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ESDO AT A GLANCE

(Up to June 2001)

Year of Establishment	:	1988
Area Coverage		
Village	:	972
Urban Slums	:	55
Total	:	1027
Rural Unions	:	124
Urban Wards	:	10
Total	:	134
Upazilas	:	33
Districts	:	13
Area office	:	41
Rural Credit and Peoples Sustainability		
Primary Groups (Women)	:	950
Primary Groups (Men)	:	75
Total	:	1025
Primary Group Members		
Women	:	19337
Men	:	20216
Total	:	
Households	:	68716
Beneficiaries	:	82766
Credit Assistance		
Loans Provided to the Groups for IGP	:	228555900
Training		
Participants Received Awareness Raising Training	:	46000
Participants Received Practical Skill Development Training (Formal and Non-formal)	:	18500
Adult Education	:	93000
Adult Literacy Centers Set up So Far	:	3100
Persons Graduated with Functional Literacy Skill	:	88000
Child Education		
Non-formal Primary Schools Established	:	439
Students Enrolled into Non-Formal Primary Schools	:	13170
Housing		
Houses constructed for the poor	:	300
Hand tubewells Installed	:	4500
Low-cost Sanitary latrines installed	:	6500
Total Staff	:	910
Annual Budget	:	106979969.00

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Annual Report gives the achievements of ESDO in the financial year 2000-2001 and in the past years. In FY 2000-2001 ESDO expanded many significant development program. Much preparatory work involving a prolonged survey to identify potential areas and target people. A brief summary of the achievements by programs is presented below:

Income Generation Program (IGP):

ESDO has learnt through experience that Credit is a strong weapon to fight against poverty. It has a clear and comprehensive savings and credit policy. ESDO provided near about 20000 people with employment and income-generating opportunities since the inception of its income-generation program. A total of 6226 IGP projects by the group members were supported with credit assistance from the revolving loan fund of ESDO this year. The total amount disbursed for these projects was Tk.22382000.00

So far, Tk. 193688500.00 against 26644 borrowers have been provided to the groups. The cumulative loan recovery rate was 98%.

Participatory Livestock Development Program:

ESDO has been implementing Participatory Livestock Development Program with collaboration of and direct assistance from department of Livestock services, PKSF, ADB & DANIDA.

During the year ESDO's PLDP program was disbursed Tk. 18922000.00 among the group members on livestock development. Loan outstanding as on June 2001 Tk.8833597.00 The cumulative loan recovery rate was above 98%.

Occupational Skill Development Training Program:

Training is an approach to impart technique and knowledge to the individual or a group of professionals to develop their skill and efficiency in discharging their duties more effectively. ESDO has a training project under its Eco Training Center as like as others project. A group of skill and human development trainer implemented its training project. Occupational skill development training under FSSAP, DNFE and IFADEP-1 also conducted by its skill trainer.

ESDO feel that essential to implementation of any program is a skilled manpower. Organizational efficiency is measured by an efficient work force. Training play's a major role in achieving this efficiency. Since its emerges and nurtures the inherent qualities of a human being sharpens the intellect, develop skills, change behaviors and attitudes and important step in working with the community. Every years ESDO provides training to the Govt. and Non government personnel to help them in providing better service to the client. ESDO implemented occupational skill development training among the dropout girl's students under Female Secondary School Assistance Project (FSSAP).

Social Awareness Training Program:

The poor can be free from poverty only when they can develop their potential as human beings. But this development does not come by itself. ESDO approach to poverty alleviation means that the group members are given proper training so that their equipped with necessary qualities to better their lives.

So far more than 15000 people have received human development training which has helped them developed analytical skills, positive attitudes, management and operational skills.

Adult Education Project:

The AEP of ESDO was undertaken to provide functional adult literacy skill to its group members. This year a total of 435 adult literacy center were opened for 13050 adult learners marking 90% achievement. A total of 11750 learners graduated in this period.

Child Education Program:

The numbers of primary schools in rural areas are insufficient to accommodate al children of school going age. One school with in two miles radius for a densely populated country like Bangladesh is not enough. Also distance of school and communication problem main difficult for the children to attend schools especially the young girls. Parents often fell insecure to send their children to schools. Also as the children contribute to the family as a family labor, they often cannot attend school. The children of poor families cannot attend school due to school timing as it hinders their participation in economic activities.

On the other hand all there factors along with socio-cultural system hinds education especially for girls. The number of female teacher is another influencing factor for girl's enrollment and retention in school. Teacher student ratio is high to allow greater care for students. Govt. system neither allows the dropout to enter the system once again after a certain periods nor it flexible enough to accommodate a convenient timing of schooling for working children.

Realizing these above situation ESDO felt that Bangladesh cannot develop without human development and sustainable human development depend on education. Economics are build not merely through the accumulation of physical capital and human skill but on a foundation of information learning and adoption. To educated the rural dropped and who can not enroll in the Govt. school ESDO started Non formal Primary Education program from 1994 by the initiative of its committed social organizer implement up to date funded by OXFAM & Proshika etc.

Fisheries Development Program:

The aim of ESDO's Fisheries Program is to facilitate the access of the poor fishing communities and fish farmers to public and private water resources and to contribute to the overall fish production of the country. Another objectives are to improve the incomes and environment of farmers and reduce declining soil fertility, pesticide damage and increase farm income. To insure these aims and objectives ESDO continuing Go-Interfish and Pond Re-excavation program with the support of CARE-DfID and IFADEP-2.

Eco- Training Center:

ESDO has established a full-pledged training center with a capacity of 60 participants facilitated with fooding, lodging and recreation. ESDO developed its training manual and course module based on planned activities of different projects. The training cell of ESDO is equipped with skill training personnel and well maintained classroom. The training cell has important roll in transmitting ESDOs development objectives in to reality.

Eco-Agriculture Farm:

It is a field of experimenting and inventing new, innovative and appropriate technologies. It also serve as a demonstration plot and a training ground.

Community Re-generative Agriculture Project:

ESDO has been concerned about the disastrous practice of using chemical fertilizer and pesticides for long now and has committedly being engaged in popularizing this alternative agricultural method which is sustainable, productive, equitable yet retains bio-diversity. It takes in to account the whole ecology of which the human being is a part. Under this program, the organization supported- 100 ecological agriculture projects in homestead gardening. A total of 350 group members were involved in these project.

Strengthening Household Access to Bari gardening Program (SHABGE):

ESDO is implementing SHABGE project with the partnership of CARE-DFID. The goal of this project to improve the livelihood of poor and marginal female and male of 3 district. The objective of this project is to increase the homestead production of 7200 poor farmer through vegetable and fruits cultivation. Output of this project is increase capacity of 7200 poor women and male farmers to manage the homestead.

Agriculture Technology Transfer Project (ATTP):

The aim of ESDO's ATTP project is to increase the income and employment opportunity for the rural poor women with in a short time and minimum investment. Another objectives are to increase the production and consumption of beef and use of local resources (Straw and Molasses) as quality cattle feed.

To developed the technical know how and management capacity of the rural poor for transferring the proposed technology among the neighbors people of its working area. ESDO has been performing all of its activities through participatory approaches.

Network Against Oppressed Women (NAOW):

ESDO is implementing & Network Against oppressed Women (NAOW) project supported by Proshika. ESDO puts great emphasis on organizing shomiti members to protest against any kinds of injustices and to establish their just fundamental rights. The worst sufferers of the society are the women. Although physical violence on women is decreasing in the project area due to intervention of ESDO, disparities between men and women are still there. The women could not yet establish their rights in all spheres of life. Still they are subject to men and they can not decide anything by themselves.

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Dowry in marriage is still a great threat to the existence of women. This is simply impossible to arrange a dowry free marriage in a rural society irrespective of rich and poor. The poor people are the worst sufferers of dowry system. The poor people lose their money and properties to arrange dowry for their daughters' marriage. Many parents can not find bridegrooms for their daughter, because they can not fulfil the demands of dowry. Every day, there are incidents of physical torture on women by their husbands for not giving dowry in accordance with the promise by the parents of the brides. In many cases husbands in collaboration with their family members kill their wives brutally for the same reason. Although there is law against dowry but it is not effective. ESDO believes that law is not enough to abolish dowry system from the society.

Therefore ESDO thinks that a social mobilization should be launched against dowry throughout the country. ESDO is doing a series of activities such as:

1. Motivation through personal contact.
2. Organize group meetings.
3. Organize workshops.
4. Stage popular theatre.
5. Arrange dowry free marriage.

Social Forestry Project:

ESDO undertake Social Forestry program from 1994. The Social Forestry program helps generate substantial income for those who participate in this program. The main goal and objectives of this project are:

1. Promote in sustainable environment in pursuit of quality livelihood and alleviated poverty.
2. Promote in participatory, community based environmental resources management and environmental protection.
3. Promoting environmental friendly activities in Social Forestry.
4. Creating public awareness for participation in Social Forestry.

Safe Water and Sanitation Program:

In the rural areas only 36.9% of the population have acceptable sanitary system safe disposal of excreta (source the 5th five year plan). Its create a numbers of problem in the area of environment, water supply and sanitation. Better health for people in Bangladesh requires: Good personal hygiene, Use of sanitary latrine, Use of clean water. Realizing this situation ESDO initiated to implement water and sanitation project with the active participation of local people as a partner NGO funded by NGO Forum.

Solid Waste Management Project:

ESDO implementing solid waste management project supported by Asian Development Bank and Local Government Engineering Department. Objective of the project is:

- To collect all waste in a ward from dustbin (public and private).
- Street sweeping and drain cleaning for a sustainable healthful environment in the urban area.
- Transport and disposal at a final disposal site.
- Involve the sweepers other labors of Paurashava in the project.

Housing Project:

The initial objective of the housing project was to assist ESDO group members with necessary credit and technical supports so that they could build viable but low-cost houses with the support of Bangladesh Bank.

During the reporting period 300 houses have been constructed for 1800 persons.

Popular Theater Program:

Using the indigenous cultural forms as an effective motivational tool for raising people's awareness against various social injustice as well as asserting their rights has proved very successful. ESDO institutionalized the approach and brought such activities under PTP.

Research and Documentation Cell:

ESDO has made various types of survey, study and research on the field of ESDO's existing development activities and potential, innovative fields with the support of OXFAM, UNICEF, DNFE. A group of experience and educated development workers involved in research and documentation cell.

NGO support service:

Assistance to other organizations is a newly introduced initiative of ESDO, which aims at building partnership with local NGO's, Clubs and cultural institutions to achieve the greater roll of establishing poverty-free, environmentally sound and a gender-just society.

ESDO Gender Cell:

ESDO Gender Cell is not a separate program per se, but a cross-cutting component that has a bearing on all other programs of ESDO. In order to ensure systematic and well-coordinated implementation of all the objectives of ESDO gender cell. ESDO formed the gender cell in 2000. It performs multiple activities to further women's interest all over.

Background

A group of young, energetic, and enthusiastic social workers, educated in various subjects of social science of Thakurgaon District town started some philanthropic welfare activities according to their own way. Afterwards the close association and involvement with the community specially with the disadvantaged section of the society inspired them to feel and realize that a planned and organized effort is imperative to change the fate of the land-less and asset-less people in general and the women in particular. Out of the urge and their heart felt realization ESDO emerged as an institution with the leadership of Md. Shahid Uz Zaman 3rd April 1988. At the very outset it experienced a devastating flood which eventually compelled the initiators to formulate a planned and systematic approach to address the problems of this section of the people with special emphasis on the women. Since then ESDO undertaking various need based development activities.

Goal

Ensuring empowerment of the rural disadvantaged people specially the poor women through generate employment opportunities.

Objectives

- a. Creating awareness for the improvement in the quality of life of the poor, specially the women through human development training, education, technical education and sustainable technology.
- b. To uplift the Socio-economic condition through Credit, Non-formal Education, Health and Sanitation and Skill training.
- c. To unite the largest people in order to under take collective efforts for empowering the poor specially the women.

Legal Status

It has been registered from the social service bearing the Reg. No. 440/88. It has also obtained the registration from the NGO Affairs Bureau, Government of Bangladesh bearing the registration number 694/93, Directorate of Family Planning Reg. No. A-149/2000.

Beneficiaries

- a. Who earn by selling manual labor.
- b. Who own maximum 1 acre of Agriculture land or the total property, tangible and intangible equivalent to cost of 1 acre of Agriculture land.
- c. Specially women.

Management

A General Body governs ESDO. General body elects a 7 members executive committee (EC). EC provides policy guide. The Executive Director do the rest with the help of line staff. ESDO has at present 30 independent offices including its head office and 150 regular and 704 temporary/ project staff.

Development Partnership

1. Pally Karma Sahayak Foundation (PKSF)
2. South Asia Partnership-Bangladesh (SAP-BD)
3. Directorate of Non-Formal Education (DNFE), Government of Bangladesh
4. CARE-Bangladesh

5. OXFAM
6. Proshika
7. NGO Forum
8. BARC
9. LGED
10. UNICEF
11. BARRA
12. UNDP
13. NORAD
14. IFADEP-2
15. ADB-DANIDA
16. Bangladesh Bank
17. Department of Primary Education, Government of Bangladesh

Networking

ESDO has membership with ADAB, Forum for Re-generative Agriculture Movement, Network Against women oppression, NGO-Forum for DWSS, Bangladesh fund raising group, Credit and Development Forum (CDF), Sustainable Primary Education Forum, Nari Fourm, Center for Women and Children Studies, Fair Election Monitoring Alliance (FEMA).

LIST OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF ESDO

Mr. Mirza F.I. Alamgir	-	Chairman
Mr. Shafiqul Islam	-	Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Anita Rani Sarker	-	Member (Finance)
Mr. Romesh Chandra Sen	-	Member
Mrs. Salima Akhter	-	Member
Md. Iqbal	-	Member

Md. Shahid Uz Zaman, Member Secretary and Executive Director

ESDO SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Executive Director

Md. Shahid Uz Zaman

Director (Administration)

Selima Akhter

Consultant

Mr. Mostafizur Rahman Khan
Lecturer, Dep. of Public Administration
University of Rajshahi

Team leader

Md. Shafiqul Islam

Program Coordinator

K.N. Sarker

Coordinators

Mr. Atal Kumar Majumder

Mr. Sayed Ali

Mr. Jashim Uddin

Mr. Atiqur Rahman Dulal

Mr. Jamini Kumar Roy

Mr. Shamim Hossain

Mr. Enamul Hoque

Mr. Nirmal Majumder

Johuratun Nessa

Mr. Gaoutom Roy

Mr. Moshir Rahman

Mr. Shwapan Kumar Shaha

Program Officers

Mr. Abul Mansur Sarker

Mr. Krishna Kumar Roy

Mr. Shoujanna Sarker

Mr. Fazlul Hoque

Mr. Delwar Islam

Shefali Sarker

Josna Begum

Anjuman Ara Hashi

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Mr. Shah Md. Aminul Hoque

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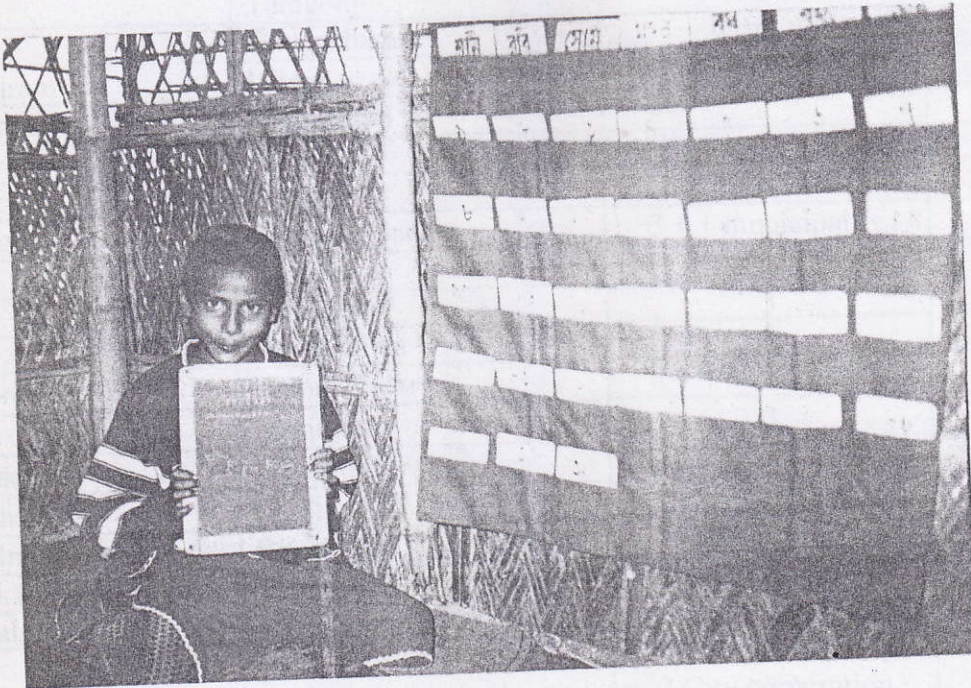
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Sl. No.	Name of Officer	Address
1.	ESDO Training Center	Collegepara, Thakurgaon
2.	ESDO 001 Area Office	Shibgonj, Thakurgaon
3.	ESDO 002 Area Office	Collegepara, Thakurgaon
4.	ESDO 003 Area Office	Munshir Hat, Union: Debipur, Upazila & District: Thakurgaon
5.	ESDO 004 Area Office	Ruhiya, Thakurgaon
6.	ESDO 005 Area Office	Shibgonj, Thakurgaon
7.	ESDO 006 Area Office	Main Road, Goraya, Thakurgaon
8.	ESDO 007 Area Office	Lahiri Road, Baliadangi, Thakurgaon
9.	ESDO 008 Area Office	Shib Dhigi, Ranisankail, Thakurgaon
10.	ESDO 009 Area Office	Mitrobati, Pirgonj, Thakurgaon
11.	ESDO 010 Area Office	Jabarhat, Pirgonj, Thakurgaon
12.	ESDO 011 Area Office	U.N.O Office campus, Horipur, Thakurgaon
13.	ESDO 012 Area Office	Nekmorad Hat, Ranisankail, Thakurgaon
14.	ESDO 013 Area Office	Lohagara Bazar, Pirgonj, Thakurgaon
15.	ESDO 014 Area Office	Opposite of U.N.O office, Tetulia, Panchagarh
16.	ESDO 015 Area Office	Plot No.38, Uposhar-2, Dinajpur
17.	ESDO 016 Area Office	Khochabari, Thakurgaon
18.	ESDO 017 Area Office	Birgonj, Dinajpur
19.	ESDO Kaharol	Kaharol Bazar, Kaharol, Dinajpur
20.	ESDO Bochagonj	Chatoil Union Parishad Campas, Chatoil, Bochagonj, Dinajpur
21.	ESDO Birampur	Bijul Bazal, Birampur, Dinajpur
22.	ESDO Taragonj	Thana Road, Taragonj, Rangpur
23.	ESDO Gongachara	Rangpur Road (Nearly Horticulture Farm), Gongachara, Rangpur
24.	ESDO Mithapukur	Pairabandha, Mithapukur, Rangpur
25.	ESDO Ulipur	Pandul, Ulipur, Kurigram
26.	ESDO Nator	Choukirpar, Nator
27.	ESDO Barigram	Chandai Hat, Barigram, Nator
28.	ESDO Niamatpur	Niamatpur Bazar, Niamatpur, Naogaon

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| 29. | ESDO Rajshahi | Baliapukur, Rajshahi |
| 30. | ESDO Rangpur | Road No.1, House No.4, South Mulatol. Rangpur |
| 31. | ESDO Dewangonj | Dewangonj Bazar, Dewangonj, Jamalpur |
| 32. | ESDO Sundargonj | Sundargonj, Gaibandha |
| 33. | ESDO Shariakandi | Shariakandi Bus stand, Shariakandi. Bogra |
| 34. | ESDO Dhunat | Nearly Old Fertilizer Godown, Dhunat. Bogra |
| 35. | ESDO Khulna | TB Crossing Road By lane, Khulna |
| 36. | ESDO Sirajgonj | Municipality Campus, Sirajgonj |
| 37. | ESDO Ullapara | Panchocroshi, Ullapara, Sirajgonj |
| 38. | ESDO Kazipur | Alampur Chourasta, Kazipur, Sirajgonj |
| 39. | ESDO Shajadpur | Nagardala, Shajadpur, Sirajgonj |
| 40. | ESDO Agriculture Firm | Village: Purba Akcha, P.O. Farabari, Upazila and
District: Thakurgaon |
| 41. | ESDO Commercial Project:
CHAMAK | North Circular Road, Thakurgaon |



GEOGRAPHICAL AREA COVERAGE

Up to June 2001

Name of District	Name of Thana	No. of Union	No. of Village
Thakurgaon	Thakurgaon Sadar	19 + 1 municipality	225
	Baliadangi	8	90
	Ranisankail	8	88
	Pirgonj	11 + 1 municipality	117
	Horipur	6	56
Dinajpur	Dinajpur Sadar	3 + 1 municipality	32
	Birgonj	4	28
	Bochagonj	2	19
	Kaharol	2	09
	Birampur	2	09
Panchagarh	Tetulia	3	14
	Boda	3	12
	Atoary	4	14
	Debigonj	2	07
Rangpur	Kaunia	1 + 1 municipality	08
	Mithapukur	2	09
	Taragonj	4	17
	Gongachara	4	16
Kurigram	Ulipur	4	22
Gaibandha	Sundargonj	2	05
Bogra	Dunat	3	09
	Sariakandi	4	11
Sirajgonj	Sirajgonj Sadar	3 + 1 municipality	27
	Kazipur	3	13
	Ullahpara	3	15
	Shahajadpur	3	11
Natore	Natore Sadar	2 + 1 municipality	26
	Boraigram	3	16
Nogaon	Niamatpur	3	12
Rajshahi	Boalia	1 City corporation	08
Khulna	Rupsha	1 City corporation	08
Dhaka	Tejgaon	1 City corporation	05
Jamalpur	Dewangonj	3	14
13	33	124 + 6 municipality + 3 City corporation	972



INCOME GENERATION PROGRAM (IGP):

ESDO has learnt through experience that credit is an important tool in alleviating poverty. ESDO has clear credit policy. The policy gives emphasis on income and employment generation.

In this context ESDO has created a revolving loan fund to run a credit program for its somiti members. The credit is provided to the groups and the group's responsibility remains with regard to profitable investment and regular repayment. The credit program has covered almost all somiti by rotation.

With this support of Pally Karma Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) ESDO started its IGP program from 31st October, 1991.

AREA COVERED ON IGP:

Name	Numbers	Name of District & Thana
District	03	Thakurgaon, Panchagarh, Dinajpur
Thana	08	Thakurgaon Sadar, Baliadangi, Pirgonj, Ranisankail, Atoary, Devigonj, Birgonj and Dimla, Dinajpur, Tetulia.
Union	30	
Village	152	

CUMULATIVE INFORMATION ON IGP:

(June 2001: Funded by PKSF)

No. of Area	No. of Somiti			No. of Group Member			No. of Loanee member			Disbursement	Recovery	Outstanding Loan
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total			
002	20	142	162	212	2050	2262	174	1515	1689	82185000.00	75773995.00	6411005.00
004	04	70	74	46	867	914	46	762	808	23418500.00	21180168.00	2238332.00
005	04	65	69	59	668	727	55	562	617	21490000.00	19550087.00	1939913.00
006	14	75	89	169	986	1155	166	855	1021	19727500.00	17291246.00	2436254.00
Total	42	352	394	486	4571	5058	441	3694	4135	146821000.00	133795496.00	13025504.00

Note: PKSF fund outstanding : 13025504.00
Own fund outstanding : 5858521.00

CUMULATIVE INFORMATION ON IGP (Non PKSF fund):

No. of Area	No. of Somiti			No. of Group Member			No. of Loanee member			Disbursement	Recovery	Outstanding Loan
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total			
001	3	104	107	54	1423	1477	54	1227	1281	30001500.00	26842114.00	3159386.00
003	30	58	88	339	553	892	339	471	810	16866000.00	14898640.00	1967360.00
011	0	43	43	0	620	620	0	1477	1477	1171000.00	439225.00	731775.00
Total	33	205	238	393	2596	2989	393	3175	3568	48038500.00	42179979.00	5858521.00

BASIC DATA ON IGP FUNDED BY PKSF:

No.	Information	Male	Female	Total
01.	No. of Somiti	42	352	394
02.	No. of members	486	4571	5057
03.	No. of loanee members	441	3694	3135
04.	Total loan disbursed			146821000.00
05.	Total loan recovered			133795496.00
06.	Loan outstanding			13025504.00
07.	Recovery rate			98.43%
08.	Overdue			2130030.00
09.	Total savings			21579213.00
10.	Savings refund			14259313.00
11.	Savings outstanding			7319900.00
12.	Fund received from PKSF			53400000.00
13.	Fund refund to PKSF			40800000.00
14.	Fund outstanding			12600000.00
15.	Asset loan from PKSF			232200.00
16.	Asset loan refund to PKSF(Computer)			100475.00
17.	Vehicle loan refund to PKSF			1094000.00
18.	Vehicle loan refund to PKSF			40800000.00
19.	Service charge refund to PKSF			3172625.00

PKSF FUND FLOW AT A GLANCE (PRINCIPAL):

Year	Received	Refund	Balance
1991-92	2,00,000.00	-	2,00,000.00
1992-93	8,00,000.00	95,000.00	9,05,000.00
1993-94	26,00,000.00	4,40,000.00	30,65,000.00
1994-95	60,00,000.00	13,65,000.00	77,00,000.00
1995-96	84,00,000.00	33,00,000.00	1,28,00,000.00
1996-97	80,00,000.00	55,80,000.00	1,52,20,000.00
1997-98	80,00,000.00	77,80,000.00	1,54,40,000.00
1998-99	60,00,000.00	85,40,000.00	1,29,00,000.00
1999-2000	65,00,000.00	77,00,000.00	1,17,00,000.00
2000-2001	69,00,000.00	60,00,000.00	1,26,00,000.00

Year Wise Somiti, Members & Loanee Members (Male-Female) Information:

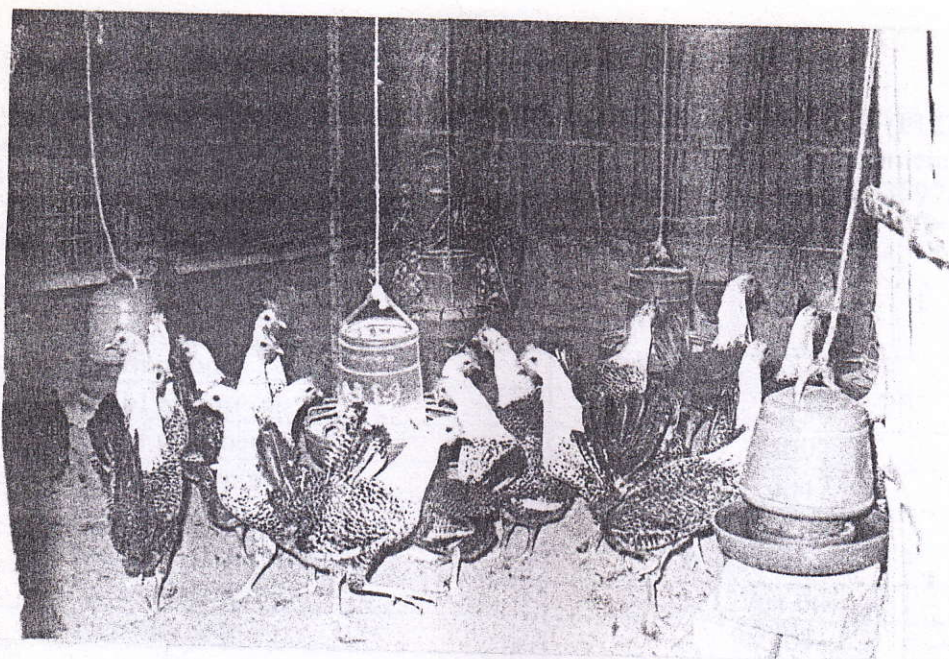
Year	Somiti	Member	Loanee member		
			Male	Female	Total
1991-92	105	1329	123	229	352
1992-93	105	1357	273	471	744
1993-94	207	3110	436	727	1163
1994-95	462	6939	705	3486	4191
1995-96	530	8214	585	6243	6828
1996-97	529	9105	428	6841	7269
1997-98	588	9853	344	6989	7333
1998-99	569	8394	699	6380	7079
1999-2000	571	7768	800	5907	6707
2000-2001	632	8047	834	5868	6703

Year wise Loan disbursement, Realization, and Outstanding Statement:

Year	Disbursement	Realization	Outstanding
1991-92	2,78,000.00	60,934.00	2,17,066.00
1992-93	16,14,000.00	9,52,069.00	8,78,997.00
1993-94	41,56,000.00	15,09,657.00	35,25,340.00
1994-95	1,23,51,500.00	83,85,105.00	74,91,738.00
1995-96	2,62,13,000.00	1,87,36,726.00	1,49,68,012.00
1996-97	3,23,76,000.00	2,93,93,746.00	1,79,50,266.00
1997-98	2,58,28,000.00	2,36,82,296.00	2,00,95,970.00
1998-99	3,10,90,000.00	3,41,07,346.00	1,70,78,624.00
1999-2000	2,40,16,000.00	2,81,42,467.00	1,29,52,157.00
2000-2001	2,06,01,000.00	2,05,27,653.00	1,30,25,504.00

Year wise savings statement:

Year	Savings received	Savings refund	Savings balance
1991-92	1,06,233.00	-	1,06,233.00
1992-93	84,446.00	-	84,446.00
1993-94	2,60,386.00	-	2,60,386.00
1994-95	8,50,888.00	-	8,50,888.00
1995-96	34,54,688.00	9,54,440.00	38,02,198.00
1996-97	39,22,233.00	23,37,788.00	53,86,643.00
1997-98	36,93,153.00	19,14,866.00	71,64,930.00
1998-99	35,75,157.00	37,30,943.00	70,09,144.00
1999-2000	29,13,790.00	23,33,817.00	75,89,120.00
2000-2001	27,18,239.00	29,87,459.00	73,19,900.00



PARTICIPATORY LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (PLDP)

ESDO implemented participatory Livestock Development Project (PLDP) from 1998 and up to date. At northwest Thana's Baliadangi, Ranisankail & Pirgonj under Thakurgaon district. This project executed by department of livestock services (DLS) implemented by ESDO as partner of PKSF. Technical assisted by Danish Rural Development Consultant (DARUDUC) and sponsored by Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Danish International Assistant (DANIDA).

Objective:

1. Provide micro finance & Technical Service through ESDO'S staff for livestock enterprises suitable for the poor.
2. Support development livestock services in reorienting its approach to the delivery of service to the poor.
3. Develop the capabilities of DLS and NGO'S and Rural Communities to plan and manage livestock development activities.
4. Alleviate poverty and improve Economic status through self-employment.

The output beneficiaries:

- 12135 small holder poultry enterprises and 135 house hold for beef fattening would be directly benefited from the project.
- Women employment opportunity will be generated.

AREA COVERED BY PLDP:

District	Thana	No. of Union	No. of Village
Thakurgaon	Ranisankail	07	49
Thakurgaon	Baliadangi	07	36
Thakurgaon	Pirgonj	08	31
1	3	22	116

During the year ESDO'S Participatory Livestock Development Project (PLDP) was disbursed Tk.33253400.00 among the group member on Livestock Development sector and Tk. 24419803.00 was recovered. Loan outstanding as on June 2001 Tk.8833597.00

BASIC DATA ON PLDP (Upazila Based):

A. Baliadangi Upazila

No.	Information	Female	Total
01.	No. of Somiti	150	150
02.	No. of members	4092	4092
03.	No. of loanee members	4047	4047
04.	Total loan disbursed	11379400.00	11379400.00
05.	Total loan recovered	8666636.00	8666636.00
06.	Loan outstanding	2712764.00	2712764.00
07.	Recovery rate	98.30%	98.30%
08.	Total savings	1319331.00	1319331.00
09.	Savings refund	364637.00	364637.00
10.	Savings outstanding	954694.00	954694.00

B. Ranisankail Upazila

No.	Information	Female	Total
01.	No. of Somiti	137	137
02.	No. of members	4087	4087
03.	No. of loanee members	3992	3992
04.	Total loan disbursed	12194000.00	12194000.00
05.	Total loan recovered	9428770.00	9428770.00
06.	Loan outstanding	2755230.00	2755230.00
07.	Recovery rate	98.40%	98.40%
08.	Total savings	1627564.00	1627564.00
09.	Savings refund	651435.00	651435.00
10.	Savings outstanding	976129.00	976129.00

C. Pirgonj Upazila

No.	Information	Female	Total
01.	No. of Somiti	106	106
02.	No. of members	3991	3991
03.	No. of loanee members	3025	3025
04.	Total loan disbursed	9690000.00	9690000.00
05.	Total loan recovered	6324397.00	6324397.00
06.	Loan outstanding	3365603.00	3365603.00
07.	Recovery rate	100%	100%
08.	Total savings	1676694.00	1676694.00
09.	Savings refund	303555.00	303555.00
10.	Savings outstanding	1373139.00	1373139.00

D. Basic Data on PLDP (Consolidate)

No.	Information	Female	Total
01.	No. of Somiti	393	393
02.	No. of members	12170	12170
03.	No. of loanee members	11064	11064
04.	Total loan disbursed	33253400.00	33253400.00
05.	Total loan recovered	24419803.00	24419803.00
06.	Loan outstanding	8833597.00	8833597.00
07.	Recovery rate	98.21%	98.21%
08.	Total savings	4623589.00	4623589.00
09.	Savings refund	1319627.00	1319627.00
10.	Savings outstanding	3303962.00	3303962.00

Upazila wise Somiti, Members and Loanee members (Male-Female) Information:

Upazila	Somiti	Member	Loanee Female
Baliadangi	150	4092	4047
Ranisankail	137	4087	3992
Pirgonj	106	3991	3025
Total	393	12170	11064

CADER WISE LOAN DISBURSEMENT: June 2001**A. Baliadangi Upazila:**

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Disbursement	Recovered	Loan Outstanding
01.	Beef Fattening	1482000.00	1341478.00	140522.00
02.	Chick Rearing	205400.00	115923.00	89477.00
03.	Key Rearer	9432500.00	7067616.00	2364884.00
04.	Model Breeder	80000.00	30786.00	49214.00
05.	Feed Seller	97000.00	56086.00	40914.00
06.	Poultry Worker	69500.00	50665.00	18835.00
07.	Egg collector	13000.00	4082.00	8918.00
Total		11379400.00	8666636.00	2712764.00

B. Ranisankail Upazila:

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Disbursement	Recovered	Loan Outstanding
01.	Beef Fattening	1739000.00	1607110.00	131890.00
02.	Chick Rearing	200000.00	150380.00	49620.00
03.	Key Rearer	9850000.00	7536681.00	2313319.00
04.	Model Breeder	118000.00	22196.00	95804.00
05.	Feed Seller	75000.00	40366.00	34634.00
06.	Poultry Worker	157000.00	56581.00	100419.00
07.	Egg collector	29000.00	10530.00	18470.00
08.	Mini Hatchery	16000.00	4926.00	11074.00
Total		12184000.00	9428770.00	2755230.00

C. Pirgonj Upazila:

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Disbursement	Recovered	Loan Outstanding
01.	Beef Fattening	387000.00	233252.00	153748.00
02.	Chick Rearing	145000.00	103656.00	41344.00
03.	Key Rearer	8855000.00	5805919.00	3049081.00
04.	Model Breeder	71000.00	41196.00	29804.00
05.	Feed Seller	42000.00	21529.00	20471.00
06.	Poultry Worker	147000.00	97648.00	49352.00
07.	Egg collector	35000.00	19757.00	15243.00
08.	Mini Hatchery	8000.00	1440.00	6560.00
Total		9690000.00	6324397.00	3365603.00

D. Cadre wish loan disbursement on PLDP (Consolidate):

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Disbursement	Recovered	Loan Outstanding
01.	Beef Fattening	3608000.00	3181840.00	426160.00
02.	Chick Rearing	550400.00	369959.00	180441.00
03.	Key Rearer	28137500.00	20410216.00	7727284.00
04.	Model Breeder	269000.00	94178.00	174822.00
05.	Feed Seller	214000.00	117981.00	96019.00
06.	Poultry Worker	373500.00	204894.00	168606.00
07.	Egg collector	77000.00	34369.00	42631.00
08.	Mini Hatchery	24000.00	6366.00	17634.00
Total		33253400.00	24419803.00	8833597.00

CADRE WISE TRAINING INFORMATION:

A. Baliadangi Upazila:

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Trained
01.	Beef Fattening	45
02.	Chick Rearing	40
03.	Key Rearer	3800
04.	Model Breeder	20
05.	Feed Seller	10
06.	Poultry Worker	100
07.	Egg collector	10
08.	Mini Hatchery	03
Total		4028

B. Ranisankail Upazila:

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Trained
01.	Beef Fattening	45
02.	Chick Rearing	40
03.	Key Rearer	3772
04.	Model Breeder	24
05.	Feed Seller	10
06.	Poultry Worker	100
07.	Egg collector	10
08.	Mini Hatchery	06
Total		4007

C. Pirgonj Upazila:

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Trained
01.	Beef Fattening	45
02.	Chick Rearing	30
03.	Key Rearer	2846
04.	Model Breeder	18
05.	Feed Seller	10
06.	Poultry Worker	87
07.	Egg collector	10
08.	Mini Hatchery	05
Total		3051

D. Cadre wise training information (Consolidate):

Sl. No.	Name of Cadre	Trained
01.	Beef Fattening	135
02.	Chick Rearing	110
03.	Key Rearer	10418
04.	Model Breeder	62
05.	Feed Seller	30
06.	Poultry Worker	287
07.	Egg collector	30
08.	Mini Hatchery	14
Total		11086

AREA WISE PLDP, DANIDA AND ADB FUNDED INFORMATION:

No. of Area	No. of Somiti			No. of Group Member			No. of Loanee member			Loan Disbursement	Loan Recovery	Loan Outstanding
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total			
007	-	150	150	-	4092	4092	-	4047	4047	11379400.00	8666636.00	2712764.00
008	-	137	137	-	4087	4087	-	3992	3992	12184000.00	9428770.00	2755230.00
009	-	106	106	-	3991	3991	-	3025	3025	9690000.00	6324397.00	3365603.00
Total	-	393	393	-	12170	12170	-	11064	11064	33253400.00	24419803.00	8833597.00



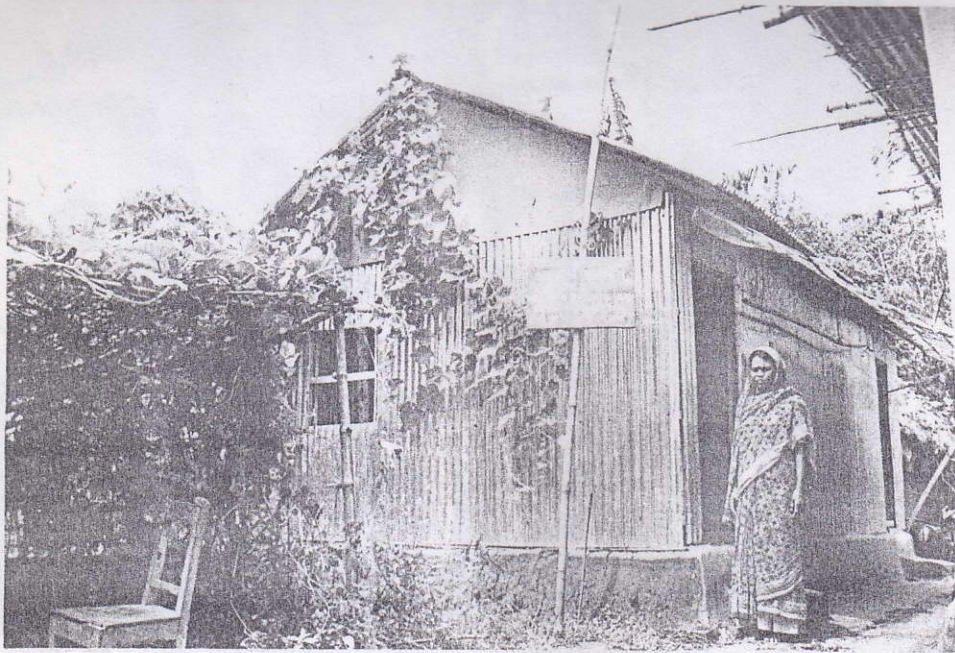
MICRO-ENTERPRISE PROJECT (MEP)

The MEP Program is completely a new ESDO development approach formally started in January 2001. The program essentially turn the graduated group members (the group members who have reached the poverty-free stage as defined by ESDO's group development policy) into small entrepreneurs. The aim is to develop a mechanism for thousands erstwhile poor into entrepreneurs as well as enhance the capacities of existing small entrepreneurs. This will create more employment opportunities for the poor.

Till to-date, 24 enterprises have been supported with Tk.12.00 Lac in Thakurgaon Town. Along with financial assistance, relevant training, business counseling and marketing extension supports have also been provided. The overall activity have created employment for 15 persons this year alone.

Major Activities under MEP:

- Chanachur Production
- Rickshaw making/ Repair
- Grocery Shop
- Tea-stall
- Poultry Firm
- Handicrafts



HOUSING PROJECT

Housing is the one of the basic need of human life. But due to a poor country a numbers of people's are living without quality housing. They are suffering from sun and rain and always feeling in a secured situation. Realizing this situation ESDO is implementing housing project sponsored by Bangladesh Government. ESDO provide credit facilities against the housing project

District	Upazila	Number of beneficiaries
Thakurgaon	Thakurgaon Sadar	75
Thakurgaon	Pirgonj	75
Thakurgaon	Haripur	75



OCCUPATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING(OSDP)

Training is an approach to impart technique and knowledge to the individual or a group of professionals to develop their skill and efficiency in discharging their duties more effectively. ESDO has a training project under its Eco Training Center as others project. A group of skill and human development trainer implemented its training project. Occupational Skill Development Training under FSSAP also conducted by its skill trainer.

ESDO feel that essential to implementation of any program is a skilled manpower. Organizational efficiency is measured by an efficient work force. Training play's a major role in achieving this efficiency. Since its emerges and nurtures the inherent qualities of a human being sharpens the intellect, develop skills, change behaviors and attitudes and important step in working with the community. Every year ESDO provides training to the Govt. and Non government personnel to help them in providing better service to the client.

The ESDO experience shows that OSDP helps its participants identify and tap underutilized local resources and make better use of the resources they already have. There are 11 broad-based categories of OSDP courses meant for both the group members and project beneficiaries as well as other organizations. These are conducted on basis of the needs of the participants.

Table: Broad-based categories of OSDP.

- IGA identification
- Poultry rearing
- Cow/ Goat rearing
- Pisciculture
- Nursery
- Vegetable gardening
- Sewing

- Embroidery
- Handicrafts
- Milk processing
- Shallow and Power Tiller Mechanics

Table: OSDP Courses, 2000-2001, Financed by Female Secondary School Assistance Project

District	Upazila	Number of beneficiaries	Trade
Thakurgaon	Baliadangi	40	Vegetable Gardning
Kurigram	Ulipur	40	-do-
Panchagar	Tatulia	40	Sewing
Dinajpur	Kaharol	40	Sewing

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Table: OSDP Courses, 2000-2001, Financed by Directorate of Non-Formal Education

District	Upazila	Number of beneficiaries	Trade
Thakurgaon	Horipur	32	Cow rearing and Milk processing
Thakurgaon	Horipur	10	Shallow and Power Tiller Mechanics
Thakurgaon	Horipur	24	Poultry rearing
Thakurgaon	Horipur	40	Tailoring and Embroidery

Table: OSDP Courses, 2000-2001, Financed by DANIDA

District	Upazila	Number of beneficiaries	Trade
Thakurgaon	Pirgonj		Poultry rearing
Thakurgaon	Ranisankail		Poultry rearing
Thakurgaon	Baliadangi		Poultry rearing

Note: Poultry rearing means: Chick Rearing, Key Rearing, Model Breeder, Feed Seller, Poultry worker, Egg collector and Mini Hatchery.

ESDO also organized Nursery, Vegetable gardening and Pisciculture Training with the support of CARE-DFID, Beef fattening with the support of BARC and IGA identification training with the support of PKSF during the last 2000-2001 financial year.



SOCIAL AWARENESS TRAINING PROGRAM (SATP)

The poor can be free from poverty only when they can develop their potential as human beings. But this development does not come by itself. ESDO's approach to poverty eradication means that the group members are given proper training so that they are equipped with necessary qualities to better their lives.

Therefore, training remains a key component in the ESDO development process. It gives vitality to all other components and combines them into an integrated whole.

So far, more than 15000 people have received human development training which has helped them develop analytical skills, positive attitudes, management and operational skills.

Training is conducted both in formal and non-formal settings. Formal Training program are held at Eco-Training Center, Colledgepara, Thakurgaon and area based training centres. There are numerous non-formal training courses organized by ESDO at the villages where it was.

Besides, for the uniform development of all the group members, group-based human development training courses have been introduced. This training is conducted during weekly group meetings of each and every group. A series of 3 training modules has been designed with the support of South Asia Partnership-Bangladesh on the issues like understanding poverty, poverty alleviation, Building organization of the poor, Woman and development, Health and nutrition, Education.

Broad-based categories of SATP.

- Social Analysis and the techniques of Building Organizations
- Development and Organization.
- Women and Development.
- Development and Management.
- People's Organization Management.
- People's Theater.
- Participatory Planning.
- Methods and Techniques of participatory training.



**NON-FORMAL ADULT
EDUCATION PROGRAM
(NFAEP)**

Education is one of the major programs of ESDO. To create awareness and to bring about changes in the life of the disadvantage people there is no alternative of education. Education program is sectoral program of ESDO. ESDO implemented this program through two dimension. 1. Non-formal Adult Education, 2. Non-formal Primary Education. In current year ESDO implemented 1065 Adult Education Center, 30 Primary Education Center and 120 Hard to Reach Primary Education for the urban working children.

ESDO is the one of the best organization in Bangladesh, which is implementing NFAEP program details information is stated through the following table:

Year: 1993-94

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	30	900	INFEP
Total		30	900	

Year: 1994-95

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	75	2250	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	40	800	SAP-Bangladesh
Total		115	3050	

Year: 1995-96

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	30	900	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	20	400	SAP-Bangladesh
Total		50	1300	

Year: 1996-97

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	60	1800	INFEP UNDP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	45	1350	INFEP NORAD
Baliadangi	Thakurgaon	45	1350	DNFE Project-1
Taragonj	Rangpur	45	1350	DNFE Project-1
Haripur	Thakurgaon	75	2250	DNFE Project-2
Mithapukur	Rangpur	75	2250	DNFE Project-2
Tetulia	Panchagarh	75	2250	DNFE Project-2
Niamatpur	Naogaon	90	2700	DNFE Project-2
Total		510	15300	

Year: 1997-98

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Mithapukur	Rangpur	120	3600	DNFE Project-2
Tetulia	Panchagarh	90	2700	DNFE Project-2
Haripur	Thakurgaon	105	3150	DNFE Project-2
Niamatpur	Naogaon	120	3600	DNFE Project-2
Dhumat	Bogra	105	3150	DNFE Project-2
Kajipur	Sirajgonj	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Sariakandi	Bogra	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Birgonj	Dinajpur	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Kaharol	Dinajpur	45	1350	DNFE Project-2
Baliadangi	Thakurgaon	90	2700	DNFE Project-1
Taragonj	Rangpur	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Gongachara	Rangpur	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Ulipur	Kurigram	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Gaibandha Sadar	Gaibandha	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Total		1125	33750	

Year: 1998-99

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Baliadangi	Thakurgaon	90	1800	DNFE Project-1
Gongachara	Rangpur	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Taragonj	Rangpur	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Ulipur	Kurigram	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Gaibandha Sadar	Gaibandha	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Haripur	Thakurgaon	105	3150	DNFE Project-2
Tetulia	Panchagarh	90	2700	DNFE Project-2
Mithapukur	Rangpur	120	3600	DNFE Project-2
Dhumat	Bogra	105	3150	DNFE Project-2
Niamatpur	Naogaon	120	3600	DNFE Project-2
Kajipur	Sirajgonj	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Badarganj	Rangpur	30	900	SAP-BD
Pirgachha	Rangpur	30	900	SAP-BD
Total		1020	29700	

Year: 1999-2000

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Ulipur	Kurigram	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Sundargonj	Gaibandha	45	1350	DNFE Project-1
Shahajadpur	Sirajgonj	45	1350	DNFE Project-1
Baliadangi	Thakurgaon	45	1350	DNFE Project-1
Ullahpara	Bogra	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Shahajadpur	Sirajgonj	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Ulipur	Kurigram	45	1350	DNFE Project-1
Horipur	Tetulia	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Kazipur	Sirajgonj	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Mithapukur	Rangpur	30	900	DNFE Project-2
Dhumat	Bogra	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Niamatpur	Naogaon	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Kaharol	Dinajpur	45	1350	DNFE Project-2
Birgonj	Dinajpur	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Sariakandi	Bogra	60	1800	DNFE Project-2
Total		795	23850	

Year: 2000-2001

Thana	District	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Ulipur	Kurigram	90	2700	DNFE Project-1
Taragonj	Rangpur	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Gongachara	Rangpur	60	1800	DNFE Project-1
Baliadangi	Thakurgaon	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Boraigram	Natore	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Dewangonj	Jamalpur	75	2250	DNFE Project-1
Total		435	13050	



POST LITERACY AND CONTINUING EDUCATION (PL & CE)

Literacy will not achieve its objective until reached to an expected level. Basic literacy skill acquired by the neo-literate need to be sustained for improving their social and economic life. The purpose of the pilot project is to be consolidate and enhance their acquired literacy skills as well as to provide them skill training for a better life.

Thus the purpose of post literacy is to fine-tune the acquired skill of neo literate and that of continuing education is to provide them with skill training. In the post literacy phase the beneficiaries will be oriented with skill training so that in the continuing education phase, they can master the skill training. The post literacy phase will virtually work as a bridge between basic literacy and continuing education and will facilitate the basic literacy completes to go for continuing education.

Continuing education is a broad concept, which encompasses all learning opportunities. However, under this pilot project, continuing education will mean skill training as well as increased practice of basic literacy skills by the neo literate. The purpose of continuing education is to improve the quality of life of the learners through enhanced income and greater enlightenment.

The framework will provide activity-wise general guidelines to the selected agencies to implement the pilot post-literacy and continuing education project. The framework is the outcome of several workshops, seminars/ discussions/ meetings and inputs of a Technical committee formed for this.

Target audience: Male and female members of the society with basic literacy skills.

Table: Post Literacy And Continuing Education Pilot Program:

Name of District	Name of Upazila	Name of Village	No. of Sammilan Kendra			No. of Learner		
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Thakurgaon	Horipur	Tarbagan	2	2	4	40	40	80
Total			2	2	4	40	40	80



CHILD EDUCATION PROGRAM (CEP)

The numbers of primary schools in rural areas are insufficient to accommodate all children of school going age. One school within a two-mile radius for a densely populated country like Bangladesh is not enough. Also, distance of school and communication problems are main difficulties for the children to attend schools, especially the young girls. Parents often feel insecure to send their children to schools. Also, as the children contribute to the family as a family labor, they often cannot attend school. The children of poor families cannot attend school due to school timing as it hinders their participation in economic activities.

On the other hand, all these factors along with the socio-cultural system hinder education, especially for girls. The number of female teachers is another influencing factor for girls' enrollment and retention in school. Teacher-student ratio is high to allow greater care for students. Govt. system neither allows the dropout to enter the system once again after a certain period nor is it flexible enough to accommodate a convenient timing of schooling for working children.

Realizing these above situations, ESDO felt that Bangladesh cannot develop without human development and sustainable human development depends on education. Economies are built not merely through the accumulation of physical capital and human skill but on a foundation of information learning and adoption. To educate the rural dropped-out who cannot enroll in the Govt. school, ESDO started a Non-formal Primary Education program in 1994 by the initiative of its committed social organizer, implemented up to date, funded by OXFAM & Proshika etc.

Year: 1994-95

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Basic Education	60	1800	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Adolescent	135	4050	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Pre-primary	15	225	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	03	90	SAP-BD
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	09	270	OXFAM
Total			222	6435	

Year: 1995-96

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Basic Education	60	1800	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Adolescent	135	4050	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Pre-primary	15	225	INFEP
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	03	90	SAP-BD
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	09	270	OXFAM
Total			222	6435	

Year: 1996-97

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	09	270	OXFAM
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	03	90	SAP-BD
Total			12	360	

Year: 1997-98

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	20	600	OXFAM
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	10	300	PROSHIKA
Total			30	900	

Year: 1998-99

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	20	600	OXFAM
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	10	300	PROSHIKA
Total			30	900	

Year: 1999-2000

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	20	600	OXFAM
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	10	300	PROSHIKA
Rajshahi City Co.	Rajshahi	Basic Education for Urban child	30	900	DNFE
Total			60	1800	

Year: 2000-2001

Thaka	District	Type of Center	No. of Center	No. of Learner	Donor
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Primary	23	690	OXFAM
Rajshahi City Co.	Rajshahi	Basic Education for Urban child	30	900	DNFE
Khulna City Co.	Khulna (Teacher Training Completed & waiting for center open)	Basic Education for Urban child	30	900	DNFE
Dhaka City Co.	Dhaka	Basic Education for Urban child	60	1800	DNFE
Baliadhagi	Thakurgaon	Registered Primary School	10	2000	OXFAM
Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon	Compulsory Primary Education	02	400	Dept. of primary education
Total			155	6690	





REGISTERED PRIMARY SCHOOL STRENGTHENING PROGRAM (RPSSP)

ESDO is implementing register primary school strengthen program with the partnership of OXFAM. The goal of this project is to improve the quality of primary education increase student enrolment, teacher's training, school management committee training, workshop etc.

District	Upazila	Number of School
Thakurgaon	Baliadangi	10

Major Activities of RPSSP:

- Conduct orientation course with Teachers, SMC Members.
- Conduct Parents meeting.
- Liaison with Upazila Administration and Primary Education Administration.
- Conduct Teachers Training Course.
- Conduct SMC Members training course.
- Observe Education week.



**SCHOOL ESTABLISHMENT
AT SCHOOL LESS VILLAGE
(SESLV)**

ESDO is implementing school establishment at school less village program with the partnership of GOB. The goal of this project is infrastructure development, Teacher's recruitment, student enrolment, implement school program through own resource. To improve the quality of primary education increase teacher's training, school management committee training, workshop etc.

District	Upazila	Number of established School
Thakurgaon	Thakurgaon Sadar	02



**ECO-TRAINING CENTER
(ETC)**

ESDO'S main objectives are human development and economic upliftment. The training program has been designed on the basis of these objectives. The broad categories of training program are human development and skill development. Human development training includes consciousness raising, leadership development, group project planning, Accounts keeping etc. Occupation skill development training includes Tailoring, Embroidery work, Candle making, Bamboo works and food processing etc. To achieve these objectives ESDO established a self-sufficient training center named Eco Training Center. An experienced and training committed team use its own participatory approach that has evolved from years of experience and tested application in the field. Some of current training modules or courses being conducted includes.

1. Basic Training
2. Small Credit and Management
3. Project Planning and Management
4. Accounting and Accounts management
5. Occupational Skill Development Training
6. Human Development Training (Awareness raising, Leadership Development)
7. Gender Development
8. Non-Formal Child Education
9. Non-Formal Adult Education
10. Family Planning and Primary health care
11. Water and Sanitation
12. Women Issue and Family law.

Goal and Objective:

To impart technique and knowledge to the individual, professionals or a group of beneficiaries, to develop their skill and efficiency in discharging their duties more effectively.

Method of Training:

The training is, in fact, the transmission of knowledge, skill and positive attitude to the trainees and for this purpose various methods have been developed.

Group Discussion, Lecture, Debate, Case Study, Brain Storming, VIPP, Chart and Card, workshops, Home work, Role Play, Simulation, Demonstration etc.

Equipment use of Eco-Training Center:

- Black Board
- Flip charts
- Video
- Demonstration Garden
- White Board and Marker
- Poster and Poster Paper
- Transparency sheet
- Overhead Projector
- VIPP Cards
- VIPP Board
- Television
- Computer
- Cassette Player





ECO-AGRICULTURE FARM

Thakurgaon is a northern district of Bangladesh. 83% of the people of the district are depend on agree Economy. And nature of occupations are day labor, land less, marginal and small farmers. The majority community people of the area are very poor. They remain unemployment for want of job what of job what over. The land is medium and high and best for cultivation of rice, cow/poultry rearing, fish culture, nursery, and plantation. Malnutrition, poverty high population density, and illiteracy are the scenario of the area.

Realizing this practical situation ESDO initiated agriculture development project by 5 agricultural component funded by itself in the current year. The components are as follow:

1. Eco Agriculture farm
2. Livestock Development Project
3. Pisciculture
4. Re-generative agriculture
5. Pond re-excavation and fish culture.



**COMMUNITY RE-GENERATIVE
AGRICULTURE PROJECT(CRAP)**

Continuous use of chemical fertilizers and insecticides in our agriculture gradually rendering the fields unproductive and destroying ecology.

ESDO has been concerned about this disastrous practice for long now and has committedly been engaged in popularizing this alternative agricultural method which is sustainable, productive, equitable yet retains bio-diversity. It takes into account the whole ecology of which human being is a part.

From 1996, ESDO began spreading ecological practices among its group members by growing varieties of seasonal vegetables with the support of BARRA.

Table: Homestead Gardening Achievements, 2000-2001

Number of Village	Number of Union	Name of Upazila	Name of District
120	19	Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon
10	03	Pirgonj	Thakurgaon
01	01	Ranisankail	Thakurgaon
02	01	Haripur	Thakurga
03	01	Atwari	Panchagarh
01	01	Bachagonj	Dinajpur
137	26	6	3



**STRENGTHENING HOUSEHOLD
ACCESS TO BARI GARDENING
PROGRAM (SHABGE)**

ESDO is implementing SHABGE project with the partnership of CARE-DFID. The goal of this project is to improve the livelihood of poor and marginal female and male farmer of 3 district. The objective of this project is to increase the homestead production of 7200 poor farmer through vegetable and fruits cultivation. Output of this project is increase capacity of 7200 poor women and male farmers to manage the homestead.

Major activities of this project are farmer field school group formation, conduct learning session, local entrepreneur development, training, develop secondary adopter, staff garden establishment, capacity building for NGO, publication, research.

District	Upazila	Number of beneficiaries
Thakurgaon	Pirgonj	7200





AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER PROJECT (ATTP)

The specific objectives are as follows:

- ◆ To increase the income and employment opportunity for the rural poor women with in a short time and minimum investment.
- ◆ To increase the production and consumption of beef.
- ◆ Use of local resources (Straw & Molasses) as quality cattle feed.

To develop the technical know how and management capacity of the rural poor for transferring the proposed technology among the neighbors. People of its working area. ESDO has been performing all of its activities through participatory approaches.

District	Upazila	Number of beneficiaries
Thakurgaon	Thakurgaon sadar	08



SOCIAL FORESTRY PROJECT

ESDO involves its group members in social forestry activities by providing them with necessary motivation, credit and technical support which significantly contribute to the development of the program and add to their family income as well.

Through this program, the poor achieved usufruct rights on the public as well as private land brought under this program through lease agreement with different land owning agencies and individuals. Besides, a huge number of disadvantaged women are involved as caretakers in forestry maintenance program deriving significant benefits.

ESDO under take Social Forestry Program from 1994.

Goal & Objectives:

1. Promote in sustainable environment in pursuit of quality livelihood and alleviated poverty.
2. Promote in participatory, community based environmental resources management and environmental protection.
3. Promoting environmental friendly activities in Social Forestry.
4. Creating public awareness for participation in Social Forestry.

ESDO implementing Road Side Tree Plantation Program as a partner NGO funded by USAID and supervise by CARE-Bangladesh and local government engineering Department.

Sl. No.	Name of Road	Length & Row	Thana & District	Union	No. of Group	No. of beneficiaries	No. of Tree	Species
01.	Mithapukur Bazar-Sheoradanga Bazar	5 km	Mithapurkur/Rangpur	Durgapur & Hazratpur	10	150	5000	Sissue, M.goni, Ghora neem
02.	Deor UP-Ghoraghat RHD	3.5 km	Birampur/Dinajpur	Deor	07	105	3375	-do-
03.	Mherpur-Rajarhat	5 km	Bochagonj/Dinajpur	Chatoil	10	150	5000	-do-

**NETWORK AGAINST
OPPRESSED WOMEN
(NAOW)**



ESDO is implementing Network Against oppressed Women (NAOW) project supported by PROSHIKA. ESDO puts great emphasis on organizing shomiti members to protest against any kinds of injustices and to establish their just fundamental rights. The worst sufferers of the society are the women. Although physical violence on women is decreasing in the project area due to intervention of ESDO, disparities between men and women are still there. The women could not yet establish their rights in all spheres of life. Still they are subject to men and they can not decide anything by themselves.

Dowry in marriage is still a great threat to the existence of women. This is simply impossible to arrange a dowry free marriage in a rural society irrespective of rich and poor. The poor people are the worst sufferers of dowry system. Every day, there are incidents of physical torture on women by their husbands for not giving dowry in accordance with the promise by the parents of the brides.

Therefore ESDO thinks that a social mobilization should be launched against dowry throughout the country. ESDO is doing a series of activities such as:

1. Motivation through personal contact.
2. Organize group meetings.
3. Organize workshops.
4. Stage popular theatre.
5. Arrange dowry free marriage.

Table: NAOW Project Area

Number of Village	Number of Union	Name of Upazila	Name of District
30	04	Thakurgaon Sadar	Thakurgaon
35	05	Pirgonj	Thakurgaon



ESDO GENDER CELL (EGC)

ESDO Gender Cell is not a separate program per se, but a cross-cutting component that has a bearing on all other programs of ESDO. In order to ensure systematic and well-coordinated implementation of all the objectives of ESDO gender cell, ESDO formed the gender cell in 2000. It performs multiple activities to further women's interest all over.

EGC Activities at group level:

The staff members of EGC visited groups and monitored group and NFPE school and organized discussion on gender issues. EGC work is to create congenial atmosphere for healthy and natural development of women.

EGC At staff level:

This cell identifies problems faced by the female staff members, and recommends appropriate measures to the senior management. It also facilitates female workers' direct access to the management for discussing those problems.

Publication:

EGC regularly publishes a Bengali Newsletter "ISCHA" (wish) both for internal and external audiences.



SAFE WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT (SWSP)

To keep healthy people must be able to keep them selves clean and to do this they need a good supply of safe water for drinking as well as for personal hygiene and a sanitary way to dispose of faces. In order to benefit from the increase coverage of water supply, vicious cycle of bacterial contamination has to be broken by introducing some form of safe disposal of domestic waste including human excreta.

In the rural areas only 36.9% of the population have acceptable sanitary system safe disposal of excreta (source the 5th five year plan). Its create a numbers of problem in the area of environment, water supply and sanitation. Better health for people in Bangladesh requires.

- Good personal hygiene
- Use of sanitary latrine
- Use of clean water

Realizing this situation ESDO initiated to implement water and sanitation project with the active participation of local people as a partner NGO funded by NGO Forum.

Goal and Objective:

Improvement the peoples health status and the environment through increased access to safe water and sanitation facilities.

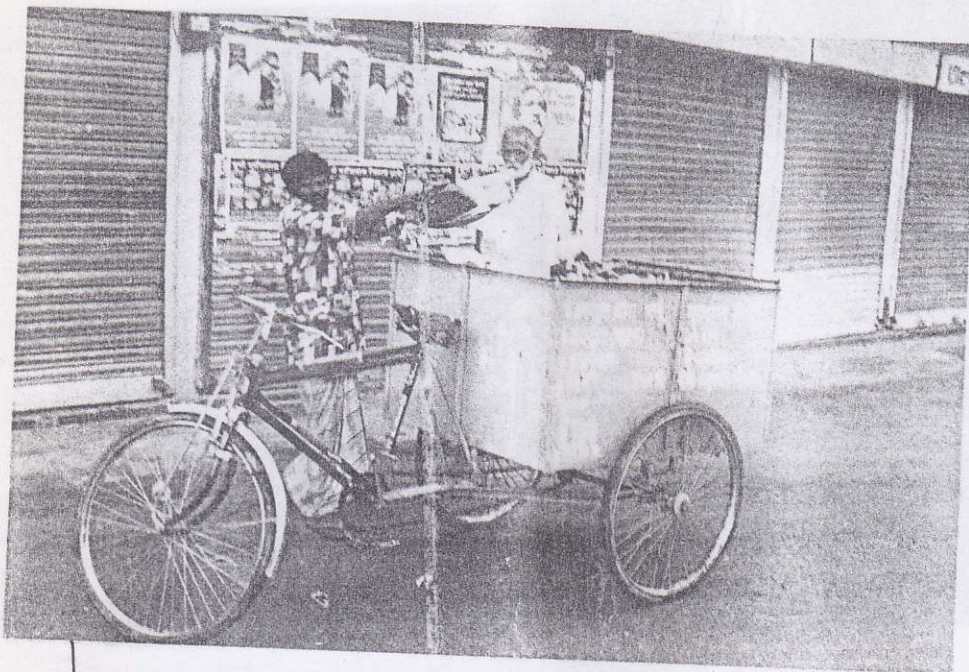
Project area:

Name of District	Name of Upazila	Name of Union	Name of Village
Thakurgaon	Sadar	Goreya	Gopalpur, Dhangipukur, Teoarygaon, Chongakhata

Program on Water and Sanitation:

Sl. No.	Name of Program	Number of Program	Number of Participants		
			Male	Female	Total
01.	School Forum	01	150	150	300
02.	Workshop with local bodies	02	30	15	45
03.	Village development committee and orientation	02	30	15	45
04.	Uthanboythak	02	-	250	250
05.	Immam Training	01	10	-	10
06.	Monthly Meeting	06	20	20	40
07.	Union workshop	01	30	-	30
08.	Group meeting	64	89	978	1067
09.	Myking	01	-	-	-
10.	Relly	01	50	-	50
11.	Vedio Program	01	150	150	300
12.	Staff Orientation	01	9	9	18
13.	Latrine Installation	803	-	803	803
14.	Tubwell Installation	28	-	28	28





SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PROJECT (SWMP)

ESDO implementing solid waste management project supported by Asian Development Bank and Local Government Engineering Department. Objective of the project is:

- To collect all waste in a ward from dustbin (public & private)
- Street sweeping and drain cleaning for a sustainable healthful environment in the urban area.
- Transport and disposal at a final disposal site.
- Involve the sweepers other labors of Paurashava in the project.

Sl. No.	Name of District	Number of Paurashava
01.	Thakurgaon	01
02.	Natore	01
03.	Sirajgonj	01



**CHAMAK
(GARMENTS ENTERPRISE)**

“CHAMAK” is a garments enterprise established by ESDO in Thakurgaon market, Thakurgaon. The items of this enterprise are Shirts, Camises, Goggles, Frogs, Caps, Pants etc. The income of this project is encourage-able. ESDO contributes the profit for the primary education program. Total fund invested 700000.00 including 125000.00 OXFAM fund.

Objective:

- Generate employment opportunities of the poor garment workers.
- Impart training among the beneficiaries and NGO staff on tailoring.



ESDO POPULAR THEATER GROUP (EPTG)

Using indigenous cultural forms to hasten development process is one of ESDO'S many unique innovations. As an effective motivational tool for raising people's awareness against various social injustice as well as asserting their rights has proved very successful. ESDO institutionalized the approach and brought such activities under EPTG.

Over the years ESDO extended the use of these traditional cultural forms to fight fundamentalism, uphold true spirit of liberation war, and women rights.

The EPTG program has the following components:

- Grassroots cultural troupe formation among the poor in rural and urban areas.
- Training and workshop program.
- Celebration of national and international days.
- Organized performances and fairs.

RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION CELL (RDC)



ESDO has made various types of survey, study and research on the field of ESDO's existing development activities and potential, innovative fields.

Research Publication:

Two research report were published during the year. These are:

1. Post Literacy and Continuing Education Program: Research Report.
2. A comparative study on Primary Education System under Thakurgaon Sadar Upazila.

Evaluation Report:

RDC conducted evaluation on ESDO and World View International.

Workshop:

RDC organized four workshop during this year. These are:

1. Political Empowerment of Women, Aspect of Union Parishad Women Member.
2. Women and Child trafficking.
3. Prospects and Problems in Agricultural Sector in Pirgonj Upazila under Thakurgaon District.
4. Budget workshop on fervor of Education Sector.



NGO SUPPORT SERVICE (NSS)

Assistance to other organizations is a newly introduced initiative of ESDO. Which is at building partnership with local NGO's, Clubs and Cultural institutions to achieve the greater role of establishing poverty-free, Environmentally sound and a gender-just society.

List of ESDO NSS Partners:

- Alpona Sahitya Songskrity Sangsad (For Boishakhi fair)
- Ucharan Nattaya Utsav (For Drama Festival)
- Nickon Sangit Biddaloy (For Bengali New Years Festival)
- Hazi Danesh Primary School (For Child Education)
- Tangoan Science Club (For Science Fair)

LIST OF ABBREVIATION

ADB	Asian Development Bank
ADAB	Association of Development Agencies in Bangladesh
BARRA	Bangladesh Rural Re-Construction Association
BARC	Bangladesh Agriculture Research Council
CARE	Cooperative for American Relief to Everywhere
DPHE	Department of Public Health Engineering
DANIDA	Danish International Development Agency
DFID	Department For International Development
DNFE	Directorate of Non-Formal Education
ECE	Early Childhood Education
EEC	European Economic Commission
ESDO	Eco-Social Development Organization
FDR	Foreign Donation Registration
GOB	Government of Bangladesh
IFADEP	Integrated Food- Assisted Development Project
IGP	Income Generation Program
NFBE	Non-Formal Basic Education
NFE	Non-Formal Education
NFPE	Non-Formal Primary Education
NGO	Non-Government Organization
PKSF	Pally Karma Sahayak Foundation
SAP-BD	South Asia Partnership-Bangladesh
TOT	Training of Trainers
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNICEF	United Nation Children's Emergency Fund
Upazila	Second Tier of the Local Government
Union Parishad	First Tier of the Local Government