

# PROFILE OF PEACE FOUNDATION



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(A Centre for Establish Peaceful Society)

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## A. Introduction

### 1. Background:

**Peace Foundation** is a non-political and non-profit, social and multicultural voluntary organization came in to appearance in 2006. It is committed to help in changing socio-economic and health status of the community especially the poor, illiterate and vulnerable population particularly the women and children. The NGO was established by the initiative of a group of philanthropic and dedicated men and women of Satkhira area. Peace Foundation is run by a seven members Executive Committee (EC). It has a properly constituted managing body with clearly defined rules and responsibilities for office bearers. It is registered with Social Welfare. The founders included a group of highly educated social workers from the same locality committed to offering health care services, education and other human welfare services in the community.

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**2. Vision:** To improve the quality of life of the poor people especially in rural and poverty-free peaceful Bangladesh.

**3. Mission :** To create healthy and democratic societies, self-financed, self-employed and self-empowered communities with increased capabilities by providing need-based services and supports like education, health, sanitation, HIV/AIDS prevention, gender, human rights & legal services, environment promotion, technology, microfinance, agriculture, marketing and by income generating activities.

**4. Goal:** To improve promote positive changes in quality of life and alleviation of poverty and empowerment of the poor and establish peaceful society.

## 5. Objectives:

Peace Foundation seeks to assist in the development of Bangladesh and other developing countries of the world. Its major objectives are:

- ❖ To improve socio-economic conditions of disadvantaged and underprivileged people through undertaking and implementing strategic programs and projects.
- ❖ To assist the underprivileged people for capacity building and ensuring provision of basic needs of life like employment, income, education, health, food security, etc.
- ❖ To help in building institution of the target groups for establishing their basic rights in the family, community and society.
- ❖ To initiate group based social, moral and cultural activities.
- ❖ To transfer ownership of the organization to the beneficiaries.
- ❖ To assist Governments and implementing agencies in policy and decision-making in achieving the best output through provision of consulting and technical assistance services.

## 6. Core values:

Services	: Ensure quality services for all people
Community	: We value community participation and economic empowerment of the Community.
Respect	: We respect the community, the beneficiaries and the staff.
Development	: Our goal is to improved quality of the life of the community.
Environment	: We value an accessible, safe, clean and easing environment.
Integrity	: We believe in integrity, responsibility, honesty and ethic conduct.
Creativity	: We value creativity, innovation and responsible risk taking.
Gender	: We value Gender Equality and Sensitiveness.
Transparency	: We value Transparency & Accountability.

## **7. Legal Status:**

- Registered with Directorate of Social Services, Govt. of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh.

Registration Number: Sat-1091/2010, Date of Registration: 09/11/2010

- Registered with Department of Youth Development, Ministry of Youth and Sports, Govt. of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh.

Registration Number: Sat-240/2013, Date of Registration: 22/01/2013

- Registered with the NGO Affairs Bureau under Processing...

## **8. Principal Beneficiaries:**

- ❖ Rural and urban hardcore poor especially women and children.
- ❖ Disadvantaged and underprivileged men, women and children.
- ❖ Landless, marginal, small and large farmers.
- ❖ Fishermen.
- ❖ Drug Addict.
- ❖ Adolescent boys and girls.
- ❖ Youths.
- ❖ People with Disability.
- ❖ Haor, Baor & Coastal People.
- ❖ Displaced / Uprooted people

## **9. Ownership:**

Peace Foundation owned by its:

- Beneficiaries
- Staff Members
- Honorable Members of the Executive Committee and General Body

## **10. Commitment:**

Peace Foundation is committed for the welfare of its:

- Beneficiary
- Community
- Staff Members
- Organization

## 11. Beneficiaries Coverage:

In all, Peace Foundation covers about 3 lac beneficiaries all over Satkhira District in Bangladesh who are getting direct or indirect benefits from different development program/projects operated by the organization.

## 12. Executive Committee with Qualifications:

All members of the Executive Committee are non-political. No member is involved in any party politics. Particulars of the members of the Executive Committee are given below:

Name	Position	Address	Qualification
Sheikh Zahid Hossain	President	Monjitpur, Satkhira Sadar, Satkhira	M.B.A (HRM)
Sabira Sultana Nupur	Vice President	Labsha, Satkhira Sadar, Satkhira	M.S.S
Sheikh Munayem	General Secretary	Jordia, Tala Upozila, Satkhira	M.A
Sk. Mamun Hossain	Treasurer	Shemulbaria, Satkhira Sadar, Satkhira	B.A
Abul Kalam Azad	Member	Hamidpur, Kowtoali, Jashore	B.A
Syma Islam	Member	House # 39, Road # 1, Mohammadia Housing, Mohammadpur, Dhaka	M.S.C (Child Development & Family Relation)
Kazi Mafta-ul-Haque	Member	Monjitpur, Satkhira Sadar, Satkhira	B.A

## 13. Management Structure:

Peace Foundation is operated as per approved constitution of the organization. It has three types of structure:

- General Body
- Executive Committee
- General Administration

### a) General Body

The total number of members of the General Body is 21. At least one general meeting is held annually. General Body approves the activities of the Executive Committee.

## **b) Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee elected by the members of General Body. It consists of 7 members. The composition of the Executive Committee is given below:

President	01
Vice President	01
General Secretary	01
Treasurer	01
Member	03
<b>Total</b>	<b>07</b>

The Executive Director plays the role of General Secretary to the Executive Committee as per the constitution. But the Executive Director has no right for casting vote in taking any decision in the meeting of the Executive Committee. The duration of the Executive Committee is 3 years. The Social Services, Govt. of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh approves the Executive Committee.

## **14. Development Approach and Strategy:**

The main strategy of Peace Foundation in implementing its present activities is to assist beneficiaries as the development partners or facilitators. Some working strategies of Peace Foundation are mentioned below:

### **Group Approach**

Peace Foundation strongly believes that sustainability of the organization depends on the sustainability of the beneficiary target groups. Peace Foundation implements most of its programs/projects by organizing beneficiaries in groups. Groups decide what kind of approach and assistance they need. Peace Foundation assists them in taking proper decision. In the light of the decision taken by the groups, Peace Foundation provides the group members with technical and financial supports.

### **Bottom-up Approach**

Peace Foundation follows a bottom-up and participatory development approach as its working strategy. With this end in view, Peace Foundation first starts mobilizing and organizing beneficiaries through awareness building.

## **Family Approach**

Though the women are organized as the primary beneficiaries, all members of beneficiary family have to participate in development activities. In the decision making process of the development issues of a family, Peace Foundation ensures the participation of every adult member of the family. Peace Foundation tries to increase the skills of every family member so that they can implement an enterprise jointly for the betterment of the family.

## **Cluster Approach/Community Approach**

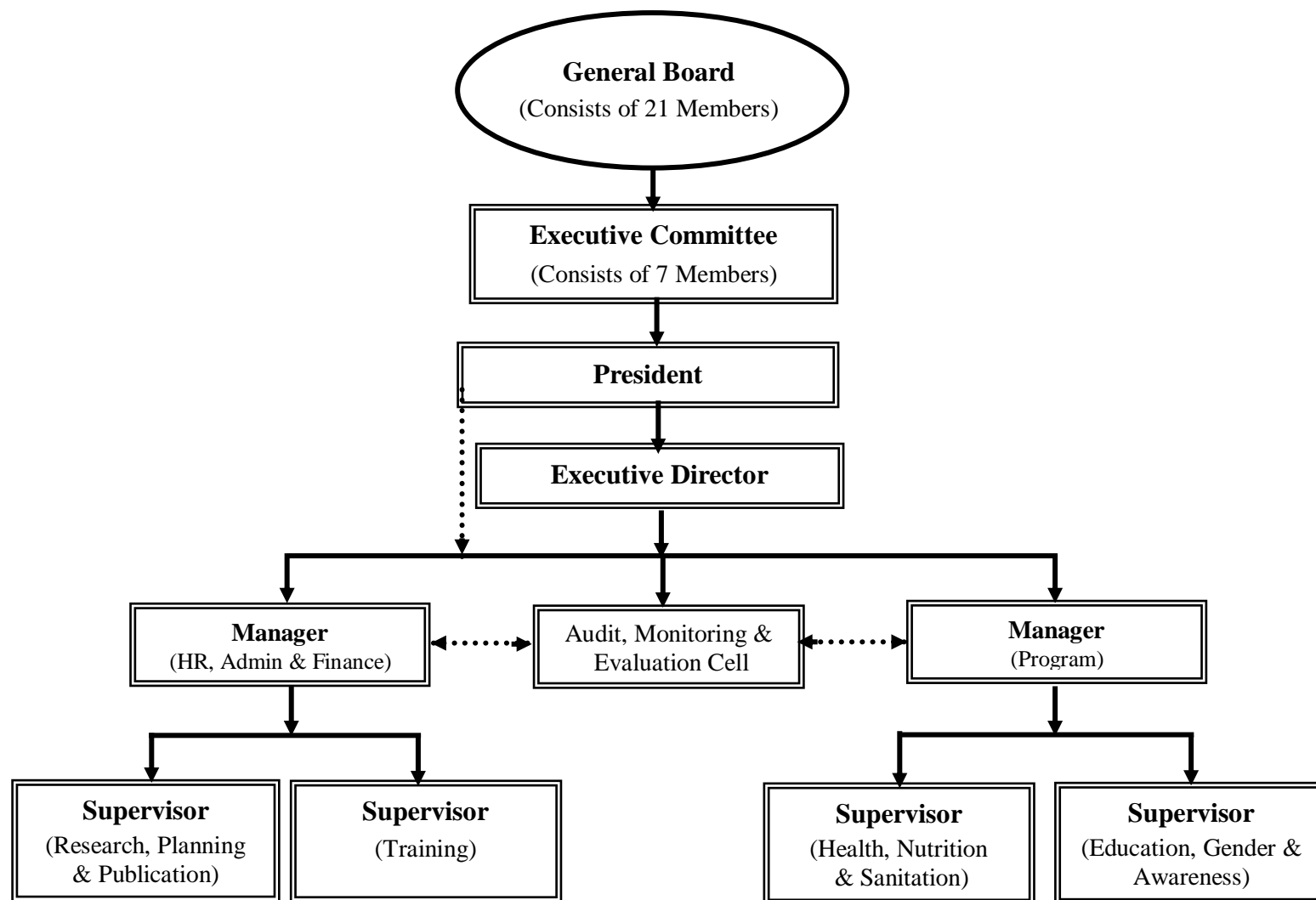
Peace Foundation follows cluster/community approach in implementing its various activities. According to the approach, working areas are divided into clusters. Cluster-based community is mobilized through development approach. All products and services are provided to the targeted people in the community.

## **15. Major Interventions:**

Peace Foundation has identified the following broad interventions to achieve its goal and objectives:

1. Education
2. Health, Sanitation & Nutrition
3. Agriculture Extension Program
4. Drug Addict Prevention and Rehabilitation
5. STD/ HIV/AIDS Prevention
6. Advocacy and Governance
7. Child & Gender Development
8. Human Rights & Good Governance
9. Rehabilitation of the Persons with Disability
10. Climate Change & Environment Promotion
11. Cultural Activities & Awareness Raising
12. Trafficking
13. Arsenic Mitigation
14. Counseling
15. Recreation

# ORGANOGRAM OF PEACE FOUNDATION



----- Communication, Coordination and Support, ——— Reporting and Supervision

## **B. Partnership, Membership and Target Groups**

### **1. Associate/strategic partners:**

Peace Foundation has so far involved around 5 local level NGOs as associate/strategic partners for operating awareness, education, health and HIV/AIDS activities all over Satkhira District of Bangladesh. Peace Foundation provides them both financial and capacity building support.

### **2. Partnership and Networking:**

In line with our core values and to expedite our activities and achieve goal of RF, we are maintaining close contact with different local, regional and national net working organization for having affiliation and membership. The organizations/forums with which Peace Foundation has developed linkages/membership are the following:

- Bangladesh Labor Welfair Foundation (BLF)
- MAAFSI Bangladesh
- ARA
- CIEM
- Upoker
- CRESCENT (ক্রিসেন্ট)
- Activities for the Landless, Organized with Consciousness (ALOC)
- ARA
- WBB Trust
- Iswaripur Development Foundation (IDF)
- Aid for Social Services in Bangladesh (ASSB)
- Bio-Village Forum

### **3. Target Groups:**

- Women & Children
- Youth
- Landless, Marginal & Small farmer family
- Tribals (Garo, Hajong and Santal)
- Bawali (Wood Cutters)
- Mouali (Honey Collectors)
- Shrimp Fry Collector
- Fuel Wood Collectors
- Tour Operator
- Fishermen and Fish Farmers

## **C. Program/Projects and other Activities**

### **Programs and Area of Activities**

As an NGO, Peace Foundation is implementing various development programs and projects; most of those are with the financial assistance of its development partners/agencies and private sector, while some is exclusively from its own resources. Bangladesh being a poverty stricken country, poverty reduction is the major working area of Peace Foundation. However, it also works in other fields of human development.

#### **1. Education:**

Peace Foundation has been implementing different education program since 2008 with a view to ensuring literacy, basic education and livelihood skills to the disadvantaged illiterate people. So far, Peace Foundation has imparted basic education to 770 persons of whom 450 are children and the rest 320 are adults.

#### **2. Health, Sanitation and Nutrition:**

Among the five basic needs of human being, health is considered as important one. In Bangladesh the rural and urban poor people has very limited access to health services. As such, Peace Foundation is committed to provide health and sanitation services to all of its beneficiaries and the community people in its program areas.

Major intervention of health, nutrition and sanitation program is to increase awareness on health, nutrition, sanitation, hygiene and Prevention of HIV/AIDS of the household members.

#### **3. Agriculture Extension Program**

Peace Foundation since its beginning has been operating on agriculture extension program. The agriculture program of Peace Foundation sets the goal to increase income and employment of the target people through increasing forestry, fishery, livestock and poultry. Special attention has been given to the marginal and small farmers; especially the women and they are largely supported to be involved in agro based income generating activities for molding their livelihood towards self-reliance.

#### **4. Drug Addict Prevention:**

We are also working on prevention of drug among young people in Satkhira district. We are working on these issues with community based organization (CBO). Peace Foundation is also working on Anti Smoking Campaign etc.

#### **5. STD/HIV/AIDS Prevention:**

HIV/AIDS today has become one of the deadly diseases ever faced by mankind. Although prevalence rates are still low in Bangladesh, HIV/AIDS is an emerging public health risk that has the potential of significant negative impact on a broad range of socio-economic development indicators unless steps are taken to control its spread. Recognizing the importance of the issue, Peace Foundation has been intervening in the field since 2012.

Through the advocacy and sensitization of religious leaders, community leaders and policy makers, a general awareness has been created to prevent HIV/AIDS among youths, adolescents and IDUs.

#### **6. Advocacy and Governance:**

Of late, Peace Foundation is involved in different program on advocacy, aiming to protect the rights of women and children of the areas. Major objectives of the program are to: (a) ensure proper and effective application of laws that protect the rights of the women and children through stimulating beneficiary's involvement and (b) aware the stakeholders about the non-discriminatory application of laws that protect the rights of women and children of the program areas.

#### **7. Gender:**

Peace Foundation attaches high priority to gender equity and strives to bring about positive and lasting changes in the lives of Bangladeshi women and girls through empowering them to take control of their own lives.

Peace Foundation also provides gender orientation to its beneficiaries (men, women and children including staff members). Peace Foundation actively participates in various forums and campaigns aiming at reducing gender discrimination and violence against women. It also is engaged in advocacy for eliminating gender discriminatory laws, policies and practices.

## **8. Human Rights & Good Governance:**

We are working to ensure human rights at community level. Now we are raising awareness on various human rights issues through group meeting at grassroots level.

## **9. Rehabilitation of the Persons with Disability:**

Peace Foundation has implemented a Disability Rights, Own Fund at Satkhira Sadar upazilla of Satkhira district in Bangladesh. Primary beneficiaries of the action include 20 disabled women of the implementation areas.

## **10. Climate Change and Environment Promotion:**

Climate change in the global context can be attributed to the excessive emission of green house gases into atmosphere that results mostly from the burning of fossil fuel. The resultant build-up of gases in turn causes various kinds of natural disasters in the form of flood, cyclone, salinity, drought, etc. Bangladesh, because of its geographical position, is very prone to these natural hazards. PF worked with local Govt. to the vulnerable girls & women aimed to access socio economic sectors giving social female leaders.

## **11. Cultural activities & Awareness Raising:**

Cultural activities are an important/strong way to raise awareness among community people. Peace Foundation also organize street drama, drama to emphasize local popular theme on different burning issues like, Drug, Family Planning,

## **12. Trafficking:**

Trafficking of children and women is a major problem in Bangladesh. Responding to the problem, Peace Foundation launched a project named “Trafficking prevention campaign” in own fund 2011. Main objective of the project is to implement a comprehensive trafficking prevention campaign by organizing workshops at district and upazila levels, capacity building training, teachers/parents forum meetings, meetings with media, etc. As a result, trafficking of children and women reduced significantly in the project area.

### **13. Monitoring:**

Peace Foundation has an intensive monitoring system. Peace Foundation field organizers intensively supervise the group activities and regular collection of savings and credit installments. Weekly monitoring form duly filled by the field organizer is submitted to the supervisor / branch in-charge. Monthly activities and financial reports are submitted and reviewed in the monthly branch meeting. Branch has to submit its monthly report to the head office. Quarterly, half yearly and annual reports (of both activities and financial) are prepared and submitted to the head office. Head office personnel regularly visit every branch to supervise and monitor the branch activities. Head office audit team audits the accounts in all level. Besides this all accounts are audited annually by a NGO Bureau enlisted registered auditor. Governing Body of Peace Foundation meets regularly to look after the overall activities of Peace Foundation. Head office monitoring system is computerized.

## D. Others

### 1. Working Area:

Peace Foundation its activities throughout the Satkhira district.

### 2. Future Plan:

Peace Foundation in the future would increasingly emphasize the sustainable through transferring ownership of the organization to the beneficiaries.

### 3. Activities Picture & News Cutting of Peace Foundation:



#### **4. Make Your Donation:**

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##### **Conclusion:**

From its inception, PEACE FOUNDATION is trying to develop the living condition of the poor people of Bangladesh through improvement of their life pattern by enhancement of personal as well as family earnings and raising awareness among themselves so that the overall socio-economic condition can be upgraded. PEACE FOUNDATION's efforts in the field of development, poverty alleviation, education, health care, environment and agro fisheries have definitely created a positive impact in the project areas. PEACE FOUNDATION is proceeding towards its cherished goal.



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