

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
on
Joint Research, Survey and Utilization of Statistical Data

Signed in 2012 between

Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) &
Power and Participation Research Centre (PPRC)

Urban Statistics and Urban Poverty
MOU Follow-up Action Plan
2015-16



1 Introduction

- i. Power and Participation Research Centre (PPRC), a Dhaka-based premier think-tank and research institute established in 1996, and the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), created by the Government of Bangladesh in August 1974 as the National Statistical Organization (NSO) responsible for collecting, compiling and disseminating statistical data of all the sectors of the Bangladesh economy to meet and provide the data-needs of national-level planners and other agencies of the government as well other stake holders within and outside government, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on 18 April, 2012 to foster collaboration and facilitate utilization of data related to urban area, among others, and for exploring the possibility to conducting surveys covering different dimensions of urbanization in Bangladesh. Subsequent to signing of the MOU, BBS nominated focal persons to liaise with PPRC team in pursuance of MOU objectives.

- ii. In 2015, PPRC secured a research contract from The World Bank to undertake some urban surveys, carry out urban poverty research and undertake capacity building on research methodologies. An agreement was signed with the Finance Division for this purpose. PPRC has defined the work as carrying forward the objectives of the MOU signed with the BBS. A MOU Follow-up Action Plan has been developed and both parties – BBS and PPRC – agree to participate in this Action plan as per mutual discussion. Financial requirements for implementing the Action Plan will be wholly borne by PPRC out of the World Bank provided funds.



