

Project Progress Report

Women Climate Justice Forum
Feminist Group Bangladesh
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Organisation Logo

Project info

Briefly describe your project (100 words)

The project aims to achieve gender justice in climate change context. The project has formed Women Climate Justice Forum at national and divisional level of Bangladesh who will contribute to raise women voice and claim women rights and acknowledgement in climate change program, policy and financing. The project formed total 8 divisional women climate justice forums (WCJF) in 8 divisions of Bangladesh and also formed a national women climate justice forum with the representative of 8 divisional WCJF

Objectives of the Project

Write down your project objectives in bullets

1. Create a platform of women to raise their voice on climate justice
2. Promote women collective climate action
3. Increase women participation in climate policy negotiation

The CAP-RES project has three objectives as follows:

Objective 1: Create enabling environment and foster individuals to enhance their knowledge of climate change issues and develop their problem-solving skills

Objective 2: Generate factual evidence from local practices to scale up at the global level.

Objective 3: Improve institutional efficiency and effectiveness in decision-making and putting into practice in climate intervention

Based on these above objectives which one is more relevant to your project? How your project activities achieved this objective? (Maximum 200 words)

Improve institutional efficiency and effectiveness in decision-making and putting into practice in climate intervention

The project created local and national level platform with the representative of grass root climate vulnerable women who will raise their voice for climate justice and will lobby and advocacy for climate negotiation. The forum will negotiate for women just climate solution in national and in future in international level. The forum will also take collective action to ensure their rights on climate action. Actually, the platform will give space for women to claim their rights and ensure their participation in climate decision making. Women are one of the most vulnerable group due to climate change. Moreover, social stigma and norms increase this vulnerability in multiple times. Though, women are one of the most vulnerable groups but they don't have the participation in climate decision making. Our climate policies couldn't represent the women and their special needs in climate adaptation plan and policies. Nobody wants to hear from women. Only women voice and women movement could make people understand the importance of women opinion, consideration and involvement in climate related plan and policies. There are very few organizations who have signature movement or initiative for women rights on climate justice.

So, we believe, the project output will contribute to improve institutional efficiency and effectiveness in decision-making and putting into practice in climate intervention

Team Composition

Write down name and position, who are solely involved in this project.

1. Md Shahinur Islam (Project Officer)
2. Promita Rani (Vice-President Feminist Group Bangladesh)
3. Kakuli Parvin (Treasurer Feminist Group Bangladesh)
4. Sharmin Sultana (Secretary Feminist Group Bangladesh)
5. Shahjadi Khatun (Executive Member Feminist Group Bangladesh)

Location

Mention the Project areas

8 Divisions of Bangladesh

1. Dhaka
2. Khulna
3. Sylhet
4. Rangpur
5. Rajshahi

6.Barishal
7.Chittagong
8.Mymensingh

Reached people (Direct and indirect)

Direct Reached people: Total numbers including Male and Female segregation

105 youth organization

Male-75

Female-125 person

Indirect Reached people: Total numbers influence through social media, in-person influence or any other medium with the numbers in which social media platform about

Male-300

Female-700

Summary findings

Write down the summary findings of the project here (Max 200 words)

Findings :

During divisional-level platform formation, forum members raise the below stated issue and problems, they are experiencing in their everyday life and potential area of national level advocacy

- 1.Khulna- Skin diseases and uterine cancer, hair loss, water shortage, increasing salinity.
2. Sylhet- various skin diseases, water shortage, women Friendly corner, Mountain collapse.
- 3.Dhaka-Child marriage,Menstrual Problem, uterine infection.
- 4.Barishal-Iron in water, water shortage,Fill the pond,SRHR unconscious.
- 5.Rajshahi- Water shortage, Child marriage, Drought, Sanitation .
- 6.Chittagong-Salt water, Not as a result of crops, Increase in poverty, Child Marriage.
- 7.Mymensingh-The river is drying up,Increase in poverty, Migration, Child Marriage, Violence against women.
8. Rangpur- High Flooding, Increase in poverty, Migration, Child Marriage, Violence against women.

Describing findings of the project

Describe the progress/ findings of your project

Women shrimp workers are suffering from skin diseases and uterine cancer due to working in salt water. They do not have a good working environment. If the forum is formed, they will have a place to express their problem. Due to climate change, women tea worker are suffering from various skin diseases. Due to climate change crops are not good in subtropical areas. Resulting in food and nutrition problem for women. Women abuse, drug addicts, child marriages are increasing due to decrease in peoples income source. So platform is very necessary for women. Due to climate change women are losing job opportunities. Due to climate change adolescents and women are being exclude from education and healthcare. Due to acute water shortage in the sub-districts every one including Dalit, LGBTQ, Disable and Tribals are spending their days in hardship. Due to increasing scarcity of people, family strife is increasing due to which suicide among women is increasing. Therefore, there is no alternative to the platform to highlight womensproblem. Along with that, women should be arranged to make them stand up.

We held online meeting with 36 organization across 8 Division. In these section we have learned how women are affected by climate change. Women shrimp workers are suffering from skin and various diseases including hair loss. These problem occur due to long time in salt water. There is no designated toilet or mothers corner for them. There is no one to listen to them. They need a place to speck which can be a forum formation. Women tea worker work in tea plantation for long hours. Due to climate change, they are also suffering from various deseases. Discrimination is also seen in terms of wages. As there is no women-friendly corner for them, they face problem during periods. They need a platform to express their talk. Due to climate change, the salinity of the soil in the sub-districts is increasing, so the crops are not growing. Women adolescents and children are suffering from lack of food and nutrition. As a result, drugs and violence against women are increasing. Adolescents are being pushed out of education and health, victims of child marriage.

Measuring Progress

How many project activities you have done? (These might be workshops, focus groups, or performances, etc). Please list all of these

Activities :

1. Safeguarding policy development.
2. Staff capacity building training
3. Froum Formation in 8 Division
4. Online Meeting with 105 Youth organization.
5. National level policy dialogue
6. Learning sharing meeting.

Identifying new skills and where to learn more

What are the most useful skills or practices that you learned? Which do you use most often?

1. Lobby and advocacy
2. Learning sharing meeting
3. Online mobilization

What knowledge or skills do you think would have improved your project?

Digital literacy of grassroots women could improve the participation

What are the challenges/Risks you faced during the project activities? How you overcome/minimize those challenges?

- Time constraint
- Grassroot women don't have access to device and internet

Write down the "lesson-learn" of your project

- Women's capacity building is required to make them aware about their rights

Add most relevant photos of your activities with captions (not more than 4).



Photo 1



Photo 2

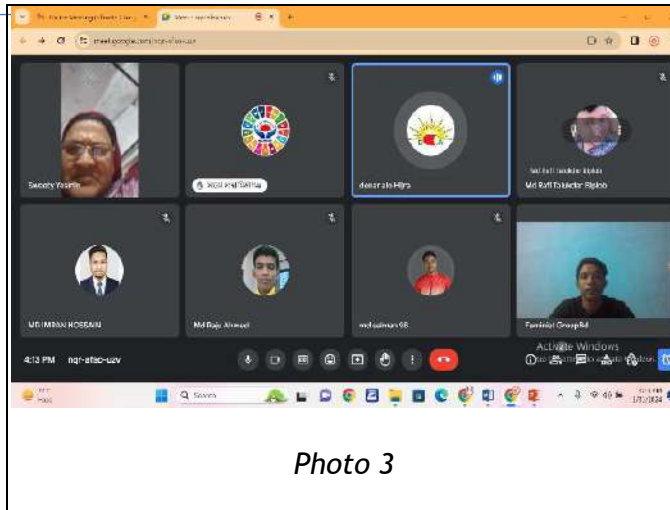


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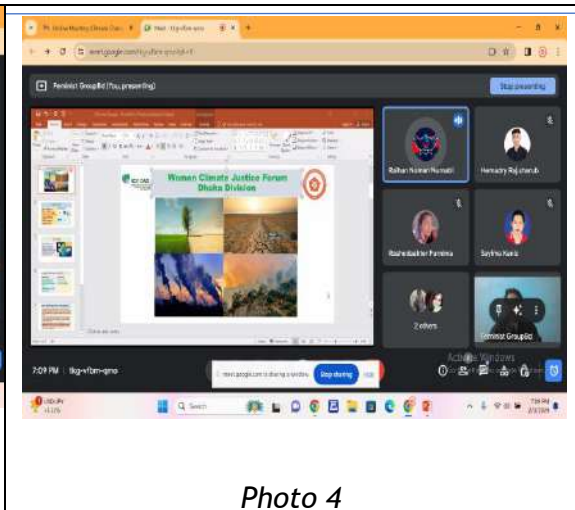


Photo 4

Write a feedback on this innovation fund. (Write a paragraph within 400 words)

- How you know about this
- How you benefited from this
- What are lacking you faced
- How can we make the initiative better for the next year?

innovation fund :we know from online about innovation fund.Youth Innovation Fund is a small grant support for youth-led or youth serving organizations.we are feminist group and we work at youth and climate change.

benefited from innovation fund : Our skills and knowledge has increased, we have able to create a network platform, increase our communication, Build up our capacity.

Lacking Face : There was a delay in getting the funds so it was a bit difficult to get the Activities done at first.

Next year plan : Timely fund disbursement