

# BANGLADESH









#### GOVERNMENT

#### **Chief of State**

President Abdul HAMID

#### **Head of Government**

Prime Minister Sheikh HASINA

# **Government Type**

parliamentary republic

# Capital

Dhaka

# Legislature

unicameral House of the Nation or Jatiya Sangsad (350 seats)

#### **Judiciary**

Supreme Court of Bangladesh (organized into the Appellate Division with 7 justices and the High Court Division with 99 justices)

#### **Ambassador to US**

Ambassador Mohammad ZIAUDDIN

#### **US Ambassador**

Ambassador Earl Robert MILLER

#### **GEOGRAPHY**

#### Area

Total: 148,460 sq km Land: 130,170 sq km Water: 18,290 sq km

#### **Climate**

tropical; mild winter (October to March); hot, humid summer (March to June); humid, warm rainy monsoon (June to October)

#### **Natural Resources**

natural gas, arable land, timber, coal

### **ECONOMY**

#### **Economic Overview**

the economy has grown strongly since 2005 despite periods of political instability, poor infrastructure, corruption, insufficient power supplies, and lagging economic reforms

# **GDP** (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$690.3 billion (2017 est.)

# GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$4,200 (2017 est.)

#### **Exports**

\$35.3 billion (2017 est.)

partners: Germany 12.9%, US 12.2%, UK 8.7%, Spain 5.3%,

France 5.1%, Italy 4.1% (2017)

#### **Imports**

\$47.56 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 21.9%, India 15.3%, Singapore 5.7% (2017)

# **PEOPLE & SOCIETY**

#### **Population**

159.5 million (July 2018 est.)

#### **Population Growth**

1.02% (2018 est.)

#### **Ethnicity**

Bengali at least 98%. indigenous ethnic groups

1.1% (2011 est.)

#### Language

Bangla 98.8% (official, also known as Bengali), other 1.2% (2011 est.)

#### Religion

Muslim 89.1%, Hindu 10%, other 0.9% (includes Buddhist, Christian) (2013 est.)

#### Urbanization

urban population: 36.6% of total population (2018)

rate of urbanization: 3.17% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

#### Literacy

72.9% (2017 est.)