



2020 Annual Report

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Acknowledgment



Warm greetings from Good Neighbors Bangladesh (GNB)! This year GNB is celebrating the twenty-fifth founding anniversary, aka, Silver Jubilee. Started in 3 districts (in 1996) with only childcare- and agriculture-focused supports, GNB has expanded to 11 districts with more focus on economic wellbeing.

The year 2011 has been marked by its shift to economic development activities with as many as 14 cooperatives (16,483 women members) registered with relevant local government office. From 2018, GNB has taken another step towards addressing the struggles of the people affected by conflicts, disaster and climate change. With supports from the Korean government, Japan Platform, KOICA, UNICEF and WFP, GNB has remarkably expanded its DRR activities in the recent years.

During 2016-2017, in spite of not having very good examples of sustainable CHWs in the villages, GNB experimented the idea of piloting Community Health Worker (CHW) project (in 5 rural upazilas) to address the huge gap of patient versus health professional ratio and to provide ante-natal and post-natal supports to the rural mothers. The secondary goal of this project was women empowerment because, later with supports from KOICA, we have graduated a total of 205 Community Health Workers who have been housewives before. The KOICA CHW project has also established 2 safe delivery centers in Bochaganj Upazila of Dinajpur.

In the recently past decade, while we re-focused on social development activities (support to health and conventional education, support child and woman rights), we took clear steps towards economic wellbeing, income generation, capacity development and job creation for our community participants.

As of now, GNB has its presence in 18 project areas including its projects in Patuakhali (climate change), Cox's Bazar (support for Myanmar's Rohingya community) and Kurigram (DRR).

Upon achieving the milestone of 25 years, we at GNB express our deep gratitude to the community people, partners and CDCs (Community Development Committees) for leading their respective communities from social to economic development and for keeping GNB as their trusted partner.

This annual report partly represents our activities and efforts in 2020. Obviously, we had to channel most of our activities and resources to address the COVID-19 fallout. GNB conducted relief programs in four different phases with the Community Action Teams (CAT) and provided medical equipment, sample collection booths, and PPE packages to public and private hospitals.

Activities to address child protection and gender-based violence (GBV) in the refugee camps of Cox's Bazar continued maintaining restrictions imposed by the COVID-19. Also, the WFP project in Kurigram 'for building resilience and achieving zero hunger' did its best in spite of the pandemic situation. With Japan Platform, we conducted a relief and rehabilitation project to support the victims of the cyclone Amphan in Kalapara of the Patuakhali district.

On this 25th anniversary, we are grateful to our support countries, particularly South Korea, Japan, Canada and to our partners UNICEF, WFP, KOICA, Australian High Commission, SAMSUNG C&T, JAPAN PLATFORM and Seoul Metropolitan Government for their support and cooperation. Supports from NGO Affairs Bureau and local governments have always been our strength. Also, I am personally grateful to our 300 colleagues and 2100 volunteers who have exerted special efforts in 2020, most of the time, risking their lives.

We believe that with wide vaccination and maintaining health rules, the effect of pandemic will reduce and we can go back to our normal life once again. Until then, let us stay safe for our dear ones!



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



Non Discrimination

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



Promote self-reliance & sustainability

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



Priority on the Child Rights

We place a top priority on the rights of the child



Create harmony & coexistence

We create sound global citizenship that encourages people to respect one another and live together in harmony



Open to participation

We encourage as many people as possible to join Good Neighbors as Sponsoring members to participate in our work.



Accountability & Transparency

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



Local level partnership

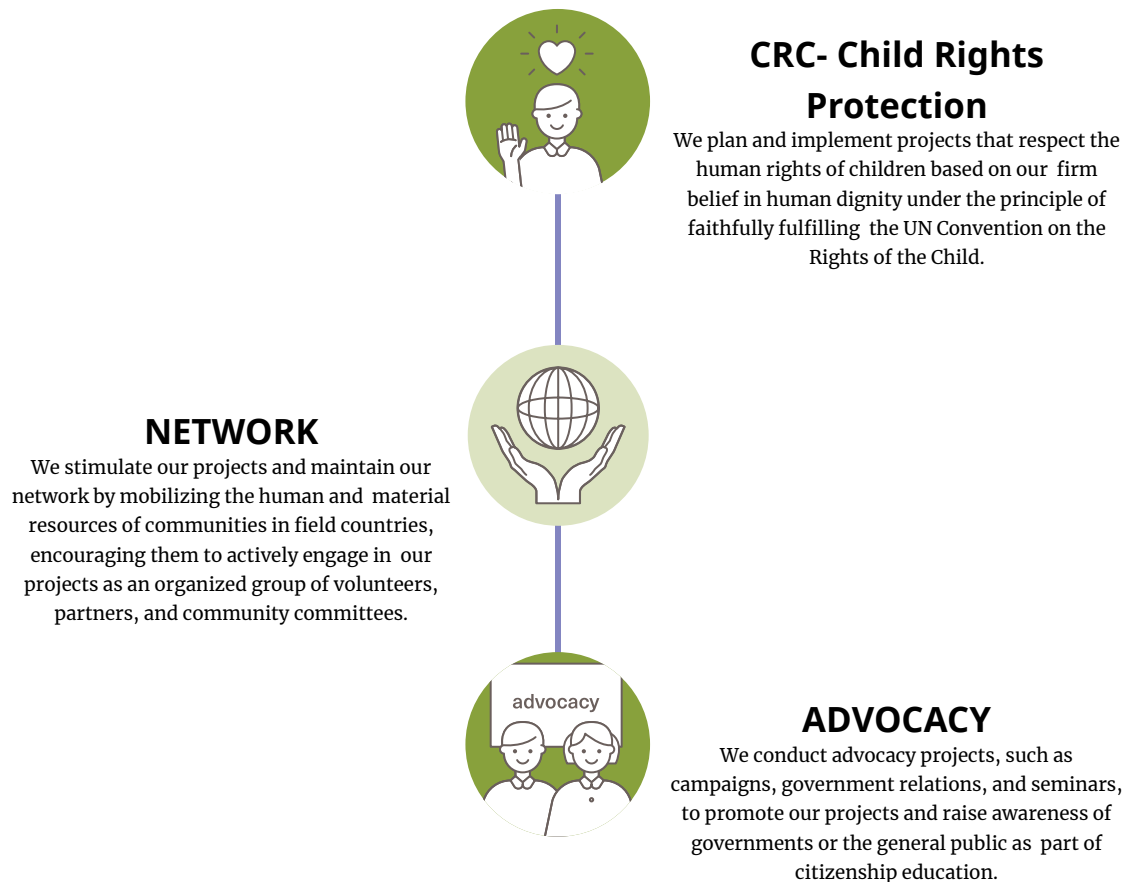
We work in cooperation with our local partners who share their community development goals.



Volunteerism & Community Partnership

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

Our Focus



Target Group



Children

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



Women

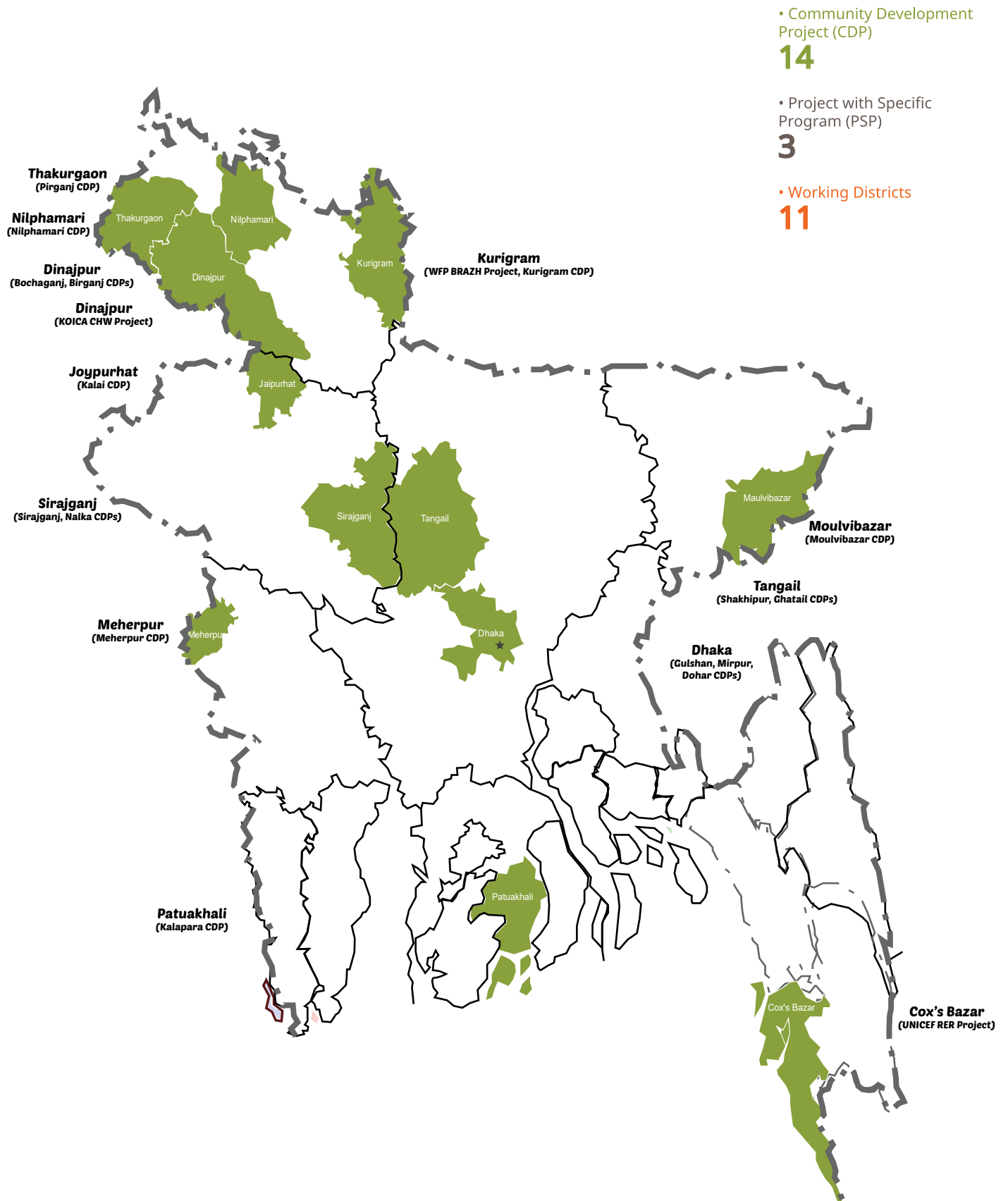
Good Neighbors Bangladesh develops Income Generation opportunities for the marginalized women through cooperatives and income generation groups, which help them to become self empowered.



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



Globally Where We Work

Presence in 45 Countries



● Global Office

4 Countries

● Support Country

7 Countries

● Field Country

Asia 17

Africa 13

Latin America & Caribbean 7



Community Development Project

101,600

- 14 CDP
- 19,734 Sponsored Children
- 80,880 Community People
- 14 Community Development Committees

Education & Protection

64,424

- 7 Schools
- 61,128 Education Materials Support
- 1,146 Registration, Tution & Admission fees distributed
- 2,150 Reading Campaign Participants



Health

103,180

- 14 CDP
- 14,675 Treatment Support received
- 18,819 Nutrition Support
- 5,262 Issue based health education

Advocacy

2,663

- 14 CDP
- 311 Child Rights awareness campaign
- 392 Child Rights Keeper
- 1,960 Social Issue based meeting



Income Generation

40,516

- 14 CDP
- 18,817 Households for income generation
- 16,483 Cooperatives members
- 5,216 Small & medium enterprise initiates

Community Partnership and Network Building

3,375

- 14 CDP
- 2,068 participated in Special day observation
- 957 Volunteers
- 350 Youth Development Training





Special Feature on COVID-19 Response

Relief Program-1

Beneficiaries

6,602 HHs

Budget Tk

4.5M

Relief Program-2

Beneficiaries-

4,310 HHs

Budget Tk:

2.6M

Relief Program-3

Beneficiaries-

12,435 HHs

Budget Tk:

14.9M

Good Neighbors Bangladesh provides emergency support to 38,000 poor families in COVID-19

“Since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic, we have taken several initiatives to raise awareness, including awareness campaigns, distribution of masks, setting up of handwashing booths, medical equipment and emergency food aid. The support has been delivered to the doorsteps of vulnerable people through community action team and volunteers. Activities will be continued until this situation backs to normal.” - M Mainuddin Mainul, Country Director, GNB

GNB has distributed emergency relief to poor families in its 17 project areas in 11 districts hit by the COVID-19. In this pandemic situation, GNB has taken several initiatives to provide Emergency supports, such as food, hygiene kit, telemedicine service, awareness creation, leaflet distribution for all. A total of **38,000 families** were supported step by step.

Starting from April 19, we have provided a total of **Tk. 26.91 M** to the needy people. In order to operate this work properly, we have formed 'Community Action Teams' in different working areas. In Corona, the affected families are selected and listed then the action committee distributed support. Concerned UNOs, government officials, union chairmen including Good Neighbors staff were present in distribution ceremony.

To maintain the social distance community action team members went door to door for distributing relief. In relief program-1 GNB has distributed more than **6,271 families** with emergency food support rice, pulse, cooking oil, salt, onion, potato and hygiene kit to the day labor, widow, older people and single parent's families.

In relief program-2, GNB community action team take an initiative to collect local fund to help the poor community. Many people responded and helped with this initiative. Especially cooperative has donated for this program. This activity was held in GNB's 17 projects in 11 districts. Total **4,310 families** were supported by food items and hygiene kit.

In its continuation, GNB had designed a unique relief program called 'Good Bazar' just before of Eid-ul-Adha, so that helpless people can celebrate Eid in a good way. This Good Bazar was arranged in an open place like a fair. GNB distributed rice, pulse, cooking oil, salt, onion, potato, vitamin-c & Zinc-B, soap and clothes in a total of **24,870 families**.

Proper use of fallow land and meet the nutritional needs of the targeted beneficiaries, GNB's Income Generation team has implemented the livelihood support program. GNB distributed seeds, fertilizer, duck-chicken and materials of small business among **2,731 families**.

Good Neighbors Bangladesh also conducted a need assessment survey in various government and non-government COVID-19 dedicated hospitals. Considering and analyzing the needs described by hospitals, GNB wants to upgrade the medical service facilities. In its continuation, GNB provides some medical equipment, sample collection booth, and PPE packages to the Dhaka Shishu Hospital, Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital, and DR. M.R Khan Shishu Hospital & Institute of Child Health. GNB provides 14 oxygen concentrator, 2 COVID-19 sample collection booth, 2 paddle hand washing booth, 1,225 pcs KN95 Mask (5-layer original China), 30 pair gumboot, 230 box hand gloves, 150 pics PPE set, and 15 pics nasal refill.



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 for the teachers. Currently we are serving 20,720 children. GNB is building a smarter generation who will take Bangladesh towards the super-highway of progress.

GNB is strengthening the access of quality education and protection through the formal classes and Dream School Center (after school) in their own school premises. Besides that, extra classes has been taken for those students who are 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



Education
Material Support

61,128

People



Registration, Tuition fees
admission fees

1,146

People



Library Operation
Support received

4,186

People



Reading Campaign
participants

2,150

People



Ami hote chai
program participants

2,743

Students

A story of a life changing

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I am very happy to be a sponsor child. Without the support of GNB maybe I might not continue my study. I am very much grateful to GNB for giving me the chance to work with the organization.

Moynul Hossen
Sponsor Child
Moulvibazar CDP

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Moynul Hossen is a sponsor child and his ID no BGD-0109-000126. His father's name is Aslam Mia, and his mother's name is Hasna Begum. There is five family members in his family. In 2009, he became a sponsor child of GNB under Moulvibazar CDP. Before he became sponsored, he couldn't run his study properly due to family poverty. His family leads their life hand to mouth. But after became a sponsor child, he got all kinds of educational support to run his study smoothly. Such as he got notebooks, pens, pencils, geometry box, school bag, school uniform, shoes, drawing materials, tuition fees, admission fees, umbrella, chair-table, etc. Now he is studying at a University and working as a sponsorship service supporter.



Regular Activities Photo





Health

GNB is 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 2020, GNB supported 60,723 people through health care unit.





CHW Refreshers Training 2020_Birganj CDP



Global Hand Washing Day Observation_Nalka



Hepatitis-B Check-up Campaign-2020_Meherpur CDP



Special Health Campaign on Pediatrics 2020_Pirganj CDP



Mosquito Net Distribution_Sirajganj CDP



Issue based health education session_Nilphamari CDP



Income Generation

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

IGA has operated in 3 forms: Cooperative, Income Generation Group (IGG) and social enterprise. GNB has helped the community to organize cooperatives to set the 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 the 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

18,517
People



No. of Income
generation groups

112



Capacity building
for income generation

2,034



No. of Cooperatives

14



No. of Social Enterprise
initiatives

6



Cooperatives
members

16,483
women



Small & medium
enterprise initiatives

5,216
women



Cooperatives
gained profit

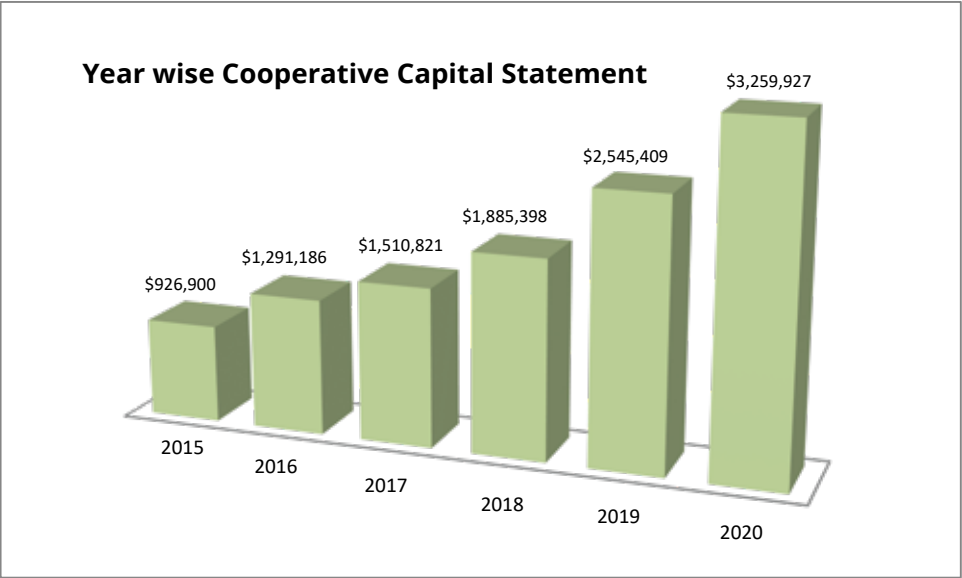
\$86,865



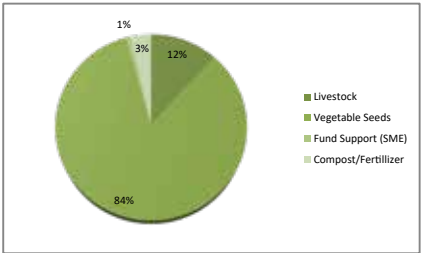
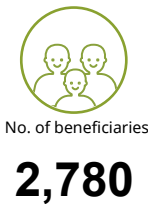
Dividend
distributed

\$69,256

Cooperatives as the hope of the community economy



Special intervention for transforming a woman to family contributor [financial]



Due to COVID-19 pandemic there are many families suffer financially. GNB has taken an initiative for the woman to keep their family financially solvent, for that distributed livestock (Duck/Chicken), vegetables seeds, compost/fertilizer, and unconditional fund support for SME by special survey.





Advocacy

GNB has enhanced community awareness for the children and believe in building 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 in its working areas.



Child Rights Keeper Meeting_Kalai CDP



National Girls Child Day_Nalka CDP



Child Council Meeting_Moulvibazar CDP



Together for child activities_Moulvibazar CDP



Meeting with Child Under Threat of Marriage (CUTOM)_Bochaganj CDP



Together for child activities_Nalka CDP



Community Partnership & Network Building

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

Bangladesh has faced an alarming period due to COVID-19 in the year of 2020. Took the matter into consideration along with Bangladesh govt. GNB is trying to increase corona testing facilities by laboratory & facilitated with COVID-19 sample collection booth due to the enhancement of the treatment system of Bangladesh.

In this flow, Firstly, GNB has conducted a need assessment survey in different govt. & non govt. Hospitals and wanted to upgrade the medical service facilities. Secondly, GNB has provided 5 sample collection booths to Govt. through Directorate General of Health Service (DGHS).

The mentioned Hospitals were:

- i. Dhaka Shishu (Children) Hospital
- ii. Dr. M R Khan Shishu Hospital & Institute of Child Health
- iii. Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital.

GNB has provided some medical equipment, sample collection booth & PPE packages to above Hospitals for better facilitation of COVID-19 treatment support. By considering the following issues GNB has taken these Partnership program with health sectoral leading organizations of Bangladesh.

Right Time Right Support possitive feelings

"Support is support whether it can be big or small but the gesture is very important what you (Good Neighbors Bangladesh) have shown to us. You have come at the right time with your support especially I am talking about the Oxygen Concentrator. Really it is very necessary for us at this time and we cannot explain how important it is for us especially for the hospital (*Dhaka Shishu (Children) Hospital*). So thank you very much, Good Neighbors Bangladesh".

- **Prof. D. Samir Kumar Saha**, *Corona Unit Chief, Dhaka Shishu (Children) Hospital & Executive Director, Child Health Research Foundation during Hospital Equipment Handover & Signing Ceremony at Dhaka Shishu (Children) Hospital.*



Photo: Prof. D. Samir Kumar Saha is with the GNB country director after hospital equipment handover ceremony



Photo: Hospital Equipment Handover Dr. M. R Khan Shishu Hospital



Photo: Hospital Equipment Handover [Dhaka Shishu (Children) Hospital]



Photo: Hospital Equipment Handover [Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College and Hospital]



Sponsorship Service

Our sponsorship service program matches the 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 has 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 the views of the child, and zero tolerance for child exploitation and abuse. We work for raising awareness for the rights of the children so that they can claim their rights. To reduce the drop out rate we classified our children into two zones, General Zone (continue in the study) Focus Zone (Possibility for engaging in child labor, Under threat of marriage, and including all other cause that a child be dropped out).



No. of sponsored children

19,162



Ratio of girls

49.98%



Ratio of boys

50.02%



Sponsored children house visit

100%



Annual Progress Report Prepared

18,859



Annual Child Letter prepared

1,697



No. of children received special gift money

1,655

2020 Graduation Ceremony



I was involved with GNB Mirpur School as a student of grade 3, I remember that time I thought myself just as a student, nothing else. I will never forget the first day.

I came to know about the rights of a child, the rights of a women, volunteerism, and many more necessary things from GNB. I have received educational materials, occasional gifts and mental support from GNB. I have learned every girls/ women have equal rights and we should think themselves as a human being. Male and female are born equal and I have the same rights, which a man has.

I always wanted to be a good human; GNB has given me the platform to explore myself and proves me as a good human. I was elected here as a president of child council from 2013 to 2015. Now I am a member of "Youth Council" at Good Neighbors Mirpur CDP. So, this is the way that I am still walking and I think this is the first step to reach my goal. I am also involved with other organizations like Save the Children, Core member of Plan International.

At last, I would like to say that I will never forget GNB, Mirpur CDP. I will always try to involve myself at GNB as a volunteer. If I get chance I would provide assistance to GNB. All my success that I have already got and what I will get in future all credit goes to GNB first. Thank you GNB, thank you all my teachers and all the staff of GNB.

Umme Aimon Pushpo
Hon's 3rd Year
BGD-0102-001380



GNB continuously supporting children that belong to hard-to-reach, disadvantaged, and marginalized communities in remote areas to get an education. We continue this support for a child till 18 years age of then he/she will be graduated of sponsorship program.

We have arranged the **2020 Graduation Ceremony** with 1,687 children from various CDP who have graduated in Dec 2020. The purpose of the program is 'To celebrate, prepare, and encourage for adult life'. The children are glad to attend the program and grateful to the sponsor to support them until 18 years of age.



Child-Centered Care for Rohingya Children and Adolescents

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 with those objectives GNB has been running 3 Child Friendly Spaces (CFS), 2 Women Friendly Spaces (WFS), and 5 Multi Purpose Child & Adolescent Center (MPCAC) in 3 rohingya refugee camps.

Good Neighbors Bangladesh (GNB) aims to improve the child protection through community engagement with a participatory approach on case management, PSS support and to spread-out risk mitigation message in the community and beneficiaries by improving their knowledge and strengthening their, structural PSS, life skills through five Multipurpose Child and Adolescents Centre (MPCACs) in Camps 14, 15 & 16 and distributing of houses for homeless/street children in the host community with the alliance of Bangladesh Government instruction. The activities are designed as focused on the pandemic condition and situation of COVID-19 is still on going. So, the following activities are continued including child protection.



No. of
MPCAC

5



No. of boys & girls
received literacy &
numeracy class

1,200



No. of boys & girls
received MHPSS

9,428



No. of parents
received positive
parenting sessions

8,007



No. of children
adolescent boys
and girls participating
life skill sessions

1,700



No. of children
adolescent & parents
reached child protection
risks mitigation awareness

18,812

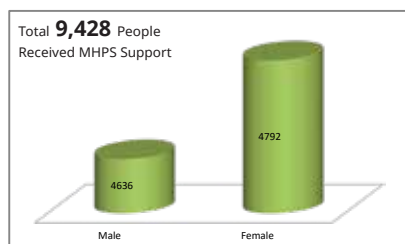
Community Based Child Protection Committee (CBCPC)

Community Based Child Protection Committee members are helping to find out the Child Case. This CBCPC help to find out a total of 143 children in different cases in this year.



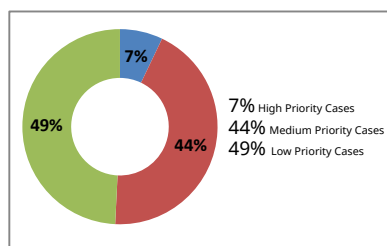
Photo: Community Engagement Awareness session with CBCPC arranged by GNB

Mental Health Psychosocial Support Activities



Case Management Activities

GNB provides support to the Rohingya child. GNB had to reach Total 1280 cases around the year. Out of them high priority cases are 91, medium priority cases 559 and low priority cases are 630. Total closed cases are 5.



Positive parenting

GNB has reduced superstition by providing positive parenting awareness. On the other hand, GNB has tried to change their negative thoughts and habits.

GNB had provided structural MHPSS session on Camp 14, 15 and 16. In a pandemic situation individual MHPSS become very much effective than the first phase. The information on these basic characteristics indicates the population's representativeness and is critical when interpreting the overall survey findings. GNB had collected data from 102 PSS beneficiaries who received MHPSS services from GNB. The selection of MHPSS beneficiaries was Multi-stage sampling design that was followed to demonstrate a representative sample from each camp. Overall, the scenario is, most of the beneficiaries (96.1%) had got proper services from GNB.

A Story of Jashim and an initiative of a Case Management Officer

Jashim is 13 years old Rohingya boy stay with his father and stepmother in camp-16, Block-D8. He is mentally disable and his mother has died in Myanmar when he was two years old. Then his father Md. Naser Ahmed married again. His step mother has two children and she can't accept Jashim as her son. She always dislikes his activities and sometime she hit him badly. His father has no income source for this reason it's become very difficult for him to bear full family's expense specially Jashim's medicine cost and his take care.

One day on behalf of GNB I have visited their home and found that the child is crying in their yard. Then I took the case and provide some support. At first, I have provided positive parenting and individual counseling to his parent. Then I refers the case to Department of Social Services (DSS) for cash support and became successful DSS ensure the cash support to Jashim.

Now Jashim receives 2,000 taka per month and it's enough to bear his expenses. His father and stepmother are very happy and they take care of Jashim. Jashim's mental condition is developing day by day and he is very happy to get love from his family.



Photo: A representative of the GNB-UNICEF RER project conducted a session on positive parenting

Life Skill Based Activities



From the survey, it has shown that, the maximum enlisted children has knowledge on 12 life skill base session which was provided by Good Neighbors Bangladesh. Adolescent's creativity had increased day by day during the period as well as COVID 19 pandemic situation. Most of them mention that, life-skill based sessions helped them in different ways. They know that the life skill means "Jibon Dokkhota".

From those sessions they came to know about various things like 'silence and sound', 'ourself inside and outside', 'I am, I can, I have', 'what we do', 'animal, insects and bird's story', 'relationship map' and 'creating emotional story'. Before the session they didn't know about these topics but now they learnt various things from the session, also they know how to survive and this is very helpful. Making Ball, picture art, stitch clothes by needle and thread, making diary etc. are their achievements. They also mentioned about their idol.

A Success Story of GBV (Gender-based Violence)

7,000 women & adolescent received service from GNB Woman Friendly Space (WFS)



Now I am very happy because I can take part in my family decision-making and I am able to contribute in my family. I am thankful to GNB for supporting me and other women of the community.

Jesmin Begum
Camp 16



Jesmin Begum is 32 years old Rohingya woman who was forced to leave her homeland due to the extreme violence and chaos created by the Myanmar army. She shifted to the refugee camp of Bangladesh. Now she is living in camp 16 with her husband and three daughters.

Adjusting in the camp setting was not easy for her family. Her husband often tortured her brutally. She never could find peace in her home. Then she came to know about Shanti Khana (WFS) running by GNB.

She started to come in Shanti Khana (WFS) where she could rest, play and learn new things. By the mediation of the staff of GNB WFS her family situation started to improve. Through regular counselling her husband became polite and caring to family.

She learned tailoring and other handicraft item making in the WFS. And now she is earning 1000-1500 taka every month by making dresses and selling showpieces. Her economic contribution towards her family is helping to improve her family condition and her position in the family. She wanted to educate her daughters for their better future.

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GNB has been one half of the partners with UNICEF in Cox's-bazar since Dec 2019 working in the Rohingya Camps and host communities reaching nearly 11,000 Children and 7,000 parents, caregivers and community members. Child Protection Services including Case Management, Psychosocial Support, life skilled based learning and Adolescent clubs and through supporting community based mechanisms to better prevent and respond to the child protection concerns on the ground.

Mr. Patric Halton
Child Protection Manager
UNICEF

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Photo: Mental Health Psychosocial Support



Photo: Mental Health Psychosocial Support



Photo: Door to door LSB Session



Photo: Door to door LSB Session



Photo: Child Protection Related Awareness

Building Resilience to Achieve Zero Hunger (BRAZH) Project

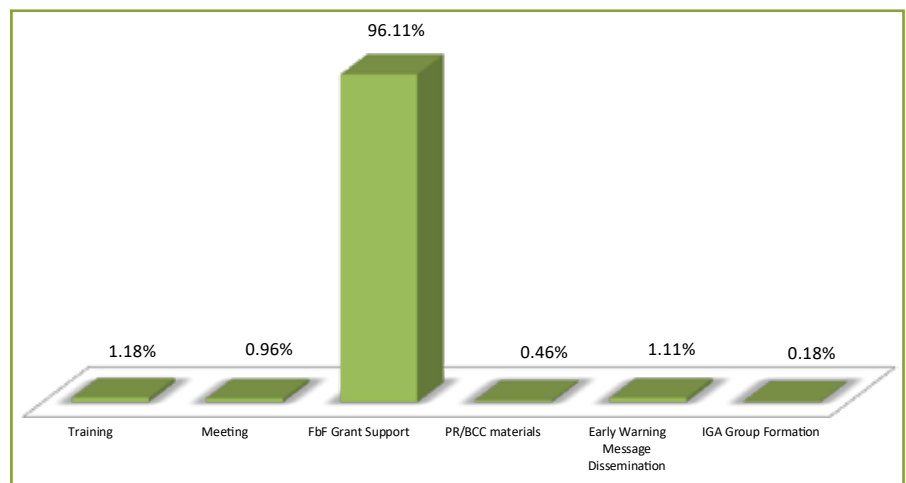
Increase resilience and improve food security of people vulnerable to climate change

GNB Resilience Innovation program is working under BRAZH Project to increase 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 try to 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 to 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



Photo: A Volunteer disseminated Flood Forecast Message



Expense Chart based on Activity



FbF (Forecast based financing) support

2,813
People



Entrepreneurship development training

423
People



Flood Forecast message dissemination

2
Times



Conducive materials distribution

2
UDMC

FbF (Forecast based financing) support for the project beneficiaries

FbF is a program that enables access to humanitarian funding for early action based on in-depth forecast information and risk analysis. The goal of FbF is to anticipate disasters, prevent their impact, if possible, and reduce human suffering and losses. Based on the flood forecast UNWFP provided FbF support for the targeted beneficiaries under the project on 29th June-2020 and 16th July-2020. Total 2813 beneficiaries received FbF support by two installments. Through the support ensured their food insecurity during the disaster period and decrease the damages and losses. This support assisted to all targeted beneficiaries who received the support effective preparedness, shifting to a safe place and fill up the food crisis during the disaster period.

A story of a beneficiary Small support how to become a light of hope



Photo: Shahara Begum,
a beneficiary of GNB-WFP BRAZH Project

65 years old widow Mst. Shahara Begum is a participant of Building Resilience to Achieve Zero Hunger project in Jatrapur union under Kurigram district.

Her residence in Farajipara village which is the adjustment Dhudkumar river which is connected with Dharla and Brahmaputra rivers. Her son and daughter got married and she became alone living separately and working for herself to survive. She works at other people houses to meet her daily needs. But due to the Covid-19 impact, she losses work opportunity to work at other house and failed to manage her daily food, she became helpless. Often she asks food from her daughter but due to the poor earning condition of her daughter as well, she did not receive sufficient food supply as she required daily. And one day, suddenly her daughter stopped to provide food for her. She became hopeless and worried about her survival without food, she failed to see any light in her life.

Meanwhile the water level of Dhudkumar river has increased and heavy rain-fall continuances. Within 2 days of heavy rainfall, flood water logged her house premise. She thought that now she is surely going to die and there is no hope left in her. On Monday, June 29, 2020 evening, she has received FbF cash support BDT 4,500.00 through her bkaash account as food and other preparedness assistance from GNB.

During interview time she told that, "I was so happy that I run with a shining smile at my face from the morning after I received cash from the bkaash agent from the nearest outlet". Immediately she has bought 40 kg. rice, 1-liter edible oil, 1 kg lentil, 1 kg salt, 2 kg potatoes, 1 kg puffed-rice, one packet mosquito-coil, chicken meat and fish. She expressed that it has been long time that she could effort 3 times meal with fish, meat and nutrition food. She said that for 30 days now she could have three times meal with nutritious food.

She is now mentally stable enough after receiving this FbF cash grant support and would not starve for at least a month. She is very grateful to GNB to allocate this FbF cash support during the crucial time of her life.

4,500

TK

FbF (Forecast based
financing) support



Photo: Conducive Materials handover to UDMC



Photo: Entrepreneurship Development Training (EDT)



Photo: FbF Support



Photo: FbF Support



Photo: Special visit



Photo: Flood Forecast message Dissemination



Photo: Flood Situation as per flood markers



Photo: Flood Situation as per flood markers



Photo: Quarterly Volunteer Meeting



Photo: Quarterly Volunteer Meeting



Photo: Ward Disaster Management Committee Formation and Training



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Community Health Worker Project

Improvement of Maternal and Neonatal health through Community Health Workers Mobilization in Bochagnaj, Bangladesh

Improvement of the health and mortality situation in Bangladesh has been possible due to the successful implementation of large scale public health programs. To contribute in the health strategy of the 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.

COVID 19 activity

Hygiene Materials support to
upazila health complex

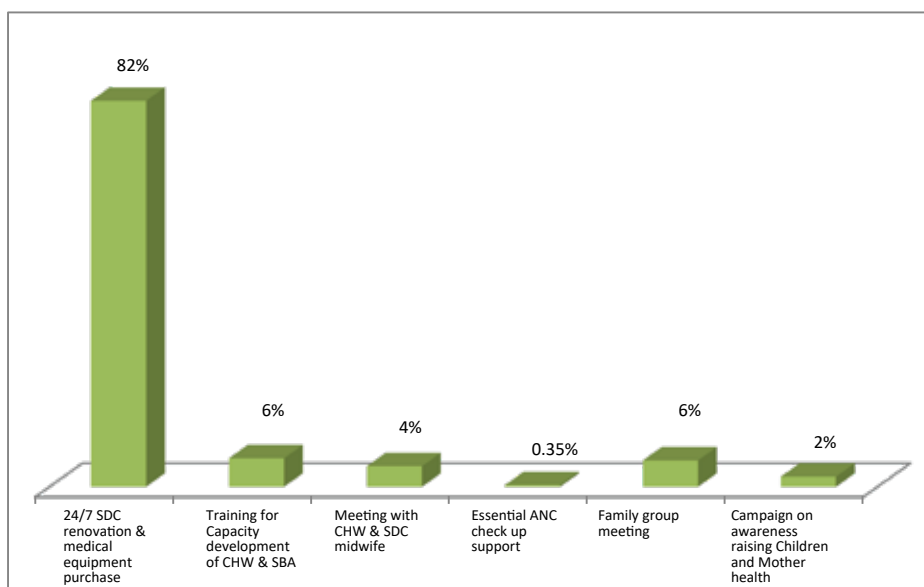
**1,294 PPE, 1,830pcs KN95 mask,
420 boxes surgical mask,
257 boxes hand gloves,
1,624pcs hand sanitizer**

Emergency food support

1,400
People

WASH material support

11,002
Households



Expense Chart based on Activity



24/7 Safe Delivery Center (SDC) is a trusted center in the community



After struggling with my family, I am able to bear a son at 24/7 Safe Delivery Center (SDC) and now both we, mother and child, are safe.

Akhi Khatun (20)

Dohora Bill Para,
Nafanagar Union of Bochaganj Upazila



Akhi Khatun lives in the village Dohora bill para under Nafanagar union of Bochaganj upazila, Dinajpur. Her husband is an auto rickshaw driver. He has to maintain family expenses of six family members with a monthly income of BDT 9000 and 33 decimal of agricultural land.

Akhi Khatun became pregnant in the beginning of the year 2019. She has been enlisted in the CHW register book, even she participated regularly in the monthly family group meeting for achieving knowledge on ANC and PNC. KOICA-GNB has a CHW project's 24/7 Safe Delivery Center (SDC) in Nafanagar union, Bochaganj Upazila, which was inaugurated on 9th August 2020.

Fency Ara, community health worker (CHW) visited her and provided advice regularly on risk free delivery. But when CHW proposed her for safe delivery at the 24/7 Safe Delivery Center, her father-in-law as well as the family members disagreed with this proposal and expressed their interest in delivery in the district level renowned hospital and clinic; and expressed doubt on professional skills of recently inaugurated 24/7 SDC.

Akhi Khatun shared her painful experience of neonatal death, miscarriage, and how her family members reacted to each issue with CHW. Also reasoning why her family members were not interested to have her delivery in the 24/7 SDC, and seeking a safe delivery in the risk-free environment under district level hospital or clinic.

Akhi Khatun was highly motivated and interested to have her delivery in the 24/7 SDC and she continued communicating with CHW. She even made a plan to manage her family with the support of CHW. Later on, according to plan CHW came to visit her house and talk to her family members. CHW requested her father-in-law to visit the Safe Delivery Center. Later on, family members of her including her father-in-law visited the delivery center for detailed information. After visiting the Center, they have agreed to have Akhi Khatun's delivery in the 24/7 SDC and thus communicated with the project Health Officer.

On November 26, 2020 afternoon Akhi Khatun felt labor pain and her husband brought her to the Nafanagar 24/7 SDC. Akhi Khatun has a safe delivery at the Center with a male baby in the evening. CHW, SDC midwife and all the family members were happy with this successful safe delivery of her.



Photo: First aid box distribution to CHW



Photo: Family group meeting



Photo: ANC service time at safe delivery center



Photo: Flip chart, mother horlicks, mosquito net distribution to pregnant women



Photo: Hand washing practical session in in-service CHW training



Photo: Monthly review meeting with CHW_ CHW supervisor



Photo: On job training for SDC staff



Photo: House Visit



Photo: Hygiene material support to Health facility based on COVID 19



Photo: Medical equipment _ medicine distribution to health facility in Ishania _ Nafanagar union



Photo: Minister of state, Bangladesh shipping ministry is delivering a speech during the inauguration ceremony of 6 bedded 24/7 safe delivery center & midwives accommodation



Photo: GNB country director inaugurated 24/7 safe delivery center at Nafanagar

To address the challenges for ensuring quality education of primary and secondary education

SAMSUNG C&T_ Samsung Village Project, is being implemented to address the challenges for ensuring quality education of primary and secondary education. The project is introducing an interactive and child friendly environment at school for ensuring quality education for the children those are economically, socially and geographically marginalized. SAMSUNG C&T_ Samsung Village Project works for improving education quality, health awareness, teacher training, school infrastructure development and so on.

Expected Outcomes

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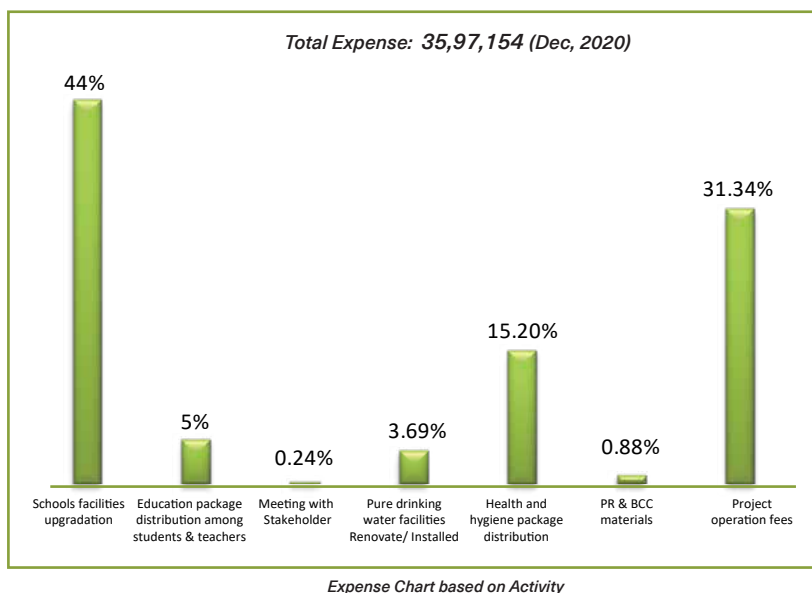
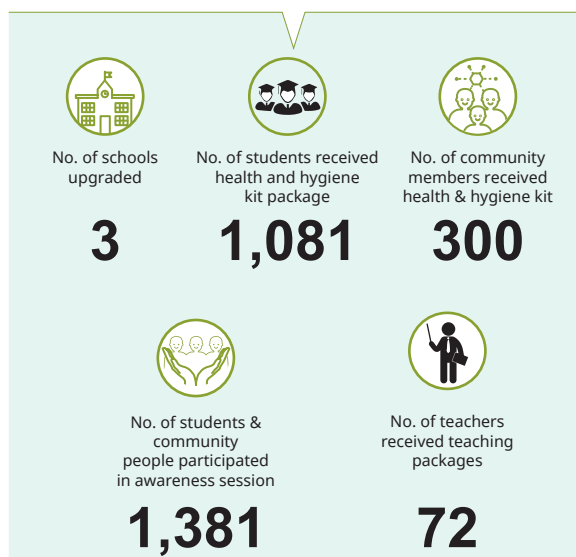
Strengthened child friendly environment at school & improved quality education in targeted areas

2

Access right to health and improved health status among targeted communities

3

Developed knowledge and awareness on basic human needs



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“I heard that NGOs are support schools for the development but I never imagine that the support and efforts provided by the Good Neighbors Bangladesh are possible in Bangladesh. The quality of working and the commitment of this NGO incomparable. They make my school a rose in the slum areas and it looks now the best school among the areas. My community people and the student comes to our school to visit and I hope by the support of Good Neighbors Bangladesh the school turn to the model school in this community.”

A B M Taha
Head Teacher
Sultan Mollah Adarsha High School

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“I have a dream that our teacher using modern equipment for taking the class. By this supporting equipment, the dream became true”.

Rashida Begum
Head Teacher
Islamia High school

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“I have the experience to work with a lot of NGOs activities related to my education department. I am excited and feel proud that the Samsung village project works in my education thana. This project staff's working approach, communication, planning after all their objectives, and commitment to the works inspired me. I love to work with them and I am happy to be a part of this project.”

Farzana Sharmin
Thana Secondary Officer
Pallabi, Mirpur

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The cumulative prosperity of Bangladesh has meant that big improvements have been made in providing access to health, education, child protection, and other services. But at the same time, many children live in slums area do not have enough access to information and services specific to their needs such as quality education, health & hygiene, child-friendly environment, where they can meaningfully develop their life and ensure child rights.

More importantly, many children did not even begin secondary education or dropped out from secondary education for varieties of reasons linked to poverty, and marginalization. They are vulnerable to various forms of the most egregious abuse including child marriage, child labor, physical and psychological violence. Unless intensive action continues to be taken, the normal objectives of schooling for the slum or poor areas children quite impossible.

The upgrade facilities activities of the Samsung village project emphasize generating a child-friendly and effective learning environment for the students. Under this support, the project supports the schools by construction and renovation of the school infrastructure. The construction works of Sultan Mollah Adarsha High School create a positive impact on the community people.

For modernization and easy access to teaching tools, the project provides teaching packages (Whiteboard, Marker, Duster, Pen, Register, and Marker Ink) to the selected 04 schools teacher.

Another important focusing issue of the Samsung village project is creating health and hygiene among the students and selected beneficiaries. Like many students in this area, Tahmina listens about the corona pandemic but did not aware of the safety mechanism and doesn't have safety measures. After getting Health and hygiene kits (Mask, Hand sanitizer, Soap, Toothpaste, Tooth Brush, Hand-wash Liquid) she expressed thanks and committed to maintaining hygienic life not only for herself but also for her youngest sibling. She added **“from now I wash my hand and wear a mask to protect me from corona virus”**.

It was remarkable cooperation and collaboration from the government education office from the very beginning of the project meaning the planning, selecting the schools.



Photo: Contract Agreement signing between GNB & SM Construction



Photo: MoU Signing between GNB & Bongobondhu Biddya Niketon School



Photo: Health & Hygiene package distribution



Photo: MoU Signing between GNB and Islamia High School



Photo: Sultan Mollah Adarsha High School (previous)



Photo: Sultan Mollah Adarsha High School after our intervention



Photo: Children with hygiene kits



Photo: Teaching package distribution for teachers

To improve quality of life with basic human needs in the targeted area

Kalapara Upazila is one of the most vulnerable Upazila under Pautakhali zila and located at the mouth of the Bay of Bengal in the South of Bangladesh. For being its location, some Union are very remote area those are very vulnerable to natural disasters and is frequently hit by floods and cyclones.

On May 20, Cyclone Amphan hit in Bangladesh especially Kalaupa upazila under Patuakhali district, which is the largest storm in decades, there aren't any words to describe the level of destruction. Most of the villages under some unions the crop submerged under storm surge water. Cyclone Amphan has damaged cattle, fish, crops, homes of household in Kalapara Sub district under Patuakhali district.

The objectives of the project are:

1

Provide food kits support for enhancing food security to the vulnerable community affected by Amphan in the targeted areas

2

Housing materials support for repairing and maintenance of their affected shelter

Target



No. of households will receive food kits support

7,060



No. of households will receive house materials support

1,100

Project Duration: Dec'20 to Feb'21



Photo: CPP Volunteer Orientation and Coordination Meeting with Local Government



Photo: Preparation for Food Kit's Support distribution



Photo: Food Kit's Support distribution (Baliatoli Union)



Photo: Beneficiaries are waiting for receiving Food Kits support (Mithaganj Union)



Photo: Iron Sheet Distribution (Lalua Union)



Photo: Special meeting before Iron sheet distribution (Mithaganj Union)



Photo: Iron Sheet Distribution (Mithaganj Union)

Response COVID-19 through behavior enhancement and hygiene enhancement of the community members

The spread of COVID-19 has put the whole world in a serious public health crisis. Bangladesh has also increased rapidly since the first confirmed case, with 55,140 confirmed cases and 746 dead were reported as of June 3.

According to the COVID-19 report by the Bangladesh Government, international organizations, and INGOs, many NGOs are currently carrying out COVID-19 response projects. Especially two or more NGOs are implementing COVID-19 response activities in 43 regions including Coxbazar. On the other hand, 22 regions were found to have no NGOs carrying out COVID-19 response projects, except for BRAC, which is carrying out projects across Bangladesh. Therefore, Good Neighbors seeks to carry out COVID-19 response activities in Meherpur and Joypurhat district where the Community Development Project (CDP) is located among the 22 regions that lack NGO support.

Necessity of the project are i) Poor hygiene facilities and supplies of low-income households, ii) Increasing community anxiety caused by false news related to COVID-19 iii) Lack of government-level activities to prevent infections in public facilities.

Project Location: i) Mujibnagar Upazila ii) Kalai Upazila



Photo: Hygiene Kit Distribution



Some Special News & Events

participated/ organized/ supported by GNB



Group photo GNB Annual Conference/2020



2020 Assessment of Managerial Proficiency, Jan/2020



Introducing New Communication Style, Jan/2020



Celebrating Women's Day, Mar/2020



Celebrating 24th Anniversary of GNB, Aug/2020



GN Child Protection Policy introducing Workshop, July/2020



PSEA Training for ensure and establish PSEA, Sep/2020



Half yearly managerial workshop, July/2020



Training of Trainers on Mosquito Control Service, July/2020



National Child Council Meeting, Aug/2020



National Youth Council Meeting, Sep/2020



IG Staff capacity development workshop, Jul/2020



Child Rights Week [Shishu Songlap]

Some photo of COVID-19 intervention



Financial Overview

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

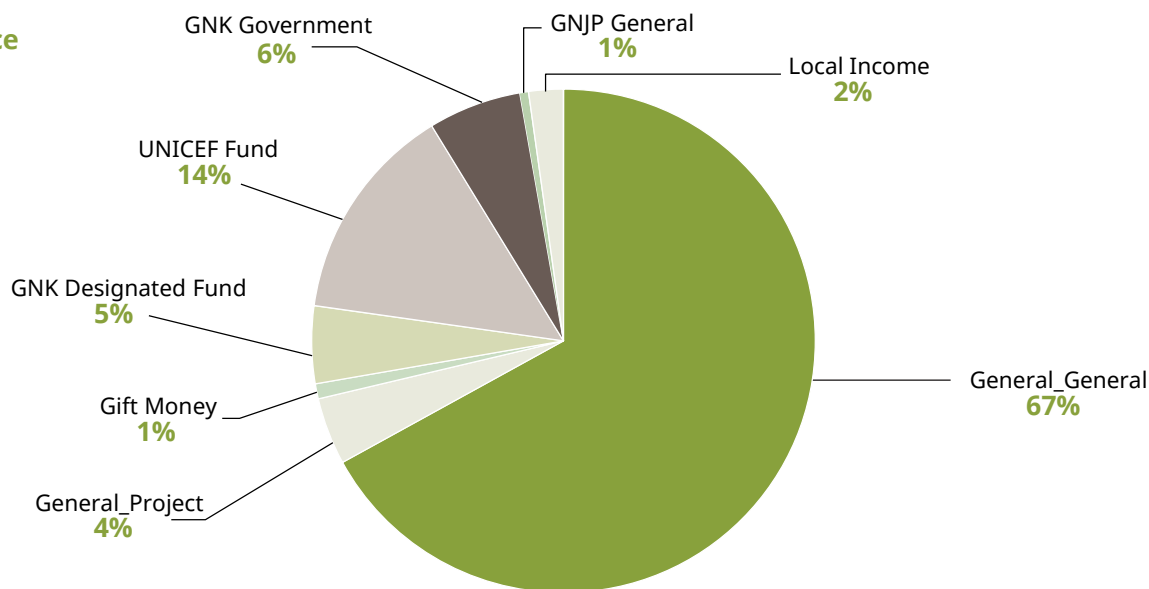
- We use publicly reliable accounting standards, that comply with national laws and regulations
- We conduct external audits in every year
- We organize regularly capacity building training for financial management



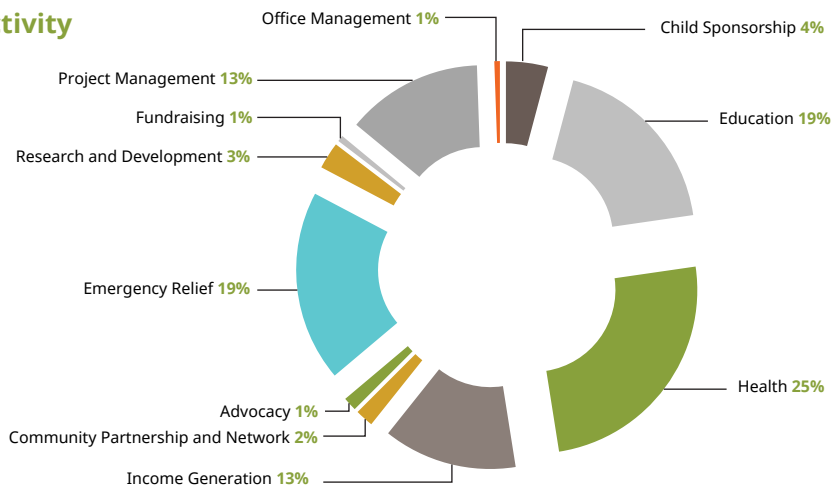
Income & Expenditure

The total income for 2020 was **USD 4,982,641** from the foreign and local remittance.

Income Source



Expenditure by Activity



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