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Dhaka City

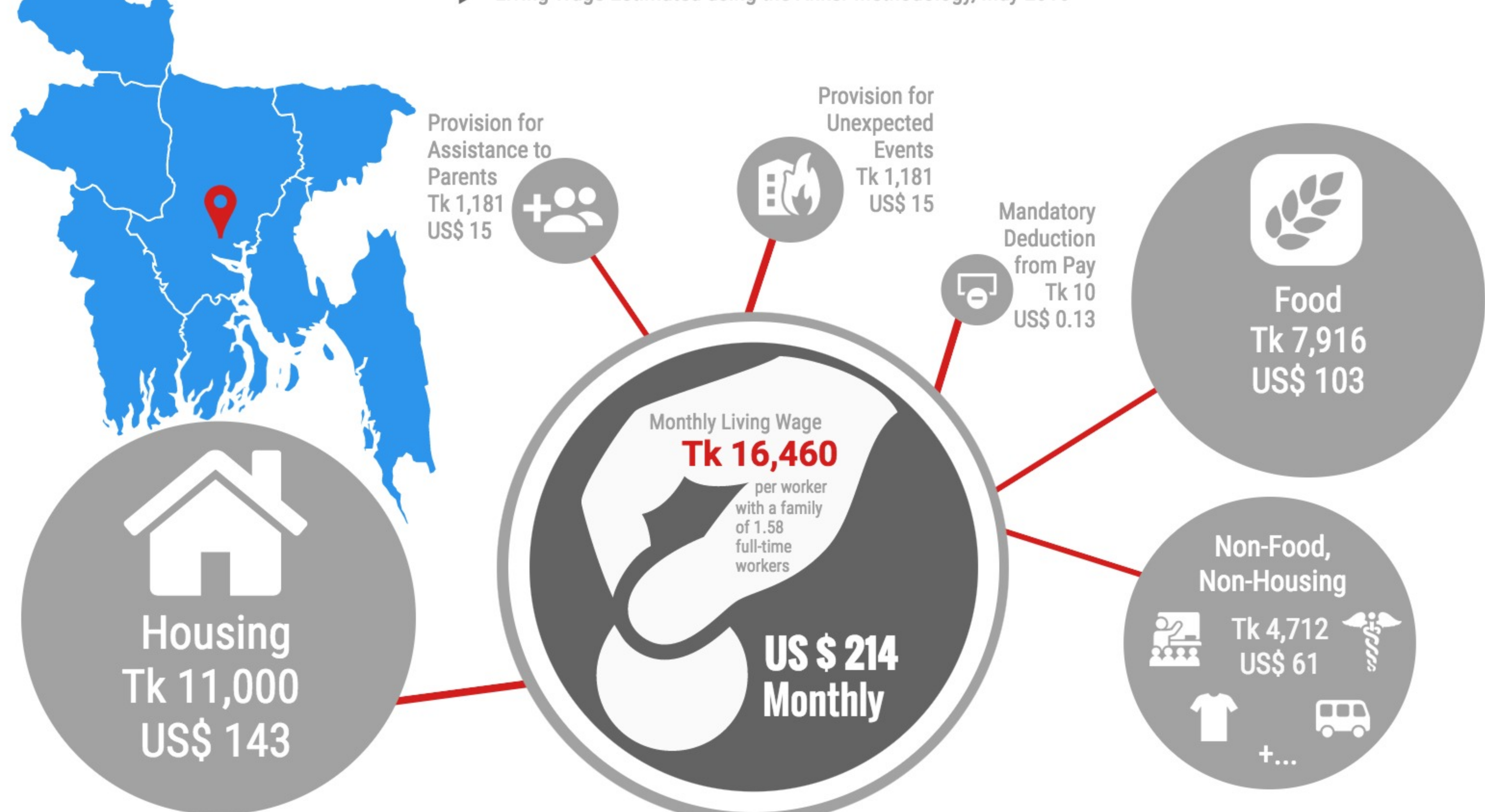


Assumptions

Family Size 4 | 2 Adults, 2 Children | 1.58 Workers Per Family

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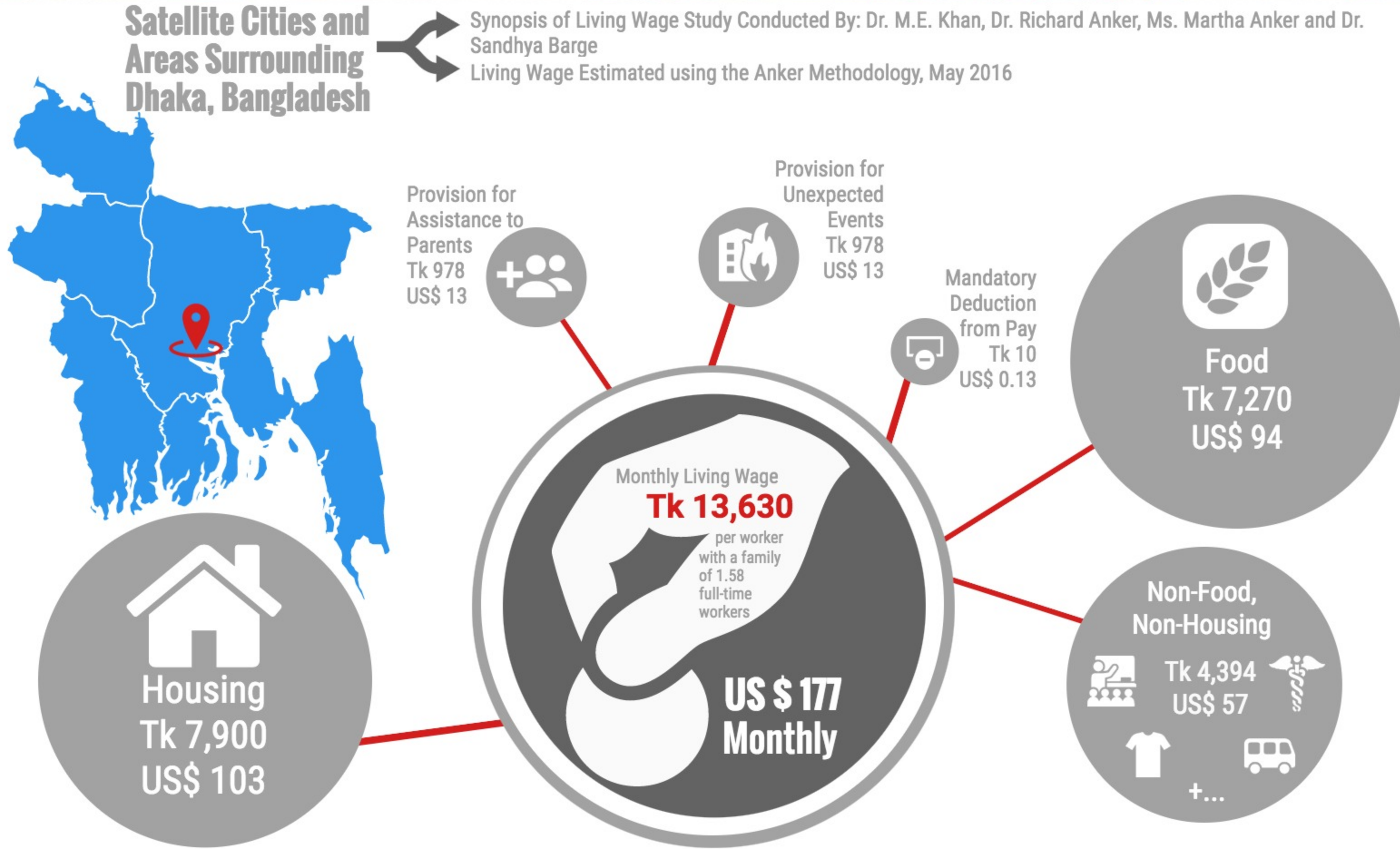


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Satellite Cities and Districts Surrounding Dhaka, Bangladesh



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Local Housing Standard for Family of Four

- cement walls
- cement floor
- roof that does not leak (tin or cement)
- toilet that is sanitary, clean and not shared by too many people (either pit or flush toilet is acceptable)
- kitchen that is clean and not shared by too many people
- water source that is safe and not far from the house (tube well or tap is acceptable)
- house cannot be located in a slum or unsafe area physically or environmentally
- electricity (since more than 94% of houses in urban Bangladesh have electricity)
- 30-36 square meters of living space

Model Diet

- grams per person per day
- 370g rice
 - 37g wheat (ata)
 - 28g masoor dhal
 - 74g potato
 - 90g milk (small cup (180ml) for children)
 - 6g eggs (one egg per week)
 - 43g fish (4 days per week of a 500 gram size fish for family)
 - 24g chicken (2 days per week)
 - 40g cabbage (least expensive leafy green vegetable)
 - 40g least expensive green leafy vegetable (excluding cabbage)
 - 40g bottled gourd (least expensive non leafy green vegetable)
 - 40g eggplant (2nd least expensive non leafy green vegetable)
 - 31g onion
 - 40g banana (least expensive fruit year round)
 - 40g jujube (least expensive seasonal fruit)
 - 34g cooking oil (open container soybean oil as least expensive)
 - 1g loose tea (1 cup of tea for adults)
 - 12g sugar (roughly 3 teaspoons)

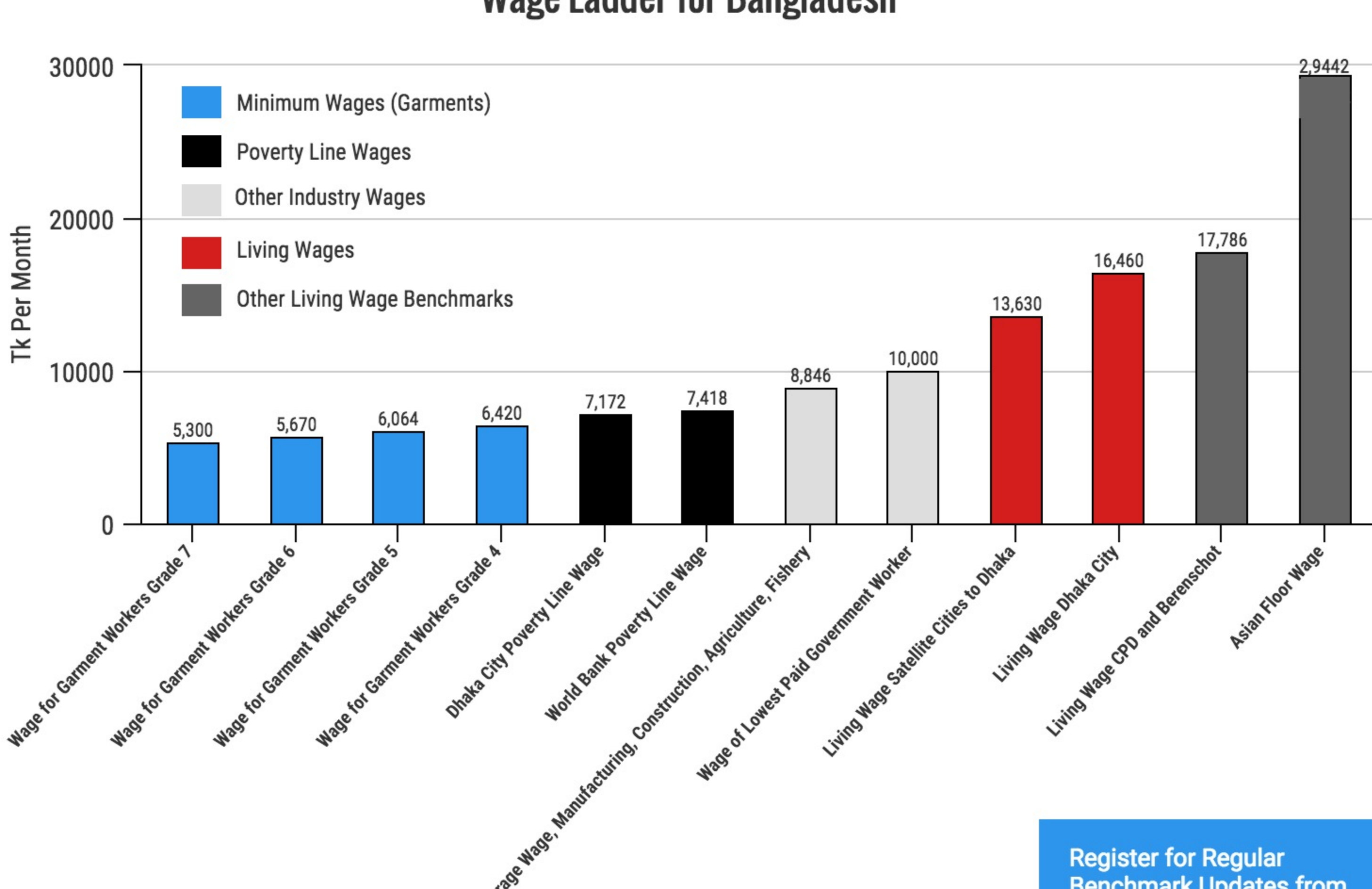


NET LIVING WAGE = **COST OF BASIC BUT DECENT LIFE FOR A FAMILY** ÷ **NUMBER OF WORKERS PER FAMILY**

GROSS LIVING WAGE = **PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS AND TAXES** + **NET LIVING WAGE**

Context Provided for Garment Wages

Wage Ladder for Bangladesh



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