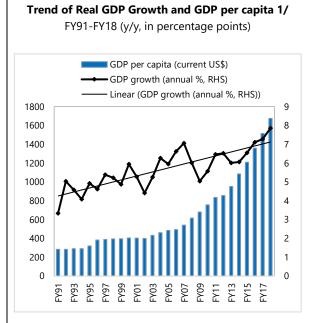
Bangladesh: Selected Indicators

Bangladesh economy maintained an average annual growth rate of six percent plus over the last decade, with 7.86% outturn in FY18

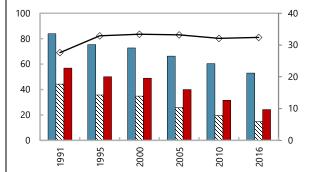


Income poverty incidence (national measure-upper poverty line) came down from 57% in 1991 to 24% in 2016

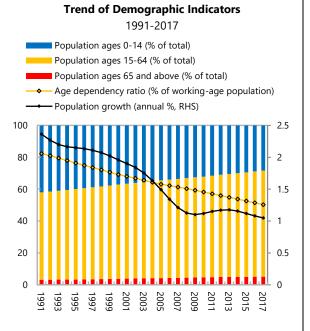
Trend of Poverty Reduction and Gini Index 2, 3/ 1991-2016

Poverty headcount ratio at \$3.20 a day (2011 PPP) (% of population)

- Section 2011 PPP) (% of population)
 - Poverty headcount ratio at national upper poverty lines (% of population)
 - GINI index (World Bank estimate, RHS)



2.4% population growth rate in 1991 declined to 1% in 2017, with population reaching 164.7 million

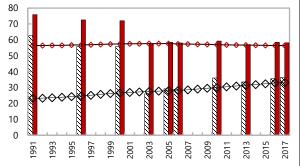


ILO estimates 56.5% of population aged 15+ are in labor force in 2017; the female participation rate is only 33.04%

Trend of Labor Force Participation 4/ 1991-2017

Labor force participation rate, female (% of female population ages 15+) (national estimate)

- Labor force participation rate, total (% of total population ages 15+) (national estimate)
- Labor force participation rate, female (% of female population ages 15+) (modeled ILO estimate)
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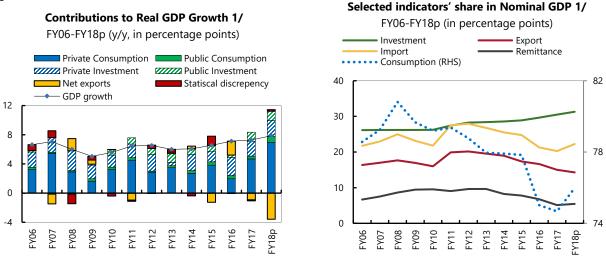


1/ July-Jun period is considered as FY in Bangladesh. For FY18 GDP per capita, national measure is used. 2/ National measures of poverty for year 1991 and 1995 are taken, respectively, from Household Expenditure Survey 1991-1992 and Household Expenditure Survey 1995-1996. In national measure, up to 1991 a person having an intake of less than 2,122 kilo-calories daily was considered as absolute poor (upper poverty line), and one having an intake of below 1,805 kilo-calories was considered as hard-core poor. Since 1995, the 'Cost of Basic Needs (CBN)' method has been used. 3/ Gini Index ranges from 0 to 100, higher value shows higher inequality. Gini index of 0 means perfect equality, while an index of 100 indicates perfect inequality. 4/ National estimates of labor force participation rate for 2016 and 2017 are respectively of FY2016 and FY2017.

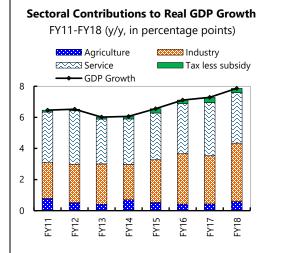
Sources: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), World Development Indicators (WDI); and IMF staff calculations

Bangladesh: Real Sector Developments

Private consumption and private investment, respectively, contributed 7 percent and 2.2 percent of 7.86 percent real GDP growth in FY18, but 3.6 percent negative net exports growth slowed down the momentum Consumption-GDP ratio picked up to 76% in FY18 from 74.7% in FY17, while during this period investment-GDP ratio edged up to 31.3% from 30.5%



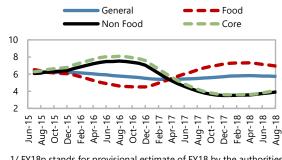
On the production side, manufacturing led industry sector contributed 3.8% of 7.86% GDP growth in FY18, and service sector 3.2%, followed by 0.6% contribution from agriculture sector



Annual average headline inflation stays below H1FY19 target upper limit of 5.8 percent, amounting to 5.7 percent in August compared with 5.8 percent in July

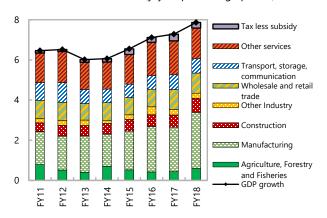
Twelve Month Average Inflation

Jun 15-Aug 18 (y/y, in percentage points)



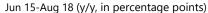
Sectoral Contributions to Real GDP Growth (Contd.)

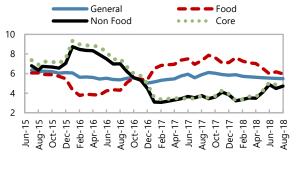
FY11-FY18 (y/y, in percentage points)



In Aug 2018, y/y non-food and core inflation slightly picked up, respectively, to 4.7% and 5%, while food inflation marginally fell to 6%, pulling down headline measure to 5.5%

Point-to-Point Inflation

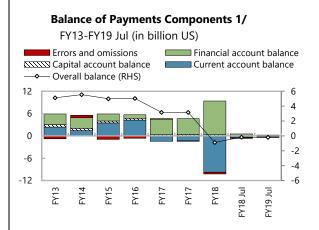




1/ FY18p stands for provisional estimate of FY18 by the authorities. Sources: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), Bangladesh Bank; and IMF staff calculations

Bangladesh: External Sector Developments

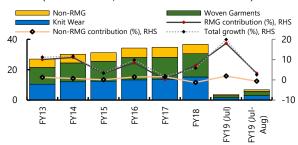
In FY18, BOP deficit reached USD 0.9 billion (0.3% of GDP). In FY19 Jul, the deficit is about USD 0.2 billion, slightly higher than FY18 Jul



RMGs represented 84.4% of USD 6.8 billion exports during FY19 (Jul-Aug). RMG exports contributed 3.2% in total exports growth of 2.5%, while non-RMG exports contributed negative 0.7%

> Item-wise Goods Exports FY13-FY19 (Jul-Aug)

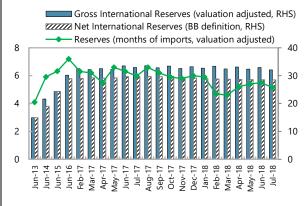
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Import months' coverage fell to 5.2 months in Jul 2018 from 5.5 months in Jun 2018

International Reserves 3/ Jun 2013-Jul 2018

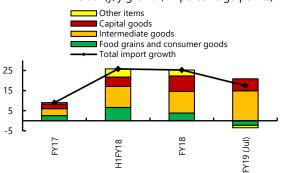
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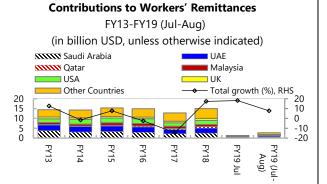
In FY19 Jul, y/y import growth was 17.4%, accounting for total imports of USD 5.1 billion. In total import growth, intermediate goods and capital goods, respectively, contributed 14.9% and 6%, followed by negative 2.3% contribution from food grains and consumer goods imports

Item-wise Contributions to Import Growth 2/

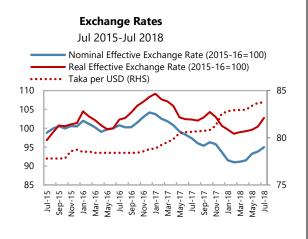
FY17-FY19 Jul (y/y growth, in percentage points)



In FY19 (Jul-Aug), remittance inflows of USD 2.7 billion increased by 7.7% compared to the same period in FY18. The GCC countries, with large share from the KSA and UAE, contributed about 60% of the remittance inflows



REER has been increasing since February 2018, reducing Bangladesh's trade competitiveness

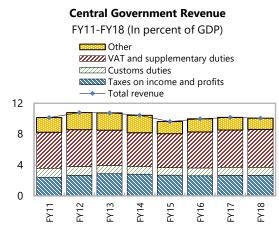


1/ FY18 and FY19 Jul BOP data are provisional. 2/ Commodity-wise import data recorded by customs. 3/ Jul 2018 data are provisional. Net international reserve (NIR) is gross international reserves (excluding investment on bonds below the grade BBB, Silver Acquisition A/C, deposit with Rupali Bank, Pakistan & deposit with Sonali Bank, UK) minus total liabilities. Total liabilities comprise reserve liabilities in ACU, IMF Trust Fund Account (ECF) and other foreign currency clearing accounts, and deposits of IBRD/IDA, and SDR allocation. Sources: Banoladesh Bank: IMF: and IMF staff calculations

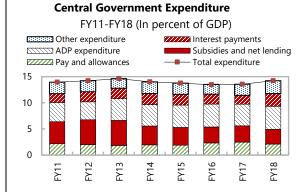
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Bangladesh: Fiscal Sector Developments

Revenue-GDP ratio edged down to 10.1% in FY18 from 10.2% in FY17, with 0.2% reduction of customs duties and other revenue-GDP ratio and 0.1% increase in VAT and supplementary duties-GDP ratio

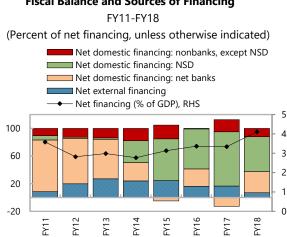


Budget execution is 14.2% of GDP in FY18 compared to 13.6% in FY17, with ADP-GDP ratio of 4.4% against 6.6% target. Interest payment-GDP ratio increased to 2.4% in FY18 from 1.7% in FY17



In FY18, domestic sources financed 93.1% of budget deficit (4.1% of GDP). NSD sales accounted for 50.3% of deficit financing, and banking sector, in net, 30.5%

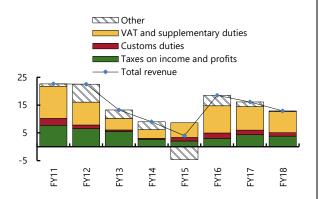




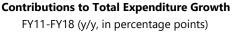
Revenue grew by 12.9% in FY18, significantly lower than 29.2% growth target

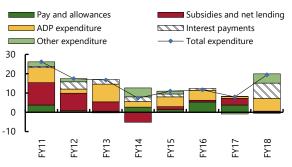
Contributions to Total Revenue Generation

FY11-FY18 (y/y, in percentage points)

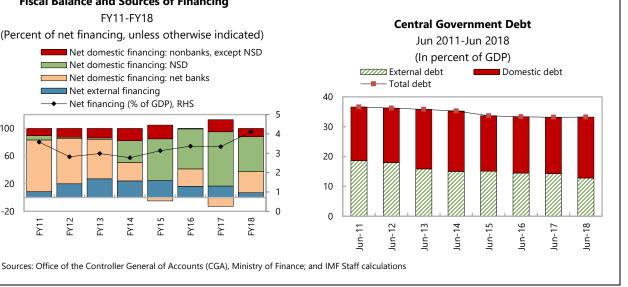


Y/Y budget expenditure increased by 19.4% in FY18 against 38.7% target. Interest payments and ADP contributed, respectively, 7.9% and 6.6% in total growth





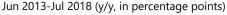
At Jun 2018, central government debt in percent of GDP remains at same level of 33.2% in Jun 2017

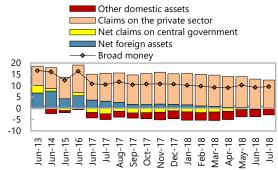


Bangladesh: Monetary and Financial Market Developments

Annual broad money (M2) growth in Jul 2018 accounted for 9.6%, compared with 9.2% in Jun 2018, with 12.2% contribution from private sector credit, and 2.9% negative contribution from net foreign and other domestic assets

Contributions to Broad Money Growth

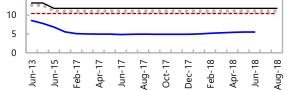




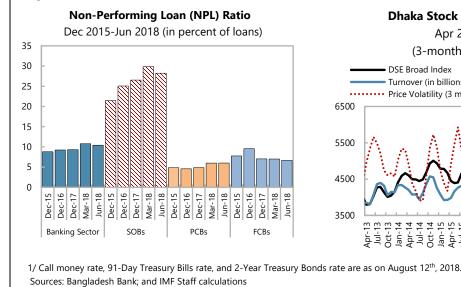
As high as 11.76%, the return from NSD instruments propels excess demand, placing stress on core liquidity in the banking system

Postal Savings, NSC and Commercial Banks' Rates Jun 2013-Aug 2018 (in percentage points)

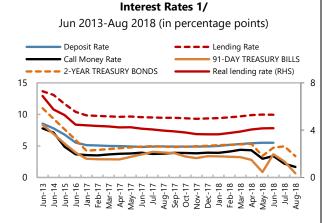
Postal Savings Rate (1-year, interest after maturity)
National Savings Certificate (NSC) rate (3 months)
NSC rate (5-year Pensioner certificates, interest after 3 months)
Deposit Rate



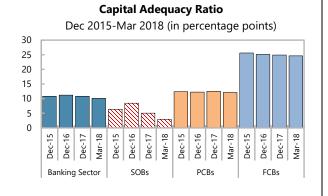
In Jun 2018, the NPL ratio fell to 10.4% from 10.8% in Mar 2018, with slight fall in case of the SOBs from 29.8% to 28.2%, and for private commercial banks (PCBs) with marginal rise from 6% to 6.1%



High credit market segmentation, and underperforming secondary market leave banking sector real lending rate far above the financial market benchmark



At end Mar 2018, CAR of the banking industry went down to 10.1 percent from earlier 10.8 percent. CAR of the stateowned banks (SOBs) stood at low 2.9%- far below regulatory requirement of 10%



The 3-mma DSE Broad Index has been falling since Jan 2018, while the 3-mma turnover has been rising since Mar 2018

