

2019 Annual Report

GOOD NEIGHBORS BANGLADESH



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Acknowledgment



Greetings of a new decade! Yes! It's a new decade that opened new hope and new challenges.

By this time Good Neighbors Bangladesh has already gained experience of nearly a quarter-century in its development journey. We are proceeding to our Silver Jubilee (25th anniversary) next year.

The year 2019 was a significant year in our DRR (Disaster Risk Reduction) activities both in mainland (Kurigram by WFP) and Cox's Bazar (for displaced Rohingya community from Myanmar). It was a year of expanded partnership with new partners such as Australian Aid and UNICEF; and year of wonderful learning how better to respond to crisis. We are deeply grateful to our partners.

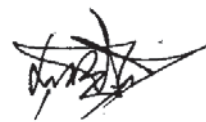
Like 2018, the year 2019 was also a year of community empowerment. GNB launched KOICA funded project in the name of "Community Health Worker Project" in Bochaganj (Dinajpur). The Australian Aid funded "Engagement of Youths for Ensuring Child Rights Project" was implemented with establishment of 2 institutions for local youths in Dohar (Dhaka) and Meherpur.

The UNICEF and Korean government funded *Rohingya Emergency Response (RER) Project* in Cox's Bazar and WFP funded *Building Resilience to Achieve Zero Hunger (BRAZH) Project* in Kurigram are big endorsements to our commitment and capability to implement DRR activities. With this experience, we look forward to explore new projects for the climate change affected people of the coastal districts.

The 2019 Annual Report also highlights the major achievements in child rights, woman rights and youth development programs (through education, child rights, health checkup, nutrition, community organizing and income generation activities). GNB continued to strengthen effective networking with peer NGOs and INGOs, and government partners in local and national levels.

We would like to show our profound gratitude towards our participants, community-based organizations, NGO Affairs Bureau, partners and supporters, especially GN Korea, GN Japan, UNICEF, WFP, KOICA, and Australian High Commission for their cooperation and supports.

Through our works, we find more and more scopes and areas to contribute to achieve SDG for Bangladesh. In areas of nutrition, child education – particularly girls' education, and resilience to climate change and period disasters, we look forward to build and continue our partnership.



M Mainuddin Mainul
Country Director
Good Neighbors Bangladesh

About Good Neighbors

Good Neighbors is an international humanitarian development NGO bringing Good Change for children and communities around the world through international development projects and social welfare programs to make the world a place without hunger, where people live together in harmony.

Mission

- Good Neighbors exists to make the world a place without hunger, where people live together in harmony.
- Good Neighbors respects the human rights of our neighbors suffering from poverty, disasters, oppression, and helps them to achieve self-reliance and enables them to rebuild their hope.

Core Values



We work in any place where there is a need, regardless of race, religion, ideology, and beyond geographical constraints.



We promote self-reliance and the sustainable development of individuals, families and communities.



We prioritize the rights of children.



We mobilize and organize local volunteers to participate in developing their communities.



We encourage people to join Good Neighbors as donors to participate in our work.



We maintain professional accountability and transparency by reporting to our donors on the status of projects and finances.



We work in cooperation with our local partners who share our community development goals.



We strive to encourage more people to join our work as members.

Our Focus



CRC- Child Rights Protection

We plan and implement projects that respect the human rights of children based on our firm belief in human dignity under the principle of faithfully fulfilling the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.



NETWORK

We stimulate our projects and maintain our network by mobilizing the human and material resources of communities in field countries, encouraging them to actively engage in our projects as an organized group of volunteers, partners, and community committees.



ADVOCACY

We conduct advocacy projects, such as campaigns, government relations, and seminars, to promote our projects and raise awareness of governments or the general public as part of citizenship education.

Target Group



Children

Good Neighbors Bangladesh is working for more than 21000 children in Bangladesh by ensuring their education, health and protecting rights.



Women

Good Neighbors Bangladesh develops Income Generation opportunities for the marginalized women through cooperatives and income generation groups, which help them to become self empowered.



Youth

Good Neighbors Bangladesh involves youth in every development activities, which help them to develop their leadership skills and prepare themselves for a better career.

Where We Work



Our CDP's (Community Development Project)

GNB Head Office, Dhaka | Gulshan CDP, Dhaka | Mirpur CDP, Dhaka | Dohar CDP, Dhaka | Moulvibazar CDP, Moulvibazar | Ghatail CDP, Tangail | Shakhipur CDP, Tangail | Sirajganj CDP, Sirajganj | Nalka CDP, Sirajganj | Meherpur CDP, Meherpur | Kalai CDP, Joypurhat | Nilphamari CDP, Nilphamari | Birganj CDP, Dinajpur | Bochaganj CDP, Dinajpur | Pirganj CDP, Thakurgoan |

PSP (Project with Specific Program)

Unicef Rohingya Emergency Response (RER), Cox's Bazar | WFP Building Resilience to Achieve Zero Hunger (BRAZH), Kurigram | KOICA CPP-Community Health Worker, Dinajpur |

Globally Where We Work



At a Glance

Good Neighbors Bangladesh

Working areas

14 Community Development Projects
3 Projects with Specific Program

Supported

20,720 Sponsored Children
80,880 Community People

Strengthened economic capacity

18,177 People

Health service received

76,273 People

Improved access to clean water

2,052 People

Towards Sustainable Development: Good Neighbors Global Development Approach

Good Neighbors works towards sustainable development by assisting those who are most neglected and vulnerable in the communities to obtain self-reliance and, therefore, adopts a people-centered participatory and comprehensive approach as the basis for development. Accordingly, 192 community development project sites within 35 countries focus on empowering people through social development activities.

Towards a self-reliant and inclusive community



The Good Neighbors Global Development Approach, has been developed in order to reemphasize the goals of Good Neighbors Global Development Program, which was implemented more than a quarter century ago. It seeks to better clarify and operationalize 'how' to achieve the Good Neighbors' Mission of making the world a place without hunger; where people live together; while respecting the human rights of those suffering; and achieve self-reliance. It also seeks to establish results based management framework which helps reveal how Good Neighbors Global Development Program activities contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Outline of Good Neighbors Global Development Approach

The 4 Global Development Principles represents 'how' Good Neighbors works in order to achieve its Global Development Goal while the 8 Strategic Objectives show 'what' we work for. Through the conceptualization of our Global Development Goal, we want to share our strategic direction with all our partners and staff, children and people we work with, and all other community stakeholders and achieve greater transparency and accountability in our work.

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***Our neighbors,
who are free from poverty, and whose rights are respected,
live self-reliant in and inclusive community.***

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4 Global Development Principles

We support
our suffering neighbors.



We raise awareness of
human rights and the role of
duty bearers.



We promote cooperation
and solidarity.



We empower people.



8 Strategic Objectives



SO-1

People are
free from
hunger



SO-2

Every
child is
protected



SO-3

People
enjoy the
right to
education



SO-4

People
exercise
the right
to health



SO-5

People live in
sustainable
environment



SO-6

People build
inclusive and
democratic
communities



SO-7

People achieve
economic
empowerment
through
solidarity and
cooperation



SO-8

People are
protected from
disasters

Community Development Project

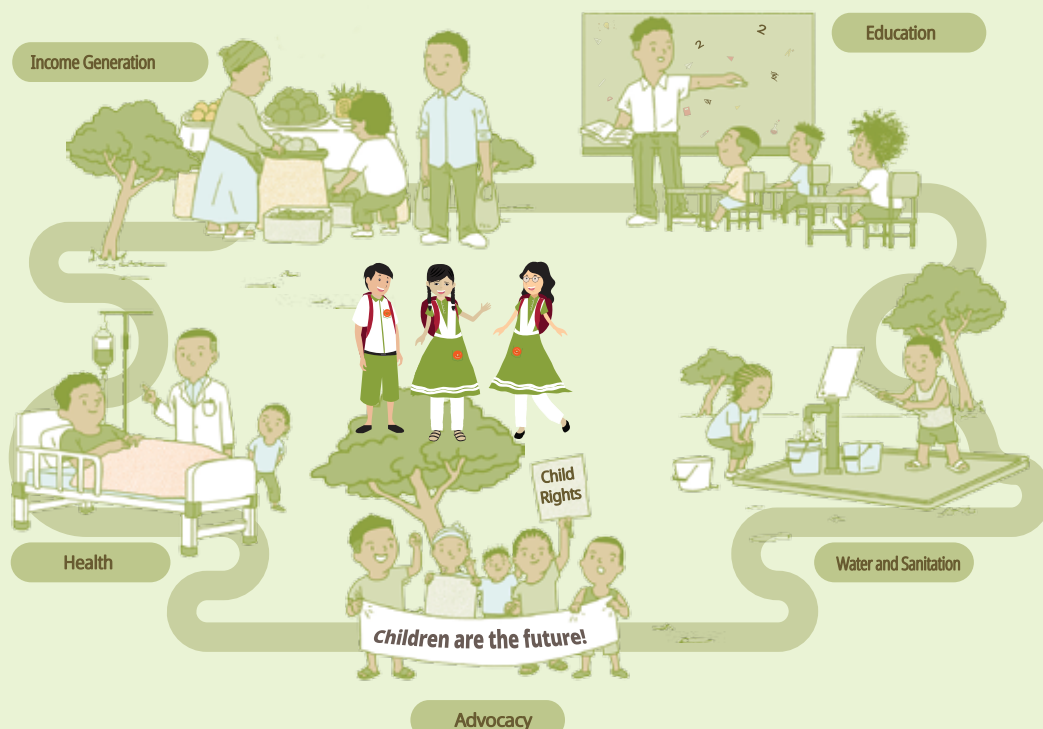
Good Neighbors Bangladesh (GNB) implements Community Development Projects (CDP) by promoting the stable and self-sufficient development of a community through projects focused on education, health and income generation.

Backed by the two pillars of “Child Sponsorship” and “Community Development Committee (CDC),” an association of community members, these projects are geared toward building sustainable and balanced development of the community.

We create an environment where children are able to grow up healthy and their rights are protected. In addition, GNB runs advocacy programs at local, national, and international levels to protect the human rights of the socially marginalized people (specially children and women), and builds a community network to ensure that residents are engaged in projects and take pride of ownership.

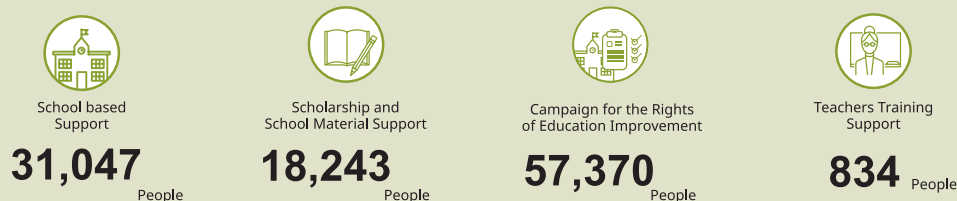
We work through child councils, youth councils, community development committees, child rights keepers, and community health workers.

9 Districts **14** Projects **20,720** Sponsored Children **80,800** Community People **14** Community Development Committee (CDC)



GNB Major Activity Achievements at a Glance

Education & Protection



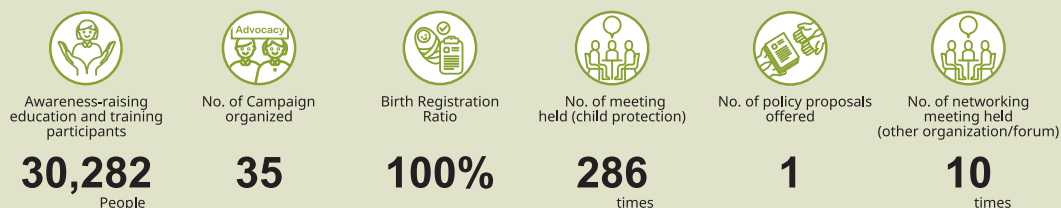
Health



Income Generation



Advocacy



Community Partnership and Network Building





Education & Protection



GNB believes in quality education for all. We support the quality and accessibility of education for children by providing them educational facilities, materials, tuition fees, and stationeries as well as capacity-building training programs for the teachers. Currently we are serving 20,720 children. GNB building a smarter generation who will take Bangladesh towards the super-highway of progress.

GNB strengthening the accessing of quality education and protection through the formal classes and Dream School Center (after school) in their own premises. Besides that, extra classes have been taken for those students who are being in short in English and Mathematics. The provision of quality and relevant education builds their own holistic life, grounded their culture, their interests, and their needs.

1. TEST-BASED EDUCATION

GNB EDUCATION PROGRAM

2. CONTEST-BASED EDUCATION



School based Support

31,047

People



Scholarship and School Material Support

18,243

People



Campaign for the Rights of Education Improvement

57,370

People



Teachers Training Support

834

People

Improving students participation in curricular activities through WordMaster Competition

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I am very pleased to take part in the WordMaster competition. WordMaster competition not only inspires me but also inspire my friends. I have seen that my school exam result has gradually improved from previous after participated in this competition.

Mita Parveen, Mirpur

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The WordMaster Competition is a vocabulary competition based on completing analogies. Most of the Students especially in rural areas are not interested to learn English because they scare of this language. Not the grammar, inadequate vocabulary is the root cause of weakness in English.

GNB works for these children. We are contemplating how a non-native student can acquire maximum vocabulary skills. In order to inspire them to enrich their English vocabulary, in 2004, GNB starts inter-school WordMaster Competition in Ghatail CDP.

Now this competition is going on GNBs every working areas (14 CDP). We want to spread out this activity around the country. In 2019, some achievements:



No. of Schools participated

169



No. of students participated

12,365



Ratio of girls participants

44%



Ratio of boys participants

56%



MathMaestro Competition

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I am very happy to take part in this competition. Through this competition, I have improved in Mathematics and learned through the creative and multi-faceted questions. I believe that because of this competition I have obtained tremendous results in the primary education completion exam. Thanks to GNB for organizing such types of programs.

Arpita Roy, Birganj, Dinajpur

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MathMaestro competition is one of the revolutionary math's techniques which are quicker, easier and better than conventional methodology and most essential steps towards learning math. It has been proved to be the best motivation to the rural learners of Math, especially for primary level students.

The aim of Math Maestro Competition is to instill enthusiasm among the young learners for learning Math and doing better in public exams.

In 2019, every CDP arranged MathMaestro Competition.



No. of Schools participated

133



No. of students participated

5,153



Ratio of girls participants

55%



Ratio of boys participants

45%

Encouraging the children to set their career plans through 'I want to be' program

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'I want to be' program encourages students to study because, through this program, children know what they want to be in the future. As a result, it has an impact on his studies as well. The students are focused on their studies because of their goals. They think that anyway I have to achieve my goals.

Abu Bakkar Siddik
Head Teacher
Laxmipur Govt. Primary School
Birganj, Dinajpur

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Ami Hote Chai (I Want to be...) contests are annual documentation of children's future plans. Children are encouraged to share their career plans with a common question 'What do you want to be?' Their plans are documented and displayed. Ami Hote Chai is one of the special activities for all children so that children can understand how to rear his/her dream for the future?

Like as every year in 2019 every CDP arranged 'Ami Hote Chai' program (I want to be) at respected CDP areas.



No. of students participated

11,657



Ratio of girls participants

49%



Ratio of boys participants

51%



Strengthening Learning and Technological Capabilities through the ICT Education Training

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I have learned how to use computer programs like Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint, some graphical work, and also learned about hardware little bit. I am very happy to get the opportunity to learn. I am thankful to GNB. Now I am running a computer-based shop and also earning money.

Kaium Ali Sheikh/ Former trainee of
Sirajganj CDP ICT Education Project

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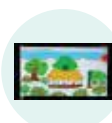
No. of people received training

3,091



No. of people participated Lab based training

985



No. of people participated Tab based training

2,106



No. of people received Govt. Certificate

1,511

National Child Camp

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I am very happy to take part in 2019 National Child Camp and be a members of Council Committee. I have learned many things through group discussion for protecting child rights. I can apply these learning in my community. I felt honor when I can say something in front of my community against child marriage and labor. Actually GNB creates this opportunity so I am very grateful to GNB. I wish together we can protect child rights.

Sumiya Akter
Child Council Member
Kalai CDP

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Like as every year we have arranged 2019 National Camp with the child council members from 14 CDPs the slogan of this camp is: Child Safety, Completeness of Dreams. During this camp Child Council Committee formed for 2019-2020 through vote by all participants. I have seen that through this camp members expressed their experience & challenges and they boost up also got the direction for further to protect child rights. This is an effective initiative to build up leadership among our children for their rights.

Remo Rony Halder
Team Leader
Education & Health Team
Good Neighbors Bangladesh

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Health



Photo: Mobile Clinic, Pirganj CDP

GNB implementing health activities that strengthen disease prevention & management and nutrition support, improve health worker training, and enhance the capacity of community health workers to ensure healthier lives for children and members of the community. GNB is providing high quality and affordable basic health checkup, sexual and reproductive health services to the urban, and rural community through a number of innovative approaches. GNB promote access to public health. In 2019, GNB supported 76,273 people through health care unit.



No. of Health Care Unit

14



Health Support

76,273

People



Disease Prevention and Management

3,607

People



Nutrition Support and Management

20,215

People



No. of Community Health Worker

257



Reproductive Health Material Support

14,775

People

Malnutrition Reduction Rate:

6.27%

Issue based health Education



Our aims for improving knowledge to the community people about their Health by delivering an Issue based health related topic through Issue based health education campaign. I think our motive is success because now we'll see without any major health related issues patient are decreasing in our out patient department.

Dr. Arif Mahmud Likhon
Medical Officer, Gulshan FDP



Health education is a process of enabling people to exert control over the determinants of health and thereby improve their health by providing issue based health education and awareness session and as supportive activities, arranging campaign/day observation, cluster meeting, reporting, and documentation for promoting health education among the rural community.



Received Education Session

8,299
People



Health related days observation

11,824
People



Photo: Issue based health education session, Ghatail CDP

Treatment Supports



Suddenly my child was suffering from abdominal pain, constipation with vomiting. In this condition I admitted my daughter to Hospital. I got frightened. GNB supported my daughter for her treatment. My child was diagnosed as a congenital rare disease "Sub acute intestinal obstruction (Hirschsprung's Disease)". We need a huge amount of money. GNB contributed us BDT 64,000. My daughter was experienced a successful operation and now she is physically well than previous. I am grateful to GNB for this support and get back my child to me.

Menoka Begum
Mother of Shirina Khatun



GNB provides medical treatment through qualified health professionals from the project health care unit to the community people particularly to the sponsored children and their mothers around the year. For this reason, outbreak of diseases is comparatively low in the project areas and easily accessible treatment results in the reduction of child mortality in the project areas. GNB not only provide the treatment support but also referred the critical case patients to the hospital and provide financial support for them.



Treatment Support

64,367
People



Medicine Support

60,734
People

Standard Health Checkup

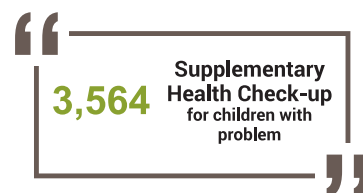


Due to poverty, I cannot always go to the hospital for my child's regular health checkup. GNB take an initiative to support health checkup for our children. Because of GNB's health checkup service, I can know about my child's health, whether my child is healthy or suffering any problems. If my child suffers any big health issues then GNB's health representative referred to the hospital for better treatment. I always feel secure because of their support. GNB is always on the side of the underprivileged people like me. Thanks for the support.

Khadija Begum
Nalka, Rayganj



Health checkup is GNB's way to ensure total health care for its target children. Adolescent and school going children are suffering from various health related problems. In perspective of Bangladesh, where child health issues are mostly ignored, there is little scope of screening of apparently healthy child who may suffer from vulnerable disease. Realizing this fact GNB operates regular Standard Health Checkup for the sponsored children.



20,215
Children



Photo: Nutritious Food Distribution, Sirajganj CDP

Nutrition Supplementation



GNB contributes in SDG-3 by assessing nutritional status of sponsored children and managing malnourished children by nutritious food distribution according to checklist. Reducing malnourishment rate is a mandatory approach to reduce child mortality rate in Bangladesh. I feel proud to be a part of it and express my thanks to GNB for implementing this approach on behalf of children.

Dr. Kashfi Pandit
Manager, Public Health, GNB



Throughout the year, GNB distributed nutrition supplementation to malnourished children as per reference from the GNB's standard health checkup. This kind of arrangement is a regular program and through such assistance GNB aims to ensure health safety net for the children.

GNB believes proper nutrition can help children for their physical and mental development which will help them in their educational pursuit. GNB distributed milk powder, horlicks, biscuit, edible oil, cake, egg, rice, etc. as nutritious food.



No. of children received nutritious food

20,215



No. of malnourished children

3,677

Health & Hygiene Club



First of all, I express my cordial gratitude to GNB for arranging the health and hygiene club program in our school. As a result, the environment of our school improved very much like the school campus is very neat & clean. In addition, our students also leading a very healthy life as they are now habited with the clean school campus. All the students of my school also very happy and thankful to GNB for making them aware of this issue.

Belayed Hossain
Teacher,
Ikrashi Adarsha High School, Dohar



To create sustainable community health volunteer, GNB take a new intervention named 'Health & Hygiene Club' in its working areas secondary school. The objectives are as below:

- To take part in disease prevention and health awareness activities in schools as well as in the community and to promote a healthy school environment.
- To promote and maintain behavioral change towards good hygiene practices and proper use and maintenance of hygiene and sanitation facilities in schools.
- To motivate the students and their families to avoid the hazards of gastro-enteritis and other water-borne diseases and to use sanitary latrines.



No. of H&H club
Members

4,370
People



No. of campaign
arranged

98



No. of students
participated in
campaign

19,781



No. of teachers
participated in
campaign

1,047



Photo: Participants of Health & Hygiene Club Meeting, Nalka CDP

Disease Prevention



The local people in our working areas were not very much conscious about the Hepatitis B virus. Due to having this program local people & our sponsored children are now well informed and very much alert on this issue. Many of them are now out of danger from this deadly virus and that is why they are very happy and thankful to Dohar CDP.

Bidduth Chandra Nath
Health Officer
Dohar CDP



GNB health prevention includes vaccination, deworming and mosquito net distribution works as disease prevention activities that focus on the local context and health needs of the community. To prevent vulnerable and infectious diseases by increasing community participation to aware community people and ensure provision of services, GNB sets some activities like -

- Vaccination for target age-group
- De-worming intervention for target family
- Mosquito borne disease prevention activities
[distributing mosquito net]

In 2019, GNB has provided Hepatitis-B vaccination support to the children.



No. of children
received vaccination support

3,607



Income Generation



Good Neighbors Bangladesh has developed Income Generation Activates (IGAs) tailored to the needs of each community. GNB IGA aims to provide processes for unprivileged households to become self-sufficient, gaining skills to be involved in income generation ultimately ending the cycle of poverty. It also emphasizes on women involvement in economy, job creation, and social problem solving by Social Enterprise and thus gaining economic sustainability.

IGA is operated in 3 forms: Cooperative, Income Generation Group (IGG) and social enterprise. GNB helped community to organize cooperative to set business platform for underprivileged women so that they themselves can contribute to the economic self-reliance of the community. IGG is the next step to involve women in group-approach business where risks and opportunities are shared for more effectiveness. Receiving experiences from IGG now GNB has started process to transform profitable IGG into social Enterprises to add social values to business and to create social responsibility as well.



Participating Households
for income generation

18,177

People



No. of Income
generation groups

113



Capacity building
for income generation

2,071



No. of Cooperatives

14



No. of Social Enterprise
initiatives

3



Ratio of IG
groups increased

25% → **31%**



Ratio of Job Creation
for mothers
through IG groups

10% → **18%**

Cooperatives as the Hope of the Community Economy



I am very pleased and grateful to be a member of Nilphamari Cooperative. Really this types of cooperatives are very helpful for needy family. After being a member of this cooperative I have collected loan for business and I have received it. Now I am running a business. Now my families income is better than previous. Like me others women also getting facilities to develop themselves. Really GNB contribute to women empowerment.

Sharmin Akter
Nilphamari Suprotibeshi Mohila
Somobay Somite Ltd.



Good Neighbors is a community based development organization. In every stage, community participation is mandatory for the better management. To ensure community participation, GNB has 14 Cooperatives in 14 CDP/FDPs. Sponsored children's mothers are members of these cooperatives. These Cooperatives are autonomous body and registered from Govt. Cooperative office. Cooperatives play key role in GNB for the sustainable community economy development through various women empowerment activities.



Cooperatives members

15,413
women



Small & medium enterprise initiates

5,216
women



Cooperatives gained profit

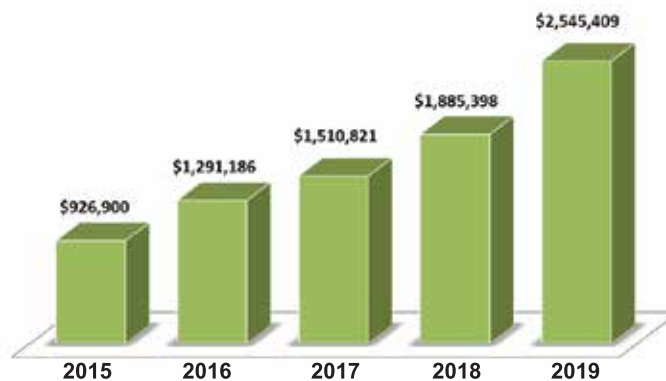
\$98,543



Dividend distributed

\$67,510

Year wise Cooperative Capital Statement



Rayganj Good Neighbors Farmers Somobay Somity Ltd best cooperative of the Upazila 2019



It feel proud to be the chairperson of such a cooperative that is changing so many women's life. I want to make a call for women- be involved with cooperative, earn money and bring change.

Most: Momtaj Begum, Chairperson



Rayganj somobay somity is Keeping Significant role in Community's Economic growth and Women Empowerment. From 2012 this somobay somity is working for Unprevailed women of the community, to improve their financial condition. Now 1,822 Women are keep their savings, share and take individual loan and start their own small and medium Enterprises. In 2019 job created 504 and the cooperative gained profit 1,42,000 monthly average loan disbursement amount is 25,371\$. repayment rate is also good. Thus this cooperative is keeping significant role in the community's economic growth. On the other hand, it is also keeping significant role in women empowerment and establishing non discriminated society. Because of women's financial contribution in the family they are honored in their family. As they are operating their financial organization their skill as well as networking capacity has increased. So they are well known in the community and they are also honored in the community. As a recognition of this work Bangladesh Government also honored them awarding them as the best cooperative of the Upazila in 2019.

Creating social values to business and ensuring a fair price for the entrepreneur through Social Enterprise.

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I have received \$1248 as dividend from Protibeshi Mustard Oil Social Enterprise and \$432 as wages. Being involved in Protibeshi Mustard Oil Social Enterprise has brought change in my life. It is amazing that I have received this much amount altogether as dividend. I will use this money to increase the products of my small shop and also want to invest some money for poultry farming in small scale"

Jhorna Akter
Dohar CDP

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'One Shop' for the market promotion of IG product

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Product production is important and finished goods sales in the market, are more important. We are able to produce good enough but sometimes its not possible to sell this in the market. This is very good news for us that, GNB established 'One Shop' to sell our products in one place. Now we can concentrate more on production. Thanks to GNB for taking this initiatives. We are so grateful to GNB.

Morsheda Begum
Chairperson
Pallabi Suprotebashi Mohila Somobay Somite Ltd.

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To add social values to business, to ensure a fair price to the rural marginalized entrepreneur and to create social responsibilities, 3 Social Enterprise Initiatives were taken: Cow Rearing for Social Responsibilities Unit-1 & 2 and Protibeshi Mustard Oil Social Enterprise. These initiatives promise responsibilities to organic/chemical-free finished goods, increasing women's job involvement and capacity building of women entrepreneurs. These initiatives have already created job involvement for 179 mothers.



'One Shop' was introduced at Mirpur area to promote IG Products made by mothers from 9 districts. This shop is operated by mothers of the cooperatives and it encourage women entrepreneurship. 1657 mothers of 2 cooperatives will be directly and 13,756 mothers of 12 cooperatives will be indirectly benefited from this initiative.



Strengthening cooperative data management system by using software

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To calculate a huge amount in a day by ourselves it was difficult and the possibilities of data mismatch were high. Due to software management everything very easy to manage and can see all status in a click. It made our work easier, authentic, and calculation is accurate so we can focus on our other work.

Minoti Rani Roy

Chairperson

Badda Suprotebashi Mohila Somobay Somity Ltd.

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Advocacy



GNB enhance community awareness for the children and believes in build a better society where the child are fully protected. To protect children from child labor, child marriage and other issues related to the child rights GNB established Child Council, Youth Council & Child Rights Keeper at its working areas.

Child Rights

child rights protection group, campaign, awareness and education sessions on child rights, day observation and networking

Women Rights

Social issue based meeting, campaign and day observation



Awareness-raising
education and training
participants

30,282
People



No. of Campaign
organized

35



Birth Registration
Ratio

100%



No. of meeting
held (child protection)

286
times



No. of policy proposals
offered

1



No. of networking
meeting held
(other organization/forum)

10
times

National Campaign on Child Rights



I feel proud and happy to attend this types of national based campaign. Thanks to GNB & EREG for arranging this campaign. The issue is national what you have raised. Government is trying to solve the children related problem with high priority. Already we have taken some initiatives like: Children allowance, Pregnancy allowance. I am inviting you to submit a proposal from this platform considering the raised issues and I assured that Government will analysis all the issue. Considering the best interest of the children Govt. will take the action.

Md. Shamsul Haque Tuku MP
Chairperson
Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights



To create mass awareness to promote child rights in the society, GNB organized a National-based Child Rights Campaign with the participation of youths, social worker, social activist.

Our recommendation to the Govt. was- **The institutionalization of the Department of Children is essential to end the ongoing violence against children.**

Some other recommendations comes from participants of the campaign:

- Need a new survey to get the current child rights situation in the state
- Strengthen the work of CSO's in the coastal area to reduce child labor significantly
- Prerequisites are urgent for reducing street children numbers
- More media concentrate on mass awareness of child rights-based program
- Local government should be more careful to reduce child marriage and labor more significantly



National Good Daddy Campaign

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Today I feel honored as the father of a girl child. Such types of programs remind us again that we have to work more for our girl child. I assured through this program that I will not arrange a marriage for my daughter before the age of 18. I wish my daughter will live long and her future will bright. To fulfill her dream I will support her best. I will spread out the information to other fathers to take care of their children especially girl children. Please pray for my child so that she can fulfill her dream in future.

Md. Abdul Latif
Mahanpur, Birganj

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“If you give me good mother, I will give you a good nation”. This is really a great & wonderful program to reduce child marriage and this type of effort will bring GNB to a long distance.

Md. Aftabuzzaman
Executive Director
Apon Foundation

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“Emotion is necessity but don't reach it to death.” Thanks to GNB for arranging this innovative program.

Nasima Akter Jolly
Secretary
National Girl Child Advocacy Forum (NGCAF)

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GNB is conducting various campaigns for reducing Child Marriage in its working areas. Good Daddy Campaign is the most highlighted and attractive program among all ongoing programs to save the young girl child from the curse of Child Marriage. The objective of this campaign is to involve fathers to fight against child marriage.

75% of child marriage is happening in rural areas. Father is the key decision-maker in the family, where child marriage is prevalent. Bangladeshi perspective father is the main earner and he is the decision-maker of a family. Therefore fathers can play an essential role in reducing child marriage. That is why GNB conducting Good Daddy campaign with the involvement of the fathers.



No. of father participated
in Good Daddy
Campaign

1,673



No. of girl children
participated

1,708



No. of community
people participated

2,130



Participants



Social Issue based session

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I am a mother of one daughter. She read in class 8. One day my husband invited the marriage registrar at home for my daughter's wedding. My husband decided to give marry my daughter. But I interrupt because I know how girls suffer after early marriage. I can't make worse my daughter's future. I'm very much thankful to GNB. They gives us knowledge about child protection and many more social issues. Because of GNB, I can take a stand against child marriage.

Eti Akter
Mahanpur, Birganj

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In our society, there are still many social problems, that we have been infected every day. May be for the shame or defamation victims' families don't like to become focus with social problem issues. For this reason these problems become serious issues of our society. But If we aware of these problems then we can overcome these problems easily. It just needed a small initiative to make aware community peoples about these issues. GNB is doing awareness program on some social issues (Child marriage, Child labor, Child Abuse, Family Planning, Maternal Health, Menstrual Hygiene Management, Gender Equality so on). Every year GNBs all CDPs forms some groups in an area and discuss these issues gradually. At the end of the year all groups members' become inform about these issues. It's a continuing process of GNB.



No. of mother
participated

5,881



No. of meeting
held

118



No. of child marriage
prevented

6





Community Partnership & Network Building



Photo: 2019 GNB National Youth Camp, Bogra

GNB encourage local communities and groups such as Community Development Committee, to engage in decision making process. Moreover we work together with local government and related agencies to maximize influence on the society. We also organize Local youth to participate voluntarily in the development work for their own society.

“Together for Child – We Protect Our Juniors” is the slogan of GNB’s youth development program. Our youth development program is inspired by the UN CRC and the youths’ need of leadership directions. This program is operated so that local youths develop themselves as future leaders and prepare for a good career. GNB wants to develop their organizing/leadership skill and prepare them for bright career through CDP-based assignments. This way they get practical communication and organizing skill that make local youths more confident and prepared for greater responsibilities.



No. of Youths
Volunteers

1,240



No. of Volunteer
Meeting

178



No. of youths recieved
youth development training

1,231

A Journey towards local youth to a responsible supporter

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I am really happy to be a volunteer of GNB. As a volunteer, I have got the opportunity to do something for my youngers and community. For me, it's my pride as well. I am conducting together for child activity for Child Rights Protection and also help to arrange awareness campaign on Child Rights. From GNB I have received various career development training including CV writing, English speaking & writing, and computer skill development training which will help me in my future career. Thanks again to GNB for giving me this opportunity.

Al-Amin Islam
Volunteer- Pirganj CDP
National Youth Council Member

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Sponsorship Service



Our sponsorship service program matches poorest of the poor children across the country to sponsors, so that they receive support for fulfilling their basic needs and enhancing their overall quality of life. GNB started sponsorship program from 1996 and since then we have continuously supported students that belong to hard-to-reach, disadvantaged, and marginalized communities in remote areas to get education.

Not a single child deserves to suffer from violence, exploitation, abuse, and neglect. Our child protection program is based on the rights-based approach. We respect views of the child, and zero tolerance of child exploitation and abuse. We work for raising awareness for the rights of the children so that they can claim their rights. To reduce drop out rate we classified our children into two zones, General Zone (continue in study) Focus Zone (Possibility for engaging in child labor, Under threat of marriage, and including all other cause so that a child can be drop out).



No. of sponsored children

20,720



Ratio of girls

51%



Ratio of boys

49%



Sponsored children house visit

100%



Annual Progress Report Prepared

18,778



Annual Child Letter prepared

18,584



No. of children received special gift money

1,281

Transforming shy boy/girls to a leader

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I was a sponsored child of GNB, now I am working in NSI Bangladesh. In my childhood I used to be very quiet, very shy person, now I can lead people. I'm very grateful to GNB who supported me to become a strong and educated person. The financial issues was the main barrier of my education, my family was not support me financially but GNB support me through provide educational materials and scholarship. Today I am here because of GNB. I am grateful to GNB. Thanks

Sujon Rajbongshi
Ghatail CDP

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Drop out rate

9.30%



Emergency support
for drop out control

1,010



Plan for newly
enrolled sponsored
children

1,050



Partner Project - 1

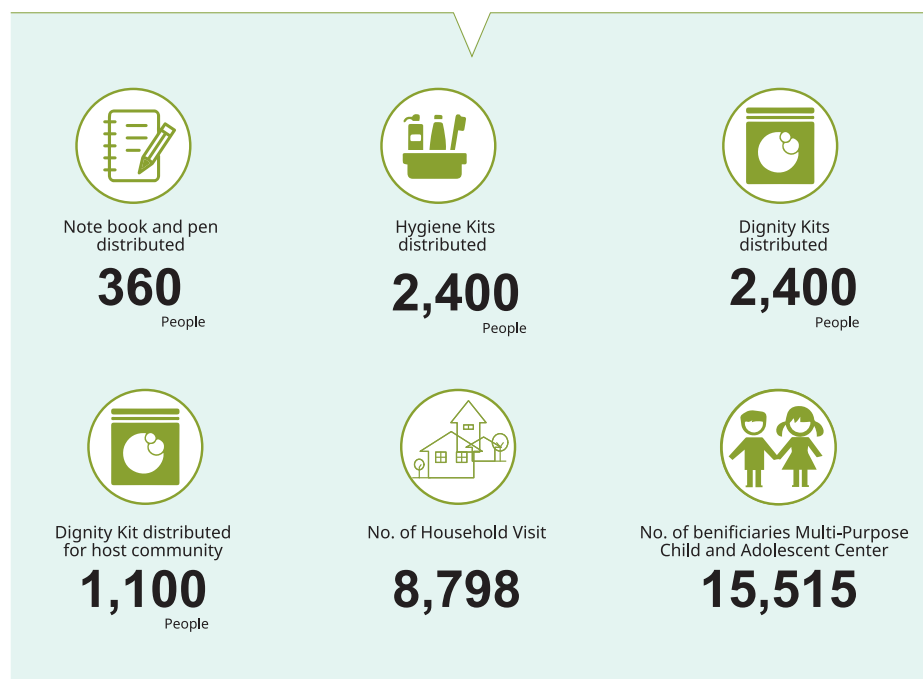


Rohingya Emergency Response (RER) Project

Introduction

After the massive influx of Rohingya from Myanmar to Bangladesh in 2017, Good Neighbors Bangladesh has been providing humanitarian support to rohingya children, adolescent girls and women. From the time of emergency situation for the development of targeted group's physical, mental, social and measures to prevent Gender Based Violence against girls and women was the main concern of Good Neighbors Bangladesh. In accordance of those objectives GNB has been running 3 Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) and 2 Women Friendly Spaces (WFS) in 3 rohingya refugee camps.

Achievement





Partner Project - 2



World Food Programme

Building Resilience to Achieve Zero Hunger (BRAZH) Project

Introduction

GNB Resilience Innovation program is working under BRAZH Project increasing the design and introduce tools for forecast based financing and Provide capacity assistance to the Government to use these tools to enable the pre-identification of relief participants, climate resilient among the disaster vulnerable community under sadar and ulipur upazila of Kurigram district. It will also to tried reduce the consequences of the disaster risk and will bring some behavioral change in the community in terms of disaster preparedness & awareness. The project started introduce and demonstrate the integrated seasonal livelihood mapping tools with relevant agencies in one upazila and Strengthen climate resilient alternative livelihoods options for the poor and vulnerable people.

The objectives of the project is 'Design & practice innovative & appropriate method of FbF for targeted disaster-prone people to decrease their disaster vulnerabilities & reduce the gap of food insecurity through the project'. Project Location: Jatrapur union-Sadar upazila, Begumganj union-Ulipur upazila, Kurigram

Achievement



Improving awareness building resilience

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I live in Kurigram, my village is beside the river for that every year we get a flood. We didn't know what to do when we get flooded. GNB trains us to deal with the flood. To help of GNB we can know the precaution about before and after the flood. They train us to understand the danger of water level. They also give training to our husband that how to protect crops and animals from the flood. GNB provides us with urgent services at the shelter such as health care, food/water and animals also gets special treatment if needed. With the help of GNB, we were able to cope up with the 2019 flood. I'm very much thankful to Good Neighbors Bangladesh for help and trained us to survive against flood.

Mahima Begum
Boldipara, Jatrapur Union
Kurigram

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Partner Project - 3



Community Health Worker Project

Introduction

Improvement of the health and mortality situation in Bangladesh has been possible due to successful implementation of large scale public health programmes. To contribute in the health strategy of Government of Bangladesh and to implement GNBs health agenda, we have introduced Community Health Workers (CHWs) project in a larger scale in Bochaganj, Dinajpur supported by KOICA.

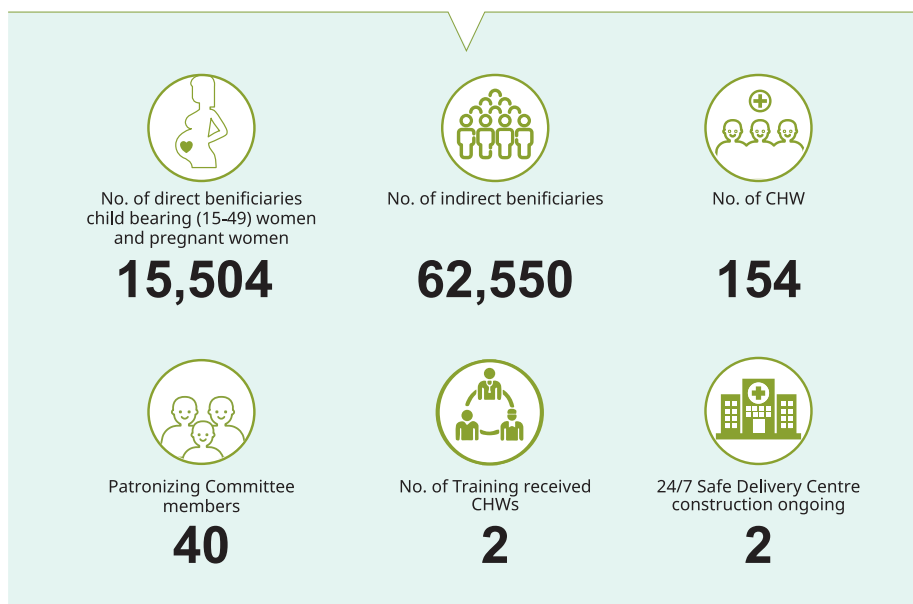
The title of this project is 'Improvement of Maternal and Neonatal health through Community Health Workers Mobilization in Bochagnaj, Bangladesh' and the target area is 01 no. Nafanagar & 02 no. Ishania Union, Bochaganj Upazila, Dinajpur, Bangladesh. This is a 3 years duration project from January 2019 to December 2021.

Achievement



KOICA-GNB CHW Project is a great opportunity for the people of Nafanagar & Ishania Union because of the activities to reduce the Maternal Mortality & Infant Mortality rate in the area. I appreciate and thank GNB for this project and ensure them to be with them in any kinds of support what they need. I am always with GNB, love the way GNB works and wish best wishes for GNB.

Adv. Md. Zulfekar Hossain
Upazila Parishad Chairman
Bochaganj Upazila Parishad



Some Special Comments on this project

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I appreciate and welcome KOICA-GNB CHW project team and project authority in Dinajpur to work to reduce child & maternal mortality. I assure to ensure administrative support to this project and also requesting to the authority to expand this project not only for Bochagani Upazila but also for whole District. I am requesting all honorable guests including health & family planning department and others to join your hands together to make this project successful.

Mr Md Mahmudul Alam
Deputy Commissioner
Dinajpur

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Last year (2019) I had a misunderstanding about GNB's service in the Demand Survey Meeting like other NGOs, they only show us their plan but no actual implementation, but I have seen and believe really GNB is Good Neighbors of our community as well as Government. These medicine & medical equipment provision is very effective service for our local communities. We should supervise this materials properly & jointly to ensure its proper distribution to the community people. I thank GNB & KOICA-GNB CHW Project to provide this rendering service and also for the community.

Dr. Md. Abdul Kuddus
Civil Surgeon
Dinajpur

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Partner Project - 4



Engagement of Youths for Ensuring Child Rights Project

Introduction

This project is designed considering some ongoing problems related to youths and children of the targeted community. Among them, youth-related major problems are- youths do not complete their education, join in bad politics and addicts to the drug, involve in social malpractices like eve-teasing and others, young girls are vulnerable to trafficking and lack of responsibility among youths towards the community. On the other hand, children related other major problems are the higher rate of child marriage, labor and abuse are increasing, and the rate of drop out from school is increasing.

The innovation of the project is that the involvement of one suffering group [youth] to solve the problems of both suffering groups [youth and children]. Through this involvement, the youths are able to develop their organizing skills and capacity and at the same time, their community responsibility will be enhanced. Simultaneously, by different project interventions involving the community, the children related problems will also be reduced. We believe that the project objectives will be achieved if all the designed activities implemented accordingly.

Achievements



Making stronger and committed youths for the community

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Its a matter of great pleasure for us that GNB implemented a project named “Engagement of Youths for Ensuring Child Rights” supported by Australian Aid. Through this project, we have learned many things which are necessary for our community and our life as well as our career. Because of this project, many youths like me engaged in social activities. Maybe if GNB didn’t conduct this project we spend time freely. Now we know about child rights and we are committed to protecting child rights. Through this project, we have arranged some awareness campaign and a mass signature campaign. Really that was a great experience for me to arrange and conduct these programs. Now I feel proud because I can contribute to my community for their betterment. Thanks again to GNB and Australian Aid for implementing this project.

Mukter Hossain Khan
President
Protibeshi Jubo Songho, Dohar

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Special Project - 1

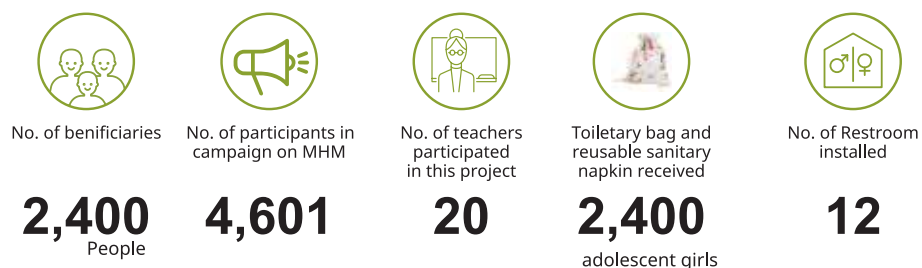
Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) Project

Introduction

Menstrual hygiene management (MHM) at school is constrained by poor access to water and sanitation, lack of privacy and limited education about menstrual hygiene as well as social stigma and cultural restrictions on activities. Menstruation poses a set of physical, socio-cultural and economic challenges to adolescent girls that may interfere with their ability to attend a school or to participate fully in the classroom.

Girls' education has a long-term positive impact on personal welfare and health as well as economic and social development, especially in low-income communities. GNB has taken an intervention named Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) Project for empowering girls. Through this project enhanced capacity of the rural adolescent girls on MHM and improved the environment of school for MHM.

Achievements



A Magical Change of a life

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I am overwhelmed with joy because I have got a chance to be a participant in the Menstrual Hygiene Management Project managed by GNB. Through this project, I have got a friendly environment to discuss any privacy issues related to reproductive health and learned many new things regarding this. I have got a reusable sanitary napkin, toiletry bag, and MHM booklet from GNB which was helped me to enrich my knowledge and practice level. Through this project like me, many girls have benefited in my school. GNB has installed an MHM friendly restroom in my school. I don't know how I can express my gratitude to GNB for this initiative. Such types of initiatives will help us for empowering. Thanks GNB.

Afra Yasmin Bipasha (16)
Students
Punot Girls High School
Punot, Kalai, Joypurhat

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Special Project - 2

Community Health Worker (CHW) Project

Introduction

GNB has initiated an approach on maternal health responsive “Community managed health care program” through CHW approach in order to bridge the health care information and services between the facility and the field. This approach has been piloted in different places like (Nalka, Kalai, Bochaganj, Meherpur, Moulvibazar), where the interventions created opportunity for the community mothers specially married women of reproductive age (MWRA) and their children's who are needed the basic primary health care advise.

Achievements



ANC knowledge increased among pregnant women

52.4%



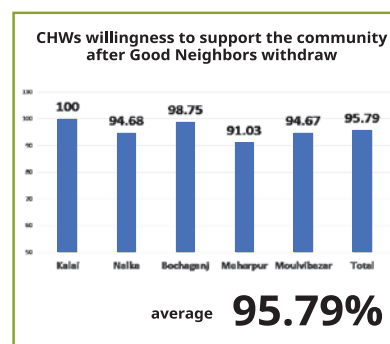
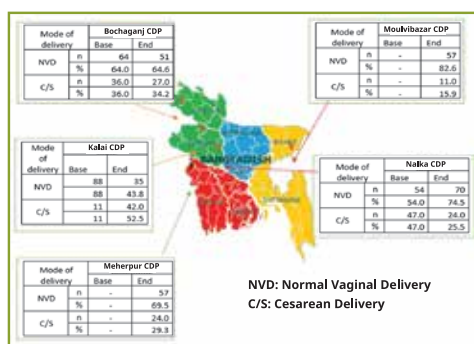
ANC practice increased among pregnant women

21.4%



Institutional delivery increased

17.3%



How Beauty transformed to woman of Vanity : A Success Story of a CHW

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I feel proud and empowered to be a CHW and for getting the opportunity to help my community. CHW approach is a good approach for the community people especially such rural areas. I have received various training as CHW from GNB. Every day I am visiting many houses and talking with the mothers about their health. I enjoy this work very much and also I respect this job. I am the first person to help the community before they reach a doctor, for that reason I am so proud and thanks to the GNB.

Mrs. Beauty
Community Health Worker
Nalka CDP

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Special Project - 3

Water and Sanitation (WATSAN) Project

Introduction

In Bangladesh, most of the area's water supply quality is not good, so many people affected different kinds of water borne and skin diseases because of the unhygienic water and sanitation facilities. Most of the schools water & sanitation facilities condition is so miserable. Government could not cover with their limited budget so in the school don't have separate toilet facilities for boys and girls. From another side, they could not drink safe water because of insufficient water supply and arsenic problem.

The main cause of skin disease is polluted water and here if anyone wants to get safe drinking water then they must need to take it from deep but most of the tub well is shallow tub well (30-40 fit) so it is a common problem in Bangladesh rural areas.

The project is designed for providing affordable and sustainable access to safe drinking water supply and sanitation facilities to the target community.

Findings Happiness in our Daily



Students of my school were absent or missed classes frequently due to scarcity of sanitation facilities. Tube well was broken down that's why students felt problem in drinking water. GNB provides a well- managed toilet and drinking water facilities that make a sense of relief of my students and also teachers. I am very thankful to GNB for their contribution and support. Now our schools students attendance rate increased.

Md. Abdul Khaelq
Head Teacher
Chalkgobindipur Govt. Primary School
Ghurka, Rayganj, Sirajganj



Children and Teachers with access to clean water and sanitary environment

2,052
People



No. of hygiene education sessions

22



No. of teachers participated in this project

53



No. of drinking water facilities constructed

10



No. of Restroom installed

10



Accessibility of schools to clean water and sanitation facilities

94%

Epidemic of waterborne disease reduction rate

33.4%

Accessibility of toilet increase rate

19%

Practicing sanitary toilet increase rate

11.6%

Practicing hygienic measures for preventing diseases increase rate

24.7%



Some Special News & Events

participated/ organized/ supported by GNB



Dengue Prevention Week

This year GNB observed 'Dengue prevention week' from 5 Aug to 11 Aug 2019, to make everyone aware on this epidemic fever by medical officer, staff, and volunteers from CDPs & Head Office.



Through this campaign 12,000 community people have participated and came to know about this fever.

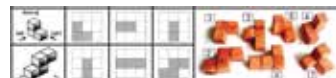


Bangle Cube

Bangle cube is a learning tool for co_curricular activities and brain development of children based on Child Rights.

On the other hand, Gain the skills to see things from various angles through Bangle Cube. Thus, they develop a good understanding and problem-solving skills in various situations in life.

The GNB Education Team prepared a study sheet and Bangle cube set.



Hope Letter Team Visit

The Hope Letter is a Good Neighbors' campaign to stimulate global citizenship and promote education. Each year, kids write letters for support to a child in another country.

This year, the campaign was launched and children participated in this campaign. The winner team has visited Bangladesh and they meet with Mina and passing their time with Mina & Mina's family. This team along with our Mirpur School children have visited some historical place in Bangladesh.



Universal Children Day

GNB always welcomes partnership & networking. In 2019 GNB organized & participated in a series of activities to observe Child rights week. The art competition, Rally, Discussion meeting & cultural events were some of the activities. Here, In the picture Akhi Akter, grade-8, from Vatara Good Neighbors school, giving her speech in nationally observed "International girl's child day" event.



2019 Cultivating GN Leadership workshop
organized by Global Capacity Development Center (GCDC)



International Forum on 'Refugee & Development'
organized by UNHCR, UN Refugee Agency & Good Neighbors in Seoul



GN Global Partnership Annual Conference
organized by GN Global Partnership Center (GPC)



2019 Asia-Pacific Regional NGO Partnership Week
organized by The Asian Disaster Reduction & Response Network (ADRRN) at Thailand



2020 PoA Peer Review Workshop
organized by Good Neighbors Bangladesh



National Dialogue Platform on Forecast based Financing (FbF)
organized Bangladesh Red Crescent Society, German Red Cross, CARE Bangladesh, Start Fund Bangladesh and United Nations World Food Programme



Workshop on Organization Capacity Assessment Tool
organized by GN Global Capacity Development Center (GCDC)



2019 GNB Vision Conference
Slogan of the conference ' Team One, Dream One, Vision 2021



CDP Redesign
(2 CDP redesigned in 2019 and another 12 was designed previously)

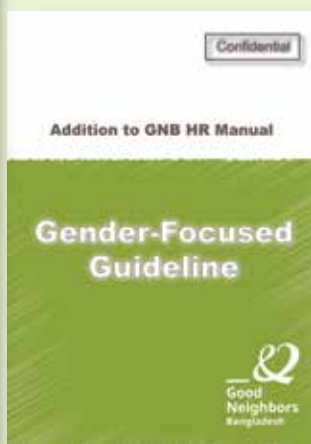


Emergency Response for the cold wave affected people
Total of 6,000 blanket distributed in 2019

Standard Upgradation



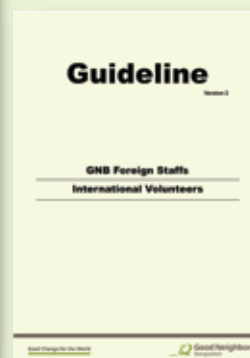
Partnership Guideline



Gender-Focused Guideline



Anti Fraud Guideline



Foreign Staff & International Volunteers Guideline

Financial Overview

As a non-profit organization, Good Neighbors Bangladesh is committed to financial transparency and accountability.

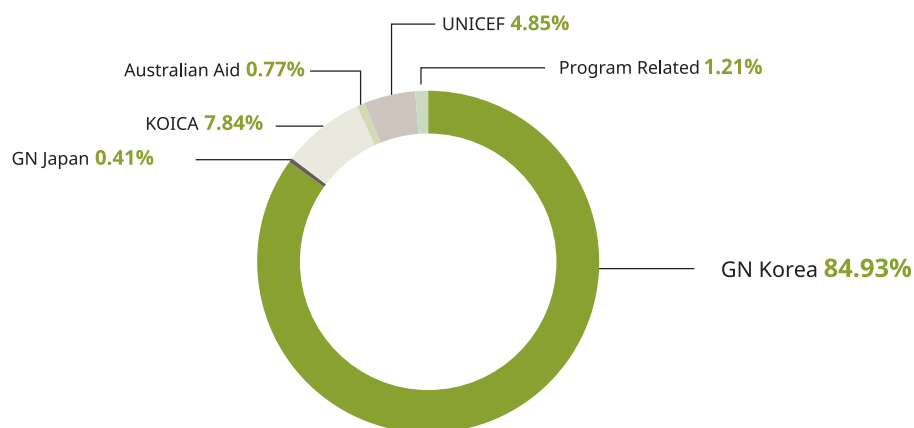
- We use publicly reliable accounting standards, that comply with national laws and regulations
- We conduct external audits in every year
- We organize regularly capacity building training for financial management



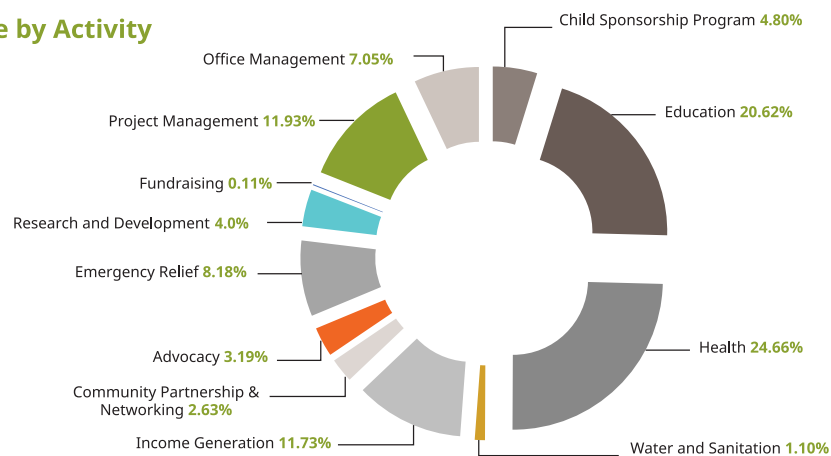
Income & Expenditure

The total income for 2019 was **USD 5,089,735** from foreign and local remittance.

Income Source



Expenditure by Activity



Our Partners



Achievement in History



1996 - Received UN ECOSOC general consultative status



2007 - Received MDG Award for the contribution to universal primary education



2016 - completed 4 years WFP-KOICA SZHCP project with expected success



2019 - completed 3 years KOICA ICT Education Project with expected success



2019 - successful arrangement of Australian Aid. Completed 1 year youth engagement for ensuring child rights project with two institutions

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