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HSBC's Gulshan branch is the first LEED Platinum certified branch in Bangladesh

*** The Branch becomes the first ever retail banking branch in Bangladesh to be awarded LEED Platinum certification ***

HSBC Bangladesh Gulshan branch has received the 'Platinum certification' under the LEED v4 rating system. According to the issued statement in November 2022, HSBC Gulshan branch has fulfilled the requirements of the LEED Green Building rating system certification established by the U.S. Green Building Council and verified by Green Business Certification Inc. LEED Platinum. This is the highest-level recognition for overall sustainability and the branch is the first bank branch in Bangladesh to earn the rating.

LEED certification identifies HSBC Gulshan Branch as a showcase example of sustainability and demonstrates leadership in transforming the building industry. LEED certification means a facility is more than just eco-friendly; it also helps curb costs and improve productivity: greater energy efficiency, lower utility bills and operating costs. It signifies and ensures that an infrastructure 'creates healthy, highly efficient, cost-saving green buildings' improving environmental performance from carbon footprint to indoor environmental quality.

on 4 December 2022, to celebrate this milestone achievement, British High Commissioner to Bangladesh **Robert Chatterton Dickson** and Dhaka North City Corporation **Mayor Atiqul Islam** graced their presence yet again at the HSBC's Gulshan branch along with **Md Mahub ur Rahman**, CEO of HSBC Bangladesh and **Tanmi Haque**, Head of Retail Banking from HSBC Bangladesh. The event was also attended by some of the esteemed HSCB select customers of HSBC Bangladesh. It must be mentioned that both, the British High Commissioner to Bangladesh and the Mayor of DNCC inaugurated HSBC Gulshan branch just over a year ago and were present at this very premises.

Commenting on this achievement, **Mr Mahub ur Rahman**, CEO of HSBC Bangladesh said "Just within a year into its operation, HSBC's Gulshan branch has achieved this certification. This exemplifies our commitment of being a sustainable bank and we are proud that HSBC Gulshan branch is the first in Bangladesh banking sector to get this certification. Sincere gratitude to all our customers and stakeholders, especially to Bangladesh Bank for their continuous encouragement and guidance. This certification also is the beginning of a journey that requires everyone's responsible efforts in order to maintain its sustainability."

With greater building efficiency HSBC Gulshan branch will be able to reduce cost up to 20 percent adding value to its banking operation besides being environment friendly at the same time and more importantly will see improved employee productivity, health and wellness.

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