WHO WE ARE
The Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC) is responsible for formulating and implementing policies on Information and Communication Technology (ICT).

BCC promotes and adapts ICT to suit Bangladesh’s context and coordinates ICT-related activities for the socio-economic development of the country to enhance the standard of living of the people of Bangladesh.

History

Aug 1986 - National Computer Committee (NCC) established

1988 – NCC converted to National Computer Board (NCB)

1990 – NCB converted to the Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC), a statutory corporate body through BCC Act 1990

1991: BCC placed under the Ministry of ICT

Objectives

- To develop HR to increase management efficiency through the proper use of ICT.

- To enter into the fast-growing world ICT market by exporting trained manpower and gaining comparative advantage.

- To formulate and implement national strategies and policies regarding computers and ICT.

- To cooperate with the Government and other agencies to implement the objectives of the national ICT plans.

- To advise and encourage the Government and other agencies on the use of computers and ICT.

- To determine the standards and specifications for ICT at the national level.
WHAT WE DO

POLICY PLANNING

- Formulate and implement national strategies and policies related to ICT.

- Preserve and publish reports, periodicals and papers on ICT and related subjects.

- Communicate and cooperate with the concerned government, private sector organizations, local and foreign bodies for attaining the national ICT objectives.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

- Help build-up people/nations to compete in the growing ICT industry in the international market.

- Encourage developing human resources in the field of ICT and organize manpower export to the international market.

- Organize workshops, seminars and training on subjects related to computers and ICT.

INFRASTRUCTURE BUILDING

- Help to develop infrastructure facilities for the introduction of ICT in Bangladesh and promote professional efficiency in the field of computer education and training.

CAPACITY BUILDING

- Advise and encourage the government and other organizations to use computers and ICT.

- Organize, equip and maintain the computer institute, library and laboratory for the overall development of the ICT industry.

- Collect, analyze and publicize information related to ICT.
WHAT WE DO (continued)

Human Resource Development Activities:
BCC conducts ICT training programmes. It has been implementing a number of human resource development activities to develop and enhance ICT skills of human resources.

Other Programs and Activities:
- **“Leveraging ICT for Growth, Employment and Industry” Project:** Project to create employment in the ICT sector and catalyze the growth of the country's IT and ITES industry.
- **Development of a Public Network for the Government of Bangladesh (Bangla GovNet Project):**
  BCC has implemented the BanglaGovNet Phase-I since April 2010, which is intended to connect government offices under a single VPN. This is expected to facilitate e-Governance implementation across the government.
- **InfoSarkar Project:**
  Phase-II of the BanglaGovNet project.
WHAT WE DO (continued)

- **ICT Professional Certification:**
  Project to bring country’s ICT manpower to meet the international standard through a certification scheme.

- **Awareness Building and Promotional Program:** BCC offers awareness building programs on issues related to ICT and promotional programs for Government initiatives for e-services and other ICT initiatives.

IMPACT

- In the year 2013, BCC has trained 1,902 persons through its facilities. In addition, 22,318 persons were trained through 3,172 computer labs established in different school and colleges throughout the country.

- Trained teachers have been developing teaching content through ICT tools and are using these contents in multimedia classrooms.

- Trained master trainers are producing more trained teachers and ICT skilled persons.

- Government offices are now hosting their website and processing their data through the data center of BCC.

- Through the BanglaGovNet and InfoSarkar, the BCC has been establishing a single public network for all government offices.
**PARTNERS**

- **Centre for Services and Information on Disability (CSID):** Helps with the training program for physically disabled and visually impaired persons.

- **Korean International Cooperation Agency (KOICA):** Offers advisory services and helps with formulating project and developing training modules.

- **Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA):** Provides support for adoption of IT engineers examinations (ITEE) and advisory services.

- **Korea Internet and Security Agency (KISA):** Offers support to build an international standard datacenter to enhance security and facilities web hosting and mail services. Also provides advisory services on information security.

- **Microsoft Bangladesh:** Offers training on Microsoft products.

- **World Bank:** Finances the “Leveraging ICT for growth, employment and governance” project.

**FUTURE ACADEMY-RELATED PLANS**

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