

Project Proposal

1. Project Title: Women Empowerment through Economic Development

2. Implementing NGO : Prova Society

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6. Project Summary:

This project will be implemented in Jhenaidah sadar upazila under Jhenaidah district of Bangladesh. The objectives of the project are to improve the position of women in the society through help and support them economically, socially and morally. This project will provide skills training and support for entrepreneurship development on tailoring and goat farming. This project will also provide support for homestead gardening for women to increase their nutritional status and income generation. Through implementation of this project 200 disadvantaged rural women will be empowered economically and morally. They will be able to take part in the decision making process in their family as well as their societies.

7. Background and Rationale of the Project:

Women's economic participation and empowerment are fundamental to strengthening women's rights and enabling women to have control over their lives and exert influence in society. It has observed that economically empowered women are better able to tackle domestic violence and also lead others out of this traumatic problem.

It is a well-established fact that in a patriarchal society like Bangladesh, women are in lower status as men who have the sovereign power to control households and society as a whole, while women are often isolated in their homes. The World Bank study in Bangladesh highlighted that women have had a limited role in the household decision-making, limited access and control over household resources (physical and financial assets), low level of individual assets, heavy domestic workloads, restricted mobility and inadequate knowledge and skills that leading to women's vulnerability. The status of women in Bangladesh has been ranked the lowest in the world on the basis of twenty indicators related to health, marriage, children, education, employment and social equality. Women often face discrimination and persistent gender inequalities, with some women experiencing multiple discrimination and exclusion because of factors such as ethnicity or caste. Women still earn less than men earn and are mostly occupied in low paid jobs. They often do not have easy access to credit and other income generation opportunities, and are still under represented at management and policy levels. As long as women's access to health care, education and training remained, limited and prospect for improved productivity among the female population remained poor in our country. This project will provide skills training and support for entrepreneurship development on tailoring and goat farming. This project will also provide support for homestead gardening for women to increase their nutritional status and income generation.

8. Objectives of the project:

The overall objective of the project is to create an enabling environment for rural disadvantaged women to make them self-reliant through the provision of livelihood based skills training and venture into the economic mainstream.

The specific objectives of the project are:

- To provide skills training on tailoring and sewing to 50 disadvantaged women to build their capacity.
- To distribute goat among 100 disadvantaged women for goat farming.
- To provide seed capital support to 50 disadvantaged women for homestead gardening

9. Results of the project:

- 200 women will develop skills and enterprising qualities for undertaking entrepreneurial activities which increased women's economic empowerment through small business operations like tailoring, goat farming, and homestead gardening. These will lead them towards a better economic position for attaining a sustainable livelihood.
- Women participation has increased in the local government election.
- After one year 50 women will become a self-sustain through tailoring business, 100 women individually will set up a small goat farm about 15-20 goat, and 50 women will have homestead gardening.
- Increased incomes of rural women by increasing tailoring business and livestock raising goat.

10. Project period: 12 months

11. Project Activities:

- Formation of 10 Women's Association in the project area. Each association consists of 20 women. So, total 200 women will be involved in 10 groups. Five (5) member's management committee will be formed in each association. Member of each management committee will sit together every month and different development issues will be discussed.
- Provide goat to 100 disadvantaged women for goat farming
- Organize 3 months skill trainings for 50 women group members on Tailoring and Sewing so that women can make clothe for their family members and do business for economic benefit.
- Provide seed capital support for homestead gardening among 50 women to cultivate vegetables.
- Arrange monthly meeting with the women on the issues of health, education, and benefit of savings, prevention of early marriage, and other social issues.

12. Monitoring and Evaluation of the project

Coordinator of Prova Society is responsible for monitoring of the project. Executive Director will time to time monitor the activities of the project. Monitoring checklist will be used for monitoring of the project.

Evaluation will be conducted at the end of the project. External Evaluator will be appointed to evaluate the project.

13. Sustainability of the project

Women will be developed business on tailoring and goat farming. They will produce clothes and sale to the market and earn money regularly. Training and financial support increased the capacity which will help to run their business smoothly. After one year, a goat gives births about 4 baby goats. Homestead gardening. Prova Society will provide continuous support to the beneficiaries for running their business.

14. Detailed Project Budget:

Sl. No.	Head of Expenditure	Number of Unit	Unit Price in USD	Total Price in USD
1	Salary Cost			
1.1	Field Officer – 2 nos.	24 months	125	3,000
	Sub Total			3,000
2	Program cost			
2.1	Training on Tailoring and Sewing (25 women X 3 months X 2 batches)			
2.2	Food	50 women	75	3,750
2.3	Training Materials	50 women	20	1,000
2.4	Trainer Salary	6 months	180	2,160
2.5	Sewing Machine Purchase	50 number	120	6,000
2.6	Goat purchase	100 number	103.8	10,380
2.7	Seed capital support for homestead gardening	50 families	60	3,050
2.8	Project Coordinator conveyance	12 months	25	300
2.9	Field Officer conveyance	24 months	15	360
	Sub Total			27,000
	Grand Total USD			30,000

(Thirty thousand US Dollars)

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01. Name of the Organization: Prova Society

02. Introduction:

Prova Society was formed with a group of dedicated and like-minded people in Jhenidah district headed by Enamul Kabir. It is a non-profit, non-political and non-governmental voluntary organization. Prova Society has been working since its inception in 1994 in the field of health, education, water, sanitation, environment, climate change, human rights, agriculture and disaster for the upliftment of socio-economic status of poor and disadvantaged people of urban & rural areas of Bangladesh. It also implements the awareness raising program on prevention of women and child trafficking, HIV/AIDS prevention, early marriage, tobacco control and other issues. Prova Society gives special emphasis on women, children, youth and disabled development. Prova Society started to work in social development with a handful potential men and women committed to the causes of development of distressed people, particularly of disadvantaged men, women, children, youth and disabled. It has devoted & energetic professional staffs & volunteers for attaining sustainable development for the target group.

03. Legal Status:

Prova Society is registered with the following Governmental organization of Bangladesh:

- a. NGO Affairs Bureau bearing registration number-2474, date: 06/08/2009
- b. Department of Social Welfare bearing registration number Jhenida-106/94, date:20/12/1994
- c. Directorate of Youth bearing registration number -JUA/Jheni/139/Sadar-83, date:25/09/2008
- d. DUNS Number: 731600743, NCASE Number: SALE6
Active in the U.S. Federal Government's System of Award Management (SAM)
- e. **EuropeAid ID – EID-PADOR** No. BD-2017-EJH-2503163966.

04. Vision and Mission of Prova Society:

Vision:

Bangladesh have numerous problems like low literacy, low productivity, natural disaster, lack of gender equality, lack of employment opportunity which combined lead to low income, low health status and poverty. Prova Society has felt need of delivering social services as a catalyst to solve the prevailing problems of the downtrodden people of the country and develop their socioeconomic condition.

Mission:

By promoting meaningful change in Bangladesh we help people live healthier, more productive, and more independent lives by taking various Programs/Projects.

05. Objectives:

- To assist in extending health and sanitation facilities including promotion and establishment of hospital, health care center and eye care center for the benefit of the poor, disadvantage and indigenous people.
- To provide training to the poor and underprivileged people especially women for increasing their capability.
- To increase agriculture and aquaculture production through farmers training, seed production and awareness raising on climate change.
- To organize health camps, eye camps, conference, seminars, workshop to sensitize public for eye care, prevention of eye related diseases, other health services and for benefit of poor and neglected community.
- To provide micro credits support to the target people for income generating activities and house building.
- To empower women by assisting production and marketing of handicraft.
- To promote new technology in any production, marketing, storage, processing and other business for future sustainability.
- To help raise consciousness among disadvantaged, poor and indigenous people about the prevailing social system and their position in the Society.
- To increase literacy rate through providing non-formal education to the illiterate target people.
- To ensure emergency support and create awareness during natural disaster.
- To conduct research and development program for the social development especially for the vulnerable women and children.
- To assist in developing and implementing ESP based programs including HIV/AIDS.
- To make people aware about the environment and to act to reduce the pollution level.
- To promote human rights of poor and underprivileged people.
- To make people aware on tobacco use, disaster prevention, women and child trafficking prevention, early marriage etc.

06. Management Structure:

Prova Society has three principal management organs. These are:

a) General Committee (GC):

A General Committee (GC) consisting of 21 members who are the supreme authority of the organization. GC is responsible to make policy & take decision of the organization. GC meets once a year for approving all activities of the organization.

b) Executive Committee (EC):

An Executive Committee consists of 07 members elected by the general members for a period of three years. Executive Committee directly supervises, manages and controls the overall activities of the Executive Office.

c) Executive Office:

An Executive Director executes the programs in association with a number of well experienced, conversant and efficient professionals head an Executive Office. Executive Director is responsible for day-to-day work and liable to the Executive Committee for management of the activities of the organization.

07. Working Experience with donor agency

1. USAID through Development Alternatives Inc., (DAI)
2. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
3. Embassy of the Czech Republic in New Delhi
4. The Federal Republic of Germany
5. Hope for Children, United Kingdom
6. Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD)
7. Work for a Better Bangladesh Trust (WBB Trust)
8. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of Bangladesh
9. Ministry of labour and Employment, Government of Bangladesh
10. Bangladesh NGO Foundation, Government of Bangladesh
11. Directorate of Non-Formal Education (DNFE)
12. National Disability Development Forum, Government of Bangladesh
13. Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee (BRAC)

08. Affiliation/Membership with Network or Professional Bodies

Sl. No.	Name of the Organization involved	Status of the Organization (Government & Non-government)	Type of Membership
1.	Association for Development Agencies in Bangladesh (ADAB)	National	Chapter Member
2.	Bangladesh Anti Tobacco Alliance (BATA)	National	Member
3.	SUPRO	National	Member
4.	National Youth Forum of Bangladesh (NYFB)	National	Member
5.	International Task Force for the Rural Poor (INTAF)	International	Member
6.	Child Development Forum (CDF)	National	Member
7.	Gender and Water Alliance, Netherlands	International	Member

09. Geographical Coverage:

Prova Society has been working in Bangladesh especially Southwest parts of Bangladesh.

10. Staff Resources

Regular		Temporary/Volunteer		Total		Total Staff
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
07	3	08	13	15	16	31

11. Logistic Facilities

Prova Society has necessary physical facilities and logistical support to enable it to complete its projects efficiently on time. Through this office, Full back-up support is given to various projects. Prova Society is equipped with modern office equipment and communication facilities including Office accommodation, Computers, Internet, Printers (Laser & DeskJet), Audio-visual facilities, and Telephone. Prova Society is in a position to provide all required support to the projects and mobilize the staff and equipment quickly for effective commencement of work. Prova Society maintains various in-house facilities to improve the level of expertise of its technical and management professionals.

Prova Society provides training on technical and management subjects to its staff and professionals. The training helps the professionals to update their knowledge continuously.

13. Working Experience

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Time period	Activities	Working areas	Donor
01	Democratic Rights Education for Rural Women and Girls in Bangladesh	01.05.18 - 31.12.18	-Women and groups formation - Arrange Seminar	Jhenaidah Sadar Upazila	Taiwan Foundation for Democracy
02	Improving Position of Women in the Society through Empowerment	1.3.18 - 31.10.18	- Training to the women on skill development	Jhenaidh Sadar	Embassy of the Czech Republic in New Delhi
03	Luxur Cook Stove	Mach - 2018	- Women group Formation - Meeting with women - Luxur Cook Stove distribution	Jhenaidah Sadar upazila	Luxur Green Energy Ltd with the support from USAID and GOB
04.	Zinc Rice Cultivation and Promotion through Modern Technology	January 2017 – December 2019	- Farmers Training - Seed distribution - Equipment distribution	Jhendiah sadar upazila	Bangladesh NGO Foundation
05.	Tobacco control	2008 - Continue	-Advocacy meeting on tobacco control -Create smoking free work place -Distribution of poster, leaflet and sticker. -Farmers Training	Jhenidah district	Work for a Better Bangladesh Trust (WBBT and Prova Society)
06.	Primary Health Care and HIV/AIDS prevention	2010 - Continuing	- Distributions of medicine - Medical checkup - Arrange seminar - Observance of World AIDS Day	Jhenidah district	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Own Fund
07.	Fish Culture	2008 - Continue	Fish production	Jhenidah district	Directorate of Youth and Own Fund
08.	Seed Production and Marketing	2016- Continue	- Women Farmer group formation Farmers training male and female - Seed distribution - Establish marketing channel	Jhenidah district	Own Fund

09.	Jute Farmer Technical Training	Jan 2016-continue	- Technical Training to the jute 4000 famers on production and post-harvest management techniques.	Jhenidah sadar, Horinakundo and Shailakupa upazila	USAID through Development Alternative Inc., (DAI)
10.	Agriculture and Environment Development	2014 – 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Farmers training on high yield crops cultivation and cropping patterns. - Women farmers training on homestead gardening. - Distribution of quality vegetable, paddy and jute seeds. - Distribution of fertilizer. - Setting up marketing linkage between farmers and traders. - Observation of demonstration plot 	Kalicharanpur union under Jhenidah sadar upazila of Jhenidah district.	Bangladesh NGO Foundation, GOB.
11.	Fish Culture	2011-Continuing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training to the youth for fish cultivation - Seed capital support for fish cultivation. 	Shailakupa upazila	Directorate of Youth, GOB.
12.	Promotion of Democratic Rights for Rural Women in Bangladesh.	2014	-Seminar with poor village women on democratic rights.	Jhenidah sadar upazila Of Jhenidah district	Taiwan Foundation Democracy (TFD)

13.	Elimination of Hazardous Child Labour in Bangladesh.	2012 - 2014	-Non-formal education - Stipend - Skills development training to the older child labour.	Pashlaish upazil under Chittagong district 1 upazila, 20 villages	Ministry of Labor and Employment, GOB.
14.	Pre-Primary School	2013 - 2015	- Pre-school education for poor and underprivileged children. - Monthly mothers meeting - Admission to primary school.	Jhenidah Sadar upazila and Shailakupa upazila. 2 upazila, 1 union, 3 villages	Bangladesh NGO Foundation
15.	Skills Development Training for Women	2012 - 2013	-Training on tailoring -Training on Sewing -Formation of Women Self Help Group	Jhenidah Sadar Uapzila 1 upazila, 5 villages.	Bangladesh NGO Foundation
16.	Women empowerment through Economic Development (WED)	2012	-Tailoring and sewing training to the disadvantaged women. -Formation of Self Help Group - Distribution of sewing machine	Jhenidah Sadar Uapzila 1 upazila, 10 villages	Embassy of the Czech Republic in India.
17.	Child Labour Elimination and Prevention (CLEP)	2010 - 2011	-Distribution of educational materials and clothing support. -Health services -Legal Aid Services -Advocacy Meeting -Seed capital support to the parent for IGA. -Alternative job replacement to the older working children.	Jhenidah Pourashova 10 villages	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
18.	Democratic Rights Education and consciousness Raising Program for Women	2009 - 2011	-Women seminar on democratic rights - Seminar with male on women rights -workshop with women leader on leadership development.	Jhenidah Sadar Uapzila 1 upazila, 20 villages	The Taiwan Foundation for Democracy (TFD)
19.	Water and Sanitation program for Indigenous people	2005 - 2009	-Distribution of Tube Wells free of cost -Distribution of sanitary latrine -Distribution Uthan Baithak and community meeting	Jhenidah sadar and shailakupa upazila 2 upazilas and 8 villages	The Federal Republic of Germany
20.	Maize Production through Contact Farming & Comprehensive Agriculture Development	2006 - 2007	-Farmers training on cropping patterns -Production of organic fertilizer -Afforestation	Jhenidah sadar upazila 1 upazila and 3 villages	Winrock International and own fund of Prova Society
21.	Non-Formal Primary Education	2003 - 2006	-Provide non-formal education to the poor and disadvantaged people from class I-class III.	Shailakupa Upazila under Jhenidah district 1 upazila and 10 villages	BRAC

22.	Education Material and Clothing Support for Indigenous Children	2007 - 2008	Distribution of educational materials, shoes and clothing support for Indigenous children	Jhenidah sadar and shailakupa upazila 2 upazila and 5 villages	Hope for Children, UK.
23.	Primary Health Care and Family Planning Service	2006 - 2008	-Provide Health Care -Distribution of family planning services	Jhenidah sadar upazila. 5 villages	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOB.
24.	Disability Development Project	2006	-Distribution of Educational materials -Distribution of assistive device	Jhenidah sadar upazila 4 villages	Disability Development Foundation, GOB.

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