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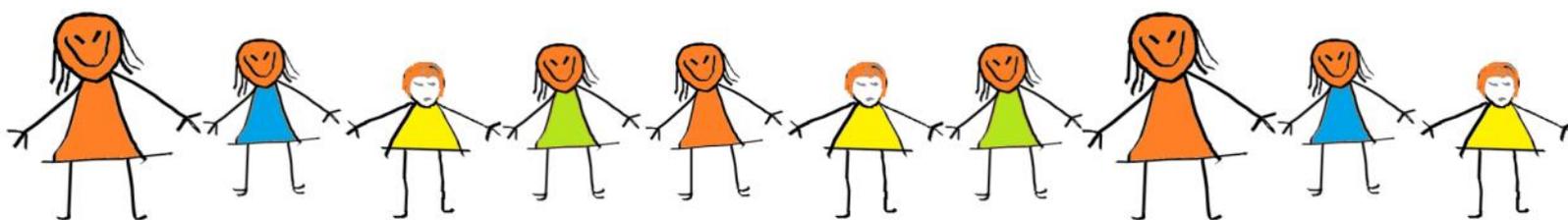


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Abbreviations and Acronyms

ADP- Area Development Program

ARI- Acute Respiratory Infection

BRRI- Bangladesh Rice Research Institute

CBAS- Community Based Action towards the Sustainability of the Sundarban

CEDC- Child Especially in Different Circumstances

CHN- Child Health Now

CSBAs- Community Skilled Birth Attendants

C-IMCI- Community based Integrated Management of Childhood Illness

CBOs- Community Based Organizations

ECB- Emergency Capacity Building

ECD- Early Childhood Development

GOB- Government of Bangladesh

HEA- Humanitarian Emergency Affairs

HSC- Higher Secondary School Certificate

IYCF- Infant and Young Children Feeding

IPM- Integrated Pest Management

IRRI- International Rice Research Institute

LSBE- Life Skill Based Education

MDGs- Millennium Development Goals

NFF- Non Formal Education

NGO- Non Government Organization

PD Hearth- Positive Deviance

RC- Registered Children

SMC- School Management Committee

SSC- Secondary School Certificate

STI- Sexually Transmitted Infection

SWOP- Social Welfare Outreach Project

TTBAs- Trained Traditional Birth Attendants

TMSS- Thengamara Mohila Sabuj Sangha

WASH- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

WVB- World Vision Bangladesh

Message from the National Director



In 2012 World Vision Bangladesh continued its valuable developmental services to the children of Bangladesh, their families and communities. We have 183,000 sponsored children in Bangladesh and together with their families and the communities they live in we could render services to a few million people in Bangladesh. Our developmental works include the following sectors: Education; Health and Nutrition; Water and Sanitation; Child Protection; Economic Development; Disaster preparedness and responses and also Urban programs. At the center of all our work across the country in more than 70 locations our focus remains children and to work with communities and partners to create a better life for children.

This annual report reflects some of the work we do and the programs we deliver in Bangladesh. We reviewed our country strategy in 2012 and will strive to ensure the highest possible quality services to the children and communities in Bangladesh in our areas of operation. I am confident that we will continue to make a difference in many lives across the country.

My sincere gratitude goes to the various government structures that we work with, on local and national level and specifically the Office of the Director General in the NGO Affairs Bureau has been a great support to us in 2012. I have a great team that I work with and I am thankful for such a dedicated team. We are also thankful for the continued support we receive from our World Vision sponsors and support offices across the globe who enables us financially to render our services in Bangladesh. A big thank you also goes to many institutions we work with in Bangladesh as partners in development of this nation.

My prayer for Bangladesh and her beautiful people is that our Almighty God will protect the children and families of this nation and that prosperity and a better life for all will come to all people in Bangladesh.

Jan de Waal

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jan de Waal".

National Director



About World Vision

World Vision at a Glance

World Vision is a Christian (humanitarian) organization dedicated to the well-being of children, especially the world's most vulnerable children, their families and communities. It is committed to serve and partner with people in need regardless of religion, ethnicity, gender or ability.

Founded by Dr. Bob Pierce in 1950 the organization is working in nearly 100 countries across six continents. It mainly focuses on response to humanitarian emergencies, programs promoting holistic and sustainable transformational development as well as changing policies that hinder the development of children to their fullest potential. Development philosophies, approaches and processes of World Vision have been evolved over the years but its focus on child wellbeing has remained intact.

Vision and Core values

The mission of World Vision is to follow the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in working with the poor and oppressed to promote human transformation, seek justice and bear witness to the good news of the kingdom of God. The vision of the organization states: "Our vision for every child, life in all its fullness; our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so".

World Vision works on six core values:

- i) Being Christian we find our call to Ministry from the abundance of God's love
- ii) We are committed to the poor
- iii) We value people
- iv) We are stewards
- v) We are part of a global partnership and
- vi) We are responsive.

Focusing on Child Wellbeing

During the span of time the strategic interventions and modalities of WV have changed, however, its prime focus on child wellbeing has remained the same. WV is working for fulfilling its four child wellbeing aspirations, which are for children to:

- Enjoy good health
- Be educated for life
- Experience love of God and their neighbor
- Be cared for, protected and participating

About World Vision Bangladesh

World Vision first stepped in Bangladesh in 1970 in response to a devastating cyclone in the coastal belt. During the liberation war it provided relief to the refugees staying in Indian camps and later, assisted the Government of Bangladesh in rebuilding the northern part of the country. The organization started its operation in 1972 as World Vision Bangladesh.

Currently, WVB is working in 30 districts with its 71 Area Development Programs (ADPs) and 28 special projects. It is serving four million people directly and indirectly, while driving for transformational development in the communities of nearly 183,000 registered children.

During the fiscal year 2012 WVB focused on eight major areas of intervention following the country strategy of 2009-2013:

- Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition
- HIV/AIDS
- Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs
- Education
- Food Security and Economic Development
- Gender and Development
- Child Rights
- Institutional Capacity Development

This year WVB has updated its Country Strategy for 2013-2017 with a new objective 'promoting better life for every girl and boy in Bangladesh'. It is focusing on 6 major areas in the upcoming days:

1. Improve health status of mothers and children
2. Improve access and quality to education
3. Ensure children are protected and cared for
4. Create economic opportunities for the poor
5. Address urban abject poverty, and
6. Respond to disasters and the impact of climate change

Executive Summary

In 2012 WV Bangladesh celebrated 40 years with its steadfast commitment for transforming the lives of millions of people all over the country. During the celebration, speakers from the Government of Bangladesh appreciated World Vision's contribution for achieving the benchmarks of the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals. They also stressed exploring more bilateral working scopes in the future for better child wellbeing and transforming lives of the poor and vulnerable people. In the event Senior Management from WV International thanked the government and community people for providing the scope to serve the nation.

The organization has chalked out 6 new working areas by developing a country strategy for 2013-2017. It projected a few new drives for the organization, including eliminating abject urban poverty and strengthening advocacy while removing the previous working focus on HIV and AIDs.

During the fiscal year WVB's health program reached more than 1,254,000 program participants including children under five. An inclusive child nutrition program (PD hearth model) involved community people for improving malnutrition status of 5,231 children. Among them 66% of children have gained expected weight. A total of 11,000 hygiene latrines and 1,000 tube wells were installed for serving thousands of households.

WVB's Humanitarian & Emergency Affairs (HEA) related interventions reached 329,705 program participants during the span of 2012. The organization launched a new intervention 'Our Forest, Our Life' in promoting biodiversity of the Sundarban reserve forest with financial support from the European Union. This project is working for poverty reduction and food security of more than half a million people (6 lakhs) who are partially or fully dependent on the Sundarban for their livelihoods.

WVB worked comprehensively for raising awareness on quality education, strengthening expertise of teachers and management committees as well as providing non-formal education to vulnerable children. As a result the pass rate of exams has increased and the drop-out rate has been reduced significantly in the working areas. For example, 1,209 (86%) Registered Children (RC) passed with outstanding result in Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) examination.

In addition, WVB facilitated a total of 471 Community Based Organizations (CBOs) that are ensuring economic sustainability of around 200,000 members during the 2012 fiscal year. The organization also addressed disability issues in some of its interventions during the fiscal year by providing health, education and livelihood support to 3,000 children and adults with disabilities. The organization also facilitated 47,727 children as change agents for development under 580 child forums. WVB provided support to nearly 183,000 registered children and their families directly.



WV Bangladesh Celebrates 40 Years

2012 was an outstanding year for WV Bangladesh that has crossed 40 years with its steadfast commitment for transforming lives of 4 million people including half a million children directly or indirectly. The organization has reaped utmost acknowledgment for its achievements in child well-being as well as community development through education, maternal and child health, water, sanitation, disaster and economic development interventions.

On 10 May of the fiscal year WVB celebrated its 40th anniversary at the national and local levels with active participation of high officials of the government of Bangladesh, World Vision International, CBOs, child forums, development partners and community participants. The national level event was graced by Mr. H.T. Imam, Honorable Advisor to the Prime Minister on Public Administration as Chief Guest while WVI Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Mr. David Young was present as Guest of Honor of the event. Honorable State Minister, Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, Md. Nurun Nabi Talukdar, Director General, NGO Affairs Bureau and Mr. Trihadi Saptadi, Regional Leader, South Asia and Pacific Region, WVI enlightened the event as special guests.

During the event speakers from GOB appreciated that the activities of World Vision are contributing significantly to achieving the benchmarks of the MDGs and Vision 2021. It was also stressed in the celebration to explore more bilateral working scopes in the forthcoming days for reaching the uppermost stage of child wellbeing. In this event WV leaders expressed their gratitude to the government for providing the opportunity to serve the children, poor and most vulnerable people of the community. They were thankful to the community people of Bangladesh who have been in the leading role for their own development. They also mentioned that WV Bangladesh has only facilitated the process for moving the community people one step forward in their expedition of advancement.

The celebration covered discussions, grand rallies, gallery walk, cultural shows, exhibiting of documentaries and opinion sharing from stakeholders. Through these initiatives WV Bangladesh's history, activities, successes and challenges were reflected to the audience.

Guests are inaugurating 40th Anniversary of WVB



Adviser to the Prime minister HT Imam visits a photo exhibition at Osmani Memorial auditorium in Dhaka after inauguration of 40th anniversary of WVB

A Snapshot of 2012



Honorable guest with WVB management during closing ceremony of Kalliganj

Thanks giving ceremony of Tarash and Kaliganj

During 2012 WVB provided thanks and gratitude towards the community people, local government and other stakeholders in Tarash and Kaliganj, two area development programs respectively under Sirajgonj and Gazipur district. These two program area have been phased out after 24 years of service towards the children and community considering improved and sustainable development of the area.

The celebrations kicked off in August 2012 at the field locations with the auspicious presence of Members of Parliament, high government officials, Senior Management Team members of WVB, local CBOs and Child Forum leaders. The events were held to celebrate the progress made by WVB in collaboration with community people, along with providing thanks to the Government, NGOs, community people and children for extending their support to WVB.

During the ceremony, speakers appreciated WVB's contribution by describing that in many aspects, such as sanitation, education and malnutrition status, Kaligong and Tarash are far ahead of the national average, where WVB has worked exclusively. In this event senior management of WVB also requested the government, CBOs, NGOs, community people and other stakeholders to carry forward the development activities of WVB for a better life for children and community people in the respective areas.



A CBO Member is speaking towards audience during closing ceremony of Tarash

Meher Afroj Chumki, MP, is speaking during the closing ceremony of Kaliganj ADP



Maternal and Child Health

During FY 2012 WVB has made remarkable progress towards its goal, one of the imperative child well-being outcomes: Enjoy Good Health. Concentrating on enjoyment of good health for mothers and children WVB has implemented a series of interventions mainly in four major areas: Nutrition; Maternal and child health, Community–Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (C-IMCI) and Water and Sanitation Programs (WASH).

Nutrition

For tackling malnutrition, one of the major problems among children under five and mothers in Bangladesh, WVB is working for addressing root causes by raising awareness and undertaking poverty reduction interventions. Growth monitoring sessions, awareness sessions for mothers, supplementary feeding program, and Positive Deviance (PD) health programs amongst other interventions are extensively contributing to improve nutrition status of mothers and children. During the reporting period PD health programs that encourage community people for using locally available foods to combat malnutrition has been implemented in 55 ADP working areas covering 21,851 children under the program. Among them 66% children have gained weight.

Adding to regular program intervention in combating malnutrition WVB has given special drive with its Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) project covering 5 ADPs of Sherpur, Mymensingh and Netrokona districts by reaching 61,750 program participants. During the reporting period IYCF Project has worked for improving nutritional status of under 2 years' children through improved breastfeeding and complementary feeding practices. Major interventions included counseling mothers, growth monitoring promotion and referral services for regular medical check-ups.



Maternal and Child Health

Maternal & Child health and C-IMCI

WVB is driving relentless programs for keeping children under five protected from preventable 8 killer diseases, water borne diseases and acute respiratory infection (ARI). The organisation also works for decreasing the possibility of infection of pregnant mothers and women of reproductive age for ensuring child wellbeing aspirations.

WVB is creating awareness on immunization, implementing national immunization programs in collaboration with local government and conducting C-IMCI sessions for mothers and caregivers of children under five. WVB has contributed to full immunization of 30,091 children (12-23 months) for six preventable diseases and 17,594 women of reproductive age with vaccines.

According to the final evaluation report of the IYCF project, WVB has made notable progress on early child feeding practices including breast feeding. Findings of this report showed that, the percentage of early initiation of breastfeeding is 96%, exclusive breastfeeding rate is 94% and colostrum feeding rate is 98% following introduction of complementary feeding after 6 months is 96%.



Child Health Improvement Project (CHIP)

WVB is implementing a Child Health Improvement Project (CHIP), a two years pilot initiative in two unions under Mymensingh and Sherpur districts. This project is working for improving the survival of newborn babies through reducing maternal mortality by focusing on three major areas: (i) improve maternal and newborn health care, (ii) improve household level maternal and newborn health practices and (iii) improve child nutrition.

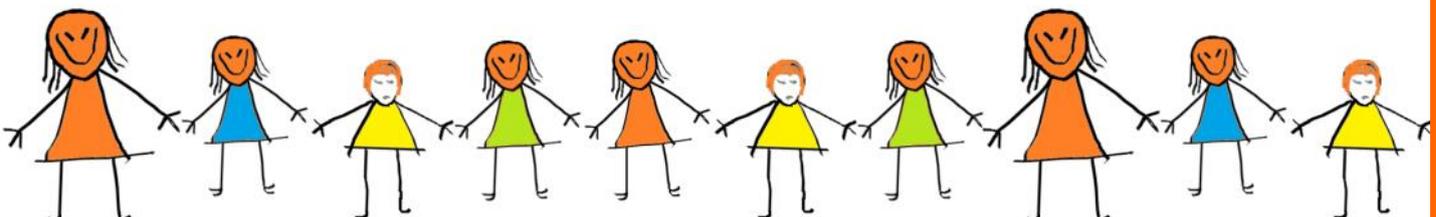
As a first initiative the project has completed capacity development of 12 Community Skilled Birth Attendants (CSBAs) in September 2012 through facilitation of a six months training program for them. Meanwhile, within one month after completing the training CSBAs have conducted 8 deliveries safely including 4 referrals for pregnant mothers to government service providers. The CSBAs equipped with necessary kits are ensuring antenatal and post natal care, safe delivery at home, referrals etc. This project has also introduced community vehicles (rickshaw vans) for minimizing the challenge of delayed transportation of pregnant mothers.



Community Skilled Birth Attendants during Kits Distribution Program, Mymensingh

Networking initiatives

With the objective to make health programs successful and sustainable WVB is utilizing community based organizations (CBOs), different committees e.g. Positive Deviance (PD) committees, C-IMCI committees. WVB is also maintaining strong networking with local NGOs and the Government service providers for better program implementation and referral services.



Maternal and Child Health

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Program (WASH)

WVB has significantly improved water and sanitation status of the community through awareness sessions, installing sanitary toilets, tube-wells, rain water harvesting plants and developing garbage disposal systems amongst other activities. During the fiscal year 11,000 hygiene latrines and 1,000 tube wells were installed for serving thousands of households.



Together we can end the preventable deaths of children under 5!

Advocacy

Child Health Now (CHN) is a major advocacy initiative of WVB in FY '13 for upholding the status of maternal and child health. This campaign aims to mobilize the community including various stakeholders for better access to government health services, combating malnutrition and other maternal and child health related problems. Aligning with its global initiative and concentrating on the International Child Day, WVB recently mobilized more than half a million (632,422) people including 352,675 Muslim religious leaders who demonstrated their commitment by raising hands in support of helping children survive age five.

Support to Critical Illness

It is 2012, when a golden ray shines in the lives of Razzaq (8), Momota (13) and Mahmuda (7) like many other children who were suffering from critical illness. To them, when it is a struggle for having three meals, facing dire poverty, expensive treatments for critical diseases appears as a lavish dream. SWOP project, WVB has been extending treatment supports for critical illness for poor children and people since 1985.

Since its inception, SWOP project has ensured healthy lives of 21,029 critically ill people including 1,156 in FY-12. These curative services reached to WVB program participants including sponsored children and their family members. The project arranges consultation of specialized doctors, medicine supports, hospitalization procedures and all other cares comprising short term accommodation, diet, counseling, visits and recreation etc. for the patients.

HIV and AIDS

Following WVB's Country Strategy 2009-2013, for the last couple of years the organization has been concentrating its efforts to build up a healthy community by halting the spread of HIV and AIDS among high-risk people, and the general population. During the fiscal year the HIV and AIDS project has reached 194,877 people in 13 project locations. Major interventions of these projects include raising awareness on HIV and AIDs, information centre, peer education, counselling, Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) case management, health care services, referrals, networking and day observation.

In addition, these projects have emphasized some demanding issues including reducing stigma and discrimination, orientation on reproductive health for youths and safe & voluntary blood donation. Mass awareness campaigns by sharing posters, leaflets, messages in cable line, slide show in cinema halls and newspaper advertisements also played a vital role in increasing knowledge on HIV and AIDS transmission including prevention among different program participants.

These projects have also taken attentive measures in increasing gender equality and child protection issues. For gender equality, projects are conducting different sessions with the spouses of different group members on reproductive health, STI, HIV transmissions along with inclusion of women in various advisory committees. Additionally, child protection issues have been highlighted during different gatherings of community people and mothers. The HIV and AIDS project in Dinajpur also came forward with a Child Especially in Difficult Circumstance (CEDC) Centre near an Indian border of Hakimpur. This centre provided education and entertainment support to 25 children who were previously involved in illegal trade for reducing their abuses and vulnerability to HIV and AIDS. This centre is aiming to absorb these children in mainstream education and therefore, maintains strong networking with the education department of local government and a local NGO.

At the end of FY-12, all HIV and AIDs interventions of WVB have come to an end as the new Country Strategy has removed it considering the low prevalence rate in the country.



A peer educator of Fulbari ADP has been teaching a sex-worker about HIV and AIDS and ways to prevent it



Humanitarian & Emergency Affairs

WVB's disaster related interventions have given priority towards sustaining the gains of development initiatives, as well as increasing community resilience and coping ability to disaster. Climate change issues were also inextricably linked with WVB's Humanitarian & Emergency Affairs (HEA) related programs during the fiscal year.

For restraining negative impacts of disaster WVB has facilitated developing community level contingency plans. It has developed early warning communications materials including billboards on flood, cyclone, earthquake, fire and wild elephant attack. The organization also distributed necessary equipment among disaster management committees and volunteers.

WVB has provided efforts on capacity development of 125,705 people including volunteers and disaster management committee members with the aim of increasing positive behaviours on disaster preparedness & mitigation. Knowledge and best practices on disaster preparedness was shared with people including community leaders, CBOs, village doctors, teachers, students and vulnerable community members during village preparedness sessions. Active participation in disaster simulation sessions has remarkably enhanced practical knowledge of community people, students and relevant stakeholders on personal and group safety measures.

During the fiscal year WVB provided shelter, safe drinking water and health services to 34 flash flood affected families in Bandarban. The organization also coordinated with the municipality for ensuring food support among these families. In Sariakandi WVB distributed relief among 4,000 families with food and other supplies following the breach of the embankment of river Jamuna under Bogra district. Furthermore, WVB constructed 3 box culverts, repaired 3 damaged embankments and improved 10 kilometres road during the fiscal year.

Registered children under Muktagacha ADP are happy with blankets during severe winter distributed by WVB



Joint Efforts and External Engagement

WVB is actively engaged with various humanitarian and government actors across the country. It is fully engaged with the UN-led Cluster Mechanism at all levels. The organization was actively engaged with a Joint Needs Assessment mechanism that was championed by the Emergency Capacity Building (ECB) consortium, later endorsed by the Government of Bangladesh.

During the reporting year the organization actively participated in the national level events including the observation of International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction. In September 2012 WVB was engaged with and participated in the Earthquake Simulation jointly organized and conducted by the Bangladesh Uniformed Forces and the US Navy in old and new areas of Dhaka. WVB also maintained close networks with the fire service and civil defence authority, Bangladesh Cyclone Preparedness Centre, the Bangladesh Meteorology department, Upazila, Union and Ward level Disaster Management Committees, community volunteers and other stakeholders.

CBAS project

'Our Forest, Our Life: A Community-based Action towards the Sustainability of the Sundarbans Reserve Forest (CBAS-SRF), is a new intervention of WVB with the financial support from European Union. This three year project is being implemented in three upazilas of the Southwest coastal region of the country since February 2012.

The CBAS-SRF project is working for improving the biodiversity of the forest, reducing the risk of disaster in Sundarbans dependent communities and developing alternative livelihoods for the targeted communities. The project is addressing poverty and food insecurity of 6 lakhs (6,00,000) people who are partially or fully dependent on the Sunderbans for their livelihoods.

During the first year, with guidance from the Government of Bangladesh forest department, the project has identified community people for short term income generation or cash for work for 30,000 man days in 14 unions. The project has identified 70 income generation groups consisting of 1,700 members for fish culture, crab fattening, goat rearing, poultry rearing and tailoring amongst other activities. A total of 1000 drop out children who are mainly engaged for fish fry collection were identified and selected for Non-Formal Education (NFE) and vocational training.

Around 800 people from adjacent communities were made aware of climate change issues through 14 awareness campaigns conducted by the project.

Small Savings Reducing Vulnerability to Disaster

Sakhina Begum (41), housewife of Kutubjry village in Cox's Bazar, invites women in her community every two months to discuss disaster preparedness. Now women of this village are encouraged to take responsibilities for their families with their savings during any emergency. Situated on the bank of river Bakkhali, this village is prone to cyclone, tornado, sudden flash flood and high tidal surge. It is also exposed to climate change hazards. The disasters that occur often cause massive loss to crops, livestock and properties.



Kutubjry women's group who are making a difference

Kutubjry is one of the villages where World Vision Bangladesh established its disaster risk reduction program. Three years ago, WVB organized a disaster preparedness session in this village, made up mainly of fishermen and day laborers. Later, following the community's request, with the technical support from Cox's Bazar ADP of WVB, the Union Disaster Management Committee members conducted Family Preparedness Sessions with 20 women of this locality. In these sessions participants were impressed to know about emergency saving funds which could be used to solve some urgent issues during a disaster.

Prior to this the villagers had never been aware of disaster risk reduction strategies. The preparedness sessions succeeded in raising awareness about women's role as agents of change in reducing disaster risks. They realize that even a small saving can help them in many ways. They also need not borrow money with high-interest during any emergency. Comprehending its importance, the motivated women started to save cash in a money box (penny bank made from mud or plastic) for times of emergency. Women who used to be occupied with house chores are now involved with disaster mitigation activities. Sakhina is one of those women, who persuades the community women and actively works to raise awareness regarding disaster risk reduction in her community.

Initially 20 women started initiatives in December 2010 and saved a total of 40.50 dollars (3,275 BDT). Despite poverty and spending some money for several emergency purposes, the group members have increased to 60 with a striking amount of 378 USD (30,312 BDT) at the end of 2012. "Now we don't think to ask for relief aid. We hope to help each other" Sakhina says.

Reflecting on the importance of this small savings initiative, Sakhina said "It is like a magic. Now we also feel encouraged to do something. World Vision has opened our eyes. This has significantly boosted our confidence and ability to combat disaster in an organized way."

Like women of Kutubjry village, 130,000 members of WVB facilitated 471 CBOs are saving regularly in disaster management fund at community level. They are also confident and well prepared for combating the impacts of disaster and climate change in their own territory by optimum use of this fund.

WVB is working towards its goal 'Quality education for children, enabling competency acquisition for transformational development'. The organization worked comprehensively for raising awareness on quality education, improvement of pre-schooling, strengthening expertise of teachers and management committees as well as providing non-formal education to vulnerable children including disadvantaged ethnic groups.

Developing Expertise of SMC and Teachers

WVB has built up proficiency of School Management Committees (SMC) on leadership and management issues while teachers received technical knowledge on modern teaching practices and methods. This expertise is bringing positive changes in educational institutions. Trained SMC members are conducting dialogues with parents, teachers and students on a regular basis for improving quality education and developing a child friendly environment at schools. As a result, students have become more attentive in classes; attendance and pass rates have increased while an appreciative relationship has also been developed between teachers and students. In addition, SMC members are working to reduce the dropout of children, conducting advocacy against child labor in the community and assisting the ultra poor children with the opportunity to pay tuition fees. It is evidenced that all of these initiatives have significantly contributed in increasing passing rate of primary schools to 98% while the secondary level pass rate is 90%. It is worthy to mention that 65% of SMCs are working actively to ensure quality education in targeted educational institutions.

School Improvement Program (SIP)

WVB successfully has been implementing School Improvement Program model in different ADP locations. This SIP model aims to ensure support to every aspect of a school essential in creating the best learning environment for children. It is also promoting active participation of parents, SMCs and thus make them accountable in enhancing the quality learning outcomes. It is found that this model is working efficiently in most the schools. For example, like many other schools Kotalipara S. N. (Sachida Nanda) Institute of Kotalipara ADP came under SIP since 2010. There is a status of gradual achievements for SSC examination of this institution when 88.23% students succeeded in SSC examinations in 2010 that boost up to 92.11% in 2012.



SSC & HSC Result Analysis

WVB is providing educational and scholastic materials support to community children along with its 183,000 registered children throughout the year. They are studying at different educational classes from preprimary to college level. Among them in 2012, they have achieved outstanding results in both Secondary School Certificate (SSC) and Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC) examination.

SSC-2012

A total of 4,527 students passed out of 5,272 in the SSC examination in FY-2012 and the pass rate is 86%. Among the students who have successfully passed are both WVB's registered children (2,288) and community children who received educational assistance. In this examination 91 students graded to A plus, 651 graded to A and 586 students were graded to A minus.

HSC 2012

Registered children (RC) of WVB have achieved outstanding results in the HSC examination. A total of 1,209 (86%) RC passed in HSC examination this year out of 1,480 examinees covered by WV Bangladesh. Among them 69 passed with the marking of A+, the highest ranking in the exam results. This year, boys have done better than girls in terms of the pass rate (girls 47%: boys 48%). RCs under WVB working area in Nalitabari of Sherpur district achieved the top most pass rate with 100% success.

Need based Education support to students and Schools

For ensuring better quality education to all, WVB provided needs based education support to the poor children along with children lagging behind in quality education. The organization provided educational fees, scholarships, school materials, special academic care and co-curricular activities to 163,904 students. Extra care in lessons preparation has helped the children continuing their education, performing well in exams.

Apart from assisting students, WVB provided infrastructure and materialistic supports to 985 educational institutions. This includes school construction, school cum disaster shelter construction, renovation, ground raising of school premises, developing child corners, subsidizing teachers' salaries, teaching aid and safe water resources installation amongst other interventions.

Early Childhood Development (ECD)

In line with the government's steps for pre-primary education, WVB also provides special drives through an Early Childhood Development (ECD) program for 3-5 years children. This program aims to nurture their physical, social and cognitive advancement. It is also helping the children in being ready for school in the early years. The foremost objectives of the ECD program are:

- Creating a child friendly learning environment for education.
- Ensuring physical, social and cognitive growth as per standard of age.
- Motivating mothers to ensure balanced food for their children
- Strengthening community's ownership and responsibilities to the young children for their better future.

Young children get the opportunity to learn alphabets, basic counting and drawings though having fun and games under this program. WVB also makes parents, community and Integrated Village Development Committee Members aware of young children's needs for love, security, respect and special cooperation for sending the young children to ECD centres. During the fiscal year 15,000 young children were enrolled in 761 ECD centres. Among them 2554 children have enrolled in mainstream primary education.

Under the ECD program WVB is facilitating child friendly community centres where children can grow up amid fun, cultural activities and with an orientation to nature. For their cognitive development these ECD centres use various local and cheap resources including locally made swings, stairs made of bicycle tires, water pot, pipes, sands, clay, bottle etc. Not only that, for sustaining the livelihood of vulnerable young children's parents, WVB linked them with various income generating activities including homestead gardening, livestock and poultry rearing.

"While struggling for daily needs takes full attention, thinking for special care of young children is always kept aside. This was the story of our family earlier. Since then, WVB has provided us hens for raising our income, to use the extra money for our child. Her mother is now intentional to leave her job as maid, rather using this time for rearing hens and better care of our daughter.

---- Amulow Roy, father, Anonya (6), Khokshabari village, Nilphamari. It is one of the villages where WVB runs the ECD program.

Vocational Skill development

With the objective of generating self-employment and raising family income during the reporting year WVB provided vocational training to 11,305 youths. WVB facilitated generating skills in numerous areas including basket, mat, candle, doll, soap, fishing net making, book binding, food processing, hand looming and computer and other electronics servicing. This vocational education has created huge opportunities for self-employment and income raising.

Access Challenged Students

Access challenged children education program is brining hopes to working children, street children, school dropout children and children from broken families. During the reporting time, 5,334 students with disabilities received assistive devices and education support while 308 students with disabilities received vocational training from WVB. A large portion of these vulnerable children covers poor children residing in waste dumping areas, children working in bidi factories or being engaged in hazardous labours.

University Girls' Scholarship program

The University Girls education program generates the opportunity for empowering girls by completing their higher education. This program provides support to girls studying at university, medical or engineering institutions including stipend, educational assistance, exposure tour etc. They also receive orientation to women's rights issues, professional and life skills development as well as get opportunity for relations development with different professional institutions. A total of 325 girls have received educational assistance under this program during the fiscal year 2012.

Education on Life Skills

During the reporting period 33,063 children and adolescents were supported by Life Skill Based Education (LSBE) with the aim to make them capable of facing the challenges of life. This education plays an imperative role in decision making in their personal life, raising their voice against early marriage, dowry, trafficking, problem solving, managing stress and anxiety.

They also become aware of gender and development issues i.e. bad impacts of early marriage, dowry, rules and regulations on children and women rights, domestic violence and birth and marriage registration. Apart from self-awareness, participants of this education program share these issues with neighbours for bringing changes at the community level. It is empowering children in decision making, their dignity is being upheld and this enables them to protect themselves from gender discrimination, domestic violence and other societal injustices.



WVB envisages that economic development can directly contribute to child wellbeing aspirations. An economically sound family can ensure nutritious food, schooling and medicine amongst other things for their children. Considering this philosophy WVB has enhanced livelihood capacity of community households.

With the goal 'sustaining food and economic security as well as resilience to disaster' during the reporting period, WVB has driven four strategic interventions:

- Growth in primary agricultural production
- Diversifying income sources
- Increasing market access
- Forging private-NGO-Public interventions

Growth in Primary Agricultural production:

With the objective to increase production, WVB mainly focused on increasing knowledge and skills in farming, fisheries and livestock rearing. A total of 19,175 farmers were provided orientation on modern techniques of producing cereals, vegetables, pulse, fruits, spices, homestead gardening, Integrated Pest management (IPM), soil improvement and irrigation. Accordingly 15,249 farmers received orientation on livestock rearing e.g. cows, goats, poultry and livestock medicine. 2,063 farmers were oriented to a range of modules on fish culture, while 1,497 cultivators have been oriented on forestry, for example: tree plantation, quick growing fruits, mixed orchards etc.

For better production WVB also provided different inputs to the farmers following their orientation. Seeds, fertilizer, pesticides, irrigation pumps, tillers and drum seeders were provided to 17,520 farmers while cattle, poultry birds and medicines were provided to a further 27,194 farmers. A total of 830 farmers received fingerlings and fisheries materials while 36,169 farmers received seeds, saplings and irrigation equipment.

Enhancing practical experience on farming

WVB organized demonstrations on crop production, livestock, fisheries and forestry during 2012. 2,360 demonstration plots were organized on various crops as well as 1,392 demonstrations for livestock, 255 demonstrations for fisheries and 650 demonstrations for forestry. These demonstrations have enhanced the scope of farmers and community people through receiving practical experience, learning and sharing information among themselves.

Diversifying income sources through non-farm activities

For diversifying income sources WVB provided training to 11,305 program participants on non-farm activities. This year it has been found that the highest number of participants (3,379) attended tailoring training, the second highest numbers of participants were provided embroidery training and the third highest numbers of participants were trained in block boutique. Product marketing training also drew 1,408 participants. Computer literacy training was also provided to 1,231 youths. All of these initiatives have facilitated wider scope for self-employment and household income raising.

In some program areas WVB provided direct support to the poor families of registered children who are involved in small businesses (e.g. street hawker, tea stall owner, fruit seller etc.) for increasing their capital. During the fiscal year it was revealed that the income of these families increased through revolving the little amount of money in their small business.

Strengthening networking, partnership and market linkages

With the objective of increasing market access WVB provided technical knowledge on value chain approaches to local producers and entrepreneurs including community based organizations. Apart from improving product features these skills are helping them to strengthen their linkage with key market actors.

WVB also strengthened its linkages with BRAC, TMSS (Thengamara Mohila Sabuj Sangha), IRRI (International Rice Research Institute) and BIRRI (Bangladesh Rice Research Institute) amongst other organizations. In the private sector WVB has developed relations with ACI, Square, Lal teer, Syngenta and Renata for expanding agricultural and veterinary supports. WVB also expanded its market linkages process through being an observer in the Market Development Forum, a forum of international development agencies.

In urban areas WVB organized a number of job fairs for creating linkage of potential and skilled youths with key job providers e.g. manufacturing associations, ship building companies and garments companies. This has created synergy in job employment through communication and relation building with the providers.



Gender and Development

WVB provided fervent drive in all interventions for promoting Gender and Development issues as a cross cutting subject for sustaining development initiatives. The organization is working to bring changes in social perception on the role of men and women and their involvement in different socio-economic and decision making initiatives.

For promoting gender equality WVB is addressing three major areas:

- Decreasing the level of violence against women and supporting its victims
- Reducing discrimination and ensuring equal access to services
- Fostering equality in decision making

During this reporting period WVB was diligent about ensuring girls and women's participation in the development and leadership arena. With the objective to promote equality of girls, WVB's sponsorship program maintained girls and boys ratio of 55:45% within its total registered children (183,000) during 2012. Also, among the child forum members' girls and boys ratio is 57: 43 % while WVB facilitated CBOs have been maintaining 85:15% for female and male members.

WVB is yearning to improve awareness on women and children rights and legal issues including participation of underprivileged women and children for upholding their equality. Child forums are also empowering boys and girls to attain equal treatment and protection in their own families and communities. Drives for increasing male involvement in gender related issues, observation of different days, coordination with government, NGOs, civil societies as well as community are also assisting WVB in promoting gender parity.

As a special initiative WVB is implementing one Gender and Development project in Satkhira considering its socio-economic context including trafficking issues. The project has contributed impressively in creating a very cohesive environment in the community for reducing early marriage, domestic violence as well as child and women trafficking. Under its advocacy program on legal rights the project oriented nearly 10,560 CBO members and community people.



Child Rights

WVB has rendered its utmost integrated development services to bring fullness of life to all children, their families and communities. Currently WVB is serving children in the area of child protection, participation and growth.

While working closely with children WVB facilitates an enabling environment for upholding child rights and their empowerment as social agents of change. In this purpose WVB facilitates 580 child forums having a total of 47,727 members. These forums create a common ground for children where they can learn and reflect together about their rights, self-progress of studies and develop future aspirations for democratic leadership from childhood. They also act as champions for raising awareness on various social issues.

Child forums are supporting children to raise voices for their protection and well-being along with nurturing their potentials as future leaders. Active participation in different programs including planning and implementation enhance their leadership skills. Apart from encouraging children to attend schools regularly, child forum leaders raise awareness in the community on child rights, early marriage, trafficking and child labor. In some areas they jointly work with WVB and CBOs for stopping early marriage and child labor amongst other rights based issues.

Child Forum Information

SL	Name of Division	Child Forum	Boys	Girls	Total Members
1	Khulna	86	8639	11064	19703
2	Barisal	54	5918	7520	13438
3	Mymensingh	189	2209	3198	5445
4	Rangpur	38	467	686	1153
5	Rajshahi	95	720	1004	1724
6	Chittagong	57	989	1218	2207
7	Dhaka	61	1748	2309	4057
TOTAL		580	20,690	26,999	47,727

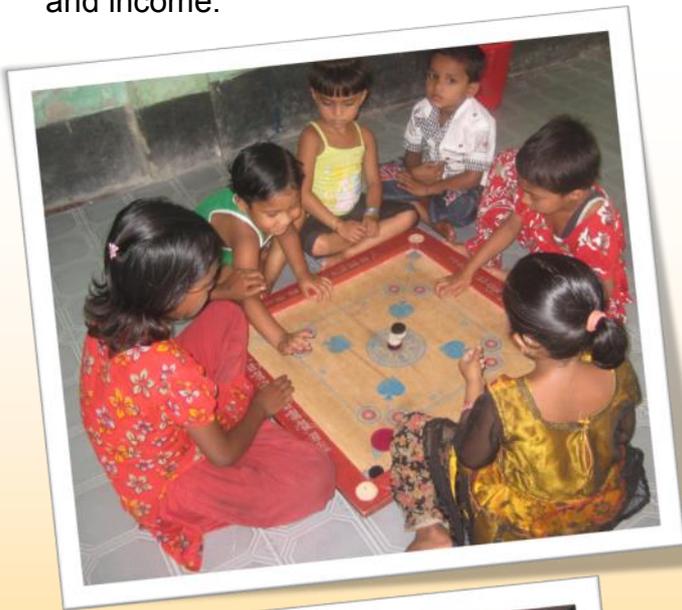


Child Safety Net project

WVB's Child Safety net program has been working for prevention, protection and restoration services for the victims of trafficking and abuse as well as reducing the vulnerability of children. During the reporting period this project worked in 11 districts under Khulna, Barisal and Dhaka Divisions and served 472,271 people including 228,928 children with its various interventions.

During the reporting period, the project developed a technical partnership with Dhaka Ahsania Mission for sheltering support to the survivors of trafficking. The project also reaped membership of the National Anti-Trafficking Task Force Committee and initiated a cross border collaboration with World Vision India and other like-minded Indian NGOs to ensure repatriation of Bangladeshi victims of trafficking. For forging advocacy initiatives this project organized a series of dialogues with the top level government, non-government organizations and media on a regular basis. Five video clips on anti-trafficking issues have been developed to be aired on television and for projection during community level discussion.

Along with other significant accomplishments, the project has developed 20 child friendly spaces, provided support to rescue and reintegration of 28 victims of trafficking and developed income generation skills of 522 vulnerable women to improve their livelihoods and income.



Advocacy program with Khulna Metropolitan Police



Advocacy program with Judge



Institutional Development

WVB envisages that facilitating economic growth and capacity development of new and existing CBOs will make them engage effectively to champion child well-being issues. With this perspective, WVB works tirelessly for enhancing CBOs' leadership, management and financial sustainability.

During the 2012 fiscal year focusing on the theme "Partnership, Creativity and Good Governance for CBOs Sustainability" WVB facilitated a number of learning events and leadership conferences at the divisional level. These events provided scope to CBO members for exchanging experiences and learning on leadership development, improved service delivery standards, value chain process and networking etc.

WVB facilitated 471 CBOs having 190,806 members in the fiscal year 2012. Among them WVB provided skills development training or orientation to 18,172 CBO members. It was revealed that during this time savings, members and income generation activities of the CBOs have improved significantly. Some CBOs also joined different divisional or district level fairs for displaying their products and earned good recognition. Their linkages with government Cooperative Authority, local government institutions, livestock and agricultural department, other NGOs and community people has also strengthened during this time. Additionally, these CBOs took an active role in upholding women's and children's rights, health and education at the community level.

Nearly 30,000 child members are also contributing regularly to CBO's saving activity along with adult members. This initiative is encouraging their saving practice for better planning and preparation for future interventions. It is also gearing up their self esteem to be a responsible citizen in the community.

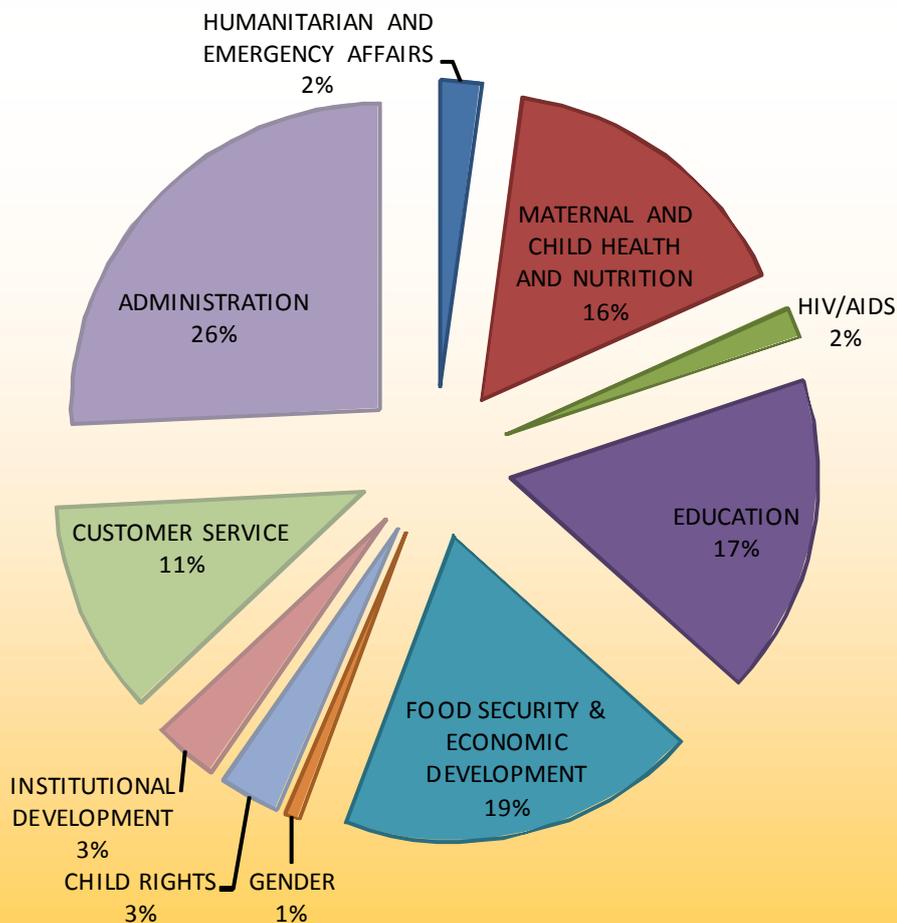
CBOs have received warm acceptance amongst community people as development centers. The community people come to the CBOs for their savings and involvement in different types of income generating activities. In addition, most of the CBOs are operated by community women and this has created opportunities for strengthening women's leadership as well as reinforcing women's rights.

WVB Facilitated Registered CBO Status

Name of Division	Total No. of Registered CBOs	Total No. of Members				Total Capital in Taka
		Male	Female	Boys	Girls	
Dhaka	93	1310	32737	4164	5252	270,682,571
Chittagong	69	727	22763	1611	2081	78,329,696
Khulna	73	2231	41271	3746	4487	156,474,902
Rajshahi	128	3836	22901	3375	3524	108,017,414
Mymensingh	108	7312	25647	847	984	71,388,586
Total	471	15416	145319	13743	16328	684,893,169

Financial Report

SL	Strategic Program Sectors	Expenses in USD	Expenses in Taka	%
1	HUMANITARIAN AND EMERGENCY AFFAIRS	864,754.32	69,546,869.15	2.14%
2	MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH AND NUTRITION	6,504,198.95	524,139,890.64	16.14%
3	HIV/AIDS	666,890.42	53,518,215.90	1.65%
4	EDUCATION	6,826,169.48	548,430,750.00	16.89%
5	FOOD SECURITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	7,652,093.06	617,708,224.51	19.02%
6	GENDER	318,855.75	25,603,821.23	0.79%
7	CHILD RIGHTS	1,263,446.30	101,636,968.44	3.13%
8	INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT	1,355,033.64	109,306,069.26	3.37%
9	CUSTOMER SERVICE	4,565,364.23	365,510,540.91	11.25%
10	ADMINISTRATION	10,426,020.73	832,344,279.93	25.63%
	TOTAL:	40,442,826.88	3,247,745,629.97	100.00%



Letter from the Auditor

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AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying Balance Sheet of **World Vision Bangladesh Integrated Community Development Project** as at 30th September, 2012, a project of “**World Vision Bangladesh**” and related Income & Expenditure Account and Receipts & Payments Account for the year then ended.

Respective Responsibilities:

The preparation of these financial statements is the responsibility of the organization management. Our responsibility is to express an independent opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Scope:

We conducted our audit in accordance with Bangladesh Standards on Auditing (BSA). 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 a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Observation:

Annexure-A/1 is prepared based on the proposed revised budget which has been submitted to NGO Affairs Bureau for approval. Acknowledgement copy of the revised FD-6 has been received by us.

Opinion:

Subject to the above observation, in our opinion, the financial statements prepared in accordance with Bangladesh Accounting Standards (BAS), give a true and fair view of the state of the organization affairs as at 30th September, 2012 and of the results of its activities for the year then ended and comply with the applicable laws & regulations.

We also report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit and made due verification thereof;
- In our opinion, proper books of accounts as required by law have been kept by the organization so far as it appeared from our examination of those books;
- The financial statements of the organization dealt with by the report are in agreement with the books of accounts.

Dhaka, December 08, 2012


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Balance Sheet

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WORLD VISION BANGLADESH
World Vision Bangladesh Integrated Community Development Project

Balance Sheet
As at 30th September, 2012

Particulars	Notes	Amount (In Taka)		Amount (In USD)	
		2012	2011	2012	2011

PROPERTY & ASSETS:

A. CURRENT ASSETS:

Petty Cash	4.00	1,433,000.00	1,780,149.00	17,571.47	24,087.36
Checking Account	5.00	337,933,569.47	298,409,556.41	4,143,768.53	4,037,807.01
Short Term Investment	6.00	88,139,392.44	2,835,712.86	1,080,772.25	38,370.01
Severance Pay/Gratuity Investment	7.00	196,190,952.24	192,081,109.67	2,405,709.08	2,599,067.07
Travel Advance	8.00	18,000.00	406,902.47	220.72	5,505.83
Employee Business Advance	9.00	103,100.00	38,000.00	1,264.22	514.18
Employee Loan	10.00	9,639.00	586,962.57	118.20	7,942.24
Prepaid Expenses	11.00	9,791,194.00	1,921,221.00	120,060.40	25,996.23
Accounts Receivable	12.00	2,270,931.50	836,273.63	27,846.34	11,315.69
Year End Clearing Account	13.00	61,887,101.75	106,658,210.11	758,864.57	1,443,202.00
Total		697,776,880.40	605,554,097.72	8,556,195.78	8,193,807.62

FUND & LIABILITIES:

B. LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable	14.00	37,317,515.00	30,056,574.95	457,590.38	406,698.17
Flow Through	15.00	571,048.76		7,002.25	
Accrued Severance Pay/Gratuity	16.00	197,727,321.72	182,800,468.53	2,424,548.16	2,473,489.60
Repatriation Assist Liabilities	17.00	815,522.35	120,899.00	10,000.00	1,635.90
Other Liabilities	18.00	5,062,270.53	4,769,283.20	62,073.96	64,533.60
Accumulated Excess/(Shortage)	19.00	456,283,202.04	387,806,872.04	5,594,981.03	5,247,450.35
Total		697,776,880.40	605,554,097.72	8,556,195.78	8,193,807.62

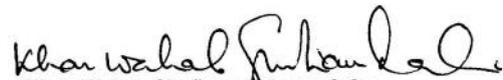
The annexed notes form an integral part of these financial statements.


National Director


Finance Manager

Subject to our separate report of even date.

Dhaka, December 08, 2012


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Income & Expenditure

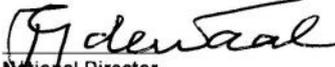
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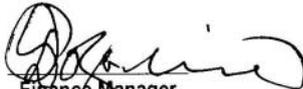
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World Vision Bangladesh Integrated Community Development Project
Income & Expenditure Account
For the year ended 30th September, 2012

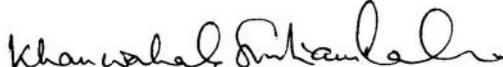
Particulars	Notes	Amount (In Taka)	
		2011-2012	2010-2011
A. INCOME:			
Foreign Donation Received	20.00	3,258,242,604.84	2,538,614,347.55
Other Local Income	21.00	8,271,230.32	6,829,154.00
Interest Income		1,044,126.30	1,041,543.80
Sale of Assets/Supplies		14,351,104.00	3,760,806.00
Exchange Gain		19,148,002.70	22,195,826.35
Total Income		3,301,057,068.16	2,572,441,677.70
B. EXPENDITURE:			
Administrative Cost:		844,175,996.16	556,553,353.00
Pay and Allowance		317,698,617.38	238,975,085.00
Supplies and Services		383,938,483.65	277,315,441.00
Repairs, Maintenance and Rehabilitation		20,523,103.04	11,327,181.00
Capital Expenditure		122,015,792.09	28,935,646.00
Project Cost:		2,388,404,742.00	1,990,572,828.91
Health		356,194,468.73	303,363,702.00
Public Health		230,524,999.35	160,834,965.00
Education, Youth and Culture		631,542,423.96	561,944,555.00
Social Welfare		296,335,837.54	266,438,639.00
Women & Children Affairs		100,038,353.07	41,643,709.00
Ethnic Minority Affairs		4,519,878.40	6,031,442.00
Agriculture, Fisheries & Livestock		211,599,222.34	153,350,813.00
Disaster, Relief & Rehabilitation & Housing		92,655,536.19	66,133,687.00
Power and Energy		1,385,491.00	2,887,742.00
Environment Preservation and Development		22,382,857.48	17,303,390.00
Information, Communication & Technology		2,937,136.40	2,717,894.00
Local Government		26,381,533.75	41,369,427.00
Market Development/ Marketing/ Value Chain		17,944,053.42	9,752,974.00
Other Activities (Sponsorship)		393,962,950.37	351,762,030.91
Contingency Fund			5,037,859.00
Total Expenditure		3,232,580,738.16	2,547,126,181.91
Excess of Income over Expenditure (A - B)		68,476,330.00	25,315,495.79
Total		3,301,057,068.16	2,572,441,677.70

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Our Visitors

WVB always remains enthusiastic in facilitating Donors and Sponsors' visit to community for developing close relationship and bondage to each other. Exchanging views, experiences of success and personal information creates a good learning environment at community level. Visitors also reap the opportunity to witness how their fund is using for upholding the socio-economic status of the poor and vulnerable communities.

During the span of 2012, a total of 244 guests visited the activities of WVB including 35 sponsors and donors. These visitors belong to Australia, Germany, Canada, Japan, South Korea, New Zealand, Switzerland, Thailand, United Kingdom, Philippines, Srilanka, French, Indonesia, Malaysia and USA. Through this visit sponsors meet their children to whom they are sponsoring along with updates on WVB's regular activities, community people.

Among others Ms. Naomi and Mr. Peter a couple from Australia visited their sponsor child Nayon Das, a child of Satkhira ADP during the fiscal year. Ms Naomi expressed, 'I am very pleased to visit my sponsored child and his family. It is also the great privilege that all the supports have been provided to community by WV is ensuring the well being of children in the community. We have spent a wonderful moment with WVB team and our sponsored child in Bangladesh.'

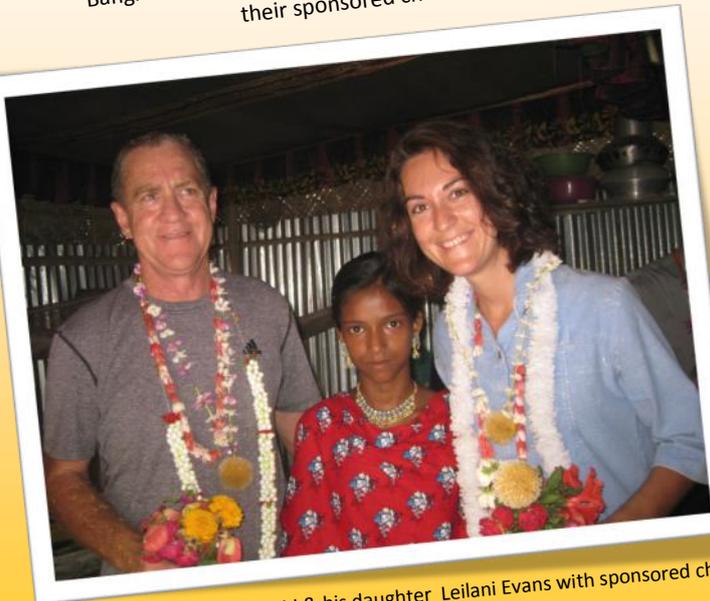


Bangladeshi born US Sponsor Mr. Abu Sarwar and his wife visit their sponsored child Md. Ashik

Sponsor AN Byeong Sun, Korea visited Swapna's Family at Laksham ADP



Gwang Ki Lee, a well-known actor in Korea, is working as a good will ambassador for World Vision Korea. He himself is also sponsoring children of World Vision since 2009 after the lost of his son due to swine flu. As a part of sponsorship program promotion Lee visited Bangladesh in 2012.



Canadian Sponsor Mr. David & his daughter Leilani Evans with sponsored child -Sajoni at Sribordi ADP

People We Reached

People we Impacted- 2012

41,91,842
Total

12,53,959

Maternal and Child Health

1,94,877

HIV and AIDS

3,29,705

Humanitarian & Emergency Affairs

6,08,096

Education

2,41,917

Food Security and Economic Development

7,51,648

Gender and Development

7,83,127

Child Rights

28,513

Institutional Development

Special Initiatives 2012

Initiatives and Program Participants

Maternal and Child Health, Critical Illness, HIV and AIDS, WASH	
Treatment support to critically ill patients including registered children and their families	196288
Involving community in improving nutrition status of children, promoting breast and supplementary feeding to infants, developing mother support group, safe delivery and new born care	
Peer education, counseling and referral linkage on HIV & AIDS and STI	
Sanitary latrines, tube wells, arsenic mitigation and rain water harvesting plant installation at community level	
Child care and Protection	
Education and health care support to street children, child laborer, advocacy and networking on women & child trafficking, shelter & rehabilitation support to the victims	367168
Promoting child rights, medical and counseling support to Juvenile development centers	
Education	
Provide support to higher education of girls studying at university level, professional skills development and linkage with institutions for their empowerment	325
HEA, Climate Change, Bio diversity	
Pollutions mitigations by supporting schools for solar system, providing energy saving light to poor households	23076
Protecting biodiversity of Sundarban reserve forest by reducing dependency of local inhabitants to the forest	
Economic Development	
Skills development of WVB facilitated CBOs, value chain development support to community, small scale producers and micro-entrepreneurs, milk & honey cultivators	8908



Major Interventions and Our Key Achievements

Major Intervention	People Impacted
Health and Public Health	1448836
Primary Health Care	434402
Secondary Health Care/Hospital Activities	8592
Nutrition	235695
Communicable Diseases	24251
Water (Hardware: tube-wells, LLPs, DTWs etc.)	23719
Sanitation (Hardware)	32477
Arsenic	8535
HIV/AIDS Care & rehabilitation	194877
Other activities related to Health and Public Health	486288
Education, Youth and Culture	602872
Early Child Development, Pre-primary & Primary	183517
Adult and Mass Education	42331
Technical & Vocational Education	4767
Secondary & Higher Education	233923
Youth development	32589
Other activities related to education	11135
Social Welfare, Women and Child Affairs	751648
Social safety-net	4930
Development of persons with disability	36492
Early marriage & dowry prevention and awareness	39472
Women empowerment/gender mainstreaming	492189
Activities relating to child labor	42029
Street children	2322
Anti-trafficking	4295
Other activities related to Social Welfare, Women and Child Affairs	129919
Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock	224576
Agriculture Development	50889
Food security	8957
Irrigation and water management	7057
Poultry & livestock development	44573
Fisheries development	1577
Other activities related to Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock	111523
Disaster, Relief & Rehabilitation and Housing	825062
Preparedness & Mitigation	130780
Rehabilitation (livelihood)	930
Rehabilitation (infrastructure)	202
Shelter/Multipurpose Shelter	5559
Plantation/Afforestation/Social Forestry	50358
Environmental preservation	602575
Climate Change	594
Other activities related to Disaster, Relief & Rehabilitation	34064

National Strategy 2013-2017

During the fiscal year WVB revisited its strategy and set a new milestone for embodying its activities within 2013-2017. With the aim of building a better life for girls and boys in Bangladesh, the new strategy has picked out six major areas to carry forward in the forthcoming days:

1. Improve health status of mothers and children
2. Improve access and quality to education
3. Ensure children are protected and cared for
4. Create economic opportunities for the poor
5. Address urban abject poverty, and
6. Respond to disasters and the impact of climate change

In harmony with the country strategy World Vision Bangladesh intends to bring transformational development of communities to change the socio-economic landscape with the following specific focused areas:

1. Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition

Maternal, newborn, and child health is a central element of World Vision's global health strategy to improve the health and nutrition status of children and mothers while lowering mortality rates. The new country strategy of World Vision Bangladesh focuses on three major areas:

- Improve nutritional status of pregnant and lactating mothers and children under five
- Increase access to safe, potable water and practice of proper hygiene & sanitation
- Improve proper community health related practices with emphasis on behavior change

2. Education

World Vision Bangladesh's education programs focus on resources and initiatives for improving educational quality and learning environments. The education sector objectives are to:

- Improve cognitive and psycho-social development of pre-school age children.
- Enhance access and quality of primary and secondary education (age 16)
- Create education opportunities for out of school children.



3. Child Protection

World Vision Bangladesh concentrates on survival, development, protection and participation rights of children for enabling them to be agents of transformation. The major objectives for child protection and care are:

- Uphold the rights of children to protection from physical and emotional harm
- Ensure a child's right to participation in decision making and provisions guaranteed by the State
- Improve living conditions and access to basic services for street children and other children in difficult circumstances, including those with disabilities.

4. Economic Opportunities for the poor

WVB's economic activities largely focus on sustaining food security and income, thereby enhancing livelihood capacity of the poor and extremely poor. The new strategy of WVB has given priority to the following sectors:

- Increase income and economic resilience for poor households
- Increase the value of economic assets of the community and promote a viable business, entrepreneurial environment
- Empower women to access markets, opportunities for employment and equal wage.

5. Addressing urban abject poverty

WVB's new country strategy has taken initiatives to address the urban abject poverty by giving emphasis on the following areas:

- Enhance education and skills training opportunities for vulnerable urban children
- Enhance basic living conditions in the poorest urban areas
- Strengthen the capacity of urban poor communities to defend their basic rights and access services.

6. Respond to Disaster and mitigate climate change

The new strategy of WVB has chosen the following objectives in the area of responding to disaster and mitigating climate change:

- Engage in timely relief, recovery and rehabilitation in the event of disaster
- Improve community-based disaster management and risk reduction
- Increase community and household resilience to shocks and disasters including adaptation to climate change.

Working Area MAP



List of ADPs

SL	District	Thana	Name of ADP
1	Barisal	Agailjhara	Agailjhara
2	Barisal	Barisal Sadar	Barisal
3	Bandarban	Bandarban	Bandarban
4	Bagerhat	Chitalmari	Chitalmari
5	Bagerhat	Mongla	Mongla
6	Bagerhat	Morelganj	Morelganj
7	Bogra	Bogra	Bogra
8	Bogra	Sariakandi	Sariakandi
9	Chittagong	Panchalish	Chittagong
10	Chittagong	Hathazari	Hathazari
11	Chittagong	Patenga	Patenga
12	Comilla	Laksam	Laksam
13	Cox's Bazar	Cox's Bazar	Chowfaldandi
14	Cox's Bazar	Cox's Bazar	Cox's Bazar
15	Dhaka	Badda	Dhaka East
16	Dhaka	Demra	Kamalapur
17	Dhaka	Mohammadpur	Dhaka Shishu
18	Dhaka	Nawabganj	Nawabganj
19	Dhaka	Savar	Savar
20	Dhaka	Dhaka	Mirpur
21	Dinajpur	Dinajpur Sadar	Dinajpur
22	Dinajpur	Biral	Biral
23	Dinajpur	Birampur	Birampur
24	Dinajpur	Birgonj	Birgonj
25	Dinajpur	Fulbari	Fulbari
26	Dinajpur	Ghoraghat	Ghoraghat
27	Dinajpur	Kaharole	Kaharole
28	Faridpur	Faridpur Sadar	Faridpur
29	Gazipur	Joydebpur	Gazipur
30	Gopalganj	Kotalipara	Kotalipara
31	Gopalganj	Muksudpur	Muksudpur
32	Gazipur	Kalliganj	Kaliganj(Closed in September 2012)
33	Joypurhat	Joypurhat Sadar	Joypurhat
34	Joypurhat	Panchbibi	Panchbibi
35	Khulna	Dacope	Laudob
36	Khulna	Boyra	Sundarban
37	Madaripur	Kalkini	Kalkini
38	Mymensingh	Fulbaria	Fulbaria

SL	District	Thana	Name of ADP
39	Mymensingh	Bhaluka	Bhaluka
40	Mymensingh	Dhobaura	Dhobaura
41	Mymensingh	Haluaghat	Haluaghat
42	Mymensingh	Muktagacha	Muktagacha South
43	Mymensingh	Muktagacha	Muktagacha
44	Mymensingh	Phulpur	Phulpur
45	Mymensingh	Kutuali	Mymensingh
46	Mymensingh	Mymensingh	Nandail (Assesment)
47	Narayanganj	Narayanganj	Narayanganj
48	Netrokona	Durgapur	Durgapur
49	Netrokona	Kalmakanda	Kalmakanda
50	Netrokona	Kalmakanda	Nazirpur
51	Netrokona	Purbodhola	Purbadhola
52	Naogaon	Dhamoirhat	Dhamoirhat
53	Nilphamari	Nilphamari	Nilphamari
54	Nilphamari	Kishorgonj	Kishorgonj
55	Pirojpur	Bhandaria	Bhandaria
56	Rajshahi	Godagari	Godagari
57	Rajshahi	Tanore	Tanore
58	Rajshahi	Paba	Paba
59	Rangpur	Mitha Pukur	Mitha Pukur
60	Rangpur	Pirgonj	Pirgonj
61	Sherpur	Shribordi	Sribordi
62	Sherpur	Jhinaigati	Jhinaigati
63	Sherpur	Nalitabari	Nalitabari
64	Sherpur	Sherpur	Sherpur
65	Satkhira	Assasuni	Assasuni
66	Satkhira	Satkhira	Satkhira
67	Sunamganj	Tahirpur	Tahirpur (Assessment)
68	Sunamganj	Sunamganj	Sunamganj (Assessment)
69	Sylhet Sadar	Sylhet	Sylhet (Assessment)
70	Sylhet	Goainghat	Goainghat (Seed)
71	Sirajganj	Sirajgang	Tarash (Closed in September 2012)
72	Tangail	Modhupur	Jalchatra
73	Thakurgaon	Thakurgaon	Thakurgaon (Assessment)

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'Invest more in child health, education'

World Vision marks 40th anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

It is high time development partners gave more emphasis on children's health and education in the country in a bid to build up a healthy society in future, speakers said at a programme on Thursday.

This observation came at the 40th anniversary of World Vision Bangladesh which was organised by World Vision at Osmani Memorial Auditorium in the city.

Nurun Nabi Talukdar as special guests. In his address, HT Imam said Bangladesh is receiving more support from World Vision Bangladesh on children and women's health, sanitation, food security, women empowerment and disaster management.

'The activities run by World Vision are helping our government to meet MDGs and vision-2021,' he added. Speaking as special guest, Dr Shirin Sharmin Chowdhury said World Vision Bangladesh is working in collaboration with the Ministry of Women and Children's Affairs to execute welfare programmes related to children and women.



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Roundtable stresses on ensuring child rights

STAFF REPORTER

Participants at a roundtable conference Tuesday afternoon stressed on spreading mass education, the elimination of poverty, and coordinated efforts of different sectors to ensure child rights.

The programme was organised at Barisal Sadar Upazila Parishad auditorium in the city by the Child Safety Net Project of World Vision Bangladesh.

Forty representatives from different governmental, non-governmental, children organisations and educational institutions as well as community elites took part in the roundtable meeting.

The speakers and participants of the programme, captioned as 'Every child in school', acknowledged that problems of illiteracy, mostly caused by poverty and rural unemployment, homelessness, river erosion, natural disasters, family conflict and so on causes poor and rural families to being exposed to child rights deprivation and abuse, along with child trafficking in the region.

Within the country, school dropout children from rural areas are trafficked for sexual or domestic servitude to different urban parts of the country, and the Barisal region also a collection point for that crime, they said.

The participants said that Bangladesh has a series of laws related to compulsory mass education, banning child labour, combating trafficking to ensure child safety net and rights.

However, they said that the legal framework on combating child illiteracy, dropouts from educational institutions, child labour, sexual abuse and trafficking in Bangladesh needs to give way to a rights-based strategy and focus more on the victims' physical, emotional and psychological injury, as well as on the financial and property losses sustained by the victim.

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—Bob Pierce,
World Vision founder





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