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and Complementary Feeding, Maternity Protection



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**BBF Thinks
Internationally
Works Locally
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Foreword

The Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) is committed to ensure highest level of protection, promotion & support of breastfeeding and optimal infant and young child feeding (IYCF) practices including maternal nutrition in Bangladesh. To this effect, BBF adopted its annual work plan that is consisted with National IYCF Strategy (2007), and Operational Plan of National Nutrition Services (OP, 2016-2021).

This report represents the summary progress of different programs and events carried out by BBF during the FY 2017-2018. The preparation of this report was led and facilitated by BBF central office. Draft report was reviewed by BBF working group and the Board of Trustees of BBF thereafter reviewed and endorsed the report.

As of BDHS 2014, the prevalence of exclusive breastfeeding (EBF) is 55% among 6 month of children and 23% of children among 6-23 months (BDHS, 2014) fed appropriately according to recommended IYCF practices. Though Bangladesh has made significant progress in the maternal and child health and nutrition sector, there is a need for collaborative efforts to implement IYCF across the country.

The report shows the encouraging advancement of BBF in implementation of different programs on IYCF training, baby friendly hospital initiatives (BFHI), adolescent's nutrition, BMS Act dissemination, detection of violation of BMS Act and taking actions and different events on BCC and advocacy for IYCF.

We are highly grateful to the honorable Minister-MOHFW, Secretary-MOHFW, DG-DGHS and Director of IPHN and Line Director NNS, for providing us financial support to commence and operate the all related activities.

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Acronyms

BBF	Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation
BCPS	Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons
BCSNPN	Bangladesh Civil Society Network for Promoting Nutrition
BFH	Baby Friendly Hospitals
BFHI	Baby Friendly Hospital Initiatives
BIB	Breastfeeding Information Bureau
BMI	Body Mass Index
BMS	Breast Milk Substitutes
BOT	Board of Trustees
BTRC	Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission
BTV	Bangladesh Television
CEC	Central Executive Committee
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
DG	Director General
DGFP	Directorate General of Family Planning
DGHS	Directorate General of Health Services
DNCC	Dhaka North City Corporation
EBF	Exclusive Breastfeeding
EOI	Expression of Interest
EPI	Expanded Program on Immunization
FWV	Family Welfare Visitor
G	Gram
GHG	Green House Gas
GMP	Growth Monitoring and Promotion
GOB	Government of Bangladesh
HF	Health Facilities
IBFAN	International Baby Food Action Network
ICMH	Institute of Child and Mother Health
IEC	Information, Education & Communication
IPH	Institute of Public Health
IPHN	Institute of Public Health Nutrition
IYCF	Infant and Young Child Feeding
Kcal	Kilo calories
KG	Kilo gram
LMC	Lactation Management Centre
MCWC	Mother and Child Welfare Centre



Acronyms

MIS	Management Information Centre
MNC&AH	Maternal, Neonatal, Child and Adolescent Health
MOHFW	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
MOLGRD	Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MUAC	Mid Upper Arm Circumference
NGOs	Non-government Organizations
NNS	National Nutrition Services
OABPF	One Asia Breastfeeding Partner's Forum
PH & WHO	Public Health and World Health Organizations
PHC	Primary Health Care
RUTF	Ready to Use Therapeutic Foods
SAM	Severe Acute Malnutrition
SFWO	Senior Family Welfare Officer
TOT	Training of Trainers
UHC	Upazila Health Complex
UHFPO	Upazila Health and Family Planning Officer
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UTPS	Unity Through Population Services
WABA	World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
WAZ	Weight for Age Z score
WBW	World Breastfeeding Week
WHO	World Health Organization



Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation



The single goal of BBF is to significantly ensure highest level of Protection, Promotion and Support of Breast-feeding and optimal IYCF practices and optimal IYCF practices and optimum maternal nutrition in Bangladesh.



Background

Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) is a philanthropic and non-profitable organization established in 1989. A group of concerned and highly devoted medical professionals, scientists, public health experts, nutritionists and planners and/or policy makers from both the government and non-government agencies have been working actively with a single goal of ensuring highest level of protection, promotion, and support of breastfeeding (BF) and optimal IYCF and maternal nutrition (MN) in Bangladesh. UNICEF was to provide financial support to BBF through Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN) under a sub-project titled 'Comprehensive Nutrition Project'. The Honorable President and the Honorable Prime Minister of Bangladesh signed the Dhaka Declaration on 9th Nov 1991 in the National Conference.

The declaration pledged full support for the protection, promotion and support of BF. Since then the BBF campaign has served as the national authority on breastfeeding in Bangladesh. In order to confer CPPBF into a legal status and to enable it to receive funds from donors, it was registered with NGO Bureau Affairs in August 1995 under the name of Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF). Since then the BBF continues its movement to promote, protect and support optimal breastfeeding for all infants in the country with appropriate and adequate homemade complementary food after 6 month as well ensure appropriate and adequate nutrition for the pregnant and nursing mothers.

Goal of BBF

The single goal is to significantly ensure highest level of Protection, Promotion and Support of Breastfeeding and optimal IYCF practices and optimum maternal nutrition in Bangladesh.

Missions

1. To ensure all babies breastfed in the first hour after birth and universal exclusive breastfeeding (EBF) for the first 6 months (180 days) and for International and national contexts. Continuation of breastfeeding for at least two years;
2. Timely introduction of appropriate and adequate locally available homemade complementary feeding (CF) after the completion of EBF at 6 months old;
3. To assist Governments to monitor and execute BMS Act and associated actions;
4. To promote, protect and support BF, CF & MN through the exchange of skills, knowledge and experience among national and international participants;
5. Improve Capacity building through IYCF training;
6. Identify new areas of research to promote innovation in the field.

Vision

The BBF advances knowledge on IYCF (BF & CF) and MN on National and International scale through service, training and research.

Specific objectives

1. Early Initiation of breastfeeding within 1 hour of birth.
2. Achieve and sustain universal exclusive breastfeeding for the first 6 months (180 days).
3. Continuation of breastfeeding at least upto 2 years.
4. Appropriate and adequate locally available homemade complementary food after completion of 6 months (180 days).
5. Improve the nutritional status of pregnant women and lactating mothers

Strategies

1. Work closely with Government of Bangladesh for effective national, sub-national and international impact on improvement of IYCF;
2. Integration of breastfeeding promotion, protection and support with existing health care infrastructure and non-government partners;
3. Effective communication strategies and community participation to reach all segments of population;
4. Legal framework: BMS Act implementation to protect IYCF;
5. Development of IYCF through research in Bangladesh & Internationally;
6. To abide global IYCF strategies in partnership with WABA, IBFAN, One Asia, SAIFRN, ILCA, Well Start etc.

Management Structure of BBF:

BBF is governed by a 15 member board of trustee (BOT). The BOT meets once every two months to review activities and suggest improvements and discuss and decide on important issues. BBF implements its activities through 9 program committees which are headed by the members of the BOT. Each committee is composed of 10-15 members and meets once in every month. Each member of committee provides necessary suggestion/advice for the development of the programme.



Board of Trustees of Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF)

Prime Minister's Directives in WBW 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2014





Declaration given by the prime minister on inaugural ceremony of WBW 2009:

1. Offices, courts, shopping malls, Banks, Insurance, Hospitals, all Govt. and Non Govt. organizations are to arrange for breastfeeding and establish day care centre;
2. The MOHFW and BBF are to work together to strengthen the activities on Breastfeeding and Appropriate Complementary Feeding and Maternal Nutrition;
3. To increase maternity leave from 4 to 6 months (4 months with pay & if wishes further 2 months without pay)
4. To build up Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation as a strong organization.
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5. To observe the World Breastfeeding Week from 1-7 August as National event by the Government from the next year.
6. To arrange for the expression of the mental and intellectual development of children by appointing child psychologist in each school and hospital of the country.



PM receiving crest award for promoting BF from Chairperson of BBF 2009 in BICC



বিশ্ব মাতৃদুগ্ধ সপ্তাহ, ২০১০

প্রধান অতিথি
শেখ হাসিনা
মাননীয় প্রধানমন্ত্রী
গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার



Prime Minister's declaration on Inaugural Ceremony of WBW, 2010

1. Revitalize the earlier, established breastfeeding corners and establish new corners in each community clinic and hospitals
2. To take necessary measures to transform all the hospitals, health-complexes and clinics into baby-friendly and to revitalize the baby friendly hospitals of this country
3. To appoint a nutritionist in every hospital of the country



PM inaugural ceremony of WBW 2010 in BICC



বিশ্ব মাতৃদুগ্ধ সপ্তাহ, ২০১১

“শিশু খাবে মায়ের দুধ আর ঘরের তৈরী খাবার, এ কথাটি বলতে হবে আমাদের সবাই”

প্রধান অতিথি

শেখ হাসিনা

মাননীয় প্রধানমন্ত্রী, গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ



Prime Minister's declaration on Inaugural Ceremony of WBW, 2011

1. Every Offices, Courts, Banks, Insurance companies, Hospitals, all Govt. and Non Govt. organizations, Shopping Malls have to establish breastfeeding corner, so that mother can breastfeed her baby any time
2. To provide maternity leave for 6 months to all Non Govt. organizations



PM inaugural the opening ceremony of
WBW 2011 in BICC



Prime Minister's declaration on Inaugural Ceremony of WBW, 2014

1. The 2013 Act on Breast milk Substitute, infant foods, commercially prepared complementary foods and accessories thereto be appropriately implemented.
2. To establish a breastfeeding corner where a mother can breastfeed her baby without any worry in government and non-government offices.



PM opens cover complementary feeding book



Honorable Minister, Mr. Zahid Maleque, MP, MOHFW

He said we have to bring the importance of breast milk in front of mass people. He expressed his belief that we will achieve SDGs. He emphasized on establishment of breastfeeding corners in garment sector as our honorable Prime minister Sheikh Hasina has declared 6 months maternity leave to ensure breast-milk for the children.



Honorable Minister BBF Stall at Nutrition Fair

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Activities of BBF





Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI)

Introduction

This project contributed to IYCF strategy No. 5.

The BFHI is a global program that was launched by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nation Children's Fund (UNICEF) in 1991 to encourage and recognize hospitals and maternity centers that offer an optimal level of care for infant feeding and mother and baby bonding.

In Bangladesh, following the global wave of Baby-friendly health facilities, BHFH program started in 1992. This program was taken by MoHFW through the financial assistance of UNICEF. Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) had primary role to transform all the activities along with Govt. Since 1992 to 2011, 74 percent (499 out of 670) hospitals were certified and designated as 'Baby-Friendly'.

The Honorable Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina, directed, "To take necessary measures to transform all the hospitals, health-complexes and clinics into baby-friendly and to revitalize the baby friendly hospitals of this country"- during her inaugural speech of World Breastfeeding Week 2010. Since then, IPHN initiated revitalization of BFHI in 2012 where BBF was the implementing organization.

From 2012 to 2016, 593 health facilities (Medical Colleges, Hospitals, Tertiary Hospitals, District Hospitals, Mother and Child Welfare Center (MCWC), Upazila Health Complex (UHC) and others had been trained, monitored and assessed to revitalize. Finally, 49.6% of health facilities were accredited as 'Baby-Friendly' in 2016.

Funded by: National Nutrition Services (NNS), Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN)

As the continuation of the activity during the financial year of 2017-18, IPHN and BBF selected 720 hospitals including 316 government and 404 non-government health facilities for refreshers and basic training on BFHI. Beside these trainings, 47 Training of Trainers (TOT) were conducted for Resource person, Assessors and Project staff.

Objectives

The objectives of the BFHI activities were-

1. To transform selected health facilities having maternity services into Baby Friendly Hospitals by giving training to health professionals.
2. Provide training to public and private health facilities having maternity services to strengthen the BFHI activities.

Outcome

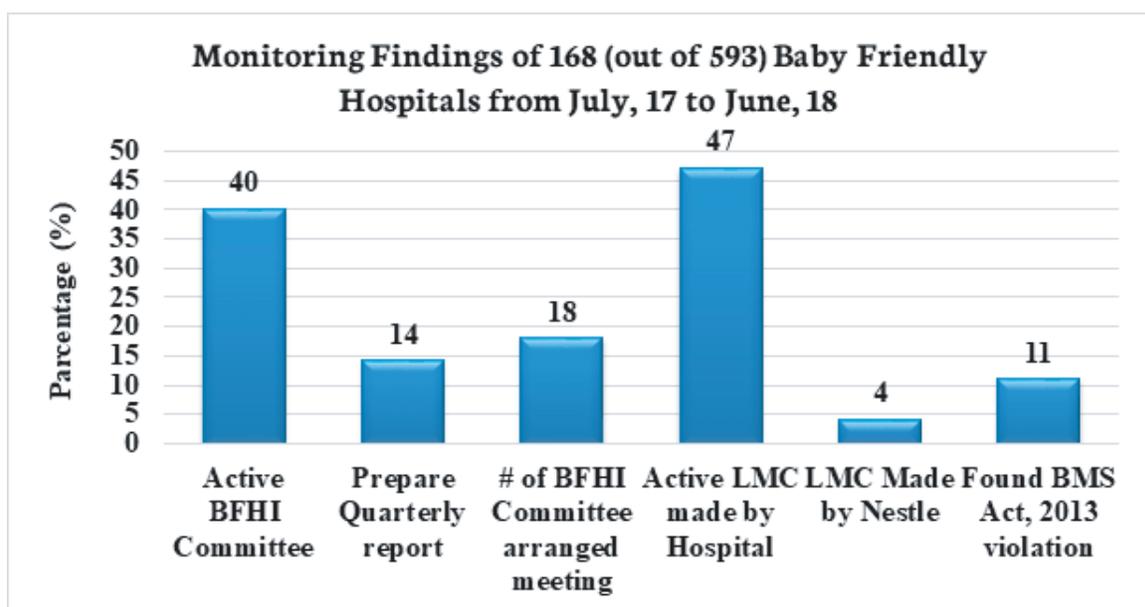
1. 200 Resource persons for BFHI training had been trained in 8 divisions.
2. 200 BFHI Assessors (Doctors) had been developed in 8 divisions with the purpose to assess BFHI activities in health facilities
3. A total of 2954 doctors, 4103 nurses, 318 SFWV & FWV and others 1693 health service oriented person were trained on BFHI who are practicing BFHI activities and thus IYCF practice is increasing.

Table: Total training of BFHI has been completed during the FY 2017-2018

Title of trainings	No. of targeted trainings	No. of completed training	Deliverables
Training on BFHI for the maternity staff of the health facilities	523	523	A total of 5895 doctors, nurses, SFWV&FWV and others received 4 days trained on BFHI in 523 batches.
Refresher training of BFHI for the maternity staff of the health facilities	214	214	Total 2870 doctors, nurses, SFWV&FWV and others received 2 days refresher trained on BFHI in 214 batches

Monitoring of Baby Friendly Hospitals

To sustain, uphold the government investment & initiative and to strengthen the Baby Friendly Hospital (BFH) practices, from 2015 the total 593 BFHs are being continuously monitored through direct observation method following BFHI procedure by the divisional officers of BBF in eight divisions of Bangladesh. The divisional officers maintaining necessary communication through physical visits and provided technical support. The report of monitoring visit was being submitted to the head of health facility and BBF Central Office and the quarterly report was being submitted to Divisional Directors (Health), IPHN, DGHS and MOH&FW.



In the period of July, 2017 to June, 2018, 168 Baby Friendly Hospitals (out of 593) were monitored where 40% have active BFHI committee, 14% prepared quarterly report, 18% HF's organized BFHI committee meeting and 47% have active LMC. The BMS Act violation was found in 11% HF's and 4% have the Breast-feeding corner made by BMS Company (Nestle).

In 2017-18 fiscal year 720 health facilities has trained on BFHI which will be monitored under this activity.

PHOTO GALLERY : TOT-BFHI



TOT to project staff at BBF Office



4 days training in Kachpur 300 bedded hospital, Narayanganj



4 days training at Ideal clinic, Kurigram, Rangpur (<50 bedded)



4 days training at Urban Primary Health Care, Barishal (<50 bedded)



2 days training at MCWC, Natore



4 days training at Central Clinic, Rangpur (<50 bedded)



Improvement of Maternal and Child Nutrition through Formation of Mother Support Group (MSG)

Introduction

The Government of Bangladesh recognizes the role of improved maternal and child nutrition for breaking intergenerational cycle of malnutrition of Bangladesh. The Government of Bangladesh has, undertaken different strategies and programs to combat malnutrition in the country. In 4th Health, population and Nutrition sector program (4th HPNSP) orientation for Mother Support Group (MSG) and homemade Complementary feeding, Breastfeeding etc. is included as a part of priority component of ‘Promotion, Protection and Support of Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Practices’ under the ongoing National Nutrition Service (NNS) program, January, 2017 to June 2022. Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) will play the core role to complete the activities of orientation for Mother Support Group (MSG) and homemade Complementary feeding, Breastfeeding etc. in community level along with the health systems. This activity implemented by Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) following the National IYCF Strategy of 2007 under the number 08 which is “Community-based Support”.

Funded by

- Health Education & Family Welfare Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoH&FW).
- National Nutrition Services (NNS), Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MOH&FW).

Objectives

1. To aware local representative and other stake holders about maternal and child health-nutrition and MSG activities.
2. To support mothers/caregivers at the community level about appropriate IYCF practices, pregnant and lactating mother diet practices through formation of MSG at Community Clinic.
3. To develop referral system with existing government health facilities and establishment of sustainable monitoring system with supervision of local government representatives.

Outcome

Table: Total training of Mother Support Group (MSG) has been completed during the FY 2017-2018

Activity	Target	Achievement	Deliverables
Orientation meeting at Upazila Level	16	100%	640 Govt. officials and civil society person oriented on MSG at Upazila Level.
Orientation meeting at Union Level	24	100%	480 Govt. officials and civil society person oriented on MSG at Union Level.
MSG formation	253	100%	1771 members directly received training and facilitated courtyard and demonstration of complementary feeding.
Courtyard Session	253	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 253 courtyard conducted successfully where 7590 pregnant and lactating mothers, mothers of <5 aged children and their care givers participated. • Participants aware on breastfeeding and nutrition related issues and practiced on hand wash and complementary feeding. • They aware on benefits of breastfeeding and hazards of formula milk.

Activity	Target	Achievement	Deliverables
Courtyard Session	253	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing day by day health facility visit rate by pregnant and lactating mothers for ANC, PNC checkup and vaccination. Increasing Early Initiation of Breastfeeding (EIB) and Exclusive Breastfeeding (EBF) rate among community people.

Monitoring findings

1. **MSG formed** - There are 253 MSG have been formed who are working on voluntary basis. They are helping mothers and care givers of <5 children practicing IYCF.
2. **Increased visit to Health Care Center-** Before formation of MSG, mothers and care givers of <5 children were not interested to visit health center. But after the formation of MSG they are now aware about the importance of health center visit for ANC, PNC and other check up. So, health center visiting rate by the community people is increasing day by day.



Conducting Courtyard session at Biddabagispara CC, Dighalia Upazila, Khulna

List of MSG beneficiaries

Categories of Beneficiaries	No. of beneficiaries	Achievements
Direct beneficiaries	1771	Directly beneficiaries and are trained MSG members
	7590	They are direct beneficiaries who participated in the courtyard session and practiced EIB, EBF and CF for their infant and young child
Indirect beneficiaries	8855	Beneficiaries received counseling on 4 times ANC check-up, to take extra food and rest twice a day during pregnancy period by MSG members.
	5313	Lactating mothers received counseling for intake of extra food and rest during PNC and lactating period.
	8855	Pregnant mothers received counseling on EIB, EBF and also attachment & position of breastfeeding by MSG members.
Indirect beneficiaries	50,000 (approximately)	Indirectly beneficiaries got information on home-based complementary food and diversified feeding. Approximately 70% of them are practicing CF for their child.
	3000 (approximately)	Beneficiaries faced common breast problems and got solution from MSG members.
	15000 (approximately)	Adolescent and their guardians & care givers received information on nutritious food and its importance during adolescent period.

PHOTO GALLERY : MSG



DDFP, Sherpur presented his speech at Nakla Upazila, Sherpur, Mymensingh



UH&FPO conducted union orientation meeting at Madhobpasha Union, Babuganj, Barishal



UH&FPO presented during training at Bahadia CC, Singair Upazila, Dhaka



Dr. Pobitra Kumar Kundu, DD (DGHS) & PMA(NNS), IPHN presented at Sirgati CC -Rupsa



Raw food distribution and khichuri eating by participants at Kajaikata CC, Nakla, Mymensingh



Conducting Courtyard session at Biddabagispara CC, Dighalia Upazila, Khulna



Promotion of Home-based Complementary Feeding through Courtyard and Demonstration Session

Introduction

The project titled as Promotion of Home-based Complementary Feeding through Courtyard and demonstration session for mothers and care givers considers the IYCF strategy no 6 “Mainstreaming and prioritization of IYCF activities”.

In the financial year of 2017-2018, with the support of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Institute of Public Health Nutrition and Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) jointly implemented courtyard session on complementary food for children in 1500 houses in 500 community clinics in 8 divisions across the country by the financial support of National Nutrition Services (NNS).

Funded by : National Nutrition Services (NNS), Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN)

Objectives

1. Ensuring Exclusive Breast Feeding for children of 0-6 months.
2. Giving guidance of complementary feeding along with Breast Feeding after 6 month to 2 years old children.
3. Determining the Nutritional Status of 0-2 year old children measuring height, weight, MUAC.
4. Demonstrating recipes of complementary feeding for children

Outcome

The following table show us the outcome of CF program

Table: Total Courtyard and demonstration session for mothers and care givers to promote Home-based Complementary Feeding for children has been completed during the FY 2017-2018

Activity	Target	Achievement	Deliverables
No. of Community Clinic	56	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBF reached 56 Community Clinic under 08 Upazila of Bangladesh. • Overall 25-26 courtyard conducted for each Community Clinic and covered full population (mothers and care givers of <5 old aged children) of the selected CC.
Courtyard Session	1500	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A total 37,500 mothers and care givers of <5 old aged children aware on breastfeeding, complementary feeding, hygiene maintain. • Local leaders and gatekeepers also aware on this issues. • Mothers and care givers of <5 old aged children practicing exclusive breastfeeding and complementary feeding to their child.

List of beneficiaries

Categories of Beneficiaries	No. of beneficiaries	Achievements
Direct beneficiaries	37500	They are direct beneficiaries like mother and care giver of 6-23 month old children who received hand on training on preparation of appropriate home based CF and practiced proper feeding techniques to their children
Indirect beneficiaries	1 lac (approximately)	Indirectly beneficiaries got information from the direct beneficiaries and 50% (approximately) of them tried to give home-made complementary feeding to their children.

PHOTO GALLERY : Complementary Feeding



Courtyard session on complementary feeding



Resource person taking session on complementary feeding



Ingredients to demonstrate complementary feeding



Demonstration of preparing complementary feeding



Demonstration of complementary feeding



Mother giving complementary feeding to her child in the courtyard



Promotion of Adolescent Nutrition (ADN)

Introduction

The Government of Bangladesh has adopted supportive policies and operational plans but the nutrition scenario of adolescents are still far from optimal. The nutrition situation of adolescent girl and maternal status indicates that there is urgent need to pay more attention and carry out programs to create awareness among the adolescents. Not only for adolescent girls, it's very important for adolescent boys also to increase awareness about nutrition for improvement or their nutritional status.

The aim of the project was to increase knowledge and awareness among the adolescent's on the key health and nutrition messages through an extensive orientation and training program.

Funded by : National Nutrition Service (NNS), Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN)

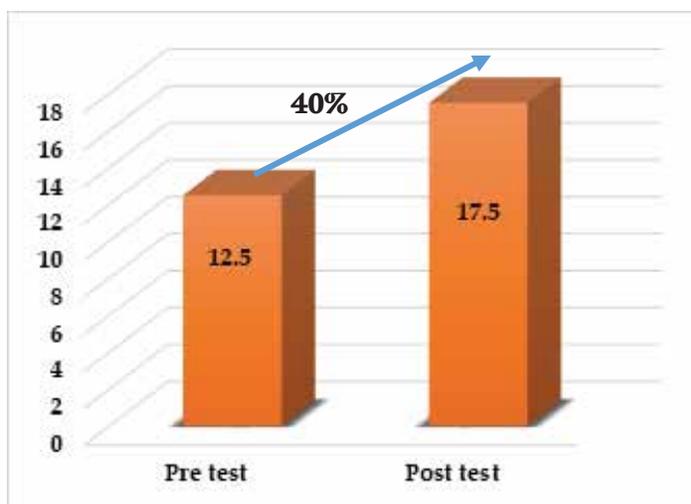
Objectives

1. To develop adolescent nutrition guideline;
2. To update existing training module;
3. To train teachers and student representatives on adolescent nutrition at district level;
4. To increase knowledge and awareness among the adolescents (students of school/college/madr- asa) on the key health and nutrition messages through mass orientation program and formation of Kishor-Kishori club for continued activity.

Output

Sl no.	Name of Activity	Targeted	Completed	Achievement	Deliverables
1.	Workshop on Development of Adolescent Nutrition Guideline	3	3	100%	A draft guideline for adolescents was prepared
2.	Workshop on Updating of Existing Training Module	1	1	100%	An updated training module was prepared and it distributed among 9,960 adolescent boys and girls
3.	Training for teachers and student representatives on adolescent nutrition at district level	12	12	100%	An updated training module was prepared and it distributed among 9,960 adolescent boys and girls health, hygiene practice, safe food etc.
4.	Orientation (1 day) on adolescent nutrition at district level high school/ madrasa, college and adolescent forum/club	64	64	100%	A total of 9,600 adolescents from 64 Schools/Colleges/ Madrasas from 21 districts of 8 division were orientated on Adolescent Nutrition and 64 Kishor-Kishori club was formed.

1. Three (two-day) workshops were organized for Developing Adolescent Nutrition Guideline and a draft guideline for adolescents is prepared.
2. A two-day workshop was organized for Updating Existing Adolescent Nutrition Training Module and an updated adolescent nutrition training module is prepared.
3. 240 student representatives and 120 teachers from 12 school and colleges from eight division were trained on adolescent nutrition, good food habit, healthy life style, hygiene practice, bad effects of early marriage and early pregnancy etc.
4. A total of 9,600 adolescents from 64 Schools/ Colleges/Madrasas from 21 districts of 8 division were orientated on adolescent nutrition. Out of 10, over 90% of the adolescents scored full marks in the in the quick test.
5. After one day orientation program 64 kishor-kishori club was formed in 64 Schools/Colleges/Madrasas for the sustainability of activities. Each club will arrange one general quarterly meeting in a year. During the meeting various discussions, drama, presentations of health and nutrition related issues will take place.



Significant post training knowledge gain was observed.
Out of 20, average pretest score was 12.5 and posttest score was 17.5.

PHOTO GALLERY : Adolescent Nutrition (ADN)



Dignitaries of workshop on Development of Adolescent Nutrition Guideline



Participants through training



Certificate giving ceremony after completion of



Participants through training



Dignitaries of workshop

PHOTO GALLERY : Adolescent Nutrition (ADN)



Students showing
“Koishorkalin Pushtir Unnoti Chakra”



Prof. Dr. S.K. Roy giving speech



Students of an orientation
program with adolescent nutrition manual



Certificate giving
ceremony of an orientation

Project Outcome

1. BBF reached 1600 community clinics through its Maternal Nutrition Activity in hard to reach area all over the country.
2. A total of 1600 orientation sessions conducted in community level.
3. A total of 32,000 pregnant and lactating mothers and their caregivers were oriented on maternal nutrition

Table: Total Orientation to Promote Maternal Nutrition has been completed during the FY 2017-2018

Activity	Target	Achievement	Deliverables
No. of Community Clinic	1600	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BBF reached 1600 Community Clinic under 644 Union, 120 Uapazila and 48 District throughout Bangladesh. • Organized an orientation session under each selected Community Clinic.
Orientation Session	1600	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total # of 32,000 pregnant and lactating mothers and their care givers received orientation session under maternal nutrition activity. • Local leaders and gatekeepers also aware on this issues. • Mothers aware on ANC checkup, PNC checkup, EIB, EBF, vaccination through the orientation session.

PHOTO GALLERY : Maternal Nutrition



Resource person taking session in Mokterpur CC, Damurhuda, Chuadanga



BBF, project officer talking about maternal nutrition in Noyyai CC, Bahubal, Hobiganj



Participants giving their answer in Gajaliya Caumuni CC, Paikgacha



Orientation on maternal nutrition going on in Katamarchar, Uttar Bedkashi, Koyra, Khulna



Handout to promote maternal nutrition



UH&FPO conducted union orientation meeting at Madhobpasha Union, Babuganj, Barishal



Oketani Lactation Management

Introduction:

This project contributed to No. 7 IYCF strategy.

The Oketani method is the unique breast management method created by Ms. Sotomi Oketani. This is the painless massage on connective tissue of breast which stimulates and loosens the breast tissue. So milk secretion promotes and baby can suck easily. Therefore, Bangladesh Government has taken the step to train up this method to nurses and midwives in our country to strengthen their knowledge and skills. In the financial year 2017-18, this project was financially supported by IPHN, NNS, MoHFW and implemented by BBF. Total 12 Oketani Lactation Management Trainings were conducted at Dhaka Division.

Funded By : National Nutrition Service, Institute of Public Health

Objectives:

To increase knowledge and skills of nurses and midwives on Oketani Lactation Management (OLM) through training program.

Outcome

1. 7 workshops were held for 2 days to develop a module on Oketani Technique where Oketani Experts, Gynaecologists, Paediatricians, Nurses were involved for making this curriculum.
2. 20 nurses were trained as a Master Trainer
3. 300 nurses were received TOT

Monitoring result of Oketani Lactation Management Training

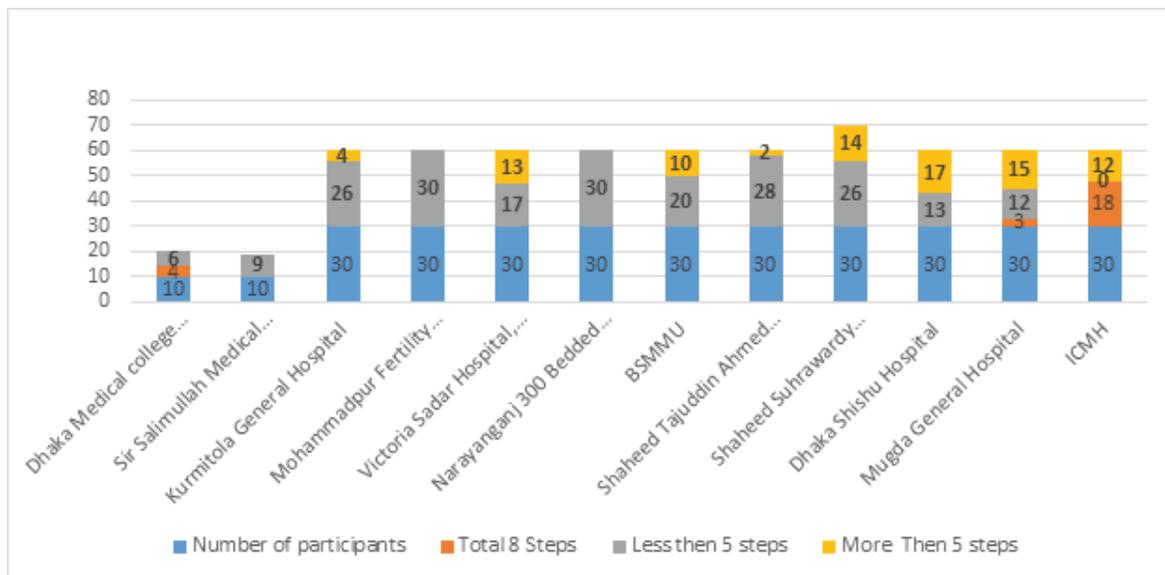


PHOTO GALLERY : Oketani Training



Workshop on Oketani Training Module Development



21 days Master Training at Dhaka Medical College Hospital & Sir Salimullah
Medical College Mitford Hospital



Mugda General Hospital



BSMMU

21 days Master Training at Dhaka Medical College
Hospital & Sir Salimullah Medical College Mitford Hospital



Lactation Management Center (LMC) service-

(LMC) service-

BBF has a group of concerned and devoted trained nurses and midwives on Oketani Massage Technique. Besides training, BBF has its own Lactation Management Center where mothers are receiving services daily with diverse difficulties during lactation period such as -

1. Lack of knowledge of Breastfeeding
2. Lack of confidence
3. Low milk flow
4. Poor attachment & Position
5. Engorgement of Breast
6. Flat / inverted nipple
7. Cracked / sore nipple
8. Breast pain
9. Blocked duct
10. Mastitis
11. Breast abscess
12. Baby can't suck
13. Baby refuses the breast

Our services which can solve any difficulties during lactation period are -

- Counseling
- Proper Position & Attachment
- Confidence Build up
- Milk expression
- Oketani Breast massage

REMARK OF MOTHER

- Its + nice to be here.
They are helpful. ^{After} coming
to here I realize my
position was wrong. Lets
see if it went good or
not. But overall its
nice.

- An excellent institution with a
noble aim and dedicated staffs. All
are very helpful and professional
to their job. I have got tremen-
dous benefit. I hope this insti-
tution will spread their service
throughout the country.
Long live BBF
Satisfied.

Remarks of mother. 340
✓ Very nice behaviour and
very helpful. Excellent service.
Nice to me and my baby. I am
very much pleased and thankful
S

Remarks of mother 353
- It really works well. But I would
like to take this services in my
home. Because its really tough as a new
mom to come here. So, my recommendation
could be home services asap.
Starting

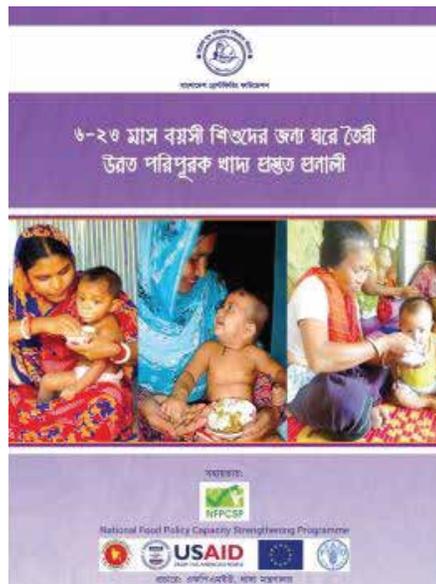
Counseling on nutrition to pregnant and lactating mother

- Counseling is one kind of interpersonal communication where one can help someone in taking his or her own decision.
- BBF is giving counseling about diet to pregnant and lactating mothers on regular basis as in this period women need extra food and cares.
- BBF is building Confidence, giving Support to lactating mother though counselling and mothers become able to continue her breastfeeding until 2 years of age of her child.

Our product which help mother to feed her baby properly

BBF has a group of concerned and devoted trained nurses and midwives on Oketani Massage Technique. Besides training, BBF has its own Lactation Management Center where mothers are receiving services daily with diverse difficulties during lactation period such as -

- Breastfeeding / Nursing pillow
- Recipe Book (6 Months to 2 years Baby's only)





Day Observation

1. National day of mourning:

BBF observed National Mourning Day on Tuesday, 15 August, 2017 marking the 42nd anniversary of the assassination of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation placed wreaths in the morning at the portrait of Bangabandhu, in front of the Bangabandhu Memorial Museum on Dhanmondi Road No 32 in Dhaka.



2. Jatio Shishu Dibosh

BBF celebrated 99th Birthday of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and National Children's Day 2018 (17 March 2018) of independence leader Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.





BMS Act 2013 Monitoring, Enforcement and Awareness

Introduction:

Breastfeeding is the birth right of a child which can ensure adequate food and nutritional security, optimal health outcome, develop a bright and productive future generation for sustainable development of a country. Baby formula or breast-milk substitute is an widespread alternative option for child feeding which partially or totally replaces breastfeeding resulted adverse health outcomes for children who are formula feed compared with those who breastfeed. Bangladesh government now has given a great importance on the protection and promotion of breastfeeding and in this context BMS Act has been gazetted on 22th September 2013 after incorporating international resolution of WHA and the Breast-milk Substitutes (Regulation of Marketing) Ordinance, 1984 of GoB. Rules of BMS Act 2013 has been gazetted on 6th August 2017 for better enforcement of the act as well as to control the promotion, marketing and use of breast milk substitutes.

After a successful pilot project on BMS code monitoring in 2012, on behalf of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) & Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN) and Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) has adopted the monitoring system in its regular activity plan for monitoring BMS Act 2013 to be carried out in eight divisions in Bangladesh.

Besides, GoB have already been taken initiatives from fiscal year 2015-16 to disseminate this act by giving orientation among all responsible govt. staffs and different stakeholders as well as the mass people who has the main responsibilities to monitor the law.

Not only that, many actions have already been taken against the companies which are violating the law in many ways.

Objectives

General objective:

The main objective of BMS Act monitoring, enforcement and awareness build up among the general people is to create the optimum breastfeeding rate and reduce the promotion of BMS. So that people can get rid of the hazards of BMS products and accessories as well as Bangladesh, our country can get a healthier nation.

Specific objectives:

1. To increase awareness among stakeholders and general population on BMS Act 2013 and its rules 2017.
2. To reduce or stop the violation of BMS Act 2013.
3. To support IPHN for monitoring and taking actions on BMS Act violation.
4. To create an environment of continuous monitoring of BMS Act compliance.
5. To support IPHN for National Advisory Committee of BMS Act 2013.

Outcome

A. Market Monitoring for violation detection:

Market (Pharmacies/Departmental stores/Confectionaries/Groceries) visit is a regular activity for monitoring the BMS Act 2013. In the fiscal year 2017-18 respective both male and female divisional officers of BBF visited the markets one day in every week.

They covered almost 234 markets during July to December, 2018 in the city corporations.

They observed there the different promotional activities of BMS companies where in majority (70%) found the display of BMS product in all divisions, which is under the clause 4(1) of BMS Act 2013.

Violation found in eight Divisions (Both Health Facilities and Market & Pharmacy) - Some are shown below:

The following violation detected at divisional level reveals that violations are mainly “Display of BMS Product” which is under clause 4(1).



BMS product displaying in Pharmacy of Dhaka



Nutrition Hygiene corner of Nestle at Ajmir Store, Nasirabad, Chattagram

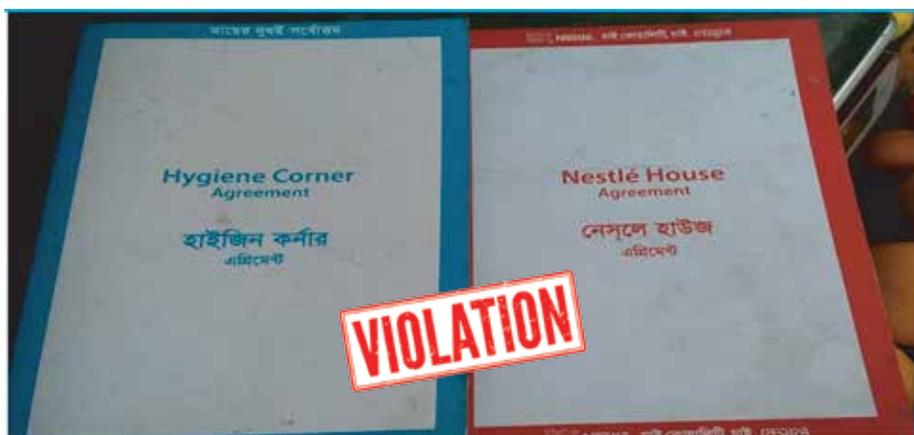
Recently in Khondoker Sorower Jahan Memorial Hospital at Rangpur Division (26 August, 2018), it has been identified that, Dr. Md Abdul Malek Sarker, Pediatrician in his private chamber is prescribing BMS product (Eldobaby 1) for new born babies even though the baby could breastfeed which is a Violation of Rules (Clause 4) of BMS Rules 2017.



BMS product displaying in Janani Pharmacy at Shishu Hospital Gate Khulna



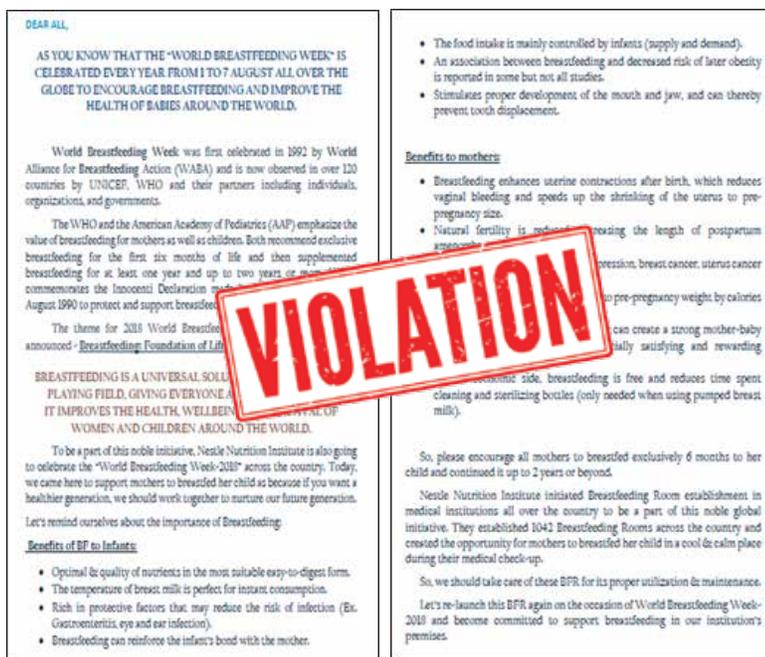
BMS product displaying in Mojid store at Chowrasta Bazar, Barishal



An Agreement between shop owner and BMS Company found in Notun Bazar Area, Barishal Sadar, Barishal

Some detected violations and action taken against the violations from central level:

Nestle Bangladesh established 1042 Breastfeeding Rooms across the country. Nestle recently invited the medical institutions to re-launch their Breastfeeding Rooms on the occasion of World Breastfeeding Week- 2018 which is a Violation of clause 4 sub-clause (2) section (b) sub-section (iv) under BMS Act 2013. According to the decisions of National Advisory Committee meeting on 6 August, 2018 a warning letter (attached with annexure) was sent to Nestle Bangladesh Ltd.



Letter of Nestle Bangladesh to relaunch breastfeeding corner in almost all health care centers

On November 23, 2018 at A.K.M Gias Uddin Milky Auditorium Youth Club of Bangladesh organized “Nutri Career Fest 2018” with the financial support of Marks Active School, a product of Abul Khair Group, where the high-ranking nutritionists and who works with the nutrition sector of renowned hospitals and non-government organizations of Bangladesh participated in the program which is a Violation of clause 4 sub-clause (2) section (b) sub-section (ii) under BMS Act 2013.



With the financial support of Abul Khair Consumer, Youth Club of Bangladesh arranged a seminar named “Nutri Career Fest 2018” with the nutritionists

Recently Square Pharmaceuticals has published a booklet of their product “Probio” where a picture of feeder is used which is a violation of clause 4 sub-clause (2) section (f) of BMS Act 2013. In response to the letter sent by BBF they sent an apology letter (attached with annexure) claiming that there was no marketing or other purpose and they promised to remove all the booklets from market as soon as possible.



Booklet of Probio

B. Enforcement of BMS Act

1. BBF made writ petition against six BMS companies on May, 2018 to stop the promotion of BMS products. They are Abul Khair Consumers, Baby Nutrition Care Ltd, GSK, JES International, Nestle Bangladesh Ltd, Vitalic Dairy and Food Industries.
2. According to the decision of National Advisory Committee meeting (06/08/2018), no breast-milk substitutes, infant foods, commercially manufactured complementary foods or any accessories will be imported, locally produced, marketed, sold or distributed without registration. Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN) has the jurisdiction to register these products.
3. Letters with evidence of the violation were sent at several times to Director of IPHN to take necessary actions against BMS Act violations.

C. Awareness of BMS Act:

one (01) TOT and one hundred one (101) orientation program on BMS Act 2013 (total 102 program) were successfully completed in the fiscal year 2017-18.



BMS Act Orientation
program at Khulna DD Health Office



BMS Act Orientation
program at Cox's Bazar CS Office



BMS Act Orientation program Bhandaria UHC, Pirojpur



World Breastfeeding Week (WBW) 2017

The 25th World Breastfeeding Week was successfully observed from 1-7 August, 2017 in Bangladesh. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW), Directorate of Health Services (DGHS), Directorate of Family Planning (DGFP), Institute of Public Health (IPHN) and Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) along with the support of other stakeholders. This year's theme- **“Sustaining Breastfeeding-TOGETHER”** translated as ‘মাতৃদুগ্ধপান টেকসই করতে আসুন ঐক্যবদ্ধ হই’ to achieve SDGs.

Activities on the celebrations of World Breastfeeding Week 2017

1. Stakeholder's meeting
2. Essay Competition
3. Press Conference
4. Newspaper Supplementation
5. Mobile phone SMS on theme on WBW'17
6. Inauguration ceremony
7. Theme song
8. Exhibition on mother & child health nutrition
9. Art Competition
10. Advocacy seminars at the national level
11. Celebrations at the Community Clinics (CC) level

Inauguration ceremony of World Breastfeeding Week 2017

The Inauguration Ceremony of WBW-2017 was held on August 1, 2017 at the Osmani Smrity Milonayaton at 11.00 am.



Honorable State Minister, Mr. Mohammad Nasim, MP
MOHFW

Honorable Minister for Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) of Bangladesh **Mr. Mohammad Nasim, MP** graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Honorable State Minister, Mr. Zahid Maleque MP, MOHFW and Md. Sirazul Islam, Honorable Secretary, Health Education and Family Welfare Services, MOHFW were present as Special Guests, Professor Dr. Abul Kalam Azad, Director General, Directorate General of Health Services and Mr. Dr. Kazi Mustafa Sarwar, Director General, Directorate General of Family Planning were present as the Guest of Honor, Dr. SK Roy, the Chairperson, Board of Trustees of BBF were present as Key Note Speaker.

Displaying video message of Chairperson, WABA : Dato (Dr.) Anwar Fazal

A video message from the Dato (Dr.) Anwar Fazal, Chairperson Emeritus of World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action (WABA) telecasted and here he greeted Bangladesh on this celebrations.



Snapshot of the video message from the
Dato (Dr.) Anwar Fazal, Chairperson of WABA

Ms. Roxana Quader, Additional Secretary (PHA & WHO), Health Service Division, MOHFW Respected Additional Secretary all over stated that, the protection, promotion and support of breastfeeding is a collective societal responsibility shared by us all and urged all to work together for achieving SDG by sustaining breastfeeding and to celebrate the WBW, 2017 together with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, DGHS, DGFP, IPHN and other ministries.



Ms. Roxana Quader, Additional Secretary
(PHA & WHO), Health Service Division, MOHFW

The Key note speaker Prof. Dr. S. K. Roy, Chairperson, BOT, Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF)

Dr. S. K. Roy, Chairperson, BOT, BBF pointed out on the need of inclusion of IYCF in the implementation plan of SDGs in Bangladesh, and to put collective efforts by extending partnerships.

He then mentioned exclusive breastfeeding rate is 55%, revitalization of all 594 baby friendly hospitals, completion of capacity building program on IYCF and maternal nutrition for doctors, nurses of the private sector, national level dissemination program

on BMS Act 2013 and country wide adolescent nutrition program. He mentioned that the credibility for these successes is the leadership of our Honorable Prime Minister of Bangladesh.



Prof. Dr. S. K. Roy
Chairperson, BOT, Bangladesh Breastfeeding

Professor Dr. Abul Kalam Azad, Director General, DGHS

Respected Director General, DGHS quoted from the “Lancet” that about 8 lacs babies lives can be saved only by exclusive breastfeeding and home-made complementary feeding after six months. He invited all of us to work together for increasing breastfeeding rate.



Prof. Dr. Abul Kalam Azad Director General, DGHS

Mr. Dr. Kazi Mustafa Sarwar, Director General, DGFP

Mr. Dr. Kazi Mustafa Sarwar, Director General, DGFP, emphasized on the importance of the components of breast milk and its usefulness both for the baby & mother. He invited all of us to work together to increase the rate of breastfeeding.



Mr. Dr. Kazi Mustafa Sarwar Director General, DGFP

Md. Sirazul Islam, Honorable Secretary, MOHFW

Honorable Secretary emphasized on giving breastmilk to children up to 2 years. Proper management can ensure breastmilk for children. Artificial food and powder milk cost more than breast milk. We have to promote and spread the news to all.



Honorable State Minister, Mr. Zahid Maleque, MP
MOHFW

Honorable State Minister, Mr. Zahid Maleque, MP, MOHFW

He said we have to bring the importance of breast milk in front of mass people. He expressed his belief that we will achieve SDGs. He emphasized on establishment of breastfeeding corners in garment sector as our honorable Prime minister Sheikh Hasina has declared 6 months maternity leave to ensure breast-milk for the children.



Md. Sirazul Islam Honorable Secretary, MOHFW

Ministry and GO Involvement

13 Ministry were invited in the ceremony: MOH&FW, MOF, MOLGRD&C, MOFLJ&PA, MOL, MOI, MOC, MOP, MOI, MOCA, MOL&E, MOSW, MOF&L And 15 Govt. Organization were invited to celebrate the ceremony: DGHS, DGFP, CBHC, IPHN & NNS, IPH, EPI, BMRC, NIPSOM, BPA, BPMPA, BNF, BMA, BPS, BNNC, BHE.

Organization Involvement

Many NGO also participated to celebrate the ceremony: BBF, OGSB, NSB, UNICEF, FAO, WHO, WFP, Concern World Wide, FHI-360, SDF, World Vision Bangladesh, Alive & Thrive, BRAC, Max Foundation, CNRS, PHD, Nari Maitree, CWFD, Water Aid Bangladesh, CWCH and so on.

Others

Many people participated from different college and hospitals.

Stakeholders

19 organization contributed to observe the World Breastfeeding Week-2017. These are-WABA, UNICEF, BRAC, WHO, Water Aid, Canada, Max Foundation, Because I am a Girl, Helen Killer Int., Plan Int., Concern Worldwide, Care, CSA for SUN, World Vision, BCSNPN, NFB, NSB, IBFAN.

Nutrition fair

The nutrition fair took place on the opening day of the week at the same venue. Government and non-government organizations took participate there: IPHN, BBF, BNNC, BRAC, ICMH, Max Foundation, FPAB, Care Bangladesh, Nari Maitree, World Vision Bangladesh, SDF, CBHC, PHD, CWCH; installed their stalls at the nutrition fair.



Honorable Minister
BBF Stall at Nutrition Fair

Art Competition in WBW - 2017

Art Competition on Nutrition was took place at Faculty of Fine Arts at University of Dhaka at 3.00 pm to celebrate World Breastfeeding Week, 2017. A total number of 250 children participated at the competition. The winners received awards and certificates and all participants received certificate for participation from BBF.



Children are taking part in Art competition



Award giving ceremony of Art Competition

3. Safe Motherhood Day

BBF observed Safe Motherhood Day 2017 jointly with Ministry of Health and Family Welfare observed at national level and on May 28, 2017.

4. World Health Day

The World Health Day is was observed on April 7, 2018 in the country as elsewhere in the globe. The theme of this year's day was "Prevent, treat and beat' diabetes."

BBF observed this day along with the Health and Family Welfare Ministry, Directorate General of Health Services and other non-government organizations.

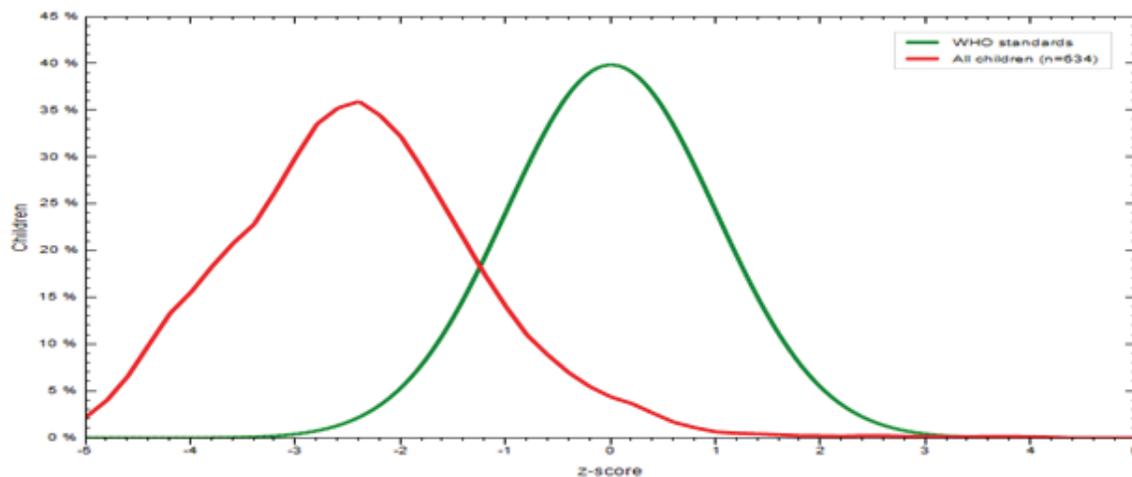
Research

Efficacy of Homemade Diet in Management of Severe Acute Malnutrition of Rohingya Refugee Children

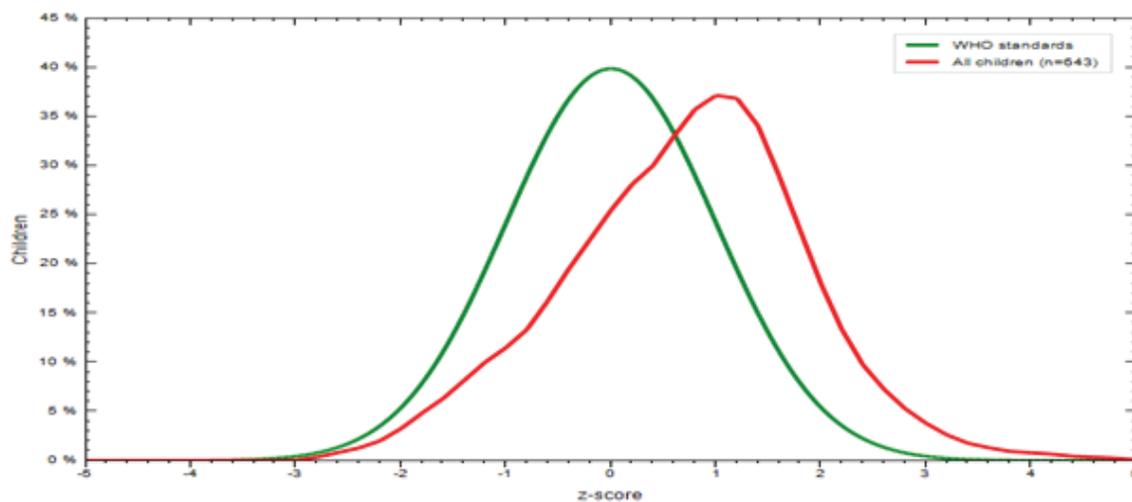
- a. **Introduction:** The Rohingya's are a stateless Muslim minority in Myanmar where children under 5 years, pregnant and lactating women were most affected by malnutrition. Prevalence of severe acute malnutrition (SAM) among Rohingya children aged 6-59 months living in a refugee camp in Cox's Bazar district was found 7.5%.
- b. **Objective:** To document efficacy of homemade diet on recovery from Severe Acute Malnutrition of Rohingya children.

- c. **Methods:** A sample of 645 severe acute malnourished children (WHZ < -3SD or MUAC < 11.5 cm) aged less than five years were enrolled for three months intervention and two months follow up. Nutrition counseling along with distribution of food ingredient and demonstration for recipe preparation were given. Anthropometry (body weight, height and MUAC) of the children were recorded during the intervention and follow-up period to assess the nutritional status.
- d. **Outcome:** In the beginning, 96.3% children were severely underweight (% < -3 WAZ) but at the end of follow up, it reduced to 0.5%. Wasting reduced significantly from -2.45 to 1.03 after follow up (p=0.001) in comparison with WHO growth standard. Morbidity was found in 5.12% children in the first month which reduced to 0.15% at the end of study. Body weight increased from 6.3 kg to 9.93 kg (57.6%) within five months. Body height of children improved gradually but mid upper arm circumference (MUAC) improved rapidly.

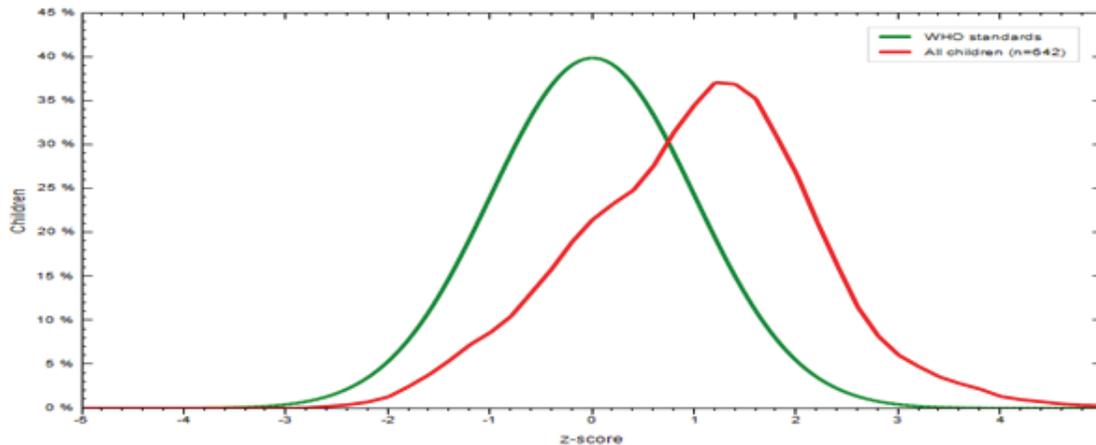
Comparison on Weight for Height Z score with WHO Standard in Gaussian Curve



Baseline (-2.45±1.23)



After three month of Intervention (0.71±1.16)



After two month of follow up (1.03 ± 1.17)

- e. **Conclusion:** Homemade food “Dim-suji” was completely successful for management of severely malnutrition. Therefore no package food such as RUTFs are needed.



Identified SAM children at the Rohingya camp



Children Fed with Home based complementary feeding at the Rohingya camp

Participation to conference, Seminar, Workshop and Meeting

Art Competition

1. National Advisory Committee Meeting on BMS Act

BBF attended National Advisory Committee Meeting on BMS Act aton Institute of Public Health Nutrition Provided necessary secretarial and other supports to accomplish the functions of the committee. BBF gave clarification to the Government on BMS Act in the light of the International Code of Marketing and International Standard related there to, applicable for breast-milk substitutes, infant foods, commercially manufactured complementary foods and any accessories thereof.

2. Strengthening of BNNC activities

The objectives of the BNNC are the formulation and updating of the National Food and Nutrition Policy; approval of nutrition programs for different ministries and institutes

BBF actively participated in this workshop for the strengthening of BNNC activities.

3. Workshop on BF at workplace organized by UNICEF

4. Second National Plan of Action for Nutrition (NPAN2):

BBF participated in NPAN-2 dissemination meeting in 2018.

5. OP Finalization meeting

BBF organized and financially supported the OP Finalization meeting at BRAC CDM in November, 2017.

International Events-

1. World Health Assembly, Geneva Switzerland

Prof. Dr. S.K. Roy, Chairperson of Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation attended the 70th World Health Assembly with MOHFW team took place 22-31 May 2017 in Geneva, WHO Headquarters. The main tasks of the WHA were to decide major policy questions, specially on WHA resolution and Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative as well as to approve the WHO work program and budget.

2. IUCN: BBF acted as council member from 2013 to 2017

3. FANS: Federation of Asian Nutrition Societies held conference where BBF presented papers

4. RCO of IBFAN: Regional coordinating office (RCO) IBFAN was held in Delhi on BBF was one of the active members in this meeting

5. ABM -USA

BBF attended the 22nd Annual International Meeting presented by the Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine featured world-class speakers providing Cutting edge researches and clinical information on current issues in breast feeding medicine, spanning both maternal and child health November 9-12, 2017 in Atlanta, USA.

6. Food Microbiology and Food Safety Conference, Cairo, Egypt

BBF participated in the IRES - 345th International Conference on Food Microbiology and Food Safety(ICFMFS) aimed at presenting current research being carried out in that area and scheduled on 11th -12th Sept, 2018 in Cairo , Egypt . This conference provided opportunities for the delegates to exchange new ideas and application experiences face to face, to establish business or research relations and to find global partners for future collaboration.

7. WHO-SEARO meeting at Delhi on BFHI

Regional consultation to protect, promote and support breastfeeding with a focus on Baby Friendly Hospital practices was held from 4-6 December 2017 in New Delhi, India. BBF participated to this consultation alongside with Bangladesh Government, UNICEF, Alive and Thrive, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, IBFAN and other regional experts.

E. Emergency responses to Rohingya population in Cox's bazar



BBF Chairperson Dr. S K Roy talking with a Rohingya mother

A sample of 645 SAM children (MUAC <11.5 cm) aged 6-59 months were enrolled for an intervention lasting three months and two months of follow up. Food ingredients (rice powder, egg, sugar, and oil) were supplied to families for three months to cook 'Egg- suji' for feeding the children along with nutrition counseling and demonstration for recipe preparation.



BBF Director Khurshid Jahan talking about home based CF with Rohingya mother

G. Young Scientist Club

BBF has Young Scientists Club that fascinates young Scientist with the wonders of scientific discovery and spark their interest in future scientific endeavors.

Bangladesh has seen a massive influx of Rohingya people fleeing violence and persecution in Myanmar. The vast Rohingya population has seriously impacted social and economic sectors of Cox's Bazar. BBF provided food to Rohingyas on humanitarian grounds. BBF also served medical treatment and medicines to them. BBF demonstrated various food recipes on homemade Complimentary Feeding to mothers.



Prof. Dr. Syed Modasser Ali visited the project spot for monitoring

F. Staff Development Program

A training program allows an organization to strengthen those skills that each employee needs to improve. A development program brings all employees to a higher level so they all have similar skills and knowledge. This helps reduce any weak links within the organization that rely on others to complete basic work tasks.



MOHAMMAD ATA KARIM & CO.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Ref: MAKC/BBF/BDK01.19/25

Date :

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying **Statement of Financial Position of BANGLADESH BREASTFEEDING FOUNDATION (BBF), ROOM # 197-200, Institute of Public Health (IPH), Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh** for the year ended **30th June-2018** and the related **Statement of Comprehensive Income, Receipts & Payments Accounts, Statement of Cash Flow** for the year ended as on that date. The preparation of these financial statements is the responsibility of the management of the organization. Our responsibility is to express an independent opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Scope:

We have conducted our audit in accordance with Bangladesh Standards Auditing (BSA). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of materials misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimate made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Opinion:

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above, prepared in accordance with Bangladesh Accounting standards (BAS), give a true and fair view of the state of the organization's affairs for the year ended **30th June-2018** and results of its operations for the years then ended and comply with the applicable laws and regulations.

We also report that:

- a) We have obtained all the information and explanation which to the best of our Knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit and made due Verification thereof.
- b) In our opinion, the organization as required by law has kept proper books of accounts, So far as it appeared from our examination.
- c) The financial statements dealt with by the report are in agreement with the books of accounts.

Mohammad Ata Karim & Co.
Chartered Accountants

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Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2018

SL #	Particular	Notes	2018 Total Taka	2017 Total Taka
<u>Properties & Assets :</u>				
A.	Fixed Assets (As per Schedule A/1) :		1,047,361	1,192,247
B.	<u>Current Assets :</u>			
	Cash in Hand	1.00	109,557	44,141
	Cash at Bank	2.00	46,514,814	3,379,948
	Total Current Assets :		46,624,371	3,424,089
C.	Total Assets (A+B)		47,671,732	4,616,336
<u>Capital & Liabilities :</u>				
D.	<u>Current Liabilities :</u>			
	Sundry Creditor & Provision for expenses.	4.00	48,225,129	4,971,408
E.	Fund Accounts :	3.00	(553,397)	(355,072)
F.	Total Liabilities (D+E)		47,671,732	4,616,336

Signed in Terms of separate report of even date.

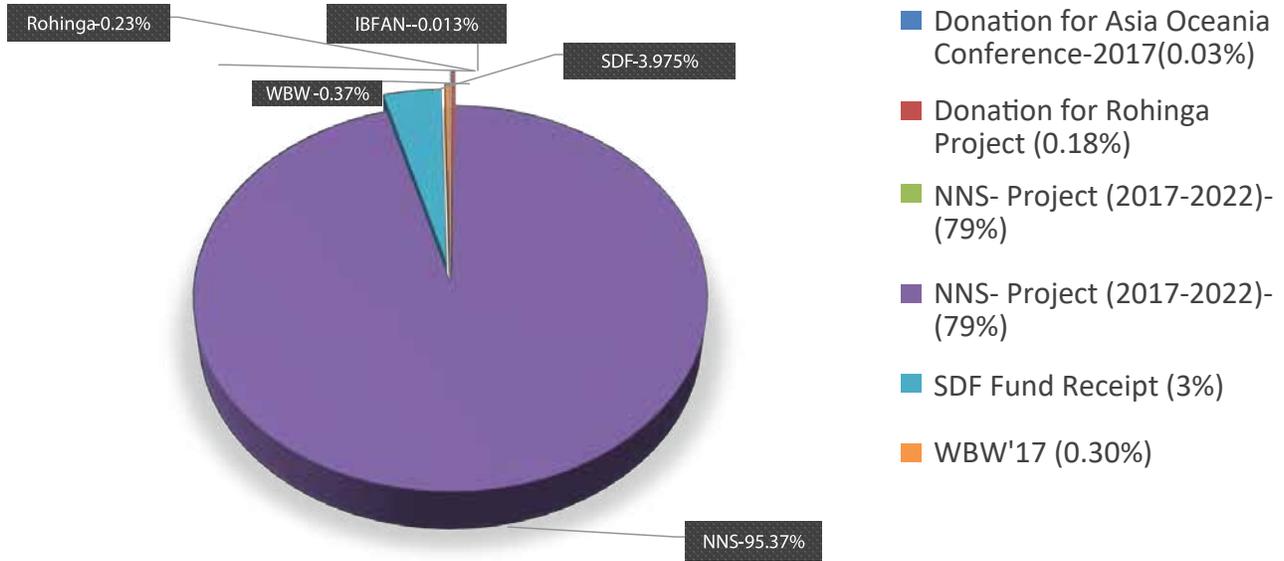
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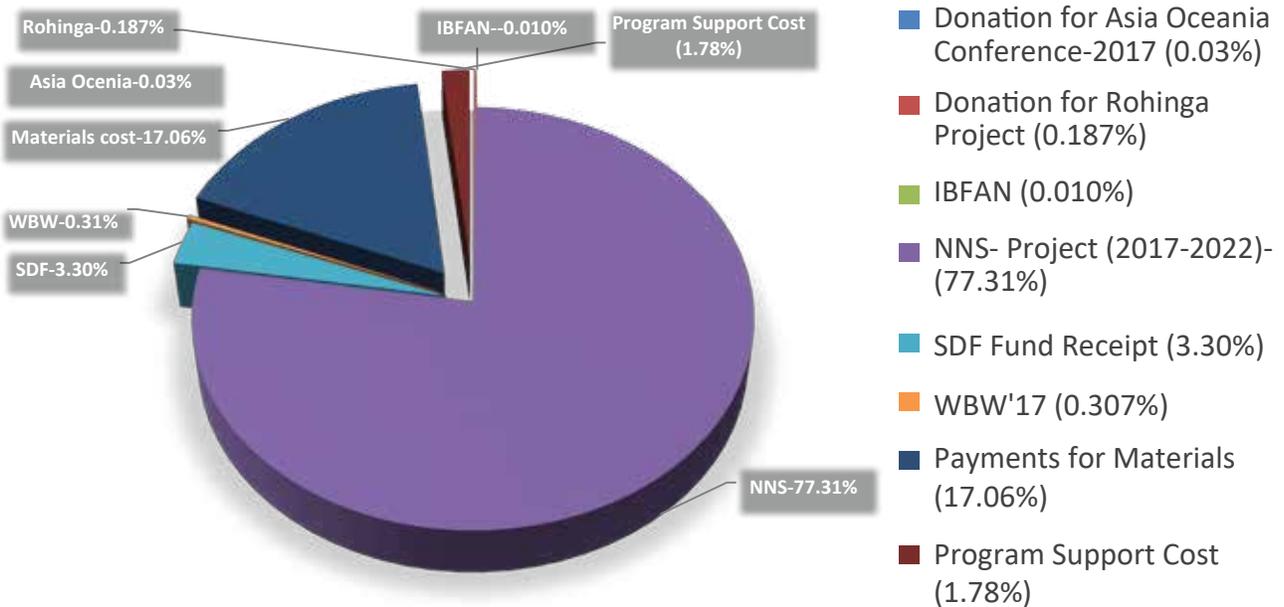
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Date- 28 October 2018

AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the Receipts & Payments Accounts of "**Bangladesh Breast Feeding Foundation**" of for the year then ended 30 June 2018. The preparation of these Receipts & Payments is the responsibility of the organization management. Our responsibility is to express an independent opinion on these Receipts & Payments based on our audit.

Scope:

We conducted our audit in accordance with Bangladesh Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining on test basis, evidence supporting the amount and disclosure in the Receipts & Payments. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significance estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall Receipts & Payments presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Opinion:

In our opinion, the Receipts & Payments are prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), give a true and fair view of the organizations affairs as on 30 June 2018 and of the results of its operation for the year then ended and comply with applicable laws and regulations.

We also report that:

- a) we have obtained all information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit and due to verification thereof ;
- b) in our opinion, the proper books of account as required have been kept by the organization so far as it appeared from our examination of those books;
- c) the Receipts & Payments dealt with by the report are in agreement with the books of accounts.

Dated: Dhaka;
28 October 2017




S.N.MEAHJI & CO.
Chartered Accountants

BANGLADESH BREAST FEEDING FOUNDATION
Receipts & Payments Accounts
For the year ended 30 June 2018

Particulars	Annexure	Amount in Taka
		30 June 2018
<u>Receipts</u>		
Fund Received	'01	29,000,000.00
Total Received For The Year		29,000,000.00
<u>Payments</u>		
Salary and Allowance (Part-A)	'02	13,998,585.50
Supply and Services (Part-B)	'02	14,808,615.00
Repair & Maintenance (Part-C)	'02	191,891.00
Cash & Cash Equivalent		908.50
Total Expenses For The Year		29,000,000.00

Examined and found correct.

Dated, Dhaka
28 October 2018


S.N.MEAHJI & CO.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

