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5. Objectives :
 - 1) To undertake and conduct policy research and situation analysis;
 - 2) To provide assistance and support to the Government, donor agencies, private sector and other development agents in the areas of capacity development, management improvement policy initiative and reform;
 - 3) To create national regional and international networks for professional interfacing in the areas of relevant policy research and analysis;
 - 4) To establish an information system and data bank on policy related matters;
 - 5) To organise seminar and on matters of socio-economic development concerns towards clarifying issues, sensitising opinion and To organise seminars and conferences disseminating findings;
 - 6) To undertake publication of books, journals and research papers; and
 - 7) To undertake training programs.

6. Recent Research Publication : Of the Organisation (1996-99)
- 1) Assessment on the Absorption Capability and Policies of OCR Lending in Bangladesh;
 - 2) Promotion of Private Investment in Bangladesh: Implications for Public Administration Reform;
 - 3) Exchange Rate of Bangladesh vis-à-vis its Major Trading Partners;
 - 4) Poverty Alleviation in Bangladesh: New Policy Directions;
 - 5) A Social Accounting Matrix for Bangladesh;
 - 6) Energy Sector and gas Development in Bangladesh: Policy Issues;
 - 7) Environmental impact Assessment of Road Sector Development in the Asian region; and
 - 8) FDI and Technology Flows in the Asia-Pacific Region.
7. On-going Research Projects :
- 1) Legal Framework for Sustainable Development;
 - 2) Policy Perspective for CHT Development;
 - 3) Evaluation of GO-NGO Co-operation in Bangladesh and Future Directions;
 - 4) Land Use and Natural Resource Management in Bangladesh;
 - 5) Capacity Building in Environmental Valuation and Planning etc.
8. Future Plan of Research :
- 1) Strengthening Participatory Development Process;
 - 2) Comparative Costs of Electricity Conservation;
 - 3) Environmental and Socio-economic Impact Assessment of Dhaka Flood Control Intervention Projects;

- 4) Women Participation in Development Issues; and
- 5) Economic Valuation of the Sunderban's Bio-diversity etc.

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