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Planning

Transforming Financial Services in Bangladesh (Technical Assistance)

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The <u>previous version</u> is still available.

The changes to Notice include informing the market about changes to tender timelines and the route to market from Open Procedure to call down under Global Development Delivery (GDD) Framework Lot No.4, which will be governed under PCR 2015 regulations. The existing communication channel under pqq_1945 shall cease to exist w.e.f. 28/11/2025.

Scope

Reference

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Description

FCDO are planning to procure a Technical Assistance contract for a five-year financial sector development programme in Bangladesh. The contract would require the supplier to provide expertise to the central bank, government and other related regulatory authorities. The contract will pursue outcomes in the following areas:

- Organisational transformation of the central bank
- Financial infrastructure development, including for financial inclusion (e.g. payment systems, regulatory technology, credit information, open banking etc)
- New and reformed regulatory and legal frameworks and institutions for financial services (e.g. bankruptcy code)
- Financial ecosystem development (e.g. accredited professionals, standards)

The route to market for this procurement opportunity is now finalised and will be through FCDO's existing Global Development Delivery (GDD) Framework, Lot No.4, which will be governed under PCR 2015 regulations. The communication channel against pqq_1945 (https://fcdo.bravosolution.co.uk/go/313053680199E13227C4) will be closed w.e.f. 28/11/2025. All future engagement with the Framework Suppliers until publication of ITT for this Tender will be through the existing Lot No.4 communication channel, which is available only to the existing Lot 4 suppliers.

Total value (estimated)

- £7,500,000 excluding VAT
- £9,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 April 2026 to 19 April 2030
- Possible extension to 19 April 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

• 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

Contract locations

• BD - Bangladesh

Engagement

Engagement deadline

28 November 2025

Engagement process description

It is an information notice to give interested suppliers the opportunity to communicate with the Authority using the Communication Channel link

https://fcdo.bravosolution.co.uk/go/313053680199E13227C4

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

12 December 2025

Contracting authority

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