

BANGLADESH (BD)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation

a. Industrial Property

Patents:

- Patents and Designs Act No. 11, March 1911.

Trade Marks:

- The Trade Marks Act No. 5, March 1940.

Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- The Copyright Act No. 28 of 2000, in force since November 2000.
- The Copyright Rules of 1967, as modified up to April 1983 (amendment in process).

Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright, Act No. 28 of 2000.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

None.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

Patent Office:

As below, under Industrial Property Office.

Trade Marks Registry:

As below, under Industrial Property Office.

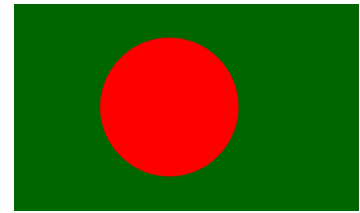
Copyright Office:

As below, under Copyright Office.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since May 1985.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since March 1991.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since May 1999.



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- b. WTO: Member and Signatory to TRIPS Agreement, since January 1995.
- c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: UCC, SAARC
- Member of UCC since May 1975.
 - Member of SAARC since December 1985.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Industries	Tel.:	(880.2)	956.70.24
Shilpa Bhaban			956.06.96
Annex Building			956.35.58
91, Motijheel C/A			956.35.82
Dhaka 1000	Fax:	(880.2)	956.35.53
<i>Titles of Heads:</i> Minister for Industries			

Industrial Property Office:

Department of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks	Tel.:	(880.2)	955.67.03
As above, under Supervisory Ministry			955.07.98
<i>Title of Head:</i> Registrar of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks	Fax:	(880.2)	956.35.53
	E-mail:		patent@citechco.net

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Cultural Affairs	Tel.:	(880.2)	861.89.77
Bangladesh Secretariat	Fax:	(880.2)	861.02.90
Building No. 6 (10 th Floor)			
Dhaka 1000			
<i>Title of Head:</i> State Minister for Cultural Affairs			

Copyright Office:

Registry of Copyrights	Tel.:	(880.2)	911.96.32
Copyright Office			40.71.06
National Library Building (2nd flr.)	Fax:	(880.2)	716.90.08
Sher-e-Bangla Nagar			911.87.04
Agargaon	E-mail:		copyright@agnionline.com
Dhaka-1207			
<i>Title of Head:</i> Registrar of Copyrights			

Collective Management Societies:

Provision in the Copyright Act No. 28 of 2000,
but not yet implemented.

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTYIndustrial Property Tribunal

None.

Copyright Tribunal

Contact point:

Chairman, Copyright Board

Tel.: (880.2) 911.96.32

Copyright Office

As above, under Copyright Office

Other

Information not available.

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

None.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2003:

		Patents (direct filings)	Trade Marks (2005)	Industrial Designs
Applications by:	residents	58		680
	non-residents	260	7,425	10
Grants to:	residents	14	24	588
	non-residents	208	195	12