

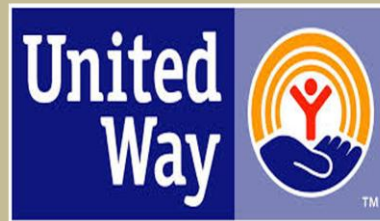
Education Development Program

(A self help education program of Al-Falah Bangladesh)

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Introduction:

Al-Falah Bangladesh was formed in June 1980 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.

Al-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. It is also the only government registered organization which has been allowed to work for the Urdu-speaking camps people in Bangladesh. 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.

Vision of the organization:

The Urdu speaking community must take part equally and with dignity for the national development as citizen of Bangladesh.

Mission of the organization:

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.

Since its foundation, Al-Falah has implemented the project Al-Falah Model School till 1992 where about 1,200 students attended their classes from class 1 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 Center (CDC) which was established in 2007 with the support from the local well wishers of the community. The objective of the project is to encourage the community to **Help your Self**.

Since then the well-wishers living in the country and abroad supported the project. In 2009-2010 & 2013 a USA based organization Target International Grant Program (TIGP) under its corporate responsibility supported the Education project of Al-Falah Bangladesh. In 2014, Target Foundation through United Way Worldwide (UWW), USA provided financial assistance for the project Education Development Program (EDP) of Al-Falah Bangladesh.

Keeping in mind that education is the only key method for the social, cultural and economic development of the community their young generation Al-Falah Bangladesh has committed to promote its project Education Development Program (EDP) and hope this program will be supported and encouraged by all concerned.

The EDP through this brief Report after the end of 2014 intends to update the donors, well-wishers, philanthropists, Government of Bangladesh and other stakeholders about its achievements, failures and challenges of 2014. The report also presents the current status of the sponsored students from primary to Degree Level.

Ahmed Ilias
Executive Director
Al-Falah Bangladesh

Rationale of the project:

In Dec 2013, Al-Falah Bangladesh conducted a sample survey among 2000 households covering total respondents of 10,773 in camps across the country. The findings show a very deplorable status of education in every category from primary to degree level. It is found that:

- 6.2% of the are minor
- 12.9% of them are Illiterate
- 18.9 of them are literate
- 39.6% have completed Primary education
- 15.1% have educational qualification up to lower Secondary (Class 8) level.
- 3.1% have completed their Secondary School Course (SSC)
- 2.6% passed High Secondary Course (HSC)
- 1.2% are Under Graduate while only
- 0.2% have completed Graduation course. Similarly, only
- 0.2% of the respondents are Master Degree holders

Based on the findings of the above survey, Al-Falah Bangladesh has designed this project proposal according to the need of various age groups & genders which addresses hurdles the camp dwellers face at stage of the education and skill development. For those who have missed out from education and have reached a certain age, providing some basic skills that enable them attain economic independence is also important.

Unique Features of Project:

(a) Sustainability:

The organization has introduced the concept of Self-help education where sponsored senior students volunteer to teach junior classes. The project will organize Training Program for Community Volunteers to ensure sustainability of the project and development of the community.

(b) Women's Participation:

This program will provide opportunity to young girls and women and spread the concept of self help and make them economically self-sufficient. Currently 89% of our volunteers & 58% of the beneficiaries are young female.

Project Background:

The CDC project commenced in 2007 with fund raised locally from the well wishers of the community. The Pioneer of this initiative was Mr. Azmat Ashraf who is now permanently settled in Canada. The first Foundation School was established in the premises of Al-Falah Model Clinic, Geneva Camp, Mohammadpur, Dhaka. 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 with the support from Target Foundation, USA. In 2011 & 2012 the Target Foundation has regretted to support the project. This unfortunate and unexpected situation forced Al-Falah to close down its 30 Foundation Schools in 2012 and also to reduce sponsorship program. However, the Target Foundation, USA agreed to provide financial support from 2013.

Goal:

The primary goal of the project to save the Urdu-speaking children from being lost as street children, as these children have been living in camps without having any access to basic education. And to provide support to the community in its struggle to join the mainstream of the society with improved social and economic status.

Foundation Schools:

Foundation schools were established on the basis of "Self-help education". The Education Development Program (EDP) provides scholarship to the students to continue their secondary and Higher Secondary, honors a master degree level course. In exchange, the scholarship students teach daily two hours to a batch of 20 children and prepare them for admission in to Primary Schools for Class I, which are 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.

Scholarship Program:

The project introduces scholarships from class VI, Secondary, Higher Secondary and Graduation, Master level of education. Based on the concept of help your self, the organization provides these scholarships. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage the community students to carry on their higher studies. These students at the time of getting grant of scholarship pledge to work for the social and economic development of the community as volunteers.

Quantitative Achievements in 2014:

- 33 shifts of Foundation School for pre primary education
- 740 Children under age of 4-5 years were given pre-primary education at those centers
- 324 Sponsored Children got admission in class I after attending Foundation Schools
- 340 student provide scholarship to continue education of Class VI-X
- 28 students provide scholarship to continue their SSC level education
- 31 students provide scholarship to continue their HSC level education
- 24 students provide scholarship to continue their Graduation/Master's level
- 37 students provide regular scholarship to continue their Higher Education and in lieu of that they have conducted Foundation School Classes and supervise the ongoing program.

Qualitative Achievements in 2014:

According to the proposed program the project has achieved:

- 110% of the total target achieved to open Foundation School
- 82% students attended Pre-Primary Education
- 162% students were admitted in Class I after attending in the Foundation School
- 85% scholarship has been provided by the project for continuation of studies in VI-X Level
- 83% scholarship has been provided by the project for continuation of studies in SSC, HSC and Degree Level of Education.

According to the results of Junior School Certificate (JSC) public exam in 2014

- 14 (82%) sponsored candidates passed
- 1 (6%) student obtained Grade A (1 boy)
- 4 (23.5%) students obtained A minus (2 boys and 2 girls)
- 5 (29%) students obtained Grade B (1 boy and 4 girls)
- 4 (23.5%) students obtained Grade C (2 boys and 2 girls).
- 3 (18%) could not succeed (1 boy and 2 girls).

Those who could not pass will be prepared to take test in the next year exam.

According to the results of Secondary School Certificate (SSC) public exam in 2014

- 21(84%) sponsored candidates passed
- 13 (52%) students obtained Grade A (4 boys and 9 girls)
- 5 (20%) students obtained A minus (4 boys and 1 girl)
- 3 (12%) students obtained Grade B (1 boy and 2 girls)
- 3 (12%) could not succeed and result is yet to be known (3 boys)

Those who could not pass will be prepared to take test in the next exam.

According to the results of Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC) public exam in 2014

- 17 (81%) sponsored students passed
- 5 (24%) students obtained Grade A (2 boys and 3 girls)
- 6 (29%) students obtained A minus (1 boys and 5 girl)
- 4 (19%) students obtained Grade B (2 boys and 2 girls)
- 2 (9%) students obtained Grade C (2 girls)
- 4 (19%) students could not succeed (1 boy and 3 girls)

Those who could not pass will take test in the next year exam.

Plan for 2015:

- EDP will open 2 new foundation school classes for 40 students in different camps.
- The project will ensure Birth Certificates of all the students at Foundation Schools
- The project will provide 500 scholarship to the students who completed Foundation School classes and will get admission in to Class I
- The project will provide 300 scholarships to the students who are studying in class VI-VII
- The project will continue its scholarship program and provide 200 scholarships for IX to HSC level of education.
- The project will continue its scholarship program and provide 100 scholarships for Degree and Graduation level of education.
- The project will observe different national/international days for the FS Children

Apart of the above plan for 2015 the organization has continuously in contact and following up with the Rotary International and local Rotary Club for expansion of its Education program by organizing specialized coaching classes for PSC and JSC students, computer class, Adult Literacy Program and Training Program for the youth of the community.

Al-Falah Bangladesh has already signed an agreement with DoPeace, USA for organizing 9 shifts of Foundation School in different Camps of Mohammadpur, Dhaka for 270 students. Also the project will organize numbers of the specialized coaching classes for class III, IV and V grade of students. DoPeace, USA will open a computer center at the Al-Falah Model Clinic premises for the computer training.

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Target Sourcing Services (TSS), Local Representative of Target Foundation, USA handed over an Oversized Cheque to the Representatives of Al-Falah Bangladesh on 20.01.2014



:Below:

4-5 years old children of Geneva Camp, Mohammadpur, Dhaka attended Foundation School Center for pre-primary education



:Above:

Students from SSC to Degree level of education of Mohammadpur & Mirpur area seen in picture after receiving scholarship from Al-Falah Bangladesh on 31st March 2014

:Below:

Prof. Abdul Hasem, General Secretary, Ishurdi Press Club, Mr. Abdul Baten, Editor, Weekly Joy Patra, Ishurdi, Mr. Al Amin Khan, Councilor, Ishurdi Pourashava & Ms. Shahnaz Parvin, Women Councilor, Ishurdi Pourashava attended a scholarship distribution program of EDP at the Foundation School center on 9th May 2014



:Above:

Sponsored students of different settlements of Rangpur area seen in the picture after receiving scholarship from AI-Falah Bangladesh on 11th May 2014

Achievements since the inception of the program:

Total shifts of the Foundation School: 188 Total Boys: 2,592 Total Girls: 2,640 Total Students: 5,232

Location	2007-2011 (5 years)				2012				2013				2014				Total			
	Shifts	Students			Shifts	students			Shifts	students			Shifts	students			Shifts	students		
		B	G	T		B	G	T		B	G	T		B	G	T		B	G	T
Mdpur, Dhaka	18	292	331	623	4	92	95	187	3	57	42	99	3	62	53	115	28	503	521	1,024
Mirpur, Dhaka	21	269	254	523	2	19	25	44	3	34	43	77	5	56	57	113	31	378	379	757
Chittagong	16	217	262	479	3	48	42	90	3	47	42	89	7	82	68	150	29	394	414	808
Syedpur	29	358	416	774	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29	358	416	774
Khulna	14	212	208	420	-	-	-	-	3	38	44	82	6	66	56	122	23	316	308	624
Ishurdi	10	127	159	286	-	-	-	-	2	25	29	54	2	17	23	40	14	169	211	380
Rangpur	6	103	78	181	-	-	-	-	3	38	44	82	6	57	63	120	15	198	185	383
Mymensingh	7	126	65	191	-	-	-	-	2	37	20	57	2	22	18	40	11	185	103	288
Bogra	3	37	53	90	1	12	13	25	2	23	16	39	2	19	21	40	8	91	103	194
Total	124	1,741	1,826	3,567	10	171	175	346	21	299	262	579	33	381	359	740	188	2,592	2,640	5,232

Total sponsored students in Class I: 1,804 Total Boys: 886 Total Girls: 918

Location	2007-2011 (5 year)			2012			2013			2014			Total		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	117	123	240	29	32	67	21	32	53	15	08	23	182	195	377
Mirpur, Dhaka	40	42	82	32	34	66	08	04	12	16	21	37	96	101	197
Chittagong	15	17	32	-	-	-	22	18	40	30	30	60	67	65	132
Syedpur	96	101	197	89	86	175	-	-	-	-	-	-	185	187	372
Khulna	147	155	302	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	33	65	179	188	367
Ishurdi	40	42	82	22	23	45	-	-	-	25	29	54	87	94	181
Rangpur	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	25	39	14	26	40
Mymensingh	40	42	82	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	9	19	50	51	101
Bogra	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	10	11	16	27	17	20	37
Total	495	523	1,018	172	175	353	57	58	115	153	171	324	877	927	1,804

Total VI & VII sponsored Total students: 201 Male: 78 Female: 123

Location	2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	02	08	10	02	08	10
Mirpur, Dhaka	02	01	03	02	01	03
Chittagong	15	32	47	15	32	47
Syedpur	09	12	21	09	12	21
Khulna	29	25	54	29	25	54
Ishurdi	08	12	20	08	12	20
Rangpur	05	07	12	05	07	12
Mymensingh	02	16	18	02	16	18
Bogra	06	10	16	06	10	16
Total	78	123	201	78	123	201

Total VIII sponsored Total students: 18 Male: 07 Female: 11

Location	2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	01	-	01	01	-	01
Mirpur, Dhaka	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chittagong	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syedpur	05	08	13	05	08	13
Khulna	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ishurdi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rangpur	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mymensingh	01	03	04	01	03	04
Bogra	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	07	11	18	07	11	18

Total IX sponsored Total students: 109 Male: 39 Female: 70

Location	2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	03	04	07	03	04	07
Mirpur, Dhaka	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chittagong	14	17	31	14	17	31
Syedpur	04	11	15	04	11	15
Khulna	05	16	21	05	16	21
Ishurdi	03	07	10	03	07	10
Rangpur	02	03	05	02	03	05
Mymensingh	02	03	05	02	03	05
Bogra	06	09	15	06	09	15
Total	39	70	109	39	70	109

Total X sponsored Total students: 12 Male: 06 Female: 06

Location	2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	01	05	6	01	05	6
Mirpur, Dhaka	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chittagong	03	01	4	03	01	4
Syedpur	-	-	-	-	-	-
Khulna	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ishurdi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rangpur	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mymensingh	02	-	02	02	-	02
Bogra	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	06	06	12	06	06	12

Total SSC sponsored students: Total: 157 Male: 71 Female: 86

Location	2007-2011 (5 year)			2012			2013			2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	23	31	54	-	01	01	03	01	04	08	06	14	34	39	73
Mirpur, Dhaka	02	03	05	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	02	03	05
Chittagong	04	-	04	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	04	-	04
Syedpur	01	01	02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	01	01	02
Khulna	04	03	07	-	-	-	01	13	14	-	-	-	05	16	21
Ishurdi	-	01	01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	01	01
Rangpur	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	01	-	01	01	-	01
Mymensingh	08	09	17	-	02	02	03	02	05	02	03	05	13	16	29
Bogra	05	05	10	-	-	-	02	01	03	04	04	08	11	10	21
Total	47	53	100	-	03	03	09	17	26	15	13	28	71	86	157

Total HSC sponsored students: Total 371 Male: 136 Female: 235

Location	2007-2011 (5 year)			2012			2013			2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	34	41	75	03	10	13	05	09	14	04	11	15	46	71	117
Mirpur, Dhaka	06	21	27	02	02	04	02	-	02	02	01	03	12	24	36
Chittagong	15	26	41	-	11	11	03	14	17	-	-	-	18	51	69
Syedpur	02	05	07	-	-	-	02	07	09	01	-	01	05	12	17
Khulna	21	19	40	-	-	-	06	18	24	02	02	04	29	39	68
Ishurdi	-	-	-	-	-	-	08	-	08	-	-	-	08	-	08
Rangpur	03	01	04	-	-	-	01	02	03	-	03	03	04	06	10
Mymensingh	01	03	04	01	05	06	01	03	04	-	02	02	03	13	16
Bogra	03	12	15	04	02	06	02	04	06	02	01	03	11	19	30
Total	85	128	213	10	30	40	30	57	87	11	20	31	136	235	371

Total Degree/Honor's sponsored students: Total: 133 Male: 61 Female: 72

Location	2007-2011 (5 year)			2012			2013			2014			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mohammadpur, Dhaka	13	11	24	05	04	09	10	04	14	06	04	10	34	23	57
Mirpur, Dhaka	02	02	04	01	03	04	-	01	01	-	01	01	03	07	10
Chittagong	05	08	13	-	01	01	01	08	09	01	-	01	07	17	24
Syedpur	01	09	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	01	-	01	02	09	11
Khulna	-	01	01	-	-	-	-	-	-	02	01	03	02	02	04
Ishurdi	03	01	04	-	-	-	06	-	06	-	-	-	09	01	10
Rangpur	01	02	03	-	-	-	01	03	04	01	04	05	03	09	12
Mymensingh	01	-	01	-	-	-	-	01	01	-	03	03	01	04	05
Total	26	34	60	06	08	14	17	17	34	11	13	24	61	72	133

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:

Computer Classes: Total: 243 Male: 151 Female: 92

Location	2007			2008			2009			2010			2011			Total		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Mdpur, Dhaka	43	23	66	45	31	76	39	19	58	18	14	32	06	05	11	151	92	243

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Target Sourcing Services (TSS), Local Representative of Target Foundation, USA and Al-Falah Bangladesh (AFB) jointly observed International Literacy Day-2014 at the Foundation School premises in Geneva Camp, Mdpur, Dhaka. The program was held on 30th September 2014. The program was attended by TSS & AFB officials



:Above:

Mr. Ahmed Ilias, Executive Director, Al-Falah Bangladesh handed over scholarship among the students of Khalispur, Khulna area on 21st March 2014. Other local guests are seen in the picture

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Junior school class students of Mohammadpur & Mirpur area were awarded scholarship from Education Development Program (EDP) on 31st March 2014. The program was supported by Target Foundation, USA



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Mr. Sahukat Chowdhury, MP, Mr. Jawadul Haque Sarker, Upazila Chairman, Mr. Ahsan Habib, Upazila Mass Education Officer, Mr. Mostafa Kamal, Ward Councilor, Mr. Ashraful Haque Babu, President, Shamsul Haque Foundation, Syedpur, attended a scholarship distribution program on 31st May 2014

The Donors:

Al-Falah Bangladesh thankfully acknowledges the support of Target Foundation and United Way Worldwide, USA for approval and support the project in 2014 and its continuation in 2015. The organization also thankfully acknowledges the support of Friends of Humanity International Inc. (FHII), USA and its different well-wishers and donors in Bangladesh & abroad for their generous support. We are optimistic that you will find our efforts worth and your continued support in future to achieve the goal of the project and vision of the organization.

Financial Statement 2014:

Receipt		Payment	
Detail	Amount	Detail	Amount
Opening Balance		Honorarium for Teachers	4,18,100
Cash at Bank	10,504	Honorarium for Supervisors	1,11,900
Cash in Hand	234	Space Rent for Foundation Schools	2,70,400
Contribution received from Target Foundation/UWW, USA	19,24,801	Educational Materials for Foundation School	1,57,654
Contribution received from Friends of Humanity International Inc., (FHII), USA	2,35,793	Printing for Result Card for Foundation School	9,764
Contribution received from Individual donors	5,20,050	Printing for Questionnaire for Foundation School	29,846
		Scholarship for Class I	29,650
		Scholarship for VI to X	3,68,960
		Scholarship for SSC to Graduation	2,93,350
		Travelling & Lodging	10,600
		Conveyance	13,415
		Postage	10,049
		Photocopies	6,496
		Toners for Printer	11,246
		Staff Salaries	6,67,000
		Fringe & Benefits	60,600
		Office Rent & VAT	2,13,350
		Bank Charges	2,840
		Closing Balance	
		Cash at Bank	5,338
		Cash in hand	824
Total	26,91,382	Total	26,91,382