



ANNUAL REPORT 2010-2011

Gunijan Programme

The "Gunijan" initiative is for presenting the best products of our soil. The initiative is maintaining website, publishing CD & book, organising digital exhibition & school event and thus inspiring young generation to show their best as patriots of our motherland. www.gunijan.org.bd is the electronic journal on these eminent personalities. Here includes complete biography, selected writings/ creative works, awards or recognitions, pictures and video, if any, on his/her life. The thematic areas of 'Gunijan' are: liberation movement, literature, education, law, science, social science, music, fine arts, philosophy, performing arts, mass media, human rights, sports, Adibashi rights etc.

Activities during 2010-2011

Website Management

From July, 2010 upto May, 2011, 43 new profiles have been collected, 75 profiles have been edited, 56 profiles along with photos have been uploaded to website. During this period, Gunijan team has published 96 news clips about gunijans and wished 20 gunijans on their birthday.

Gunijan Online Quiz Competition

An online quiz contest was organized through Gunijan website in December-January, 2011. Four sets of questionnaire were prepared with 10 questions in each set. 440 contestants had participated in this contest.

Among them, nine became winners obtaining full marks of the question sets. Eminent educationist Professor Jamilur Reza Chowdhury handed over the prizes to the winners at D.Net's 10th Anniversary Ceremony held on January 13, 2011.

Half yearly Paper Publication

The profiles of Ila Mitra, Jewel Aich, Shamsur Rahman and Rabeya Khatun were published in the issue of "Gunijan" of July, 2010. The February, 2011 issue contains the profiles of Pritilata Waddedar, Kakon Bibi, Abul Barkat, Safiur Rahman, Rafik Uddin, Abdul Jabbar and Abdus Salam. The issues have been distributed to the children of different parts of Bangladesh.

Fund Raising

For organizing Third Gunijan Digital Exhibition with the profiles and portraits of the Freedom Fighters of the period 1757-1947, Rahimafruz has given primary consent for sponsoring the event. The founder members of D.Net, Dr. Mustafizur Rahman, Dr. Taufiq Ahmed Chowdhury, Ananya Raihan, Mahmud Hasan, Ajoy Kumar Bose, Dr. Shah Md. Ahsan Habib, Anir Chowdhury, Md. Khairuzzaman, Mehedi Hasan and Fatema Begum Labony contributed for Gunijan fund. Issues of "Gunijan" had been sold for raising fund for raising the expenditure of next issue publication.

Taka 18,046 has been added to the fund by selling the CDs.

National Digital Innovation Award 2011

The National Digital Innovation Award 2011 was launched on January 30, 2011 at the Brac Centre Inn. The contest was inaugurated by Architect Yeafesh Osman Honourable State Minister for Science and ICT.

Activities during 2010-2011

Award category Dedication:

Fourteen categories of this award were dedicated to 10 eminent personalities and institutions of relevant sector. List of People and Institutions are given below.

1. Health to Dr. Mohammed Ibrahim, BIRDEM
2. Environment to Nowajes Ahmed
3. Learning & Education to Dr. Mohammad Sahidullah
4. Entertainment & Games to Barin Mojumder
5. Culture & Heritage to Sahidullah Kaiser
6. Science & Technology to Professor Zamal Nazrul Islam
7. Business, Commerce & Finance to Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industries (FBCCI)
8. Inclusion & Participation to Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI), Ministry of Health
9. Livelihood to Kumudini Welfare Trust of Bengal Ltd
10. News & Social Media to Zahur Hossain Chowdhury, Journalist

About the Jury and its Members

The formation of the Jury is one of the key factors to make this event credible. The Jurors were invited from academia, government officials, business, media, professionals and NGOs. A total of 22 Jurors participated in the Jury process which was led by Dr. K. Siddique-E-Rabbani, Co-Chair of the jury process in absence of the Jury chairperson Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury, The Jury process was moderated by Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director, D.Net. This year D.Net team has developed the total on-line nomination submission system and computerized jury process system. These have showed their capability as well as saved money.

Nomination Submission and Jury Process:

After the official inauguration, formal call for proposal was announced in newspapers, TV, Facebook, e-mail groups and online campaign. The initial timeline for submission of nominations was February 10-28, 2011; this which was subsequently extended to March 5, 2011 for all and to March 8, 2011 only for government initiatives.

The response to the call for nominations was overwhelming and 180 nominations were submitted in 34 categories within 25 days.

The Jury process was held during March 11-12, 2011 at Brac Centre Inn. In absence of the Jury Chairperson Professor Jamilur Reza Choudhury (who had to go on an official visit abroad), Dr. K. Siddique-E-Rabbani Co-Chaired the Jury process.

Partners and Sponsors

This contest is hosted by Ministry of Science and ICT, Government of Peoples Republic of Bangladesh and organising by D.Net. Principal partner of this contest is Access to Information Programme (A2I), Prime Minister's Office. The Daily Prothom Alo and Daily Star are the organizing partners. ATN News and lemon24.com is the media partner and comjagat.com is the online partner. The contest is sponsored by Microsoft Bangladesh Ltd, Intel EM Ltd and Bdjobs.com Ltd.

This contest is being organized second time in Bangladesh. First time, in 2010 the name of the contest was "E-content and ICT for Development Award 2010".

E-Content and ICT for Development Award 2010

E-Content and ICT for Development Award 2010 launched at January 2010. Ministry of Science and ICT, Government of Peoples Republic of Bangladesh was the host and D.Net was the organiser of the contest. The contest was held in 14 categories both for on-line and off-line content products and ICT interventions and applications. The winners of the award will be eligible for participating in World Summit Award 2011. This contest is endorsed by World Summit Award.

Activities during 2010-2011

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Fourteen categories of this award were dedicated to 14 eminent personalities and institutions of relevant sector. List of People and Institutions are given below.

1. e Government & Institutions to Professor Rehman Sobhan
2. e Health to Professor M R Khan, National Professor
3. e Learning & Education to Late Abdullah Al Muti Sharfuddin
4. e Games to Mustafa Monwar
5. e Entertainment to Late Abdul Alim
6. e Culture & Heritage to Late Poet Shamsur Rahman
7. e Science & Technology to Late Dr. Muhammad Kudrat e Khuda
8. e Environment Professor to Dwijen Sarma
9. e Business & Commerce to MCCI
10. e Enterprise & Livelihood to Angela Gomez
11. e Inclusion & Participation to Bangladesh Army
12. e Localisation to Ebika Biswas, The First Mobile Lady in Bangladesh
13. e News to Late Professor Abdul Kader, Founder, Computer Jagat
14. mContent/Applications/Services to Professor Iqbal Z. Quadir, Founder member, Grameen Phone

Juror Selection:

The formation of the Jury is one of the key factors to make this event credible. Members of the Jury have been selected in consultation with the Ministry for Science and ICT. The Jurors were invited from academia, government officials, business, media, professionals, NGOs in consultation with MOSICT. A total of 17 Jurors had participated the Jury process which was led by Professor Zafar Iqbal as Chair of the Jury. The Jury process was moderated by Mr. Osama Manzar, Member, Executive Committee, World Summit Award, and, Founder and Director, Digital Empowerment Foundation, India.

Nomination Submission and Jury Process:

The initial deadline for submission of nominations was March 20, 2010, which was subsequently extended to April 05, 2010. Ninety three nominations have been submitted during nomination submission process. Among them 51 nominations had been received from private sector, 8 from Government Institutions, and 17 from NGOs/Not-for-profit organisations, 7 from academia and 10 from Individuals / Forums. Forty eight nominations became finalist by the respected juror. Among them thirty two nomination wins various position.

Award Giving Ceremony:

Award giving ceremony of the first National e-Content and ICT for Development Award 2010 held at the National Museum on August 9, 2010 at 7 pm. Honourable Finance Minister Abul Mal Abdul Muhith attended as the chief guest while State Minister for Science and ICT Architect Yeafesh Osman was the special guest.

Partners and Sponsors

The Daily Star and The Daily Prothom Alo was the organising partner of the programme. Channel i and Radio abc was the media partner. Digital Empowerment Foundation, India was involved as Knowledge partner and Global Partner was World Summit Award, Austria. Apart from this Computer Jagat was involved as online partner. Manusher Jonno Foundation, Microsoft Bangladesh, Intel and bdjobs.com enhance this competition as General Sponsors.

Empowerment of women through use of ICT in Bangladesh

The project is being implemented to contribute to empower women in Bangladesh through appropriate use of ICT. This project has three core dimensions: i) improving the academic performance of girls students through interactive education; ii) create income generation opportunity for women through promoting profession skills development multimedia materials and iii) improving the competence level of women for better performance in the employment market. D.Net in collaboration with the WordForge Foundation (WFF), Spain is implementing the project for the duration of January 2011 to June 2012. KITE Bangladesh Ltd. and Ankur ICT Development Foundation is the connected partner of this project.

Progress accomplished during 2010-2011

Content development on women migration

Content requirement analysis has been completed through a workshop with 25 migrant workers. Content materials (handbook, training manual, leaflet, brochure, poster, booklet, research report, multimedia CD) have been collected from 7 institutions who are working in this sector in Bangladesh. Existing content collected from other institutions have been reviewed and finally produced a synthesis report. Digital content template has been developed; it will be used to produce the final content package.

Multimedia content development on Info Lady Model

Multimedia content outline has been developed and finalized. Manuscript has been prepared for video shooting and validated through a consultation meeting with Info ladies at Netrokona. Duration of the multimedia material has been estimated 70 minutes. Vendor has already been selected to multimedia development; they visited the field for shooting spot and performer selection as well as to organize necessary logistics.

Public Private Partnership on Information Technology

Enhanced Education – A Pilot Program

Period July 2010 to June 2011

This is a pilot project and the long-term goal of the project is to promote the knowledge and usage of computer & Internet in schools to enhance the quality of education in Bangladesh. In order to achieve that coveted goal, the scope and immediate focus of the Project is to establish “Smart Class Rooms” (SCRs) in some of the existing Computer Literacy Centres (CLCs) and to establish new CLCs with “Smart Class Rooms” across the country. The Smart Class Room will be designed and implemented to teach key subjects, such as English Science, and Geometry using Internet and interactive educational CDs by trained teachers as well as through self-learning by the pupils in the CLCs during and after hours.

Activities done during this period

MoU signed with GoB:

On 11 October 2010 a Tri-Party MoU has been signed at Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC) to implement a pilot program for ICTs in Education under Public Private Initiative. Government of Peoples Republic of Bangladesh, Association of Non-Residential Bangladeshis ‘Volunteers Association for Bangladesh (VAB)’, New Jersey, USA and Pioneer organization of ICT for Development in Bangladesh D.Net will jointly implement the Program.



Bank Account:

As per instructions by the Bangladesh Government a separate Bank Account have been opened at Southeast Bank, Agargaon Branch, Dhaka -1207 in November 2010 in the name of “Public Private Partnership on Information Technology Enhanced Education a Pilot Program”. The account number is 13100000228.

Money Transfer to Project Account:

According to the Government Instructions VAB-NJ transfer Private Sector Contribution amount BDT 5,869,000 (Fifty eight lac sixty nine thousand) to project account. Government contributions are pending, which is schedule on June 2011.

School selection and approve by UNO:

32 schools have been surveyed for establishing CLCs and SCRs and secure government approval. Among 32, 21 schools have been surveyed for CLCs and finally 3 schools are dropped because one school not connected with electricity and other two schools receive computer from government in 2010.

Teacher's Training at BCC Division/District Office:

Teachers’ training is important part for the smooth operation of the program. Total 36 teachers have been trained under this project. 1st and 2nd batch training participants given below:

Procurement of Goods:

Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC) invited tender for procuring of Computers, LCD TV, Printer, Solar panel, Internet Modem etc. On May 05, BCC receive 150 laptop computers from vendors. Other equipment's are pending, which is schedule in May 2011.

The first Smart Class Room Inaguration:

The first smart class room was inaugurated in Dhamrai Jamal Uddin School. The State Minister for Science and ICT Architect Yeafesh Osman graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

Smart Class Room is not about hardware, it is about empowering teachers through ICTs and about improving pedagogy. A teacher took a class on digestion system showing a small video clip. A large screen television was used instead of multimedia projector. Teachers combine traditional teaching method with ICT which enhances learnability by the students. The focus is on how a teacher should take preparation for the classroom, plan class and select tools and clips to be used in the classroom.

The facilities are supported by solar power, so there will be no problem for any power outage. The educational channels will be now on display for the students. English, Science, Math, Geography and Physics are in the initial list of subjects, which will be taught using smart class room.



Empowering underprivileged youth in Bangladesh through

Computer Literacy Program

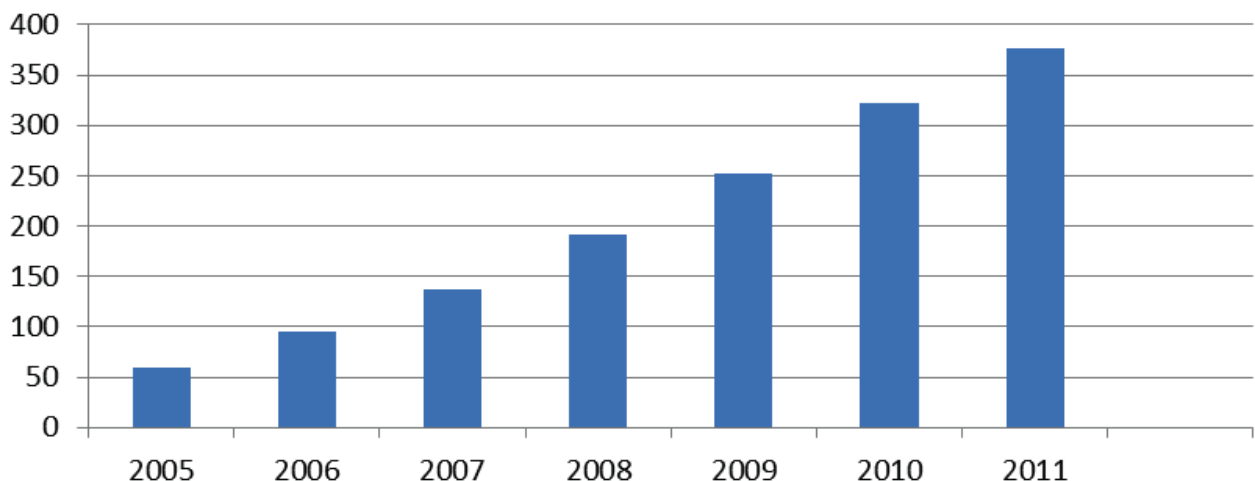
Period: July 2010 to June 2011

To build a knowledge society, as announced in the national Information and Communication Technology (ICT) policy of Bangladesh, and reap the benefits of a new economy, Bangladesh needs its young generation to be educated and acquainted with the state-of-the-art knowledge of ICT. Despite having common historical and cultural origins, Bangladesh lags behind India in terms of producing an adequate number of ICT professionals who could, like in India, contribute to the economic growth and development of the country. Besides contributing to the economy, various innovative initiatives have also been implemented in India and in many other countries of Southeast Asia to benefit people, particularly in the rural areas. Bangladesh is also trying to catch up, with the assistance of many government and private initiatives, to make ICT work for of the marginalized in. In developing a base for skilled ICT professionals, various plans are underway; however, they are concentrated in urban or semi-urban areas. Students and youths in rural areas rarely get a chance to learn computer and ICT, and thus do not know how to use this modern technology to improve their rural livelihood. It is understandable that with the poor resource base, it is not an easy task for the government alone to provide facilities and necessary resources for learning ICT skills throughout the country. Therefore, a programme was conceived by VAB named “Computer Literacy Program” (CLP) which was started in 2004 and now there are already 216 Computer Learning Centers (CLCs) in urban and rural areas. Inspired by the spirit of non-resident Bangladeshis in the US, citizens living in Bangladesh and corporate entities expressed their willingness to join the programme. Based on the successful operations of those centres some individuals and corporate from home and abroad has become interested to sponsor CLC in different part of Bangladesh. Some successful features are given below:

Successful features during this period:

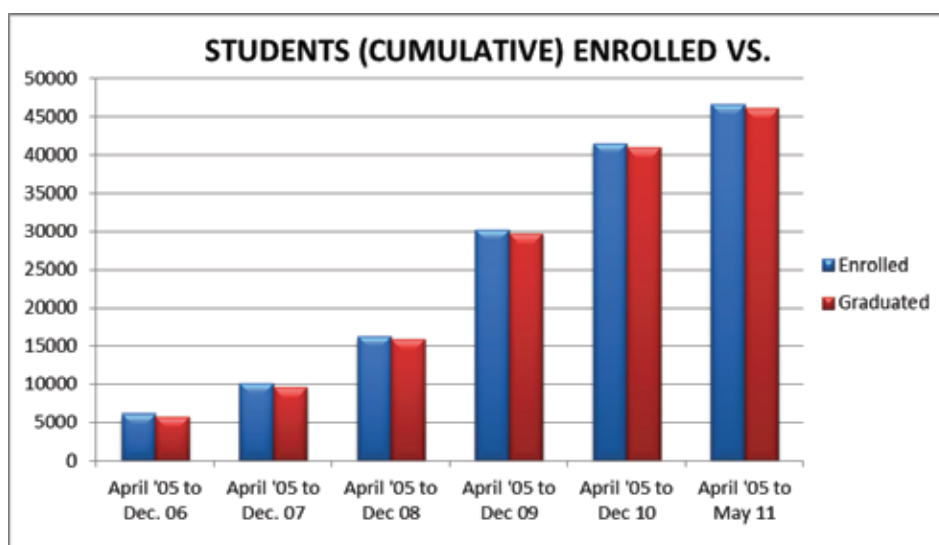
Teachers Training

**Teachers Training under the Project
(Cumulative Number)**





Enrollment and Graduate Status (Cumulative) as of May 2011:



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Mehendiganj Muktiyoddha Sangsad opens computer learning centre

BSS, Mehendiganj

As part of its great Independence Day celebrations, Mehendiganj unit of Bangladesh Muktiyoddha Sangsad inaugurated a computer learning centre on the premises of its office today.

Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Khan Nurul Amin inaugurated the centre at a gathering of freedom fighters amid much enthusiasm with the unit Commander Abdul Baten in chair.

Among others, Ajoy Kumar Basu, director operation of D.Net, veteran freedom fighters Maheb Hossain, Dr Abdus Sattar Dewan, Yusuf Chowdhury, Advocate Fazlul Haq, Abdul Alim and Sarder Arif Hossain spoke on the occasion.

The centre styled "Dalia Aziz Computer Learning Centre" was set up at the courtesy of a Bangladeshi computer engineer working in Washington State, USA.

New Jersey-based organization "Volunteers Association of Bangladesh" (VAB) is sponsoring the centre, while it would be run by D.Net (Development Research Network) Bangladesh.

The centre would provide opportunities for the promotion of computer education, training and learning in the remote corner of the country.

This is the second such centre in the country, set up by Tazin Shadid, who said similar centre would also be set up in other parts of the country.

Mehendiganj Upazila Unit of Muktiyoddha Sangsad will also set up a library with rich collections of books containing ballads of the heroes of the great War of Liberation.

A discussion meeting and a colorful rally were also organized by the unit in celebration of the Independence Day.

A large number of freedom fighters, local elite and socio-cultural activists attended the functions.



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Citi Financial IT Case Competition

July, 2010 - May, 2011

Citi Financial IT Case Competition

The Citi Financial IT Case Competition is funded by Citi Foundation and jointly organized by D.Net and CitiBank N.A- Bangladesh that gave opportunity for the young and talented minds from different public and private universities and let their talent shine through unique software and information system development for an ever demanding market for financial sectors. The main goal of this competition is to promote a culture of business and technology development amongst the future leaders of the country based on the local needs as well as global business demands. The essence of this competition is direct participation of the stakeholder in the process of development contest and this in turn creates awareness among the stakeholder on the huge possibility of adoption of technology in financial sectors.

This is aimed at fostering a prudent attitude towards knowledge on business and technology amongst university students and gaining insights for real-life implementations. Besides, the faculty member through the participation in the team as the team lead empowers with the business and technology knowledge that enables them disseminate practical field knowledge in the class room sessions. The competition consists of 3 preliminary rounds with grooming sessions.

Activities during 2010-2011

2nd Citi Financial IT Case Competition

3rd Round Jury Process:

The 3rd/final round was held on July 03, 2010. Based on the inputs and feedbacks received from the Jurors, students developed the full solution along with business plan to the Jurors. The 3rd round was the final round to have the Champion, 1st Runner up and 2nd Runner up. At the end of the 3rd /final round the top three teams and eight finalists was selected.

Award giving Gala Event:

The Award giving Gala Event of the 2nd Citi Financial IT Case Competition was held on Wednesday September 29, 2010 at 5 pm at Carnival Hall, Bangabandhu International Conference Center (BICC), Dhaka. Honourable Minister, Ministry of Education, Government Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Nurul Islam Nahid M.P. was present as the Chief Guest at the occasion. The winner of the competition announced in the Gala event. Top three teams awarded US\$ 5,000, US\$ 2,000 and US\$ 1,000 respectively. The champion team was UIU-4Dimension from United International University.

3rd Citi Financial IT Case Competition:

Website Management:

<http://cficc.dnet.org.bd> is the new corporate website of the competition. This website contains information about the competition, participation guideline, registration, contestant's information, team introduction, photo gallery and information about last competitions.

Launching of the initiative:

The competition was informally launched Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director, D.Net and Rashed Maqsood, Managing Director & Citi Country Officer, Citibank, N.A.- Bangladesh. Mr. Fahim Mashroor, Senior Vice President, Bangladesh Association of Software & Information Services (BASIS) also present there. 65 teams from 21 universities registered for 3rd Citi Financial IT Case Competition (CFICC).

Formation of the Jury:

A high quality Jury comprising representatives from various stakeholders was formed for the competition. The jurors are from academia, ICT industry, media, research organizations, international corporate.

Promotion and branding:

For promotion and branding of 3rd Citi Financial IT Case Competition 225 T-shirt distributed among participants, volunteers and Jury board members. 3000 posters were placing on different places of country including different universities/ Institutes premises. Also distributed note book & folder with CFICC logo among participants, volunteers, Jury board member and different stakeholders.

1st Round Jury Process:

1st Round Jury Process was held on May 28, 2011 at IDB Auditorium, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka. A Jury Board comprising of eminent personalities from different segments of the society was supervising and assessing the case solutions based on the project evaluation guidelines. At the first round Jury process, each team presented their project concept to the Jurors. The members of Jury Panel assessed all the submitted solutions based on the assessment guideline. After the first round 10 teams got the eligibility to compete for the 2nd round.

Pallitathya Bikash

December 2010-May 2011

Based on the findings of D.Net's research, the Pallitathya and Info Lady Models are the solutions that promote an information and knowledge system for the poor and marginalized. Many local organizations are visiting and communicating with D.Net for establishing and operating Pallitathya Kendra in their communities. They are also looking for the contents of Info Centers.

Pallitathya Bikash program has been initiated to provide technical and business assistance to the existing and interesting organizations. To replicate the Pallitathya and Infolady models of D.Net through local individuals, entrepreneurs, institutions and organizations. Here in this programme the target group are Those who are interested to establish and operate Pallitathya Kendra and also interested to adopt Info lady as a profession. Like:

- o Local Organisation and NGO
- o Local Individual Entrepreneur
- o Local Club, Samitee, etc.



Activities during 2010-2011

Workshop on “Pallitathya and Infolady Model Replication” :

Under Pallitathya Bikash project two workshops were organized on 28 December, 2010 and 27 February, 2011 but the focal point of the workshops were more or less same. The participants were from different parts of Bangladesh but covered all the districts.

The workshops were organized on “Pallitathya and Infolady Model Replication” under Pallitathya Project by D.Net (Development Research Network) to ensure the information access for all people of Bangladesh and also to develop a countrywide framework to facilitate necessary information and exchange it to all people. It was started with the process of harnessing and collected best ideas and practices and evolving a framework for organizations working in this

field to form an association for future dialogue and exchange of ideas on regular basis. Total 73 Executives Directors were present as participants from different NGOs in two workshops. Dr. Ananya Raihan, Executive Director of D.Net was the chief guest and discussed the Social Enterprise system of an Organization that ensures sustainability of the organization for long time without dependency. The E.D. from different organizations shared their views and queries on how this model may be implicated. They also focused on what are the prevailing problems, specially they opined that Infoladies were females and faces problem in our conservative social construction. Another problem also pointed out which is the financial support for the infolady. In their area there are many educated girl who wanted to do work and earn money but they did not have sufficient money to invest and earn, they want to know this problem we can solved. Mr. Md. Forhad Uddin, Deputy Director of D.Net told that an organization or an Infolady took loan from National Bank and the percentage of interest is very low compare with other institutions.



Infolady Training:

A five (5) days Infolady Training was organized on "Group Formation, Service Giving Strategy and Others" organized by D.Net (Development Research Network) under Pallitathya Bikash project for the Infoladies to ensure the information access of all people in Bangladesh and also to develop a countrywide framework to facilitate necessary information and exchange it to all people. Infoladies were women who receive specialized training and necessary equipment and travel around villages and

rural areas by cycle to connect the rural poor with resources they need to better their lives and solve their problems.

Training makes Infoladies as a credible support agent to community workers. Through phones and the internet, Infoladies can immediately seek expert advice and put women in touch with doctors for referrals and fixing appointment in health related problems. Such services are valuable to many pregnant women who do have very limited access to transport to access health centers, let alone talking to experts on mobile phones.

11 Infoladies came from different organizations in different areas in Bangladesh, they were promised to serve the training knowledge to their community people.

Introduce mobile sms result system in rural school:

Under Pallitathya Bikash project of D. Net and Multimedia Content and Communication (MCC) has jointly initiated to send the examination results to the students of Dolai Nowabpur Girls' High School, Chandina, Comilla by mobile sms. As such an opening ceremony of this digital result system took place at school premise on Saturday, 14 May, 2011. Alhaj Professor Md. Ali Ashraf, the MP and former Deputy Speaker was present as the Chief guest of the opening ceremony. Beside this, Chairman of Chandina Upazilla; representatives from Dolai Nowabpur Girls' High School, D. Net, MCC; guardians of students and elites of the area were present in the ceremony. ATN news telecasted a special news on the ceremony. The new system of publishing examination results digitally was presented in the ceremony. Every student would be able to get the obtained marks of each examination by using mobile sms. The joys of local students knew no bounds by attaining this facility. From now on, they do not have to visit schools just for receiving their examination results. Not only this but also the guardians would also be able to be informed about the results of their sons and daughters. This would be very convenient in terms of their time and money. In future this scheme would be enhanced towards other schools also.

Community Empowerment through ICTs:

Evidences from Grassroots in Bangladesh and India

The research on "Community Empowerment through ICTs: Evidences from Grassroots in Bangladesh and India (CEMP)" started in July 2009. The research has three phases: benchmarking phase, year 1 and year 2. The objectives of the projects are as follows;

- 0 To understand whether community members (women and men) can take informed decisions in electing representatives in local government and national assembly and how access to ICTs influence such informed decision making;
- 0 To understand if, how, and for whom (individuals, groups, including marginalized) access to ICTs facilitate exercising rights for entitlements demarcated by the government
- 0 To understand whether access to ICTs facilitate community members to mobilize against domestic violence;
- 0 To understand the level of awareness among community members (both male and female) on local, national and international issues and relation of awareness with access to information through ICTs.
- 0 To understand whether local government has improved citizen services offered to whole community including women through the use of ICT;
- 0 To examine the level of participation of ordinary citizens (women and men) in activities and decision making by selected local government institutions (local resource planning and mobilization);
- 0 To examine whether the use of ICTs in selected local government institutions improves transparency and accountability in decision making/spending by local government institutions

The achievements that have been accomplished during June 2010 to May 2011 are mentioned below in two time frames such as June 2010 to December 2010 and January 2011 to May 2011.

During June 2010 – December 2010

- Drafted report of Year -1 (Bangladesh)
- Received revised report of India
- Details and comparative report of Bangladesh and India has been started

January 2011 – May 2011

- Revise all instruments (Household survey, Public place survey, FGD, Life History): few changes came up- accommodated changes without affecting comparative analysis concern
- Conducted capacity building workshop for field enumerators (20 field enumerators took part from different locations)
- Conducted skill development workshop on “how to conduct a FGD with community people” for all researchers involved in this study. The workshop was followed by a demonstration
- Recruited two young researchers and one intern to support the team
- Formed groups (comprising 2 Field Enumerators and 2 Young researchers from D.Net) for all field study
- Database development (offline in Gobeshona.com) is done, experimental analysis will take place soon to check consistency and data quality
- Started field study since April 1, 2011
- Field work in 11 locations has been accomplished and one is left due to unrest (between tribal people and mainstream community – Bengali) in the location of Balukhali.
- Data entry has been started and hopefully will be finished by June 15, 2011

‘Refurbishment and E-waste Management Project’



Introduction:

‘Refurbishment and E-waste Management Project’ is a trilateral one. D.Net, Computer Jagat and Standard Chartered Bank are jointly implementing the project. With an aim to implement the same, a trilateral memorandum of understanding was signed on 25th of November, 2009.

According to this MoU, under this project Standard Chartered Bank Limited is providing their used computers to D-Net and Computer Jagat, while the later two are jointly working together to make the computers useable where ever possible through refurbishment, and there after distributing these computers among the students of different educational institutions throughout the country under a computer literacy program. D-Net and Computer Jagat are performing the e-waste management of irreparable computers in a scientific and environmentally safe way.



State Minister for ICT architect Yafesh Osman
Inaugurate a center at Naogaon

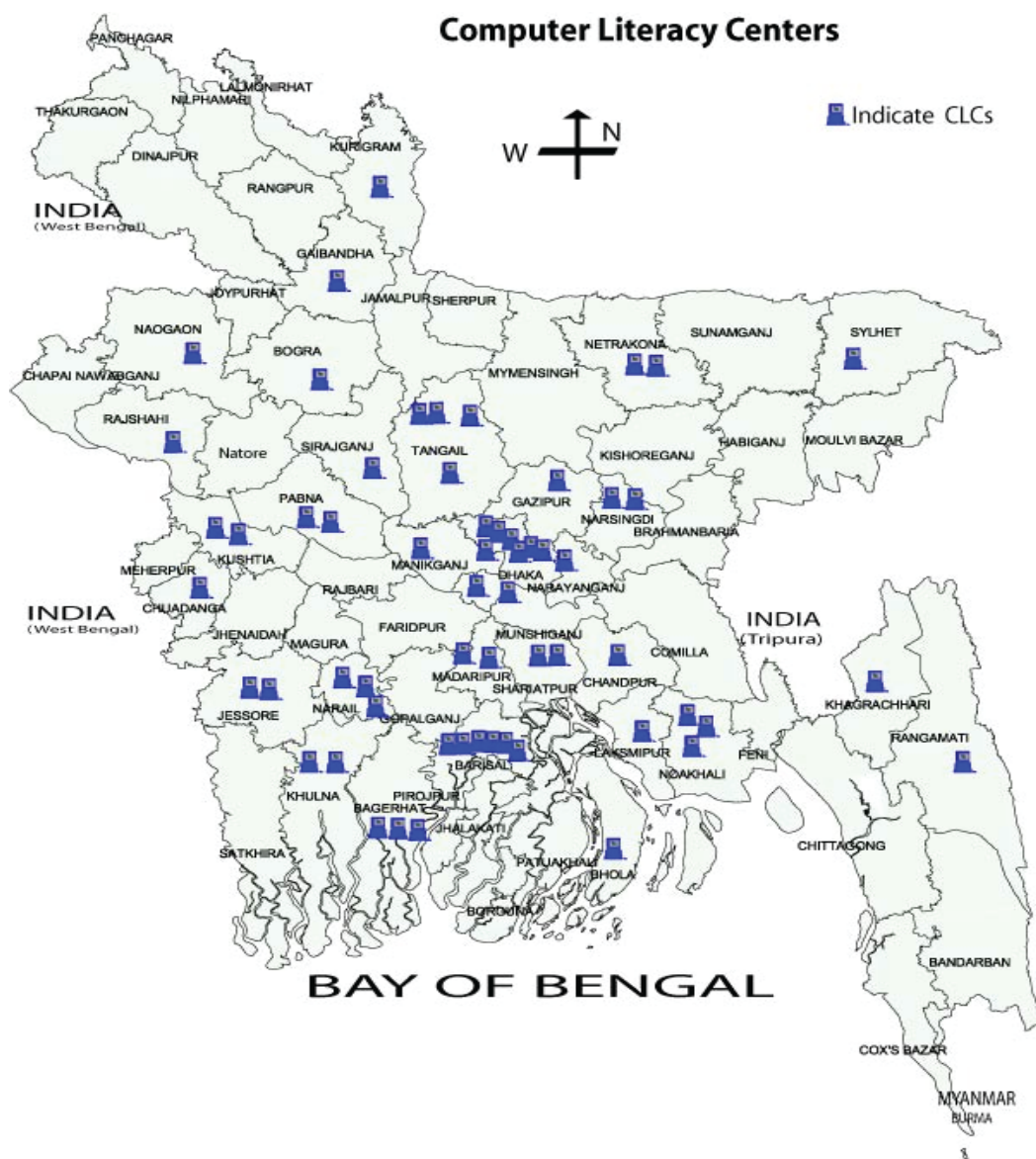


A.A.M.S Arefin Siddique inaugurate a center at
Institute of Modern Language, Dhaka University

Activities during 2010-2011

Computer literacy centers establish:

Under this project a number of computer literacy centers have been established in different educational institutions. Following map shows of computer literacy centers where at least four and above computers have been provided.



Teachers' Training:

Under this project 26 male and 04 female teachers were provided with computer training, where D-Net's 'Let learn computer/ Eso computer shiki' curriculum was duly followed. The following table goes with the names of the educational institutions from which the teachers participated in this training program. Caption: D-Net and Computer Jagat officials are seen with the trainee teachers in the training room.



Teachers' Training at Dhaka

Those schools have trained and are providing training to their students:

Under this project computer learning centers established in different schools have provided computer training to their students. Total 1028 students have been trained under this project using "Esho Computer Shikhi" guide book.



Jago Foundation, Dhaka



Mouchak Scout School, Gazipur

Content Development Using Easy Now Technology

About the project

D.Net started content development in Bangla language for underprivileged communities using various media and channels in 2003. “Jeeon” livelihood content is a reputed name in Bangladesh for livelihood content. Starting with text and picture based content; D.Net is working in the area of multimedia content applying video, animation and audio media. Rural people use the content from the Pallitathya Kendra (rural information centre) with the assistance of infomediaries. Considering the need and strength, D.Net is currently focusing content development on indigenous knowledge using various media. Easy Now can add a value to the content presentation style more attractive and efficient, was discussed in first workshop, organized by Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA), India and D.Net. As a part of common interest and follow up of the first workshop both organisations took initiative to organise an advanced workshop for the infomediaries who attended the first workshop, held on 12-15 December 2009.

Activities During the Year 2011-2012:

Organise Workshop and Develop Content

D.Net organized a four days long workshop on “Content Development Using EasyNow for Indigenous Health Practice” during 06-09 December 2010 with the technical and financial support of CEMCA. The objective of the workshop was to develop skills of infomediaries for local content creation in an interactive way using EasyNow to contribute to the effort of D.Net’s focusing issues. Participants developed 10 contents using Easy Now Technique.

Website development

To capture, spread, promote and conservation of Indigenous Knowledge (IK) D.Net took an initiative to create a single source at the website <http://www.ik.org.bd> with the content created by the participants of the workshop. D.Net hope that this website will help people to get access to Indigenous Knowledge practice for health issues. Initially 10 contents, developed by the participants, were uploaded to the website and 70 more contents will be uploaded within October, 2011. Initially we decided that we will maintain the website for at least two years.

Fund

Total approved budget was BDT 3,75,000 only. As per expenditure we received total BDT 3,42,335 only.

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Executive Director
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Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of D.Net , which comprise the financial position as at June 30, 2011, and the statement of income and expenditure and statement of receipts & payments for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting policies stated in Note 3 to the financial statements. This responsibility includes: maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud and error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Bangladesh Standard on Auditing (BSA). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud and error.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The audit procedures selected depend on the auditor's assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements. In making those risks assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation and disclosures. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give true and fair view of the financial position of D.Net, as at 30 June 2011 and of its income and expenditure and its receipts & payments for the year then ended in accordance with accounting policies stated in Note 3 to the financial statements.

Dated: Dhaka 07 Feuary 2012

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D. Net
Consolidated Statement of Financial Position
As on 30 June 2011

	Notes	30.06.2011 (Taka)	30.06.2010 (Taka)
PROPERTY AND ASSETS			
Non-current Assets		5,460,965	2,898,298
Property, plant and Equipment (At cost less accumulated depreciation)	4	1,526,405	1,160,489
Intangible Assets	5	1	90,000
Investment	6	3,934,559	1,647,809
Current Assets		18,935,572	12,421,749
Loan, Advance and Prepayments	7	4,316,101	824,216
Advance Income Tax	8	75,761	35,901
Inter Project Loan (Assets)	9	-	-
Account Receivable	10	294,937	7,316,248
Cash and Bank Balances	11	14,248,772	4,245,384
Current Liabilities		1,567,592	1,898,779
Account Payable	12	316,398	691,882
Loan & Advance (Liabilities)	13	25,000	-
Bank Loan	14	999,131	992,677
VAT & Tax Payable	15	-	4,222
Provision for Expenses	16	227,063	209,998
Inter Project Loan (Liabilities)	17	-	-
Net Current Assets		17,367,979	10,522,970
Net Assets		22,828,944	13,421,267
Funds			
Fund Account	18	1,399,463	1,439,817
Fixed Assets Fund	19	945,536	176,836
HR Management Fund	20	3,178,350	-
Grant in Advance	21	17,305,595	11,804,614
		22,828,944	13,421,267

The annexed notes form an integral part of the Balance Sheet.


Chairperson/Treasurer
D. Net


Executive Director
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This is the Balance Sheet referred to in our separate report of even date.

Dated: Dhaka 07 February 2012

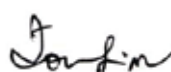

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Consolidated Statement of Income and Expenditure
For the year ended 30 June 2011

	Notes	Year ended 30.06.2011 Taka	Year ended 30.06.2010 Taka
A INCOME			
Foreign Grant /Donation	22	25,977,635	10,382,008
Local grants/Donations	23	18,432,992	13,415,661
Contribution/overhead	24	102,932	30,138
Service Income	25	5,809,845	445,249
Revenue from sales	26	186,739	1,306,009
Registrations & subscription fees	27	-	173,834
Bank Interest	28	391,379	179,444
Miscellaneous Income	29	29,290	30,791
Income from Training		-	-
Total		50,930,811	25,963,134
B EXPENDITURE			
Salaries/Allowances	30	18,189,429	11,709,286.00
Salaries/Allowances-PNGO	31	1,153,444	1,612,639.00
Honorarium	32	3,083,761	2,439,793.00
Office Rent	33	1,470,736	1,095,527.00
Printing & Publication	34	1,454,986	1,076,044.50
Stationery	35	472,149	329,882.00
Internet & Communication	36	756,413	767,072.00
Postal charges and courier	37	79,651	69,474.00
Repair & Maintenance	38	965,452	499,238.00
Conveyance	39	111,456	94,619.00
Traveling Allowances/Daily Allowance	40	3,497,331	1,015,371.00
Seminar,Workshop,Meeting & Cultural	41	5,062,971	3,442,136.00
Research Expenses	42	2,695,139	368,422.00
Training Expense	43	990,806	608,354.00
Staff training & Development	44	423,333	49,368.00
Contribution/Donation/Overhead	45	295,146	262,783.50
Registration and Subscription fees	46	20,221	127,228.00
Entertainment and Refreshment	47	77,051	59,931.00
Utilities	48	379,274	414,512.00
Fuel & Lubricant	49	195,335	91,006.00
Media & Advertisement	50	387,672	217,057.00
Content Development	51	3,556,727	-
Website Development & Management	52	439,903	337,978.00
Medical support to staff	53	178	6,778.00
Retreat/picnic	54	129,432	40,000.00
Newspaper & Periodicals	55	31,277	7,454.00
Bank Charges	56	65,220	42,462.00
Audit Fees	57	166,013	150,000.00
Legal and Advising fees	58	24,000	295,000.00

	Notes	Year ended 30.06.2011 Taka	Year ended 30.06.2010 Taka
Depreciation (Annexure-1)	59	815,682	1,692,934.56
Amortization	60	89,999	90,000.00
Computers & peripherals-Expenses	61	930,711	1,502,047.00
Office Equipment-Expenses	62	1,469,314	49,350.00
Furniture & fixtures-Expenses	63	-	50,600.00
Resource Materials-Expenses	64	4,105	53,001.00
Vehicle-Expenses	65	4,200	250,124.00
Bad Debts	66	-	169,275.00
Bank Loan Interest	67	93,558	122,335.91
Income Tax	68	19,890	-
Miscellaneous/Office General Expenses	69	223,896	242,587.00
Total		49,825,861	31,451,669
Deficit/Surplus (A-B)		1,104,950	(5,488,535)
		50,930,811	25,963,134


The annexed notes form an integral part of the Statement of Income and Expenditure.


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