

The Public Parks Act, 1904
(ACT NO. II OF 1904)

1♣An Act for the regulation of Public Parks in Bangladesh.

WHEREAS it is expedient to protect public parks and gardens in Bangladesh from injury, and to secure the public from molestation and annoyance while resorting to such parks and gardens;
It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title and application	<p>1. (1) This Act may be called the ²[* * *] Public Parks Act, 1904.</p> <p>(2) It may be applied to any public park or garden in Bangladesh by order of the Government published in the official Gazette.</p>
Definitions	<p>2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-</p> <p>(a) “park” means any public park or garden to which this Act applies by virtue of any order published under sub-section (2) of section 1.</p> <p>(b) “Superintendent” means the person in executive charge of a park; and for the purposes of section 6, sub-section (2), includes also</p> <p>(i) an assistant superintendent of a park, and</p> <p>(ii) any member of the Managing Committee (if any) of a park; and</p> <p>(c) “park durwan” means any person appointed by the superintendent, or by the authority to whom the superintendent is subordinate, to act as a durwan of the park.</p>
Power to extend boundaries of park	<p>3. The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette declare that any specified land, bridge or pontoon shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to be included in any park.</p>
Power to make rules	

4.(1) The Government may make rules for the management, and preservation of any park, and for regulating the use thereof by the public.

(2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power such rules may,-

(a) regulate the admission of persons, horses and ponies, and carriages, palanquins and other conveyances, into the park, and prescribed fees to be paid therefor;

(b) prohibit or regulate the bringing of dogs, motor-cars, bicycles or tricycles into the park;

(c) prohibit the doing of all or any of the following things, by persons other than employees of the park, that is to say, plucking or gathering anything growing in the park, breaking trees, branches or plants cutting names or marks on trees, disfiguring buildings, furniture or monuments, removing or disfiguring labels or marks attached to trees or plants;

(d) prohibit the purchase of any produce of the park otherwise than from the superintendent or some other authorized person;

(e) prohibit shooting, bird-nesting, the catching of butterflies, or any act of cruelty;

(f) prohibit or regulate fishing or boating and prescribe fees to be paid by persons obtaining permission to fish or to use boats;

(g) prohibit bathing, or the pollution of water by any other means;

(h) prohibit the grazing of horses or ponies;

(i) prohibit the teasing or annoying of animals or birds kept in the park;

(j) prohibit the commission of any nuisance, or the molestation or annoyance of any person resorting to the park.

(3) In making any rule under this section, the Government may direct that a breach thereof shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one hundred Taka.

(4) The power to make rules under this section is subject to the condition that they shall be made after previous publication.