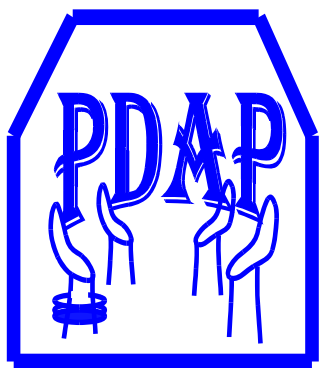


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Back Ground

PDAP is a non-political and non-government development organization. It is initiated by a group of dedicated people who have substantial development experiences with working in different organization. PDAP believes that a true development can be ensured by providing different support service to the people in need. PDAP is registered in March 1994 with the department of Social Services under the voluntary act 1961 and the NGO Affairs Bureau in January 1997.

Operational Area :

- Urban Area :
ward no -2,3,4,5,6,7, 13 and 14 of Dhaka district.
- Rural Area :
Shreenagar & Lawhojong Upzila of Munshigonj district, Kaira Upazila of Khulna district and Tala Upazila of Satkhira district.

Aims and Objectives :

Keeping in view the deplorable condition of the slum areas and the life of its inhabitants. PDAP aims to address the needs of the vulnerable ground specially the women, adolescent girls and children. The specific objectives of the organization are as follows :

- To reach the target population through organized them into groups.
- To impart functional education and training to the illiterate women, girls and children.
- To provide credit facilities for employment generation

- To design and implement different socio economic status of the disadvantaged women and adolescent girls.
- To provide health care services for the destitute.
- To bring out different types of publications to support the development programs.
- To assist in programs run by different Government and don-government organization for the welfare of distressed community.
- To impart family life education to the adolescent girls and pre-schooling orientation to the destitute children.
- To help establish social rights of the disadvantaged women and adolescent girls to improve their quality of life.
- To undertake water sanitation and environmental program.
- Children rights and children program.

PDAP Programs:

PDAP initiates programs to facilitate emergence and establishment of self sustainable community based women, girls and boys group at the area level. So that, these groups can take over responsibilities of their own development. The following activities are considered as priority :



Group formation

PDAP believes, when people are aware and empowered, they can improve their own socio-economic conditions. To empower them it is necessary to bring them into group setting through which it might possible to raise their consciousness and create solidarity among them. Weekly meeting and savings are strictly followed. Each group member save Tk. 20/= in their weekly group meeting. During group meeting member determine their own rate of savings. In weekly meeting, discussions about social and health related issues that affect the daily lives of the members.

Education :

PDAP has been involved in urban development through its women and children education program. The programs bring education to slum dwelling preschoolers and social education credit opportunities to their mothers. To organize the disadvantage women and adolescent girls the workers of PDAP started motivation education to aware them about their necessity and achieve their own rights. To encourage the learners, PDAP used to arrange exposure/study visit in every year.



Skill Development Training

To improve the girls and boys in income generating activities, PDAP emphasis on the skill development training course for the adolescent girls and boys. The courses are –



Tailoring, Embroidery, Food processing, Candle making, Shopping bag making and Block printing. To assist skilled slum women/girls PDAP has established one training and sell centre in it's working area of Mirpur.

Micro Enterprise Loan :

PDAP is providing working capital for the potential borrowers under the micro credit program. It has been observed from out past experience that within a group, not all members are equally capable. Some performed amazingly and so they need more capacity. PDAP distributed loan for the adolescent girls and women for income raising small project and commercial enterprise.

Primary Health Care :

To provide medical support for the poor community, the Doctor, Paramedics and Health workers regularly attending in the PDAP health care centre. PDAP provides preventive and curative services through experienced health personnel. It imparts health & nutrition education to the community people.

Awareness intervention of PDAP specially focus on HIV/AIDS, reproductive healthcare, child sexual abuse and the environment to raise awareness in group members as well as the community to prevent the saver affect of these issues.



Regarding Family Planning the following measures are taken :

- Awareness raising on birth control proper spacing between pregnancy & examination, mental preparation of couples for the arrival of their first child.
- Providing antenatal & postnatal care on immunization of all pregnant mother against Tetanus.
- Providing essential drugs and vaccines
- Prepare adolescent mother physically, psychologically & materially for delivery & lactation as well as remove anxiety associated & delivery.
- Providing adequate knowledge in respect of elements of child care nutrition, personal hygiene & environmental sanitation.

Environment :

The rapid deterioration of nature and the environment in recent years has been considered world wide as a serious problem. Bangladesh has also lot to do to protect nature and the environment. Many unwise activities are causing serious

environmental imbalance in Bangladesh. It is necessary to raise people's awareness about environment. PDAP gives environmental awareness in Mirpur area. PDAP provides slab latrine, deep tube well and dust bin for better environment.



Advocacy

PDAP has provided some issue based awareness raising sessions for the adolescent girls i.e. Dowry, Divorce, women torture, Family law, domestic violence, Eve teasing, Land and Housing rights, Women empowerment, Disaster management etc. The girls will be able to protect themselves in difficult situation. PDAP has a good network with Association of Development Agencies in Bangladesh (ADAB), Coalition for the Urban Poor (CUP), Disadvantaged Adolescent Working NGOs (DAWN), Huairou Commission (HC), International Women Partnership (IWP), Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID), Isis-Wecce and World March of Women (WMW).

Land and Housing Rights

Since 1998, PDAP has been working on land and housing rights for the poor people with the cooperation of UN Habitat, Huairou Commissio, Coalition for the

Urban Poor and Habitat for Humanity International. PDAP used to organize seminar, workshop, local to local dialogue and rally against slum eviction and advocate for space to live is a human right.



Legal Aid Support :

As the local people are very poor and are deprived of legal support as they can not bear the expenses of the existing private lawyers, PDAP is giving legal support for those people, such as- Family law, Child rights, Women rights, Sexual abuse, Dowry and Early marriage.



Implementation, Monitoring and Reporting

All the activities of the project will be regularly monitored by the field staff and supervised by the project Director. Weekly progress review meeting will be held to assess the actual status and a monthly progress report will be prepared.

