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Environment Day observed with a call for discouraging wastage of food



World Environment Day has been observed in various places in a befitting manner. The theme for this year's World Environment Day celebrations is Think.Eat.Save. Think.Eat.Save is an anti-food waste and food loss campaign that encourages you to reduce your footprint. Different projects of Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) observed the day on June 5 this year. Programmes were chalked out to mark the occasion. Programmes included rally, discussion and cultural function.

Narsingdi
ACCESS (Health & Empowerment) Project of DAM, Narsingdi district administration and the Department of Environment jointly observed the day in the district town. A colourful rally was brought out from in front of the Deputy Commissioner's (DC) office that terminated at new Shilpakala Academy. This was followed by a discussion and cultural function. Additional DC (General) presided over. DC Md Obaidul Azam, Narsingdi Sadar Upazila Chairman Manjur Elahi, Superintendent of Police (SP) Khondker Mohid Uddin, and officials of the Department of Environment as well as Cooperative Department spoke on the occasion. School teachers and students, President of Red Crescent Society, scout team members, journalists and heads of various government

and non-government organisations were present.

Keshobpur (Jessore)
Mangolkot Parodorshi Community Centre of Keshobpur, Jessore, chalked out befitting programmes to mark the day. Members of Ganokendro, CAG and GMC and civil society members took part. Programmes included rally, discussion and distribution of saplings. A rally led by Mangolkot Parodorshi CRC President Md Abdur Rahim was brought out from in front of the CRC. Participants paraded the main streets of the locality and terminated at the CRC. This was followed by a discussion at the CRC meeting room. CRC managing committee members, CAG and GMC members, civil society members and DAM officials and workers were present. Nazmeennahar, Technical Officer of DAM delivered the welcome address.

Bagerhat
A colourful rally was brought out from the premises of



Mongla Upazila Parishad. The rally jointly organised by DAM, World Vision, CARITAS Bangladesh, Rupantar and Nabolok, the rally terminated at Saint Paul's Mission. Afterwards, a discussion was held at the hall room of Saint Paul's Mission. Mongla Upazila Vice Chairman Md Nur Alam Sheikh presided over while it was attended by Mongla Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Dr Md Mizanur Rahman as chief guest.

Field Coordinator of IFLS Project of DAM Uzzal Kumar Kundu, Programme Officer of CARITAS Bangladesh Bivudan Bairagee and Partha Protim Das of World Vision Bangladesh spoke on the occasion.

Officials of various sections of Upazila Parishad, members of Union Disaster Management Committee, journalists, NGO representatives, community volunteers, members of Community Action Group and beneficiaries of IFLS Project were present.

CMDRR Forum

Representatives of partner organisations of CMDRR Forum took part in a colourful rally in the capital organized by the Department of Environment. It was aimed at creating awareness among people for reducing financial losses through lessening wastage of food and adverse effect of environmental degradation. Festoons were displayed at important streets of the capital. Forum members also took part in a discussion organized at BICC.

Awareness meeting on Global Earth Day

ACCESS-Shyamnagar Project being implemented by the environment and climate change programme of Dhaka Ahsania Mission organised an awareness meeting at Sundarban Girls' School to mark the Global Earth Day on April 22, 2013. Teachers and students of classes VIII and IX took part in the meeting with a slogan: 'Prithibi Bachao Nije Bacho' (Save Earth Save Self). Parimal Baidya, headmaster of the school presided over while FF Md Mohsin Kabir conducted the session. Md Akter Hossain, field coordinator of ACCESS-Shyamnagar Project was present as special guest.

Among others, assistant teachers Ranjeet Mondal, Sanjoy Mondal and Bishakha Rani Mondal were present. Issues like weather, climate, harmful effects of climate change, ways to accommodate oneself with the surrounding environment were discussed at the meeting. In his concluding address, the headmaster highlighted the significance of the Global Earth Day. He encouraged the students to nourish the spirit of Global Day.

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Training course for farmers at Nowapara Hashimukh CRC

A two-day training course for farmers was arranged at Nowapara Hashimukh Community Resource Centre (CRC) on January 7-8, 2013. Funded by USAID, the training course was jointly arranged by PRICE project and Proshikkhito Jubo Kalyan Sangstha (PKJS).

It was aimed to make farmers aware about the issues on improved potato production, post-collection management and marketing.

Kazi Md Jamiul Islam, Director of PKJS, Dr Akteruzzaman, horticulturist, Md Ripon Uddin Khan, Area Coordinator, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Md Bazlur Rahman, Sub-Assistant Agriculture Officer, Nowapara union, Md Quamruzzaman, Sub-Assistant Agriculture Officer, Kashimpur union and Md Kamal Hossain, President of Hashimukh CRC and offi-



Officials and workers of Dhaka Ahsania Mission and PKJS were present. A total of 120 Ganokendro and CRC members underwent training in four batches, each batch containing 30 participants.



Free medical camp at Kashimpur UP of Jessore

Kashimpur Union Parishad (UP) of Jessore and ACCESS (Health & Empowerment) Project of Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) jointly organised a free medical camp on Kashimpur UP premises on April 27, 2013. The camp was organised to provide healthcare service to ultra-poor people for free to mark the occasion of Health Day. This year's theme was Con-

trol Blood Pressure for Safety to Life. Upazila vice chairman advocate Setara Khatun opened the camp while it was attended by lecturer of Jessore Medical College and Hospital Dr Md Hussain Shafayat, medicine specialist Dr Md Yusuf Ali dentistry specialist Dr Farid Uddin, Kashimpur UP chairman Md Ayub Hossain and area coordinator of

DAM Md Ripon Uddin Khan. Technical officers GM Sam-suzzoha and Afroza Sultana Moon, Kashimpur union secretary, elected members and DAM officials and workers extended their all-out help to successfully conduct the medical camp. A total of 210 ultra-poor people got treatment for free at the camp. Of them, 124 were women and 56 men.

Training for youth media teams

Youth media teams consisting of 20 members in each team have been formed in 20 unions of five upazilas in Jessore and Satkhira districts under the Missing Child Alert (MCA) Project.

Aims were to make people aware about issues like prevention of human trafficking and child marriage, birth registration, child rights and safety to child. The teams will conduct the awareness campaigns by staging drama, programmes of songs and music, through writing and recitations.

Members of the teams who are actors as well as deft in writing, songs and music and recitations have been selected for Theatre for Development-based training. One hundred persons were selected from nominated members. Each batch consisting of 25 trainees took part in four-day training course. The training course was held at the Regional Training Centre of Jessore Bhekutia, Dhaka Ahsania Mission. Md Mostafizur Rahman, coordinator of Training and Material Division of Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Dhaka Theatre activist and executive director and Sirajul Karim of Save the Environment and People's Development Association assisted in conducting the training. The first batch of selected candidates of Jessore Youth Media team underwent training on 7-10 May, 2013 while training of the second batch was conducted on 12-15 May, 2013. The first batch of the selected candidates of Satkhira Youth Media team underwent training on 22-25 June, 2013 while training of the second batch was conducted on 27-30 June, 2013.

On the last day of each training course a drama was staged at union level.

Local Union Parishad chairmen, members, teachers, local elite and people attended. Local people thanked Dhaka Ahsania Mission for organising such programme. They opined that the awareness creating activity should continue so that it reaches at people's doorsteps.

DAM participates at Development Fair-2013

Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) participated at a five-day Development Fair at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the city on May 12-16, 2013. Organised by the PKSF to mark its 23 years of founding, the fair was aimed to make civil society members as well as people from all walks of life aware about multifarious facets of micro-credit programme and financial services. Other objectives were to create markets for the products produced by poor beneficiaries of micro-credit programme.

A total of 122 organisations including the PKSF partners such as the Networking Agencies for Micro-Credit Programme and various software companies took part.

Visitors thronged the stall of Dhaka Ahsania Mission where they came to know about the activities conducted by the micro-credit programme of DAM and its 55th founding anniversary programmes.

Dr Kholiquzzaman, Chairman of the PKSF, its Managing Director Md Abdul Karim, high officials, Dr M



Ehsanur Rahman, Executive Director of Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Dr Gawhar Rizvi, Finance Advisor to the government, Moshir Rahman, Cabinet Secretary, Rabeya Sultana, TMD Director, honourable guests from various

organizations, foreign visitors and people from all strata

of life visited the stall of DAM.

Health fair at Moheshpur community clinics

A health fair was held at Pathra and Dhanyaharia community clinics under Jadabpur union of Moheshpur upazila on February 9 and 10, 2013. Project on Strengthening Healthcare System at Grassroots Level in Bangladesh under Health Network of Bangladesh and Dhaka Ahsania Mission jointly organized the health fair.

Jadabpur Union Parishad (UP) chairman Azizur Rahman inaugurated the health fair as chief guest. He expressed his optimism to build Jadabpur union as a model union by extending his hands of cooperation for overall development of the community clinic. Area coordinator of Dhaka Ahsania Mission Quamruzzaman deliv-

ered his welcome address. Director of Hajee Iman Ali Pre-Cadet School and vice-president of Pathra Community Clinic Siddiqur Rahman and president of Jadabpur Sonali CRC Emdad Zahid spoke as special guests. Jadabpur UP member and Pathra Community Clinic president Shariful Islam presided over. Food value of vegetables, symptoms of various diseases, preventive measures, health-care services of community clinic, health-related books and informative pamphlets were displayed at two stalls of health fair. This was followed by a cultural function where music, drama, songs and dances were performed by children.



Upazila Education Officer visits Dewanganj CLC

Dewanganj Upazila Education Officer Md Lutfar Rahman visited Rajanigandha CLC at Basetpur village under Bahadurabad union in Dewanganj upazila on May 14, 2013. During his speech, he said he has been encouraged to observe the innovative system of study and regular class at the CLC. He expressed his satisfac-

tion observing the standard of education, learners' progress, favourable atmosphere and learners' presence in class in large number. At that time, Dewanganj area coordinator of Dhaka Ahsania Mission Md Asad Ullah and UC Azizul Haque were also present.



Free healthcare camp at Moheshpur

A free healthcare camp was held in Moheshpur upazila on April 14, 2013. Jadabpur Sonali Community Resource Centre (CRC) and ACCESS (Health & Empowerment) Project of Dhaka Ahsania Mission jointly organized the free healthcare camp.

Upazila Health and Family Planning Officer Dr Md Tahazzel Hossain rendered services to people as the physician of the camp. Community healthcare provider Abdul Wadud assisted in checking blood pressure to patients. Sonali CRC President Emdad Zahid inaugurated the camp where 123 patients received healthcare services free. Of them, 32 were children, 67 women and 24 men. Quamruzzaman, Area Coordinator of Dhaka Ahsania Mission was in charge of overall management of the camp. Union supervisors Rafiqul Islam, Rabiul Islam, A Razzaque, Belal Hossain, CF Hamida and Jahannara assisted him. Members of Ganokendro Community Action Group and CRC Committee acted as volunteers.

Distressed and ultra-poor people became happy receiving the healthcare services for free. Alongside providing healthcare services to them, games and sports and cultural function were held to welcome the New Year where members of Ganokendro and CRC took part. Later prizes were distributed among the winners.



Counselling for safe migration

Labour Migration Project of Dhaka Ahsania Mission organised a counselling session for safe migration at Basetpur Hall Room of Bahadurabad Rajanigandha CRC in Dewanganj upazila, Jamalpur, on May 14, 2013.

A workshop was held where members registered with Union Parishad, local elite and service providers took part. The workshop was presided over by Bahadurabad Rajanigandha CRC President Ekramul Haque.

In his presidential address, Bahadurabad Rajanigandha CRC President Ekramul Haque

asked other non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to follow the footsteps of Dhaka Ahsania Mission so that Dewanganj Upazila can be turned into a self-reliant upazila.

The workshop was attended by Upazila Primary Education Officer Md Lutfur Rahman as Chief Guest and Basitpur Secondary School Headmaster Md Monowar Hossain as Special Guest. Asad Ullah, Area Coordinator of Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Syed Mizanur Islam, Technical Officer and officials of ACCESS (Health & Empowerment) Project were pres-

ent.

Noted journalist Khademul Islam, Union Coordinator Md Azizul Haque, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Dewanganj, were also present as special guests.

ACCESS Project AC Asad Ullah delivered the Welcome Address while technical support was provided by Technical Officer Syed Mizanur Islam. The entire programme was conducted by ESO Ifnus Ali. Among the registered members of Union Parishad, 26 women and 20 men were present.

CECC Project's Child Learning Centre opens



Dewanganj Upazila Education Officer Md Lutfur Rahman formally inaugurated Satadal Child Learning Centre (CLC) in Dewanganj upazila of Jamalganj district on May 28, 2013.

However, activities of the primary education centre began through 46 pre-primary learning and 46 multigrade teaching-learning approach on March 2 this year. It was floated under a project titled: Children Education and Community Care (CECC) Project.

This was followed by a discussion that was presided over by Satadal CLC President Haji Md Ashraf Ali. Md Asad Ullah, Area Coordinator of Dhaka Ahsania Mission delivered the Welcome Address. In his address, he said, "Forty-six CLCs are being run at Ganokendro (people's centres) and CRCs located at Parramrampur, Bahadurabad, Chikazani and Hatibhanga unions. A study was conducted among 2,780 people in the month of January-2013. Construction of house for the centres, selection of teachers and their basic training was conducted within 5-10 days, he informed.

Nat'l Legal Aid Day observed in Narsingdi

National Legal Aid Day-2013 was observed in Narsingdi town in a befitting manner on April 28, 2013. This year's theme was Bangladesh Government Bears Cost of Legal Proceedings of Poor People. A colourful rally was brought out from the regional office of Dhaka Ahsania Mission. Participants consisting of Ganokendro and CRC representatives and officials and workers of National Legal Aid Providing Organisation, Narsingdi, paraded the main streets of the district town. Finally, the rally terminated in front of the Judge court.

This was followed by a discussion that was presided over by Dr Md Shahjahan, chairman of the aforesaid organisation. At the discussion people learnt that VGD card holders are eligible to get legal aid from the government. They also came to know that the government bears the cost of legal proceedings of poor and distressed people.



Crab fattening training for alleviation of poverty of coastal people

A one day training course on crab fattening was held at the training room of No-4 Nurnagar Union Parishad on June 12, 2013. Nurnagar branch office organised the training course with financial assistance of Dhaka Ahsania Mission's Micro-finance programme. Shamimur Rahman, area manager of Satkhira-1 area presided over while it was attended by Shyamnagar senior upazila fisheries officer Rajkumar Biswas as chief guest. No-4 Nurnagar Union Parishad chairman

Md Golam Alamgir was present as special guest. Dhaka Ahsania Mission programme officer agriculturist Md Niamul Kabir acted as trainer.

Nurnagar branch manager Shyamal Kumar Sarker was also present on the occasion.

Twenty beneficiaries have been brought under crab fattening programme in a bid to increase crab cultivation. There is a plan to train 150 beneficiaries in phases.

Information & counselling meeting



Labour Migration Project of Dhaka Ahsania Mission organised an information and counselling meeting for ensuring safe journey of would-be overseas migrant workers at Pallabi in the capital on May 6, 2013. Their guardians and local elite were also present. Project Counsellor Khan Riad Mahmud delivered welcome address where he narrated the

aims and objectives of Labour Migration Project.

Later, AICT Principal Kazi Shahidul Islam spoke in detail about necessary information, documents needed for overseas travel and availability of the papers.

Udayan Environment and Resource Development Society Executive Director Debashish Mondal who was present as special guest stressed on the

need for gathering correct information before setting for foreign trips.

He suggested for foreign remittance through banks. Fi-

nally, he said pointing at the family members of overseas workers to spend wisely the hard-earned money of their near and dear ones abroad.

DAM takes part in Agri-Tech Fair at Moheshpur

Dhaka Ahsania Mission took part in a three-day Agri-Tech Fair held at Moheshpur on March 17-19, 2013. Organised by the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE), the fair was held on the premises of Moheshpur Upazila Agriculture Office. The theme was "Phal Brikhe Bhorbo Desh, Bodle Jabe Bangladesh" meaning we shall fill the country with fruit-bearing trees thereby changing Bangladesh.

Dhaka Ahsania Mission erected its stall at the fair at an invitation of Moheshpur DAE. Programmes included rally, traditional rural lathi khela (mock fight with sticks), cultural func-

tion, jari gan, a popular musical programme, and agri-related discussion. Advocate Sahfiqul Azam Khan Chanchal, a lawmaker elected from Jhenidah-3 constituency, inaugurated the fair as chief guest. Before the inaugural programme, the lawmaker led a colourful rally.

Dhaka Ahsania Mission displayed e-agriculture services from the information service centre of the Community Resource Centre. Area coordinator of Dakha Ahsania Mission Quamruzaman assisted in providing agri-tech related information to the visitors. A total of 319 farmers got the services during fair period.

AMCH construction fund

Family of late Gias Uddin Ahamed donate Tk 2 cr 80 lakh



Family of late Gias Uddin Ahamed donated an amount of Tk 2 crore and 80 lakh to Ahsania Mission Cancer Hospital (AMCH) construction fund for the under-construction hospital of international standard at Uttara in the capital. Sons of late Gias Uddin Ahamed, Popular Group Managing Director (MD) Hasan Ahmed, Director Musa Ahmed and Director Kabir Ahmed jointly handed over a cheque for Tk 2 crore 80 lakh to the Member of Ahsania Mission Cancer Hospital Management Committee and Pubali Bank Chairman Hafiz Ahmed Majumder and President of Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Kazi Rafiqul Alam, at Dhanmondi Head Office of Dhaka Ahsania Mission in the city on 8 July, 2013 on behalf

of their family. While handing over the cheque, Managing Director of Popular Group Hasan Ahmed said “We feel happy for being able to participate in the noble initiative”. He mentioned that this money was donated on behalf of late Gias Uddin Ahmed, his (Gias Uddin Ahamed) wife Mrs Monjura Ahmed, Directors of Popular Group Musa Ahmed, Kabir Ahmed, Arif Ahmed, Farzana Jahan Ahmed and himself. Moreover, Architect of Cancer Hospital Tareq Alam and Executive Director of Dhaka Ahsania Mission Dr M Ehsanur Rahman were present at that time. President of Dhaka Ahsania Mission Kazi Rafiqul Alam said, work on the 15-storied

hospital is now at the final stage of completion. More money needed to complete the hospital. He appealed to well off people of the society to come forward with generous help for commissioning of the

hospital. The hospital will be run on “no profit no loss basis” and Thirty per cent poor and distressed patients will get treatment free of cost, he also informed.

MoU signed to development women entrepreneurship

A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) and Glamour Boutique House and Training Centre to extend the activities of all entrepreneurs including women on 23 July 2013.

DAM Executive Director Dr. M Ehsanur Rahman and Managing Director of Glamour Boutique House and Training Centre Parvin Akter signed in the agreement on behalf of their respective organisations. The agreement was signed at the head office of DAM in the city.

Director of Training and Material Development (TMD) of

DAM Rabeya Sultana, Micro-Finance team leader Md Asaduzzaman, Programme Coordinator Rezaul Karim, Acting Chief Executive Officer of Bangladesh Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BWCCI) Md Mujibur Rahman, Secretary Syed Sultan Chand, representative of Swisscontact Muntasir and high officials of both organisations were present in the signing ceremony.

According to the agreement, Micro-finance programme of Dhaka Ahsania Mission will loans to the trainees of Glamour Boutique House and Training Centre.



Prof. Jamilur Reza Choudhury to get Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah Gold Medal-2012

Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) has selected noted educationist Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury for awarding the Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah Gold Medal-2012 in recognition of his outstanding contributions in the field of education, engineering and research. The medal will be formally handed over to him very soon.



Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury was born in Sylhet and had his early education in St. Gregory’s School and Dhaka College in Dhaka. He obtained B.Sc. (Eng), in Civil, degree in 1963 as first class first from University of Engineering & Technology (BUET) and M.Sc. Engineering and Ph.D. Degree from University of Southampton in 1968. He was awarded a Commonwealth Academic Staff

Fellowship in 1974 and passed a year at the University of Surrey, UK, as a Visiting Associate Professor. He was awarded the Doctor of Engineering degree from Manchester University in 2010. Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury developed a simple method for analysis of shear walls in tall buildings (Commonly known as ‘Coull and Choudhury’s Method’) which has been widely

used all over the world. The method is part of many text books in the field and taught to designers in different countries. He developed the first ‘Wind Design Speed’ Map for Bangladesh and developed the first ‘Seismic Zoning Map of Bangladesh and Outline of Earthquake Resistant Design of Buildings’ Prof. Choudhury has authored about 65 writes-up in different international journals. Prof. Choudhury is entangled in different socio-cultural organizations alongside his formal responsibilities. He was the chairman, of Board of Directors of Bangladesh Shilpa Bank from 1996 to 98 and was the Chairman, Board of Governors, Bangladesh Institute of Technology, Chittagong. He was appointed as Adviser in the Caretaker Government in April, 1996 and was in charge of the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources and the Ministry of

Water Resources. He was a member of the IT Task Force from 2001 to 2009 headed by the Prime Minister. He was the Convener of Committee for Preparing Voter List with Photographs. He received a number of awards, like IEB (Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh) Gold Medal, Dr. M. A. Rashid Gold Medal, Lions international Gold Medal, Bangladesh Computer Society Gold Medal, Sarojini Naidu Medal, Sheltech Award 2011 and Kazi AzharAli Foundation Gold Medal 2011. Since 1986, DAM has been awarding the medal after noted educationist, social reformer, practitioner of Sufism, former Assistant Director of the Department of Public Instruction and founder of DAM, Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah (R). Previously, the medal was awarded to 20 noted personalities for their outstanding contributions in different fields at the national level.

Our reflections on street, working children and prevailing situation

Background: Unemployment is on the rise due to population boom and slow pace of economic growth. The problem is more acute in rural areas. This is why, landless and jobless people rush to urban areas in search of jobs and sources of income. Like other developing cities elsewhere in the world, the number of slum dwellers and street people are increasing in our cities rapidly.

On the occasion of the World Day Against Child Labour on June 12, 2013, a report of a survey jointly conducted by the Ministry of Labour and UNICEF, was published where it has been said that about 4 crore children are engaged in 301 types of labour in exchange of money. Of them, 74 lakh children are involved in risky jobs. Only in Dhaka city, the number of street children aged 8 to 17 years is three lakh 80 thousand. These children are engaged in 47 types of serious risky jobs such as: building construction, jobs of motor mechanics and trades related to electricity and furniture. The children are being harmed due to risky jobs through harmful gas and chemicals, unprotected welding, sharp machinery, heavy burden, electrical accessories, louder sound, sands of iron and silicon and dirty environment. A large number of them live on the streets and open spaces.

Under the backdrop, Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) has formulated a new plan to move forward the project activities.

Justification of the project in context with planning at national level (such as: NSPR-2, Rupkalpa-2021 & government's sector-wise objectives):

Because of compulsory primary education in Bangladesh and bold initiatives undertaken to bring back children to the fold of schooling, the literacy rate (primary education) increased considerably. But still 40 percent children end up as school dropouts without completing primary education after their admission to schools. And a large portion of the students are unable to complete education due to various problems and difficulties.

Dhaka city lacks adequate educational institutions for pursuing formal education both at primary and secondary level. Burdened with overpopulation, heads of poverty-stricken families do not deem it necessary to send their working children to school. They are keen to send their children to do risky jobs to earn a living rather than to send them to schools for study to prepare them for shouldering the duties and responsibilities of practical life.

An accomplishment of the incumbent government is that a student will be able to study in Bangladesh Open University at secondary stage level on completion of study at junior secondary level. Students will also be able to get admitted themselves for technical studies under Bangladesh Technical Education Board. They will also be able to get themselves



admitted in various trade courses for pursuing education. Boys and girls who have finished studies at junior secondary level (Grade-VIII) or who have completed Madrassa education are eligible to avail of the opportunity. On conclusion of the course they will attain the same qualification as that of secondary education.

Objectives: For extending all-out assistance to 1200 working and street children. If possible they will be assisted for their return journey to homes so that they can grow in a congenial atmosphere. Arrangements should be made for attainment of necessary skill so that they can lead a decent life. Efforts will be made for keeping them free from all sorts of fear and intimidation. They will be protected from all types of violence and indignation. Their easy access to education and healthcare services will also be ensured.

Project management:

Children's individual development planning: An appropriate planning will be formulated considering each and every child as an individual and required assistance will be provided to them. Personal files will be opened for all children of the centre. Every month-end progress of every child will be reviewed and efforts will be made for doing the needful for resolving the problems. Plans will be formulated so that the children can earn their living. Technical education will be imparted to them and later they will be assisted for proper placement in employments.

Management of non-formal education: All-out arrangement will be made for imparting education to children following multigrade teaching-learning system that has been highly acclaimed around the world. Basic and refresher training courses will be organised for teachers and workers to make the programme dynamic. Monthly meetings will be organised for parents and guardians.

Personal service for children: Proper arrangement will be made for leisure of children at daytime. They will be provided with facilities of toilet and toiletries besides cooking and food arrangements. Emergency food supply and facilities for their treatment, games and sports and other amenities including television and child-friendly devices will also be supplied to them.

Community Outreach Services: Project workers provide necessary counselling on household affairs. Organising courtyard meeting to discuss issues like child protection, child rights and other issues. Introducing literacy campaigns for targeted population, taking initiatives to resolve family feud, organising sessions for raising people's awareness on health and day-to-day issues.

Advocacy & Campaign: Organising discussion meetings with local elite at various stages. Observing national and international days, organizing trimonthly advocacy meetings with community people on child rights and child protection, organising trimonthly meetings with NGOs on issues like child safety as well as organising regular meetings with the management committee of the centre.

Family Reintegration Intensive Support: Intensive support will be provided to the families of children to ensure child rights in family and child participation in education and vocational training courses. In the meantime, the project has been established as an institute of Dhaka Ahsania Mission. The project has been able to create enough interest among local people during last five years. Locals are extending all-out support for implementation of the project. This project is a unique example of project implementation through community collaboration. In future, it will be managed smoothly at joint initiative of Mission and local people.



DAM IN FRAME

Different activities of street & working children of DAM



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