,489	267
Households	786,894	82,747
Population	3,321,873	346,319
<b><u>BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE</u></b>		
Com Contracts.	3,603	1,232
Disbursement	\$ 31.1 m	\$ 7.1 m
Latrines	40,495	11,426
Tube wells	5,668	1,360
Drain	190 km	66 km
Footpath	462 km	168 km
<b><u>RESOURCES</u> (to 2014)</b>		
Budget	\$ 68.3 m	\$ 10.7 m

# Issues

- poor housing condition
- high population density
- poor sanitation and inadequate water access
- income below the poverty level
- insecure land tenure

## Areas of cooperation

- low cost housing
- community water systems and alternative options
- management of solid waste and waste treatment

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# **Bangladesh – Water and Sanitation**

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