

## **Strengthening Public Financial Management Program to Enable Service Delivery (SPFMS)**

Finance Division, Ministry of Finance

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### **Scheme of Internal Audit and Audit Follow-up**

## **Workshop on Post Procurement Review**

**Venue:** Conference room of SPFMS Scheme, 4th floor, IEB Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka-1000.

**Date:** April 28 2022

Bangladesh is one of the leading countries in South Asia as a role model in Financial Management systems and Discipline. The Finance Division under Ministry of Finance (MoF), Bangladesh is taking the lead in this regard. In recent years the Finance Division has taken several groundbreaking steps in the field of Public Expenditure Management in Bangladesh. For this purpose, the Finance Division, MoF has approved the Public Finance Management Action Plan 2018-2023; where 08 (eight) of the 14 (fourteen) components will be implemented by the Finance Division.

**Post Procurement Review** is an important task for **Scheme on Internal Audit and Audit Follow up** which is part of Strengthening Public Financial Management Program to Enable Service Delivery (SPFMS) program. The workshop was held on April 28, 2022 at the Conference room of SPFMS Scheme, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, IEB Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka under the leadership of Mr. Kabirul Ezdani Khan, Additional Secretary, Budget & Expenditure, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance. Ms. Sulekha Rani Basu, Additional Secretary, Finance Division, was the chief guest in this workshop. The workshop was attended by various relevant officials and consultants who are involved in the procurement of **Scheme on Improvement of Public Financial Services Delivery through Implementation of BACS & iBAS++ (C-7) and Scheme on Improving Pension management System and Quality and Timeliness of Financial Reporting (C-8) of SPFMS scheme**. In this workshop, the Senior Consultant (Procurement) of IA Scheme Mr. Md. Nasir Uddin presented and discussed post procurement review findings for the above-mentioned components of the SPFMS program. Mr. Md. Rafiqul Islam, Deputy Secretary & Program Executive & Coordinator (PEC) also presented and discussed procurement compliance with Rules and Act. Along with the presentation of all these issues, the participants participated in the open discussion.

Mr. Kabirul Ezdani Khan, Additional Secretary, Budget & Expenditure, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance mentioned in his inaugural speech, that the workshop will be a landmark step to establish public procurement discipline. He emphasized compliance with the Procurement Act-2006 and Procurement Rules-2008 on public procurement. He also said that the proper use of government funds must be ensured of transparency and accountability in these expenditures. With bringing discipline to public procurement, Internal Audit cells will be set up in all ministries and departments in this phase. Mr. Ezdani urged that transparent procurement increase the efficiency of government spending. After the opening ceremony, the procurement expert of the IA Scheme presented the Post Procurement Review findings and also requested the participants to provide feedback on relevant topics and at the same time invited open discussion on the respective presented issues.

