

Bangabandhu Hi-Tech City (Kaliakoir) — A Cautionary Tale in Tech-Park Planning

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Built with a US\$120m World Bank loan and marketed as a 100,000-job 'cyber capital,' Bangladesh's Bangabandhu Hi-Tech City had reached only about 13,000 workers across five tenants by late 2020, with much of the 355-acre site reported vacant.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	0/3
Sustainability / continuity	1/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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