

English Translation of Bangladesh Labor Force Survey, 2016-2017

Section 1: Household related information: socioeconomic status

1. What is the ownership of your residence?
 - Own
 - Rented
 - Free of rent

2. Type of house
 - Single unit
 - Apartment
 - Joint

3. What is the material used to make the household wall?
 - Hay / Bamboo / Polythene / Plastic
 - Soil
 - Tin
 - Wood
 - Bricks / cement
 - Other

4. What is the material used to make the household roof?
 - Hay / Bamboo / Polythene / Plastic
 - Soil
 - Tally roof
 - Bricks / Cement
 - Other

5. What is the material used to make the household floor?
 - Soil
 - Wood / bamboo
 - Bricks / cement
 - Mosaic / tiles
 - Other

6. Number of rooms
 - Total __
 - Bed Room __

7. What is the main source of drinking water in your household?

- Tap water
- Tube Well / deep tubewell
- Well
- Pond
- River / lake / pit
- Other

8. Does this household drink boiled / bottled / filtered water?

- Yes
- No

9. What is the main source of light?

- Electricity
- Solar powered electricity
- Kerosene
- Biogas
- other

10. What is the main source of fuel used for cooking?

- Wood
- Cow dung / leaves / hay
- Gas / LP gas
- Biogas
- Kerosene
- Electricity
- other

11. What type of toilet system do you have?

- Sanitary
- Pit-toilet
- Raw toilet
- Open Space / No toilet

12. What is the main source of income in your household?

- Agriculture
- Industry
- Service
- Income based
- Remittance

- Other

13. What is the size of the total plot owned by all the household members?

- No one owns any plot
- 0.01 acre - 0.04 acre
- 0.05 acre - 2.49 acre
- 2.50 acre - 7.49 acre
- 7.5 acre and more

14. What are the wealth/properties owned by the household?

Select X

- 14a. Almira/ wardrobe
- 14b. Sewing machine
- 14c. Microwave oven
- 14d. Fridge/ deep fridge
- 14e. Pullin Van/ Rickshaw / Rickshaw van
- 14f. Bicycle
- 14g. Motorcycle
- 14f. Three wheeled motor car/ easy bike
- 14h. Four wheeled vehicle
- 14i. Mobile
- 14j. Telephone
- 14k. Television
- 14l. Computer (desktop, laptop, tablet)

Section 2: Household Roster

15. List of household members-

All the members who usually live together in the same house and share the household arrangements with whom they eat. If any person is absent for any reason for a period of less than 6 months, they should also be considered as a member of the household. Guests or visitors should not be considered as members of the household. First the name of the household head, then the name of the wife/husband of the household head, then the name of the youngest son/daughter, then the name of the eldest son/daughter, then the name of the husband/wife of the son/daughter (younger to older), then father/mother, then brother/sister, father-in-law/mother-in-law, finally other relatives, housekeeper/maid name and names of others.

Full name:

16. Relationship with the household head

- Household head
- Wife / husband
- Son / daughter
- Mother / Father / Father-in-law / Mother-in-law
- Brother / Sister
- Housekeeper
- Relative
- Unrelated

17. Sex

- Male
- Female

18. Age

(Whole year)

If age <1, write 00

If age >99, write 99

19. Religion

- Islam
- Hinduism
- Buddhist
- Christian
- Others

20. Marital status

Only for age >10 year olds

- Unmarried
- Married
- Widow / widower
- Separated
- Divorced

Section 3: Education; Part A : General Educational System

For household members of age 5 and above

21. Can you read and write in any language?

- Yes

- No

22. Did you ever go to any educational organization?

If age <15, go to question 95)

If age greater than or equal to 15, go to question 25)

- Yes, I am still going now
- Yes, in the past (*Go to question 24*)
- No, never

23. Which class are you currently studying in?

If age <15, go to question 95)

If age greater than or equal to 15, go to question 25)

- Pre-preliminary
- Class 1
- Class 2
- Class 3
- Class 4
- Class 5
- Class 6
- Class 7
- Class 8
- Class 9
- Secondary School Certificate (SSC) / Equivalent
- Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC) / Equivalent
- Diploma
- Graduate
- Post-graduate
- pHD

24. What is the highest class you have passed?

If age <15, go to question 95)

If age greater than or equal to 15, go to question 25)

- I did not pass any class
- Class 1
- Class 2
- Class 3
- Class 4
- Class 5
- Class 6
- Class 7

- Class 8
- Class 9
- Secondary School Certificate (SSC) / Equivalent
- Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC) / Equivalent
- Diploma
- Graduate
- Post-graduate
- pHD

Section 3: Education; Part B : Vocational Training (Outside of the General Educational System)

25. In the past 12 months, have you received any vocational training?

- Yes
- No (*Go to question 29*)

26. For how long are you taking this training? (if there are more than one training, ask about the most important one)

- < 1 week
- 1-2 weeks
- 3-4 weeks
- 1-3 months
- 4-6 months
- > 6 months

27. What training did you mainly receive?

- Mechanical engineering
- Electronics and Electrical Engineering
- Computer
- Leather and Textiles
- Catering, hotels and restaurants
- Handicrafts and cottage industries
- Creative work / Painting / Photography
- Production and storage of agricultural crops
- Agricultural work other than grain
- Health and Paramedical Services
- Office management
- Driving and Motor Mechanics
- Beautician and hair stylist
- Tourism

- Journalism and Public Relations
- Printing
- Foreign language
- Construction work
- Furniture
- Welding
- Poultry
- Plumbing / pipe fittings
- Readymade clothes
- Other

28. Where did you get your training from? (diploma/certificate)

- Governmental institution
- Non-Governmental Institution
- NGO
- Foreign institution
- Institution run by joint institution
- A joint venture company
- Other

29. What type of training are you willing to receive?

- Not need for any training (*Use code 27*)

Section 4: Work status

30. Line number of the respondent:

31. In the past 7 days, have you worked at least one hour, for wages/salary/profit? (7d)
 (For example: job, business, driving rickshaw etc., especially, producing goods like rice, wheat, potatoes to sell in the market)

- Yes (*Go to question 33*)
- No

32. In the past 7 days, were you absent from this work where you were working for at least an hour for wages/salary/profit and would return to it soon? (7d)

- Yes
- No

33. In the past 7 days, did you work at least 1 hour to produce goods for your own household?
(7d)

(for example, cattle rearing, vegetable or grains cultivating for their own household consumption)

- Yes (Go to question 35)
- No

34. In the past 7 days, were you temporarily absent from this work where you produced goods for your own household and would return to it soon?

- Yes (Go to question 35)
- No

If the answers for Q32 and Q34 are 2, then go to question 77

Section 5: Main work: part A

35. What was the reason/intention for your main work?

- For wage or profit
- To produce goods for household consumption

36. What are the kinds of activities, industrial goods or services provided at your main workplace?

For example– Fine computer shop

Agricultural (Rice production/ Vegetable production/ cattle rearing)

Fahim Garments

Sohel Bricks Limited

Sundarban Navigation Limited, Electric supply company

37. What is the main good/service produced or sold in your workplace?

- Retail computers are sold
- rice/wheat/vegetables etc are produced
- shirt/pant or woolen sweaters are produced
- Bricks or tiles are produced
- Launch/Cargos are produced
- Electric supply related office work

(37a). Detailed Description

(37b). Economic sector

- *Agricultural*
- *Industry*

- Service
- (37c). BSIC code

Section 5: Main work: Part B

38. How many people are employed at your workplace?

(Include the owner and their household members that are involved in the business)

- Only me
- 2-4 people
- 5-9 people
- 10-24 people
- 25-99 people
- 100-249 people
- More than 250 people

39. What is the type of ownership in the organization or workplace where you are employed?

- Governmental *(Go to question 41)*
- Autonomous *(Go to question 41)*
- Local Government *(Go to question 41)*
- NGO
- Private Initiative
- Household
- Non-governmental
- Others

40. Are accounts (Business/farm/office etc) maintained in the workplace where you work?

- Written accounts
- Verbal accounts
- Accounts are not maintained

41. What is the location of the organization (Business/farm/office etc) where you work?

- In the household
- In front of the household/ in the yard
- Factory, office, workshop, store
- The farm, agricultural land, river etc
- Employer's workplace
- Construction site
- Roadside stalls
- Mobile

- Others

Section 5: Main work: Part C

42. What is the profession for your work/business where you work?

For example: Farmer, rickshaw driver, fisher, teacher at a primary school, machine operator, clerk etc (write down if there is a designation)

43. What is your main responsibility in your workplace?

For example: Personal tutor, fishing to sell in the market, crop harvesting, taking care of cattles etc)

Detailed description

BSCO code

44. Is this work permanent/temporary?

- Permanent
- Temporary

45. Is this work full-time or part-time?

- Full-time
- Part-time

46. In the past 7 days, how many hours did you actually work? (7d)

Hours spent in the last 7 days-

46a. *Sunday*

46b. *Monday*

46c. *Tuesday*

46d. *Wednesday*

46e. *Thursday*

46f. *Friday*

46g. *Saturday*

47. In the past 7 days, on which day/days of the week you worked at night? (7d)

Mark X-

47a. *Sunday*

47b. *Monday*

47c. *Tuesday*

47d. *Wednesday*

47e. *Thursday*

47f. Friday

47g. Saturday

48. Usually, how many hours do you work in a week?

If not possible to determine, write 99.

Total number of hours in a week spent working.

Section 5: Main work: Part D

49. What is your designation in this work/business?

- Employer (involved with the salaried workers) (*Go to question 55*)
- Self-employed (*Go to question 55*)
- Helping hand as a family member (*Go to question 55*)
- Salaried worker
- Day laborer
- student/intern/trainee (salaried)
- Other (specify)

50. Are you employed through a verbal or written contract?

- Written contract (tenure not specified) (*Go to question 52*)
- Written contract (tenure specified)
- Verbal contract (limited tenure) (*Go to question 55*)

51. Why were you given a written contract for a specific time?

- Trainee at workplace
- internship/student
- Seasonal work
- Daily basis work
- Governmental project work
- Specific work
- Other (specify)

52. Does your employer offer the benefits mentioned below?

Mark X-

52a. Pension

52b. Maternal leave

52c. Salaried sick leave

52d. Day-care facility

52e. Protective gears

52f. Insurance

52g. Separate toilets for men and women

53. What is the basis for your salary/wage?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Other

54. How much did you earn from this work in the last 1 month? (1m)

54a. Cash (taka)

54b. Goods (taka)

54c. Total

Section 6: secondary work: part A

55. In the past 7 days, did you have any other work? (7d)

- Yes
- No (Go to question 63)

56. What was the reason/intention of this work?

- Mainly for salary/profit
- To produce goods for household consumption

57. What is the main good/service produced or sold in your workplace?

- Retail computers are sold
- rice/wheat/vegetables etc are produced
- shirt/pant or woolen sweaters are produced
- Bricks or tiles are produced
- Launch/Cargos are produced
- Electric supply related office work

(57a). Detailed Description

(57b). Economic sector

- Agricultural
- Industry
- Service

(57c) BSIC code

58. What is your main responsibility in your workplace?

For example: Personal tutor, fishing to sell in the market, crop harvesting, taking care of cattles etc)

Detailed description

BSCO code

59. In the past 7 days, how many hours did you actually work? (7d)

In hours-

60. What is your designation in this work/business?

- Employer (involved with the salaried workers) (*Go to question 63*)
- Self-employed (*Go to question 63*)
- Helping hand as a family member (*Go to question 63*)
- Salaried worker
- Day laborer
- student/intern/trainee (salaried)
- Housemaid
- Other (specify)

61. What is the basis for your salary/wage?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Other

62. How much did you earn from this work in the last 1 month? (1m)

62a. Cash (taka)

62b. Goods (taka)

62c. Total

Section 7: occupational security and health: part A

63. In the past 12 months, were you injured/ill during work in the workplace due to any accident? (12m)

(if it occurred while commuting to work, that should be included)

- Yes
- No (*Go to question 68*)

64. Were you a victim of any accident or unfortunate events due to which you had to miss at least one day of work excluding the day when the accident took place?

- Yes (*Go to question 66*)
- No

65. Despite being present at work, did you face hindrance due to your injury in your workplace?

- Yes
- No (*Go to question 67*)

66. How many times did you face accidents like this in the past 12 months? (*12m*)

Number of accident-

67. How many days were you unable to work due to injury from an accident in the last 12 months? (*12m*)

If there are no days where they were unable to work, write 00

If there is no possibility of going back to work due to any accident, write 99.

Section 7: occupational security and health: part B

68. Did you work in any hazardous/risky environment in your workplace in the last 12 months? (*12m*)

Mark X-

68a. Dust, smoke, noise pollution, vibration

68b. Fire, gas, fire sparks

68c. Extreme cold, or heat

68d. Hazardous machinery, knives, blade etc

68e. Underground/too high from the ground work

68f. Work in the water/pond/river

68g. Work environment is too dark/limited/not enough ventilation

68h. Chemical (pesticides, glue etc)

68i. Others (specify)

69. Did you face any situation in the last 12 months mentioned below? (*12m*)

Mark X-

69a. Repeated humiliation/verbal abuse

69b. Physical abuse

69c. Sexual harassment

69d. Others (specify)

Section 8: Time based self employment (under employment)

70. In the past 7 days, did you wish to work for more hours? (7d)

- Yes
- No (Go to question 72)

71. In the past 7 days, how many more hours did you wish to work per day? (7d)

- (in hours)

72. In the past 7 days, were you prepared to work more hours per day? (7d)

- Yes
- No

73. In the past 30 days, did you look for extra or new types of work? (30d)

- Yes (extra work)
- Yes (new type of work)
- No (Go to question 76)

74. What was the reason/intention for this work?

- Mainly salary or profit
- To buy household goods for consumption

75. What is the reason for looking for new/extra work in the last 30 days? (30d) (Answer and go to question 84)

- Current job/work is temporary
- Insecure about current work/job
- To work extra hours
- Better job/work
- To increase skill
- Due to health
- For a better work environment
- Other

76. What is your reason for not looking for extra or new types of work in the past 7 days? (7d) (Answer and go to question 84)

- Did not want to work for more hours
- Lack of money or resources/ lack of raw materials
- Recession season
- Industrial revolution

- Student
- Took care of household duties
- Illness/disability
- Other

If Q31=1 or Q32=1, go to question 84

If Q31=2 or Q32=2 and Q33=1 or Q34=1, go to question 77

Section 9: unemployment

For household members of age 15 and above

77. In the past 30 days, did you look for any work in exchange for salary or profit? (30d)

- Yes
- No

78. In the past 30 days, did you look for any work for the purpose of producing goods for your own use? (30d)

- Yes
- No (*and if Q77=2 then go to question 80*)

79. What approach did you take to look for work? (*answer and go to question 81*)

- Government recruitment center
- Private recruiter
- Private recruitment center
- Directly at farms / factory
- Friends / relatives
- Newspaper advertisements
- Internet
- Feasibility study of opportunities for setting up of self employed firms/ company
- Waiting at the roadside for daily wage labor
- Other

80. What was the main reason for not looking for work in the past 30 days? (30d)

- For joining work
- No job
- Recession season
- Waiting to set up own company
- illness/ injury/ disability
- Personal family responsibility

- Starting to study
- Not satisfied in the workplace
- Other (mention)

81. If you had any opportunity to join any work in the past 7 days, were you prepared to join the job? (7d)

- Yes
- No (*Go to question 83*)

82. For how long are you looking for work and prepared to start working? (7d) (*Answer and go to question 84*)

- < 1 month
- 1-6 months
- 7-12 months
- 1-2 years
- 2+ years

83. What is the main reason for not being prepared to start work in the past 7 days?

- Involved in an educational institution/ training
- Taking care of family's responsibilities
- illness/ injury/ disability
- Too old to work, retired
- Too young to work
- Recession season
- Not willing to work
- Other (mention)

Section 10: producing goods for own use

84. In the past 30 days, how many hours did you spend on the work mentioned below for your own household? (30d)

84a. *Have you cultivated in lands/farmed crops/fisheries or reared animals? (in hours)*

For example: cultivation, crops, rear domestic animals

84b. *Did you fish, or catch shrimp, snails or wild animals for your own consumption? (in hours)*

84c. *Did you work on construction or any big repair on your own house, plot or business? (in hours)*

84d. Did you collect firewood for your own household? (in hours)

84e. Did you make any clothes, furniture or other goods for your household use? (in hours)

84f. Did you make any other goods for the consumption of your household? (in hours)

84g. What were the main reasons for this work?

- Only for using in own household
- Mainly for their own household consumption and partly to sell in the market.

Section 11: service work for own household

Only for household members age 15 years and above

85. In the past 7 days, did you spend at least 1 hour for the work mentioned below? (7d)

The work is only for the household, not salaried or for profit.

If not applicable at all, go to question 87

Mark X-

85a. Cooking

85b. Laundry or dish washing

85c. Shopping

85d. Taking care of the children/elderly/ill

85e. Other household chores

86. In the past 7 days, how many hours did you spend working in total? (in hours) (7d)

Section 12: unpaid trainee work

Only for household members age 15 years and above

87. In the past 7 days, did you take part in any trainee, apprentice or internship workshop where you had to produce goods or provide service for someone else for at least 1 hour? (7d)

Not applicable for any employed person under skill development training

- Yes
- No (Go to question 91)

88. Did you receive any cash or any kind of remuneration for such work?

Snacks, lunch, travel expenses etc should not be included

- Yes (*Go to question 91*)
- No

89. In the last 7 days, how many hours did you spend on such work? (in hours)

90. What was the duration for trainee, apprentice or internship workshop where you had to produce goods or provide service for someone else? (days)

Section 13: Volunteering work

91. In the past 30 days, Have you done any of the following voluntarily (not in exchange for salary/wages/profit/goods) for at least 1 hour other than your own household?

If not applicable at all, go to question 95

Mark X-

- 91a. Personal assistance
- 91b. Health care activities
- 91c. Educational activities
- 91d. Youth and Children Activities
- 91e. Cultural and entertainment related activities.
- 91f. General social activities
- 91g. Emergency aid and relief
- 91h. Activities related to financial aid
- 91i. Religious activities
- 91j. Human Rights / Advocacy and Politics
- 91k. Environmental protection
- 91l. Other

92. In the past 30 days, how many times did you do such work?

If anyone worked more than one type of volunteering work then ask them about the most important one.

- Daily
- 3-6 times per week
- 1-2 times per week
- Once in two weeks
- Once

93. How did you mainly do this work?

- Alone
- Through local group
- Through an institution

94. In the past 30 days, how many hours did you spend on this volunteering work? (in hours)
(30d)

Section 14: migration

95. Where did your mother live when you were born?

- This upazila/ Thana (*Go to question 97*)
- Other upazila in this district/ Thana (*Go to question 97*)
- Other district (*Go to question 97*)
- Other country
-

96. What is the name of the country?

96a. Name

96b. Code

97. Was it a city or a village?

- City
- Village

98. Where did you live before you came to this upazila/thana?

- Always lived in this upazila (*End*)
- Lived in another upazila in this district (*Go to question 100*)
- Another district (*Go to question 100*)
- Another country

99. What is the name of the country?

100. Was it a city or a village?

- City
- Village

101. From which year did you start living in this upazila/thana?

In Years (i.e. 1989, 2020 etc)

102. What was the main reason for moving to this upazila/thana?

- Employment/job opportunity
- Due to being transferred
- Due to family reasons
- Education/training
- Marriage
- Natural disaster
- Due to political reason
- Conflict
- Other