

Annual Report'2020

Rights to Protection and Participation Project

Jaldhaka, Nilphamari

Period: July'2019-June'2020

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1. Particulars of the project:

1.1 Period:

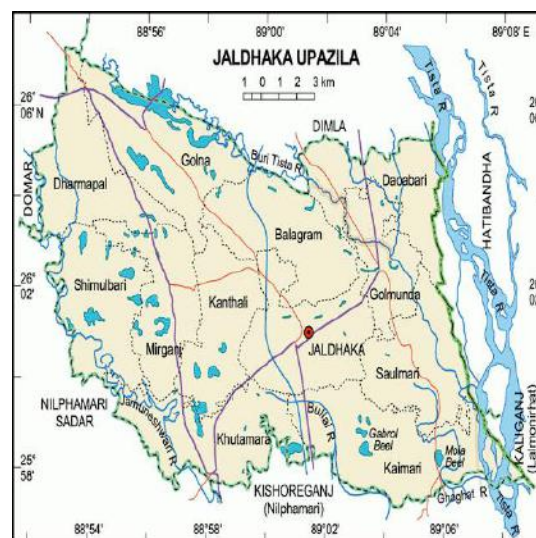
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1.3 Project Location:

Upazila	Unions
Jaldhaka	Shimulbari
	Mirganj
	Khutamara
	Kaimari
	Golna
	Dhormopal
Total	06 union



Background of USS:

Udayankur Seba Sangstha (USS) is one of the leading organization of the Nilphamairi District. USS Work following participatory approach & believe on the ability of community. USS has been working with Plan International Bangladesh since July 2006. Plan international Bangladesh believes that poor children and their families have an inherent capacity to effectively participate rights for benefit from society. Plan's vision mission and program principals focus on increasing the capacity of poor children and their families to participate effectively in meeting their practical and strategic needs as well as contributing to and benefited from the society. In order to establish child rights, empowerment of all level is must, especially women. USS is going to reach the destination through PAR (Participatory Action Research) approach. Large numbers of women & children are vulnerable (in case of Poverty, Education, Health, Social Protection etc) at present situation of Bangladesh. They are neglected in their society. USS has been implementing Rights to Protection Participation (R2PP) Project with the partnership of Plan International Bangladesh at Jaldhaka Upazilla to create a protected environment for children.

Project Goal:

Children are better protected from all forms of violence including child marriage and child labour through inclusive and effective community based child protection mechanisms.

Objectives:

- Enhance capacity of children and youth and duty bearers on Community Based Child Protection Mechanism (CBCPM) to protect children from all kinds of abuse in the project area by June 2020
- Increase awareness and knowledge of mass people specially youths and parents to sensitize on child rights and protection issues through different child interventions by June 2020.
- Improve child protection situation advocating on child rights and protection relevant legislation in collaboration with CSOs by June 2020.
- Make duty bearers responsive to protect children from violence and discrimination in project area by June 2020

Outcome level Changes on R2PP Project, Jaldhaka

Enhance capacity of children and youth and duty bearers on Community Based Child Protection Committee (CBCPC) to protect children from all kinds of abuse in the Project area By June 2020

Target Population: 350,000

Direct Right holder (Youth organization & committee of (R2PP) project):

SI #	Type of right holder/ stakeholder	# of member per network / committee/ team	# of network / committee/ team	# of participants
1	Community based child Protection Committee at ward level	16	54	864
2	Upazila Community based child Protection network	18	1	18
3	Union Child & youth network	15	6	90
4	Upazila Child & youth network	25	1	25
5	Anti Sexual harassment committee at secondary education institute	5	39	195
6	Girls Action team at secondary education institute	25	39	975
7	Upazila girls action network	22	1	22
8	Anti Sexual harassment network at upazila level	22	1	22
9	Upazila child welfare board	11	1	11
10	District child welfare board	19	1	19
	Total:			2241

Indirect Right holder:

- 120,000

Target and quantitative achievement of activities for the period July'19 to June' 20:

Activities	Target and Achievement		Age-12-15			Age-16-24			Age-25+			TOTAL
	activities target	Achievement	Boys	Girls	Sub Total	Boys	Girls	Sub Total	Male	Female	Sub Total	
Budgetary activities												
Training on Self-defence, Safeguarding and relevant laws for teacher & Action Team members	4	5	0	0	00	0	45	45	19	3	22	67
Half-Yearly Coordination meeting with Child & Youth	12	13	14	30	44	56	75	131	0	0	00	175

network at UP level												
Sexual Harassment prevention network meeting	2	2	0	0	0	29	13	42	0	0	00	42
CBCPC network meeting at upazila level.	2	2	0	0	00	0	0	00	19	7	26	26
Upazila girls association meeting	2	2	0	4	4	0	43	43	0	0	00	47
Refresh/Practice of TFD show	3	3	100	115	215	53	63	116	171	250	421	752
Upazila Child Welfare Board meeting	3	2	0	0	00	4	8	12	21	4	25	37
District Child Welfare Board meeting	3	1	0	0	00	0	1	1	27	3	30	31
Day Observation at upazila level with collaboration with govt.	5	5	209	2342	2551	41	46	87	378	951	1329	3967
Emergency cash support to sponsor family	2209	2209	619	1690	2209	0	0	00	0	0	00	2209
Fact finding document collection from union level on child protection issues	1	1	0	88	88	0	0	00	0	0	00	88
Monthly Coordination meeting of staffs	3	3	0	0	00	0	0	00	21	9	30	30
Non budgetary activities												
Parents Orientation child marriage, child labor and girls get equal.	123	139	156	263	419	245	369	614	667	1328	1995	3028

Life skill training at secondary education	17	14	5	354	359	0	0	00	4	3	7	366
Life skill sharing with students	15	15	0	299	299	0	4	4	6	4	10	313
Action team formation at school level	9	9	50	166	216	0	0	00	0	0	00	266
Join meeting with action team & anti sexual harassment committee	45	45	0	1113	1113	0	0	00	58	20	78	1221
Family based counseling including sponsor family (To reduce child marriage & child labor)	132	132	37	64	101	19	21	40	136	174	310	451
Formation of Anti sexual harassment committee	17	17	0	0	00	0	0	00	40	45	85	85
Discussion on 21 loss of child marriage & sanitary napkin at secondary education institute	0	1	0	55	55	0	0	00	2	0	2	57
Self defence technique sharing with students	1	1	0	16	16	0	0	00	0	0	00	16
Health hygiene campaign at school level	1	1	0	45	45	0	0	00	0	0	00	45
Discussion with Sponsor Child reduce on Child marriage	1	1	0	13	13	0	0	00	0	0	00	13
Campaign on girls get equal & my dream, my	9	9	35	290	325	1	3	4	12	11	23	352

development.												
CBCPC Meeting	15	15	15	9	24	3	3	6	58	31	89	118
Provide COVID - 19 leaflet to youth network & CBCPC member through messenger & WhatsApp.			0	0	00	15 7	10 1	258	115	74	189	447
Cluster wise meeting with SC family member maintain social distance for COVID-19			0	0	00	0	0	00	100	1000	110 0	1100
Join meeting with Youth network ,CBCPC & UP members on COVID-19 by WhatsApp			0	0	00	0	14	14	3	0	3	17
Grand Total:												

Major Achievements: July 2019 to June 2020:

Girls Empowerment:

Outputs:

- Knowledge has developed on Safeguarding for the children and Young members.
- Knowledge & Self-defence has increased on life skills of the adolescent girls
- TfD groups are skill for Drama show,
- Capacity increased to conducted issue based meeting
- Skill developed on Life skill & Self-defence technique of the adolescent girls
- Continue practice of Self-defence technical knowledge at school in assemble for all student
- Capacity building for survey & fact finding report collection
- Capacity development on ICT
- Capacity development on reporting & responding
- 1690 family economically benefited from PLAN cash support.
- Anti sexual harassment committee has formed in new 17 high schools.

- 22 High school established opinion box in 39 schools.

Outcomes/results the project aims to achieve:

- Result of adolescent girls improved as their attendance increased.
- Life skills training helped the 975 adolescent girls to be self-confident.
- Knowledge level increased
- They can take initiative as per need of child protection.
- They Use govt. service (109, 1098 & mobile number of UNO & OC) to protect child marriage as a result Child Marriage has decreased.
- 35 child marriages have stopped. (under 16 year age)
- 2300 girls go to school by riding bicycle in 39 high school .
- 16 High school arrange hygiene sanitary napkin in School & waste box in latrine
- Conducting campaign “ Amar Sopno amer unnoyan” in 06 School
- 22 Campaign has conducted on adolescent reproductive health in 22 schools.
- CBCPC members are taking Child protection initiative.
- Decreased Gender discrimination
- 22 school anti sexual harassment committee are identifying problem by opinion box and solving with action team

Impact in terms of changes in the lives of the project beneficiaries and their communities:

- Secondary schools have been practising self- defence techniques in regular schools' assembly
- Action team member are continue sharing of life skill elements others girls.
- Anti-harassment committee has formed to 39 secondary education institution following High court instruction.
- 1200 children of which 70% girls have participated and benefitted directly
- UNO & OC mobile number hanging at secondary education institution class room
- Union Youth network member & CBCPC member are communicating with upazila administration to share incident of child.
- Union Youth & CBCPC member are using of govt, hotline number 333.999.109.1098 .
- Own fund create at secondary education institution for sanitary napkin purchase.

Outputs:

- Leadership knowledge has increased of Community Based Child Protection Committee (CBCPC) leaders
- Knowledge has increased on leadership at community level for child protection.
- Media & news coverage increase
- Advocacy activity (like Public hearing, Child shadow parliament, Interactive dialogue, Human chain, Rally for rapist arrest) arrange of CBCPC and network members to accountable Government respective committee.

Outcomes/results the project aims to achieve:

- 55 Family get social safety net card by communicate CBCPC & Youth network
- 120 dropout student enroll in Primary school
- Birth registration by 45 days rate increase now it is 99.9% OK
- 35 child marriages have stopped. (Under 16 year age)
- Anti sexual harassment committee form at new 17 high school /madrasha information has disseminated to community.
- Awareness has created to community peoples regarding opinion box established at 22 school.
- CBCPCs have meet the problems of the children and youths at local level communication with government and non-government sectors,
- Mass people are aware to protect the rights of the children and youths
- Some family are keeping sanitary napkin at home following school initiative arrange hygiene sanitary pad & waste box in latrine
- 75 yard meeting Conducted in 06 union

Major Activity in Details:

CBCPC Network meeting- at Upazila level:

During the reporting period we have implemented 2 CBCPC Network meetings- at Upazila level. 26 participants attend this meeting 07 were female and 19 male. Within the meeting discuss last meeting minutes. They also developed next quarter action plans. They decided that Upazila committee has to coordinate with UP committee and support them on any issues. They also protest and take action on any of child violence issues and listed on child labor at UP level.



Jaldhaka upazila young girls network meeting:

Udayankur Seba Sangstha (USS) is implementing Right to protection & participation (R2PP) Project in Jaldhaka upazila partnership with Plan International Bangladesh to ensure the rights and protection of the children. Jaldhaka Upazila young girls network formed supported

by R2PP project dated on 12th

September'2019.

22 High schools student (Girl)

participated in the formation meeting.

After introducing & Objective sharing session facilitator

presented a data of child & youth abuse, example of

sexual

harassment in Bangladesh. Then participants attend

open discussion session. They

discussed sexual

abuse situation of their area. Participants tried to identify the problems and root causes of this incident. Then they discussed about the role of network. Lastly they agree to form an Upazila Young Girl's network. They select some criteria of network. In session they select point person of network who are Motahara Akter, Halima Akter Liza & Jasmin Akter.

The formation meeting was facilitated by Forida Yesmin, Project Coordinator, Abdur Rahim, Technical Officer and Abdul Quader, Child Protection Specialist of Plan International Bangladesh. Rupantor & USS staffs also attend the meeting.

Anti Sexual harassment committee network formed at Jaldhaka upazila:

Anti Sexual harassment committee network formed at Jaldhaka upazila on 9th September'2019. 22 High

schools participated in the formation meeting. Facilitator

presented High court rule 2019 of anti sexual harassment after

introducing & objective sharing session. After presentation the

participants identified the problems and root causes of

protection in their school. Then they took decisions such as

opinion box & school level Anti



sexual harassment committee activate, awareness raising etc. The formation meeting was facilitated by Forida Yesmin, Project Coordinator and Abdur Rahim, Technical Officer. Alauddin Ali Executive Director of USS & Sorwer Manik, committee member of USS were present in the meeting.

Upazila girl's association meeting

We have implemented 2 Upazila girl's association meeting where 47 participants were actively participated. They discussed in the meeting regarding present girl's protection situation, girl's rights, and gender issues and shared their experience or barrier that they face. They also discuss their learning and self defense mechanism. If have any girls protection case then they discuss it and take proper action.



Upazila Child Welfare Board meeting at Jaldhaka Upazila of Nilphamari District:

The Upazila Child Welfare Board (UCWB) meeting was held at UNO Office room at Jaldhaka on 06th August'2019. The meeting was chaired by Mr. Sujauddoula, UNO Jaldhaka. He welcomed the participants. As per decision of UCWB meeting 6 youth in 6 unions were participated in this meeting.



Agenda of the meeting are below:

- Follow up the previous meeting decision as per regulation.
- Situation of CP in Jaldhaka
- Notice for functioning Sexual Hharassment Committee, Opinion box and sanitary pad preservation in every School.
- Dengue Prevention
- AOB

Agenda wise discussion and decisions are below:

Follow up the previous meeting decision as per regulation: After review the last meeting minutes, member of Youth network presented the CP situation in their Area. Such as Child marriage, rape, dengue, Sanitary napkin preservation etc. They also shared that youth network continue dengue prevention campaign in their Union. In campaign they included

Cleanness, dengue awareness session in all School & their community. All participants appreciate & encourage to network members for their works.

Situation of CP in Jaldhaka: Officer in charge (OC) of Jaldhaka Thana said, when any kind of sexual harassment case will happen in Jaldhaka than please inform me. I will take action immediately.

Functioning of Sexual harassment committee, Opinion box set up and sanitary pad preservation in every School: After open discussions UNO of Jaldhaka said I will circulate by Upazila Education Officer that all school must be preserve Sanitary napkin, established opinion box & functioning sexual harassment committee. It will be follow-up all member of UCWB.

Dengue Prevention: After discussion dengue report of Bangladesh, UCWB decided dengue prevention campaign will be held 07 August 2019 in Jaldhaka upazila supported by Jaldhaka Upazila administrations.

After fruitful discussion UNO thanked to all participants, USS and Plan International Bangladesh for extending their helping hand to organize the meaningful meeting.

District child welfare board meeting, Nilphamari:

The District Child Welfare Board (UCWB) meeting was held on 06th November'2019 at DC conference room of Nilphamari district. This event is organized by District Child Welfare Board, Nilphamari and supported by USS & plan international Bangladesh.

Objectives of the events were

- To influence duty bearer on child p mechanism of duty bearers in Community level.



Description of the Event: This meeting chaired by Md. Azaharul Islam ADC general. The meeting was facilitated by **Md. Emam Hasem** Deputy Director of social services & secretary of district child welfare board, Nilphamari. There are 18 Member of DCWB & youth, CBCPC, Chairman of Jaldhaka Upazila parishod, chairman of union parishad were present in the meeting.

Agenda of the meeting are below:

- Follow up the previous meeting decision as per regulation.
- Develop the linkage mechanism with UCWB
- Present situation of Child Rights
- Data of child marriage & child labor

Agenda wise discussion and decisions are below:

Follow up the previous meeting decision as per regulation: A short overview was present by **Md. Emam Hasem** Deputy Director of social services & secretary of district child welfare board, Nilphamari.

Develop the linkage mechanism with UCWB: Md. Azaharul Islam ADC general discusses that we didn't know information about UCWB meeting & there is no document of this meeting. So we need follow up UCWB meeting & preserved document at DCWB. In this circumstance Social services department will provide necessary information to UNO within short time.

Present situation of Child Rights: After discussion of present situation of child rights & initiatives of Govt. & non govt. organizations ADC general said we will visit USS Plan International Partnership program at Jaldhaka and will discussed visit report in next meeting. If this result is positives we will take initiatives in district wise. He request to USS to send project Information.

Representatives of Police Super (SP) Mr. Akram Ali Inspector of police DB said we have no child shelter for criminal child in Nilphamari District. ADC general said we can provide massage to National child welfare board.

Data sharing of child marriage & child labor: Member of Jaldhaka Upazila youth network Shirin , Enamul & Upazila CBCPC network member Mr. Aminul Islam point out the problem of stop child marriage. They said we are trying to stop child marriage but day by day it increase. They said Bangladesh govt. has law of child marriage but we did not found any action after child marriage. So it is happening. They also said last two month we stop 15 child marriages out of 22. After discussion ADC general said we will collect information of child marriage, drop out student & child labors information & we will take decisions in next meeting.

Md. Imam Hasim Deputy Director of social services & secretary of district child welfare board, Nilphamari was delivered closing speech and thanked to all participates for their active participation.

Union Child and youth network initiative:



Awareness raising on Dengue Virus:

Youth network of Jaldhaka Upazila arranged dengue prevent campaign considering Dengue virus spread promptly countrywide on 4 July 2019 to 8 July 2019 for mass awareness. Union Youth Network member discussed the issue in meeting & decided that dengue prevent campaign will be held in all High School & primary

School in Jaldhaka Upazila. On the other hand Youth network members will attend in Upazila child welfare board meeting and they will share their Idea. UNO thanked to them. Upazila Child welfare board member discussed the issue in the meeting and decided that they will be arrange a Rally, open discussion 07 August 10:00 am at Jaldhaka.

250 Tree Plantation by the Initiatives of Youth forum:

Child & youth forum have played the active role to ensure the child rights & protection, they have quarterly action plan of this purpose. As per their plan they have generated a fund to implement the activities smoothly. According to their plan kaimari union Youth network arrange a tree plantation campaign in their area. In Quarterly Network meeting they discussed & prepared a plan of tree plantation. They prepare a strategy plan to provide sapling support poor people. They collect found from youth, Union chairman Member & community people. They provided sapling to SC Family & vulnerable family in their Union. In June - July 2019 Kaimari youth forum collect found & provide 250 sapling to SC families. They also provide practical support to plantation. Koimari UP Chairman, Member, CBCPC members also help them in campaign.



Kaimary youth forum organized Tree Plantation campaign



CBCPC & Union parished member helps on Tree Plantation campaign

Day Observation at Upazila level:

CBCPC & youth network jointly observed national victory day,



Members of Union Youth Network and School Girls Action Team rally with others girls on International Women's Day at Shimulbari Union, Jaldhaka Upazila.

International mother language day, Independent day & International women's day in six unions & upazila level. which was observed with collaboration with government, UPs, Schools and community by the support of USS and Plan International Bangladesh in reporting period. Human chain, Rally drawing competition, poem recite, debate competition also arrange for children and youth forum members as well school students by the cordial support of UP and school teachers. Discussion session and prize distribution ceremony also took place as

part of International & national Day.

Awareness Show by drama on CM DBR & CP:

To aware the communities about child marriage, child rights & child protection and dowry 04 nos. of awareness shows were organized during the reporting period. Near about 752 community people were present in those events. These awareness shows were arranged in 02 unions and a upazila level of Jaldhaka upazila. "TFD show program is gradually becoming popular in our communities and from the TFD there is lot to learn. Youth forums of respective unions helped to arrange the program successfully while child forum members performed the awareness show.



Life skill training for adolescent girls at secondary education institute:

During the reporting period 14 batches Child protection and Life skill training were conducted in the working area under Right to protection & Participation Project. Objective of the training were:

- Increase the skill & knowledge self protection mechanism from eve teasing & sexual harassment at community perspectives.
- To Format a action team, they are playing proactive role for child protection issues at school level.



Life skills training at high school level

366 girls were participated from 25 schools in shimulbari, Dormopal, Khutamara, Kaimari, Golna & mirganj union. The main content were current situation for girls & what were the main problem for child protection & they What is like, what is skill, stages of life skill, how to use life skill, elements of life skill topics were discussed in the training. Group work and presentation also exercised in the training. The trainings were facilitated by CAR- Trainers, TO & PC of USS, Jaldhaka branch.

Join meeting between action team & anti sexual harassment committee:

Action team Members join to anti sexual harassment committee meeting quarterly for review & reflection of their action plan. Action team Members discussed the child protection issues & take necessary action & regarding these issues as per action plan. 25 Action team has conducted 45 meeting at secondary education institute of Khutamara, Mirganj, Kaimari, Shimulbari, Golna & Dharmopal union of Jaldhaka upazila. They have facilitated regarding awareness raising activities to community



people on protection issues like if child violence incident is happen in their community than they will playing proactive role in case of provide support on legal & others support to the victim. In the meeting CBCPC members reviewed their plan of actions and made next plan of action addressing the issue of child rights and protection. **In this reporting period, they have conducted 45 meeting where 675 participants from Action team members and anti sexual harassment committee attended.**

Jesmin win to prevent cybercrime:

Jesmin Akter reads in class nine and she is a president of Action team in Ghugumari high school. Her father's name is Md.Ziarul Islam & mothers name is Sarifa Begum. Village Laxmimarai, Shimulbari under Jaldhaka upazila. She participated different training of USS and Plan International Bangladesh. As a result she became confident. She knew about how to use of modern technology. facebook is a better media of social communication. Jesmin wanted to aware people about child rights and protection by the social media of facebook. Jasmin saw different type of comments in her post and some of comments were unethical. That's why Jesmin felt unease. Then she decided she will take action with them because it is a crime. So, at first she communicated with school anti sexual harassment and community based child protection committee for proper punishment of criminal. Then president of anti sexual harassment & community based child protection committee communicate with Jaldhaka Thana with documents. On 11 November 2019 police of Jaldhaka Thana came to Chugumari high school and received facebook post and statement from Jesmin about cyber crime. On day Police committed that any how they will arrest criminal.



Police decided to know to criminal fathers and mothers. They goes to jesmin house at night. They wants pardon crims for their son . Jesmin fathers deny this propose and refer to school anti sexual harassment and community based child protection committee. Anti sexual harassment committee arranges local arbitration. Different boy and his father-mother was presents the meeting. The committee beat the different boy. Different boy committed that they will not any crime.

Head teacher said, girls action team received different training from USS and Plan International Bangladesh. Now girls are boldly protecting themselves in any critical situation. He thanks for USS and Plan International Bangladesh and request that extension this activities in others schools.

Shimu stop her child marriage

I am big helpless, someone will protect me. I want to protect myself from this danger, said shimu, student of Shimulbari Sc High School, shimulbari. Age 17. She has passed the SSC examination this year and admitted HSC in Bangobandhu degree college, shimulbari. Her fathers name's: Md. Dulal hossen and mothers name: Motahara begum. Village: Haroa, Post: Shimulbari, Upazila: Jaldhaka, District: Nilphamari. She said last 14 september 2019 my father and mother setting-out marriage date with a young boy of pathanpara in mirgonj union without my consent. Shimu weeped and imagine that how to protect is own marriage.

At that time shimu remind of activities on girls action team & union youth network . She stoped weep and strongly communicate with network member Rimon & Shirin akter asa. Shimu explain her problem to them. They honestly received her problem and gave mobile number UNO of Jaldhaka upazila .They said timely communicate with UNO for her marriage. On the other side Shirin communicate with UNO and sharing marriage of shimu. UNO said we will stop child marriage. Anywhere happen on child marriage we get punished involve the marriage .He regular update news for child marriage with him said UNO. Ultimatly published UNO decission and known to shimus fathers & mothers and instant change their dicission and committed that they will not marriage of Shimu. They will continue support to her education. Shimu give thanks child & youth network , action team and UNO for stop her marriage.

COVID-19 Emergency Response:

USS has distributed cash grant and awareness raising leaflet on COVID-19 and violence against adolescent girls to 2209 poor sponsor child families at Kaimari (518), Khutamara (388), Golna (252), Mirganj (404), Shemulbari (366) and Dharmapal (281) union of Jaldhaka upazila with assistance of DAM supported by Plan International Bangladesh from 06th May'2020 to 19th May'2020. Each beneficiaries has received 4500 (four thousand and five hundred) taka. Major (Retired) Rana Mohammad Sohel, honorable MP of Nilphamari-3 was present as chief guest at Bamna Bamni Government primary school, khutamara union on 12th May'2020. Alauddin Ali Executive Director of USS; Badrun Nahar, Disaster Risk Management specialist of Plan International Bangladesh, Rangpur Divisional Office and Liaquat Hossain, Sponsorship program coordinator of Plan International Bangladesh, Jaldhaka field office were also present as special guest. Alauddin Ali delivered welcome speech, Liaquat Hossain discussed regarding cash grant and leaflet. Chief guest over all discussed on the emergency response. Finally chief guest thanked to USS Nilphamari, Plan Internation Bangladesh and foreign donor for provide support to poor families.



Major Achievement:

Nasreen Award:



Gaitree Rani Roy, Father- Goton Chandra Roy, Mother- Dipali Rani Roy, Village:Nizpara, Union: Mirganj, Upazila: Jaldhaka, District: Nilphamari. She has involved with social activities under girls group through Girl Power Project of Udayankur Seba Sangstha (USS), Nilphamari on 2011. She identified girls problems like Child marriage, women violence, sexual harassment, rape etc. analysis of problems and find out solutions through participatory process. She has worked as volunteer to prevent social violence and awareness raising to the peoples. Gaitree has taken Karate training, self defense training, leadership training, gender equality training under Girl Power Project supported by USS Nilphamari for 6 month. As a result she made of a skill karate trainer. She is conducting karate training at different educational institute for girls, different NGOs for right holders and staffs. She is a familiar karate trainer now. She has played important role to prevent child marriage, violence against women, save of girls from sexual violence. She has get award as a successful inspiration to prevent early marriage and as fighting youth women from USS Girl Power Project on 2014.

She has provided training to 1000 girls under Child Rights project (CRP) supported by Plan International Bangladesh, 850 girls of LAMB I,M Power project. She has also delivered life skill training to 1500 girls. Gaitree has received Nasrim Memory Award'2020 from ActionAid Bangladesh.

Shirin receive award of Joyeta:



Shirin Akter Asa is 2nd daughter of Monirul Islam and Bulbuli Begum of Araj Shimulbari village of Jaldhaka upazila. She have four brother & three sister. She is the president **of Jaldhaka Upazila youth network & YAP member of Plan International Bangladesh. She got Joyeta prize in upazila level as a successful entrepreneur in 2019.** She is a role model of defender girls. When she was twelve years old (in 2011) her family arranged marriage with her cousin but she was not agreeing with them. Then she was a member of Child Forum & received child rights, Child protection related training supported by USS & Plan International under PCCE project. In training she receives knowledge on risk of child marriage. She had a dream to grown up a model. So she refuses child marriage. She said her family “Please give me a shelter, I will continue education in my own responsibility & I will bear my all expenses.” Then she starts a new journey. In private tuitions & suing she earns money for her education & helps her family to provide money. On the other hand Shirin had continuing her membership of active participation of child forum. She continue her social development work like stop child marriage, dropout children enrolled in school, Birth registration , sanitation , health & hygiene through TFD, campaign, parents meeting, session, day observation etc. Shirin selected a president of Union Child Forum in 2013 and later on she was selected Upazila child forum president in 2016. Plan International Bangladesh arranged a sanitary napkin training and provided technical support & logistic in 2016 for young girls for a Asmani sanimart center. Plan International Bangladesh hand over the sanimart center responsibilities to shirin after two years to continue the center. In the mean time she rename the centre as ‘Asmani Sanitary and SANI Mat Centre’ and in one year Asmani sanitary napkin got lots of popularity in Nilpmamari district. Sanitary napkin are producing in the centre with leading of Shirin and sell different areas. Now 25 young girls are working in the center. After getting Joyeta prize Shirin Said `` I am so happy. In cannot think I will select as a Joyeta. Thanks to USS & Plan International Bangladesh for continuing their support. I hope Asmani sanitary center will be popular in Bangladesh & thousand of vulnerable girls will get opportunities to work in center.”

Joyeta award at district level for community development:

Arjina is a graduated from YAP member of Plan International Bangladesh RDO Rangpur and youth network member at upazila level of Jaldhaka upazila. She is a trainer and have a training centre name Centre for Mass Education in Science (CMES) situated at Rath bazer of Kaimari union. Different training like computer (6 batch* 40= 240), swing (6batch*60=360), vermin compost production (6batch*20=120) and selling etc. are provide leading with Arjina by the institution. Many youth are receiving those training and involving IGAs. Arjina has gotten Joyeta award in 2019 at district level for delivering these kinds of community development initiatives.



Tree plantation of Jaldhaka youth network initiative:

Youth Network members of Koimari Union of Jaldhaka Upazila have distributed 500 saplings among the community people with their own initiatives mobilizing funds from Union Parishad and members of Community Based Child Protection Committee (CBCPC). Several newspapers covered this news. Here I have inserted some of them. Please see the news clipping.

http://www.jaldhakanews.com/2019/09/87_11.html

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