

Country File

BANGLADESH



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Region	Asia and Pacific
Legal system	Common Law
UNCAT Ratification/ Accession (a)/ succession (d)	5 October 1998 (a)
Relevant Laws	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Constitution of 4 November 1972
Relevant Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prohibition of Torture: Article 35 of the Constitution• Definition of Torture:• Penalties:• Others:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lawful Sanctions: Article 35 of the Constitution
Languages Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English
Other Relevant Information	

Relevant Articles – BANGLADESH

ENGLISH (Translation)

Constitution of 4 November 1972

Article 35 Protection in respect of trial and punishment

- (1) No person shall be convicted to any offence except for violation of al law in force at the time of the commission of the act charged as an offence, nor be subjected to a penalty greater than, or different from that which might have been inflicted under the law in force at the time of the commission of the offence.
- (2) No person shall be prosecuted and punished for the same offence more than once.
- (3) Every person accused of a criminal offence shall have the right to a speedy and public trial by an independent and impartial court or tribunal established by law.
- (4) No person accused of any offence shall be compelled to be a witness against himself.
- (5) No person shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman, or degrading punishment or treatment.
- (6) Nothing in clause (3) or clause (5) shall affect the operation of any existing law which prescribes any punishment or procedure for trial.