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Characteristics of Community Radio

- It encourages participatory democracy in line with Rural Republic.
- It offers the opportunity to any member of the community to participate in program making, management and ownership of the station.
- It uses technology appropriate to the economic capability of the people.
- It promotes and improves problem solving.

Objective of Community Radio

- promote development issues in the community;
- encourage active involvement of underprivileged groups such as women and young people;
- promote the sharing of information within the community;
- encourage innovation in community development;
- improve people’s access to information in local languages/Dialect.

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Human Needs and Rights

Knowledge Society

- Knowledge Creation
- Knowledge Preservation
- Knowledge Use
- Knowledge Utilization

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Community Media

- Press
- Analysis
- Production
- Access

Empowerment

Funding

Community Building

Partnership

Human Rights
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Difference between different types of Radio in South Asia

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Community Radio Movement and Present status of Community Radio in Bangladesh:

- Movement started: 1998
- Community Radio Policy: 2008
- Community Radio Strategy: 2006 including
- Community Radios: 14 Functional & 18 will start by December 2014
- Total Broadcast Hour: 120
- Coverage: 67 Upazillas of 13 District
- Population: 14.6 Millions
- Community Broadcasters: 336 Youth Women and Youth
- About Contents: Education, Information, Entertainment and Development Motivation

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4 Deficits to Access Unreached Populations:

- Deficit of Information – Low awareness of standards, norms, rights and entitlements
- Deficit of Participation – Inadequate institutional spaces for citizen engagement in governance
- Deficit of Alternatives – Limited and options with regards alternative (especially for poor and vulnerable)
- Deficit of Accountability – Weak Monitoring & Regulation, Poor grievance redress

Community Radio Response inline with wider access to knowledge and information:

- Access to resources
- Fairer institutions
- Participation and engagement
- Enabling environment