EMPOWERING WOMEN AND YOUTH THROUGH GRADUATION AND FINANCIAL INCLUSION IN BANGLADESH

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

**MAIN OBJECTIVES**

- Wage employment
- Food security
- Market access
- Environmental Management
- Social services
- Productivity
- Social inclusion

**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

- Financial inclusion
- Diversification
- Self-employment
- Women’s Empowerment
- Environmental Management
- Productivity
- Social inclusion
- Resilience

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

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

DIGITIZATION

COMPONENTS DELIVERED DIGITALLY

- Transfers
- Coaching
- Business capital
- Financial services facilitation
- Market links
- Skills training

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%
- NO. ECONOMIC INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY
- 11
- NO. BENEFICIARIES (DIRECT & INDIRECT) OF ECONOMIC INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY
- 6,593,687
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### Program Coverage

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- Percentage of country population: 0.04%
- Percentage of country population under the poverty line: 0.15%
- Geographic coverage: One state/region

### Institutional Arrangements

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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

### Community Engagement

**Does the Program Create/Strengthen Community Structures/Groups?**
- Yes
- No

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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