

Aloshikha Rajihar Social Development Center Rajihar, Agailjhara, Barisal, Bangladesh.



Annual report - 2006

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Aloshikha was founded in 1978 as a national Voluntary Social Welfare Organization goes back 30 years and over the years it has established a reputation as an organization that is committed to addressing the needs of disadvantaged and vulnerable people in the community by focusing on their social and economic development. The organizations working area is centered on the district of Barisal in the southern part of Bangladesh.

When Aloshikha started working with the poor, we concentrated on education because we felt that it was one of the most important issues to be addressed in the development of our country and we still believe that people will never reach their full potential without a basic education since that time government and NGOs have worked hard to give even the poorest families access to primary education. Although we have implemented many propoor programs over the years we have often failed to reach the hardcore poor people of our country. The main concern for this section of the poor is their day-to-day survival, and education, health & sanitation and micro credit for self-sufficiency have never been a priority. It should have been our responsibility to find out the reasons for their lack of involvement in our development programs. But we never completely understood how they suffered and these have been our shortcomings. Now we are starting to make contact with them through a new community based development program for hardcore poor women. Understanding their problems and working with them to find solutions in challenging. But we are progressing and slowly building their strengths and self-confidence. Knowing that our work will only be finished when there are positive changes in their lives.

The strategies plan we have made for the next five years has helped us recognize the new interventions we must consider in the fight against poverty and discrimination and we are grateful for the constructive and positive support of all our development partners.

Executive Director

James Mridul Halder Executive director.

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Introduction:

For 21 years now, Aloshikha has continued to serve and work towards the improvement of the well being of the common people. It has thus been able to serve the rural people with its multifaceted programs, which have enabled the organization to grow, but the latter has also influenced the former and as such facilitated Aloshikha to grow while serving.

This report is a testimony to the fact that with a synergetic approach towards development with support from the donor community and the local people a lot can be done to improve livelihoods.

Aloshikha Mission statement:

Aloshikha is a Bangladeshi non-profitable humanitarian non-government organization supporting the holistic development of poor and landless people in the rural marshlands between Gopalgonj, Madaripur and Barisal.

Aloshikha will support the development in the following way:

- To create awareness on the importance of child and blow education among local people.
- ❖ To create awareness on health, sanitation, women development issues and community problems among local people and to encourage them to change the present situation.
- ❖ To organize targeted poor people in small groups and make them skilled through education programs, training's workshops and meetings.
- ❖ To encourage and motivate poor people to take steps to reduce their problems, improve their health conditions and their income.
- ❖ To encourage and support people to start their own activities in order to create their own income, so that they will become self-supporting.



Aloshikha accountant received money

Especial events for 2006.

- Mr. Har Beurskens Chairman of Aloshikha Foundation the Netherlands was visited Aloshikha RSD center, Bangladesh since July, 2006 and also visited deferent project activities in the target area and its successful implementation is very nicely he said."
- ➤ In the picture shows the accountant of Aloshikha received admission donation money from MR. Har Beurshens on behalf of an adolescent hardcore poor girl student of computer training center
- In the picture shows to encourage the celebrating all the festival of Aloshikha and Mr. Har Beurskens was donated two violins for play and enjoy.



Management monthly meeting



Celebrating festivals

OVERHEAD TANK & TATA CAP

- > The Aloshikha RSD Center was constructed one Overhead Water Tank (1) thousand & 7 hundred Liter Capacity of water) in the office complex by the financial support of the Aloshikha Foundation the Netherlands. The safe water are being used from this tank to the hospital, office as well as all staff quarter of Aloshikha RSD Center.
- ➤ One pickup van has been purchase by the 80% financial grant of the Aloshikha foundation the Netherlands. This Van is now using as a multipurpose activities of Aloshikha RSD Center.





New Overhead water tank for safe water

Being used for referral patient

Computer Training

> Mr. Har Beurskens Chairman of Aloshikha Foundation the Netherlands was denoted 13 reconditioned computers to the Aloshikha RSD center Bangladesh with a view to skill training in computer for unemployed youth (both the girls and boys) in target area and for job creation. In the light of the Aloshikha has been provided skill training in computer course on two Computer Operator Mr. Idrish khan and next Ms. Shikha Sarker from Techno Touch System Ltd. Dhaka. Presently the Aloshikha has been completed 4 batches including 64 participants with skill in computer training.





Computer training Students

Computer training Students with Bangale Dutch citizen girl

Integrated Rural Health Support Programme Health Motivators

We have continued to receive support from SAKO Foundation that has seen the strengthening of the capacity of our Health Motivators in their outreach work. Mr. Sjef Verwilghen & Mrs Sjef verwilghen from The Netherlands visited Aloshikha in 2006. In the light of their visits to take the feedback of the community based health activities through field visits with health motivators and seen them at a nutrition camp in the village. Last years Aloshikha was organized 12 nutrition camps at different villages among malnourished babies where 360 malnourished babies mothers were presence during nutrition camps. We motivated of the mothers about malnourished cause and consequences.



Nutrition camp



SAKO Foundation Chairman and his wife

Integrated Rural support program:

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Monthly activities Monthly group-meetings and discussion issues on various aspects such as hygiene, HIV, Antenatal care, growth monitoring and baselines survey etc)	584	1394	1193	2549	2640	2720
Nutrition-camps for malnourished babies (annually)	12	12	12	12	12	12

<u>Community Based Health and Sanitation project</u> SIMAVI is one of our longstanding donor with whose support we have been implementing the Community Based Health and Sanitation project from 2004 to 2006. In 2006 we enabled the construction of 50 Arsenic free Deep Tube wells alongside distribution of 500 slab and ring latrines to ensure access to safe drinking water and improvement in hygiene practices respectively. To ensure sustainability of this project, over 30 workshops were held to create awareness about good health practices such as avoidance of open defecation amongst slab latrine beneficiaries whereas up to 10 workshops on the maintenance of Deep Tube Wells were carried out to empower maintenance committees oversee their usage.

In this regard, in 2006, Aloshikha received funds for the construction of 50 more Deep Tube Wells for the period 2006 courtesy of the MAX Foundation.



Being distributed rings slabs latrines



Awareness campaign on health and sanitation



Being installed deep tube-well



Full pledged installed deep tube-well

Organization Capacity building (OD Program)

The Aloshikha has been started organization capacity Building, OD project since September 2006 by the Financial Assistance of SIMIVI the Netherlands. Under this project we have prepared four Manuals are as follows:

- 1. Gender Development Manual
- 2. Financial and Management Manual
- 3. HIV/AIDS Manual
- 4. Clinical & management Manual.

At present the Aloshikha is operating and implementing all the project activities and programs are running with in manuals. For the better administrative benefit and sustainability of the organization we have recruited one skill Program Coordinator and one Monitoring & Evaluation Officer through proper interview and as well as official system.

The Aloshikha has been provided 7 days training course on Book keeping and Financial Ratio Analysis in the month of December 2006 duly.

The Tube-well Maintenance Committee (TMC) Training was held on the Aloshikha Complex with 10 batches (1 Batch consists 30 participants) as a result about 3 hundred stakeholders know how to the hygiene promotion and behavior changes through training program in the target area as well.

Another Good governance workshop was held on Aloshikha center along with 12 senior board members of the organization. The workshop was held to create knowledge sheering in good governance as well as capacity building of the organization.



Yearly meetings with senior board members workshop



Book keeping training for the staff

Education:

Maria Child Care Biddanikaton

In 2006 Maria child Care Biddanikaton had an opportunity to receive 120 numbers of students and trying to providing them as quality education and included creativity activities on regular basis. A parents meeting was held on school premises yearly 3 times with a view to quality education.

In Bangladesh all the Kindergarten schools are mainly academic oriented and we put little emphasis on extra curricular activities towards the students.







Parents meeting of Kindergarten students

Pre-school program.

In the 40 pre-schools, 1200 students fulfilled their final examination in December 06. Through the satisfactory result of this examination 98% of the parents know that education is essential part of life. Our pre-school program is supported by SK Foundation (the Netherlands) up to 1200 of our pupils have shown progress and improved performance in their students due to good quality education offered by our competent teaching staff. Aloshikha also offers a feeding programme for children where they are fed with milk eggs four times, each week, which ensures good child growth, health and development, This avails a chance to children who come from poor families that cannot afford these basic food to have an opportunity of eating nutrition foods.

Pre-school feeding program

Aloshikha at a glance of pre-schools information 2001-2002-2003-2004-2005-2006:

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Pre-schools	40	40	40	40	40	40
Pre-school students	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200	1200
Kindergarden (School)	_	•	1	1	1	1
Kindergarten students	-	-	57	76	107	115
Kindergarten teachers					6	7
Pre-school teachers					40	40

Micro-credit program

The Micro-credit program is growing annually. Aloshikhas working area are the remote villages in Agailjhara, Wazirpur, Kalkini, Kotalipara, Rajoyer and sadar gopalgonj. In this low land area Aloshikha is reaching the poor communities and families. However Aloshikha could not fulfill all the demands of the beneficiaries.

The training program for beneficiaries and supervising, office staff and management will be continued in 2006.

The integrated approach of Aloshikha makes it possible to give a broad support to micro-credit beneficiaries. Not only practical training on small business activities, technical training and support are given by Aloshikha, but also preventive, primary and curative healthcare are offered by Aloshikha. Many children of micro-credit group members are attending Aloshikha pre-schools.

In 2006 Mr. Wilfred Klaassan as representative from Rabobank Foundation was visited to Aloshikha activities and he was pleased to see the activities of Aloshikha and Rabobank Foundation is a big donor on micro finance of Aloshikha. Since two years to be continued the assistance from Rabobank Foundation on micro credit program of Aloshikha.



Micro credit staff workshop

Micro-credit program:

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Groups	240	263	305	342	395	341
Group-members	4,320	4,734	5,185	5,814	5,925	3,347
Loan amount	22,42,550	24,15,500	45,00,000	67,55,000	62,92,000	50,51980
Saving amount	8,99,319	10,45,687	15,43,001	22,11,882	23,30,741	26,64,137

Opening eight PRIMA of Aloshikha in December -2006.

A large numbers of people were presence during opening hour of PRIMA, where people were very much eager and welcomed to Aloshikha for their positive rolls. These PRIMA buildings will be used for multipurpose works after hand over to the community people and before Aloshikha will execute school cum satellite clinical program. These PRIMA established centers are (a) Nabogram, (b) West Rajihar (c) Ramshile (d) South Kuralia (e) Harta (Kalbila) (f) West Khagbari (Mushuria), (g) Tulshi Bari, (h) Vhanger Hat.



New PRIMA building

Agriculture:

Since 14 years ago Aloshikha was demonstrated to the community people for poultry farm business and it was very neglected business to the community people at that time with manifold problems such as bad smile from poultry faces, soft meat and only water inside an egg. So, Aloshikha has been achieved stupendous success through motivation and represented to the community people as model that it is a one kind of profitable business. Today there are many small poultry farms are being established surroundings areas behold with attention as model of Aloshikha poultry farm. It is really indeed, that community people have recognized as a pioneer of Aloshikha on poultry business.

In 2006 the profits of the poultry farm were increasing, although the marketing situation for broiler were very difficult, because of low meat-prices.

The dairy farm is a long-term investment and will be profitable from 2006. The number of cattle increased, several calves were born in 2006. This Aloshikha dairy farms also a model for the communities people because we are always with the community people for any kinds of facilities to establish small diary farms. Though it is a long-term investment but it is an old tradition for cow rearing among the community people.



Dairy Poultry

Agriculture: Poultry increasing rate:

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total eggs	143,000	156,000	127,750	2,52,000	2,72,000	1,97,317
Total broiler	3700	4080	1800	2100	2400	1200
Total Layer	2700	3700	2850	2100	2000	1050

Dairy and milk production:

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Milk kg.	5475	6470	8030	10,220	10,950	4,262
Cows	13	29	35	31	37	28
Artificial insemination center	-	-	_	-	-	663

Health program



Caesarean section of obstructed labour

This hospital grant was obtained from the Government of Japan in 1996 for building and purchase medical accessories and no administrative costs were included in this grant. We are proud and thanked to them for this grant.

We are proud and thanked to the Chairman (Mr. Har Beurskens) of Aloshikha Foundation in the Netherlands who has accomplished and disposed innumerable activities for the hospital of Aloshikha since long and still his vigilant eye for whole activities of Aloshikha with soft hearted.

A semmi-pucca hospital named "Maria Mother Child Health Care Clinic was constructed near the Aloshikha head office at Rajihar Union in 1996. In this hospital some advanced medical equipment was installed to serve the people in the working areas of Aloshikha. This working areas is situated in a low lying and ill-communicated areas where nearest health facilities as named government Thana Health Complex (THC) with limited medical services. Areas people are mostly depend on quack doctors, who are not as well trained as registered doctors and sever scarcity of the registered doctors.

The above circumstances were the main reasons for Aloshikha to start a small hospital with advanced medical equipments and especial attention is given to the health condition of women and children

This hospital started its services in January 1997 and although it is expected that eventually the hospital will be self-sustaining in the long run but it is impossible to be self-sustaining right from the start. Aloshikha hopes to reach this start of self-sustainability in shortest possible times

Maria Mother & Child Health Care Clinic services though the trained health providers are as follows:

- a) In door/Out door 24 hours along emergency management
- b) Major/minor operation facilities
- c) Ante-natal, neo-natal and post-natal along incubation facilities
- d) Diagnostics facilities such as Ultrasound, ECG, X-ray, Blood, urine, stool, sputum etc
- e) Resistance fund facility for the poor
- f) Patients referral (Ambulance) and out call facilities
- g) Family planning, safe motherhood, breastfeeding, HIV and hygiene counseling
- h) Audio/ Video health conciseness program for out/in door patients
- i) Especial session on collaboration with the Bangladesh government such as EPT, NID, sterilization etc.

Health:

Maria Mother & Child Health Care Clinic patients statistic:

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total patients	3822	4246	6094	7212	6769	6602
Female	1883	1566	2971	3033	3024	3100
Male	615	992	1617	2031	1807	2100
Child	1324	1688	1506	1783	1695	906
Deliveries	30	51	138	159	164	193
In-door patients	25	80	228	206	243	303
Ante-natal	-	-	-	-	1751	913
Patients						

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Financial report:

Financial Report 2006 (No program activities)

	Subject	Income	Subject	Expenditure
1	Micro-credit Service charge	13,17,000/-	Staff Salaries	27,00,500/-
	Agriculture	, , ,		
2	(a) Poultry	90,900/-	Electricity Pill	1,44,000/-
-	(b) Fishery	60,000/-	Electricity Bill	1,44,000/-
	(c) Dairy	1		
3	Donation	15,60,000/-	Diesel Bills	92,400/-
4	Patients	1,83,000/-	Telephone	1,20,000/-
5	Students	36,000/-	Maintenance & logistic	1,90,000/-
	Total	32,46,900/-	Total	32,46,900/-

ALOSHIKHA R.S.D.C BOARD AND STAFF.

Boar	' <u>d</u>
>	General board, 17 members
>	Executive board, 7 members
>	James Mukul Halder (Vice-Chairman)
>	Mr. James Mridul Halder (Secretary)
<u>Advi</u>	sory Board
*	3 members:
*	Mr. Ben Ernst
*	Annett's Pelgrim
*	Mr. Joost Verwilghen

Staff:

General:		
Executive Director		1
Director clinic		1
Chief Accountant/Micro credit coordinator		1
Assistant accountant		2
Computer Operator		2
Office assistant		3
Night guard		3
	Total =	13

Micro-credit:	
Area Manager	4
Field Manager	14
Tota	al = 18

Education:	
Pre-school teacher	40
Pre-school Supervisor	4
Kindergarten Headmaster	1
Kindergarten teacher	7
	52

Agriculture:	
Asst. Account	1
Poultry-staff	3
Dairy staff	3
	7

Health:	
Doctor	2
Nurse	3
Medicine salesman	1
Pharmacist	1
X-ray Technician	1
Pathology Technician	1
Sweeper	2
Health supervisor	1
Health Motivator	8
Paramedics	5
Total =	25

Community Based Health & Sanitation program	
Health Co-ordinator	1
Care taker	2
Total =	3

OD Program	
Programme coordinator/(com consultant)	1
Evaluation & monitoring officer	1
Total =	2

Credit Union program		
Credit Supervisor		1
Credit Manager (Volunteer)		7
	Total =	8
(Permanent Staff)	Total =	128

(as at December 31, 2006.)

Colophon

This annual report is a summary of the activities of Aloshikha R.S.DC in the year 2006

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Government Registration

- o Aloshikha RSD Center is registered with
- o The Department of social service of The People's
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Social Welfare

□ Registration Number 426/1985

Foreign Donation

- □ Registration number DDS/FDO/R-324
- □ Date: 11/11/1989.



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