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Social Assistance and Rehabilitation for the Physically Vulnerable in short (SARPV- Bangladesh) is a voluntary social change organization in developing field.

SARPV is one of first organisation who has extended their support to the people with disability during and after disaster in 1989 at Saturaia, Manikgonj. They also worked for the disable people who were victim of disaster in 1991 and 1997. The work initiated by SARPV adopting community level relief operation to prevent disability and to support trauma victims after a devastating cyclone in the southern coastal areas since 1991 and 1995 in tangail.

I am grateful to all my colleagues of SARPV those who are working hard and committed with this issue.

Wish your cooperation will be with this journey and lets with hand to hand try to move forward.

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Bazar Committee of Chandpur union of Kapasia has come forward to help the disabled people for their lively hood and education.

“If other stakeholders like Chandpur bazar samity have sensitized about the rights and access of peoples with disabilities (Pwds) than it will be easy for us to mainstreaming Pwds in the society” Said Mr. Babu Saroj Kumar Nath the upazila Nirbahi officer of Kapasia upazila.

It was an afternoon of winter. Numbers of people were gathered in Chandpur bazar samity auditorium under kapasia upazila. Because on behalf of Chandpur bazar samity a program has arrange to distribute blanket and sewing machine among the peoples with disabilities (Pwds).

SARPV- Bangladesh is trying to sensitize the concerned stakeholders about the right and access of People with disabilities through “Mainstreaming people with disabilities in the society” project under the financial assistance



of Manusher Janno foundation from 2006 at Coxsbazar and Gazipur district. One of the major objective of this project is to promoting responsiveness of the Government (especial focus on UP) and non-government institutions

to ensure adequate and effective supports and services for people with disabilities. SARPV do advocacy with different professionals like local bazar committee, SMC, Imam Community, media personnel etc. As a result of sensitization Chandpur Bazar Committee gave 2 sewing machines and 30 blankets among the People with disabilities. Chandpur bazar committee also arranges the program for distribute the blanket and sewing machine. In



the program Mr. Babu Saroj Kumar Nath present as chief guest. Chairman of Chandpur union Parisad, Chairman and other respected member of the Chandpur bazar committee and overall local people also present in the program.

According to WHO 10% people are disabled out of the total population in Bangladesh. There is no specific data about the number of disability in Bangladesh. Due to lack of supportive laws and policies, lack of social awareness and superstitions Pwds are deprived from their rights and access. Moreover Women with disabilities faced double discrimination in our society. It is also

mentionable that lack of proper information and coordination of different stakeholders Pwds could not benefited from the existing laws and policies. Under this project SARPV gives emphasis in increasing the

responsiveness of the Govt, Non-government officials, civil societies and local Govt. bodies towards access to services of people with disabilities as well.

Scientific seminar on, "Early Prevention of Clubfoot and ensure normal life from disability."

A seminar on, " Early Management of Clubfoot by Ponseti method" was held on 12th December 2010 at Chittagong Ma-o-Shishu Hospital and Medical college (CMOSHMC). Dr. Frank Chotel from France gave a brief lecture on " Ponseti Method System". The Ponseti method is manipulative technique that corrects without congenital clubfoot without invasive surgery. Almost 200

doctors from Chittagong division took part in the seminar. The seminar was sponsored by Healthcare pharmaceuticals. On the other hand

AMD (Aide Medicale et Development) and KDM (Amis des Enfants du Monde) from France also provide technical support through SARPV-Bangladesh to conduct the seminar.



Celebrate Disability Day

To mainstreaming people with disabilities in the society for acquiring millennium development goal the disability day was observed at Chakaria on 5th December 2010. SARPV- Bangladesh, TIB celebrate the disability day in collaborately. Considering the disability day they arranged a gorgeous rally and discussion meeting. The rally was inaugurated by upazila Nirbahi officer of chakaria. The discussion meeting was held at training room of chakaria disability center of SARPV- Bangladesh after the rally. People from different GO and NGO level took part in the rally as well as the discussion meeting. Some wheel chair, brace, crest were given after the discussion meeting among the people with disabilities. Beside this some education materials were distributed among 10 disabled student of Prodipaloy School.



Dialogue meeting with Local govt. to access the service for Pwds

Under community and local govt program, SARPV-Bangladesh has been implementing "Mainstreaming people with disabilities in the society" with the financial assistance of Manusher Jonno Foundation at Cox'sbazar and Gazipur district from 2006. As part of the project activities a dialogue meeting was held on 19th December at Jilonja Union parisad. Acting Chairman of Jilonja union parisad chaired the meeting. Member of local govt, members of Standing committees, teacher and school management committee and others representative of civil society took part in the meeting.



Provide training on Skill development to increase the capacity of Pwds

40 People with disabilities (Pwds) received training on poultry and livestock rearing. Out of 40 participants 12 were male and rests of 28 were female from Chandpur and Kapasia union under Kapasia upazila of Gazipur district. The training was conducted from 17th to 26th December at 2010. Dr. Okhil Chandra Sarkar the livestock officer of Kapasia Upazila was the trainer of the training course. The training course was divided into 2 batches and each batch duration was set for 5 days. Since 2006 SARPV-Bangladesh has been implementing "Mainstreaming people with disabilities in the society" under the financial support by Manusher Jonno Foundation at Coxsbazar and Gazipur district. To develop the skill of Pwds, SARPV- Bangladesh organized the training course with the assistance of upazila livestock department.



Prevention of childhood Disability A story of Smile

Nayon Moni's father is Moni Alam and mother is Ayesha Khatun. Live at Ghonar para in Khuruskul union under Chakaria upazila of Cox'sbazar district. Among 2 brothers and two sisters she is third one. Her father is a fisherman and her mother is a house wife. Father is the only earning member of the family and monthly income is three thousand taka. When Nayon Moni was three years old her legs curved from knee to heel. Since a long period SARPV-Bangladesh has been working in rickets issue at chakaria. In 2007 in a yard meeting organized by SARPV- Bangladesh, Nayon Moni was present with her mothers. Field monitor of SARPV-



Bangladesh guess her as a ricketic child in that yard meeting. They observed that her legs are bent from knee to heel. The field assistant asked her mother to show her at Chakaria Disability centre (CDC) of SARPV- Bangladesh. There physiotherapist confirmed her mother through X-ray that she was affected by rickets. During her identified period her leg deformity was 30 degrees. As she was less than 5 years and her deformity was 30 degrees so she had



been suggested to take nutritional food and besides this she was also suggested to take calcium tablet. But hearing to take medicine and nutritional food this poor family became frightened. SARPV told them they can easily maintain the nutritious food. SARPV advised them to take green leafy vegetables, black seed oil, and small fish and also mention to mix lime while cooking rice. Considering their ability SARPV provide medicine at free cost. Besides this SARPV maintain close relation with the family. They recorded her leg deformities, weight, and height and provide medicine after every 3 months. At present her left leg deformity is 6 degrees whereas right leg deformity is only 4 degrees. This is possible by taking nutritious food and medicine on the regular basis. SARPVs direction and her mother's caring give her a healthy and potential future. Nayon Moni is now playing like a little butterfly.

Programs against Pwds under Social Welfare Ministry of Bangladesh

Name of the Program	Unit/centre	place
Integrated Education program for the visually Impaired	64	64 districts
Visually Impaired Education	5	Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Barisal
Hearing Impaired Education	7	Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna, Faridpur, Rajshahi, Chandpur, Sylhet
Intellectual Impaired Education	1	Roufabad at Chittagong
Artificial Limb production	1	Tongi at Gazipur
Braille press	1	Tongi at Gazipur
Plastic Good Production	1	Tongi at Gazipur
Mineral water (Mukta) Plant	1	Tongi at Gazipur
Vocational training for physically Impaired		
Employment and Rehabilitation Center for the Physically Handicap	2	Tongi at Gazipur, Fokirhat at Bagerhat
National training and Rehabilitation center for the visually Impaired	1	Tongi at Gazipur

Source: www.dss.gov.bd (department of social service)

Recent Publication of SARPV- Bangladesh

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Booklet on Rickets Prevention and Cure
 Report on Childhood Rickets in Coxsbazar -2010
 Report on Prevention of Rickets in Coxsbazar-2008-10