

Enrolment at Higher Secondary and Tertiary Levels

- Enrolments in Higher Secondary (HSC) increased by 64% from 568,000 students in 1990 to 931,000 in 1997.
- The number of qualified students simply overwhelms the education infrastructure. In 2000, almost 190,000 students graduated from high school.
- According to a World Bank report, three out of four students who pass the HSC go on to some form of higher education. About 10% of the entrants, are admitted to universities and the rest go to 1200 degree colleges, or pursue other options:
 - Going abroad (students who have the opportunity and resources).
 - Re-applying the following year.
 - Entering the job market.

Accreditation and Evaluation Overview:

Refer to (page 11) 'What is the equivalence between Bangladesh Education System and USA/ UK?'

School Breaks:

Public Schools:

- The school year for public schools in Bangladesh usually commences in the first or second week in January.
- There is a 4-week summer vacation in June.
- There is a 5-week vacation for the fasting (Ramdan) month along with the religious festival. The date is subject to appearance of the moon. (in 2000, the break was from December 1 to December 29; in 2001 it will be mid November to mid December)

Private Schools:

- The school year for private schools in Bangladesh commences in the second week in January. Some English medium private schools session start in June.
- There is a 4 to 6-week summer vacation from mid June to July.
- There is a 4 to 6-week winter vacation in December/ January.

