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## Message From BDP President Engr: Shafiuddin Ahmed



It gives me great pleasure to inform you that Basic Development Partners (BDP) has been publishing monthly electronics newsletters since October, 2022 in both English and Japanese language.

This is an excellent opportunity to inform you of the present activities/situation of BDP and I expect your kind cooperation towards all BDP activities

Basic Development Partners (BDP) started working in 1992 with the leadership of Dr. (Mrs.) Mina Malakar.

She has spent her whole life for the underprivileged children who were not able to attend the classroom education because of their poverty. She established this organization and invited others to work for these children

Asia Christian Education Fund (ACEF) kindly agreed to provide financial support to operate primary schools for these distress children and, since 1992, they are supporting our children.

BDP has many success stories. Many of BDP graduated students are now in good position in the society. Among them some are Doctors, Army Officers, Bank Managers and Engineers and also leaders in the society.



We feel proud of them. BDP is also working for deaf and dumb children by providing proper test for detecting hearing disability and providing them with hearing aid and speech therapy.

Soon afterwards they are integrate into normal school activity. BDP also operates vocational school for drop-out children so that they Can enter the job market as a skilled workers.

We know that a single person will find it very difficult to bring about positive change to the whole society.

So, it is everybody's social responsibility to stand beside an underprivileged child. Our small effort can change the lives of these children and thus help to collectively change the whole nation.

Let us work together for these children who we hope will be agents of change for the better improvement of society by being activity employed in various professions.

May the Almighty bless you and grant you the ability and means to work in His Kingdom, on earth as in heaven

## Vocational Education Program



Basic Development Partners (BDP) is a national non-profit organization working on primary education since 1992. BDP operate 43 primary schools in 6 working areas of 5 districts.

We selected the areas where public schools are not either available or insufficient. Most people are very poor and do not have enough resources to spend on the education of their children.

So, they are bound to send their children to the paddy field to sell labour or to other working places to earn their daily bread and butter. As a result, these children never get a chance to change their lives.

They always fight against poverty and lead a very poor life. BDP collect them and sends them to the classroom.



After graduation from BDP primary, most of them do have to afford to continue their high school education. Their parent is more interested to send them to the job market but they do have any expertise.

They work as daily labourers and get very low salaries. BDP supports some of them who are very much poor but talented to continue their high school education through a sponsorship program.

It is very few. In this situation, BDP management took a revolutionary decision to open a vocational school for both boys and girls who will have a trade course for one year and develop themselves as skilled personnel.

Now BDP operates four trades (a) Electrical (b) auto mechanic (c) Computer and (d) sewing. After completing these courses, they will have a chance to enter the job markets and will get hand sum salary as a skilled person.

Someone can start their own small business and BDP will provide the loan. It is easier to earn a little more rather than daily labour. We have many success stories and every time we publish a success story to encourage other students.

## News Letter

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## "Poverty can never stop Self-Reliance"

Basic Development Partners (BDP) established vocational trade schools for those who are not able to continue their high school education.

The objective was to train them and develop them into skilled workers so that they can earn a little more than other workers and improve their present economic condition. Md. Khairul Islam is also a college student.

He is 19 years old. They are two brothers and he is the eldest one. His Father Md. Lokman Hossain is an auto-rickshaw driver. His mother Khadija Begum is a housewife. His father is the only bread and butter earner of his family.

They have no other source of income except a small piece of land. Md. Khairul Islam thinks being a elder son, he has the responsibility to help his father and other family members but at the same time he wants to continue his education.



He heard from somewhere that BDP has a short driving course near his village. He participated in the training course and completed the course successfully. Now, he haired a car on a daily rental basis and earns almost 12,000 takas per month in his leisure time and also continues his education.

But he has a problem, he needs a driving license whenever he wants to go a long distance from his locality. A license from Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) is a bit costly.

It will charge him about 20,000 takas. He already saved a little amount from his daily income and for the rest, he will borrow money from Basic Development Partners (BDP) as a loan and he will repay the loan by monthly installment. Thus he will become a owner of a vehicle.

He expressed his dream. After completion of his education, his plan to continue this transportation business. He will buy some more vehicle by his own savings and take take some loan from elsewhere. He is the eldest son of his parent. He thinks it is his moral responsibilities to take to educate his younger brother.

He said he and his family members are now very much happy. They can manage their family expenses along with educational expenses very easily. He asked prayer and blessing from everybody. He is thankful to almighty God and the people who helped their family in trouble. letter Corner: Your Queries & Answers..



From March 2023, we will publish selected letters queries and answers

which you asked us through mail.

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Childrens Corner....

