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Name	People's Republic of Bangladesh
Flag	
Population	156.6 million (2013)
Capital	Dhaka
Population	6,970,105 (2011)
Political Regime	Parliamentary Representative Democratic Republic
Official Language	Bangali
Currency	Bangladeshi Taka (BDT)
Stability USD to BDT Chart <i>(Source: XE.com)</i>	<p>15 Dec 2011 00:00 UTC - 13 Dec 2016 07:51 UTC <b>USD/BDT</b> close:<b>78.85000</b> low:<b>76.62987</b> high:<b>84.46500</b></p>  <p>12h 1D 1W 1M 1Y 2Y 5Y 10Y</p>
Religion	88% Islam 11% Hinduism 0.9% Others





GDP <i>(Source: World Bank)</i>	150 billion USD (2013)
Inflation - Monthly Average(Twelve Month), <i>(Source: Bangladesh Bank)</i>	5.60 % (Nov 2016)
Growth <i>(Source: ADB)</i>	7.10 % (Sept 2016)
UN	Member since 17/09/1974
ASEAN	ASEAN Regional Forum Member Only
World Trade Organization	Member since 01/01/1995
Tourism <i>(Source: World Bank 2014)</i>	150,000 per year
Balance of Trade <i>(Source: www.tradingeconomics.com)</i>	-51.80 BDT Billion Aug/16
Dialing Code	+880
Time Zone	UTC+06:00
Brief History <i>(Source: Google)</i>	Bangladesh, to the east of India on the Bay of Bengal, is a South Asian country marked by lush greenery and many waterways. Its Padma (Ganges), Meghna and Jamuna rivers create fertile plains, and travel by boat is common. On the southern coast, the Sundarbans, an enormous mangrove forest shared with Eastern India, is home to the royal Bengal tiger.
Map <i>(Source: Google)</i>	

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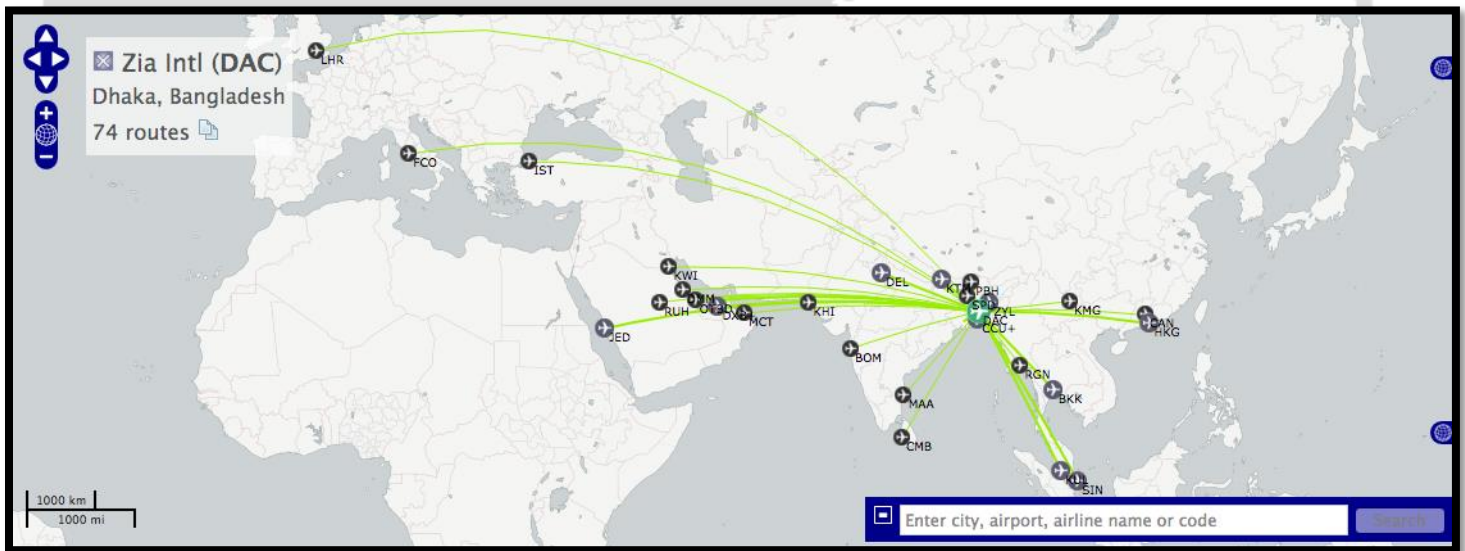




Main Airports in Bangladesh:

Location served	ICAO	IATA
<b>International airports</b>		
Chittagong	VGEG	CGP
Dhaka	VGHS	DAC
Sylhet	VGSY	ZYL

Open lines from the Main Airport of the Capital City



(Source: Openflights.org)

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## Visa Information:

### Visa on Arrival:

The immigration authority at the International Airports and Land ports after examining the necessary travel documents and being satisfied can issue visa on arrival for a period of maximum 30 days to the citizens of the countries mentioned below under the following conditions:

- a) The nationals of those countries where there is no diplomatic mission of Bangladesh may be granted visa on arrival after examining the genuineness of their visits;
- b) On the basis of invitation letters of interested/ required body being attested by the Board of Investment/ BEPZA, the foreign investors/ businessmen may be allowed to issue visa on arrival. In this case, interested/ inviting organization must inform in advance the arrival of the foreign visitor(s) to the immigration and passport authority;
- c) Only for the purpose of the official duty, business, investment and tourism citizens arriving from USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Russian Federation, China, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, South Korea, UAE, Saudi Arabia (KSA), Qatar, Kuwait, Oman, Bahrain and countries of the Europe may be issued visa on arrival after examining and being satisfied by the Immigration authority at the International Airports and Land Ports;
- d) If any foreign national arrives in Bangladesh from a country other than his/ her own country, where there is no mission of Bangladesh may be issued visa on arrival;
- e) Bangladeshi origin foreign citizen, their spouses, and their offsprings may be issued visa on arrival, on the proof of their being Bangladeshi origin
- f) The staffs/ officials of the foreign Missions, UN or its affiliated organizations located in Bangladesh may be issued visa on arrival after examining their appointment letters or other related documents. Only UN passport holders will get such facilities gratis (free of charge).

If the foreign visitors require extension of their visa after arriving Bangladesh under visa on arrival, the department of Immigration and Passports Authority may extend their visa in light of the existing visa policy.

Transit visa may be allowed to the passengers awaiting for connecting flights for the period of maximum 72 hours or till the time of next available of flight on request of the concerned carrier. For this an amount of US\$ 20.00 or equivalent to Foreign Currency is to be deposited in the concerned Bank Account.

In respect of visa on arrival the following procedures to be followed:

- a) Visa fees are to be paid in Foreign Currencies (US Dollar / GB Pound/ Euro etc);
- b) Visitors must possess minimum US Dollar 500 or equivalent of Foreign Currency in Cash or Credit Card;
- c) Visitors must have return ticket;
- d) Must have necessary documents to justify his/ her visit;
- e) No visa fee will be applicable for the visitors from those countries which are exempted from visa fee;
- f) On arrival visa fee will be applicable on the basis of reciprocity only

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Visa Type	Requirements
Tourist Visa	Travel itinerary/air ticket reservation.
Work visa:	Letter of employment from the employer in Bangladesh and letter of concurrence from concerned Ministry, Board of Investment (BOI), Bangladesh Export Processing Zone (BEPZA). To work in a non-governmental organization (NGO), the applicant should furnish copy of letter of appointment from the NGO with attestation by the Bangladesh NGO Affairs Bureau, Dhaka.
Student visa:	Letter from the concerned educational institution duly attested by the Bangladesh Ministry of Education, Dhaka and Certificate of financial guarantee
Business visa	Letter from the employer in the Country of Origin and invitation letter from the host company in Bangladesh clearly stating the purpose of the visit. If you are interested to include your name in the list of interested importers from Bangladesh.
Investor visa	Letter of recommendation from the Bangladesh Ministry of Industries or the Board of Investment (BOI) or Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA), Dhaka.
Missionary visa	Letter of appointment from the Church and "No Objection" from the Bangladesh Ministry of Religious Affairs, Dhaka.
Diplomatic and official visa	Note verbal/letter from the concerned government office/Mission
Journalist visa	Letter of request from the employer/news agency clearly stating the purpose of the visit. Please note that minimum processing time for this category of visa is 2 weeks. Persons/Network/Organization requesting for shooting/filming in Bangladesh are required to fill in Form FF-1 and FF-2, in addition to the visa application form.

Please note that after scrutiny of documents, the Consular Officer may request for an interview and / or submission of additional documents. Issuance of visa may be delayed if reference has to be made to Bangladesh for clearance. The Consulate General may accept or reject any application for visa.

To obtain a visa the applicant must submit the following:

1. 1 (One) copy of filled-in Visa Application Form.
2. 2 (Two) copy photographs taken within the last six months.
3. Passport, valid for at least six months.
4. For US nationals Visa Fee is US\$ 160 (US\$ 190 for Employment Visa). For nationals of other countries, please [click here](#)
5. Required documents as stated in the Visa Requirements section based on the type of visa.

**Mail in Service:** Application for visa and NVR endorsement can also be submitted by mail. For details please click [Mail-in-Service..](#)

Source: Bangladesh Consulate General in Los Angeles <http://www.bangladeshconsulatela.com/visa.html>

