EMPOWERING WOMEN AND YOUTH THROUGH GRADUATION AND FINANCIAL INCLUSION IN BANGLADESH

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

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PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE (DESCRIPTION)

This project will empower 13,000 participants (600 Graduation and 12,400 financial inclusion) aged 18-in two upazilas (sub-districts), Sadar and Ulipur, in the Kurigram district in Bangladesh to reach economic self-sufficiency through access to financial inclusion and social protection mechanisms. In conjunction with projects in Vietnam and Mexico, these three concurrent pilots will serve to drive

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- Transfers
- Wage employment facilitation
- Coaching
- Business capital
- Financial services facilitation
- Market links
- Skills training
- Natural resource management and/or climate change adaptation

AVERAGE PROGRAM DURATION FOR PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES

- Under one year
- Between one and three years
- More than three years

DO PARTICIPANTS ACCESS COMPONENTS IN A SPECIFIC SEQUENCE?

- Yes
- No

DIGITIZATION

- Transfers
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PARTICIPANT PROFILE

TARGETED POVERTY GROUPS
- Extreme poor
- Ultra-poor

PRIORITY VULNERABLE GROUPS
- Women
- Youth
- Displacement-affected

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Age
- Sex
- Poverty status
- Physical condition
- Having dependents

PARTICIPANT IDENTIFICATION METHODS

- Geographic targeting
- Categorical targeting
- Community-based targeting
- Proxy Means Test
- Government social registry

COUNTRY INFORMATION

- LENDING CATEGORY (WB ONLY)
  - IDA
- FCV COUNTRY (WB FY20 LIST)
  - No
- TOTAL POPULATION (MILLION)
  - 163.00
- POVERTY HEADCOUNT (NPL)
  - 24.30%
- POVERTY HEADCOUNT ($1.90/DAY PPP2011)
  - 14.79%
- POVERTY HEADCOUNT (MPI)
  - 40.78%
- NO. ECONOMIC INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY
  - 11
- NO. BENEFICIARIES (DIRECT & INDIRECT) OF ECONOMIC INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY
  - 6,593,687
**PLANNED RESEARCH AND EVALUATION**

**EVALUATION/RESEARCH TYPES**
- Economic evaluation
- Impact evaluation

**IMPACT EVALUATION TOPICS**
- Overall impact

**NAME RESEARCH PARTNERS**
- Not confirmed yet.

**DATE WHEN RESULTS AVAILABLE**
- 2021

**LINK TO PUBLISHED WORK**
- N/A

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**PROGRAM COVERAGE**

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<td>13,000</td>
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- Percentage of country population: 0.04%
- Percentage of country population under the poverty line: 0.15%
- Area(s): Rural
- Geographic coverage: One state/region

**INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS**

**ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN IMPLEMENTATION**

- National/central government
- Regional/district government
- Local/municipal government
- Nongovernmental organization
- Community
- Financial Service Provider
- World Bank
- Multilateral organization (not WB)
- Bilateral organization
- Private sector organization

**PROVIDING FINANCING**

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**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**COMPONENTS DELIVERED THROUGH COMMUNITY**

- Business capital
- Skills Training
- Coaching
- Financial services facilitation
- Market Links

**COMMUNITY STRUCTURES LEVERAGED FOR PROGRAM DELIVERY**

- Informal community groups
- Formal community groups
- Formalized producer organizations
- Local governance group

**DOES THE PROGRAM CREATE/STRENGTHEN COMMUNITY STRUCTURES/GROUPS?**

- YES

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DNA: Does Not Apply; FY: Fiscal Year; FCV: Fragility, Conflict, and Violence; MPI: Multidimensional Poverty Index; NPL: National Poverty Line; N/A: Not available; WB: World Bank