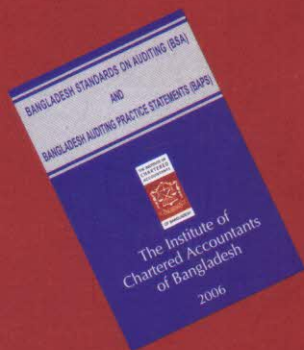
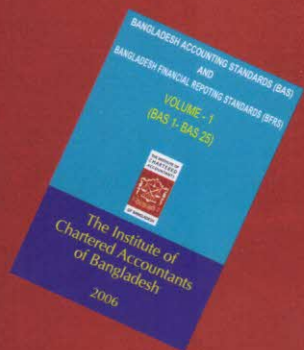


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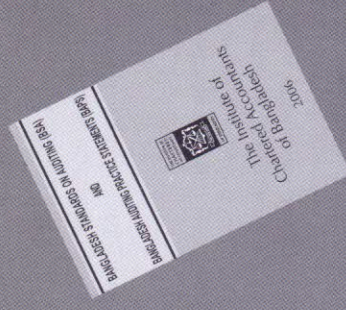
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MESSAGE

I am pleased to announce the publication of the **Framework for Quality Control** booklet intended for our members in practice. Quality control of audit assurance and indeed of our professional services performed by us is now a very topical issue and a vital cornerstone of our professional obligations as practising members. These obligations stem from national and international mandates which ICAB, as the supreme regulatory body of the accounting profession in this country, is committed to follow.

Members of the Institute holding a Certificate of Practice are required to follow the provisions of the **Bangladesh Standards on Auditing (BSA)** and Bangladesh Auditing Practice Statements (BAPS) while carrying out audit assurance work. Special mention may be made of BSA 220 - Quality Control for Audit Work and BSA 230 - Documentation, which will be relied upon for the visits to the practising firms for conducting Quality Control Review by the Institute.

At the same time, I wish to remind the honourable members of the fact that **Quality has a Cost**. The Institute already has a published Fees Schedule prescribing minimum rates for provision of various audit and non audit services by the practising members. The Institute sincerely expects that the honourable members will follow these prescribed rates while discharging their professional obligations thereby ensuring high quality of our work..

I would like to record my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Quality Assurance Board of the Council-ICAB for taking the initiative to develop this booklet and for their suggestions for improving quality control aspects of our practice work.

M Farhad Hussain FCA
President, ICAB

Dated: June 14, 2007



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PREFACE

The role of auditors in providing assurance services has attracted increasing attention in recent times and the quality of audit work is also being examined closely. Against the backdrop of increasing demands being made upon the work of the auditors licensed by ICAB in lending credibility to the attestation of financial statements, and in line with its professional obligations under national and international standards, most notably the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC), the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) wishes to demonstrate its firm commitment to ensure quality control of the work performed by its members in providing audit and other professional services. In this regard, the Council of the ICAB had earlier set up a special Standing Committee called the Quality Assurance Board (QAB) and this Board was tasked with the responsibility of introducing a set of guidelines for ensuring quality control and to institute a time bound programme for awareness, implementation, monitoring and action against firms or individuals not complying with the Institute's regulations.

The attached booklet, which has been approved by the Council of ICAB, entitled **Framework for Quality Control**, forms Part II of the **Guidance for Members in Practice** series, launched earlier by the Institute. Attention of the practising members is specially drawn to Part I of the series, entitled **Practice Management**, which contains a comprehensive approach to carrying out an audit, as well as containing specimen audit reports, audit programmes, internal control questionnaires, disclosure checklist, letters of engagement and representations from the management. Members are also advised to carefully follow the provisions of Bangladesh Standards on Auditing and particularly **BSA – 220 Quality Control for Audit Work**, in carrying out their professional obligations, and in particular Section 4 of this BSA which requires audit firms to establish sound quality control policies and procedures designed to ensure that all audits are conducted in accordance with BSAs.

The Institute requires all members holding a Certificate of Practice to abide by the standards set by the Institute. At the same time, it will take up a programme very shortly for active monitoring of the firms licensed to perform audit services including visits to individual firms to review compliance with ICAB's professional rules and regulations. The Institute expects the sincere co-operation of the concerned members and also undertakes to provide technical support, advice and guidance, if required by its members.

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and Member Council & Past President, ICAB

Dated: June 14, 2007

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