



BANGLADESH

Development cooperation
fact sheet: April 2019



ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2019-20*	\$70.1 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US\$1,470 (2017)
POPULATION	164.7 MILLION (2017)

Australia is supporting Bangladesh to invest in human development, skills and productivity, and provide humanitarian assistance for the Rohingya crisis.

Strategic direction

As Bangladesh continues its trajectory towards graduation from least developed country status, Australia's development cooperation investments will prioritise improving the effectiveness of Government expenditure while also focusing on **education** and **building resilience** so that the country's poorest do not miss out on the benefits of growth.

In alignment with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Australia's development cooperation with Bangladesh is building resilience by reducing vulnerability, improving inclusion in the **growing economy** and increasing **education** opportunities in primary school education and through the **Australia Awards program**.

In 2019-20, Australia will continue to support the humanitarian needs of people affected by the **Rohingya crisis**, including over 700,000 displaced Rohingya who fled to Bangladesh in response to the violence in Rakhine State, Myanmar in August 2017.

Program highlights

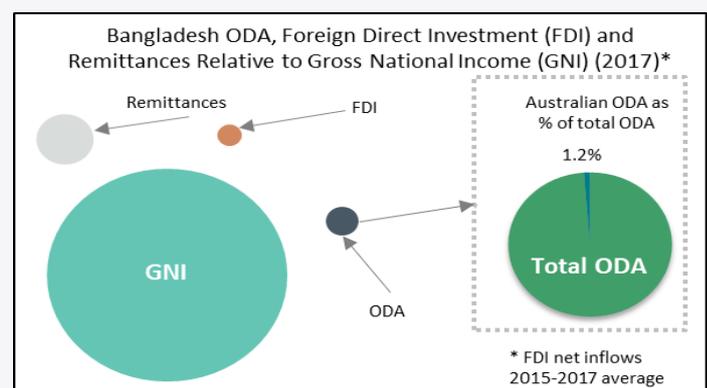
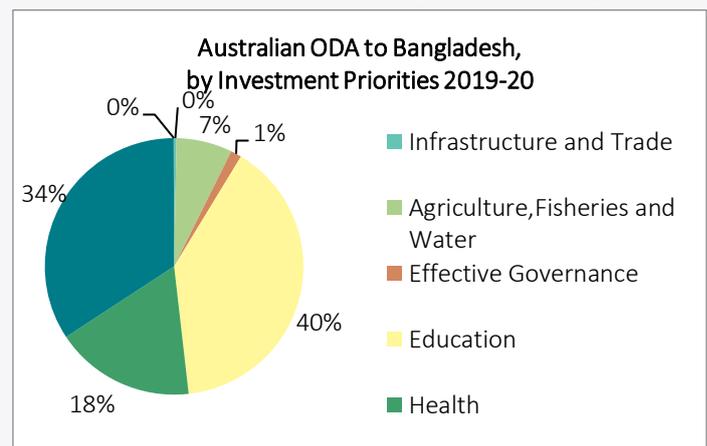
- In 2018, Australia supported 43,682 women and their households to graduate from ultra-poverty, making a direct and significant difference to the lives of poor people.
- Australian support in 2018 assisted over 1.4 million youth to access life skills training and adolescent youth centres, and more than 1.4 million children to enrol in school.
- Since 2017, Australia has provided over \$130 million in humanitarian funding to respond to the Rohingya crisis, benefiting over 900,000, mostly **women and children**, through the provision of food, shelter, clean water and essential **health services**.

For more details:

[Australia's Aid Investment Plan for Bangladesh 2015-16 to 2018-19](#)

Australian ODA	2017-18 Actual (\$m)*	2018-19 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2019-20 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	73.5	59.3	38.5
Regional	9.6	5.1	5.9
Global	29.0	23.2	23.3
Other Government Departments	2.0	3.0	2.5
Total Australian ODA to Bangladesh	114.0	90.6**	70.1
% of Total Australian ODA	2.8%	2.1%	1.7%

*Due to rounding, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.
**estimated outcome reflects additional humanitarian funds flowing to Rohingya crisis



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS