

# Annual Report

# 2015-2016

**Participatory Development Action Program (PDAP)**

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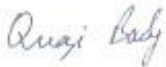
## ***Preface***

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 2015 & 2016 year of considerable accomplishment for our organization. PDAP tried it's best to fulfill the target for 2015 & 2016. 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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| • <b>Adolescent Girls/Boys</b> | <b>1,000</b>  |
| • <b>Women</b>                 | <b>1,000</b>  |
| • <b>Community people</b>      | <b>10,000</b> |
| • <b>Children</b>              | <b>5,000</b>  |

## **Registration :**

PDAP is registered on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 1994 by the Social Service Department and on 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. Besides, PDAP worked Khulna, Jessore and Sylhet district through partnership with local organization.

## **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), Breaking the Silence, Huairou Commission (HC), 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 300 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 girls and boys completed their basic education in this period. This project was supported by Children of Hope (COH), Canada.. COH has come to support two education centre for orphan children.

### Education awareness session:

In this year more than 50 session and more than 12 issue based meetings were organized by PDAP. The meeting held on child and adolescent rights, prevention of sexual harassment, disadvantaged of early marriage, important of education etc.



From 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015, 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 25 children and other one is going on from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m with 25 children. There is another class is going on at afternoon from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with 50 adolescents and women informally.

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 provided 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 Millat camp. 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. Now they are demanding to teach them class 1 also. Because the government school is far away from the camp area.

### **Capacity Building Training**

Participatory Development Action Program (PDAP) arranged some training program for the young women girls e.g., Leadership development, Disaster management for the grass-roots women, Tailoring, Paper bag making, Embroidery, candle making etc.

- \*Leadership
- \*Social change agent
- \*Life skill development
- \*Accounts 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 Child Marriage prevention
- 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 20 women whose are growing their own business and queering more women to develop their business.

These women are living Bholu slum. Polash Nagar, FG Camp, Muslim Camp, Millat Camp and Talab Camp. Each of them got Tk. 20,000 (Twenty thousand) as loan. They invested in different business such as tea stall. Grocery shop, Tailoring business, Three piece Fabric business, Sharee business, Ganji business, Goat rearing 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 sell 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 per year got medical facilities from the different community.

Report of the Clinic:

January '15 to December '15		
EPI (Polio, MR, Measles, Hep-B)	1040	BCG, Diphth eria, TT, Pneum onia
Pregnant Mother	430	Check up, Provide TT
Adolescent Girls	450	Genera treatme nt
General Patient	264	
Mothers after delivery	210	Check up to 42 days
Family Planning materials August '15 to December '15		
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 prevention, 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, 2015 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 feelings through their speaking and sharing their activities. This year PDAP also observe the International Rural Women Day and International Disaster Risk Reduction Day in Sylhet and Munshigonj district, in October.

### **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.

### **Awareness raising on Dementia :**

PDAP's field staff aware 500 families (where old people are living) about the effect of Dementia and how they can take care of old people.

**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) 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. Area selection and provide leadership training for 100 grassroots women in Bhola bosti..
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 2014, 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 was selected as an Expert from UN Habitat and invited to attend two expert meeting (held in London and Barcelona) and final sharing meeting held in New York (May 2016). It was a great opportunity for PDAP to focus the situation of women in Bangladesh. Quazi Baby presented there a case study on community resilience. Quazi Baby also a member of Bangladesh National Habitat Committee.

## **New Partnership:**

In 2015 one partner Children of Hope 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 Talab camp and Millat camp.. Besides, PDAP has increased a partnership with Family Planning Department, Government of Bangladesh.

## **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.