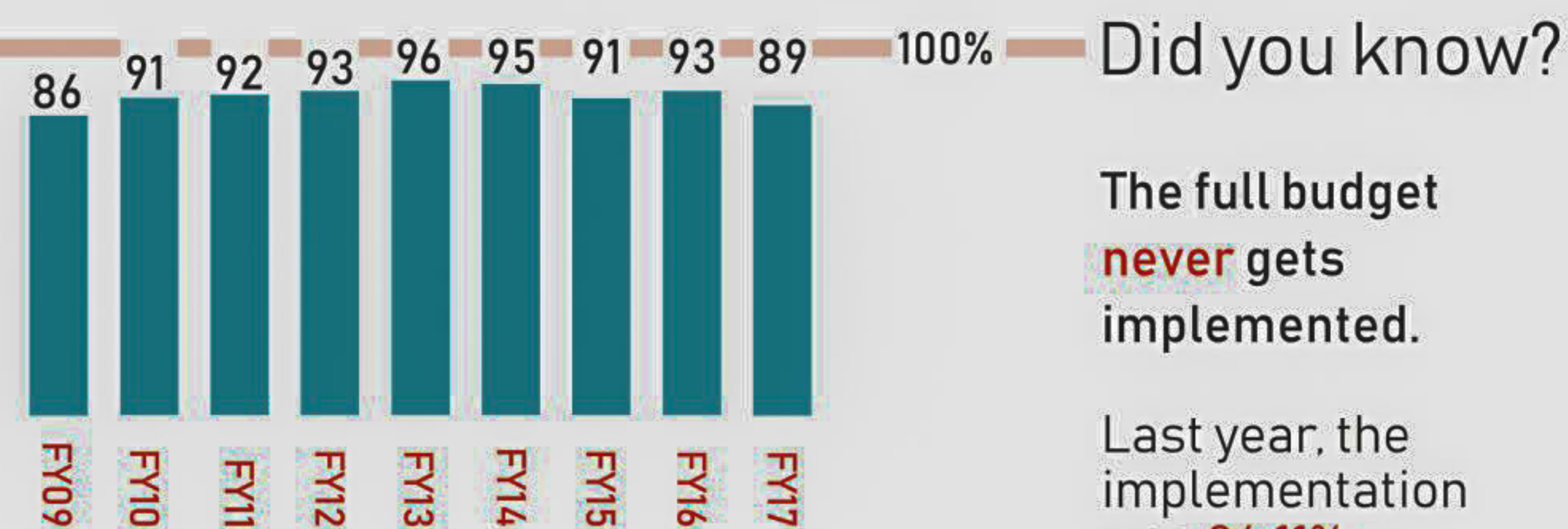


Annual Development Programme in posterity

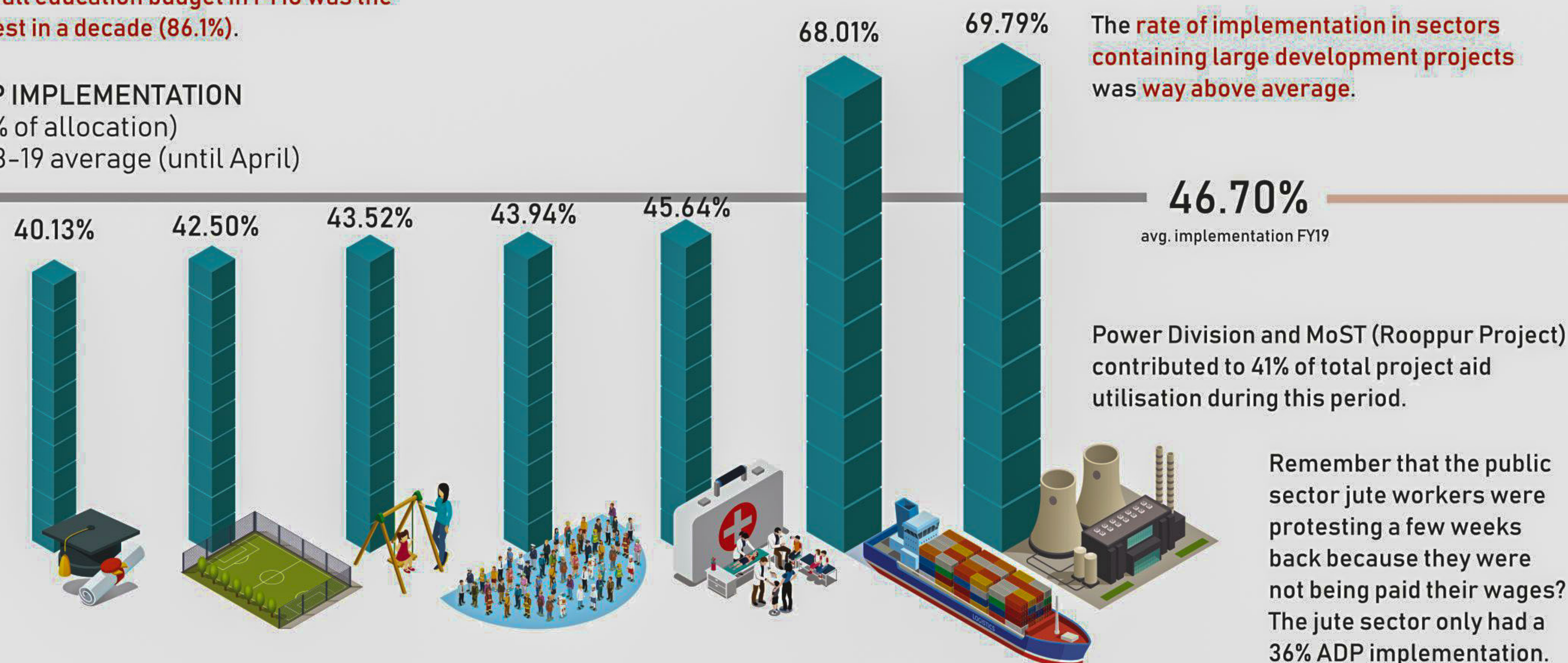
The new budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 was announced yesterday promising a year of development work and economy building. But let's put a pin on that for a moment. Each year the government allocates a large portion of the annual budget to the Annual Development Programme (ADP), which consists of scores of development projects across all the ministries and government divisions. How is this money spent? How much of the budget actually gets implemented?



ADP IMPLEMENTATION (in % of allocation)

The **implementation of social sectors is below average most years**. CPD said in a new report unveiled last week that **implementation of overall education budget in FY18 was the lowest in a decade (86.1%)**.

ADP IMPLEMENTATION (in % of allocation) 2018-19 average (until April)



Remember that the public sector jute workers were protesting a few weeks back because they were not being paid their wages? The jute sector only had a 36% ADP implementation.

Because of the lack of efficiency in implementation, projects often implement the budget without actually finishing all the work.

Fun-fact:

More than half of the ADP budget is implemented in the LAST TWO MONTHS. Economists raise concerns that this is indicative of inefficiency in project spending.



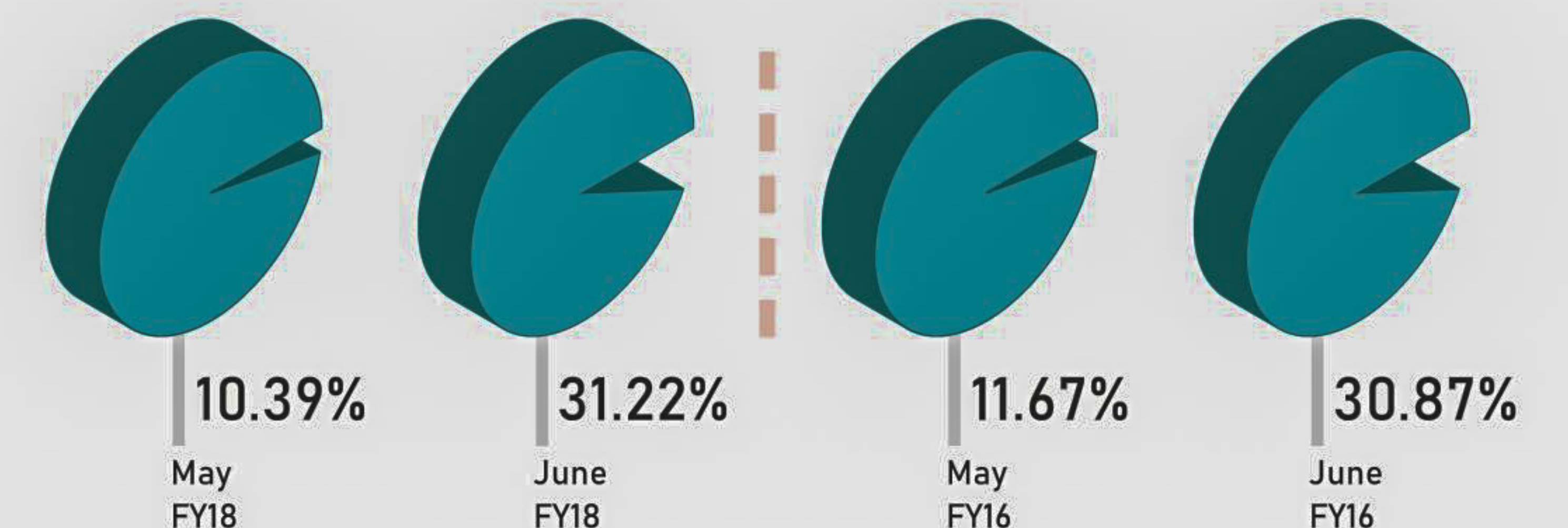
July 2018 - April 2019	46.70%
July 2017 - April 2018	52.42%
July 2016 - April 2017	54.56%
July 2015 - April 2016	50.18%
July 2014 - April 2015	55.00%
July 2013 - April 2014	54.00%

CPD found that between FY2008-FY2018, about 63.4% (on average) of all completed projects were stated as complete without 100% physical progress.

Last year CPD predicted that in the power and energy sector, 79% of the projects scheduled to be completed by FY19 projects will have less than 90% progress, even if they spend all their allocated budget. For roads and infrastructure that percentage is 69% of all projects meant to be completed.

What happens during May-June?

Rushed spending in large quantities **during last two months**.



Unfortunately, IMED was yet to publish spending data of May and June 2019 at the time of going to print, but **the government needed to spend 53.3% in just two months**.

Bangladesh Public Service Commission had the lowest rate of implementation in the last fiscal year.

They implemented 0 percent of the of ADP budget. The project they had undertaken was to extend the complex building from the 7th floor to the 10th floor, and TK 63.6 crores was allocated for the construction of those three floors.

Sources: Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD), "The First 100 Days of the New Government" and "State of the Bangladesh Economy and the Budget Challenges"; Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Division.