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2. Assessment of Implementation of Action Activities:

2.1 : Executive Summary of the Action:

Community Action for Child Protection from Violence (CACPV) is a European Union (EU) funded project of Family Planning Association of Bangladesh (FPAB) being implemented in partnership with Aparajeyo Bangladesh (AB), Bangladesh Center for Communication Programs (BCCP), Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST) and the Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning (JOICFP). The overall objective of the project is to contribute to the eradication of violence against children (VAC) in selected wards of 3 City Corporations (Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong). The project does this through strengthening local communities to detect, prevent and respond to any form of violence against children in the project areas and rehabilitating child victims of violence in project locations. The 3-year-long project is based on 2 results and BCCP has been entrusted to work on Result-1 to raise awareness through community mobilization and capacity building on violence against children for Government and NGO service providers. The BCCP-CACPV team has accomplished the targeted activities from February 2014 to December 2016.

The project is to fulfill its objective by enabling relevant duty bearers to understand, detect and act to prevent various forms and aspects of violence against children in the key areas (families, educational institutions, community level, public places, workplaces and in adolescent development centers and orphanages).

The intervention package is designed around a three-pronged approach for detecting, preventing and/or responding to any form of VAC and rehabilitating victims of violence. The first approach aims to reduce VAC by changing or strengthening societal and behavioral aspects through awareness raising, sensitization, networking and developing capacities of gatekeepers and stakeholders. The second approach revolves around protecting and helping victims of violence. The third approach will deal with legal and institutional framework in the project area.

In the inception phase, project staff members were recruited, and the office set up was completed. The project successfully completed recruitment of 8 project staff members (achieving 100% in relation to target) following standard processes and procedures. An orientation session was conducted for the newly recruited staff to brief them about the CACPV project in terms of its programmatic and financial aspect. A year-by-year work plan was prepared for the entire project duration and all of the planned activities have been completed during the project period accordingly.

BCCP organized 40 community gatherings in schools/madrasahs, made 6650 community people, including males & females, aware about Violence Against Children (VAC) issues, organized 60 video shows where a total of 4198 participants including males, females and children watched the shows and received messages on VAC issues, organized 32 interactive popular theater shows where a total of 7975 participants including males, females and children observed the shows and received message on VAC issues. In addition, it also organized 3 children's festivals and a total of 912 different stakeholders including community people, GO & NGO were made aware about child rights issues. It organized 3 music competitions leading to 237 working children being made aware on child rights issues. BCCP also organized 4 Future Search Conferences (FSC) to help establish 4 VAC forums. A total of 222 participants from 8 different stakeholder groups were present during the FSC. BCCP also organized 6 VAC forum coordination meetings. A total of 144 VAC forum members were made aware of their responsibilities and they acted accordingly. BCCP conducted 8 batches of ToT on life skills. A total of 198 GoB & NGO service providers received the ToT.

2.2 Activities and Results

Activity 1.3.2: Organize 40 community gatherings in school/madrasah areas (Timeline: February 2015 - December 2016)

Topics/Activities Covered: 40 community gatherings have been conducted on VAC issues at selected wards of Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong City Corporation areas. The target was 40 for the entire project duration.

Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A.

Results of this activity:

100% of the activity was completed during the reporting period. Community gathering programs were organized to discuss about the VAC issues at different schools and madrasahs of the selected wards of Dhaka, Chittagong and Khulna city corporation areas. In total, 40 gatherings were organized in selected wards of Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong city corporation areas. A total of 6650 community members participated in the gatherings. Parents, students, community leaders, Government officials, GO-NGO personnel, teachers from 13 schools & madrasahs in Chittagong, 13 in Khulna and 14 in Dhaka attended the gatherings. A total of 6650 participants were present in the gatherings. Among the participants, 3265 were male and 3385 female. In these gatherings, issues such as various forms of violence, places and possible sources of violence were discussed followed by *question and answer* sessions. The gatherings sensitized the community members about VAC. Previously, people thought only physical punishment is violence but these gatherings made them aware of other forms of VAC, such as mental, sexual violence, etc. This will help them to detect and prevent VAC. The guests reiterated that VAC is a social problem in Bangladesh and to combat this issue it should be initiated from ground-up. Coverage of the programs by local newspapers was noteworthy. This activity was completed successfully during the project period. Achievement of the outcome was 107.25% in relation to indicators.



Activity 1. 3. 4: Organize 60 video shows in the project areas (Timeline: After the end of C4D tools development, 2015-2016)

Topics/Activities Covered: A total of 60 video shows were organized on VAC issues at selected wards of Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong City Corporation areas. The video named “BANCHAO” was produced by JOICFP from a common story as part of development of multi-formatted communication tools. The communication tools were produced based on 5 thematic areas such as child labour, early marriage, physical punishment, eve-teasing and sexual harassment. 60 video shows were targeted for the project duration and this number was achieved.



Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A

Result of this Activity:

100% of the activity was completed during the reporting period. Video shows were organized in the selected wards of 3 proposed City Corporations for various community members with the objective to disseminate on

child rights and VAC issues. A total of 60 video shows were organized in selected wards of Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong City Corporation areas. A total of 4198 participants including 1453 males, 929 females and 1807 children observed the shows and received messages on VAC issues. These messages will eventually be disseminated in the community reducing VAC. Achievement of outcome was 174.91% in relation to indicators.

Activity 1.3.5: Organize 32 Interactive Popular Theatre Shows in project areas (Timeline February, 2015-December 2016)

Topics/Activities Covered: A total of 32 interactive popular theatre shows were organized on VAC issues at selected wards of Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong City Corporation areas. A popular theatre show named “BANCHAHO” was produced by JOICFP based on 5 thematic areas, such as child labour, early marriage, physical punishment, eve-teasing and sexual harassment 32 theatre shows were targeted for the third year of the project and this number was achieved successfully.

Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A

Result of this Activity:

100% of the activity was completed during the reporting period. A total of 32 interactive popular theatre shows were organized in the selected wards of 3 proposed City Corporations for a variety of community members with the objective to raise awareness on child rights and VAC issues. A total of 32 interactive popular theatre shows were organized in selected wards of Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong City Corporation areas. A total of 7975 participants including 4235 males, 2070 females and 1670 children observed the shows and received messages through interactive in question and answer sessions on VAC issues. These messages will eventually be disseminated in the community to reduce VAC. Coverage of the program by local and national Bangla and English newspapers was remarkable. Indeed through these interactive theatre shows a huge momentum has been created in the community regarding awareness of VAC issues. Achievement of outcome was 124.60% in relation to indicators.



Activity 1.3.6: Organize 3 Children’s Festivals in project areas (Timeline: December 2016)

Topics/Activities Covered: Day-long Children’s Festivals were organized in Chittagong, Khulna and Dhaka. A total of 3 children’s festivals were targeted for the entire project period. One festival was supposed to be organized in each city corporation in each year as per the project proposal. All activities related to the festivals were completed successfully during the project period.

Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A

Result of this Activity:



100% of the targeted activity was completed during the project period. The festivals were aimed to provide opportunities to children to get to know each other with sensitivity, to raise awareness on their rights and also to showcase their talents. Three children’s festivals were organized in Chittagong, Khulna and Dhaka at Shishu Academy Auditorium, Officers Club and Bangladesh Shishu Academy Auditorium respectively in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd year of the project. A total of 912 people attended the festivals, among them 420 were male and 492 were

female. Most of the participants were students from different schools. Parents, teachers, community leaders, GO-NGO professionals and partner organizations also attended the children’s festival. They were huge gatherings where children got the opportunity to know each other through interactions reflecting sensitivity. A total of 912 different stakeholders including children, community members, Government organizations, were made aware about child rights issues. Children showcased their creativity and potential talent through solo and group performances, stage drama, dance, recitals on child rights and violence against children. The electronic and print media covered the day’s program in a befitting manner. Achievement of outcome was 112.59% in relation to indicators.

Activity 1.3.8: Organize 3 Music Competitions on child rights & disseminate through media partnerships (Timeline: November 2015)

Topics/Activities Covered: Day long Music Competitions were organized in Chittagong, Khulna and Dhaka. A total of 3 Music Competitions were targeted for the entire project period. One Music Competition was supposed to be organized in each city corporation in each year as per the project proposal. The theme of the competition was related to child rights. All activities were completed successfully during the project period.

Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A

Result of this Activity: 100% of the targeted activity was completed during the project period. Three Music Competitions were organized in Chittagong, Khulna and Dhaka at the Shishu Academy Auditorium, CSS Ava Center and National Music & Dance Center Auditorium and the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy Auditorium respectively in the first, second and third year of the project. The competition was organized with the aim to raise awareness on child labor at the individual level by sharing timely, relevant and consistent information & promoting benefits with insights related to child rights. The competitions disseminated informative messages to the communities on the detrimental effects of child labour and of actions that can be taken to protect children from being engaged in child labour. A total of 237 working children were empowered on child rights issues & prizes were distributed. Among them 125 were males and 1112 were females. Achievement of outcome was 121.53% in relation to indicators.



Contestants from near about 30 organizations working in the same field participated in the competitions during the project period. Besides them, different stakeholders including the Additional Secretary of the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, local Government representatives, etc participated in the program as Chief Guests. All the participants agreed that such an initiative would help to make Bangladesh free from violence against children. This activity was a unique gathering of children where they were able to show their potential and had the opportunity to know about their rights. Participants opined that this competition should be organized all over the Bangladesh to raise awareness among children, duty bearers and community people including owners of welding machine factories, rickshaw garages, tea stalls, etc. The program was telecasted through local Bangladesh Television center, Chittagong, and as news through private TV channels such as Masranga and Mohona. Local newspapers also provided wide coverage of the program.

Activity 1.4.2: Organize 4 Future Search Conferences (FSCs) to help establish 4 forums (meeting 6 times in total) on Violence against Children in 3 cities with members from different professions (Timeline: May 2015-August 2015)

Topics/Activities Covered:

- a. Four day-long Future Search Conferences (FSCs) were organized in Chittagong, Dhaka and Khulna during the project period. Four FSCs were targeted for the entire project, and this target was achieved successfully. A total of 222 participants of 8 different stakeholder groups were present among them, of which 150 were male and 72 were female. Achievement of outcome was 100.90% in relation to indicators
- b. 6 half-day-long Violence against Children Forum (VAC) Coordination meetings were organized- 2 in Khulna, 3 in Dhaka and 1 in Chittagong during project period. 6 coordination meetings were targeted and this was achieved successfully. A total of 144 VAC forum members were made aware of their responsibilities and they acted accordingly. Among them 98 were males and 46 were females. Achievement of outcome was 114.28% in relation to indicators



Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A

Result of this Activity:

100% of the targeted activity was completed. The objective of the Future Search Conference was to develop a forum consisting of proactive and motivated men and women who will share information among themselves, draw up a future picture, make commitment and also utilize their own resources to organize various programs to address different issues related to VAC. Participants from 8 different stakeholder groups including children, parents and school teachers participated in these FSCs. As a result of these conferences, the Violence Against Children (VAC) Forum was formed in Dhaka, Chittagong and Khulna comprising different stakeholders respectively who will develop a support group and utilize their own resources to organize programs to address VAC. Members ensured that they would also utilize their own resources to organize different programs to address various issues related to VAC. The programs were shown through national and private TV channel news and also the local print media covered the day-long program.



After the development of the functional guideline for the forum, coordination meetings were organized. People from the VAC forum attended the meetings and provided their valuable feedback and comments. On an average, each forum consists of 30-32 members from different stakeholder groups of GoB, NGOs, public representatives, local elites. Their participation enriched the meetings as they have more experience at the community level. They also tried their best to reduce VAC related issues in their surroundings by utilizing their available resources to organize different program to address different issue related to VAC.

Activity 1.5.4: Conduct 8 TOT training programs for 240 GoB/NGO service-providers on life skills for children at risk of violence (Timeline: 2nd & 3rd Year of the project i.e. 2015-2016)

Topics/Activities Covered: 8 batches of 3 day-long TOT on Life Skills for GO/NGO service providers were organized in 3 City Corporations during the project period. Eight batches were targeted for the entire project duration and this was achieved successfully. A total of 198 service providers received training on TOT. Among the participants 106 were females and 92 were males. Achievement of the outcome was 82.50% in relation to indicators. This percentage a bit less because when we revised the log frame we have reduced the number of batches but mistakenly we don't reduce the number of participants.

Reasons for Modification (if any): N/A

Result of this Activity:

100% of the targeted activity was completed during the project period. In the reporting year, 3 batches of TOT on life skills were completed successfully in Dhaka, Khulna and Chittagong. A total of 198 GO and NGO service providers participated in the TOT program. Among the participants, 102 were female and 96 male. As a result of this TOT, knowledge and skills of the service providers will be enhanced in conducting life skills training with the children from schools and with children at risk of violence, making them familiar with the newly developed Life Skills Manual. Participants also expressed their deep satisfaction in receiving this well-organized TOT on Life Skills. Local newspapers provided coverage of the news.



2.3 Activities that were planned

Based on work plan of entire project period, the following activities have been carried out and achievements are shown in percentages:

SL No.	Activity	Achievements(in percentage)	Remarks
1.	Activity: 1.3.1: Organize 40 community gatherings on VAC issues at 40 school and madrasah areas	100%	Planned - 40 Achieved - 40
2.	Activity 1.3.4: Organize 60 video shows at the community in 3 City Corporations	100%	Planned - 60 Achieved - 60
3.	Activity 1.3.5: Organize 32 popular theatre shows	100%	Planned - 32 Achieved - 32
4.	Activity 1.3.6: Organize 3 children's festivals at City Corporation level	100%	Planned - 3 Achieved - 3
5.	Activity 1.3.8: Organize 3 Music Competitions in 3 City Corporation areas	100%	Planned - 3 Achieved - 3
6.	Activity 1.4.2: Organize 4 Future Search Conferences (FSCs) to establish VAC forums	100%	Planned - 4 Achieved - 4
7.	Activity 1.4.2: Organize 6 VAC Forum Coordination Meetings	100%	Planned - 6 Achieved - 6
8.	Activity 1.4.5: Conduct 8 life skills TOTs for 240 GoB/NGO service providers	100%	Planned -8 Achieved - 8 batches

2.3 Activities that were not taken place – N/A

2.4: Assessment of the results of the Action:

2.4.1: Observations on the performances and achievements of outputs, outcomes and impact in relation to specific and overall objectives:

Outputs	Outcomes	Impact
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 community gatherings organized • Organized 60 video shows • 32 interactive popular theater show organized • 3 Children Festival organized • 3 Music Competition on child labor arranged • 4 Future Search Conference (FSC) organized to help formation of VAC forum • 6 VAC forum coordination meetings organized are active. • 8 batches of TOT on life skill organized for GO-NGO service providers. professionals received life skill trainings on VAC 	<p>6650 Community people more aware on Vac issues. 4198 participants observed the shows and received message on VAC issues. 7975 participants including male, female and children observed the theatre shows and received message through an effective interaction. 912 participants attended the children festival. 237 working children were empowered on child rights issues. 222 participants of 8 different stakeholder groups were present in the FSC. 144 Vac forum member were participate in the meetings. 198 GO & NGO service providers received ToT on life skill.</p>	<p>It is revealed that school teacher along with community people prevented child marriage in the community as outcome of the community gathering as well as VAC forum coordination meeting. Community people are more aware on VAC issues as outcome of various community mobilization activities and enabling relevant duty bearers to understand, detect and act to prevent various forms and aspects of violence against children in the families, educational institutions, community level, public places, and workplaces. Go and NGO service providers are skill enough to reduce VAC in their community.</p>

2.4.2: Unforeseen positive or negative results:

Expected Results	Unforeseen positive/negative result(s)
<p>Result -1:</p>	<p>The undertaken community mobilization activities of the project in the selected wards of the proposed city corporations played a significant rule to change violent behaviour of the community people towards Violence against Children. Community people more aware and confident to reduce VAC in their community.</p>

2.5: What has been the outcome on the both final beneficiaries &/or target group (If different) and the situation in the target country or target region which the action addressed?

A total of 16, 591 targeted community people will be made aware on violence against children through awareness, community mobilization and capacity building activities of the action under CACPV project. Among them a total of 198 service providers received TOT on life skill for children at risk of violence and enhanced their skill to conduct training on life skill in their workplace.

In Bangladesh a large number of children are deprived of their basic human rights due to unacceptable health, nutrition and education as well as social conditions. In addition, children are exposed to severe forms of physical and mental violence at home, in the work place, in institutions and other public places. The nature and extent of violence against children irrespective of age, sex and class has been increasing day by day. On the whole, our children are not safe despite efforts made by government and non-government organisations in ensuring the rights of the children. More effort should be given from both GO, NGO & Donor communities in this regards.

2.6: Please list all materials (and no. copies) produced during the Action on whatever format please enclose a copy of each item, except if you have already done so in the past.)

a) VAC forum guideline – 83 Copies (4 master copies)

b) Manual on TOT for life Skill -5 master copies

Please state how the items produced are being distributed and to whom

BCCP produced draft VAC forum manual than shared the draft manual with the partners and VAC forum member. After incorporating the feedback manual was finalized. This manual distributed to the VAC forum members to conduct the forum meeting. In the same process manual on TOT developed and photocopy of necessary sections of the manual distributed to the participants of TOT.

2.7: Please list all contracts (works, supplies, services) above 10,000 euro awarded for the implementation of the action since the last interim report if any or during the reporting period, giving for each contact the amount, the award procedure followed and the name of the contactor. N/A

2.8: Describe if any the Action will continue after the support from European Union has ended. Are there any follow up activities envisaged? What will ensure the sustainability of the Action?

Service provider received TOT on life skill on VAC issues and enhanced their skill to conduct training on life skill in their workplace. These activities will continue if a strong follows up mechanism established by the respective organizations (GO, NGO, partners organization etc.) nominated the trainees to receive TOT.

2.9: Explain how the Action has mainstreamed cross-cutting issues such as promotion of human rights, gender equality, democracy, good governance, children’s rights and indigenous peoples, environmental sustainability and combating HIV/AIDS (if there ia strong prevalence in the target county/region).

Action has mainstreamed, promoted and uphold cross-cutting issues such as human rights, gender equality, democracy, children’s rights etc. through awareness, community mobilization and capacity building activities. i.e. in the Children festival, music competition, community gathering we talked much about child rights, human rights, gender equality to some extend we also talked about good governance. In the selection process of participants in the awareness activities and training program we keep in mind about the equal participation of both male and female. In the action good governance related message disseminated to uphold the child rights to the owner of the small factories, welding and lathe machine and rickshaw garage etc.

As there is a combined interest within the EU in promoting democracy, good governance, and human rights in ways that are linked with questions of security, enlargement, technical cooperation, poverty reduction and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), as well as conflict prevention, crisis management and conflict resolution ¹.

(¹<http://www.idea.int/sites/default/files/publications/chapters/the-role-of-the-european-union-in-democracy-building/eu-democracy-building-discussion-paper-8.pdf>)

2.10: How and by whom have the activities been monitored/evaluated? Please summarise the result of the feedback received, including from the beneficiaries

EU Result-Oriented Monitoring (ROM) Mission for projects funded by the European Union visited Bangladesh between 25 October and 11 November 2015. The ROM exercise is part of the EU internal monitoring process and assists EU delegations with thematic and sector expertise to review project outputs, in consultation with stakeholders. For Monitoring of the Community Actions for Child Protection from Violence (CACPV) project, the Mission started on November 03 and ended on November 11, 2015.

The mission findings were very encouraging on expected result2 (ER2) which BCCP has been working on. In terms of effectiveness of the activities only ER2 has been marked by EU-ROM Mission as GREEN(Good/Very good).The ROM Mission commented that, “A community based system has been established (ER2) and despite the absence of Communication Tools there is a high level of awareness around and attention paid to VAC. The quality of output of ER2 is good. Work with the parents and teachers (during Community Gathering) is well-prepared with updated information. Prevention of VAC is taken seriously and violence is not anymore used as an instrument of discipline.”

2.11: What has your organization/partner learned from the Action and how has this learning been utilised and disseminated?

As a communication organization BCCP learned a lot. This Project opens up new avenue for BCCP in terms of donor (European Union). Wide electronic and print media coverage highlighted the day’s program which contributes a lot to achieve the program objectives. Children festival, music competition gives us additional mileage to prorate ourselves to eminent personalities of cultural arena as well as high Government official both from ministries and local government. Gather experience to work as consortium having different dynamism. This learning has been disseminated to all the senior staff of the BCCP.

3. Partners and other Co-operation

3.1 How do you assess the relationship between the formal partners of this Action (i.e those partners which have signed a partnership statement)? Please provide specific information for each partner organisation.

Relation with FPAB: BCCP and FPAB have been working together being thematic stakeholder in the field of reproductive health and family planning since 1997. In collaboration with Government and NGO like FPAB BCCP developed FP-MCH IEC strategy . A number of FPAB staff participated in various communication capacity building training and workshop. BCCP also worked with FPAB in the Second Urban Primary Health Care Partnership - a project funded by ADB and IDA.

Relation with JOICFP: BCCP works in close collaboration with JOICFP to develop multi-formatted communication tools from a common story. Assistance is being provided to JOICFP to revise and readjust Communication for Development (C4D) materials. In close collaboration with JOICFP, BCCP able to implement the video shows and interactive popular theater in the selected wards of the proposed 3 City Corporation areas successfully.

Relation with Aparajeyo Bangladesh: Aparajeyo Bangladesh always provides support to BCCP to implement the field level awareness, community mobilization and capacity building activities smoothly. BCCP also provides communication related support to Aparajeyo Bangladesh as needed.

Relation with BLAST: BLAST also provides support to BCCP to by nominating participants to implement the field level awareness, community mobilization and capacity building activities smoothly. BCCP also provides communication related support to BLAST.

3.2 Is the partnership to continue? If so, how? If not, why?

We will try our best to utilizing each other experiences to continue the partnership

3.3 How would you assess the relationship between your organisation and State authorities in the Action countries? How has this relationship affected the Action?

1. During the children's festivals, community gatherings, music competitions, VAC coordination forum meetings, Future Search Conferences (FSCs), TOTs on life skills, a number of Government representatives, including the Additional secretary, ministry of women and child affairs, Joint Secretary and Chief Executive Officer, Ex Chief Justice, Supreme Court and District and Divisional level Officers were present in some of the activities and expressed their very positive views towards the program. These good relationships will help make the actions sustainable.

3.4 Where applicable, describe your relationship with any other organisations involved in implementing the Action:

- Associate(s) (if any): **N/A**
- Sub-contractor(s) (if any): **N/A**
- Final Beneficiaries and Target groups:

Target groups: Adults who behave violently with children (teachers, parents, community people, religious leaders), child victims of violence in the project area

Final Beneficiaries: 188,990 people (including children, parents, teachers, Government officials, public representatives, NGO workers, community people, religious leaders, local elites) in the project areas become

more aware about violence against children through awareness (1,78,781), trainings (1,555) and other services (8654)

- *Other third parties involved (including other donors, other government agencies or local government units, NGOs, etc):* N/A

3.5 Where applicable, outline any links and synergies you have developed with other actions. N/A

3.6 If your organisation has received previous EU grants in view of strengthening the same target group, in how far has this Action been able to build upon/complement the previous one(s)?(List all previous relevant EU grants): N/A

3.7 How do you evaluate cooperation with the service of the contracting authority?

Co-operation of the contracting authority was excellent. Contracting authority always tried to uphold the consortium spirit. Partners always help to organize and conduct each other programs as advice the contracting authority. Eventually the all of targeted activities of CACP project have completed successfully.

4. Visibility:

The visibility of the EU's support is ensured in the occupied office space for project staff through displaying logos on doors and walls. Besides this, materials produced by this project, such as training manuals, handbooks, reports, PowerPoint presentations, banners, attendance sheets, T-shirts, etc. are clearly marked with the EU logo to duly acknowledge and ensure the visibility of the EU's contribution to the project. Some samples of visibility of the EU logo have been furnished with this report.





