Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park

Kaliakoir hi-tech park is the first ever hi-tech park in Bangladesh. It is located at kaliakoir upazilla in Gazipur district, only 40 km. north from Dhaka city and total area of land is 232 acre. The park will be considered as specialized economic zone (SEZ) to attract foreign and local investors where they could utilize vast potential of young educated and technically skilled work force. Eventually country’s economy will be substantially augmented by increasing foreign exchange. To establish a world class business environment and to enrich the facilities a project named Support to Development of kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park at Kaliakoir, Gazipur has been taken up at the cost of 22236.33 lakh.

Objectives:

The major objectives of establishing High-Tech Park at Kaliakoir, Gazipur are to

- attract foreign companies to set up operations in Bangladesh
• develop indigenous technological capability for the development of the local industries

• create a conducive atmosphere for establishing ICT, engineering, electronics, telecommunication, biotechnology and other related knowledge based industry.

• develop 231.685 acres of land earmarked for Hi-Tech park

• provide necessary administrative support service to the potential entrepreneurs interested in investing at the Hi-Tech park

• ensure electricity, water, sewerage, gas, telephone, internet and other utility services at the park

Location:

The proposed Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park is situated at Gazipur alongside Dhaka-Tangail expressway. It covers an area of 231.685 acres, comprising of industrial base, internal roads, science plaza, and some policy-covering sections.

The Park has an excellent location and enjoys easy transportation. It is 40 km. from Dhaka city and 25 km. from Zia International Airport. The 30 feet wide Dhaka-Tangail expressway beside the zone links up with the inner-ring road of the park and the main communication hub of the country. The latter serves as the access to Zia International Airport, Railways in Dhaka, Tangail or Mymensingh and the sea port at Chittagong.

Amenities:

Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park is planned on a scientific and comprehensive basis and boasts a first-rate infrastructure, rationally schemed for the function of industry, commerce, residence, office, culture education, hygiene and equipped with a complete set of roads, water supply, electricity supply, gas supply, telecommunications, drainage and sewage facilities.

At moderate prices, Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park will provide both domestic and foreign investors with land for industrial or commercial use as well as standard factory buildings for Hi-Technology knowledge based economy.
Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park will have all the necessary public facilities. Electricity sub-stations of 220 KV and 35 KV will be installed there. There will be sufficient water supply, gas supply, telephones providing IDD services and other facilities. It is well connected location with roads, rail other public transport facilities.

Renowned multinational corporations are expected to invest and operate in this zone. Its rapid development will offer wide fields of co-operation and huge opportunity of investment to entrepreneurs at home and abroad. At the same time, the park will also take in enterprises, which enjoy considerable sales potential on the market and have reached a certain scale in such industries such as machinery and clothing.

Industries in the hi-tech Park will be environment friendly. They will follow the safety standard of ILO and WHO.

Preferential treatment in regard to income tax, customs tax and land development will be accorded to enterprises located and registered in this zone. Serial services for project examination and approval will also be available to investors in Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park.

During its development, the zone will always focus on the goal of Developing and industrializing high technologies, and go on opening wider to the outside world. The zone will establish close relations with different countries and regions in world with enterprises involving foreign elements and hi-tech inside the Zone.

Adhering to its principle of "facilitating investors in their pursuit of profits," Kaliakoir Hi-Tech Park promises to provide the best possible investment environment, the most satisfactory services and most favorable investment policies. It hopes to work together with both domestic and overseas investors for a better future.

**Targets:**

The Hi-Tech Park at Kaliakoir is envisioned as an integrated, ultra modern techno township that would attract some of the large transnational companies and serve the world class business enterprises. Keeping that in view the potential industries are identified as:

i. Agro-bio-technology and Genetic Engineering

ii. Automobile and Metal Industries

iii. New and Advanced materials

iv. Medical supplies and devices

v. Bioinformatics

vi. Garments and Textile (R&D)

vii. Plastics Merchandising and Machinery Design of Electronic Products
viii. Computer hardware

ix. Computer Software

x. Communication Hardware

xi. Communication Software

xii. IT Enabled services

xiii. Human Resource Development Institute

xiv. Design and Consultancy

**Outputs:**

With the achievement of establishing targeted industries in the Hi-Tech Park at Kaliakoir, Gazipur knowledge intensive industries would be set. It is expected that satisfactory outcome on the following features in the context of Bangladesh will be derived:

i. high technology (R&D) content in industries

ii. entry into foreign market with state of the art technology

iii. development of indigenous technology capability

iv. cost advantage

v. availability of knowledge rich manpower

vi. non polluting and internationally accepted work environment of the industries

vii. labor intensity

viii. capital intensity

ix. infrastructure readiness

x. cyber law and IPR law