

Q. OGR LEGAL



Liaison, Branch & Project Offices in Bangladesh

Capability Statement

About Us

OGR Legal is a leading full-service law and tax firm in Bangladesh, dedicated to providing strategic, commercially-focused solutions. From our two offices in Dhaka and one in Chattogram, we leverage deep local insights and international standards to guide clients.

Our history is built on delivering innovative and practical advice to a diverse clientele, including prominent local conglomerates and multinational corporations, helping them navigate the complexities of the Bangladeshi market with confidence.



Why OGR Legal

UNMATCHED REGULATORY EXPERTISE

Deep, practical knowledge of the BIDA (Bangladesh Investment Development Authority), Bangladesh Bank (central bank), and NBR (National Board of Revenue) regulations that specifically govern foreign entity operations.

SEAMLESS LEGAL AND TAX INTEGRATION

Benefit from our integrated approach, where legal and tax advice are developed in parallel to create a robust, compliant, and commercially optimized operational structure.

FULL LIFECYCLE SUPPORT

A dedicated team that guides you from initial market entry strategy and BIDA approval through to operational compliance and, ultimately, a successful and clean exit.

PROVEN EXPERIENCE

A strong track record of efficiently managing complex regulatory interactions, facilitating smoother application processes, and resolving queries with government bodies.

Our Capabilities: Full Lifecycle from Establishment to Closure

MARKET ENTRY STRATEGY & STRUCTURING

- Advising on the optimal entry structure (liaison, branch, or project office) based on your intended commercial activities.
- Counsel on capital requirements, permitted activities, and regulatory limitations for each specific structure.
- Strategic guidance on feasibility and the long-term tax implications of your chosen entity.

BIDA PERMISSION & INITIAL REGISTRATION

- Preparing and managing the comprehensive BIDA application, including project profiles and all supporting documentation (e.g., audited financials, parent company board resolutions, F-C account support).
- Securing the required inward remittance documentation from your Authorized Dealer (AD) bank.
- Managing the post-permission registration with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms (RJSC).



OPERATIONAL SETUP & LICENSING

- Obtaining all essential operational licenses, including Trade License, Tax Identification Number (TIN), and VAT Registration (BIN).
- Advising on and securing all expatriate employment requirements, including E-visas, BIDA-issued work permits, and security clearances.
- Assistance with office leasing, employment contracts, and other setup logistics.

ONGOING COMPLIANCE & GOVERNANCE

- Full-service corporate secretarial support, including required annual filings with RJSC and BIDA.
- Advising on all central bank (Bangladesh Bank) compliance, including reporting, expense remittance, fund repatriation, and audits.
- Comprehensive tax advisory, including payroll, corporate tax filings, and managing correspondence with the NBR.

CLOSURE, WIND-DOWN & REPATRIATION

- Strategic advice on the formal closure process to ensure a clean and efficient exit.
- Managing the formal application to BIDA for closure, cancellation of all operational licenses, and securing tax clearance from the NBR.
- Securing final Bangladesh Bank approval for the repatriation of all surplus funds and assets post-closure.



Some of our recent key engagements

- Advised multiple prominent European retailers on the establishment, operational setup, and ongoing compliance of their liaison offices.
- Assisting a major US based healthcare technology provider with the winding down and compliant closure of its branch office.
- Advising a leading global commodities merchant on the complete regulatory process for the closure of its branch office in Bangladesh.
- Guided a US-based global leader in GIS and geodatabase solutions through its initial branch office setup and now manage its ongoing regulatory compliance.
- Supported one of the world's largest renewable energy inverter manufacturers in successfully establishing its branch office in Bangladesh.



Key People



Ariful Hasan

Ariful is a licensed tax specialist (ITP) with over 15 years of experience. His practice focuses on tax advisory, planning, and compliance for foreign and domestic clients. He provides solution-driven advice on tax structuring for cross-border investments and market entry strategies, with deep experience in the manufacturing, TMT, and energy sectors

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Osman Goni

Osman is an Advocate of the Supreme Court with over a decade of experience in corporate law, M&A, and project finance. He has a strong track record guiding foreign and domestic clients on complex investment structuring, company incorporation, regulatory compliance, and dispute resolution, particularly in the energy and infrastructure sectors.

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Sazzad Hossain

Sazzad brings over 8 years of experience, focusing on dispute resolution, corporate advisory, and employment law. He assists local and international clients with contract drafting, regulatory compliance, and commercial litigation, with particular experience supporting clients in the manufacturing, infrastructure, and consumer goods sectors.

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Key People



Faizul Islam Khan

Faizul is a UK-qualified Barrister (Lincoln's Inn) and an Advocate in Bangladesh. His practice focuses on corporate advisory, dispute resolution, and regulatory compliance. He regularly assists multinational clients with company incorporation, business licensing, and employment matters, representing them before various regulatory authorities and the courts.

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H A S Morshed

Morshed brings a unique blend of legal and operational expertise, drawing on his prior senior leadership experience in the fintech and RMG sectors. He specializes in employment issues, labour compliance, and corporate advisory, providing practical, commercially-focused solutions to manufacturers and technology clients on HR policies, labour audits, and regulatory challenges.

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Obaidullah Bhuiyan

Obaidullah is a corporate finance and tax specialist with over 15 years of experience. He holds an FCGA designation and leverages his background at multinational firms to advise on FDI, market entry, tax planning, and strategic financial management. He provides specialized support in business formation, accounting automation (QuickBooks/Xero certified), and outsourced CFO services for global investors and local SMEs.

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