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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs
Legislative and Parliamentary Affairs Division**

NOTIFICATION

Dated: 29 September, 2026

S.R.O. No 361-Law/2026.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 50 of the Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority Act, 2026, (Act No. 84 of 2026), the Government is pleased to publish the following Authentic English Text of the Act to be called the Authentic English Text of the Act:

The Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority Act, 2026

(Act No. 84 of 2026)

An Act to make provisions for transforming the Maheshkhali area into an industrial and commercial zone and management thereof.

Whereas, activities are being carried out to rapidly transform the Maheshkhali area into an industrial and commercial zone through the implementation of development projects in various sectors, including establishment of the Matarbari Sea Port in such area;

Whereas, in the interest of coordination among all activities and well-planned development, it is expedient and necessary to establish a competent authority for its management and make provisions for determining functions thereof;

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Therefore, it is hereby enacted as follows:

Chapter I

Preliminary

1. **Short title and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority Act, 2026.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on 01 August, 2025.

2. **Definitions.**— In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

- (1) “Authority” means the Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority established under section 5;
- (2) “jurisdiction of the authority” means the jurisdiction specified in the Schedule;
- (3) “Governing Board” means the Governing Board constituted under section 7;
- (4) “Chairperson” means the Chairperson of the Governing Board;
- (5) “Developer” means any person or institution appointed by the Authority to develop integrated infrastructure in accordance with the Master Plan;
- (6) “Schedule” means the Schedule to this Act;
- (7) “Executive Chairman” means the Executive Chairman of the Authority;
- (8) “regulations” means regulations made under this Act;
- (9) “rules” means rules made under this Act;
- (10) “person” includes any citizen of Bangladesh, any foreign national, any association, any society, any partnership firm, and shall also include any company;
- (11) “Master Plan” means the Master Plan formulated under section 11; and
- (12) “Local Authority” includes any statutory body constituted by or under any law and shall also include a local administration, as the case may be.

3. **Application of the Act.**—Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, this Act shall apply in the area under the jurisdiction of the Authority.

4. **Overriding effect of the Act.**—Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, the provisions of this Act shall prevail:

Provided that this Act shall not prevent other authorities under the jurisdiction of the Authority from carrying out the activities conferred on them by the relevant law.

Chapter II

Establishment of Authority, etc

5. **Establishment of Authority.**—(1) As soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, there shall be established an authority to be called Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority (MIDA).

(2) The Authority shall be a body corporate, having perpetual succession and a common seal with power to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and shall by the said name sue and be sued.

6. **Office of the Authority.**—(1) The head office of the Authority shall be at Maheshkhali in Cox's Bazar District.

(2) The Authority may, if necessary, with the approval of the Governing Board, establish its liaison office at any place.

7. **Governing Board.**—(1) For carrying out the purposes of this Act, to provide necessary directions and advice and to approve the activities of the Authority, a Governing Board shall be constituted with the Prime Minister as its Chairperson and consisting of the following members, namely:

- (a) Minister, Ministry of Finance, who shall be its Vice-Chairperson;
- (b) Minister, Ministry of Planning;
- (c) Minister, Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges;
- (d) Minister, Ministry of Industries;
- (e) Minister, Ministry of Lands;
- (f) Minister, Ministry of Shipping;
- (g) Minister, Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives;

- (h) Minister, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources;
- (i) Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister;
- (j) Executive Chairman, Bangladesh Investment Development Authority;
- (k) Executive Chairman, Bangladesh Economic Zone Authority; and
- (l) Executive Chairman, Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority (MIDA) who shall be its Member Secretary.

(2) For carrying out the purposes of clauses (a) to (h) of sub-section (1), in the absence of the Minister, the Minister of State, if any, and in the absence of both the Minister and the Minister of State, the Deputy Minister, if any, shall act as a member of the Governing Board.

(3) The Government may, for carrying out the purposes of this Act, by notification in the official Gazette, co-opt any person as a member of the Governing Board for such purpose and for such term as may be specified in the notification.

8. Constitution of the Authority.—(1) For carrying out the purposes of this Act, the Authority shall be consist of the following members, namely:—

- (a) an Executive Chairman to be appointed by the Government, whose terms and conditions of service, status and other matters shall be determined by the Government;
- (b) 3 (three) Members, not below the rank of Joint Secretary, to be appointed on deputation or directly by the Government on the basis of qualifications and experience.

(2) The Executive Chairman shall be the full-time chief executive of the Authority and shall be responsible to the Governing Board for all the activities of the Authority.

(3) The Executive Chairman shall perform and implement all decisions of the Governing Board or all such duties as may be directed by the Chairperson, from time to time, and all functions of the Authority.

(4) If the office of the Executive Chairman becomes vacant or if he is unable to perform his functions on account of his absence, illness or any other cause, as the case may be, an officer nominated by the Government shall perform the duties of the Executive Chairman until the new Executive Chairman appointed to the vacant office assumes office or until the Executive Chairman is able to resume his duties.

(5) The Executive Chairman shall, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Governing Board, convene the meetings of the Board and determine the agenda.

9. Other officers and employees of the Authority.—(1) The Authority may appoint such number of officers and employees as it may consider necessary for the efficient performance of its duties and functions according to the organogram approved by the Government.

(2) The terms and conditions of appointment and service of the officers and employees of the Authority shall be prescribed by regulations.

Chapter III

Functions of the authority

10. Identification of areas under the jurisdiction of the Authority, publication of detailed information; declaration of protected areas, occupation, control, etc.—(1) The Authority shall, subject to the prior approval of the Government, publish detailed information in the official Gazette identifying the Mouza, Khatian, Dag and type of ownership, class and amount of land in the area of its jurisdiction specified in the Schedule.

(2) The Government may, if necessary, amend this area by Gazette notification.

(3) The Authority may declare the infrastructure under construction and the built-up area under its jurisdiction as a protected area. It may regulate the use of the protected area including its occupation, control and access rights.

(4) In imposing such restrictions and prohibitions on the privately owned properties under the jurisdiction of the Authority, notice shall be issued giving a reasonable period of time.

(5) In event of imposing control under sub-section (3), the Authority may take measures to provide appropriate compensation in accordance with the Acquisition and Requisition of Immovable Property Act, 2017 (Act No. 21 of 2017) and the prevailing rules and regulations.

11. Formulation of Master Plan.— (1) As soon as possible after the commencement of this Act, the Authority shall, for carrying out the purposes of this Act, formulate a Master Plan to ensure rational use of land for building up the area as a seaport, industrial-commercial and modern city under its jurisdiction in accordance with the Land Use Plan referred to in section 13.

(2) In the Master Plan, the said area may be divided into various hubs, namely:—

- (a) Primary hub—
 - (i) ports and logistics hub;
 - (ii) industrial and manufacturing hub;
 - (iii) power and energy hub;
 - (iv) fishing processing and marketing hub.
- (b) Supporting hub—
 - (i) modern township hub;
 - (ii) ancillary facilities hub;

(3) In the Master Plan, the necessary infrastructure construction projects for various hubs identified in accordance with sub-section (2), including the establishment of connectivity between the deep sea port and other regions of the country, shall be identified and the Authority may take initiatives to implement complementary projects among all those projects simultaneously at a specified time in the light of the cluster policy.

(4) For ensuring highest priority to supply of electricity and energy to manufacturing and industrial plants and other hubs in the area under its jurisdiction, the Authority may introduce special (legal and institutional) arrangements regarding distribution thereof.

(5) As soon as may be, after the commencement of this Act, measures may be taken to implement simultaneously the following necessary utilities, etc. under the Township and Infrastructure Plan for the smooth and standard management of the activities of the Primary Hub referred to in sub-section (2) in the light of the necessary infrastructure cluster policy, namely:—

- (a) construction of electricity and gas distribution lines;
- (b) construction of reservoirs and water distribution lines;
- (c) construction of sewerage and drainage systems, dams/dykes including sluice gates;
- (d) construction of solid waste treatment plant; construction of central ETP;

- (e) providing services for telecommunications systems and Internet/information technology services;
- (f) creation of housing, education, healthcare, entertainment and tourism facilities;
- (g) management of transportation and public transport facilities and traffic management;
- (h) arrangement for fire extinguishing system, construction of cyclone centers and disaster management.

(6) The Authority shall include in the Master Plan the development projects previously completed and ongoing in the public interest within the areas under its jurisdiction and may implement the unimplemented parts of the ongoing development projects subject to necessary adjustment with the Master Plan.

(7) Within 1 (one) month of the submission of the final draft of the Master Plan formulated by the Authority to the Government, the Government shall publish the draft Master Plan in the official Gazette and the Authority shall simultaneously publish the draft Master Plan on its website.

(8) If any person has any objection or opinion regarding the draft Master Plan published under sub-section (7), or any part thereof, it shall be submitted to the Government in writing within the prescribed time.

(9) The Government, after considering the objections or opinions received under sub-section (8), shall, within 4 (four) months of the publication of the Gazette under sub-section (7), give final approval to the Master Plan, with or without amendments, and publish the final approval of the Master Plan by notification in the official Gazette.

(10) The Authority may, from time to time, with the prior approval of the Government, amend the Master Plan by notification in the official Gazette.

12. Protection of natural environment, fisheries resources and interests of local people.—(1) In the Master Plan, the natural environment along with rivers, water bodies and forests, and the interests of local people shall be protected and the participation of local people shall be ensured.

(2) The matters relating to protection of the traditional livelihoods of the local communities shall be provided in the Master Plan Proposal.

(3) The matters relating to arrangements for fishing, processing and marketing shall be ensured in the Master Plan.

13. To formulate Land Use Plan.—(1) The Authority shall formulate Land Use Plan by categorically identifying the area under its jurisdiction, as a sea port and logistic hub; industrial and manufacturing hub; power and energy hub and area for the construction of modern townships and ancillary facilities, in order to ensure rational use of land for the development of the area under its jurisdiction as a seaport, industrial-commercial and modern city.

(2) The hub identified for industry and manufacturing referred to in sub-section (1) may be identified as the following areas, namely:—

- (a) Export Processing Zones which is specified for export-oriented industries;
- (b) Local Processing Area – to be specified for industries established to meet domestic market demand;
- (c) Areas with special benefits for foreign investors.

(3) The area for modern townships and ancillary facilities referred to in sub-section (1) may be identified as follows:—

- (a) protected areas with special benefits for foreign investors and foreign citizens;
- (b) area for Modern township, health education and entertainment;
- (c) commercial areas, business establishments, banks, meetings, conferences, exhibition centers, offices and other institutions, etc.;
- (d) gardens, playgrounds, eco-parks and tourism etc.

14. Approval and amendment of Land Use Plan.—The Land Use Plan shall be approved by the Governing Board and may be amended with the approval of the Governing Board.

15. Making of provisions related to use of land.—The Authority may, with the approval of the Government, make necessary provisions for the purpose of controlling the occupation, control and use of privately owned land or other Organizations under its jurisdiction.

16. Acquisition of land for the Authority.—(1) For carrying out the purposes of this Act, if any land is required for the construction of infrastructure in the area under the jurisdiction of the Authority, the Government may acquire or take possession of the said land under the Acquisition and Requisition of Immovable Property Act, 2017 (Act No. 21 of 2017).

(2) The provisions of the Act specified in sub-section (1) shall be applied to the settlement of any other matter including compensation for land acquired under sub-section (1).

(3) The land acquired under this section shall be deemed to be required in the public interest.

17. Coordination of land acquisition, issuing of no objection, allotment of land and classification of the institution.—(1) A no objection from the Authority shall be obtain before acquisition of land for the purpose of implementing any project by any Ministry, Division, individual or enterprise in the area under the jurisdiction of the Authority.

(2) For carrying out the purposes of the objectives specified in sub-section (1), the Authority shall issue no objection for the acquisition of land without departing from the Master Plan specified in section 11 and the Land Use Plan specified in section 13 and in case of departure, the approval of the Governing Board shall be taken.

(3) The Authority may allocate the land or space acquired or assigned to it in the appropriate block of the area under its jurisdiction for the enterprise of approved industries or to carry out of commercial operation to any person (domestic or foreign) for industrial and commercial enterprises, as per his requirement considering the suitability of the enterprises, without causing any deviation from the Master Plan.

(4) For carrying out the purposes of sub-section (3), the Authority may, from time to time, determine the classes of established industrial and commercial enterprises for the purpose of providing facilities to industrial and commercial enterprises.

18. Assignment of land, buildings, etc. under the control of local authorities to the Authority and maintenance thereof.—(1) If any land, building, road, premises or any part thereof under the control of a local authority is required for the development of land under any development project of the Authority, the Authority shall request the said local authority to assign the said land, building, road, premises or any part thereof to it and the said land, building, road, premises or any part thereof shall be assigned to the Authority in the prescribed manner.

(2) If any question arises or any difference of opinion arises in respect of any decision or any action taken under this section, it shall be settled in accordance with the provisions of section 30.

(3) All roads, premises, buildings, lands or any parts thereof assigned to the Authority shall be maintained by the Authority and the Authority shall, under its supervision, maintain them jointly with any other local authority or Organization.

19. Allotment agreement and cancellation of allotment etc.—(1) The Authority may enter into an agreement to allot any land or place and enterprise to a domestic or foreign investor for the purpose of completing any project or undertaking.

(2) Mutual activities between the Authority and the allotment recipient shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the agreement.

(3) The Authority may, with the approval of the Governing Board, prepare circulars or provisions relating to the rates, fees, service charges and conditions of use relating to the allotment, lease or use of land.

(4) If any allottee violates any condition of this Act or the agreement, the Authority may cancel the allotment as per the conditions of the agreement, or in the prescribed manner.

20. Issuance of no objection regarding designs, local plans and projects of other organizations.—(1) In the area under the jurisdiction of the Authority, any Organization or any local authority and any Government, private and autonomous body or individual or company dealing with power, water supply, maritime, air, roads and railways communication shall formulate their local plans for the activities of their future development and construction in accordance with the Master Plan and submit them to the Authority for approval.

(2) The Authority shall, subject to its conformity with the Master Plan, issue no objection certificate with or without amendment to the local plan received under sub-section (1) and send a copy thereof to the Government.

21. Prohibition on use of land in violation of the Master Plan, etc.—(1) No land shall be used in violation of the Master Plan or for any purpose other than the purpose identified or specified therein.

(2) All Government and private development and construction works in the area under the jurisdiction of the Authority shall be consistent with the Master Plan.

22. Project implementation, appointment of developers, execution of contracts etc.—(1) The Authority may make a request to the concerned Ministry, Division or organization to implement projects with a view to ensuring infrastructure development and necessary facilities in the area under its jurisdiction.

(2) The Authority may implement the projects itself or may have them implemented by the concerned Ministry, Division or organization as depository work.

(3) The Authority may, in accordance with the procedure determined by it, appoint a developer on a competitive basis, or as the case may be, enter into an agreement with any person, organization, authority or institution at home and abroad.

23. Inspection, investigation, monitoring and submission of reports.—For carrying out the purposes of this Act, any person or institution authorized by the Authority—

- (a) may inspect the implementation progress of the activities of any industrial and commercial institution and submit the report of such inspection to the Authority;
- (b) may enter into any industrial or commercial establishment and inspect it or conduct any search therein and the institution concerned shall provide all necessary assistance in connection with such entry, inspection or search;
- (c) the organizations implementing development projects in the areas under the jurisdiction of the Authority shall submit implementation progress reports to the Authority on a quarterly/six-monthly basis about the implementation of the projects, and the Authority, if necessary, shall provide necessary advice to the organizations of implementing development projects,.

24. Power to issue evict orders and evict.—Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any other law for the time being in force, if any person constructs any building or establishment in violation of any provision of this Act or the Agreement or condition imposed by the Authority, the Authority or any officer authorized by it may issue and evict removal order against that person for removing the said building or establishment and may, if necessary, take measures for eviction.

25. To maintain security and law and order.—(1) The Authority may, for maintaining security and law and order in the areas under its jurisdiction, take necessary measures to establish units relating to the police, coast guard and other security forces comprising the members of police outposts, naval police, coast guard petrol stations, industrial police, tourism police, Ansar VDP and security personnel recruited through outsourcing, etc.

(2) The Authority may provide necessary assistance in deploying its own security personnel for large-scale establishments and in declaring KPIs according to prevailing rules.

26. Investment development and industrialization.—(1) The Authority may initiate one-stop service and establish linkage with the central one-stop service of Bangladesh Investment Development Authority with separate facilities for this purpose.

(2) The Authority may, with the approval of the Governing Board, as soon as possible, formulate and disseminate guidelines and brochures relating to various incentives and facilities for domestic and foreign investors.

(3) The Authority may, by fulfilling the conditions in favour of the investing institute, play a special role in facilitating the easy acquisition of environmental clearance certificates.

(4) The Authority may play a special role in introducing dedicated terminals or jetties through the Port Authority, and dedicated customs-immigration-clearance and green channel facilities through the Customs and Revenue Department, to facilitate the import and export of investors within its jurisdiction.

(5) The Authority may, by notification in the official Gazette, with the approval of the National Board of Revenue, undertake to provide special bonded facilities under the Customs Act, 2023 (Act No. 57 of 2023) for providing special customs facilities for investments in the area of the Authority or in special areas for a specified period, namely:—

- (a) customs reserve, sales tax, Octroi or excise duty or import license or permit fee or any other charge on any goods including raw materials imported into the industries under the jurisdiction of the Authority; and
- (b) any duty or other charge on any goods exported from the industries under the jurisdiction of the Authority or used in the country for the purpose of export;

(6) The Authority may play a role to provide similar financial incentives and facilities to export-oriented industries in the areas under its jurisdiction as per the provisions of the Bangladesh Export Processing Zone Authority Act, 1980 (Act No. XXXVI of 1980).

(7) The Authority, with the permission of the Governing Board, may take innovative measures to attract investment and implement international standards and best practices.

27. Vehicles and procurement activities of the Authority, etc.—(1) The Authority may arrange its vehicles and other facilities in accordance with the framework approved by the Government.

(2) The Authority may carry out its procurement activities in accordance with the financial delegation approved by the Governing Board in accordance with the Public Procurement Act, 2006 (Act No. 24 of 2006) and other prevailing financial rules and regulations.

28. Compliance with environmental laws, etc.—For carrying out the purposes of this Act, the Authority, developers, industrial units established under the jurisdiction of the Authority and other financial and commercial institutions, shall—

- (a) be bound to comply with the international commitments recognized by the Government of Bangladesh, including compliance with all laws relating to the protection of the environment and ecology existing in Bangladesh; and
- (b) take measures to protect the natural environment and production of local product and, if necessary, take measures for appropriate compensation and rehabilitation.

29. Other functions.—The Authority shall take necessary steps to implement the activities specified in different sections of other Chapters of this Act.

Chapter IV

Alternative Disputes Resolution

30. Disputes Resolution between the Authority and any local authority or organization.—(1) For carrying out the purposes of this Act, if any dispute arises between the Authority and any other local authority or organization regarding the formulation and implementation of a Master Plan or development project in the area under the jurisdiction of the Authority or any decision or activity taken by the Authority, the Authority shall take immediate steps to resolve the dispute through mutual discussions.

(2) If the dispute cannot be resolved through the steps taken under sub-section (1), the authority shall refer the matter to the Government, and the Government shall take steps to resolve the dispute through mutual consultation with the statutory authority or administrative Ministry controlling the local authority or organization, as the case may be.

31. Disputes Resolution between the Authority and the allottee.—(1) If any dispute arises between the Authority and the allottee, the Authority shall take the initiative to settle it through mutual discussions.

(2) If it is not possible to settle the dispute under sub-section (1), the dispute shall be settled through arbitration.

32. Disputes Resolution between industries or factories.—(1) If any dispute arises between the industries or factories under the jurisdiction of the Authority, initiatives shall be taken to settle it through mutual discussions.

(2) If it is not possible to settle the dispute under sub-section (1), it shall be referred to the Authority, and the Authority shall settle it in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations.

Chapter V

Special powers of the authority, exemptions in special cases, etc.

33. Power to grant exemption from the application of certain laws.—For carrying out the purposes of this Act, if it is considered necessary and expedient to attract investment and remove obstacles to the implementation of development projects, the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, exempt any person from the application of all or any of the provisions of any existing law.

34. Determination of import rights.—(1) If an industrial or commercial enterprise requires import rights for the import of machinery, parts, raw materials and packaging materials, the concerned enterprise shall apply to the Authority in such manner and form as may be prescribed by rules.

(2) After considering the application received under sub-section (1), the Authority shall issue the necessary clearance certificate for the import of the said machinery, parts, raw materials and packaging materials, according to such import rights as may be determined by the Authority.

35. **Royalties and fees.**—Any foreign person or institution shall apply to the Authority for remitting any royalty or technical knowledge or technical assistance fee, franchise fee, etc. abroad in such manner as may be prescribed, and the Authority shall, subject to the approval of Bangladesh Bank, settle it in such manner as may be prescribed.

Chapter VI

Funds of the Authority and accounts, etc.

36. **Fund of the Authority.**— (1) There shall be a fund of the Authority and money from the following source shall be credited therein, namely:—

- (a) grants received from the Government;
- (b) money received from the allotment or lease of plots or buildings under the jurisdiction of the Authority;
- (c) money received from the rent of buildings or space in buildings under the jurisdiction of the Authority;
- (d) money received from local income, rates, tolls, fees and service charges;
- (e) profits derived from public and private partnerships; and
- (f) money received from any source approved by the Governing Board.

(2) The money of the fund shall be deposited in the name of the Authority in any Scheduled Bank approved by it, and money from the said fund may be withdrawn in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations:

Provided that the rules and regulations made by the Government from time to time shall apply to the deposit of the grant money received from the Government.

Explanation.—“Scheduled Bank” means a Scheduled Bank as defined in clause (j) of Article 2 of the Bangladesh Bank Order, 1972 (President's Order No. 127 of 1972).

(3) The expenses necessary for the salaries and allowances of the Executive Chairman, members, other officers and employees of the Authority and the honorarium of the members of the Committee and other expenses required for the conduct of the functions of the Authority, as well as the maintenance expenses of the infrastructure under the jurisdiction of the Authority may be met from the fund in accordance with the prevailing financial regulations and the regulations made by the Government from time to time.

37. **Budget.**—The Authority shall submit to the Government every year, within the time specified by the Government, the annual budget statement for the following financial year and it shall mention the amount of money required by the Authority from the Government in that year, provided that the Authority shall continue to make efforts to gradually increase its own income to meet its recurring expenditure.

38. **Accounts and Audit.**—(1) The Authority shall maintain its accounts properly and prepare an annual statement of accounts.

(2) The Comptroller and Auditor General of Bangladesh, hereinafter referred to as the Auditor-General, shall audit the accounts of the Authority every year and submit an audit report in accordance with the provisions of the existing law.

(3) In addition to the audit of accounts under sub-section (2), the accounts of the Authority may be audited by a Chartered Accountant as defined in Article 2(1)(b) of the Bangladesh Chartered Accountants Order, 1973 (President's Order No. 2 of 1973), and for this purpose the Authority may appoint one or more Chartered Accountants.

(4) The Chartered Accountant appointed under sub-section (3) shall be entitled to remuneration at the rate determined by the Authority for this purpose.

(5) For the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Authority, the Auditor General or any person authorized by him or the Chartered Accountant appointed under sub-section (3) may examine all records, documents, annual balance sheets, cash or bank deposits, securities, stores and other properties of the Authority.

39. **Report.**—(1) The Authority shall, within 90 (ninety) days after the end of each financial year, submit to the Government, an annual report on all activities carried out by it during that year.

(2) The Government may, if necessary, call for a report or statement from the Authority on any matter, and the Authority shall be bound to furnish the same to the Government.

Chapter VII

Miscellaneous

40. **Applicability of Bangladesh Labour Act, 2006.**—The Bangladesh Labour Act, 2006 (Act No. 42 of 2006) shall apply for the purpose of ensuring the interests of workers employed in any company or industrial or commercial enterprise under the jurisdiction of the Authority.

41. **Granting Permission to banks, financial institutions or insurance companies to conduct activities.**—(1) Subject to the approval of Bangladesh Bank, the Authority may grant permission to any bank or financial institution to conduct banking or financial activities in the area under its jurisdiction.

(2) Subject to the approval of the Insurance Development and Regulatory Authority or, as the case may be, the Bangladesh Bank, the Authority may grant permission to any insurance company to carry on insurance activities in the area under its jurisdiction.

42. **Appointment of advisors, consultants and experts.**—The Authority may, appoint advisors, consultants and experts on a contractual basis, following the provisions of existing Acts and rules and regulations for the efficient performance of its functions.

43. **Conflict of interest.**—The Executive Chairman, member or any employee, consultant, expert or auditor shall not participate directly or indirectly in any business or transaction or any matter of interest with the Authority while holding any position in the Authority.

44. **Delegation of powers.**—The Authority may, by written order, delegate any of its powers or responsibilities to the Executive Chairman, any member or other employee.

45. **Power to amend Schedule.**—The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, amend the Schedule.

46. **Power to make rules.**—(1) For carrying out the purposes of this Act, the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules.

(2) Until rules are made, the Government may, for carrying out the purpose of this section, issue such orders as may be necessary.

47. Power to make regulations.—(1) For carrying out the purposes of this Act, the Authority may, with the prior approval of the Government, by notification in the official Gazette, make such regulations which are not inconsistent with this Act or rules.

(2) Until regulations are made, for carrying out the purpose of this section, the Authority may issue such orders as may be necessary.

48. Removal of difficulties.—If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Government may, by order published in the official Gazette, take any necessary measures to remove such difficulty.

49. Repeal and savings.—(1) The Maheshkhali Integrated Development Authority Ordinance, 2025 (Ordinance No. 38 of 2025) is hereby repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, any act done or action taken under the repealed Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under this Act.

50. Publication of Authentic English text.—(1) After the commencement of this Act, the Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, publish an authentic English text of this Act.

(2) In the event of conflict between the Bangla and the English text, the Bangla text shall prevail.

Schedule

[See section 2(2), section 2(6), section 3, section 10 and section 45]

Areas under the jurisdiction of the Authority

Serial No.	Name of the District	Name of the Upazila	Name of the Union	Name of the Mouza	Amount of land (in acre)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	Cox's Bazar	Maheshkhali	Matarbari	Matarbari	7,757.971
2.			Dhalghata	Dhalghata	6,144.629
				South Dhalghata	2,946.2327
3.			Kalarmarchhara	Kalarmarchhara	2,874.01
				Jhapua	1,471.228
				Yunuskhali	263.04
				North Nalbila	1,439.48
				Kaligonj	1,075.92
				4.	Hoanak
Horiyarchhara			1,004.422		
Panirchhara			1,885.09		
Hetalia			1,932.30		
Amabosyakhali			3,758.24		
					34,181.044

By Order of the President

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