

**1<sup>st</sup> Workgroup Session of the A4AI-Bangladesh National Coalition**

**Organized by**

**Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI)**

**and**

**Access to Information Programme (a2i), Bangladesh**

**09 July 2018, 0930 – 1300 hrs. | Conference Room, BCC, ICT Tower, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor,  
Agargaon, Dhaka.**

**Program Agenda**

09.30-09:50	<p><b>Welcome and Keynote</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome note – Mr. Mostafizur Rahman, Project Director, Access to Information Program</li> <li>• Keynote delivery– Mr. Anir Chowdhury, Policy Advisor, Access to Information</li> <li>• Introduction and objectives of the workgroup session- Mr. B. Shadrach, Asia Coordinator, Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI)</li> </ul>
09:50 – 10:00	<p>A Recap presentation on the of past A4AI-A2I coalition events by <i>Hasan T. Emdad, Consultant, A2I</i></p>
10.00 – 10.15	<p><b>Tea Break</b></p>
10:15 – 11:45	<p><b>03 work group Discussion session in Parallel</b></p> <p>The participants would be divided into three groups. Each group will work on the designated theme for 90 Minutes.</p> <p>Group leader will prepare summary of the key elements of the discussion and present it to the audience.</p> <p>Group-1</p> <p>Topic: “Regulatory framework and policy formulation on broadband internet”</p> <p>Key Areas: Importance of regulatory and institutional framework in order to measure need assessment and to reap the benefits of ICTs in Bangladesh</p> <p>Group-2</p> <p>Topic: “Core technology and service infrastructure deployment review”</p> <p>Key Areas: Identify core ingredients (such as wireless spectrum, fiber backhaul and backbone, rendering ICT services more affordable etc.) for increasing fixed or wireless broadband deployment.</p> <p>Group-3</p>

	<p>Topic: “Strategy development to achieve broadband development through specific activity plan”</p> <p>Key Areas: A clear vision and guiding strategy to support the development and coordination of affordable broadband plans for citizen-centric across Bangladesh</p> <p><i>Moderator: Mr. B. Shadrach, Asia Coordinator, Alliance for Affordable Internet (A4AI)</i></p>
11.45 – 11.55	<b>Break</b>
11.55-12.25	<p><b>Workgroup Delivery</b></p> <p>Group lead from each group will be allowed a 10 minutes time slot to present the outcome</p>
12.:25 - 12.45	<p><b>Closing Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Brief presentation on the outcomes of the workgroup session and future activity plan of A4AI-A2I– B. Shadrach, Asia Coordinator, A4AI</li> <li>● Closing Remarks – Mr. Anir Chowdhury, Policy Advisor, a2i</li> </ul>