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Acronyms

ADC	: Additional Deputy Commissioner
ADR	: Alternative Dispute Resolution
ASK	: Ain o Salish Kendra
ASP	: Assistant Superintendent of Police
CBHRPG	: Community Based Human Rights Protection Group
CBHRWG	: Community Based Human Rights Women's Group
CBO	: Community Based Organization
CHD	: Court Help Desks
CLFS	: Child Labourers' Friendly Space
CoC	: Code of Conduct
CRAC, B	: Child Rights Advocacy Coalition in Bangladesh
CSO	: Civil Society Organisation
DC	: Deputy Commissioner
DYD	: Department of Youth Development
ECOSOC	: United Nations Economic and Social Council
FWC	: Family Welfare Center
GBV	: Gender-based violence
HRDF	: Human Rights Defenders' Forums
HRDs	: Human Rights Defenders
HRFB	: Human Rights Forum Bangladesh
HRLF	: Human Rights Lawyer Forum
HRV	: Human Rights Violation
ISPAB	: Internet Service Provider Association of Bangladesh
LEA	: Law Enforcement Agency
MoWCA	: Ministry of Women and Children Affairs
NCTB	: National Curriculum and Textbook Board
NCTF	: National Children's Task Force
NHRC	: National Human Rights Commission
NNPC	: Nari Nirjaton Protirodh Committee
OHCHR	: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
PIL	: Public Interest Litigation
PPE	: Personal Protective Equipment
PNGO	: Partner Non-Government Organization
RTI	: Right to Information
SGBV	: Sexual and Gender Based Violence
SMO	: Social Mobilizer Officer
SP	: Superintendent of Police
SR	: Special Rapporteur
SRHR	: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
STG	: School Theatre Group
ToT	: Training of Trainers
UNHRC	: United Nations Human Rights Council
UNO	: Upazila Nirbahi Officer
UPR	: Universal Periodic Review
VAW	: Violence against Women
VAWG	: Violence against Women and Girls
WHD	: Women Help Desk
WSF	: Women Friendly Spaces

ASK ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK), a national legal aid and human rights organization of Bangladesh, envisions a just and equitable society based on human rights, social justice, democracy and rule of law. ASK provides legal aid and other support services to the disempowered people, particularly women, working children, and workers. It also engages in other different interventions, such as documentation and fact finding on human rights violations, research and advocacy, awareness on human rights, and promoting activism to protect and promote human rights.

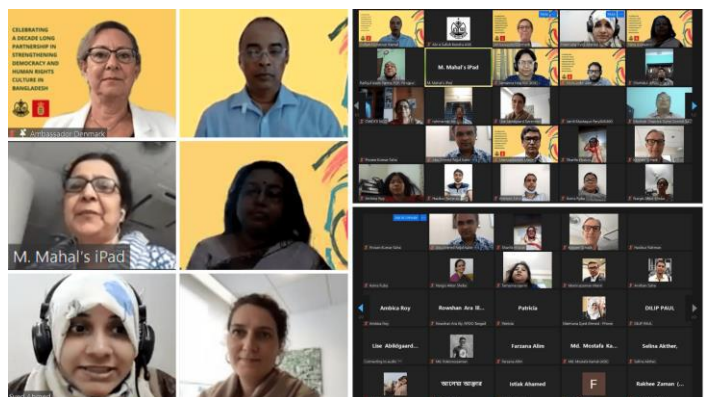
Established in 1986 by nine individuals, including lawyers, professionals, social workers and development workers, ASK was registered with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, Bangladesh under the Societies Registration Act, XXI in 1986, and with the NGO Affairs Bureau under Foreign Donation Regulation Ordinance, 1978 in 1993. It holds special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) since 31 July 1998.

Since its establishment, ASK has maintained a neutral approach to human rights, and upholds secular, non-communal and non-partisan values in its operations.

Though initial interventions of ASK were limited to the provision of free legal services to the disempowered—particularly women, working children and workers in Dhaka city, during the last 36 years, ASK's interventions evolved on a comprehensive approach to the promotion and protection of human rights.

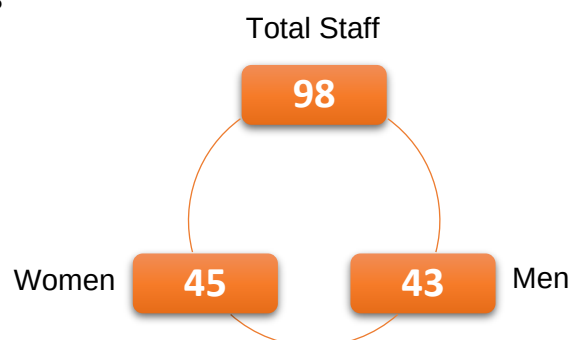
ASK's current strategic focus are: 1) Awareness raising and strengthening organizational structures; 2) Capacity building of human rights actors; 3) Legal aid and other support services; 4) Advocacy and networking; 5) Protection of children; and 6) Institutional Development of ASK.

The abovementioned strategies are implemented through 14 Programme Units and 4 Support Units that have specific responsibilities contributing to its overall goals.



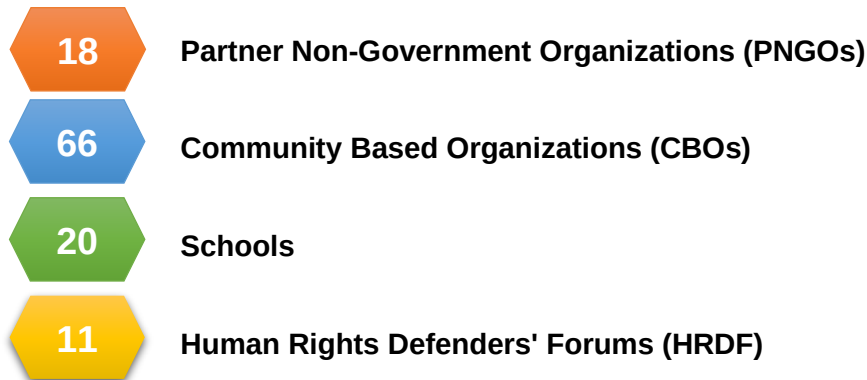
Celebrating a decade long partnership with the Embassy of Denmark

ASK staff members



PARTNERSHIP

Although ASK's head office is located in Dhaka, its programmatic interventions operate all over the country, and its activities outside Dhaka city are delivered in partnership with NGOs, CBOs, schools, and other stakeholder forums. Additionally, ASK works in liaison and partnership with national and international forums for advocacy.



PNGOS

1. Agrogoti Sangstha (AS): Sathkhira
2. Ancholic Palli Unnayan Sangstha (APUS): Naogaon Sadar
3. Association for Community Development (ACD): Rajshahi
4. Association for Socio-Economic Development (ASED): Habiganj
5. Association of Voluntary Action for Society (AVAS): Barisal
6. Gana Unnayan Kendra (GUK): Bogura and Gaibandha Sadar
7. MUKTI Cox's Bazar: Cox's Bazar
8. Mukti Nario Shishu Unnayan Shangstha (MUKTI): Kushtia Sadar
9. Organization for Women's Development in Bangladesh (OWDEB): Chattogram
10. Paribartan: Rajshahi
11. Peoples Oriented Program Implementation (POPI): Kishoregonj
12. Rural Poor Development Organization (RPDO): Tangail
13. Sabalamby Unnayan Samity (SUS): Jamalpur
14. Shushilan: Patuakhali
15. Society for Development and Education of Small Household (SoDESH): Sathkhira
16. Welfare Efforts (WE): Jhenaidah Sadar
17. Young Power in Social Action (YPSA): Cox's Bazar
18. Jago Nari Unnayon Sangstha (JNUS): Cox's Bazar

CBOs

1. Community Based Human Rights Protection Groups (CBHRPG)
2. Community Based Human Rights Women Groups (CBHRWG)
3. Human Rights Lawyers Forum (HRLF)
4. Community Based Human Rights Theater Groups (CBHRTG)
5. Panel Lawyers Forum

National Networks

1. Bangladesh Civil Society for Migrants (BCSM)
2. Bangladesh Shishu Odhikar Forum (BSAF)
3. Beijing Plus Five for Human Rights
4. Coalition for the Urban Poor (CUP)

5. Citizen's Initiative on CEDAW (CIC-BD)
6. Citizen's Initiatives to Address Domestic Violence (CIDV)
7. Child Rights Governance Assembly (CRGA)
8. Child Rights Advocacy Coalition in Bangladesh (CRACB)
9. Human Rights Forum Bangladesh (HRFB)
10. National Child Protection Committee
11. Sramik Nirapotta Forum (SNF)
12. Samajik Protirodh Committee
13. We Can End Violence against Women (WE CAN)

International Networks

14. Asia Pacific Forum for Women, Law and Development (APWLD)
15. Asian NGO Network on National Human Rights Institutions (ANNI)
16. British Association of Counseling and Psycho-therapy (BACP)
17. End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and the Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes (ECPAT)
18. Forum Asia (FA)
19. International Women's Rights Action Watch (IWRRAW)
20. Migrants' Forum in Asia (MFA)
21. South Asians for Human Rights (SAHR)
22. South Asia Forum for Human Rights (SAFHR)
23. Women Living Under Muslim Laws (WLUML)

ASK Working Areas and Activities

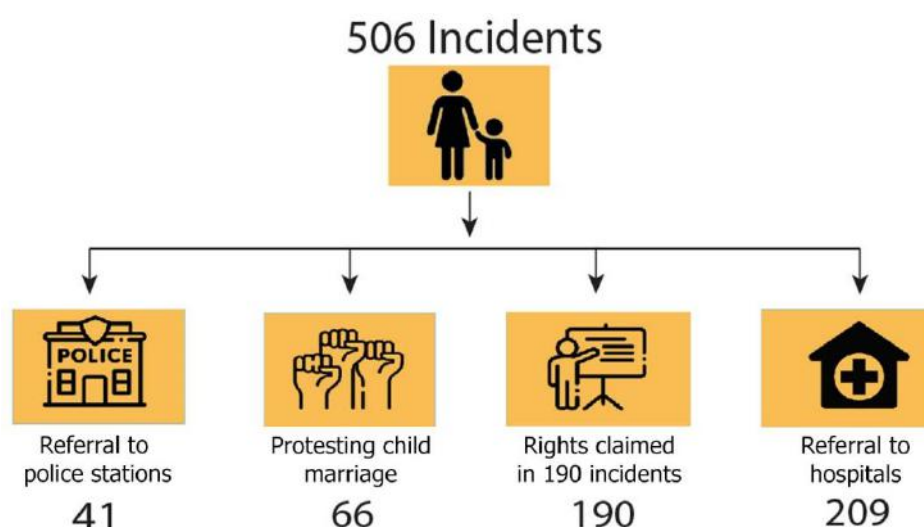
- ASK's head office is situated in Dhaka, and all its activities are operated through its Dhaka based office. The overarching goal of ASK's interventions, particularly the public interest litigations (PILs) and advocacy for law and policy reform, media advocacy is to improve overall human rights situation of the country. And, some specific interventions of ASK, such as fact finding activities, making rapid responses on reported human rights violations by way of assisting the survivors in accessing justice are carried out all across the country.
- However, legal aid services, the most prominent service of ASK are provided at its office located in Dhaka, and by five legal aid clinics located in different locations in Dhaka city. It also operates six other legal aid clinics in six districts, namely Rajshahi, Satkhira, Barishal, Chattogram, Tangail, Habiganj. In partnership with local NGOs.
- Besides, ASK carries out specific awareness interventions in a number of unions / districts in partnership with local NGOs, namely in Naogaon, Gaibandha, Kushtia, Kishoregonj, Jhenaidah.
- Legal aid clinics in Dhaka- Goran, Rayer Bazar, Jonson Road and VSC Tejgoan.
- Legal aid clinics outside Dhaka- Gazipur.

Programme Achievements

» Awareness raising and strengthening organizational structures.

In 2021, ASK carried out series of awareness raising activities on human rights targeting different stakeholders, such as the Community Based Human Rights Women Groups (CBHRWG), Community Based Human Rights Protection Groups (CBHRPG) and lawyers with a view to making them aware and sensitized about human rights issues, and building their capacity to assist the community women and men in seeking remedies to human rights violations.

CBOs' Response to Human Rights violations



Awareness through training, cultural activities and communications



Human chain protesting attack on Hindu community



Cultural event by STG (School Theater Groups)



Street theater by CBHRTG

Legal Aid & Support Services

ASK provided legal aid and other support services that includes mediation and rapid response, litigation, temporary shelter, psychosocial counselling etc. to women and children aggrieved by different human rights violations.

SL	Name of services	Number
01	Legal advice	15,614
02	Legal support	7,290
03	Psychosocial counselling	610
04	Shelter support	46

It attended 6,357 calls through helpline numbers, and provided required advice and services. It resolved 936 disputes through mediation and filed 210 court cases on behalf of the survivors and helped to realize 1,63,22,626 taka as dower money, maintenance or compensation for its clients.

Legal Aid & Support Services



» Advocacy and networking

In 2021, ASK continued its advocacy using different media and tactics to make the state and non state actors more responsive and accountable to their obligations to protect and promote human rights of the people of the country. The key advocacy interventions of ASK are documentation of HR violations documentation through scanning news media, conducting fact finding on reported incidents of human rights violations, issuing press statement, and organising press conference, publishing news articles, organizing conference and dialogue with different government and non government stakeholders including media.

In addition, it also filed 13 public interest litigations on various incidents of human rights violations, such as Writ Petition on the Fire Incident at Hashem Food and Beverage Factory;



Human chain protesting the attack on religious minorities

Writ Petition against the eviction of Tripura community; and the Writ Petition against the police firing at Banshkhali power plant.

ASK maintains network with local level activists (HR actors and defenders) and is connected with national, regional and international organisations and networks, including the UN bodies, to put pressure on the government for policy and legal reforms or to implement judgments and recommendations pertaining to the fulfilment of human rights. ASK also continues to pay a pivotal role to strengthen NHRC and to generate information on how to make an official complaint of a human rights violation to NHRC among the HRDs, journalists and youth groups.



National Strategy Consultation for the Establishment of South Asian Regional Human Rights Mechanisms

Fact-finding on 276 incidents of Human Rights Violations

including state violence, custodial death, violence against women and children, violence against religious and ethnic minorities, violation of migrant workers' rights, etc.

- **124** Appeals on HRVs to authorities
- **276** cumulative and statistical charts on HRVs

Public Interest Litigations and other litigations

1. Death of 20-yr-old student after falling into open drain in Chattogram (Writ Petition No. 11337 of 2021)
2. Fire at Hashem Food and Beverage Factory (Writ Petition No. 9682 of 2021)
3. Against eviction of Tripura community (Writ Petition No. 5261 of 2021)

4. Petition to question the continuous remand that allowed the police to interrogate Pori Moni in their custody (Criminal Revision No. 1484 of 2021)
5. Bail Petition for Ruma Sarker, Ruma Sarker, Assistant Professor of Badrunnesa Mahila College (Criminal Misc. Case No. 50435 of 2021)
6. Bail Petition for a minor girl u/sec- 25,28,31 of the Digital Security Act, 2018 (Criminal Appeal No. 3087 of 2021)
7. Bail Petition for accused Journalist under sec- 25(2), 29(1), 31(1)(2) the Digital Security Act 2018 (Criminal Misc. Case No. 35947 of 2021)
8. Police firing at Banskhali power plant (Writ Petition No. 4333 of 2021)

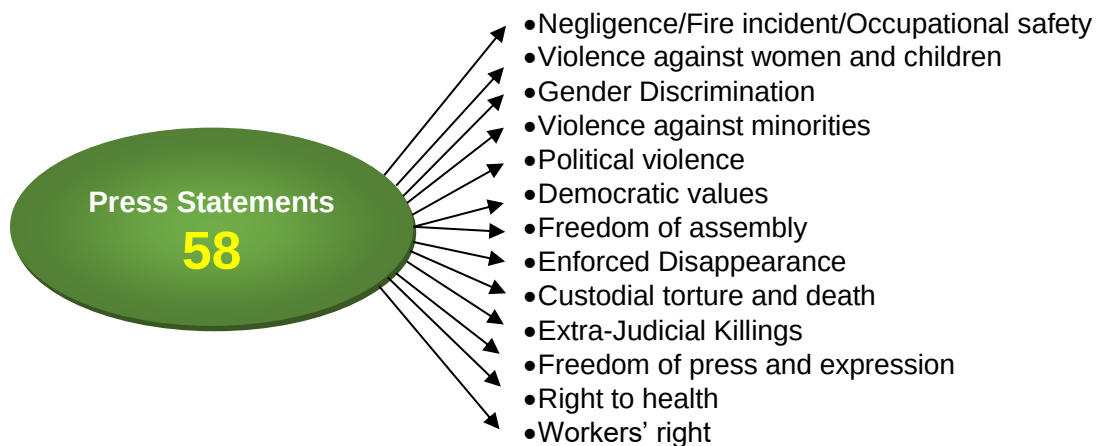
Press Conferences 3

1. Protesting the violent attack against Hindu community during 'Durga Puja and demanding trial of the perpetrators: 21 October 2021, organized by ASK
2. Expressing Concern Over the Observation and Instructions Given by the Women and Child Repression Prevention Tribunal-7 :14 November 2021, organized by ASK as the Secretariat of Human Rights Forum Bangladesh (HRFB)
3. Presenting ASK's observation on the Human Rights Situation of Bangladesh in 2021: 31 December 2021, organized by ASK



Press conference on annual human rights situation 2021

ASK issued 58 Press Statements in 2021



Digital Advocacy

- Over 200 Facebook posts
- ASK website had a reach of 1,51,486 page views and Facebook page had a reach of 2,63,451 post views
- 1 Television Commercial on Gender-Based Violence (GBV)
- 2 Animations on Gender Equality and Violence Against Children (VAC)



ASK Campaign during 16 days of activism against violence against women



Observance of International Women's Day 2021

National Level Advocacy Events

- Online discussion 'ChooseToChallenge to end continued Violence Against Women': 8 March 2021, jointly organized with the Embassy of Denmark – 08 March 2021
- Online discussion on, 'Ensuring Government's Human Rights Accountability: Is the NHRC fulfilling its Mandate?' - 13 September 2021
- Dialogue between National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) and Human Rights Activists - 23 December 2021
- Online discussion on 'The Situation of Torture in Bangladesh: Challenges to ensure Justice for Victims of Torture and their Families' - 26 June 2021
- National Strategy Consultation for the Establishment of South Asian Regional Human Rights Mechanism, jointly organized with Forum-Asia- 15 November 2021

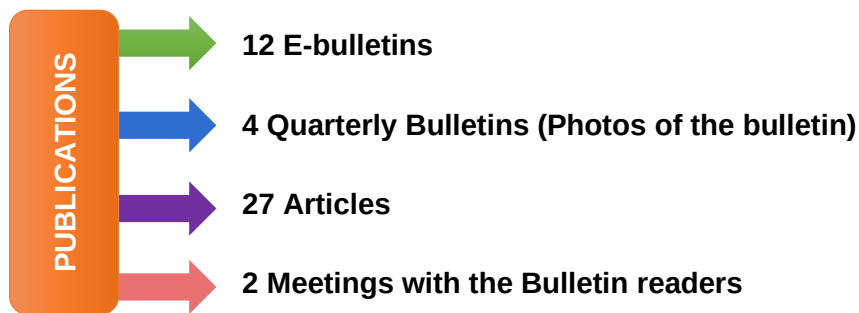


Consultation on the draft UNCAT progress report

INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY

- Developed country chapter of The Asian NGOs Network on National Human Rights Institutions (ANNI) Report 2020 and submitted to ANNI Secretariat, Forum-Asia.
- Developed a progress report on the implementation of concluding observations provided by the United Nations Committee Against Torture (UNCAT) in 2019.
- Developed theme-based UPR third-year assessment reports on civil and political rights, independence of national institutions, compliance with UN human rights mechanism, equality and non-discrimination, etc.
- 5 communications were sent to the UN Special Rapporteurs on freedom of expression, custodial torture, disinformation, misuse of Digital Security Act, etc.

Publications



A provocative religious post surfaced on social media on October 13, 2021, the day of Ashtami Puja of Sharodio Durgotshob, one of the biggest religious festivals of the Hindu community, saying that the Quran was dishonored at a Durga Puja pandal close to Nanuar-dighi in Cumilla town. Following this occurrence, communal hatred spread over the entire nation. This massacre situation, which began on October 13th, persisted until October 17th, 2021.

Following the Cumilla incident, incidents of idol vandalism, arson, looting, and beatings occurred across the nation in places like Chandpur, Noakhali, Laxmipur, Chittagong, Bandarban, and Feni. One member of the Hindu community was beaten to death and two other people were slain in the Noakhali incident of racial violence. In addition, one of the Hindu community's injured victims from the incident in Cumilla passed away while receiving medical attention.

The attack on the puja mandap and temple in Hajiganj, Chandpur, however, resulted in the deaths of six members of the Muslim community, and a police shooting in Feni resulted in the death of one person. Along with the attack on Lama Kendrio Hari Mandir, eight homes and 40 businesses were destroyed in Lama, Bandarban. A total of 65 Hindu houses, three businesses, one temple, and two puja mandaps in Rangpur's Majhipara, close to Pirganj Police Station were attacked, set ablaze, destroyed, and looted on October 17, 2021.

ASK condemned the incidents and called upon the government to act quickly to maintain the highest level of security for the Hindu communities and Puja mandaps in order to stabilize the situation. It further urged that the offenders be brought to justice.

ASK also conducted fact finding missions on these incidents. The Human Rights Defenders Forum (HRDF) of nine districts demonstrated their support for religious minorities on October 21, 2021, by forming a human chain to condemn the attack in their respective areas. ASK protested in Dhaka on the same day by forming a human chain.

ASK in COVID 19

At early period of the COVID 19 when the entire country went into a lockdown situation, ASK introduced five new helpline numbers, and six PNGOs used six helplines to respond to the survivors of human rights violations, including survivors of gender based violence.

ASK Helpline numbers	PNGOs helpline numbers
✓ +88 01724 415 677;	✓ +88 01722405080;
✓ +88 01730 450 756;	✓ +88 01830737400;
✓ +88 01714 025 067;	✓ +88 01792893451;
✓ +88 01756 185 717;	✓ +88 01735128708;
✓ +88 01757 112 261.	✓ +88 01719574672;
	✓ +88 01728011663.

In addition, the existing Human Rights Defenders Forums (HRDFs) at the local levels, namely in Bagerhat, Bandarban, Bogura, Cox's Bazar, Jessore, Jhenaidah, Narail, Pirojpur, Potuakhali, Rajshahi and Satkhira also remained vigilant and assisted the survivors of human rights violations in accessing justice and other support services during the lockdown period.

Considering the rise of Gender Based Violence during COVID-19, ASK also developed a TVC on domestic violence and 2 animations on good touch-bad touch. ASK and INCIDIN Bangladesh developed 7000 IEC materials inscribing COVID-19 messages. These materials were disseminated among community people. ASK also distributed humanitarian support (like food, safety equipment like mask, hand sanitizer, soap, water, sanitation and hygiene facilities) to its working areas.



Distribution of health safety materials

ASK's Attribution

Bristi went back to her school

Md. Sonowar Hossain (pseudo name) of Bottali village of Kustia Sader and his wife were busy with wedding preparation for their 14 years old daughter Bristi Khatun. Sufia Akther, the President of Community Based Human Rights Women Group (CBHRWG) and other members of the group helped stop the child marriage of this adolescent girl Bristi Khatun.

Birsti is the youngest of four daughters of Sonowar. She was in class eight, but her father's income from rickshaw pulling was not enough to support her schooling anymore. Being weak and comparatively old for this occupation, Sonowar was tired and thought of marrying her off. However, when Sonowar found a groom, Brishti did not give consent to the marriage rather she wanted to continue her studies.

Upon receiving information, the president of CBHRWG, Sufia Akhter visited their house along with other members of the CBHRWG. She talked with Bristi's parents and advised not to wed her off and explained about the disadvantages of child marriage. Unfortunately, Sonowar was not convinced and was adamant about his decision. However, when CBHRWG

informed them about the consequences of child marriage on the parent's side, existing laws and punishment related to child marriage, Sonowar was convinced. He said "I had no idea that child marriage is such a grave offence and now I have realized what a big mistake I was going to make. Finally, Brishti's wedding was stopped and she got a new hope to continue her studies. Her neighborhood also became aware of the consequences and disadvantages of child marriage.

Resolving complaint with too many hurdles

Kanta Akther (26), an MBA student, lodged a complaint with ASK on recovering her dower and maintenance money from her divorced husband. According to the complaint, she got married with a doctor in 2017. After a year, she discovered her husband's extra-marital relationships with multiple women including his ex-wife, and addiction to drugs (*yaba tablet*).

In March 2020, when COVID-19 related closure was in place, Kanta left her husband's place and started living at her own flat situated in Kalabagan, Dhaka. However, her husband regularly visited her and stayed there sometimes. But he never provided her maintenance. On 29 May 2020, she found out a pornographic video clip of her husband. In

consequence, Kanta divorced her husband on 17 June 2020, and with involvement of her family and in law's, she tried to recover her dower and maintenance for the *Iddat* period and an estimated money on account of her past maintenance as his wife.

While the above did not yield any result, Kanta filed a complaint with Ain o Shalish Kendra (ASK) on 10 September 2020. ASK conducted mediation sessions in presence of both parties on the 29 September 2020, and they came to a consensus that Kanta's husband will pay the dower, and an amount of taka five lacs (500,000) as maintenance in seven installments. However, after receiving several installments of the money with ASK's involvement, Kanta felt embarrassed to face the accused anymore and she refused to come to ASK for the final mediation session. Instead, she sent her mother and maternal uncle in the time of signing the final agreement. But the agreement could not be signed as the opposite party didn't agree to sign the agreement without presence of the client.

To deal the issue professionally, ASK arranged an alternative session with the two parties on 27 October 2021. But this time, Kanta's ex-husband did not show up, as he informed the lawyer to be out of city. After multiple attempts finally, on 29 December 2021 ASK could set the appointment and the agreement was signed by both parties on a non-judicial stamp paper worth taka three hundred (300). Though, there were too many challenges for ASK in resolving this complaint, finally it came to an end.

Shumi bought savings certificate using maintenance money

Shumi Rani (*pseudonym*), came to ASK to seek legal assistance towards making a peaceful conjugal life.

Shumi (27) was married to Shumon Mojumder on 18 January 2021 maintaining all the marriage rituals and customs of Hindu Religion in presence of both families. For dowry, her father gave furniture and gold jewelries. However, within a week, Shumi's mother in law took away all her jewelries in her custody to

'keep it secured'. And after 10 days, her husband, and her parents in law started misbehaving with her. Even, her husband expressed his intention to divorce her and started abusing her. After a month of marriage, her husband left the house for service purpose keeping shumi along with her in laws. In absence of her husband her in laws continued their rude behavior. Despite everything, she still tried to improve the relationship.

In March 2021, she went to visit her father's house for a brief period of time. Upon return, her in laws didn't allow her to step in the house. As a result, she returned to her father's house. When she tried to inform her husband about this issue, he didn't receive her call. From 17 March, Shumi remained at her father's house, her husband didn't provide any maintenance.

On 11 August 2021, ASK served a legal notice to Shumi's husband on behalf of Shumi. On the 18 August, an advocate representing the opposite party came at ASK and fixed a mediation date. After several sitting, on 29 September 2021, they informed in written that the opposite party does not want to continue their conjugal life. The advocate on behalf of her husband proposed to pay a one-time amount of taka five lacs (500,000) as maintenance for Shumi. Her husband also agreed to return all valuables, jewelry and furniture received as dowry, and as wedding gift to Shumi.

On 01 October 2021, Shumi received all valuables in concern and on the 3 October, an advocate representing her husband handed over a pay order of taka five lacs (500,000) to her through ASK. On the same day, both parties signed on a *compromised Deed* at ASK. During a follow up from ASK, we got to know that Shumi used the maintenance money to buy *SanchoyPatra* (fixed money savings with government scheme) and is enjoying benefit from that.

HRDF assisted Sumi to get back to her regular life

Sumi Akter, a student of class three, was staying with her family at Dorjipara village of Tetulia Sadar Union, Panchagar District.

Because of the closure under directives of the government of Bangladesh due to Pandemic Covid-19, the schools remained closed, when Sumi's parents decided to send her to Dhaka to work as a domestic worker. However, after a few days they found out that she was being brutally tortured by house-owner in Dhaka. Then the house-owner sent back Sumi to her village.

The Human Rights Defenders' Forum (HRDF) Panchagar did a fact finding of this issue. An immediate monetary help was provided to Sumi for her urgent treatment purpose from ASK. HRDF Panchagar and ASK Investigation team also followed up regarding Sumi's health condition in addition to let them know that ASK is concerned about them.

Massive arrest due to lockdown

The government imposed a strict closure called *lockdown* for seven consecutive days in the first phase, i.e., 1 to 7 July 2021 to control new cases of Covid-19 contamination. Law enforcement agencies were deployed and 106 Executive Magistrates immediately were appointed across the country to take action against the violators of this directive. The rule was, no one can go out of the house without proper passes issued by the government. Failure to comply with this resulted in arrest and imprisonment.

On 7 July 2021, the first day of strict lockdown, in spite of the directive, many people came out of the house. Despite of the health restriction, people came out without any proper explanation and many without masks. As a result, Dhaka Metropolitan Police arrested and fined according to its provisions. The amount of fines varied between areas, but mostly taka hundred (100). Many have been sent to jail for failing to pay the fines. Those who could afford it were released on bond after detention; and some were arrested. On 7 July 2021, five hundred and fifty (550) persons were arrested in Dhaka city for not abiding by lockdown and health directives. Later, 391 people were released on bail bond; 212 people were fined in the mobile court. In all, 1,153 people were punished in Dhaka city on the first day of the lockdown, of which 550 were arrested.

Many of those arrested were unable to pay the

fines imposed on them, for whom Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK) extended legal assistance. ASK visited various courts under Dhaka judge court and collected case documents and studied them. Ask found eight people who could not pay the fine and were very poor and helpless. These eight accused were Liton Mia, Ramjan, Sohel, Sabbir Hossein, Shah Alam, Mahbub Alam, Ikbal Rubel and Al Amin. They were arrested under the Dhaka Metropolitan Police Ordinance (1976) by different police stations in Dhaka. The ASK lawyers released these eight accused by paying fines imposed on them.

A Domestic Working Girl seriously injured from physical torture, and killed by housekeeper

Laili Akter (16) (actual name) comes from Laxmipur District. Laili's mother put her at a home in Dhaka to work as a domestic helper eight months ago. Laili's employer, accused of torturing Laili, did not allow her to communicate with her mother and did not give her any day off.

On 10 April 2021 at 9.00 pm Laili's mother got a call from Dhaka New market police station. The police said that on that day Laili died at around 2.30 pm. The police also said that they prepared an inquiry report and sent the body Dhaka Medical College for post mortem. Laili's mother came to Dhaka Medical College Hospital and saw Laili's dead body in the morgue. She saw scars, bruises and signs of torture on her daughter's face, waist, knees and under her feet. From 1 August 2020 to 10 April 2021, Laili's employer, the accused, Farzana Islam Kakoli physically tortured Laili in different ways and killed her. Laili's mother filed a murder case as the plaintiff against the accused with the New Market Thana bearing case no-6(4)2021 under section-302 of the Penal Code -1860.

Knowing the matter through newspaper, ASK Rapid response team contacted the victim's family and inquired about the case. On 12 April 2021, victim's mother communicated over the phone with ASK for legal assistance in handling the case. On 5 April 2021, after the accused being produced, the Court ordered her to be imprisoned. The accused is now in jail and has not yet been granted a bail. The ASK lawyer opposed the accused to get any bail in the

court. On 3 January 2022, the case scheduled a date to submit the investigation report to the Court.

Rozina's Journey in seeking transparency with the Health Ministry

Rozina Islam (42), senior correspondent and journalist at a renowned daily Prothom Alo, is committed to establishing accountability and transparency within the state organs. She had been reporting on various irregularities, corruption and mismanagement in the health sector, especially during the early period of Covid-19 pandemic.

As usual, Rozina went on her duty on 17 May 2021. Her duty on the day was to collect COVID-19 related information and documents from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW), Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. At around 3:00pm, she went to meet the health services division secretary. The police officer on-duty mentions, s/he found her taking photographs of some important official documents inside the office of Md. Shariful Islam, personal secretary to the Secretary of the MOHFW, who then stopped her. The members of the law enforcement agencies detained her, searched her, confiscated her cell phone and informed the concerned authority of the incident. She was detained for five hours. She then fell sick and was subsequently handed over to the Shahbagh Police Station. Sibbir Ahmed Osmani, Deputy Secretary, Health Services Division filed a case against Rozina Islam with the Shahbagh Police Station case No. 16(5) 2021 under Section 3 and Section 5 the Official Secrets Act, 1923 and Section 379 and Section 411 of the Penal Code, 1860 on the grounds of thefts and taking photographs of sensitive state documents from the Secretariat office of MOHFW.

Arresting a journalist for conducting her professional duties sends a wrong message to the public, as it is in contradiction to state's obligation to protect and promote the public's right to information and citizen's freedom of thought and conscience and freedom of press enunciated under Article 39 of the Constitution. In Bangladesh, harassment faced by journalists are multi-dimensional; not only do they face threats from political leaders and influential

persons for doing honest journalism, they also end up being arrested under draconian laws such as the Official Secrets Act 1923, Digital Security Act 2018 or Information and Communication Technology Act 2013. The Official Secrets Act 1923 is a colonial black law which was drafted during the colonial times under the British Period. The Indian subcontinent partitioned into Pakistan and India 1947, and then Bangladesh achieved Independence in 1971. Very seldom this law has been used for its vague provisions and repressive impositions against journalist, primarily investigative journalists. To curb the voice of journalists was unfortunate. From January to May 2021 alone, 111 journalists faced harassment/threat/other violence from law enforcement agencies, political activists (both ruling party and opposition), religious leaders, and others according to news media reports. Amongst them, in 15 different instances, cases were filed against journalists on published news.

ASK expressed its interest to provide legal support in favour of Rozina and ASK's lawyers were present as part in the hearing of the case. On 18 May, in a virtual hearing he had petitioned for her bail, which was turned down. Subsequently, the police had also sought a five-day remand; however, Magistrate of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Dhaka, had turned down the remand prayer. She was then taken to Dhaka Kashimpur Central Jail. On 20 May 2021, a further bail hearing was held in the virtual court where ASK's lawyers moved for bail. On 23 May 2021, the Magistrate granted Rozina with a conditional ad-interim bail on a bond of taka five thousand (5,000), also ordered her to surrender her passport before the court to prevent her from travelling outside Bangladesh. Currently the case is going on and 24 January 2022 is dated for Investigation report.

Struggling story of Sabrina Sultana (Liza)

Sabrina Sultana (Liza), daughter of Kobir Ahmed and Jahanara Begum, lives in the house of Abbas Shikder in Changao, Chattogram. Liza had been given marriage to Md. Omer Faruk, son of late Abdus Salam and late Afzol Bibi living in Badolpur of Kornophuli *thana*, in Chattogram district on 20 May 2011. The dower was taka three hundred thousand,

(300,000). In their family, a son was born, named Mizabol Mahtam. Her husband Omer Faruk did not have any job, since they got married. Her husband often tortured Sabrina without of any reason and claimed dowry. Sabrina kept silent and endured all oppression caused by her husband just for thinking of the future of her child.

However, Sabrina lodged a general diary with Changao police station on 15 September 2015, seeking a solution about her husband's oppression, that was increasing. But she got no good response from the police, and somehow, she came to know about OWDEB legal aid office, a partner organization of ASK. She filed a complaint on 02 March 2020. As a process, OWDEB sent a legal notice to Omer Faruk to resolve the issue through mediation with hearing with both parties. On 20 January 2021, a mediation was held in presence of both parties and their representatives. Their marriage was dissolved with the consent of both parties. Sabrina got Taka three hundred and twenty thousand (320,000) from her husband as her dower and maintenance for herself and her child. She built a 3-storied semi-pucca house, and now she is working in the readymade garments factory, and living happily with her child.

Recovery of 6,50,000/- (Six Lakh fifty Thousand) money in Dower and Maintenance case and disposed the case with full satisfaction by plaintiff

Arifa Akter (21) (actual name), was married to Sohel Mridha. After getting married they were happy only for few months. Sohel and his family members demanded dowry, as Arifa's family did not give any dowry at the time of marriage. Now they torture her physically and mentally.

Meanwhile, Arifa discovered her husband's extra-marital affairs. After all these issues, family quarrel, torture, her husband kicked her out of the house. On 14 October 2017, Arifa made a family complaint to ASK about her past husband's behavior and not paying dower and maintenance for her. ASK tried many times to mediate the matter but Arifa's husband did not cooperate. Arifa decided to bring the matter to law. On 28 June 2018, ASK filed a family suit seeking Arifa's dower and maintenance. The case was conducted in 2nd Additional Assistant

Judge Court & Family Court, Dhaka, bearing case no- 621/2018.

After a long legal battle, the case came to pre-trial stage. At the end of pre-trial stage hearing, the defendant paid plaintiff's dower and maintenance of taka six hundred fifty thousand (650,000) in the Court. On 03 March 2021, the plaintiff Arifa came to court to take money. ASK disposed of the case to the full satisfaction of the plaintiff after being paid of all her dower and maintenance. The plaintiff deposited her money in the bank. The plaintiff is currently studying honors fourth year in political Science at Bangla College, Mirpur, Dhaka and is doing well.

This was so after her father passed away leaving her six sisters and three brothers in family. She suffered all these silently, lest she had to come back to her mother's family.

Asma's story of surviving with dignity!

Asma Khatun got married on 24 April 2016 with Sheikh Monirul Islam, only son of Sirajul Islam of Kaligonj Police Station of Sathkhira. The amount of dower fixed for this marriage was taka eighty thousand (80,000) according to under Islamic Shariah law. Their marriage was going well for two years, after the birth of their first child her husband claimed Asma 60 thousand taka as dowry. Asma was tortured and oppressed physically and mentally as she failed to fulfil her husband's claim.

After that, her husband decided not to continue with this family and thus, he misbehaved with her more than before, and did not bear any of her expenses. Being helpless, Asma came back to her father's home. Then Asma filed a complaint with ASK partner organization Sodesh Legal Aid Clinic, bearing complaint number 22/2019, on 29 April 2019 seeking assistance in resolving the family dispute so that she could continue her family life with her husband. Sodesh sent a legal notice based on the complaint towards Asma's husband. But her husband did not come to office despite being obliged to appear on a specified date. Then a family case, bearing no.75/2019, on 16 July 2019 was filed with Sathkhira Family Court, claiming dower and maintenance.

On 19 January 2021, Asma got her dower of 80

thousand through court from her husband. Asma has bought a cow, some ducks, and hens with the realization money of the court. Now Asma is happy and solvent with her child. She earns from her homebased income from eggs and hens. She does not need any money from anyone. Asma's dream now is to establish herself and her child and live with dignity.

Life story of Suraiya Khatun

Suraiya's father Abdus Salam gave her husband Taka 50,000/- and gold ornaments, and home furniture worth more than the amount. However, her husband including her mother-in-law started torturing and mistreating Suraiya physically and mentally for more money. Her husband was making excuses to mistreat her so that she abandons him.

On 10 August 2019, Suraiya protested her husband's mistreatment, when her husband started physical torture and beating; and he kicked her out from home. Helplessness Suraiya returned to her father's home and lived there. Her husband neither contacted with her nor provided any maintenance. In spite of efforts from Suraiya's family, no progress was seen in resolving the issue. Suraiya filed a family lawsuit with Satkhira Assistant Judge Court claiming her dower and maintenance with no result.

At last, she came to Sodesh Legal Aid Clinic, partner organization of ASK and filed a complaint on 07 March 2021 bearing complaint no. 09/21. The complaint was for assistance in recovering her dower and maintenance. Sodesh sent a legal notice on 07 March 2021 to her husband to participate in mediation. Through mediation on 16 March 2021, Suraiya got taka hundred seventy-five thousand (175,000) as for her dower, maintenance and furniture. With the money, she bought a cow, several ducks and hens, and the rest of money she had deposited as savings in a bank. Suraiya is now happy and solvent. She can meet the necessities of her family.

Kehyang girl raped in Banderban

On 1 March 2021, a minor Kehyang girl was

allegedly raped by her neighbor, who was a Karbary (community leader). The victim was handicapped, and her family was very poor. They lived in a very remote village of Rowangchari, Banderban. It was very difficult for them to get any support.

ASK carried out a thorough fact finding. Belonging to the indigenous community, being financially down and underprivileged, they were facing difficulties to get proper medical treatment. ASK and HRDF Bandarban intervened in this issue and helped the victim family to file a case with Bandarban Police Station. ASK also provided immediate monetary support to the victim family for her proper treatment.

Fire in Rupganj

A massive fire incident took place on 8 July 2021 at Hashem Foods Limited of Sajib Group at Karngope of Rupganj, Narayanganj District. It took the fire fighters around 20 hours to control the fire. Forty-eight dead bodies were recovered by the fire service. Three workers jumped off the buildings to escape fire, they were severely injured, and died after been brought to the hospital. Around 32 workers were severely injured.

A thorough fact finding by ASK found that the Building Code was not properly followed and there was lacking in availability of safety equipment. Some examples are, fire exists were inadequate; front gate of sixth floor was locked, causing increased numbers of death. The bodies damaged beyond identification, only DNA tests could determine the family. Children also worked in the factory.

A writ petition was filed regarding this issue on behalf of ASK for proper investigation and adequate compensation to the victim families, Writ Petition No: 9682/2021. The High Court Division in its discretion issued orders on 7th December 2021, for providing investigation report within 30 days to the authorities. The Court also issued rule as to why the defendants are not asked yet to provide adequate compensation to the victim families.

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Jharna Akter returns safely from Saudia Arabia

An application was received from Jharna Akter during mid-November 2021 to rescue her mother, Monihar (36) from Saudia Arabia. As per the application, Monihar was sent to Saudi Arabia on 27 September 2021. Shahnaz of Al

Abbas Recruiting Agency, an accused promised Monihar of a good house to work in. However, Monihar was sent to three different houses as a domestic worker. There Monihar had been brutally abused both physically and mentally. Jharna informed, her mother told her that she is being captivated at an office in Saudia Arabia. However, they don't know where she is being captivated as they could not reach her mother through phone call.

ASK sent an urgent appeal to the Director General (consular) from Ministry of Foreign Affairs of People's Republic of Bangladesh in order to take immediate action to rescue Monihar. Later, Monihar's daughter Jharna informed ASK's investigation team that her mother has returned.

ASK PROJECTS

Apart from regular programs, ASK also implements several projects on gender-based violence and the safety and protection of children in online and digital spaces, namely Strengthening Access to Multi-Sectoral Public Services for GBV Survivors in Bangladesh (ASTHA Project); Promoting Women's Participation in Peace Building and Social Cohesion (MAITREE Project); South Asia Young Women's Leadership and Mentoring Initiative Project.

ASTHA project directly addresses GBV, and the MAITREE project focuses on women's participation in peace building and social cohesion. And, the South Asia Young Women's Leadership Project focuses on developing the leadership capacities of young women.

ASK also implements several other projects on the rights of children and youth empowerment, and on monitoring the Child Rights Situation in Bangladesh.

ASTHA: STRENGTHENING ACCESS TO MULTI-SECTORAL PUBLIC SERVICES FOR GBV SURVIVORS IN BANGLADESH

ASK has been implementing the ASTHA project since 2018. The project aims to facilitate behavioural and attitudinal changes at all levels of the community in order to promote zero tolerance for GBV. The project addresses the issues of institutional and individual capacities, coordination among stakeholders and enhancing knowledge and awareness about GBV as the key concerns to ensure long term solution for addressing GBV in Bangladesh.

Project Areas: Jamalpur, Patuakhali, Bogura and Cox's Bazar covering 12 Upazilas (three under each district) with a current population of 3.5 million and 102 Unions.

Implementation Partners: Gana Unnayan Kendra (GUK), Shushilan, YPSA and Sabalamby Unnayan Samity (SUS).

Project achievements at a glance

- 4 Court Help Desks (CHD) established
- 12 Women Help Desk (WHD) established in 12 police stations
- 892 survivors referred to multi-sectoral departments from CHDs
- 2791 women & girls able to receive services from WHDs

Project Achievements in 2021

Operationalized referral mechanisms for GBV survivors

Considering the absence of any comprehensive national guideline, the project has successfully established and operationalized referral mechanisms for GBV survivors in its working areas, enabling Caseworkers, Case Managers and Legal Support Officers to effectively execute case management, multi-sectoral service referral and psychological support services with respect to GBV cases.

This referral system has been operationalized and strengthened by interagency coordination. The Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA) is taking the lead in guiding and overseeing the coordination mechanism both at the district and upazila level where the Department of Women Affairs (DWA) is playing the role of focal person. In the midst of COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, the ASTHA project continued to support the functions of all Nari Nirjaton Protirodh Committees (NNPCs) at all the locations.

Initiated district level GBV cluster mechanism

This mechanism aimed to engage service providers, respond to GBV cases in emergencies and facilitate regular meetings. Four GBV sub-clusters have now been formed, of which two have been set up in the current year. Through the cluster mechanism, 71 representatives from partner CSOs organized four human chains and distributed awareness materials and leaflets, which contributed to raising greater awareness around GBV related issues during the pandemic.



Project sharing meeting with stakeholders

A referral pathway was developed by the ASTHA project after contextualizing the global referral mechanism as per the country context. The referral pathway was shared with the frontline staff and service providers to ensure better referral services during the lockdown imposed to control contamination of Covid-19. It helped develop the capacity of the project staff to provide quality services remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic and manage GBV cases efficiently.

Awareness raising at the community

- Caseworkers locally known as 'ASTHA Apa', and Social Mobilizer Officer (SMO) have played instrumental roles to communicate with communities through a number of tools such as *Courtyard Session*, *Family Based Tele Session*, *Community Based Action Discussion* and others;
- Men and Boys Engagement' strategy was implemented for equipping the local youth groups, mostly youth volunteers of Kishor-Kishori club of the Department of Women Affairs (DWA) and the youth forum of the Department of Youth Development (DYD) in order to raise awareness on the importance of speaking out and initiating community action in preventing GBV, promoting access to multi- sectoral services, effective use of national helpline numbers in responding to GBV, and also mapping GBVs in their community.
- Developed and broadcasted an infotainment animation through local cable channels to reach a significant number of people who were staying at home during the lockdown period.
- Carried out miking activities in 102 union districts through collaboration with the NNPC and village police.



Awareness Rising Program

MAITREE: PROMOTING WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN PEACE BUILDING AND SOCIAL COHESION

OBJECTIVE

To address social cohesion, maintain peace, strengthen knowledge and empower women leaders to prevent gender-based violence, and harmful practices such as, forced marriage, polygamy, sexual exploitation and trafficking.

Project working areas:

Women and girls in the host and Rohingya communities are facing barriers due to already scarce and overstretched social services, disrupted social relations and gendered norms. The Maitree project aims to contribute to promoting social cohesion by empowering women from the Rohingya refugee community located in Camp three and those living in the Raja Palong Union in the Upazila of Ukhiya as peace builders and active participants in decision making.

The key strategy of this project is to promote greater understanding and knowledge concerning the drivers of conflict between the refugee and the host communities; partnership building; formation of groups and networks; capacity building for advancing peaceful alternatives through strengthening skills and abilities of women leaders in both communities.

To this end, the project has established Joint Women Peace Networks and is currently working on strengthening Rohingya refugee and host community women peace builders and groups' capacities; and specifically equipping local women rights organizations to promote social cohesion and addressing GBV.



Inception meeting

Project achievements at a glance

6 Women Groups formed with **20** women leaders in each group

4 Orientation program of women's group

1 Paralegal training with **24** participants from **6** women's groups

1 Module on peace-building and social Cohesion developed



Training on Peace building & Social Cohesion

SOUTH ASIA YOUNG WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND MENTORING INITIATIVE PROJECT

OBJECTIVE

The South Asia Women's Leadership and Mentoring project is an initiative aimed at developing the leadership capacities of young women in Bangladesh, India and Nepal by working with individual Young Women Leaders in NGOs in these three countries. In 2020, there were 40 young women leaders working actively at the community level as part of the interventions of this project.

Activities	No of participants		District
	Female	Male	
Three days residential training program on Advanced Leadership and Management /Gender and Human Rights/prevention of Gender based Violence	20	-	Jhenaidah-10 Kushtia-10
Two days non-residential training led by locally based community young Women Leaders	20	-	Jhenaidah-20
	20	-	Kushtia-20
International women's Day Celebration	100	15	
Workshops between School Management Committee and Young Women Leaders	68	60	Jhenaidah & Kushtia
Tri monthly meeting with community Young Women Leaders	67	-	Jhenaidah & Kushtia

Project Achievements

The young women leaders experienced a significant boost to their own confidence as a result of participating in this project. They learned how to help other young women at the community level to develop leadership skills by passing on what they had learned. The three mentors provided the necessary support to develop their skills, as a result they were able to mentor young women at the community level so that they could do the same for themselves.

24 community based young women leaders are now capable to claim their rights to protect themselves as well as other young women in their communities in Jhenaidah & Kushtia district in Bangladesh. They are also well-equipped to organize workshops with SMC, Significant Day observation, Human chain, rally etc.

The CYWLs are equipped to claim their rights and to protest in the community against any HR violations. They are more aware of women's rights and human rights & ready to protest any kind of VAWS related to their daily lives.

MONITORING CHILD RIGHTS SITUATION IN BANGLADESH

Objective:

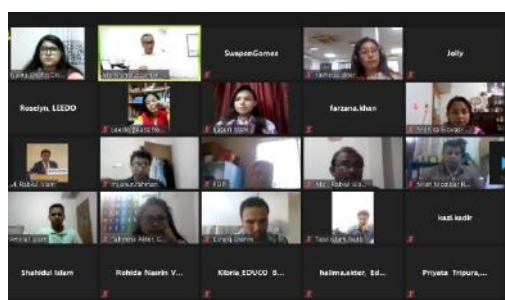
To ensure implementation of the national and international recommendations made to the government for ensuring the rights of children, this project carries out evidence-based advocacy with the government, relevant stakeholders, media, children and CSOs.

Project achievements at a glance

- 10 Online coalition meetings conducted
- 2 Virtual workshops for members and CSOs on UPR and UNCRC, data collection, reporting mechanism, etc.
- 2 Joint meetings on the impact of children
- 1 Annual Report on the State of Children 2020
- 2 Advocacy Initiatives with State Institutions and Government Authorities
- 1 Assessment publication on the implementation of the UPR recommendations



Coalition Meeting



Sharing Meeting of AMR2020 Findings with MoWCA



Workshop on UPR & UNCRC Concluding Observations for CRACB and CSOs

Annexes

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Sl. No.	Name	Designation
Administration		
1	Golam Monowar Kamal	Executive Director
2	Maniruzzaman	Director, Finance and Admin
3	Mahmuda Sultana	Senior Admin Manager-HR
4	Md. Haydar Ali	Technical Assistant, Admin
5	Md. Mohsin Ali	Computer Operator, Admin
6	Md. Rakibul Hasan	Sr. Admin Assistant
7	Anil Chandra Mandal	IT Assistant
8	Mst. Parul Aktar	Sr. Admin Assistant
9	Mintu Barua	Receptionist
10	Md. Abu Musa	Unit Assistant
11	Md. Nur-e-Alam	Storekeeper
12	Md. Shamim Hossain	Unit Assistant
13	Laila Begum	Unit Assistant
14	Kazi Mizanur Rahman	Driver
15	Md. Monir Hossain	Driver
16	Morium Begum	Unit Assistant
17	Anjali Baroy	Cleaner
18	Laily Begum	Office Assistant
FINANCE & ACCOUNTS		
19	Istiaq Ahamed	Manager-Finance & Accounts
20	Tamanna Nasrin	Assistant Finance Manager
MKL		
21	Patricia Trishna Gomes	Manager, MKL
22	Joshua Tushar Haque	Sr. M&E Organizer, MKL
Internal Audit		
23	Prosen Kumar Saha	Manager- Internal Audit
24	Md. Mahfuzur Rahman	Internal Auditor
Training, Gender & Social Justice and HRA (Outcome-1)		
25	Md. Rokonuzzaman	Coordinator
26	Shilpi Sharma	Sr. Theater Activist
27	Md. Moyenuddin	Theater Activist
28	Fahmida Ahmed	Sr. Trainer
29	MuhtahimMueez Rahman	Program Organizer
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30	Nina Goswami	Director, Program
31	Dilip Paul	Senior Coordinator
32	Salma Ikram	Psycho Social Counselor
33	Shirina Akhter	Staff Lawyer
34	Shithi Das	Paralegal MIS
35	Selina Akhter	Sr. Staff Lawyer
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37	Shilpi Saha	Senior Staff Lawyer
38	Farzana Alim	Staff Lawyer
39	Abdur Rashid	Senior Staff Lawyer
40	Md. Mizanur Rahman	Senior Staff Lawyer

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42	Tapan Sarkar	Court Clerk
43	Anamul Haque	Staff Lawyer
44	Arif Hossain	Staff Lawyer
45	Morzina Akter Beauty	Superintendent
46	Maleka Begum	Aya
47	Rokeya Begum	Cook
48	Nasrin Akter	Client Support Assistant
49	Mahmuda Khatun Maya	Field Worker
50	Shamsunnahar	Field Worker
Child Rights Unit (Outcome-3)		
51	Ambica Roy	Program Coordinator
52	Md. Asadujjaman	Advocacy Officer
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54	Nuara Shafiq Disha	Coordinator
55	Pyamelia Saha	Finance Officer
56	Md. Mahbub Alam	Project Coordinator, UNDP
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83	Raihanul Islam	Finance & Admin Officer, MAITREE

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87	Afrin Jahan	Teacher
88	Rita Parven	Sr. Program Organizer

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Opinion

We have audited the **Consolidated financial statements** of **Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK)**, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at December 31, 2021 and its Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Receipts & Payments and Consolidated Notes to the Financial Statements including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying **Consolidated financial statements** of **Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK)**, for the period ended December 31, 2021 are present fairly in all material respects in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), comply with the requirements of the Foreign Donations (Voluntary Activities) Regulations Act, 2016 and other applicable laws & regulations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the organization in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in International Standards on Auditing (ISA), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with IFRSs and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statement, management is responsible for assessing the organization's ability to continue as going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the organization or to cease operation, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Organization's financial reporting process.

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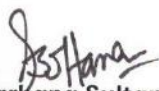
Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

The objectives of our audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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**Farhana Sultana FCA**

Partner

Enrolment No: 1619

DVC No. 2209181619AS677584

Dated: 18 SEP 2022

Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK)
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 December 2021

Particulars	Notes	Strengthening Democracy by Promoting Human Rights Culture in Bangladesh	Providing Assistance to Victims of Torture and Their Families	Monitoring Child Rights Situation in Bangladesh	Y - Moves	ASTHA	Promoting and Protection the rights of working children Trough Providing Education, Health, Skill, Legal and Social Protection Action	MAITREE: Promoting participation women's in peace building and social	PPOOSE	Building Back Better in times of Covid 19 fighting sexual exploitation of children on the rise	General Fund	Year 2021	Year 2020
Assets													
Non-current Assets		1,894,388	-	-	518,985	317,461	147,023	1,135,893	34,610	-	77,902,937	81,951,298	80,438,117
Property Plant & Equipment	3	1,894,388	-	-	518,985	317,461	147,023	1,135,893	34,610	-	34,563,047	38,211,408	39,619,066
FDR Investment	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,339,890	-	40,819,051
Current Assets		23,558,545	1,850,902	421,805	5,000	-	-	11,342,598	868	1,142,169	4,531,949	42,853,837	11,498,296
Advance & Security Deposit	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	738,477	-	-	583,323	1,321,800	1,443,149
Fund Receivable from Donor	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	485	-	-	485	460,015
Loan/Advance/AR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	284,020	20,180	306,200	-
Cash & Cash Equivalents	6	23,558,545	1,850,902	421,805	5,000	-	-	10,604,121	-	856,149	3,928,445	41,225,352	9,595,131
Total Assets		25,452,934	1,850,902	421,805	523,985	317,461	147,023	12,478,491	35,479	1,142,169	82,434,886	124,805,135	91,936,413
Equity & Liabilities													
Capital Fund		25,279,622	1,837,789	307,032	518,985	317,461	147,023	12,478,328	34,610	1,125,945	82,193,774	124,240,568	89,439,034
Due to donor	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	82,193,774	-	87,519,734
Fixed asset fund	21	23,386,234	1,837,789	307,032	-	-	-	11,342,435	-	1,125,945	-	-	-
		1,894,388	-	-	518,985	317,461	147,023	1,135,893	34,610	-	-	4,048,360	1,919,300
Current Liabilities		173,312	13,113	114,773	5,000	-	-	163	869	16,224	241,113	564,567	2,497,379
Provision/Vat & Tax payable	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91,188	353,487	2,163,866
Loan	-	173,312	-	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Security Money (RBM Software Develop)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,925	299,850
Interest fund account	22	-	13,113	41,773	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Fund & Liabilities		25,452,934	1,850,902	421,805	523,985	317,461	147,023	12,478,491	35,479	1,142,169	82,434,886	124,805,135	91,936,413

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Dated: **18 SEP 2022**

Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK)
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the year ended 31 December 2021

Particulars	Notes	Strengthening Democracy by Promoting Human Rights Culture in Bangladesh	Providing Assistance to Victims of Torture and Their Families	Monitoring Child Rights Situation in Bangladesh	Y - Moves	ASTHA	Promoting and Protection the rights of working children Trough Providing Education, Health, Skill, Legal and Social Protection Action	MAITREE: Promoting women's participation in peace building and social cohesion	POCSE	Building Back Better in times of Covid 19 fighting sexual exploitation of children on the rise	General Fund	2021	2020
Income													
Foreign Grants	9	60,919,284	1,100,461	2,060,884	14,470,990	140,643,499	2,066,823	13,143,324	658,654	2,034,448	595,677	132,098,567	135,777,068
Grants Income	21.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	164,810
Donations	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,359
Training Fees	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Consultancy received		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Membership Subscription		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FDR Interest	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,900
Bank Interest	13	-	13,113	8,109	52,384	-	2,300	-	869	400	2,837,600	2,837,600	3,632,911
Other Income	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,648	91,793	60,666
Sole of Fixed Assets		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79,734	79,734	71,698
Receipt admin cost from projects		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,960	17,960	-
Total Income		60,919,284	1,113,574	2,068,993	14,523,374	140,643,499	2,069,123	13,143,324	659,523	2,035,048	5,560,191	142,735,932	141,868,498
Expenditure													
Salaries & Allowances	15	29,584,254	315,406	752,092	1,650,066	7,270,260	1,156,123	4,357,818	80,000	1,211,795	687,172	47,064,986	72,863,340
Seminars/Workshops/Meetings		5,763,255	-	152,460	-	1,003,848	-	334,116	-	-	-	5,763,255	5,494,456
Office Rent	16	4,326,672	123,000	7,200	50,263	59,799	8,705	515,583	1,010	101,640	1,728,736	7,770,472	7,394,973
Trouelling & Transportation		1,612,279	-	12,488	21,256	132,731	3,900	20,268	-	124,985	22,871	2,350,756	3,690,481
Utilities	17	-	-	69,000	-	-	-	69,860	600	-	-	91,167	167,637
Communication		-	-	60,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	236,935	667,840
Audit Fees	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	144,238	213,238	110,000
Publication Cost		2,444,070	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	184,420	2,658,490	3,060,304
Medical Support for Staff/Medical Expenses		494,504	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	494,504	495,431
Education Support for Working Children		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax Payment		-	1,311	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51,275	51,275	94,713
Training Expenses/Staff Training & Development		170,609	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	258,197	259,508	1,009,677
Bank Charges		-	4,440	4,040	9,327	34,931	3,125	-	485	-	89,018	145,366	124,188
Legal Aid/Legal Expenses		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,140,877	9,309,250
Printing & Stationeries	19	10,140,877	-	7,193	22,964	135,327	1,270	137,440	1,924	-	-	304,194	434,899
Entertainment/Refreshment		-	-	1,889	-	43,663	-	-	-	-	2,845	50,321	80,218
Repairs & Maintenance		-	-	20,400	-	97,622	-	98,955	2,097	75,242	423,078	717,394	348,602
Hire of security services		758,993	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	758,993	982,368



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Advertisement/Advertising and Publicity		103,666	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	103,666	45,623
Awareness/Motivational/Sensitization		622,122	-	959,062	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,581,184	3,654,664
Postage/Courier/Parcel		433,530	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	433,530	407,005
Est. & Operation of WHD/WFS		-	-	-	-	1,931,077	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,310,133
Support Cost of IP/LP		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,931,077	3,421,422
Research/Survey Expenses		691,890	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	691,890	796,767
Fund transfer to Project Account		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	204,868	204,868	560,819
Tax deducted at source		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	284,387	284,387	-
Membership Subscription Payments		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Books and Periodicals		314,695	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	314,695	268,036
Consultancy Payment		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52,451	52,451	23,100
Staff Health Insurance Coverage		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Payments		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office Security payment		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on sale of assets		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation		492,295	-	-	164,093	102,064	40,567	422,187	11,199	-	531,305	1,763,710	1,319,087
Program Cost		-	656,304	-	12,016,500	29,348,638	851,283	6,767,082	560,878	520,986	379,129	51,099,800	15,870,684
Programme Support Cost		-	-	-	537,522	483,539	-	420,015	-	-	-	1,441,076	511,806
Others Payments/ Expenses		-	-	-	-	-	1,850	-	460	-	3,818	3,001,731	2,406,590
Office General Expenses/ Asset Insurance Coverage		2,995,603	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	597,643
Total Expenditure		60,919,284	1,100,461	2,060,884	14,470,990	40,643,499	2,066,823	13,143,324	658,654	2,034,648	5,047,810	142,146,377	144,529,051
Net Surplus/Deficit Transferred to Capital Fund/ Interest fund		-	13,113	8,109	52,384	-	2,300	-	869	400	512,381	589,556	[2,660,563]
Total		60,919,284	1,113,574	2,068,993	14,523,374	40,643,499	2,069,123	13,143,324	659,523	2,035,048	5,560,191	142,735,932	141,868,498

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Particulars	Strengthening Democracy by Promoting Human Rights Culture in Bangladesh	Providing Assistance to Victims of Torture and Their Families	Monitoring Child Rights Situation in Bangladesh	Y - Moves	ASTHA	Promoting and Protection the rights of working children	MAITREE: Promoting women's participation in peace building and social cohesion	PPOOSE	Building Back Better in times of Covid 19 fighting sexual exploitation of children on the rise	General Fund	2021	2020
Opening Balance	1,107,119	-	7,828	357,671	668,288	546,855	1,082,446	303,295	132,593	5,389,035	9,595,130	18,457,518
Cash in Hand	26,609	-	-	1,580	-	-	-	-	-	4,594	33,083	23,659
Cash at Bank	1,080,510	-	7,828	356,091	668,288	546,855	1,082,446	303,295	132,593	5,389,141	9,562,047	18,433,859
FDR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program advance (Opening)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	569,683
A/C Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	517,183
Receipts	85,986,329	2,951,363	2,637,145	15,262,822	40,322,874	1,583,646	23,173,748	344,542	3,028,400	5,560,191	180,843,231	177,709,438
Foreign Grants	84,486,329	2,938,250	2,621,208	15,205,438	40,322,874	1,581,346	23,173,748	343,673	3,028,000	595,077	174,296,543	135,448,840
ASK Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	104,810
Training Fees/Training Venue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,359
Membership Subscription	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100.0	1,100	4,900
Encashment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,169,368
FDR interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,652,911
Bank Interest	-	13,113.4	8,109	52,384	-	2,300	-	869	400	2,837,600	91,793	60,666
Registration Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,618	1,790	1,835
Sale of Publication	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,790.0	1,790	50,651
Loan from ASK	1,500,000	-	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,651.0	1,505,000	66,641
Consultancy received	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	198,317	198,317	-
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,960	17,960	-
Reimbursement/ Expenses Refunded / Received from Project Unspent Amount	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advance/ Office Rent & Security Adjusted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security Money (RBM Software Develop)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Realised from ASK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,293	27,293	3,422
Receipt admin cost from projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,815,185	1,815,185	2,118,886
Total Fund Available	87,093,447	2,951,363	2,637,145	15,620,493	40,991,162	2,130,501	24,256,194	647,837	3,160,993	10,949,226	190,438,361	196,756,839
Payments	467,383	-	-	42,777	-	-	246,200	-	-	-	756,340	2,958,176
Purchase of Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Camera and Accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture & Fixture	-	-	-	42,777	-	-	246,200	-	-	-	288,977	736,131
Equipments	467,383	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	467,383	2,222,045



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Receipts & Payments Statement
For the year ended 31 December 2021

Particulars	Strengthening Democracy by Promoting Human Rights Culture in Bangladesh	Providing Assistance to Victims of Torture and Their Families	Monitoring Child Rights Situation in Bangladesh	Y - Moves	ASTHA	Promoting and Protection the rights of working children Trough Providing Education, Health, Skill, Legal and Social Protection Action	MAITREE: Promoting women's participation in peace building and social cohesion	PPOCSE	Building Back Better in times of Covid 19 fighting sexual exploitation of children on the rise	General Fund	2021	2020
Opening Balance	1,107,119	-	7,828	357,671	668,288	546,855	1,082,446	303,295	132,593	5,389,035	9,595,130	18,457,518
Cash in Hand	26,609	-	-	1,580	-	-	-	-	-	4,894	33,083	23,659
Cash at Bank	1,080,510	-	7,828	356,091	668,288	546,855	1,082,446	303,295	132,593	5,384,141	9,562,047	18,433,859
FDR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program advance (Opening)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	569,683
A/C Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	517,183
Receipts	85,986,329	2,951,363	2,659,317	15,262,822	40,322,874	1,583,646	23,173,748	344,542	3,028,400	5,560,191	180,843,231	177,709,638
Foreign Grants	84,486,329	2,938,250	2,621,208	15,205,438	40,322,874.0	1,581,346	23,173,748	343,673	3,028,000	5,556,677	174,296,543	135,448,840
ASK Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	164,810
Training Fees/Training Venue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37,359
Membership Subscription	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100.0	1,100	4,900
Encashment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,169,368
FDR interest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,632,911
Bank interest	-	13,113.4	8,109	52,384	-	2,300	-	869	-	2,837,600	2,837,600	60,666
Registration Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	14,618	91,793	1,835
Sale of Publication	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,790.0	1,790	50,651
Loan from ASK	1,500,000	-	-	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,651.0	50,651	66,641
Consultancy received	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,505,000	1,505,000	-
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	198,317	198,317	-
Reimbursement/ Expenses Refunded /	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,960	17,960	-
Received from Project Unspent Amount	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Advance/ Office Rent & Security Adjusted	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Security Money (RBM Software Develop)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Realised from ASK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27,293	27,293	3,422
Receipt admin cost from projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,815,185	1,815,185	2,118,386
Total Fund Available	87,093,447	2,951,363	2,637,145	15,620,493	40,991,162	2,130,501	24,256,194	647,837	3,160,993	10,949,226	190,438,361	196,736,839
Payments	467,383	-	-	42,777	-	-	246,200	-	-	-	756,360	2,958,176
Purchase of Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Camera and Accessories	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	736,131
Furniture & Fixture	-	-	-	42,777	-	-	246,200	-	-	-	288,977	467,383
Equipments	467,383	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,222,045



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Investment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,520,839	2,520,839	38,819,051
Others Payments/ Expenses	622,122	-	955,062	-	-	1,850	-	1460	-	3,818	6,128	2,419,066
Awareness/Motivational/Sensitization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,577,184	3,148,010
Est. & Operation of WHD/WFS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,310,333
Support Cost of IP/LP	-	-	-	-	1,931,077	-	-	-	-	-	1,931,077	3,421,422
Research/Survey Expenses	518,578	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	518,578	568,317
Refund to donor	-	-	-	1,354,019	449,727	104,245	-	-	-	-	1,907,991	855,292
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other expenses/Program cost	2,477,560	656,304	-	11,942,300	29,348,638	881,283	7,406,818	560,878	807,006	394,310	54,445,095	15,812,958
Programme Support cost	-	-	-	522,522	483,539	-	420,015	-	-	-	1,426,076	511,806
Withholding Vat & Tax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,925	149,925	809,747
Advance, Deposits & Prepayments adjustment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	104,524	2,163,866	1,940,248
Provision Paid/Adjustment	1,631,886	-	227,456	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	63,534,903	1,100,461	2,215,340	15,615,493	40,991,162	2,130,501	13,652,073	647,454	2,304,844	7,020,779	149,213,009	187,141,709
Closing Balance	23,558,545	1,850,902	421,805	5,000	-	-	10,604,121	383	856,149	3,928,446	41,225,352	9,595,130
Cash in Hand	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,173	-	-	24,970	27,143	33,083
Cash at Bank	23,558,545	1,850,902	421,805	5,000	-	-	10,601,948	383	856,149	3,903,475	41,198,209	9,562,048
FDR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
87,093,448	2,951,363	2,637,145	2,637,145	15,620,493	40,991,162	2,130,501	24,256,194	647,837	3,160,993	10,949,226	190,438,361	196,736,839

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