

Community Development Center (CDC)
(A project of Al-Falah Bangladesh)

Annual Project Report - 2012

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Introduction:

AI-Falah Bangladesh was formed in June 1981 to take over the Dhaka Camps project from an NGO HEED Bangladesh. Mr. M.I. Farooqui, Senior Advocate, Bangladesh Supreme Court was elected as its founder President.

AI-Falah Bangladesh is the only registered NGO in Bangladesh, which has pledged in its Constitution to work for the Urdu speaking Bangladeshi citizens to rehabilitate them socially and economically in the mainstream of the society. The mass of this Urdu-speaking community lost the privileges of social living being the worst victims of political and historical developments in 1971 that downgraded their social, cultural and economic status from top to bottom level.

Being a registered NGO AI-Falah Bangladesh has a vision that the Urdu speaking community must take part equally and with dignity for the national development as citizen of Bangladesh.

To achieve the vision the organization set its mission to improve the quality of life of the Urdu speaking people and increase their access to education, skill, health, economic opportunities and cultural activities.

Keeping in mind that education is the only key for the social, cultural and economic development of the Urdu-speaking camp dwellers and their young generation AI-Falah Bangladesh has committed to promote the programs of its project CDC in the education sector and hope this program will be supported and encouraged by all concerned.

The CDC through this brief Report after the end of 2012 intends to update the donors, well-wishers, philanthropists and other stakeholders about its achievements, failures and challenges of 2012. The report also presents the current status of the sponsored students from primary to Degree Level.

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Executive Director
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Executive Summary:

Since its foundation, Al-Falah has implemented a project Al-Falah Model School where about 1,200 students attended their classes up to class VIII. The organization has also been delivering health services in Geneva Camp through Al-Falah Model Clinic.

The other significant project is Community Development Centre (CDC), which established **Foundation schools** all over Bangladesh to attend pre-primary education and is able to get admission in the Primary School in to Class I. The project has sponsored Urdu-speaking poor male and female students to continue their higher education. In 2007, the project started with 1 foundation school in Geneva Camp and later expanded up to 40 centers all over Bangladesh. But due to non-availability of required financial support, the project closed 30 Foundation Schools in 2011 & currently 10 such schools are in operation.

Community Development Centre:

Background:

The CDC project commenced in 2007 with fund raised locally from the well wishers of the community.



Students receives half yearly examination result held at the Foundation School

The first Foundation School was established in the premises of Al-Falah Model Clinic. By 2010 the number of Foundation Schools increased to 40 throughout Bangladesh in various camps at Mohammadpur, Mirpur, Mymensingh, Chittagong, Khulna, Bogra, Rangpur, Ishurdi and Syedpur.

A USA based donor Target International Giving Program (TIGP) financially supported CDC in 2009 and 2010, but regretted to

support in 2011 & 2012. This unfortunate situation forced CDC to close down its 30 Foundation Schools in 2012 and also to reduce sponsorship program due to financial constraints. However, the TIGP agreed to provide one-year financial support for Foundation School and Sponsorship programs in 2013.

Goal:

The primary goal of the CDC is to save the Urdu-speaking children from being lost as street children, as these children have been living in camps and deprived from their schooling and provide support to the community in its struggle to join the mainstream of the society with improved social and economic status.

Foundation Schools:

These schools were established on the basis of "Self-help education." The Community Development Center (CDC) provides sponsorship to the secondary level students to continue their studies. In exchange, the sponsored students teach daily two hours to a batch of 30 children and prepare them for admission in to Primary Schools, situated outside the camp area. The responsibility of teacher also includes orientation to mothers/guardians on health & hygiene and how to prepare and encourage their children during their schooling period.



Foundation School Students of Geneva Camp celebrates victory Day in 2012

Achievements in 2012:

- 346 Children under age of 4-5 years were given pre-primary education
- 347 Sponsored Children got admission in class I after attending Foundation Schools
- 3 Sponsored Female students continued their SSC classes
- 10 Sponsored Male students continued their HSC classes
- 30 Sponsored Female students continued their HSC classes
- 6 Sponsored Male students continued their Degree Classes
- 8 Sponsored Female students continued their Degree Classes

Achievements since the start of the program:

Children admitted in foundation school from 2007 to 2012

Location	Year												Total students
	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		
	Cen ters	Stud ents	Cen ters	Stud ents	Cen ters	Stud ents	Cen ters	Stu dents	Cen ters	stud ents	Cen ters	stud ents	
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	3	107	4	126	4	125	4	155	3	110	4	187	810
Mirpur, Dhaka	1	30	1	30	7	163	7	178	5	122	2	44	567
Chittagong	1	30	1	30	7	209	7	210	--	--	3	90	569
Syedpur	2	60	3	84	8	235	8	212	8	183	--	--	774
Khulna	1	30	3	90	5	150	5	150	--	--	--	--	420
Ishurdi	1	30	1	30	3	90	3	86	2	50	--	--	286
Rangpur	--	--	--	--	3	91	3	90	--	--	--	--	181
Mymensingh	1	30	2	60	2	56	2	45	--	--	--	--	191
Bogra	--	--	1	30	1	30	1	30	--	--	1	25	115
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Children's admission in Class I from 2007 to 2012

Location	Year										Total
	2007	2008	2009	2010		2011		2012			
				Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls		
Mdpur, Dhaka	42	52	48	19	26	26	27	29	32	301	
Mirpur, Dhaka	09	20	18	18	17	--	--	32	34	148	
Chittagong	--	--	13	12	07	--	--	--	--	32	
Syedpur	12	50	52	40	43	--	--	89	86	372	
Khulna	--	48	42	29	44	70	69	--	--	302	
Ishurdi	--	28	30	10	14	--	--	22	23	127	
Rangpur	--	--	--	--	--	--	01	--	--	01	
Mymensingh	--	33	32	13	04	--	--	--	--	82	
Bogra	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Total	63	231	235	141	155	96	97	172	175	1365	

On 22nd November 2012, local representative of the community in Bogra organized a program to distribute the sponsorship among the selected students. Mr. Md. Abdur Rahim Pramanik, Ward Councilor, Ward # 12, Bogra Pourashava attended as Chief Guest while Mr. A. S. M. Hasanut Zaman (Ritu), General Secretary, Sabuj Shangha, Bogra, Mr. Md. Zulfiquar Ali (Biddu) and Mr. Md. Zarreyab Nannu attended the function. Mr. Wasi Ahmed Chunnu presided over the meeting.



Students Sponsored for SSC Course from 2007 to 2012

Total SSC sponsored students: 103
 Total Male: 47
 Total Female: 56

Location	Year												Total
	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Mdpur, Dhaka	13	13	05	08	04	07	01	02	--	01	--	01	55
Mirpur, Dhaka	--	01	01	--	--	02	01	--	--	--	--	--	05
Chittagong	01	--	--	--	03	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	04
Syedpur	--	01	--	--	01	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	02
Khulna	01	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	03	03	--	--	07
Ishurdi	--	01	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	01
Rangpur	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mymensingh	01	--	--	--	04	07	--	--	03	02	--	02	19
Bogra	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	05	05	--	--	10
Total	16	16	06	08	12	16	02	02	11	11	--	03	103

Students Sponsored for HSC Course from 2007 to 2012

Total HSC sponsored students: 253
 Total Male: 95
 Total Female: 158

During distribution of the sponsorship students of Mdpur are seen in the picture



Location	Year												Total
	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Mdpur, Dhaka	11	04	08	08	11	17	03	11	01	01	03	10	88
Mirpur, Dhaka	01	--	02	03	03	10	--	08	--	--	02	02	31
Chittagong	--	--	01	--	08	11	03	07	03	08	--	11	52
Syedpur	--	--	--	--	01	04	01	01	--	--	--	--	07
Khulna	--	--	--	--	03	07	15	12	03	--	--	--	40
Ishurdi	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Rangpur	--	--	--	--	--	--	03	01	--	--	--	--	04
Mymensingh	--	--	--	--	--	01	--	--	01	02	01	05	10
Bogra	--	--	--	--	--	--	03	12	--	--	04	02	21
Total	12	04	11	11	26	50	28	52	08	11	10	30	253

Students sponsored for Degree/Honors Course from 2007 to 2012

Total Degree sponsored students: 74

Total Male: 32

Total Female: 42

Location	Year												Total
	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		2012		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Mdpur, Dhaka	03	01	03	01	01	02	05	06	01	01	05	04	33
Mirpur, Dhaka	--	--	--	--	02	--	--	--	--	02	01	03	08
Chittagong	--	--	--	--	02	--	03	07	--	01	--	01	14
Syedpur	--	--	--	01	--	03	--	03	01	02	--	--	10
Khulna	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	01	--	--	01
Ishurdi	--	--	--	--	03	01	--	--	--	--	--	--	04
Rangpur	--	--	--	--	--	--	01	02	--	--	--	--	03
Mymensingh	--	--	--	--	01	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	01
Bogra	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	03	01	03	02	09	06	09	18	02	07	06	08	74



CDC has started its sponsorship program from 2007. The program has completed its 5 years in 2012. The project has sponsored a total of 308 students for different disciplines and courses.

The Year 2012

A total of 03 students were provided sponsorship for SSC level education at Open University. Their present status is as follows:

01 student is in SSC 2nd semester

02 students are in SSC 1st semester

A total 28 students were provided sponsorship for HSC level education. Their present status is as follows:

02 students HSC 2nd year

26 students HSC 1st year

A total of 05 students were provided sponsorship for Degree/Honor's level education. Their present status is as follows:

01 student LLB 2nd year
 01 students CA Course

A total of 01 student was provided sponsorship for studying in diploma course for AutoCAD Course

Fundamental Computer Course for skill Development

The CDC had established the first Computer Class in Geneva Camp in the year 2007, when some well wishers of the community donated 5 second hand computers. The Computer Class started under 'self-help skill development program'. Three sponsored student-instructors from the community conducted training courses.



D. Net (Development Research Network) has been supporting various schools and colleges and also those NGOs who work for the underprivileged community. Being impressed with the policy and programs of Al-Falah Bangladesh, D.Net donated a total of 8 (eight) CPU to Al-Falah

Bangladesh to run its computer class in 2010. This program only carried out in Geneva Camp, Mohammadpur, Dhaka. This program aims to enhance the knowledge of the target population on basic computer. Number of Trained Students:

2007-2011: 243
 Male: 151
 Female: 92

Computer Classes

Location	Year										Total
	2007		2008		2009		2010		2011		
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Mdpur, Dhaka	43	23	45	31	39	19	18	14	06	05	243

Some success stories:

- In the smaller camps outside Dhaka CDC has provided sponsorship to 1 female student in Class VI and 2 female students for Class VIII in Mymensingh Camp as the students were scored highest marks and selected for Government scholarship program.
- Three sponsored students and computer Instructors from Mohammadpur got a full time job in an NGO, Group of Companies and a private firm respectively
- One sponsored student from Mohammadpur is placed in Master's final and he is doing a job as a Marketing Officer.
- One sponsored student from Mohammadpur is placed in Honor's final and she is doing a job as an Accounts Officer in an NGO.
- One Foundation School Teacher from Mymensingh Camp passed her Degree level of education and now got admission in Bachelor's of Education (B.Ed) course which provides opportunity to her to get a public job in the teaching sector which is her ambition too.
- One student from Staff Quarter Camp successfully got admission in the Accounting Department of Dhaka University which happens first time in the 40 years of the camp history.
- One sponsored girl student from Mohammadpur had ambition to be a physician but she could not get admission in the Medical College so she tried for a Diploma Course of Ophthalmology. Now she is doing her 2nd year of the diploma and will be placed as Mid Level Ophthalmology Personnel (MLOP)
- One sponsored student from Mohammadpur dropped out from education a long ago. She is an orphan and wanted to support her family. She contacted to CDC so the project encouraged her for education and now she is studying in SSC 2nd semester from Open University.

The Donors:

Al-Falah Bangladesh thankfully acknowledges the support from generous donors in Bangladesh & abroad. We are optimistic that you will find our efforts worth your continued support in the future.

Financial Statement 2012:

Receipts		Payments	
Detail	Amount	Detail	Amount
Opening Balance		Staff Salaries	328,400
Cash at Bank	11,660	Honorarium for Teachers	175,800
Cash in hand	1,334	Office Rent	180,000
Contribution from Al-Falah	1,02,050	Space Rent for Foundation School	87,900
Contribution received from Individual donors	12,98,035	Educational Materials	56,090
Bank Interest	336	Sponsorship for Class-1	220
		Sponsorship for SSC	5,300
		Sponsorship for HSC	81,715
		Sponsorship for Hon's/Degree	91,950
		Conveyance/Travelling	23,482
		Postage	3,608
		Printing/Stationers/Photostat	28,692
		Refreshment	26,936
		Miscellaneous	13,022
		Internet/Mobile & T & T bill	41,246
		Equipment Purchase	113,030
		Equipment Repairing/Maintenance	5,010
		Website	3,500
		Audit Fee for 2011	10,000
		Repairing/Maintenance	124,762
		Bank Charges	1,160
		Total Payment	14,01,823
		Cash at Bank	10,921
		Cash in Hand	671
Total	14,13,415	Total	14,13,415