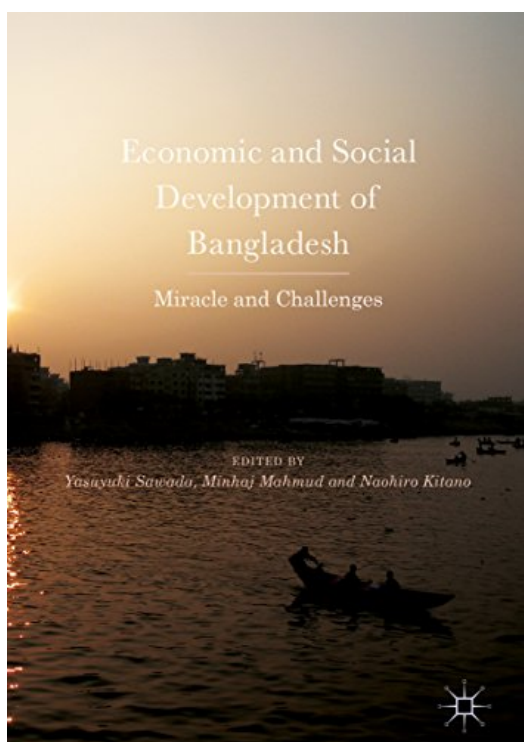


"Economic and Social Development of Bangladesh: Miracle and Challenges"



Abstract

This book discusses Bangladesh's economic and social development that may be called a "miracle" since the country has achieved remarkable development progress under several unfavorable situations: weak governance and political instabilities, inequality, risks entailed in rapid urbanization, and exposure to severe disaster risks. The authors examine what led to this successful economic development, and the potential challenges that it presents, aiming to elicit effective policy interventions that can be adapted by other developing countries.

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Background of the Book

This book is the culmination of a three-year research project entitled "Empirical Study on Risk and Poverty in Bangladesh," conducted by the JICA Research Institute (JICA-RI). In the study, JICA-RI made our best effort to comprehensively understand Bangladesh's miraculous achievement based on empirical analyses of rich microdata. Our collaborating researchers, Dr. Sawada and Dr. Mahmud played leading roles in this project.

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