



Ashika Manabik Unnyan Kendra

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Few words from the Executive Director

Another year has passed enriching ASHIKA with experience in different aspects and marking with success and identification of its weak points that need strengthening further.

As usual, ASHIKA has been advancing through many ups and downs to be at the point it is now. Still it sees enough room to develop and further sharpen its skill and ability. It is learning from its past experience, gathering further knowledge from relevant quarters to shine and flourish in the field of development with much fortitude and patience.

A total of 12 projects of ASHIKA are under implementation. In addition to 8 projects, ASHIKA has bagged the credit of signing MOU with four development partners for implementing four projects starting from the year 2014. The development partners are BRAC, Save the Children, Muslim Aid Bangladesh Field Office and Grameen Telecom Trust. The projects are NFPE, Education for Language and Culturally Marginalized Ethnic Children, Promoting Sustainable Water Supply, Sanitation in Adaptation to Climate Change Targeting the Vulnerable Poor from the Rural Areas of Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) and Mushroom seed social Business project respectively. All the development partners except BRAC are new to come forward to work in collaboration/partnership with ASHIKA.

ASHIKA is always thirsty for opening new horizon of development for the vulnerable poor and under developed population of the region irrespective caste and creed though it had to face numerous challenges during this year. Through building up meaningful and soothing relationship with different development partners, community people and relevant stakeholders ASHIKA has kept its progress unabated and unhampered. It availed of the valuable support and cooperation of the Executive Committee in its journey towards prosperity.

I hope ASHIKA will achieve more success in the years to come with valuable and precious cooperation from all concerned quarters and enable it to provide more services to its targeted poor and underprivileged people.

Biplob Chakma
Executive Director
ASHIKA Manabik Unnyan Kendra

This year ASHIKA has updated its Financial, Administrative, Staff Management policies in order to make them more useful, befitting and realistic for the organization. It has signed four separate MOUs with four different donors and has started implementing the concerned projects in different parts of Rangamati Hill district in addition to 8 on-going projects. Following is the brief details of the projects:

BRAC is a trusted and reliable development partner of ASHIKA. Partnership with BRAC started back in the year 2000. This year also BRAC has been appreciable enough to include ASHIKA as their partner. This fall ASHIKA was awarded partnership under 1.13 CHT-6 to continue Non-Formal Primary Education (NFPE) project up to December 31, 2016 while the duration of previous partnership continues up to December 31, 2014. Both the projects are being implemented in Rangamati, Naniarchar and Kaptai upazila under Rangamati Hill District. So far project activities are going on well under active and regular supervision of project management.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
BRAC	4,216,722/-	3 yrs.	138



Save the Children, a most renowned International NGO, has come forward to work in Rangamati Hill District and it has chosen ASHIKA as its partner. It might have taken into consideration the long experience of ASHIKA in working for the children in education sector. An MOU was signed between ASHIKA and Save the Children in December 2014 for a period of 27 months. This project is being implemented in Rangamati sadar, Kawkhali and Naniarcha upazila under active monitoring and supervision regional officer of Save the Children. This is a very vital and opportune project as it deals with pre-primary education for children in mother tongue. As it is too early to comment on the impact of this project, still one can assume that the activities of this project will soon take root deeper in the minds of the children as they are taught in their mother language which is a long-demanded issue of the CHT people.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
Save the Children	3,228,725/-	27 months	311



It is a big achievement for ASHIKA that it could be able to induce Muslim Aid Bangladesh Field Office logically to work in Rangamati Hill District in partnership with ASHIKA. ASHIKA has involved Rangamati Development Associates (RDA) as lead organization technically. An

agreement was signed with Muslim Aid Bangladesh Field Office for implementing this WASH project since November 2014 to July 2015. Later a 3 months' no-cost extension was approved by the donor resulting in continuation of the project till October 2015. This project has largely contributed to ease crucial safe drinking water supply and sanitation situation in project area. About 10,020 including villagers and school children derive safe drinking water and sanitation facilities out of this project.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
Muslim Aid Bangladesh Field Office	3,529,800/-	1 year	10,020



Apart from typical development partnership, ASHIKA has stepped in to the era of development through social business by signing an MOU with Grameen Telecom Trust in August 2014. This project is meant for mushroom and mushroom seed production. The activities of this project instigate people (especially the women folk) engage part of their time in producing mushroom to bring extra income for their family. This easy and user-friendly technology of mushroom production and availability of quality seeds at *ASHIKA Mushroom Centre* have opened an avenue of earning income for poor people of this area. About 5000 thousand people are estimated to be benefitted out of this project.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
Grameen Telecom Trust	1,500,000/-	8 years	5,000



Enforcement of Local Institutional Laws Focusing Public Awareness through Sustainable Good Governance Approach"- (ELFOS Phase II) started in August 2009 in partnership with Nowzuan funded by Royal Danish Embassy. First phase of ELFOS project ended in June 2013 and second phase started in July 2013. As per present agreement the project will run up to June 2016. Presently the project is being implemented in Kaptai upazila under Rangamati Hill District. This project is considered to be very helpful as it deals with local institutional laws and participatory by nature. There is ample scope for the local institutional representatives in the activities of this project.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
Royal Danish Embassy	14,184,400/-	3 years (II phase)	32,000



HYSAWA GoB Fund project is under implementation by ASHIKA in three unions of Naniarchar upazila under Rangamati Hill District. It deals with Hygiene, Water Supply and sanitation promotion. This project is playing an important role in rural areas of CHT considering poor HYSAWA situation in this region. This project started in November 2013 and will end in November 2015. A total of 36951 persons are beneficiary of this project. Contract value of this project is Tk. 4,671,600/-.

ASHIKA, in partnership with Green Hill consortium, is implementing Second Chittagong Hill Tracts Rural Development Project (*CHTRDP-II*) since September 2013. This project is being funded by Asian Development Bank. As per present agreement, this project will run up to August 2018. This project takes care of community mobilization in carrying out manifold community development. The contract value of this project is Tk. 33,517,480/-.

ASHIKA takes the credit of winning partnership of Manusher Jonno Foundation, a prestigious donor in Bangladesh for implementing “Upgrading sustainable Households’ Affordability Project (*USHA*)” from October 2013 to July 2016. This project is meant for the welfare of rural poor households through facilitating numerous income earning activities. This project is being implemented in Naniarchar upazila.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
Manusher Jonno Foundation	7,474,891/-	3 years	3,600



With financial support provided by BLAST-UKAID-DFID, ASHIKA has been implementing “Community Legal Aid Services” project since January 2013 in Rangamati Hill District. This project provides legal aid services to helpless community people, especially in case of violation against women. The project will run up to December 2016.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
BLAST-UKAID-DFID	67,500/-	4 years	381

ASHIKA has been implementing “Skill Development Training on Indigenous Handloom for Destitute Jumma Women of CHT” project since September 2013. This project is aimed at

women rights and alternative livelihood development and very much helpful to rural women of this region. Bangladesh NGO Foundation is the donor of this project.

Donor	Contract Value	Duration	No. of beneficiaries
Bangladesh NGO Foundation	25,000/-	2013- to be continued	381



List of office bearers (2014-2015) of ASHIKA:

Sl. #	Name	Designation	Gender
1	Shamim Haider	Chairperson	Male
2	Ripon Chakma	Vice-Chairperson	Male
3	Biplob Chakma	General Secretary	Male
4	Upal Kanti Mutsuddi	Asst. General Secretary	Male
5	Md. Ali	Finance Secretary	Male
6	Rangabi Tanchangya	Member	Female
7	Remliana Pankhoa	Member	Male

Balance sheet of ASHIKA for the year 2014-2015:



Ref. :

Date: 16 SEP 2015

ASHIKA Manabik Unnayan Kendra
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RANGAMATI.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2015.

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES :	NOTE NO.	AMOUNT IN TAKA
FUND ACCOUNT :	1.00	(125,318.00)
MEMBER SAVINGS :	2.00	3,600.00
LOAN ACCOUNT (ASHIKA Outlet) :	3.00	340,707.00
LOAN ACCOUNT (ASHIKA General) :	4.00	4,057,377.00
LOAN ACCOUNT (ASHIKA Members) :	5.00	207,965.00
CURRENT LIABILITIES :	6.00	4,800.00
TOTAL TAKA :		4,489,131.00

PROPERTY AND ASSETS :	NOTE NO.	AMOUNT IN TAKA
FIXED ASSETS :	7.00	2,938,882.00
LOAN AGAINST MEMBER SAVINGS :	8.00	13,000.00
ADVANCE & DEPOSIT :	9.00	6,000.00
TEMPORARY LOAN ACCOUNT :	10.00	206,338.00
LOAN ACCOUNT (ASHIKA Craft) :	11.00	340,707.00
CASH AND BANK BALANCES :	12.00	984,204.00
TOTAL TAKA :		4,489,131.00

Signed in terms of our report of even date annexed.



AHMED ZAKER & Co.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

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