

Annual Report 2014

Participatory Development Action Program (PDAP)

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Preface



With the small efforts PDAP is working hard for the development of socially disadvantaged women, adolescents specially the girl child but due to shortage of fund PDAP could not achieve its goal in social development activities. It is my pleasure to introduce the PDAP's Annual Report for 2014, a year of considerable accomplishment for our organization. PDAP tried it's best to fulfill the target for 2014. Team work and sharing of responsibilities are two important values in PDAP and through its work,

In addition I would like to thank our members, concerned donors and government agencies that have co-operate with us to continue our development activities.

Thanks to the staff of PDAP whose effort has made it possible to implement the programs successfully.

We look forward and anticipating co-operation from all, engaged in development programs in Bangladesh.

Quazi Baby
Executive Director

PDAP's Goal:

PDAP's aims to address the needs of the vulnerable groups specially the women, adolescent girls and children.

Objectives :

- To reach the target population through organized them into groups
- To impart functional education and training to the illiterate women, girls and children.
- To provide health care service for the destitute
- To help establish social rights of the disadvantaged women, adolescents and children to improve their quality of life.
- To undertake water sanitation and environmental program
- To design and implement different socio-economic programs for the improvement of socio-economic status of the disadvantaged women and adolescent girls.

Targeted Project Participants

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| • Adolescent Girls/Boys | 1,000 |
| • Women | 1,000 |
| • Community people | 10,000 |
| • Children | 5,000 |

Registration :

PDAP is registered on 8th March, 1994 by the Social Service Department and on 2nd January, 1997 by the NGO Affairs Bureau, Government of Bangladesh.

Working area :

Ward no 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 13 in Mirpur area of Dhaka district, Shreenagar and Lauhojong Upazila of Munshigonj district and Khulna sadar of Khulna district.

Coalition with other network organization :

PDAP has a coalition with ADAB (Association of Development Agencies in Bangladesh, CUP Coalition for the Urban Poor), DAWN (Disadvantaged Adolescent Working NGOs), Huairou Commission (HC), AWID (Association of Women's Rights in Development), WMW (World March of Women) and AWWR (Aligns of Women Workers Rights) and BTS (Breaking the Silence).

PDAP is committed to making its programs socially, financially and environmentally sustainable using new methods and technologies. PDAP strongly believes and is actively involved in promoting human rights and dignity and gender equity.

Education Programme

Education awareness:

In last six years more than 600 sessions on various issues were organized by PDAP. The issues were child and adolescent rights, prevention of sexual harassment, disadvantages of early marriage, importance of education etc,

Parent Meetings:

Last week of every month the PDAP school authority discuss with the parents of the students about their education, behavior, attendance and the progress of the students. In total, 350 meetings were held with parents over the last five year in the 5 centres. At the end of every month teachers of each school organized parent's meeting at the centre and those meetings they discussed the progress of adolescent girls and boys.

Every month more than one parents meeting arrange and discuss on following issues:

1) Presence at the school, 2) Weakness in education of the students, 3) To observe celebrating days, 4) Child depressed and child sexual depressed 5) Women depressed and empowerment of women etc.

- Provided learning materials for mental growth and development
- User friendly activities for community development.

Total 125 adolescent girls and boys completed their basic education in this period. This project was supported by International Development and Relief Foundation (IDRF). Later on Children of Hopes (COH) has come to support one education centre through orphan children.

Education awareness session:

In this year more than 100 session more than 12 issue based meeting was organized by PDAP. The meeting held on child and adolescent rights, prevention of sexual harassment, disadvantaged of early marriage, important of education etc. More than 100 sessions on 12 subjects was organized by PDAP.



From 1st November 2013, we have started our school programme with 100 students. All teachers have prepared a work plan monthly basis. In the work plan, each month there are 4 weeks and there are two shift classes are going in the morning. One is from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. with 35 children and other one is going on from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There is another class is going on at afternoon from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Our education system is little bit difficult from normal education system. As the children are interested to talk to Urdu language (because it is their mother language), we introduced our classes with multilingual education system which is Urdu alphabet learn first and then Bangla language.

As our students are poor and do not take breakfast properly, they are suffering from malnutrition. We are providing nutritious food regularly as some refreshment. All students are very happy with this and their attendance is satisfactory.

School Report:

There are 50 students in two schools at Talab Camp and Bhola slum. Each of them are 25 students. All the students are aged in between 5 & 8 years old. Before they could not read or write anything but now can read and write A to Z and 1 to 50 in English and 1 to 100 in Bangla. They can get admission in primary school in the next January.

The parents are happy because their children are getting education without fees.

Capacity Building Training

Participatory Development Action Program (PDAP) arrange some training program for the young women girls e.g., Capacity building, disaster management for the grass-root women leader, tailoring, paper bag making, embroidery, candle making etc.

*Leadership

*Social change agent

*Life skill development

*Management



PDAP required some skill leaders for achieving it's vision. For this purpose, after receiving training, the leaders will play an important role to guide the community people.

- Adolescents Watch group gathering
- Adolescent Group leaders are working on HIV/AIDS
- Adolescent leaders arrange monthly meeting and arrange workshop to discuss on their problems with the local ward commissioner.

Vocational and Skill Development Training

Women enterprise:

PDAP has started women enterprise program initially with its own credit fund among the beneficiaries. The experienced women get the facilities for their better livelihood.

PDAP selected 15 women whose are growing their own business and queering more women to develop their business.

These women are come from Bhola slum. Polash Nagar, FG Camp, Hit Camp, Millat Camp and Talab Camp. Each of them got Tk. 20000 (Twenty thousand) as loan. They invested in different business such as tea stall. Grocery shop, Tailoring business, Three piece business, Saree business, Ganji business, Goat maintaining business etc. Their earning is now near about 4000 to 5000 taka per month. These women empowered and helping their family. Their family persons give value on their views. At early day their minor children send to earn but now a day children go to school. Their lives become better than previous days.



“Akorshon” the income raising project:

To assist identified slum women PDAP has established one training centre for embroidery, fabric and Knitting as well as handicrafts sale centre namely “**Akorshon**” in its working area at section-11 Mirpru. The destitute women and the adolescent girls are the main training recipient from the centre. Readymade garments, Embroidery and Fabric paints in Sharee and other dresses are being made by “Akorshon”. Adolescent girls, who has completed their training from “Akorshon” can work in the centre when they get order. This helps them to earn and supplement their family income. Akorshon has created a good reputation in these slum areas especially among distressed women and girls, because the production quality of Akorshon is not less than any renowned handicraft and sales centre.

Health Awareness

Community health awareness:

The Paramedics of PDAP gave awareness information in various health topics among the beneficiaries during message delivery.

Community motivation:

Raised awareness among the community people on HIV/AIDS, skin disease, family planning, pneumonia, dengue, diarrhea, swine flu by the health workers who visited door to door. They also promoted on the Hepatitis-B vaccine.

During message delivery (e.g., Health & Hygiene, EPI, Reproductive issue, Family Planning etc.,) Paramedics of PDAP gave awareness information on various health topics to the beneficiaries.

Regularly various health programs conducted to ensure adolescent health & care in the community.

It covered the following issues:

- ** Doctors advice/ Primary health care support
- ** HIV/AIDS awareness & family planning
- ** Adolescent health
- ** EPI & NID



The Doctor, Paramedics and health workers regularly attended for medical support in PDAP's health care centre. 5,000 patients (including NID patients) have received different types of treatment in this year. The health workers discussed with the community people on health education, cleanness, immunization, vaccination of children, clean water & sanitation, the demerits of early marriage etc. 3000 people got medical facilities from the different community.

Report of the Clinic:

January '14 to December '14		
EPI (Polio, MR, Measles, Hep-B)	1040	BCG, Diphtheria, TT, Pneumonia
Pregnant Mother	430	Check up, Provide TT
Adolescent Girls	450	General treatment
General Patient	264	
Mothers after delivery	210	Check up to 42 days
Family Planning materials August '14 to December '14		
Injection	140	
Condom	2000	
Oral Pill	160 Cycle	

Water supply, sanitation & hygiene education:

PDAP a development organization has come forward to ensure water & sanitation facilities services at door step of community people PDAP has implemented sanitation, water supply and hygiene education project for having easy access to safe water & sanitation services at an affordable cost.

Advocacy Report:

A campaign of awareness started from The PDAP office on different issues in the different area of Mirpur. Such as: Talab Camp, Millat Camp, F G Camp, Slum area of Beguntila, Bhola, Duaripara and other areas with the women group and door to door visit. The issues are as follows: Birth registration, Family planning, Environment, Neat & Cleanness, Early marriage, Dowry, Female depression. Eve teasing, Basic rights, Savings, Empowerment of women, Skillness, Child depression, Child sexual harassment etc.

There are two adolescent forum formed at ward no. 5 and ward no. 3 in Mirpur, Dhaka with the adolescent boys and girls and each forum formed with 15 members. The meeting arranges in every month with the forum members. These adolescents are participated in door to door awareness work.

Adolescent girls and boys were spoken about prevention of eve teasing. Ward Commissioner of Ward no.5 attended at the meeting and showed his positive attitude for helping in this regard.

International Women Day

On 8 March, 2012 PDAP organized a rally and discussion programme to observe the international women day. Approximately 100 women, men and girls attended at the rally. In the discussion program, Executive Director of PDAP explained about the history of international women day and what women should do to achieve their rights. The grassroots women leaders also expressed their feeling through their speaking and sharing their activities.

Gender awareness :

Importance is given on women rights to the group members to remove the inequality in between female and male. Field workers tried to mitigate inequality in between male and female through 1000 members in the society. Extricated **society** can be acquire by raising knowledge of the society people about marriage registry, divorce, not to marry before 18 years age etc.

PDAP has been achieved the following targets as per plan:

1) Basic Education to 50 adolescent. 2)Health message delivery 1,200 people. 3) Skill Training received by 100. 4) Legal Aid counseling 600. 5) Advocacy and mass awareness 500.

Community resilience program:

PDAP has started a pilot project on grassroots women empower through community resilience. Through this program, PDAP has done the following activities:

1. Provide leadership training for 100 grassroots women.
2. Resilience practices are those that help the communities predict, plan, prepare and prevent or minimum damage, loss and deaths both during and after a disaster. They are those practices that help the communities recover more fully and more rapidly after disaster.
3. Organize 6 local to local dialogues with other stakeholders.
4. Provide training on Disaster Risk Reduction and prepare community mapping.
5. Organized vulnerability assessment such as:
 - a) Inadequate Basic Services
 - b) Poor Sanitation
 - c) Water contamination
 - d) Children fall sick-water borne diseases
 - e) Roads submerged/damaged
 - f) No health center
 - g) Housing repairing
 - h) Houses located in disaster prone areas – river banks, hill sides vulnerable to flooding or landslides

- i) Poor construction
- j) Relocation sites lack basic services and livelihoods
- k) Infrastructure
- l) Bad roads/ No roads
- m) Livelihoods
- n) Destruction of assets – equipment, livestock
- o) Livelihoods, housing, crisis credit/ funds
- p) Food shortage

The result of Local to local dialogue:

Grassroots women are skilled to talk with the local Government. This project was supported by Huairou Commission.

Received training and contacted with the local authority to share their problem.

- The skilled grassroots women empowered to negotiate and contact with local authority
Women sensitized on their rights
- Enabled to discuss with the local authority about their housing issues
- Grassroots leaders were able to contact with local Government.
- Leaders are able to go the local authority to solve their problems
- Dialogue with the Government official



Emergency Relief and Rehabilitation Program:

Emergency relief intervention Project implemented by PDAP with the financial assistance by Huairou Commission

- (1) A study has been done by PDAP on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) issue in 2013, supported by Huairou Commission, USA. The survey questionnaires were collected from Baoniabandh slum of Mirpur, Khulna main sadar of Khulna district and Shreenagar upazila of Munshigonj district.

- (2) In the month of September an event on “Early marriage prevention” and cultural programme held at Bangladesh Shishu Academy, organized by DAWN forum. As Executive Director of PDAP is the Secretary General of DAWN forum, who was responsible for the whole event. Near about 40 Adolescents of PDAP participated at the event of DAWN forum.

Exposure visit in 2014

Ms. Quazi Baby, Executive Director of PDAP had received an Award from UN Women to attend the First inaugural session of UN Women as well as 56 session of Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) in New York (February 2013). It was a great opportunity for PDAP to focus the situation of women in Bangladesh. Quazi Baby presented there a study report on Anti Corruption issue in grassroots level.

New Partnership:

In 2013 two partners, Habitat for Humanity Bangladesh and Children of Hopes showed their interest to make partnership with PDAP. And according to their agreement we started to do area survey and education programme for the orphanage in Bhola bostee. Habitat for Humanity did a Pilot project in a urban area with PDAP.

IEC materials developed:

- Posters on Women Empowerment, Education and Disaster
- Leaflet on HIV/AIDS, Land and Housing for the poor people
- Booklet on Adolescent programme

CONCLUSION

As PDAP is committed to bring change in poor people’s life standard, especially the adolescent girls and women. It is their right to lead a beautiful life and PDAP helps them to make a step forward in this way. In this concern PDAP has been trying to put a greater emphasis in capacity building if smaller social organizations, inspiring them to promote and practice solid moral value, to help establish a better civil society both in rural and in urban areas. Good governance at all levels, gender issues, education, awareness raising, institute building and combating social violence will also be a major focus in future.