

CSSF PROGRAMME SUMMARY

PROGRAMME TITLE: Professionalisation of the Bangladesh armed forces			
HMG Partners (Lead in bold)	Ministry of Defence		
COUNTRY/REGION:	Bangladesh		
PROGRAMME DURATION: April 2015 – March 2018			
FY17-18 BUDGET:		ODA: £0	Non-ODA: £300,000
PROJECT/COMPONENT	LEAD DEPT	IMPLEMENTING ORGANISATION	FY17-18 BUDGET
Education – including exposure to UK practice and staff training institutes	MOD	Cranfield University & Defence Academy	£90,500
Humanitarian assistance & disaster relief	MOD	MOD, DFID, UN (OCHA)	£50,000
Building professional competence	MOD	MOD	£122,500
Building specialist capabilities	MOD	MOD	£37,000
WHAT SUPPORT IS THE UK PROVIDING?			
<p>The UK provides professional education, mentoring and advice to all three branches of the Bangladesh Armed Forces, to assist with their development programme and to highlight governance, transparency and oversight of all military activities. The programme focusses on group training course delivery in Bangladesh, with a small number of selected individuals studying on in-depth courses in the UK. The UK is providing advice on manning structures and force development, as well as providing specific assistance for capabilities such as the integration of military disaster response into the wider civilian, national and international effort. Education covers all aspects from the conceptual level for senior officers and decision-makers through to tactical level advice for mid-level commanders.</p>			
WHY IS UK SUPPORT NEEDED?			
<p>The UK is Bangladesh's partner of choice in many areas; amongst these the military is at the forefront. They understand our models, structures and doctrines, respect our operational experience and share our view of a world role within international framework organisations such as the UN.</p>			
WHAT RESULTS DOES THE UK EXPECT TO ACHIEVE?			
<p>The UK will train over 300 senior officers in the importance of civilian leadership, transparent governance and best leadership practices. We will train a cadre of civilian and military humanitarian assistance experts to build capacity in times of natural disaster. We will train specialist capabilities within the Armed Forces to allow them to professionally undertake their roles within the national security framework. Those trained in governance, security and leadership will consider the fundamentals of human rights within the strategic context of delivering security. They will be a partner of choice internationally.</p>			