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Quick Facts

Countries	Bangladesh
Specific Location	Bogura and Sirajganj
Financial Institutions	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Borrower	People's Republic of Bangladesh, Md. Shahriar Kader Siddiky
Sectors	Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 282.00 million
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Project Cost (USD)	$ 922.00 million

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Project Description

According to bank's website, the proposed project aims to enhance the connectivity, resiliency, and travel efficiency of railway transport between Bogura and Sirajganj. Bangladesh Railway (BR) is facing connectivity constraints in the north and north-western regions as the rail connection between this region and the capital city, Dhaka, or the eastern parts is highly indirect and inefficient. This indirect alignment results in longer travel distances, extended journey times, higher operating costs, and reduced competitiveness of rail transport for both passenger and freight services. To address this weak and indirect rail connectivity, the GoB plans to construct a new dual-gauge railway line of approximately 86 km directly connecting Bogura with Sirajganj. The line will be constructed together with 11 stations, associated structures/bridges, and modern signaling and telecommunications (S&T) systems, so that it is well integrated with the national rail network. By bypassing the existing circuitous alignment, the new line will substantially shorten the rail distance and journey time between the northern districts and Dhaka/ eastern region.

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Total Project Cost: USD 922 million

GoB: USD 294 million

Loan Requirement: USD 628 million (AIIB: USD 282 million, remaining loan amount to be facilitated by AIIB, awaiting final loan amount confirmation from GoB)

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION

You can submit an information request for project information at: https://www.aiib.org/en/contact/information-request/index.html

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Bank Documents

- Project Summary (August 21, 2026) (English) [Original Source]