## Australia Bangladesh Joint Study on 'Bangladesh Trade and Investment Study: Market Opportunities and Trade Barriers'

BFTI along with the Institute of International Trade (IIT), is currently undertaking a comprehensive research initiative entitled "Bangladesh Trade and Investment Study: Market Opportunities and Trade Barriers." This study has been instigated by Tetratech International Development and is funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) of the Australian Government. It is worth noting the longstanding history of diplomatic engagement and development cooperation between Australia and Bangladesh, which has resulted in a progressively strengthening trade and investment relationship. In the year 2021, a pivotal milestone was reached with the signing of a Trade and Investment Framework Arrangement (TIFA) between the two countries, aimed at further enhancing trade and investment prospects.