

CHAPTER II

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Thailand-Bangladesh Trade

The Trade relation of Thailand and Bangladesh has started from October, 05th, 1972 and Today These two countries are very friendly and have grown trusted Friendships which kept going on good and strong relationship in case of Trade (DCCI president Asif Ibrahim).When the Business among these two countries got started, it was not much development, in other words Bangladesh did not have many things to share or export to Thailand and its good news for Bangladeshi Exporters that they can export 75% which has increased than in the past. Bangladesh's exports to Thailand increased 73.66 per cent in 2011 from a year ago, as demand for fertilizer and pesticide, garments, yarn and fibre, fresh aquatic animals, chilled frozen foods and textile items increased in the Southeast Asian market.

“Bangladesh having abundant reasonably priced workforce and sound incentive packages for the investors have been an attractive investment destination.”¹

Exports to Thailand rose to US\$42.20 million in 2011 from \$24.3 million in 2010, according to data from the south-east Asian nation's commerce ministry. Thailand exported \$1.21 billion of goods to Bangladesh in 2011.

“Relations between the two nations have developed over the last 40 years, especially in Trade”²

¹ President Mingpant Chayavichitslip, Thai Bangladesh Business Council (TSBC)

² Usa Wijarum, Director of Thai Trade Centre.

Thailand exports rice, polymers, woven fabrics, sugar, yarn, synthetic filament and staple fibres, chemical products, refined fuel, machinery and parts, auto-parts and paper to Bangladesh, (said by Wijarum)

“Trade between Bangladesh and Thailand is increasing by the year.”³

Economic relations can be developed not only by bilateral trade but also through investment in the form of joint venture business and in tourism, [said by Sirisorn]

Thailand will organize a trade show in Bangladesh at Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka to increase business opportunities between the two countries. Thailand Trade Show 2012, a three-day event, will start on March 29 to expand the opportunities with the business communities of both countries to accelerate the economic relations, (Wijarum said). The trade show is supposed to be an assembly of all interested traders and importers as well as classified consumers and the public at large, she said. “Thailand and Bangladesh have a vibrant economic sector where both can share each other's resources and exchange technical knowhow”⁴

Thai Bangladesh Business Council (TSBC) President Mingpant Chayavichitslip said Bangladesh having abundant reasonably priced workforce and sound incentive packages for the investors, has been an attractive investment destination. Mr Mingpant is leading a high level Thai Business delegation including officials from Department of Export Promotion (DEP). The Thai team held a meeting with Bangladesh Thai Chamber of Commerce and Industry at a city club recently. In the meeting, the Thai delegation head said that Bangladesh and Thailand, since establishment of diplomatic ties in October, 1972 have developed their friendship. Apart from historical relationship, the trade between the two countries has also expanded remarkably which is visible from the bilateral trade figures amounting to \$640 million. While Thailand's export was significantly more (around 90 per cent), Bangladesh's export to Thailand was below the potential. “Thailand has set an

³ Suwapong Sirisorn, charge of 'affaires of the Thai embassy,

⁴ President MA Momen, Thai-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry

extraordinary example of increasing economic growth through attracting large scale foreign investments and Bangladesh can follow this path too.”⁵

In the recent years, Bangladesh has established itself as the cheapest production base in South Asia. With low cost labor and low cost infrastructure, Bangladesh is now recognized as one of the globally competitive production base particularly in labor intensive industries. As such the Thai investors could find our intensive sectors like textile, leather, paper and pulp, energy, tourism, agro-based and agro processing industries, healthcare and hospitality.

Bangladesh as it was poised geographically to act as a bridge between BIMSTEK and ASEAN in developing Business”⁶

Bangladesh Commerce Minister Faruk Khan called upon Thai investors to invest more in Bangladesh’s potential sectors as the country liberalized investment policy much more than other South Asian countries and announced the Industry Policy 2009 with a new vision. “The policy has given more emphasis on private sector. I would urge private-sector leaders of both the countries to reap fruits of these policies to march forward,”⁷ he said addressing the opening session of “Bangladesh Road Show 2009 in Thailand ”held at the Miracle Grand Hotel in the Thai capital under the government’s current quest for foreign investment.

The Bangladesh-Thai Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BTCCI) in cooperation with the Board of Investment (BOI), Thailand, the Thai Embassy in Dhaka and Thai-Bangladesh Business Council (TBBC) and Bangladesh Embassy in Thailand jointly staged the road show.” Objective of the campaign was to focus Bangladesh’s immense opportunities in the

⁵ President Mingpant Chayavichitslip, Thai Bangladesh Business Council (TSBC)

⁶ President MA Momen, Thai-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry,
http://www.thefinancialexpress-bd.com/more.php?news_id=112577&img=1&date=2010-09-23
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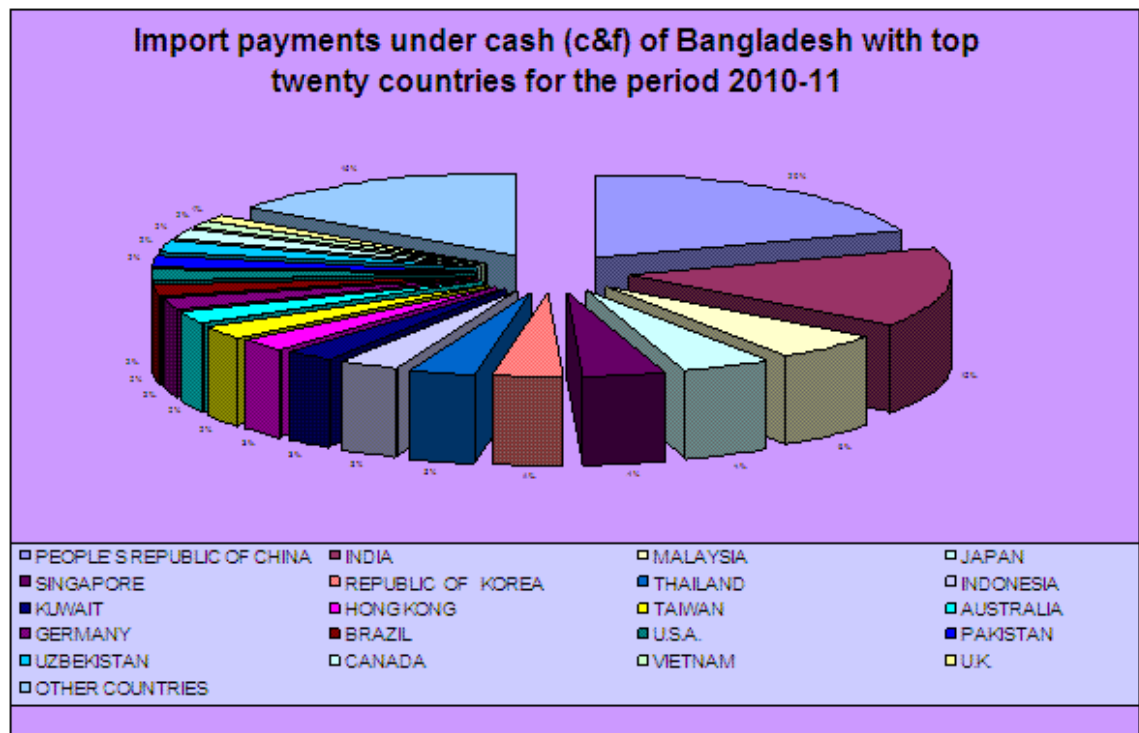
⁷ Bangladesh Commerce Minister Faruk Khan

country's promising sectors as well as to induce prospective Thai investors into investing in Bangladesh.”⁸

2.2 Bangladesh Major Top 20 Countries Export-import 2010-2011

This is a historical Chart showing the top 20 countries partners with Bangladesh to be involved with business from the year 2010-2011

Figure 2.1 Bangladeshi Partners for export-import



⁸ Bangladesh woos Thai investors to invest more in potential sectors-Bangladesh-Thai Chamber of Commerce, published date-December 17, 2009 19:39 PM, Published by M Jahangir Alam <http://www.unbconnect.com/component/news/task-show/id-10643> viewed on October-16-2012

This is a historical Record between Bangladesh and international top 20 Countries who are Partners with Bangladeshi Trades from the year 2010 to 2011. The Trade among the top 20 countries shows the amount of money spent both in dollar and Taka.

Figure 2.2 International Partners with Bangladeshi Trades on export-import in currencies

Year		2010-2011		
Sl No	Major Countries	Taka in crore	In million US \$	% of Total
1	China, P.R.	42079.60	5905.70	19.70
2	India	32483.20	4560.00	15.20
3	Malaysia	12427.60	1738.80	5.80
4	Japan	9332.30	1306.60	4.40
5	Singapore	8586.10	1208.30	4.00
6	Korea, Republic of	7995.10	1118.30	3.70
7	Thailand	7353.20	1028.20	3.40
8	Indonesia	5999.60	840.70	2.80
9	Kuwait	5606.50	787.70	2.60
10	Hong Kong	5398.50	760.80	2.50
11	Taiwan	5232.50	730.50	2.40
12	Australia	5190.40	731.70	2.40
13	Germany	4933.00	691.00	2.30
14	Brazil	4848.20	677.70	2.30
15	U.S.A	4840.00	676.70	2.30
16	Pakistan	4783.50	669.30	2.20
17	Uzbekistan	4417.30	621.90	2.10
18	Canada	4096.30	573.10	1.90
19	Vietnam	3284.70	459.20	1.50
20	U.K.	2372.20	333.10	1.10
21	Other Country	32590.10	4573.00	15.40
	Total	213849.9	29992.3	100.0

2.3 Export-Import Information of Bangladesh 2001-2009

This is a Historical data for Bangladesh from 2001-2009 which shows how much Bangladesh has Imported and Exported throughout the world in Billion US dollars.

Year	Import (Billion US \$)	Export (Billion US \$)
2001-02	8.54	5.99
2002-03	9.66	6.55
2003-04	10.90	7.60
2004-05	13.15	8.65
2005-06	14.75	10.53
2006-07	17.16	12.18
2007-08	20.37	14.11
2008-09	21.44	15.57

2.4 Thailand Exports to Bangladesh 2009-2011

Thailand Export Statistics To Bangladesh				
Commodity: _Total, All Commodity Chapters				
Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011				
	Description	United States Dollars		
Total	All Commodity Chapters	619317189	885967000	
10	Cereals	520438	60174533	345309556
39	Plastics And Articles Thereof	100809834	137864725	142274618
25	Salt; Sulfur; Earth & Stone; Lime & Cement Plaster	111439370	136830295	111865142
55	Manmade Staple Fibers, Incl Yarns & Woven Fabrics	61509638	95202598	102464144
52	Cotton, Including Yarn And Woven Fabric Thereof	33052300	60564858	69721109
17	Sugars And Sugar Confectionary	29682912	34525036	69339099

84	Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery Etc.; Parts	47095257	84449295	53411799
54	Manmade Filaments, Including Yarns & Woven Fabrics	25711310	42286277	40932692
27	Mineral Fuel, Oil Etc.; Bitumin Subst; Mineral Wax	43475233	14079655	
40	Rubber And Articles Thereof	11909614	20886761	23473422
87	Vehicles, Except Railway Or Tramway, And Parts Etc	6896071	20909687	19794942
48	Paper & Paperboard & Articles (Inc Papr Pulp Artl)	13094363	15328216	14628633
11	Milling Products; Malt; Starch; Inulin; Wht Gluten	10168610	14821322	14424689
08	Edible Fruit & Nuts; Citrus Fruit Or Melon Peel	9687911	7951975	12611844
85	Electric Machinery Etc; Sound Equip; Tv Equip; Pts	15927578	8683757	
15	Animal Or Vegetable Fats, Oils Etc. & Waxes	1804405	998534	11143223
38	Miscellaneous Chemical Products	8854577	11368101	10333676
73	Articles Of Iron Or Steel	3356090	9945609	8827068
32	Tanning & Dye Ext Etc; Dye, Paint, Putty Etc; Inks	6527596	9341846	8575184
72	Iron And Steel	9029719	7177550	7596106
23	Food Industry Residues & Waste; Prep Animal Feed	5525368	10007729	7347965
34	Soap Etc; Waxes, Polish Etc; Candles; Dental Preps	6936498	7413992	6446850
29	Organic Chemicals	2558764	4526479	6242897
33	Essential Oils Etc; Perfumery, Cosmetic Etc Preps	3401849	4438355	6177928
21	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations	5900862	4756341	5705216
28	Inorg Chem; Prec & Rare-Earth Met & Radioact Compd	5746032	4713340	5267795
96	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	5375755	5720299	4773019

35	Albuminoidal Subst; Modified Starch; Glue; Enzymes	2880859	4188329	4611478
60	Knitted Or Crocheted Fabrics	1449510	2957754	4169404
19	Prep Cereal, Flour, Starch Or Milk; Bakers Wares	1760469	3695496	3945851
81	Base Metals Nesoi; Cermets; Articles Thereof	322793	1055703	3127855
41	Raw Hides And Skins (No Furskins) And Leather	917958	1268387	3053501
58	Spec Wov Fabrics; Tufted Fab; Lace; Tapestries Etc	3006463	3039586	3050126
59	Impregnated Etc Text Fabrics; Tex Art For Industry	1211389	3328015	2481128
94	Furniture; Bedding Etc; Lamps Nesoi Etc; Prefab Bd	688417	1268319	2421329
76	Aluminum And Articles Thereof	1948903	2061795	2258205
74	Copper And Articles Thereof	363106	594399	1893347
89	Ships, Boats And Floating Structures	14463	953762	1840047
68	Art Of Stone, Plaster, Cement, Asbestos, Mica Etc.	1101564	1683410	1824473
90	Optic, Photo Etc, Medic Or Surgical Instrments Etc	749727	2256437	1730300
44	Wood And Articles Of Wood; Wood Charcoal	4378985	2409553	
12	Oil Seeds Etc.; Misc Grain, Seed, Fruit, Plant Etc	859980	1378397	1625507
69	Ceramic Products	1047210	1489408	1459280
83	Miscellaneous Articles Of Base Metal	1177563	1358284	1433938
70	Glass And Glassware	532729	606733	1412175
56	Wadding, Felt Etc; Sp Yarn; Twine, Ropes Etc.	682607	1090652	1230232
61	Apparel Articles And Accessories, Knit Or Crochet	202421	633596	1036488
47	Wood Pulp Etc; Recovd (Waste & Scrap) Ppr & Pprbd	573400	4972714	966809

20	Prep Vegetables, Fruit, Nuts Or Other Plant Parts	426635	633453	673268
62	Apparel Articles And Accessories, Not Knit Etc.	956597	1330055	642600
82	Tools, Cutlery Etc. Of Base Metal & Parts Thereof	364535	405323	636053
26	Ores, Slag And Ash	0	268904	629776
64	Footwear, Gaiters Etc. And Parts Thereof	706805	707726	549229
63	Textile Art Nesoi; Needlecraft Sets; Worn Text Art	424309	375640	386726
79	Zinc And Articles Thereof	478612	1913708	370660
95	Toys, Games & Sport Equipment; Parts & Accessories	109118	205848	299062
22	Beverages, Spirits And Vinegar	96988	163258	295948
57	Carpets And Other Textile Floor Coverings	68585	33317	233749
09	Coffee, Tea, Mate & Spices	724995	150314	226218
80	Tin And Articles Thereof	280	0	176753
49	Printed Books, Newspapers Etc; Manuscripts Etc	55666	106417	175653
16	Edible Preparations Of Meat, Fish, Crustaceans Etc	152255	156293	159211
04	Dairy Prods; Birds Eggs; Honey; Ed Animal Pr Nesoi	329298	235681	
18	Cocoa And Cocoa Preparations	146534	110690	128431
03	Fish, Crustaceans & Aquatic Invertebrates	406389	204837	124712
31	Fertilizers	846570	243944	118755
71	Nat Etc Pearls, Prec Etc Stones, Pr Met Etc; Coin	20144	105956	111386
65	Headgear And Parts Thereof	57031	66938	103116
42	Leather Art; Saddlery Etc; Handbags Etc; Gut Art	159063	83498	90848
07	Edible Vegetables & Certain Roots & Tubers	121619	91349	89696
86	Railway Or Tramway Stock Etc; Traffic Signal Equip	68589	0	53113

30	Pharmaceutical Products	6535	62150	37614
06	Live Trees, Plants, Bulbs Etc.; Cut Flowers Etc.	512244	754686	
78	Lead And Articles Thereof	104	0	22565
97	Works Of Art, Collectors' Pieces And Antiques	25323	14297	21962
51	Wool & Animal Hair, Including Yarn & Woven Fabric	11044	40100	17882
01	Live Animals	382	1688	12209
13	Lac; Gums, Resins & Other Vegetable Sap & Extract	20148	208334	7913
46	Mfr Of Straw, Esparto Etc.; Basketware & Wickerwrk	934	221	7229
37	Photographic Or Cinematographic Goods	16362	4042	6549
53	Veg Text Fib Nesoi; Veg Fib & Paper Yns & Wov Fab	0	0	4936
02	Meat And Edible Meat Offal	2320	0	2727
67	Prep Feathers, Down Etc; Artif Flowers; H Hair Art	9603	3415	2605
91	Clocks And Watches And Parts Thereof	152	785	1732
50	Silk, Including Yarns And Woven Fabric Thereof	1026	674	1623
92	Musical Instruments; Parts And Accessories Thereof	10595	9615	181
66	Umbrellas, Walking-Sticks, Riding-Crops Etc, Parts	0	3851	150
05	Products Of Animal Origin, Nesoi	0	0	50
88	Aircraft, Spacecraft, And Parts Thereof	36685	4084	10
36	Explosives; Pyrotechnics; Matches; Pyro Alloys Etc	1	0	
43	Furskins And Artificial Fur; Manufactures Thereof	27	310	0
75	Nickel And Articles Thereof	74621	7695	0
14	Vegetable Plaiting Materials & Products Nesoi	0	10	0

Source of Data: Thai Customs Department

These are historical data of Commodities which Thailand is exporting to Bangladesh. Thai and Bangladesh has increased their Business up to 75% more than before which was said in a seminar during a relationship of Thai Bangladesh Trade relationship at Dhaka, Bangladesh.⁹

2.5 Thailand imports from Bangladesh

		value : US\$				
No	Description	2009	2010	2011	2011 (Jan.-Jul.)	2012 (Jan.-Jul.)
1	Finished oils	322	0	51	51	23,085,295
2	Yarn and fibers	11,390,601	563,696	5,027,015	1,682,406	22,842,783
3	Garments	1,369,264	3,581,161	7,370,820	3,336,286	6,952,791
4	Fresh aquatic animals, chilled, frozen, processed and	2,136,755	1,455,586	2,231,875	1,679,769	1,721,603

⁹ Thai-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce, Dhaka, Bangladesh

	instant					
5	Other textile products	947,126	1,472,427	2,169,829	1,469,994	1,255,859
6	Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	463,844	286,703	334,833	237,429	1,025,673
7	Other metal ores, metal waste scrap, and products	0	519,900	286,937	0	542,208
8	Machinery and parts	73,074	363,961	35,096	13,405	520,532
9	Animals and animal products	385,815	394,645	365,890	236,653	392,763
10	Fabrics	98,172	344,325	549,461	191,811	340,916
11	Edible meat	207,029	178,872	306,990	197,899	329,760
12	Electrical machinery and parts	43,387	3,298,760	73,102	7,727	266,112
13	Scientific, medical, testing	167,434	491,567	331,323	127,351	175,167

	appliances and instruments					
14	Miscellaneous manufactured articles	42,085	117,606	128,200	42,166	167,921
15	Chemicals	77,232	814,068	5,444	57	76,991

SOURCE : INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER WITH COOPERATION OF THE CUSTOMS DEPA

2.6 Importer and Exporter Requirements (Thai-Bangladesh)

- Minimum documents required for importer
 - ✓ Bill of Lading (B/L) or Air Waybill
 - ✓ Declaration (Electronic Document)
 - ✓ Invoice (Electronic Document)
 - ✓ Packing List
 - ✓ Certificates of Origin (If applicable)
 - ✓ Import License (If applicable)
 - ✓ Other relevant documents such as catalogue, product ingredients, etc.

- Minimum documents required for Exporter
 - ✓ Invoice
 - ✓ Export Declaration data
 - ✓ Certificates of Origin (If applicable)
 - ✓ Export License (If applicable)

- ✓ Other relevant documents such as catalogue, product ingredients, etc.

2.7 Import and Export Procedures (Thai-Bangladesh)

These Procedures are applicable on both import and export between Thai and Bangladesh and some of the procedures are applied as the same for other countries as well. However, Here are the Procedures that are applied on import-export between Bangladesh and Thailand. They are as follow both import-export Procedures:

I. Import Procedures

1. Transmission and/or Submission of a Declaration: The first stage is to complete an Import Declaration and transmit it to Customs. Prior to the arrival of cargo or upon the arrival of cargo, a shipping company/agent forwards a ship arrival report, and manifest to the Customs' computer system. If there is no error, the ship arrival report number is automatically generated by the system and the response message is forwarded to the shipping company/agent. When the cargo arrives at the port or place of entry, an importer or a Customs broker forwards an Import Declaration to the Customs computer system.

2. Check and Verification of the Declaration: The second stage is the check and verification of the Declaration and all supporting documents made by an importer. Again, the Customs computer system validates the given data and issues a Declaration and Payment Numbers within a minute in conjunction with the e-payment. In addition, the selectivity profile system will validate the transmitted data and classify the Goods Declaration into two categories: Green and Red Lines.

3. Payment of Import Duties and Taxes: The third stage is payment of applicable duties and taxes and/or guarantee. There are currently 2 options for the payment of import duties and taxes: payment at the Customs Department, and payment via e-Payment system.

4. Inspection and Release of Cargo: The last stage is to inspect and finally release cargo from Customs custody. An importer submits the verified Declaration together with

the payment receipt at appropriate warehouses for the release of goods. At this stage, cargo data is screened against predetermined selectivity criteria in order to indicate whether the Declaration is under a Red Line (requiring thorough physical checking) or a Green Line (permission of release). A Green Line Declaration is cleared within a minute. Then, the cargo status is electronically forwarded to both the Port Authority and the importer/Customs broker. However, in cases where the predetermined selectivity criteria indicates that the cargo is subject to the Red Line, the Port Authority removes the cargo container for physical inspection by Customs before the release of the cargo.

II. Export Procedures

1. Transmission and/or Submission of a Declaration: The export procedures start when an exporter/broker transmits an Export Declaration using ebXML via the Gateway Provider or the Internet to the Customs computer system.

2. Check and Verification of a Declaration: The second stage is the check and verification of the Declaration made by an exporter. As soon as the Customs computer system receives the Export Declaration data, such data is preliminary validated. In cases where the validated data contains no error, the Goods Declaration number is generated in conjunction with the e-Payment system (if export taxes and duties are applicable.). The response message, then, is transmitted to the exporter/broker. In addition, the selectivity profile system will validate the transmitted data and classify the Goods Declaration into two categories: Green Line and Red Line.

3. Payment of Duties and Taxes: The third stage is payment of applicable duties and taxes and/or guarantee. There are currently 3 means for payment of export duties and taxes: payment at the Customs Department, payment via e-Payment system, and payment at banks.

4. Inspection and Release of Cargo: The last stage is to inspect and finally release cargo from Customs custody. At this stage, a freight forwarder loads cargo into containers and forwards a cargo control report to the Customs computer system. The Customs system validates the data, and reports any error for immediate online correction. If no error is

found, the cargo control report number is automatically generated by the system and the response message is forwarded to the freight forwarder and the exporter/broker. The freight forwarder then prints out the cargo control report with its number and removes the cargo to the port of exit. At this stage, the Customs officer at a sub-gate checks whether the declaration is a Red Line (requiring thorough physical checking) or a Green Line. The Green Line Declaration is cleared within a minute while the Red Line cargo is removed for physical inspection. After the cargo is exported, a ship agent is required to forward, the manifest to the Customs computer system. The system then automatically loads the Goods Declaration and transmits the response message back to the exporter/broker.¹⁰

2.8 Bangladeshi Export-Policy 2009-2012

Rules and Regulations to be followed for Export of Products:

The conditions stipulated in this Policy or in other related laws, and the rules and regulations related to foreign currency exchange issued from time to time by the Bangladesh Bank have to be followed in case of export of goods from Bangladesh. Besides, relevant documents within the scope of the above-mentioned conditions and rules and regulations have to be followed.

- **Control of Export of Products:** Under this Policy, export of products will be controlled in the following ways such as:-
- **Export Prohibited Products:** Unless otherwise stated, products prohibited under this Export Policy.
- **Products under Conditional Export:** Products which are exportable under some conditions can be exported only after fulfilling those conditions.
- **Exportable Products:** Unless otherwise stated, all other products except the products enlisted in Annex-1 and Annex-2, i.e. export prohibited products and the

¹⁰ KitpongShipping.CO.,Ltd, Export-import procedures, <http://www.kitpongshipping.com/Import-Export-Procedures.html> viewed on October-17-2012

products whose export is contingent upon certain conditions shall be freely exportable.¹¹

2.9 List of Export-Prohibited Products from Bangladesh

I. The below listings are the products that are prohibited both in Thailand and Bangladesh

- (a) All petroleum and petroleum products except those produced from natural gas (such as naphtha, furnace oil, lubricant oil, bitumen, condensate, MTT and MS). However, this prohibition shall not apply to the export of petroleum and LNG as shares of the foreign investment companies under the Product Sharing Contracts.
 - (b) Any passenger going abroad shall be allowed to carry as accompanied baggage, In excess of his or her personal goods, US\$ 200 worth of goods, which are neither export-prohibited nor including to the list of conditional exports. In this case, no facilities/incentives like duty draw back adjustment, subsidy etc. shall be awarded.¹²
 - Jute and 'Shan' seeds
 - Wheat
 - Any kind of live animals, animal organs or hide/ skin of wild animals as mentioned in the Wildlife (Protection) Ordinance 1973 (President's Ordinance No. 23, 1973, Revised in 1974), except the species mentioned in the first list of the Ordinance.
 - Fire arms, ammunition and related materials.
 - Radioactive materials.
 - Archeological relics.
- a) Human skeleton, blood plasma, or anything produced from human beings or human blood.

¹¹ Export Policy 2009-12, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Commerce, Bangladesh Secretariat Dhaka

¹² Export-Policy 2009-2012 by the Ministry of Commerce of Bangladesh

- b) All types of pulses(except processed ones)
- c) All shrimps except chilled, frozen and processed ones (SRO No. 60-L/76 date 14- 2-76).
- d) Onion (SRO No. 250-L/77, date 13-8-77).
- e) Seawater shrimps of 71/90 count or smaller, except the species *Harin/ harina* and *Chaka including sea species PUD, Cooked shrimp* (SRO No. 345-L/83, date 20-10-83)
- f) Cane, wood, wood logs/ thick pieces of wood (except handicrafts made from these materials).
- g) All types of frogs (alive or dead) and frog legs.
- h) Raw and wet blue leather.

II. Thailand Prohibited and Restricted Items

An Absolute Prohibition, which means that you are not allowed to import the goods in any circumstances

- Pornographic materials
- Obscene objects/literature/pictures
- Infringing goods e.g. musical tape, CD, VDO, computer software, etc.
- Goods with Thai national flag
- Narcotics e.g., marijuana, hemp, opium, cocaine, morphine, heroin
- Fake currency, bonds, or coins
- Counterfeit trademark goods¹³

2.10 Language

¹³ KitpongShipping.CO.,Ltd, <http://www.kitpongshipping.com/Prohibited-and-Restricted-Items.html> viewed on October-17-2012

When we talk about Business, it does matter of Language, when we want our Business to be developed or increased with other countries, surely we need to talk about the Languages that we use to communicate with other non-Native speakers. Well~ I am going to talk here what is the language used here in two countries like Thailand and Bangladesh for communication in case of Business purpose. Thailand and Bangladesh both these two countries have their own languages like Thai people speak Thai and Bangladeshi people speak Bengali and how do they communicate when they are doing Business? Well~ Even though Thai investors are not able to speak Bengali and Bangladeshi people are unable to speak Thai language, then there is the only language they used is ENGLISH. English Language is an international communicating Language that both these two countries used to communicate for Business and of course English is entirely used by people all over the world, whether it's a Business purpose or not. So, Bangladesh and Thailand use English Language when they are doing Business and to communicate each other with the International Language, that's English.

2.11 List of Thai Companies in Bangladesh

Thai Companies in BD

- Brinntex Inc-Global Sources Management Ltd
- Trade Young
- Prabal Associates
- Gemini International
- Parkship Bangladesh Ltd.
- Huetex
- Argonauts
- Asian Holidays Ltd.

Websites

- <http://www.brinntex.diytrade.com/>
- <http://www.tradeyoung.com/>
- <http://www.parkship.net/>
- <http://www.argonauts-bd.com/>
- <http://www.asianholidays.com.bd/>

2.12 Transportation

Thailand and Bangladesh is very near when we talk about the distance and it takes about 1 hour and thirty minutes just to fly from Bangkok International Airport to Bangladesh International Airport at Dhaka. There other ways how Thai people or Thai Business are possible to success. For instance, Thai investors or migrants can go to India and Enter into Bangladesh through India or other way is going to Myanmar and then fly back to Bangladesh from Myanmar. So let's talk about how the easiest ways these two countries are doing their Business. Goods are imported in Thai-Bangladesh or exported from Thai-Bangladesh through sea and air. Goods can come through post parcel or as baggage with passengers. Procedures naturally vary depending on mode of import or export. Procedures discussed in this Chapter are applicable for imports by sea, air or land.