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INTRODUCTION

IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh (IFB) started its journey in 1993 with the inspiration and support from Late Sir John Wilson, CBE, DCL, the architect of the Global IMPACT Movement, an international initiative against avoidable disablement. IMPACT brings together activities which already exist at international, national and community levels, strengthening and extending them.

IFB is registered as a Charitable Trust with registration number 45, dated 25th July 1993, and also as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) with the NGO Affairs Bureau, Government of Bangladesh, bearing registration number 775, dated 20th November 1993. It is an independent national Foundation and also a member of International Federation of IMPACT Organizations (IFIO), a global initiative against avoidable disablement. IFB is governed by a 7-member Board of Trustees. The Foundation's programs are implemented and managed on a day to day basis by a team of 225 staffs and many volunteers, headed by the Director.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates, approximately 15% of the total population have a disability of one kind or another in Bangladesh. Disability on this scale represents not only a major health problem but also a prime cause of poverty and underdevelopment.

IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh envisions a Bangladeshi society free from disability and poverty where people are able to fully realize the potentials of their lives. IFB has been implementing different projects in the south-west region and riverine rural areas through IMPACT Jibon Tari Floating Hospital, IMPACT Masudul Haque Memorial Community Health Centre (IMCHC), IMPACT Jibon Mela Health Center and Sir Jon Wilson Assistive Device Centre. In 2013, IFB established IMPACT Nursing Institute and introduced 3-years Diploma in Nursing and Midwifery Certification course for the girl study from poor financial background. Through the health facilities, IFB offers a wide range of healthcare, educational and training services aimed at prevention and cure of disability. These services include, but not limited to primary health care through out-patients clinics and satellite clinics, surgery (primarily eye, clubfoot, ENT, cleft lip/palate) for cure of disability, supply of assistive devices to restore mobility, immunization for women and children, awareness raising on health nutrition and sanitation, antenatal and postnatal check-up, training for Traditional Birth Attendants(TBA), training on early detection of disability for the school teachers, home gardens development at household level for nutrition supplementation and income generation, and safe drinking water and arsenic mitigation programs.

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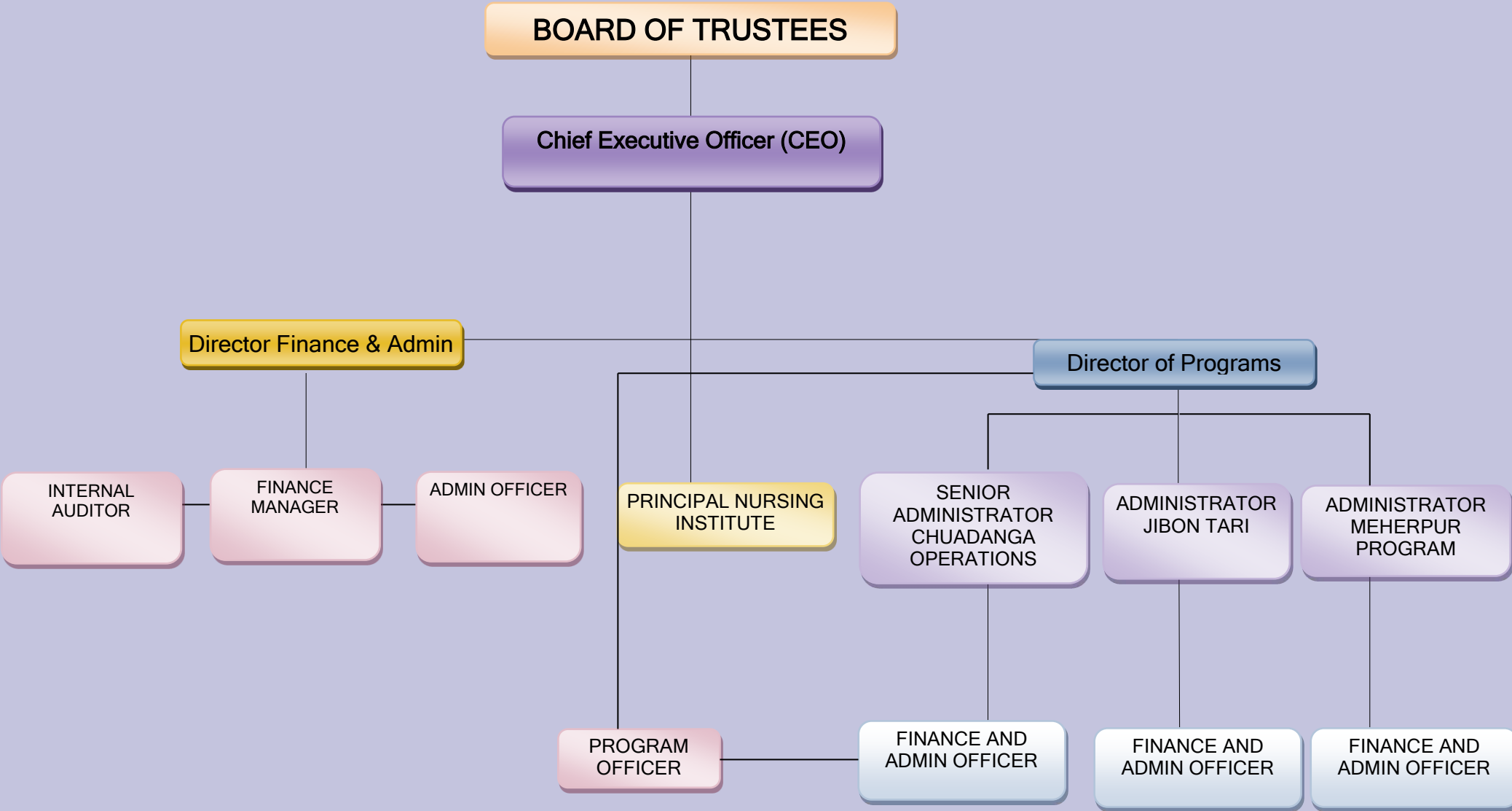


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PROJECTS OF IMPACT FOUNDATION BANGLADESH

IMPACT Masudul Haque Memorial Community Health Centre, Chuadanga - Since April, 2002

IFB has been providing extensive support to the disadvantaged vulnerable groups through a Comprehensive Primary Health Care Project in Chuadanga district, poverty stricken southern region of Bangladesh since 1995. To further strengthen this project and to ensure services to a greater number of underprivileged people- especially women and children those are mostly affected by poverty, at a low cost through increased community participation and social mobilization, IFB launched the IMPACT Masudul Haque Memorial Community Health Centre at Chuadanga on 26 April, 2002.



Sir John Wilson Assistive Device and physiotherapy Centre, Chuadanga - Since April, 2004



Another important project of IMPACT Foundation in Chuadanga is the assistive device center that provides comprehensive services to meet the needs of people with orthopedic ailment to enhance their mobility by providing assistive devices and physiotherapy, thus improving the quality of their lives. The centre comprises of two sections - a workshop that manufactures assistive devices and a facility to provide physiotherapy treatment.

IMPACT 'JIBON TARI' FLOATING HOSPITAL - Since April 1999

An initiative to eradicate preventable disability from rural Bangladesh through specialized health care services, a sophisticated, unique floating boat hospital-IMPACT 'Jibon Tari', the first of its kind, was launched on 10 April, 1999 that moors up at different locations and provides medical assistance for the destitute and poor in the remote riverine areas of Bangladesh. The prime objective of this



floating hospital is to address the problem of disability in the remote riverine areas of the country for the benefit of the poor.

IMPACT 'Jibon Mela' Health Centre, Meherpur- Since October 2007

IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh extended its' services to provide preventive and curative care among the poorest people in Meherpur district in October 2004. The project. IMPACT 'Jibon Mela' Health Centre, a full-fledged and well-equipped hospital with women focused community based health care activities was inaugurated on 24 October, 2007.



IMPACT Nursing Institute, Meherpur- Since March 2014



IMPACT Nursing Institute was established in March 2014 with a view to create opportunity for rural girls to obtain 3 years Diploma in Nursing and Midwifery. IMPACT Nursing Institute is authorized to enroll 30 female students every year for a 3-year diploma course. The Nursing Institute is accredited by The Bangladesh Nursing and Midwifery Council (BNMC) and follows the national curriculum approved by the BNMC and World Health Organization (WHO).

IMPACT 'Jibon Jatra' Medical Van-Since February 2016



A moving, air-conditioned medical hospital, equipped with eye, gynae and orthopedic units provides services to the distant rural areas of Chuadanga, Meherpur and other surrounding districts for screening and treating patients. The eye unit includes auto-refractometer, vision chart, trial lens set, torch, etc. The gynae unit offers ante-natal and post-natal care and orthopedic unit includes portable physiotherapy machines and a range of assistive devices.

New Initiatives of IFB



100-Bed Hospital in Chuadanga:

This will be an 11-storied hospital in Chuadanga with 100 beds capacity. The service facilities will include OPD, Emergency, Medicine, General Surgery/Plastic Surgery/ ENT, Gynae/Obs, Eye, Orthopedics/Physiotherapy, Paediatrics, Radiology/Imaging, Pathology departments with all kinds of modern equipment and trained manpower.



Impact Nursing Institute (INI):

The current nursing institute will be relocated in a separate new building as per the requirement of the Bangladesh Nursing and Midwifery Council. It will be a building with all academic facilities in 30,000 square feet area.



Leprosy Project

In collaboration with The Leprosy Mission International Bangladesh (TLMI,B), Impact Foundation Bangladesh (IFB) has been implementing a project titled 'Activating and Engaging government and people in partnership (AEP)' in Chuadanga district since July, 2019. IFB identifies the suspected patients and arranges their treatment, free of cost at the government health facilities following proper patient registration procedure. IFB is in constant interaction with the relevant government health department to reinforce their engagement for the treatment of leprosy patients. IFB also facilitates the engagement of other stakeholders for improved awareness and easy accessibility of the patients. Till now IFB identified 45 leprosy patients and all of them are now registered and getting free treatment from the government.



PROSHANTI Project

IFB has been implementing the 'Proshanti' project since January 2017 in collaboration with DAK Foundation/ PFE Australia. Under this project, IFB has established 19 specialized facilities at 2 Government Medical College Hospitals and 17 private clinics with trained gynecologists who treat poor female patients with uterine Prolapse by using a latest operative technique 'sacrospinous fixation' in 13 districts of Bangladesh.

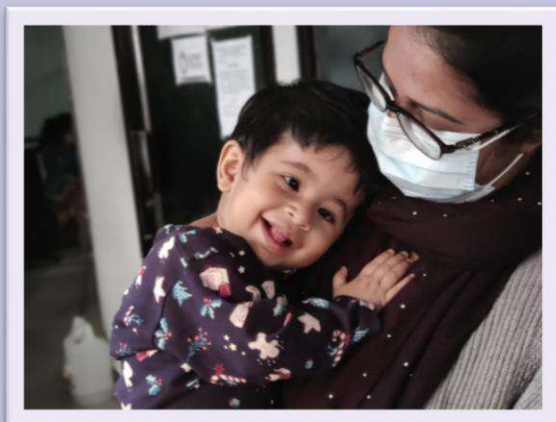


BACHAO Project

Bangladshi American Charitable Organization (BACHAO) has been supporting is funding for a project titled Prevention of Avoidable Blindness and Hearing impairment through Surgical Intervention through IMPACT Jibon Tari Floating Hospital since 2016. The objective of the project is to create access to surgical services for restoring eyesight and hearing for the underserved poor among the riverside population, who have no other option to avail such

services. During the reporting period a total of 82 surgeries have been performed by the surgeons.

Hydrocephalus



IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh in collaboration with local surgeon addresses hydrocephalus- an abnormal enlargement of the brain cavities (ventricles) caused by the build-up of cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), for reducing the sufferings of affected underprivileged children. This condition can be present at birth or triggered by tumors,

infections, bleeding in the brain, or aging and can only be treated by surgery.

Such a treatment facility is rare to find outside of Dhaka city. Evidence shows children with this deadly condition are mainly from remote areas where most of the families are stricken with poverty. Untreated, it can result in brain damage or death.



With contribution from UK IMPACT Foundation, 15-20 children with hydrocephalus are treated each year to improve the quality of lives of the affected people.

School SIDKO and Hygiene Program

IFB has been implementing a project named 'Providing access to safe water and sanitation and menstrual hygiene education for girls' in selected girls' school in Chuadanga and Meherpur districts. The project components include arsenic-free safe drinking water (SIDKO Plant) installation, upgradation of existing toilet facilities, and provision of menstrual health education and hygienic practices for girl students.



Menstruation remains a taboo in societies and various negative cultural attitudes and beliefs are still associated with it. Menstruating women and girls are still considered 'dirty' or 'impure'. Under this project, IFB tries to break the stigma surrounding a girl's menstruation.

Not only IFB renovates toilet facilities and installs a proper pad disposal facility for the girls during the period. IFB also facilitates special sessions on reproductive and menstrual health for adolescent girl students and provides kits, which includes two packets of sanitary pads, a hand soap bar, a water bottle, and a pocket booklet on menstrual hygiene.

Mothers' Club

Mother's Club is an innovative approach of IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh to disseminate knowledge and information among the rural communities. IFB has formed total 1200 mothers club in Chuadanga and Meherpur districts where around 28,000 members are women. Every member is actively volunteering with IFB to improve their livelihood and help their communities.



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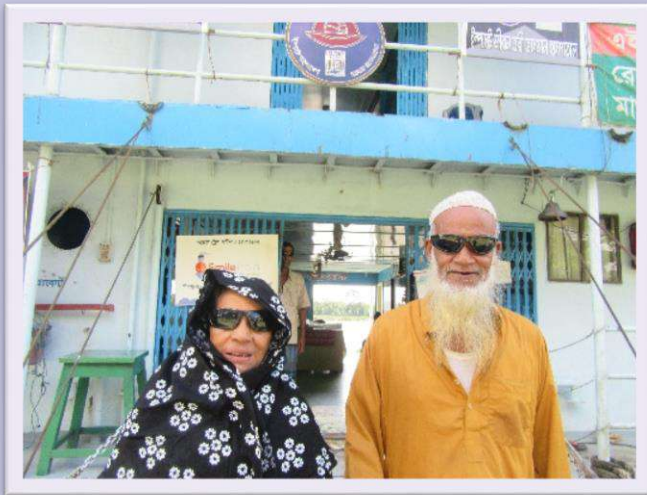
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Case Stories

Md. Nazrul Islam and Ms. Ambia Begum could not confine their happiness



Md. Nazrul Islam and his wife Ms. Ambia Begum, aged 75 years and 70 years respectively, comes from Shaota village which is located under Nalchity upazila of Jhalokathi district. They have six children- all are married.

Nazrul Islam was a freedom fighter at 1971 independence war. Presently, he is an Imam (Head) of a local mosque. Poverty has prevented him from continuing the education of his children- all of them were married off

early, without completion of their education. His three sons, therefore, work as day laborers to earn their living.

They have been suffering from loss in vision since 2013. With time, their eyesight deteriorated. Five years ago, both of them had visited a nearby hospital to get an eye checkup, where the ophthalmologist had advised them for an eye operation. Over a period of years, they saved some money from their regular expenses but that was not sufficient. The decrease in eyesight was affecting their day-to-day activities. Having no helping hand at home, both of them had to struggle while doing their daily household activities.

Dealing with the difficulties every single day, they heard about a 'Boat Hospital' at the DC park of Jhalokati where eye patients were treated at a minimum cost.

With much hope, Nazrul and his wife Ambia visited Impact 'Jibon Tari Floating Hospital'. After necessary examination, the on duty Medical Officer diagnosed them with Matured Cataract in both eyes. The doctor suggested an operation date in June, 2021 where both of them had cataract surgery in their right eyes. After successful operation, they had re-gained their eye sight. Having been satisfied with the service, both of them had again visited the 'Jibon Tari Floating Hospital' in September, 2021 and they had a successful cataract surgery in their other eyes as well.

They can see clearly with both eyes now. When asked about their feelings, Ambia replied, *"Never have I thought I could see clearly again. We were living a life led by poverty. We could not have afford the cataract surgery elsewhere. It was only possible for this hospital. I pray from my heart for the doctors and the staff at IMPACT hospital."*

Case Stories

TBA Anzira Khatun



In countries, where the rates of maternal mortality continue to be inappropriately high, there has been recognition of the importance of training of traditional birth attendants (TBAs) to improve outcomes of pregnancy and reduce child and maternal morbidity and mortality. With the aim to ensure safe motherhood, improve maternal and child health and reduce the morbidity and mortality, Impact Foundation Bangladesh (IFB) arranges a seven-day long training of Traditional Birth

attendants (TBA), who have been conducting deliveries at home in rural areas.

Anzira Khatun (45) is a known face in her village Gobindapur under Alamdanga sub-district of Chuadanga district. She has received a seven-day 'Basic Training of Traditional Birth Attendants' from IFB in 2021.

Anzira lives with her in-laws. She comes from a poor family and has been working as TBA in her village for the last seven years. On an average 6 to 8 deliveries are conducted by her every year.

When Anzira was born, there were no doctors or nurses available. Anzira was told later that her mother had suffered a lot and was in severe pain while delivering her. While her mother was in labor pain for a long time, her father had to search for a TBA. Due to delay, the position of the baby was tilted. After hours of searching, Anzira's father managed a TBA from a nearby village the delivery was done and Anzira was born.

This had shaken Anzira's mind. She realized that if her father could not get hold of the TBA at that moment or if her mother had suffered more and her health deteriorated or if her mother did not have a successful delivery at that moment, the story would have been different.

These thoughts have always disturbed her. After getting married, Anzira decided to help the pregnant women in her community. With the help of her aunt, she had learnt some skills to conduct delivery.

She has always hoped to receive professional training. She is thankful to IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh for fulfilling her dream. She expressed that the training had given her a clear concept on the danger signs of pregnancy, importance of taking folic acid regularly, ante and post-natal checkups, avoiding heavy lifting, adequate rest and TT vaccine provision. She said, *"Now, I am confident while advising the pregnant women or new mothers in my area."*

Case Stories

MIM FOUND ANSWERS TO HER PREGNANCY PROBLEMS

Mim is a 18-year-old woman from Bagwan union of Mujibnagar upazila of Meherpur district. She is 12 weeks pregnant and attended a prenatal check-up at the satellite clinic being held at Mujibnagar upazila of Meherpur district. She lives 2 miles away with her husband and mother-in-law. Her husband, Juwel, runs a small tea shop in the village.

When she first learned about her pregnancy, she was scared. This was her first pregnancy and she had little idea about where to seek medical care. The hospitals were far away from her home and the unavailability of transportation made it difficult for Mim to walk for miles in this condition.

Her mother-in-law, Ms. Ratna was very happy when she came to know about the pregnancy of Mim. She advised her son, Juwel to take Mim for check-ups.

The health care facility was far away.

With time, Mim started to become weaker than before. It was during her fourth month of pregnancy that Mim could barely get off the bed. She felt weak and struggled to move or do any work. Her face and skin appeared paler than usual. Seeing this, Juwel became worried. He discussed Mim's condition with a friend who advised Juwel to take his wife to a mobile clinic being held in the village.

Without further delay, Juwel rushed Mim to the next satellite clinic being arranged by Impact 'Jibon Mela' Health Center. After arriving at the clinic, the in-charge medical doctor examined her and measured her vitals. Her weight gain was only 4 pounds and blood pressure was below normal range. Hearing this, Mim became worried. The change was noticeable in her face and caught sight of the medical doctor who assured her not to worry about the situation, rather she was prescribed some medications, including folic acid and iron. The doctor advised her to increase her dietary intake with calcium and iron rich food. She was also advised for regular antenatal checkups and remain stress free.

After hearing this, a sigh-of-relief was all over Mim's face. She added that it was impossible for her to go to a hospital at that critical moment, but the mobile clinic had been a lifesaving for her. Without visiting the clinic, she would have never known about her health conditions. She is grateful to Impact 'Jibon Mela' Health Center for arranging such services for the underprivileged people living in remote areas of Meherpur.



Case Stories

Jonaki shares her story

Jonaki-a seventh grade student of Jiban Nagar Thana Government Pilot Secondary Girls School lives 7-8 kilometers away from her school. While going to school, she had to carry her own lunch as well as drinking water with her along with her class notebooks.

The school did not have a safe drinking water facility. All students, like Jonaki, had only contaminated drinking water available at their school. Not only this, the school also lacked appropriate toilet facilities for girls, which was a matter of serious concern. Jonaki said, “I used to drink only a few sip water during my menstruation days to avoid going to the toilet. Not only me, my friends also did the same. We did not have a separate place to dispose our used sanitary napkins.”



Adolescent girls like her at the school used to avoid going to school for lack of adequate toilet facility during menstruation days due to the discomfort of changing the napkins.



Just at this time, IMPACT Foundation Bangladesh installed a safe and arsenic free water source - SIDKO Plant at the school. IFB also upgraded the toilet facility with a small pad disposal bin, making it suitable for adolescent girls. Further, a Menstrual Hygiene Education session was also arranged. She said she could not speak out of shyness to anyone about the problems she faced during those menstruation days. She expressed her happiness after receiving the orientation. “No girls have to

miss school now. I express my gratitude on behalf of all the girls at Jiban Nagar Thana Government Pilot Secondary Girls School.

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STATEMENT OF FUND IN FLOW AND OUT FLOW FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021

FUND IN FLOW	2021 In Taka
UK Impact Foundation	34,070,696
The Kadoori Charitable Foundation, Hong Kong	5,449,230
Impact, Norway	382,782
The Smile Train, USA	3,791,182
A Leg To Stand On, USA	1,175,300
The Leprosy Mission International -Bangladesh	904,600
Bangladeshi American Charitable Organization (BACHAO), USA	1,007,400
Partners For Equity Limited, Australia	30,901,827
Echotex Ltd.	10,000,000
Social Services & Management Trust (SSMT)	33,600,000
Ms. Rezinz Khatun	60,000
Other Individuals & Corporate	6,390,855
Cost Recovery from Activities	42,301,229
Received from Zakat Fund	50,000
TOTAL INFLOW	170,085,101
FUND OUT FLOW	
Clinical and outreach Activities for prevention and cure of disability through Jibon Mela Health Centre, Meherpur.	17,414,637
Cleft Lip Surgery at JT and IMCHC	3,932,970
Extended Proshanti Project	27,416,662
IMPACT Nursing Institute-INI	6,116,259
Improve maternal and child health in Mujibnagar upazila	5,016,457
Cure of avoidable and hearing impairment Impact Jibon Tari Floating Hospital	1,007,400
Prevention & Cure of Avoidable Disabilities in Rural	45,159,612
Program Support Unit	22,739,581
Capital Expenditures	27,402,691
TOTAL OUTFLOW	156,206,269
RESERVE/DEFICIT	13,878,832

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