

Dissemination Workshop the Draft of 3rd PFM Reform Strategy 2025–2030 Held



Scheme on PFM Reforms Leadership, Coordination and Monitoring under SPFMS, Finance division organized a Dissemination Workshop the Draft of 3rd PFM Reform Strategy 2025–2030. The Finance Division has finalized the 3rd Public Financial Management (PFM) Reform Strategy for 2025–2030, aimed at strengthening fiscal discipline, accountability, and sustainable development through an integrated and governance-driven framework.

The draft was discussed at a workshop held on September 7, 2025, at the Multi-purpose Hall of the Finance Division. Finance Division Secretary Dr. Md. Khairuzzman Mozumder attended as chief guest, while S. M.

Moin Uddin Ahmed, CEO (Secretary) of the Bangladesh Public Procurement Authority, and Bilquis Jahan Rimi, Additional Secretary of the Finance Division, were present as special guests. The session was chaired by Dr.



Dr. Ziaul Abedin, Additional Secretary (Budget-1) and National Program Director of the Strengthening Public Financial Management Program to Enable Service Delivery (SPFMS). International PFM Consultant Dr. Navin Bulusu delivered a comprehensive presentation on the draft strategy, followed by comments from officials for further refinement.

The 3rd PFM Strategy builds on reform phases initiated in 2007, which introduced innovations such as the Medium-Term Budgetary Framework and the iBAS++ financial management system. While these measures improved internal audit, procurement oversight, and reporting, gaps persisted due to weak enforcement and fragmented implementation. The new strategy seeks to overcome such shortcomings by anchoring reforms in a high-level empowered committee to ensure political ownership, integrating legal, institutional, and systemic changes with human resource development.

Key priorities include embedding fiscal rules to enforce debt and deficit limits, strengthening accountability institutions, and recognizing recurrent spending such as operations and maintenance as critical components of national development. The plan also emphasizes reducing reliance on consultants, building a sustainable cadre of PFM specialists, and enhancing integration across data systems and multi-year investment planning.

Officials described the draft as a decisive shift from project-style initiatives to an institutionalized, outcome-driven framework that will better equip Bangladesh to meet long-term fiscal and development challenges.

