

Women Rising from Poverty



Central Northern Bangladesh



Economic Empowerment



Tax deductible

3 Year Project: Oct 2024 to Sept 2027

Current Year Funding Required:

\$47,000

Total Budget: \$117,000



POPULATION

173.6 million

POVERTY

18.7% of the population below national poverty line

HEALTH

Life expectancy at birth: 74.7

EDUCATION

Mean years of school (adults) 6.8 years

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX*

Ranking out of 193 nations Bangladesh 130 (Aust 7)

*2025 Human Development Report

Overview

Bangladesh, with a population of 163 million, faces significant poverty, especially in rural regions where nearly a quarter of the population lives below the national poverty line. Frequent floods in these areas cause severe damage to homes, crops, and infrastructure, and increase the risk of disease. This project seeks to support and strengthen rural communities by advancing literacy through practical education, establishing self-sustaining groups, promoting economic growth, and encouraging shifts in behaviour for long-term improvement. Year 2 budget is \$47,000.

Why support this:

This project is designed to help impoverished and marginalised families escape poverty in a sustainable way, with a particular emphasis on supporting women who are landless and lack literacy, as well as their children and families. The initiative will be centered around self-help groups, which will provide a foundation for various programs such as literacy training, basic arithmetic skills, savings plans for income generation, and education on key social and environmental topics. Our partner's approach has consistently demonstrated success, empowering individuals to move beyond exploitation and dependence.

Objectives Include:



Raise literacy and education levels of 600 adults



Latrine installation support for 100 people



Establish 30 new Self Help Groups for 200 women



Identify needs to address poverty in targeted villages

Expected life Change

- Improved awareness and adoption of better health, sanitation, hygiene and environmental practices
- Improved socio-economic conditions and empowerment of marginalised communities, particularly women
- Enhanced literacy and educational attainment among underprivileged women