

PROJECT AUTHORIZATION

NAME OF COUNTRY : Bangladesh

NAME OF PROJECT : Institutional Strengthening of Civic Participation in Bangladesh (ISCPP)

NUMBER OF PROJECT : 388-0079

1. Pursuant to Sections 103 and 105 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, I hereby authorize the Institutional Strengthening of Civic Participation in Bangladesh Project (ISCPP) for the People's Republic of Bangladesh involving planned obligations of not to exceed three million one hundred fifty thousand United States Dollars (\$3,150,000) in grant funds over a four year period from the date of authorization subject to the availability of funds in accordance with A.I.D. OYB/allotment process, to assist in financing foreign exchange and local currency costs for the project. The planned life of project is four years from the initial obligation.

2. The project will support institutions and organizations involved in the development of democracy in Bangladesh by working in six main program areas. The six areas include parliament, elections, the press, judiciary, local government and constitutionalism. The goal of the project is to strengthen organizations that encourage civic participation in the developmental process in Bangladesh. This will be done in a systematic and sustained manner with both governmental and non-governmental organizations to achieve the objectives and outputs of the project.

3. The project will be implemented through a cooperative agreement with The Asia Foundation executed in accordance with guidance contained in AID Handbook 13. The implementing project agreement(s) and any amendments, which may be negotiated and executed by the officer(s) to whom such authority is delegated in accordance with A.I.D. regulations and Delegations of Authority, shall be subject to the following essential terms and covenants and major conditions, together with such other terms and conditions as A.I.D. may deem appropriate:

a. Source and Origin of Commodities, Nationality of Services

Except as A.I.D. may otherwise agree in writing:

Commodities financed by A.I.D. under the project shall have their source and origin in Bangladesh or in countries included in A.I.D. Geographic Code 941. Except for ocean shipping, the suppliers of commodities or services shall have Bangladesh or countries included in A.I.D. Geographic Code 941 as their place of nationality.

Ocean shipping financed by A.I.D. under the project shall be financed only on flag vessels of the United States, other countries in Code 941 and Bangladesh.

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