

**Trade in Services**

**BANGLADESH**

**Schedule of Specific Commitments**

**Supplement 1**

(This is authentic in English only)

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**BANGLADESH - SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS**

Modes of supply:1) Cross-border supply2) Consumption abroad3) Commercial presence4) Presence of natural persons

Sector or subsector	Limitations on Market Access	Limitations on National Treatment	Additional Commitments
<p>2.COMMUNICATION SERVICES</p> <p>C. <u>Telecommunication services</u></p> <p>All Subsectors</p> <p><u>For public use</u>  <u>International service:</u>  a.Voice telephone services  b.Packet-switched data transmission services  c.Circuit-switched data transmission services  d.Telex services  e.Telegraph services  g.Private leased circuit services</p>	<p>(4)The employment of foreign natural persons for the implementation of foreign investment shall be agreed upon by the contracting parties and approved by the Government and such personnel shall be employed in higher management and specialised jobs only.</p> <p>(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator. No call-back or refile allowed.</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)Reserved to exclusive supply by the Government operator</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	<p>(1,3) Certain subsidies and tax benefits may only be extended to national operators.</p> <p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)None</p>	<p>The creation of regulatory disciplines is under review. If the outcome of this review permits then additional commitments on regulatory disciplines will be attached before 1 January 1998.</p>
<p><u>For public use</u>  <u>Fixed network infrastructure,</u>  <u>Domestic long distance and local service:</u>  a.Voice telephone services  g.Private leased circuit services</p>	<p>(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)Two licenses are issued to private operators, each to serve designated administrative (rural) areas in competition with</p>	<p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p>	

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<p>the Government operator</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p> <p><u>For non-public use</u><sup>1</sup> (i.e., services supplied to closed user groups):</p> <p>a.Voice telephone services</p> <p>b.Packet-switched data transmission services</p> <p>c.Circuit-switched data transmission services</p>	<p>(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)Only on network facilities supplied by the Government operator and other licensed public-service operators. Two-ended breakout and resale of excess capacity are not permitted</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	<p>(4)None</p> <p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)None</p>	
<p>f.Facsimile services</p>	<p>(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)Only on network facilities supplied by the Government operator and other licensed public-service operators</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	<p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)None</p>	

<sup>1</sup>Means exclusive use of services by users within a corporate body. This use includes communication between corporate branches and affiliates but cannot be accessed for PSTN subscribers for commercial use.

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o.Other Internet access services	(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator (2)None (3)Only on network facilities supplied by the Government operator and other licensed public-service operators. (4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors	(1)None (2)None (3)None (4)None	
Mobile services (terrestrial) -Cellular/mobile voice telephone services  VSAT services	(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator (2)None (3)Four licences issued to private operators, in addition to the Government operator (4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors  (1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator (2)None (3)Reserved to supply by the	(1)None (2)None (3)None (4)None  (1)None (2)None (3)None	

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	<p>Government operator, who has entered into build-operate transfer arrangements with three foreign suppliers</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	(4)None	
Gateway earth station services	<p>(1)No bypass of facilities of Government operator</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)Reserved to exclusive supply by the Government operator</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	<p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)None</p>	
Teleconferencing services (75292)	<p>(1)No bypass of network facilities of Government operator</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)Reserved to exclusive supply by the Government operator</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	<p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)None</p>	
Telecommunications terminal equipment (telephone sets, fax machines, PABX, cellular handsets) sales, rental, maintenance, connection, repair and consulting services	<p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)Unbound except as indicated under All Subsectors</p>	<p>(1)None</p> <p>(2)None</p> <p>(3)None</p> <p>(4)None</p>	

