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# | Foreword



Dear Partners, Colleagues, and Well-Wishers,

Warm greetings from Good Neighbors Bangladesh.

As we reflect on another year of meaningful progress, 2025 stands out as a significant milestone for our organization. It has also been a great personal honor for me to assume the leadership of Good Neighbors Bangladesh and to build upon the strong legacy of national leadership established over nearly three decades.

This year marked an important new chapter in local fundraising, further strengthening our engagement with the communities we have served for the past 29 years. Through innovative crowdfunding initiatives, we were able to mobilize community solidarity to support the most vulnerable children, reinforcing resilience through collective actions. I sincerely appreciate the continued support of the Korean community in Bangladesh, and extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Korean Association of Bangladesh, KOTRA, and the Embassy of the Republic of Korea for their ongoing partnership.

In 2025, Good Neighbors Bangladesh achieved significant progress in disaster risk reduction and community resilience building. With support from the GGHSP Fund of the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh, safe drinking water facilities were constructed in Taltali, Barguna, improving access to clean water for vulnerable communities.

In addition, the inauguration of a multi-purpose cyclone shelter in Kalapara, Patuakhali, funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (MOFA), has significantly enhanced disaster preparedness by providing safe shelter for both people and their livestock. We are also pleased to continue our valued partnership with SAMSUNG C&T, supporting quality education for children over the next three years.

In the education sector, the successful completion of the UNESCO–Hamdan Prize for Teacher Development Project resulted in the publication of a Teacher’s Training Handbook, strengthening teaching quality and professional development. This achievement reflects the collective efforts of teachers, students, guardians, education experts, and our dedicated staff, to whom I extend my sincere appreciation.

Women’s empowerment remains central to our mission. The establishment of the Central Women’s Cooperative, now coordinating 26 cooperatives, demonstrates our strong commitment to promoting women’s financial independence and leadership. Good Neighbors Bangladesh is proud to provide technical and institutional support to this pioneering initiative.

Through our 17 Community Development Projects (CDPs) across 13 districts, we continue to support vulnerable women, children, and youth in the areas of education, health, child rights, income generation, women’s empowerment, advocacy, disaster risk reduction, and climate change adaptation.

In 2025, we also initiated an important collaboration with REDAA under an IIED- and UK Aid-funded project in the coastal areas of the Barishal Division. The project focuses on mangrove restoration, environmental conservation, and improving livelihoods, in collaboration with national NGO JAGO NARI and the local research organization Center for Research and Development (CRD) as implementing partners.

I extend my sincere thanks to Japan MOFA, the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh, REDAA, UNESCO, SAMSUNG C&T, UNICEF, the Embassy of the Republic of Korea, and the Korean Association of Bangladesh, and Mahbub & Company Family (Law firm) for their continued trust and partnership. We look forward to strengthening these collaborations to create greater and more sustainable impact in the years ahead.

On behalf of Good Neighbors Bangladesh, I thank all our partners, colleagues, and supporters for their unwavering commitment to improving the lives of vulnerable communities.

With sincere appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bartin Gomes'.

Bartin Gomes, Managing Director  
Good Neighbors Bangladesh



# | ABOUT GOOD NEIGHBORS

Good Neighbors is an international humanitarian development non-governmental organization 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 serve people in need beyond ethnicity, religion, belief, and nationality
- We promote self-reliance in sustainable development for individuals, families, and communities
- We implement the rights of the child as top priority
- We prosper global citizenship in mutual respect
- We organize local volunteers to contribute in developing their own communities
- We cooperate with all people who understand our mission and program
- We work with professionalism, and pursue financial and operational transparency
- We strive to induce more people to join our work as Good Neighbors members

## CORE COMPETENCIES



Professionalism



Transparency



Sustainability

## TARGET GROUP



# HOW WE WORK

## Development Principles

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



**1)** We support our suffering neighbors



**2)** We raise awareness of human rights and the role of duty bearers



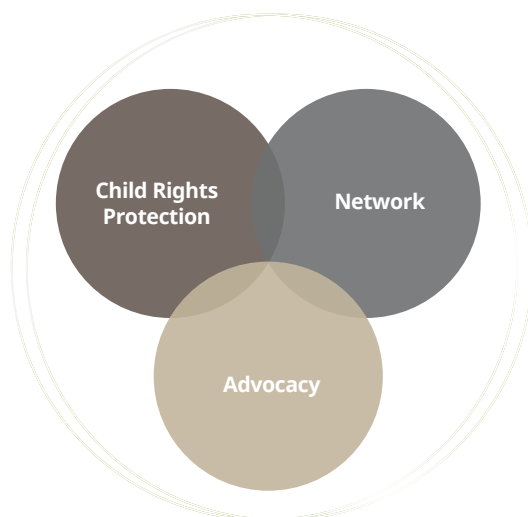
**3)** We empower people



**4)** We promote cooperation and solidarity

## The Primary Development Directions of Good Neighbors

Good Neighbors conducts specialized and systematic operations focusing on three primary directions: Child Rights Protection, Network, and Advocacy.



### Child Rights Protection

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

### Network

We stimulate our projects and expand 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 policies, and seminars to promote our projects and raise awareness of governments or the general public as part of citizenship education.

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)



**SO 1**  
People are free from hunger



**SO 3**  
People enjoy the right to education.



**SO 5**  
People live in sustainable environments



**SO 7**  
People achieve economic empowerment through solidarity & cooperation



**SO 2**  
Every child is protected



**SO 4**  
People exercise the right to health



**SO 6**  
People build inclusive and democratic communities



**SO 8**  
People are protected from disasters



# WHERE WE WORK



Good Neighbors has collaborated with organizations in **51 countries** on community development and humanitarian assistance initiatives.

Asia-Pacific (22 countries):  
Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Kyrgyz Republic, Laos, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Vietnam

Europe (4 countries):  
Romania, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Kingdom

UN Cooperation office in Geneva

Americas (10 countries):  
Canada, Chile, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, USA

**.51**

Partnership Countries

Africa (15 countries):  
Burundi, Cameroon, Chad, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

■ Our Presence in 2025  
■ Core Alliance Country  
📍 Global Offices

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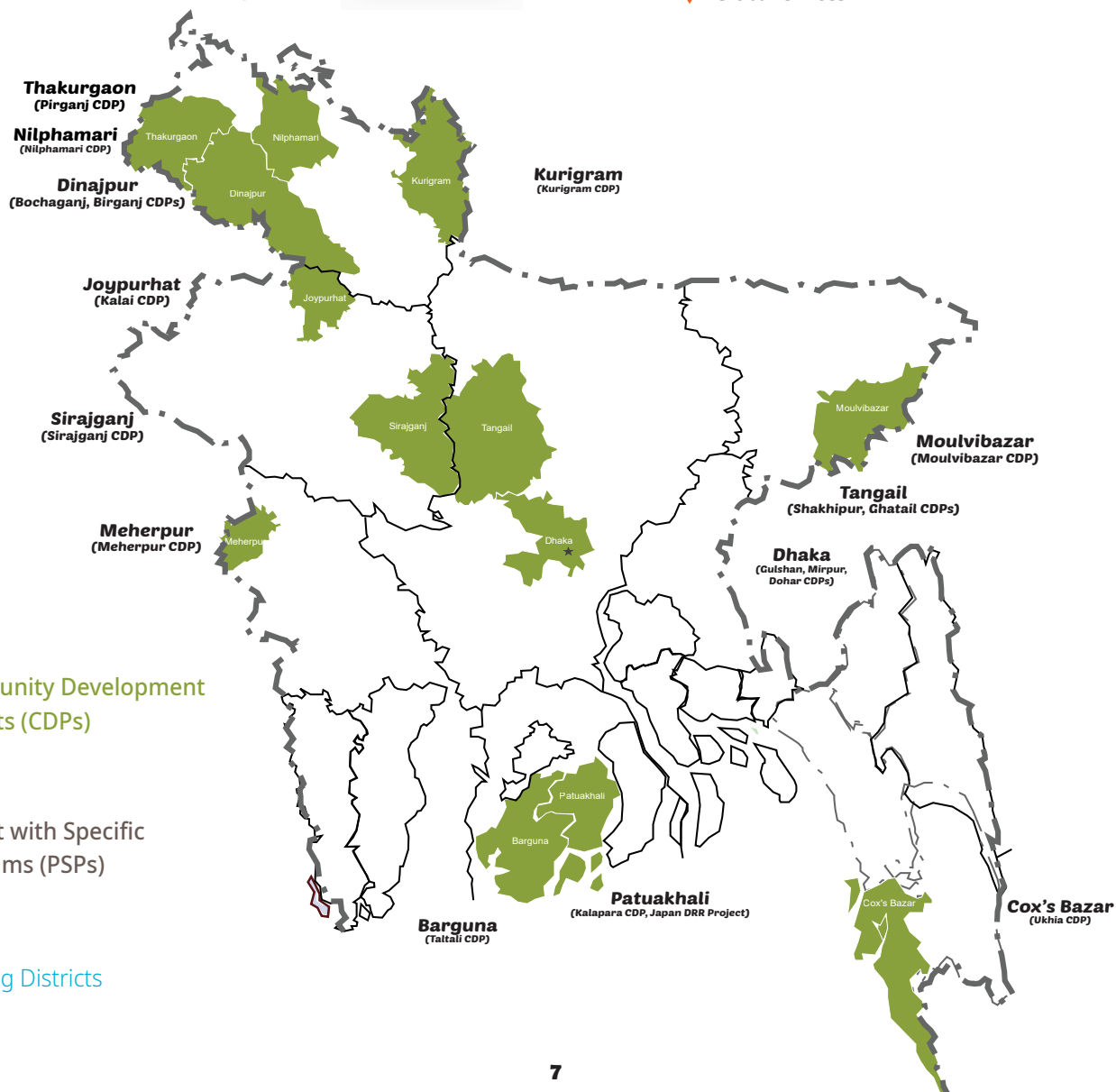
Community Development Projects (CDPs)

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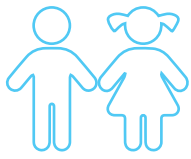
Project with Specific Programs (PSPs)

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Working Districts

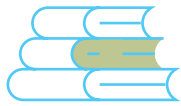


# Our Impact in 2025



**20,586**

sponsored children



**149,651**

Participants in  
Educational Activities



**164,756**

Participants in  
Health & WASH Activities



**96,736**

Participants in  
Income Generation  
Activities



**45,165**

Participants in  
Advocacy Activities



**24,689**

Participants in  
Community Partnership  
and Network  
Building Activities

**377,087**

Participants in GNB Program



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# Education & Protection



In 2025, Good Neighbors Bangladesh advanced quality education through its 100-0-100 strategy—100% attendance, 0% dropout, and 100% pass rates across 17 Community Development Project (CDP) areas. Education reached over 81,013 students via six GNB schools and nearly 360 partner schools. Holistic learning was promoted through co-curricular activities, including the WordMaster Competition with 12,248 participants, science fairs, mobile library services serving 2,420 active readers, and community reading campaigns engaging 2,847 participants.

To reduce financial barriers, 20,802 students received educational materials, 363 children received financial support, and 287 students were supported in post-secondary and honors-level education. Teacher training and skill-development initiatives strengthened education quality across GNB-supported and government schools.

Child protection remained a priority, with awareness campaigns across all 17 CDPs and targeted initiatives on child marriage and child labor in CDPs. Community-based safeguarding was reinforced through 1,494 Child Council members and 476 CRK committee members. A total of 5,226 household visits and 7,083 Annual Progress Reports identified 814 families in extreme poverty and 193 at-risk children, enabling timely preventive and emergency support for 90 vulnerable families.

## IN 2025

**98,421**

children received  
educational  
materials

**16,703**

children received  
Gifts-In-Kind  
materials

**1,218**

teachers received  
training

**4,878**

children participated  
in the MathMaestro  
competition

**5,952**

children participated in  
co-curricular  
activities

## Turning Pages, Shaping Dreams: How Reading Changed Aysha's World

The Reading Campaign opened a new world of imagination and learning, encouraging curiosity and creativity among students.

*Through the Reading Campaign organized by Good Neighbors, I regularly participated and discovered the joy of reading. This campaign helped me build a strong reading habit. I have read many storybooks, and whenever I get free time at school, I choose to read. It makes me very happy. I am truly grateful to Good Neighbors for organizing this campaign at my school. Reading has now become a part of my daily life, and it inspires me to learn more every day.*  
- Aysha Ayat, Batason Govt. Primary School



Children are demonstrating their innovation in the science festival



School-based Math Maestro Competition



My Promise Day celebration



Education Materials Distribution



# Public Health



With a focus on service quality, system strengthening, and sustainability, Good Neighbors Bangladesh (GNB) continued to strengthen equitable access to essential and specialized healthcare services for underserved populations during the year 2025.

Health services were delivered through 17 Health Care Units (HCUs), providing outpatient care, essential medicines, referral support, and specialist doctor consultations through Special Health Campaigns. Financial assistance for critical referral cases ensured timely access to secondary and tertiary healthcare for sponsored families.

GNB also provided continued operational and technical support to two 24/7 Safe Delivery Centers in Bochaganj, Dinajpur, ensuring uninterrupted maternal and newborn health services. This contributed to increased utilization of facility-based normal deliveries and positive impacts on the Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR).

In 2025, building more community ownership of HCUs was a key priority. Strong local engagement and partnerships with relevant stakeholders made the centers more sustainable, while active Community Health Workers (CHWs) boosted outreach, health education, referrals, and follow-up across communities.

Overall, the 2025 Public Health Program reaffirmed GNB's commitment to strengthening primary healthcare systems, promoting sustainable service delivery models, and empowering communities.

## IN 2025

**20,897**

children received **standard health check-up** facilities

**20,433**

people received **treatment support**

**45,825**

children received **nutritious food**

**1,177**

people received **WASH awareness education**

**17,181**

people attended **cluster meetings** conducted by CHWs

**3,351**

people received **issue-based health education**

**15,735**

people received **hygiene materials**

**13,131**

children received **reproductive health service**

**9,020**

people attended **Health & WASH related Day Observation**

## From Loss to Leadership | The Story of a Community Health Hero



*I lost my first baby because I didn't know how to care for myself during pregnancy. That heartbreak became my greatest motivation to learn, to grow, and to teach other mothers, so no one in my village suffers the same pain. With the training and support from Good Neighbors, I found my purpose. Today, they call me 'Doctor Apa', and that respect is the true reward of my journey.*

*-Nasima Khatun, Community Health Worker (CHW)*



Cluster Meeting with Mothers Conducted by Community Health Worker (CHW)



Issue-based Health Education



Celebrating Handwashing Day



Mothers at Blood Sugar Checking Campaign

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# Income Generation



The Social Economy Department of Good Neighbors Bangladesh continues to promote women's economic empowerment through a structured, cooperative-based Income Generating Activities (IGA) model. This year 26 cooperatives were operating under GNB's guidance, representing 39,953 women members. During the year, 40,232 women-headed households participated in income-generating initiatives, with 16,551 women involved in small and medium enterprises across various sectors, including agriculture, livestock, fisheries, handicrafts, and services.

In 2025, GNB engaged 8,153 additional women and established two new cooperatives, including the Central Women's Cooperative, which was formally registered on June 03, 2025, to strengthen governance and coordination. Cooperative-led social enterprises, including Protibeshi Fashion House and Protibeshi Handicrafts, created employment and promoted self-reliance.

By 2025, total cooperative capital reached BDT 728.87 million, generating BDT 57.05 million in profit. Supported cooperatives received multiple Government awards, reflecting strong performance, transparency, and sustainable impact.

## IN 2025



40,232

People (households)  
engaged with  
Income Generation



67.53%  
(BDT 57.05M)

Profit rate  
against total income



16,551

Women engaged  
in SMEs

39,953

Women Co-operative  
members

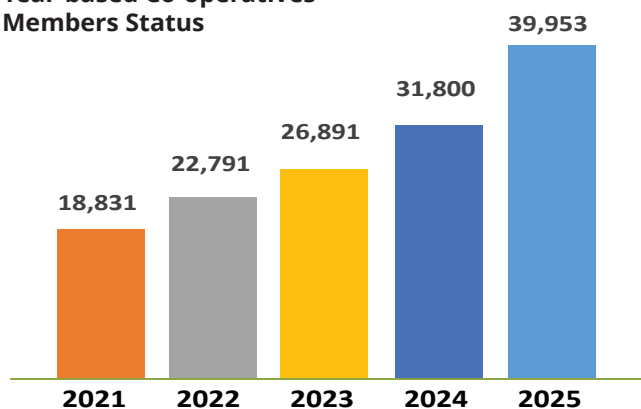
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Cooperatives

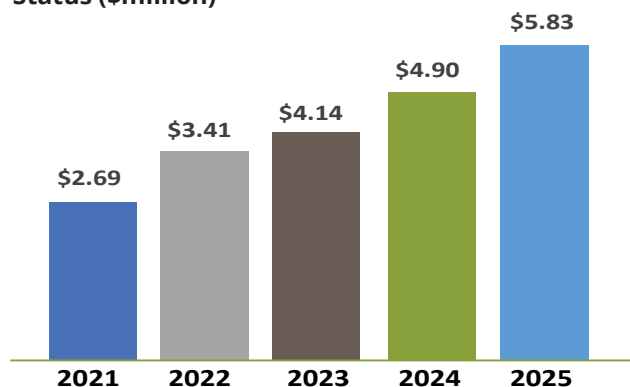
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Year-based Co-operatives Members Status



Year-based Cooperatives Capital Status (\$million)



## Special Recognition to Good Neighbors supported Cooperatives in 2025



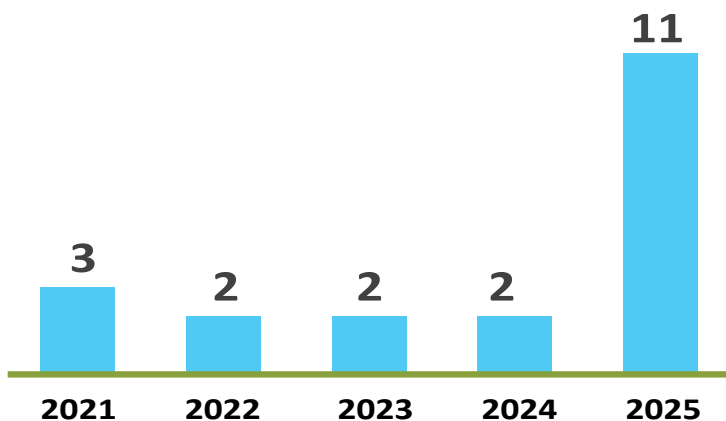
Award receiving at the 54th National Cooperative Day celebration

Upazila Award	14
District Award	7
Divisional Award	3
Total Award	24

## Indomitable Woman Award (Joyeeta Award) winners



A cooperative member holding the Joyeeta Award



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## From Cooperative Hands to Confident Futures



*Before joining the cooperative, survival was my daily struggle. Today, I run my own business, support my family, and guide other women forward. Good Neighbors Bangladesh did more than provide income opportunities, they trusted us, stood beside us, and helped us believe in our own strength. Together, we are building dignity, stability, and a future shaped by confidence.*

- Ms. Jyoti Begum



Yearly Planning and Leadership Workshop



Mustard oil packaging for marketing



Sewing by a cooperative member



Unveiling of the book "Success Stories of Cooperative Members."

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## Advocacy

Throughout 2025, advocacy remained a central pillar of Good Neighbors Bangladesh's work to protect and promote the rights of children, women, and youth. Initiatives focused on policy engagement, network collaboration, and community action. GNB actively participated in key platforms, including the National Girl Child Advocacy Forum, SCAN Bangladesh, CSO Alliance Bangladesh, Shishu Adhikar Forum, the Citizen Platform for SDGs Bangladesh, and the Child Labor Elimination Platform (CLEP), contributing to joint advocacy, policy dialogue, and national consultations.

At national and community levels, GNB supported National Child Council formation, organized awareness events on child rights, gender equality, and social inclusion, and conducted issue-based meetings with sponsored children's mothers on education, child protection, and early marriage prevention. The Good Daddy Campaign promoted positive fatherhood, girls' education, and opposition to child marriage. These efforts reinforced GNB's commitment to creating a safe, inclusive, and rights-based environment where every child can succeed.

## IN 2025

11,614

people participated  
in child rights  
campaign

6,326

people participated in  
social issue-based  
meeting

7,391

people participated  
in special day  
observations related  
with children

1,859

people participated  
in the together for  
child activity

5,297

child participated in  
child council  
meeting





## A Child's Voice for Rights and Education

*Good Neighbors Bangladesh formed a Child Council in our school, where I am an active member and speak up about child rights. Being part of the council has motivated me to attend school regularly and focus more on my studies. I now study at home every day and am committed to doing well in my education.*

*- Priya, School-based child council member*



Social issue-based meeting with mothers



Activities at the CDP-based Child Rights Campaign 2025



Child Rights Keeper (CRK) Meeting 2025



CDP-based Child Council Monthly Meeting



Children at the 2025 National Child Camp



Capacity development training for youths





## Partnership & Networking

Good Neighbors Bangladesh strengthened collaborations with global, national, and local partners to drive sustainable development and collective impact in 2025. A partners' meet-up brought together UN agencies (UNV, UNESCO, UNDP, UNICEF), international NGOs (World Vision Bangladesh, Plan International, Save the Children), academic institutions (University of Dhaka, BRAC University), and government bodies (Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education, Ministry of Education, NGO Affairs Bureau, Directorate General of Health Services). Development organizations, professional associations, and youth groups like the Nature and Peace Club also participated, ensuring inclusive dialogue.

Collaboration with local NGOs, including BRAC, Educo, Hope Bangladesh, Friendship, Sornokishoree Network Foundation, and Aparajeyo Bangladesh, strengthened a responsive development network. Strategic affiliations with the Citizen Platform for SDGs Bangladesh, Bangladesh National Commission for UNESCO, and UNESCO Dhaka Office reinforced alignment with national priorities and global commitments.

At the community level, partnerships with Community Development Committees, Child Rights Keepers, Child Councils, sub-committees, and Nature and Peace Clubs enhanced community-based child protection systems in close coordination with local government institutions.

### IN 2025

10,961

people participated  
in guardian  
meetings

4,448

youths attended  
volunteer  
meetings

1,096

youths received  
skill development  
training

700

people participated  
in CDC meetings

3,014

people participated  
in international  
youth day



## Empowering Youth to Lead Change

*Volunteering with Good Neighbors Bangladesh has strengthened my leadership skills and enabled me to serve my community with confidence. This year, together with my team, I helped mobilize support for the medical treatment of two children, keeping their dreams alive. With strong guidance and behind-the-scenes support from Good Neighbors Bangladesh, young volunteers like us are creating meaningful change at the community level.*

- Md. Golam Rabbani, Volunteer, Nilphamari CDP



Group work demonstration by Volunteers



A group of participants of the 2025 GNB Youth Camp



Kuakata sea beach cleaning activity by GNB Volunteers



CDP-based monthly meeting with volunteers



Community Development Committee (CDC) meeting



Guardian Meeting





# Sponsorship Service

## International Sponsorship

Good Neighbors Bangladesh continued to provide well-managed, community-based international sponsorship programs that enhance children’s lives throughout the year 2025. Through education, health support, child protection, and family-based care, the organization safeguarded children and empowered them to build a brighter future.

In 2025, 20,856 children and their families received support that helped them stay in school, stay healthy, and feel protected. Regular home visits, emergency support, and counseling helped maintain a 99.70% school continuation rate, reflecting the strength of our child-centered approach.

### IN 2025

20,856

sponsored children



Ratio of girls

52%



Ratio of boys

48%

3,695

children received special gift support

20,309

Annual Progress Reports completed

1,218

children received emergency support



## Local Sponsorship

In 2025, Good Neighbors Bangladesh strengthened community ownership by expanding its Local Sponsorship Program under the theme “Supporting Every Child’s Dream.”

Six sponsor acquisition campaigns were held across the Eastern, Southern, and Northern regions, bringing together community leaders, corporate partners, business owners, and social workers. Around 1,200 potential sponsors joined these events, showing strong local commitment to children’s futures.

We extend heartfelt gratitude to all distinguished guests, participants, and partners for joining hands in this mission. This growing local movement proves that real change starts at home.

169

Local Child  
Sponsors enrolled

237

Project Sponsors  
enrolled



A child is writing a thank-you letter to her sponsor

## A Life Transformed: Suhena Akter



Suhena grew up in a rural area, Kamalganj Upazila, under the Moulvibazar district, where girls often miss out on education for early marriage. Due to the family’s financial hardship, she was deprived of basic rights such as education also. When she joined Good Neighbors Bangladesh in 2013 as a sponsored child, everything changed. With steady support, protection, and guidance, she stayed in school and excelled.

Through consistent direct support, child protection mechanisms, and guidance, Suhena achieved GPA 5.00 in both SSC and HSC, built leadership skills through volunteer work and ICT training, and gained the confidence to dream bigger. In 2026, she earned a full scholarship and is now studying applied science at the Presidency of the University of Technology in Baghdad, Iraq.

Her journey shows how sponsorship can turn vulnerability into opportunity.

*Good Neighbors Bangladesh gave me more than support; they gave me the confidence to continue my education and believe in my dreams.*

*-Suhena Akter*







## Global Citizenship Education - Global Youth Network

In 2025, Good Neighbors Bangladesh (GNB) participated in the Global Youth Network (GYN) Program to promote global citizenship, leadership, and social responsibility among primary and secondary students. Three GNB-supported schools took part: Good Neighbors Mirpur School and Ghatail School with 60 primary-level students (6 groups), and Good Neighbors Shakhipur Asha Girls School with 20 secondary-level students (2 groups). Participants engaged in real-time international discussions, exchange learning sessions, and youth-led activities.

Implemented from March to November 2025 in coordination with Korean regional branches, the program enhanced students' confidence, communication skills, and awareness of global issues such as climate change and environmental sustainability. A key outcome was a youth policy recommendation titled "Shakhipur Upazila's Approach to Waste and Air Pollution: Integrated Policies for a Healthier Community Environment."

The proposal, developed by Group Jamuna (MG-20) from GNB Shakhipur Asha Girls School, received the GYN 9th Policy Proposal Award from the Minister of Environment, Republic of Korea, on 20 November 2025 (online). This achievement highlights the program's strong impact in developing active, responsible, and globally minded youth.







## Adolescent Mental Well-Being

Good Neighbors Bangladesh also strengthened community capacity to support adolescent mental health.

### • Training Program

Good Neighbors Bangladesh successfully conducted a comprehensive training program on Adolescent Mental Health and Suicide Prevention in 2025. Across 15 CDPs, 313 teachers and staff were trained to recognize emotional distress, follow school support protocols, and refer students to professional care when needed.

### • Community Awareness Campaign

In 16 CDPs, 2,535 community members including students, parents, teachers, and volunteers, took part in awareness activities that promoted understanding, care, and timely help for adolescents. These efforts are building safer, more supportive environments for young people.



Campaign on Adolescent Mental Health and Suicide Prevention



Two beneficiaries are promoting the campaign's messages at the field level





## Special Campaign

During the year, GNB organized several campaigns focusing on Child Rights and health awareness. Through these initiatives, community members enhanced their understanding of child rights and gained access to essential health services, including consultations with specialist doctors and the distribution of necessary support materials. These campaigns contributed to improving awareness, access to services, and overall community well-being.

## Child Rights Campaign

In the year 2025, Good Neighbors Bangladesh implemented a rights-based Child Protection & Rights Awareness Campaign across 17 CDPs, reaching 5,245 direct participants through 17 coordinated campaigns conducted between May to July. The campaign addressed critical child rights violations particularly child marriage and child labor through community rallies, cultural events, school-based activities and dialogue sessions.



Targeted interventions in Kurigram, Taltali and Ghatail CDPs conducted from September to November, engaged children, parents, youth, educators and local authorities. Key outputs included the distribution of 10,000 IEC materials, participation of 4,500 children in school-based art competitions and rights pledge activities, and recognition of 45 student champions. The campaign strengthened community awareness, increased child participation in rights advocacy and reinforced local commitment to protecting children's rights in line with national and CRC frameworks.

## Health Campaign

Special Health Campaigns were a key intervention, delivering doorstep specialized healthcare services to hard-to-reach communities. Specialist physicians from gynecology, general medicine, dental, eye, pediatrics, diabetes, and orthopedics addressed unmet healthcare needs and expanded access to specialized care. The campaigns were graced by the presence of Civil Surgeons, UNOs, UH&FPOs and local elites from various working areas.



Special Health Campaign



Children's Health check-up



Nutritious food distribution



Child health check-up at a special health campaign

## IN 2025

30

special health  
campaign  
organized

3,531

patients received  
treatment & medicine  
services

65

specialized physicians  
provided consultancy  
support

8,554

people received nutritious  
food, hygiene materials,  
health awareness

## Special Support Provided to the Children

Through these special campaigns, we engaged community members who were willing to support the well-being of children.

A total of eight special campaigns, both online and offline, were conducted to raise funds. With the collective support received, we provided assistance to 12 children who required special medical treatment and educational support. Overall, an amount of approximately BDT 730,000 was distributed through these generous contributions.

12

children received  
support

BDT 730,000

taka distributed  
among the children



Handover of raised funds to the child's family





## Japan DRR Project

### Construction and renovation of cyclone shelters and enhancement of the community's capability of disaster prevention in Kalapara, Patuakhali

Bangladesh is one of the most disaster-prone countries in the world due to its geographical location. The coastal area of Bangladesh on the bank of Bay of Bengal faces severe damage from cyclones and floods every year. To address these challenges, Good Neighbors Bangladesh has been implementing the Japan-MOFA Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Project in Patuakhali District since 2023.

The project's core activities include constructing multipurpose model cyclone shelters in Mohipur and Dalbuganj union and renovating four existing cyclone shelters in Mohipur and Nilganj unions of Kalapara Upazila, a highly disaster-prone area. It aims to strengthen early warning systems, enhance community resilience, and upgrade infrastructure. Additionally, the project focuses on capacity building through the formation of disaster management committees, providing essential materials, and supporting

## IN 2025

6

cyclone shelters  
4 renovated and  
2 newly constructed

36.56%

people can reach  
shelters in  
10-20 minutes

93.75%

of shelters are  
women-friendly

91.96%

people reported  
our Village Disaster  
Management Committees  
are functional

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# Cyclone Shelters

Before renovation



After renovation

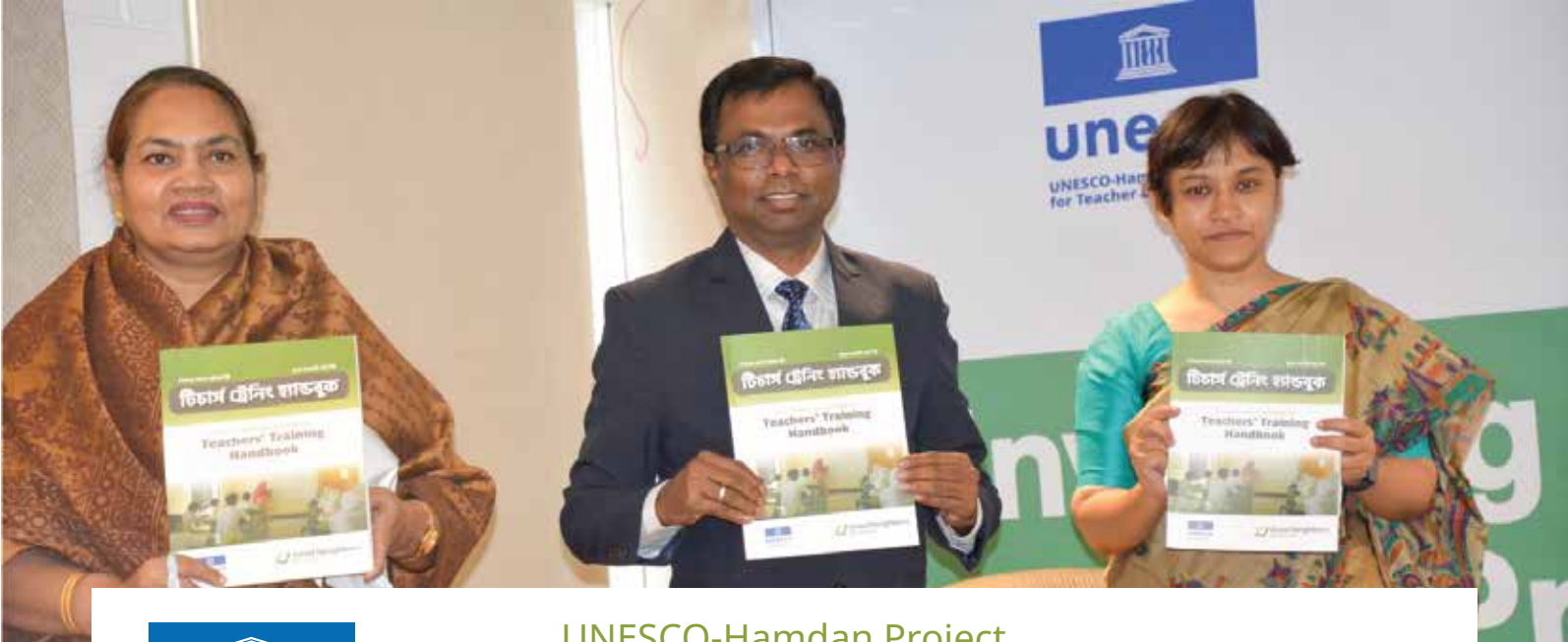


Newly constructed



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## UNESCO-Hamdan Project

### Enhancement of teachers' capabilities for ensuring quality teaching environment in targeted schools

Teaching quality across all four GNB schools was strengthened in 2025 through the UNESCO Hamdan Project, using a standardized and participatory capacity-building approach. A comprehensive Teachers' Training Handbook was developed and applied as the central guiding tool to ensure uniform pedagogical standards, teacher-friendly practices, and learner-centered instruction.

Teachers received refresher and subject-based training to enhance instructional skills, content delivery, and classroom assessment. Peer learning groups were formed to promote continuous learning, experience sharing, and collaborative problem-solving among teachers. Workshops on open-source and low-cost educational resources further supported ongoing professional development and innovation in teaching practices.

In addition, community participation was encouraged through engagement with parents, School Management Committees, and local stakeholders, fostering a teacher- and student-friendly learning environment.

Student-centered learning initiatives, co-curricular and life-skills activities, child rights awareness sessions, along with school-level monitoring, mentoring, and supportive supervision, were implemented to improve learning outcomes, strengthen student participation, and enhance overall school governance.

#### IN 2025

800

people participated  
in idea fair

96

schools benefited  
from this  
project

202

teachers received  
training

1,600

people participated  
in teachers-guardians-  
students seminar

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## Empowering Teachers, Transforming Classrooms



Ms. Shamima Akter,  
Assistant Teacher (English)

*The UNESCO–Hamdan Prize for Teacher Development has been more than an award, it has opened new doors for teachers to grow. Through practical training and innovative methods, teachers are now more confident, creative, and focused on students, making learning more engaging.*

*Peer group meetings encouraged teachers to share ideas and learn from one another, and these insights are now being applied in classrooms. This initiative has clearly improved teaching practices and education quality. We sincerely thank Good Neighbors Bangladesh for supporting teachers, students, and schools through this impactful program.*

*- Ms. Shamima Akter, Assistant Teacher (English)*



Teachers participated in a classroom management training session



Workshop on Open Sources to strengthen teachers' knowledge



Teachers showcase creative solutions at the Idea Fair



Teacher-Student- Guardian connect seminar brings everyone together



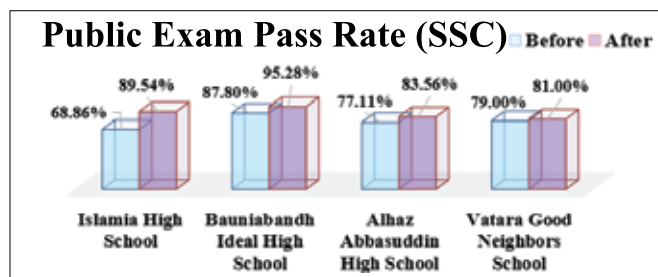
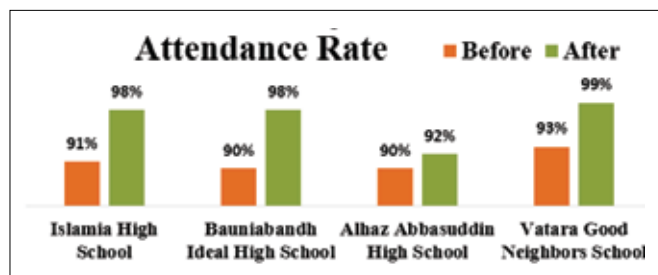
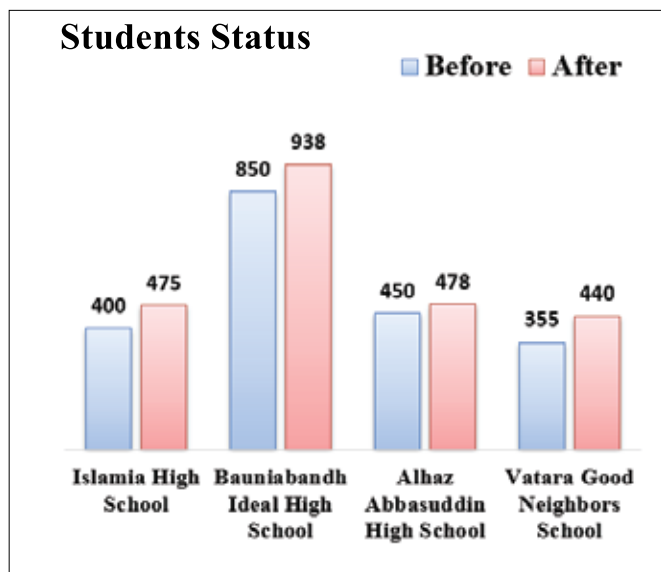


## Samsung C&T\_12th Samsung Village Project

### Upgrading School Facilities for Better Learning

To improve the quality of education in four schools, the Samsung C&T 12th Samsung Village Project conducted special activities. Among these initiatives are upgrading educational facilities (library and science lab), distributing educational materials, establishing multimedia classrooms, distributing health and hygiene materials, installing a waste management system, and providing reproductive health care for adolescent girls. Through this project, 2,233 students directly benefited, and more than 100 teachers received specialized training focused on a child-friendly school environment among four schools.

Visible changes that have occurred in 4 schools through this project



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As a trusted partner of Good Neighbors Bangladesh, the Samsung C&T Village Project continues to play a significant role in ensuring quality education. After the successful implementation of the 8th and 12th projects, Samsung C&T provided special support to upgrade and beautify ICT classrooms in four schools—taking another strong step toward quality education.

## A New Window to Digital Learning

*Learning computers in our ICT lab has given us a valuable opportunity that many students miss due to financial limitations. I am truly grateful to my school and GNB for making this possible; without this support, we would not have been able to learn.*

*Through using computers, our knowledge is growing, and our interest in technology is increasing every day. I hope this opportunity will continue and help us learn even more in the future.*

*-Ms. Sonny, Student*

Click and view



Students explore the digital world in the school lab



Building digital skills in the school lab



Hands-on learning: Students mastering computer skills



Celebrating Samsung C&T village project closing ceremony 2025





## The Embassy of Japan Project Project for Construction of Drinking Water Supply Facilities in Barguna District

In Karaibaria Union, Barguna, access to safe water was once a daily struggle, with residents relying on contaminated sources causing widespread illness. Good Neighbors Bangladesh, supported by the Japan Embassy's GGHSSP project, responded by constructing a water tank and collection points through "The Project for Construction of Drinking Water Supply Facilities.

A trained Safe Water Committee now manages the system, ensuring sustainability. This initiative has drastically reduced waterborne diseases, improved health, and enabled children to focus on education. Families save on medical expenses, and collected user fees support ongoing maintenance. GNB's efforts have transformed lives and secured safe water for the future.

**500**

households benefited

**2,000**

people access to safe drinking water facility

**12**

safe water points installed for water collection

**1**

water supply system installed



Project inauguration and Handover Ceremony



Community people are collecting water from the safe water point

Click and view





## WordMaster Competition

*Learn Words, Learn Language*

The WordMaster Competition in 2025 reached 25 upazilas through coordinated implementation across CDPs in the Eastern North and Eastern South regions. A total of 638 schools were targeted, of which 536 schools participated, achieving 84% of the target, while 12,248 students participated against a target of 16,530 students, resulting in a 74% achievement rate.

The competition was conducted through three sequential stages-school-level, upazila-level and district-level, followed by a national-level WordMaster Competition held on 15 December 2025. From the national stage, the top three students were selected and provided with scholarship support for the following year, reinforcing academic excellence and sustained student motivation.



Student sharing his experience throughout the WordMaster journey



Students participating in WordMaster competition



WordMaster competition final exam ongoing



Prize ceremony at the National level WordMaster competition



## Better Life for Girls Project

In 2025, the Better Life for Girls Project successfully concluded its Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) initiative for adolescent girls, implemented with the active support of schools, teachers, and local stakeholders. With generous support from GN Australia, the project promoted safe MHM practices, improved school attendance, and enhanced girls' confidence and well-being.

According to the project survey, MHM facility accessibility in schools increased from 15.9% to 100%, awareness among girls from 29.7% to 95.1%, improved MHM practices from 56.5% to 90%, and the proportion of girls confident to attend school during menstruation from 72.3% to 93.5%. These outcomes contributed to a more girl-friendly and supportive environment in schools and the wider community.

The project's success reflects the commitment of donors, GN Australia, and local stakeholders, ensuring lasting positive impacts on adolescent health, dignity, and education in Birganj, Dinajpur.



*The support you provided, the Adolescent Corner, has become very dear to us and has now turned into a place of confidence and comfort for us. This support is not just a gift; it is a beacon of hope for our struggles.*  
- Amrin Mahmud, Student

### IN 2025

## 4

adolescent corners installed  
in secondary partner schools

## 900

MHM booklets  
distributed among  
children and teachers

Click and view



## Knowledge Centre Establishment

Good Neighbors Bangladesh, transformed under-resourced school libraries into vibrant Knowledge Centers.

Knowledge Center Establishment and Education Facilities for Schools in Coastal Area, the initiative renovated library spaces in South Jharakhali SESDP Model High School, Behala Secondary School, Pochakoralia Girls High School, and Alir Bandar Mohammad Menhaz Uddin High School equipping them with tables, chairs, laptops, monitors, and a diverse collection of books.

Four Reading Clubs were formed, inspiring students through reading campaigns, quiz competitions, and awards. Educational materials reached 1,224 students, boosting school attendance rates to 93–96%. In addition, two child rights awareness campaigns engaged 350 community members, sparking dialogue on child protection and quality education.

The project focused on empowering students, engaging teachers and mobilizing communities through education-based advocacy activities. By integrating child rights awareness with school and community-level interventions, the initiative contributed to increased awareness, improved participation and stronger community commitment to protect children's rights and educational continuity.

This project has not only improved educational access but also built a culture of curiosity, leadership, and child protection in Taltali, turning libraries into true centers of learning and inspiration. This impact-driven intervention reflects Good Neighbors Bangladesh's commitment to creating safe, inclusive and right based learning environments for children in vulnerable communities.

### IN 2025

1,224

children received  
educational  
materials

4

reading clubs  
established in  
four schools

4

schools libraries  
renovated and equipped  
with tables, chair, books  
and laptop with monitor

Click and view







## A New Chapter Begins for Lamia

*The school library has changed my life. It gives me a peaceful place to read, learn, and dream again. I am thankful to Good Neighbors Bangladesh for giving us a reading club and a library filled with wonderful books. Now, during our free time, we read and explore new ideas together. This opportunity has opened my mind and brought joy and hope to my life. Thank you, Good Neighbors Bangladesh.*  
- Lamia Akter, Grade 10



School library inauguration and handover ceremony



Students studying at Knowledge Center



Meeting with school-based reading club members



Students studying at the Knowledge Center

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## Environmental Preservation Project

Good Neighbors Bangladesh implemented the Environmental Preservation Project in coastal communities to strengthen disaster resilience through afforestation and environmental stewardship. The initiative emphasized close coordination with local stakeholders, beneficiary selection, and active community participation to ensure sustainable outcomes.

Through this project, community people received fruit-bearing saplings and basic planting tools to help green their homesteads, improve food security, and protect the environment. At the same time, mangrove saplings were planted along roadsides and embankment areas to strengthen natural protection against climate-related hazards. During follow-up monitoring visits, vermicompost fertilizer was provided to support the healthy growth of the planted seedlings.

### IN 2025



1,000

People (households)  
benefited through  
this project



4,050

Sapling distributed among  
the household and planting  
in the road side



1,000

People (household)  
received vermicompost  
fertilizer



## Planting Hope: A Youth Volunteer's Commitment to a Greener Future

*As a volunteer of Taltali CDP, through the Environmental Preservation Project, I supported sapling distribution and roadside tree planting, contributing directly to community resilience. I am grateful to Good Neighbors Bangladesh for promoting environmental responsibility and taking meaningful action against climate change. I strongly believe that sustainable development depends on a healthy environment, and I am committed to continuing my role in protecting nature and building a greener future."*

*- Mr. Ayon Talukder*



Tree plantations by volunteers



Volunteers promise together for a greener planet



Tree plantation at the community level



## Enhancing Protection of Women and Girls through GBV Prevention and Response Services

Good Neighbors Bangladesh continued its efforts to prevent and respond to gender-based violence (GBV) through Women Friendly Spaces (WFS) and Safe Spaces for Women and Girls (SSWG) in Camps 15 & 16 and the host community. Activities focused on awareness-raising, adolescent empowerment, life skills development, psychosocial support, and male engagement.

Awareness sessions were conducted with women, men, girls, and boys to promote understanding of GBV, gender equality, and available protection services. Through the Girl Shine component, adolescent girls gained confidence, decision-making skills, and self-esteem. Life-skills and vocational trainings such as sewing and handicrafts, equipped 130 adolescents and women with practical skills for self-reliance.

The project also advanced WASH infrastructure, completing 80% of WASH block installations in three host community schools to ensure a safe and hygienic environment for students, especially adolescent girls. The project strengthened protection, empowerment, and gender equality for women and girls in both the Rohingya and host communities.

### IN 2025

1,758

GBV survivors received  
dignity kits

2,539

Women, and girls  
accessing PSS services

1,620

received SRH  
awareness messages

90

women and girls received  
skills training and  
materials support  
in the WFS



## Adolescent Girls' Engagement in GBV and SRH Awareness Sessions at Three Schools in Cox's Bazar


To strengthen the protection and well-being of adolescent girls, Good Neighbors Bangladesh conducted Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) awareness sessions across three schools in Cox's Bazar. A total of 710 adolescent girls actively participated in these interactive sessions from July to September.

The sessions focused on building girls' understanding of GBV, early marriage, personal safety, menstrual hygiene management, and access to support services. Through participatory discussions and activities, the girls gained essential knowledge and confidence to identify risks, make informed decisions, and promote mutual respect within their communities.

These initiatives have contributed to empowering adolescent girls as key agents of change in preventing GBV and promoting a safer, more inclusive school environment.



# MY GUARDIAN AND GUIDE GOOD NEIGHBORS BANGLADESH




*My connection with Good Neighbors Bangladesh (GNB) began through my younger sister, who was a sponsored child under the Birganj CDP. Watching how GNB supported her education and wellbeing inspired me deeply to work for my community. Through her, I learned about GNB's child-centered development, women's empowerment, and youth initiatives.*

*I joined GNB as a Cooperative Facilitator at Birganj Su-Protibeshi Cooperative Society Ltd. After serving for more than 3 years, I was promoted to Cooperative Officer at Jindarpur Good Neighbors Women's Cooperative Society Ltd. Later, I worked in the Income Generation Team, and currently, I serve as an Admin Officer at Kurigram CDP.*

*Looking ahead, I hope to continue contributing to community development and witness GNB expand its reach to empower more children, women, and youth across Bangladesh.*



## BUILDING DREAMS WITH DETERMINATION: RIMA'S PATH TO FINANCIAL AND SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT

A woman with dark hair, wearing a blue and floral sari, is holding a yellow egg tray filled with brown eggs. She is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The background is white.

*Rima Rani Modok, an entrepreneur from Kutubpur village in Ghatail, Tangail, is a powerful example of how determination, education, and the right opportunities can transform lives. Married at a young age, she refused to limit herself to traditional roles and aspired to contribute meaningfully to her family's wellbeing. With steady support from her husband and a strong belief in self-reliance, Rima set out on a journey that would reshape not only her own future but also inspire positive change within her community.*

*The cooperative loan gave me more than money it gave me confidence and direction. I learned how to grow a business, support my family, and help other women do the same. Now, I know that with determination and the right opportunity, change is possible for anyone.*

*- Rima Rani Modok, Member of Good Neighbors Ghatail Mohila Samabay Somity Ltd.*

## FROM VULNERABILITY TO VISION: RABBI'S JOURNEY THROUGH EDUCATION

*"Everyone should dream of becoming a successful person. If you truly want it, you must fight to achieve it. I am deeply thankful to Good Neighbors Bangladesh for supporting me for such a long time. Without GNB's help, I might have dropped out of school and ended up as a laborer. Thank you, Good Neighbors."*

*— Rabbi*

*Rabbi grew up in a humble family of five, where his father's limited income was barely enough to meet daily needs. Continuing education felt uncertain, and at one stage, the possibility of dropping out of school became painfully real due to financial hardship.*

*In 2013, Rabbi was enrolled as a sponsored child with Good Neighbors Bangladesh through the child intake process—marking a turning point in his life. Through consistent child sponsorship support, he received essential educational materials such as notebooks, pens, a school bag, and an umbrella, along with crucial assistance for admission and examination fees. This steady support ensured that his education continued uninterrupted, even during the most difficult times.*

*With determination, discipline, and encouragement, Rabbi excelled academically. Today, he is pursuing higher education at Rajshahi University, studying in the Department of Law & Land Administration. What once seemed impossible has now become a reality shaped by perseverance and long-term support.*

*Rabbi now dreams of becoming a University Lecturer, aspiring not only to build a secure future for himself but also to inspire other children in his community to believe in the power of education as a pathway out of poverty.*

*Rabbi's story powerfully reflects the impact of child sponsorship. From a child at risk of leaving school to a confident university student with a clear vision for the future, his journey shows how timely support can unlock potential and create lasting change—one child, one dream, and one opportunity at a time.*





# Financial Overview

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

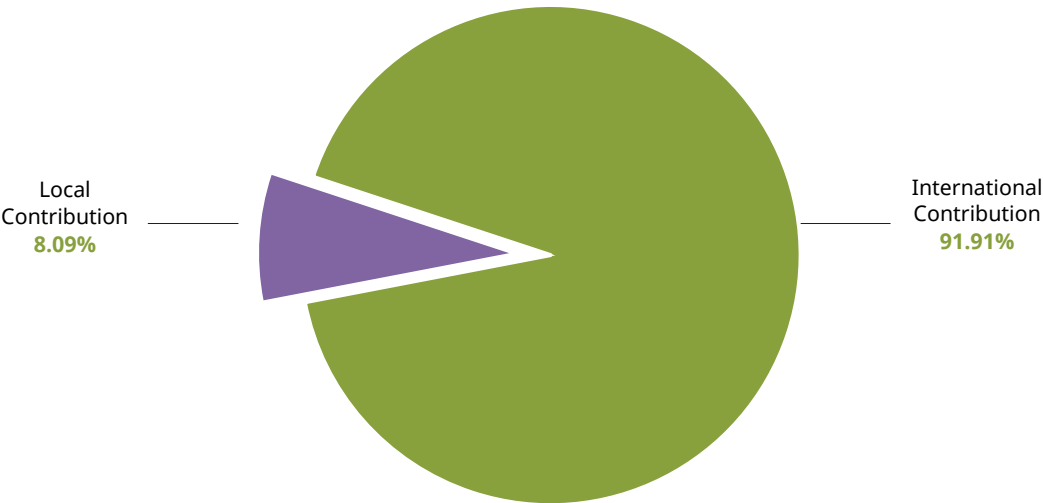
- We use publicly reliable accounting standards, that comply with national laws and regulations
- We conduct external audits every year
- We organize regularly capacity building training for financial management



## Income & Expenditure

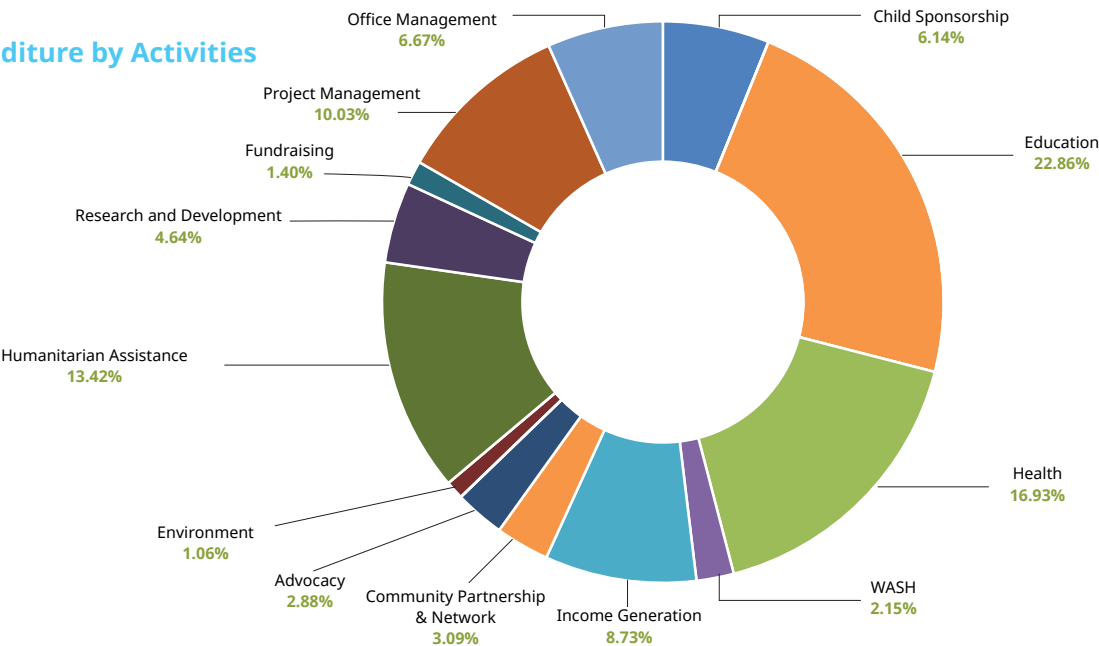
In 2025, international and local contributions total amount was USD **4,673,673.07** and total expense was **USD 4,459,537**.

### Income Sources



**International contributions:** Fundraise with the assistance of support countries.  
**Local contributions:** Fundraise using internal strength and capacity except support country assistance.

### Expenditure by Activities



## Our Partners



## Achievement of the years



**2024** - UNESCO-Hamdan Prize for Teacher Development



**2023** - partnership with Japan Embassy



**2021** - completed 3 years KOICA CHW project with expected success



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



**2019** - first project with the Australian Aid (youth engaged child rights project)



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



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



**1996** - Received UN ECOSOC general consultative status



# Sponsor A Child

## Be a Good Neighbors Member

**“Protecting children's rights to secure their dreams”  
-Your kind cooperation is enough**

**Enlighten the lives of  
deprived children by  
joining the “Good  
Neighbors Membership  
service”**



**For any query**



# Protibeshi Mustard Oil

“Best in natural quality and taste”



BDS 25:2000  
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For any query



**A social enterprise established by women entrepreneurs**





# Our Hope Box Initiative

The Hope Box is a core component of the Good Neighbors Store Initiative, designed to promote small but regular acts of generosity. Placed in public and commercial spaces such as supermarkets, departmental stores, hotels, hospitals, and airport premises, the donation boxes invite customers, visitors, and staff to contribute voluntarily.

## Use of Donated Funds

- Support children's education through tuition, uniforms, and learning materials
- Prevent early marriage and child labor through community awareness and family support
- Provide hygiene kits and school supplies to vulnerable children
- Promote literacy and basic skills for girls and marginalized youth

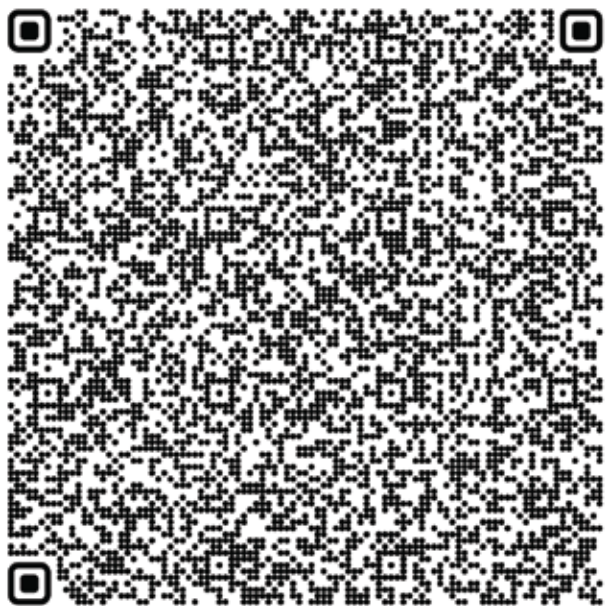


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