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# Today's youth will lead path to realise SDGs



## Express Report

At present more than one third of the population of Bangladesh belong to the youth cohort, aged between 18-35 years. It is high time for the country to utilise this young cohort towards national development while the country is in the pursuit of realising the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. If empowered and utilised properly, the youth will lead the nation to achieve the SDGs.

These observations were made at a seminar titled Global Development Agenda 2030 and Bangladesh in Tangail. The seminar was organised by the Department of Economics, Mawlana Bhashani Science and Technology University (MBSTU), Tangail in association with Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) and Citizen's

Platform for SDGs, Bangladesh.

In his presentation, Dr Bhattacharya, highlighted that the SDGs talks about the qualitative changes in development rather than traditional quantitative assessment. It talks about a transformative change and therefore, the 17 goals of the SDGs are interlinked with each other.

“If we have to achieve this ambitious global development agenda by 2030 we have to engage all relevant stakeholders with the implementation process. In this case, engaging the youth with the delivery of SDGs will be critical as they will be in the driving seats soon in leading the development process of the country”, he said.



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# bKash makes tax payment easy for city dwellers

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bKash Limited, the largest mobile financial service provider in the country signed an agreement with Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) recently, facilitating DSCC's around two lacs householders' to pay holding taxes through bKash.

Mostafizur Rahman, Chief Executive Officer of DSCC and Kamal Quadir, Chief Executive Officer, bKash exchanged the agreement at a program held at the Nagar Bhavan in the city recently.

Md. Yousuf Ali Sarder, Chief Revenue Officer, Md. Abu Taiyeb Rokon, System Analyst & Head of ICT of DSCC and Miznur Rashid, Chief Commercial Officer, Masrur Chowdhury, Head, Alternative Channel of bKash along

with other high officials from both the organizations were present during the ceremony.

Under the partnership, bKash customers will be able to pay the holding taxes from personal bKash accounts 24/7 from anywhere in the country. The customers need to dial \*247# and following some interactive steps for successful payment. Soon customers will be able to pay the taxes through bKash app also.

As the tax payers can pay the taxes easily through bKash without visiting any bank branches it will mobilize the overall tax collections of DSCC. DSCC's other services fee/ taxes like Trade License fees, market rent and other fees will also be paid through bKash soon.