

Project Reporting of Euro Bangla Foundation Model School

For the Year: January 2017- July 2023



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About Euro Bangla Foundation: Euro Bangla Foundation (EBF) is a non-profit, non-political, and non-governmental organization that works in the areas of health, environment, technical education, vocational training, forestation, development, and providing financial assistance in the form of microcredit to the rural poor. Founded in 2003, the organization always has this one goal: Elevate livelihood scenarios by providing educational opportunities to young boys and girls, provide financial assistance to landless people, widow and orphan children and provide health facilities to the less fortunate, preserve local environments by taking different approaches. Through these activities, we try to increase their access to improved socio-economic prospects, a good environment. EBF constantly work hard and motivates poor rural people to become contributing factors in their respective society and national economy. Apart from working on livelihood sectors EBF is also well known as providing aids and emergency relief during natural disasters and pandemic.

Since the organization's inception in 2003, there were many challenges and our activities were very limited. But with the ambition, vision and good will of our founder, tireless contribution from our expert staffs, we are now an esteemed organization with good reputation in rural and backward places of Bangladesh. We currently have 40 staffs in all sectors and over 100,000

beneficiaries all around the country. Currently, we are working on situating a hospital in rural area to improve Mother and Child Health Care and health status of the rural disadvantaged people, to convert the unskilled and unemployed youth into skilled power through nursing education, nutrition and EBF Primary Health Care services. We organize a training session, where underprivileged women and unemployed men are educated on several practical activities. We are running a school project to provide quality education to rural boy and girls. With micro-credit operation we are providing financial assistance to vulnerable population and training them to be successful entrepreneurs. Finally, with our nursery project we distribute on an average 1000 tree saplings and seeds each year to improve the environment. As mentioned before, we are still continuing our aid mission to help people affected by flood, drought, cyclones and other natural disasters, by distributing water, medicine, clothes and food etc.

1 School Information

1. **Project Name/Name of the School:** Euro Bangla Foundation Model School
2. **School Building and Student Picture with Founder (2018-2019):**



3. **Established Date:** January 2013
4. **Purchase of Land:** 2013
5. **Land amount:** 2.94 acre
6. **Beginning of Construction:** 2013
7. **Ending of Construction:** 2016
8. **Project Partners and Donors:**

- a. Holcim, Switzerland: Provided Cement for Construction
- b. Maiores Stiftung: Donation for School Construction
- c. Laguna Foundation: Donation for School Construction
- d. Stiftung Furstl. Kommerzienrat Guido Feger: Donation for School Construction
- e. RHW Stiftung: Donation for School Construction
- g. Liechtensteinische Development Service (LED): Donation for School Construction

2 Functionality of the School

1. **Starting Function of School Administrative Activities:** 2017
2. **Class Starting Date:** 01.01.2017
3. **Opening Day Student Count:** 437 Students
4. **Opening Day Class Pictures:**



3. School Infrastructure Information

Nature of the School	Fully cemented
Number of Floors	03 Floors
Number of Class Rooms	16
Number of Administrative Office	02
Teachers Room	01
Auditorium	01
Library Room	01
ICT and Science Lab	01 [Vacant at the moment]

Sanitation System	02 Each floor [Male and Female] 06 in Total
School Play Ground	Yes
Climate Resilience	Yes
Supply of Pure Drinking Water	Yes
Source of Water	01 Water Tank 02 Arsenic Free Deeptubewell

4. School Administrative Information

EIIN Code	138738
Official Working Date	January 2017
Government Recognition	Yes
Permission to Teach	Play Group to Class 10
Government Inspection	Regular
Irregularities [According to Government Report]	No Irregularities Recorded.
MPO Status [Procedure to include this school under the finance of Government]	Pending Indefinitely
Permission to Host Government Exam	Pending [Waiting for Specialized Government Inspection]
Executive Board	Yes [05 Member Board]
Executive Board Registration	Shariatpur/138738/2000506
Head Master	01
Administrative Officer	01
Accounts Officer	01
IT Instructor	01
Teachers	13
Security Guard and Caretaker	03

5. Day to Day Operations Report

Project Supervised By	01, Chairman [Euro Bangla Foundation] 02. Executive Director 03. Project Manager
School Regulation and Rules Enforced and Monitored By	01. Headmaster [Euro Bangla Foundation] 02. Admin Officer
School Accounts Monitored by	01. Headmaster [Euro Bangla Foundation] 02. Admin Officer 03. Accountant
National Day Observed and Celebrated	Yes

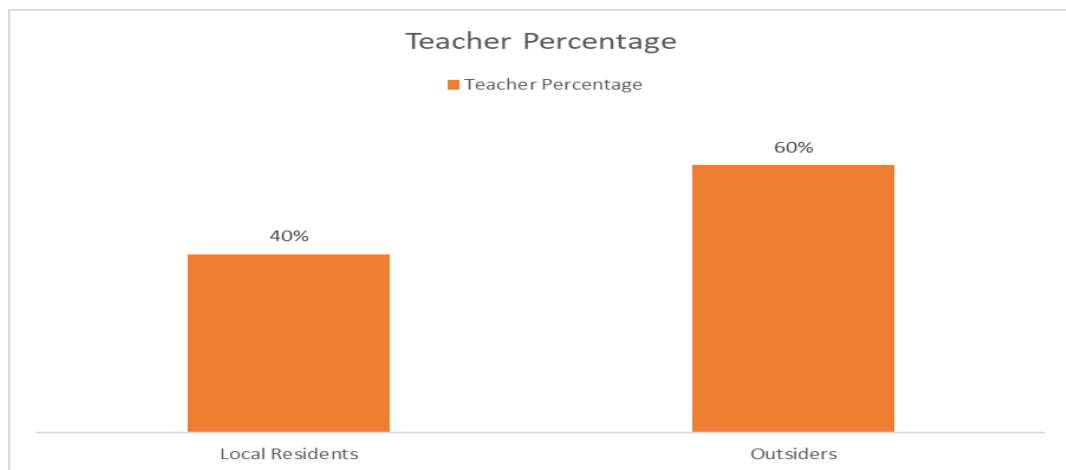
Class Routine	Yes [08 Classes taken Daily
Class Range	Play Group-Class 10
Type of Education	01. Syllabus provided by Bangladesh Government. 02. Arabic and Ethical Education 03. Cultural and Practical Education 04. Teaching based on stand up against terrorism and racism.
School Hours	01. Administrative hour 08.30 am to 4.30 pm 02. School Hours 09 am to 04 pm
Student Count	306 Students as of July 01 2022

6. Financial Condition

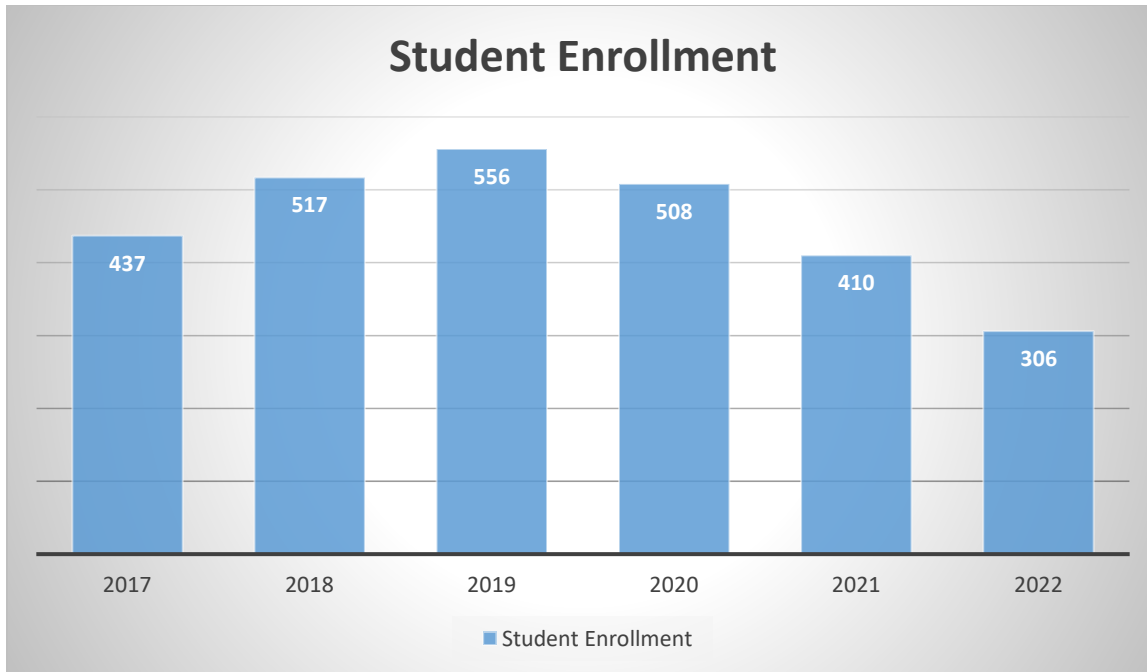
Year	Condition
2017	Income and Expense maintained identical ratio.
2018	Same.
2019	Same.
2020	Declining, Funds were spent on School maintenance
2021	Same
2022	No Profit and very Weak School financial structure.

7. School Information Graph:

Teacher Quality

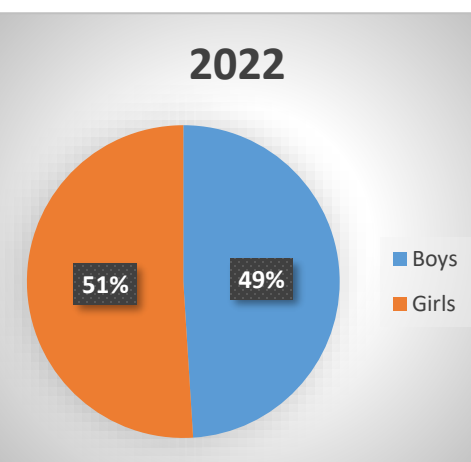
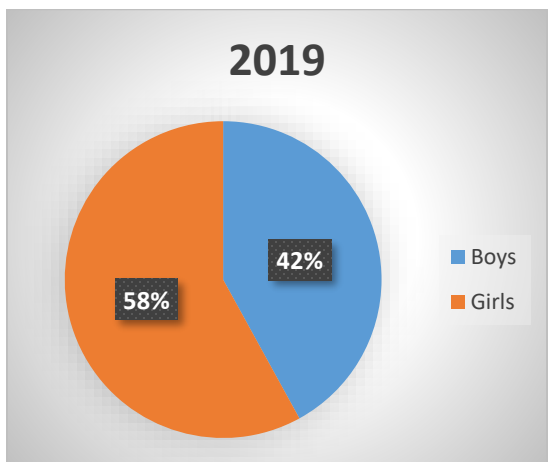
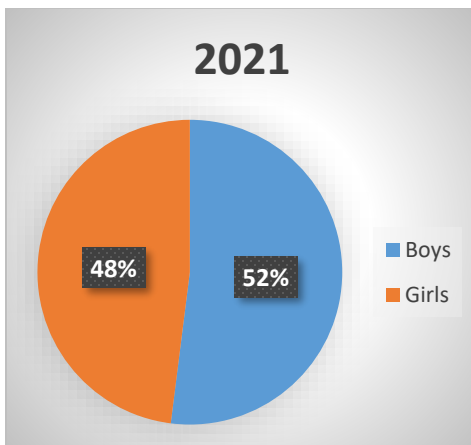
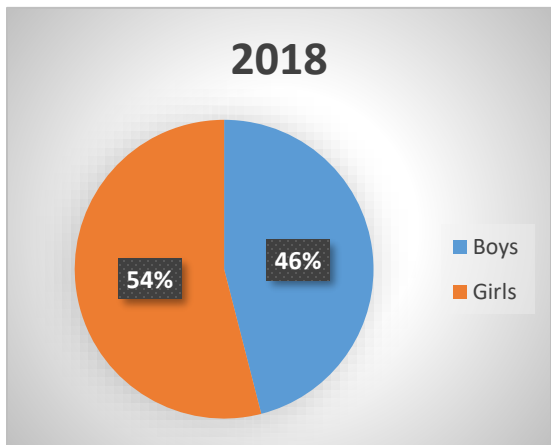
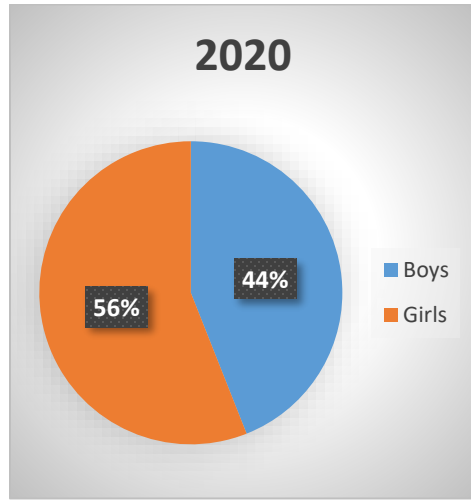
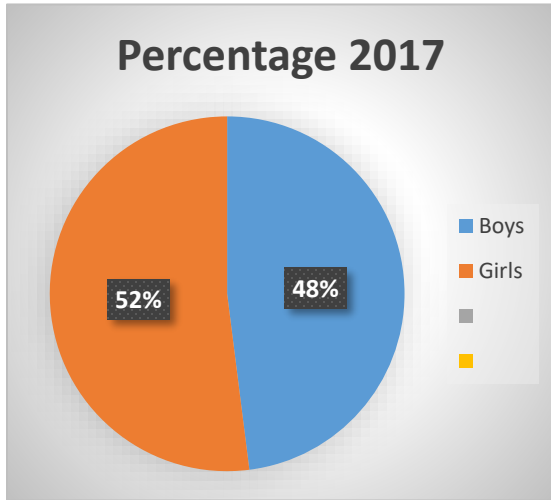


Student Enrollment



As it is seen in the graph, Euro Bangla Foundation started its journey with 437 rural students in 2017, substantially increasing 517, 556 (Peak) in Year end of 2019. Due to uncertainty regarding Covid-19 outbreak, starting from 2019 November to 2020 February there were a slight dip in student admission. On March 24th Government imposed total lockdown in School, College and Universities to reduce the spread of Covid among the children. Because of that we started to face major problem, starting with mass student drop out. We suffered a loss of almost 100 students each year (2021 and 2022). Currently we are educating 306 students but the fees are not sufficient enough to run the school Project.

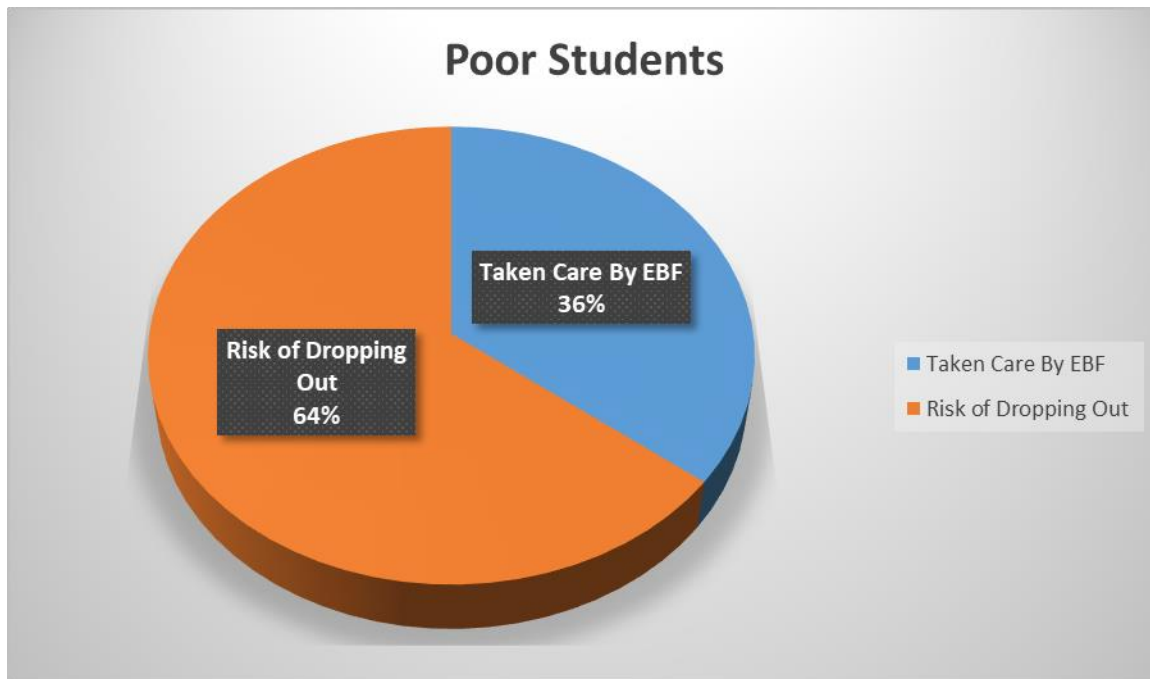
Boys and Girls Percentage



Student Graduating Secondary Education Under Euro Bangla Foundation (2020-2022)

Year	Student Count
2020	16
2021	26
2022	18

Student in Dire Help/ Ultra-Poor Background (2022)



Alongside with student dropout currently 45 students are going through severe financial crisis and on the verge of dropping out. While we taking care of 16 students with no fees, 29 more ultra-poor students future is very uncertain. Without any helping hand of the benefactors these children's hopes and dreams will not be able to fulfilled and they will be pushed towards the vicious side of poverty.

Staff Count: 20

Teacher Count: 15

Male Teacher Percentage: 66%

Female Teacher Percentage: 34%

Male Female Teacher Ratio at the moment: 2:1

8. Problems We are facing

- Student Dropout due to Corona Pandemic: from 550 students (2019) to 307 Students in 2022
- Rising Poverty due to Pandemic and Ukraine Russia War, resulting in Price Hike and forcing students to get into early child labor.
- Due to Government Lockdowns, irregularities in making profit, resulting in utilizing funds to expand school to maintain School Staffs.
- Parents unwillingness to send students at School due to poverty
- Flash Flood Most recent in June, resulting Student Dropout
- Laid off Experienced teacher during Covid pandemic
- Difficulty in maintaining current teachers due to financial difficulties
- Lack of educational equipment` like ICT lab, Science Lab, Library
- Lack of initiatives like Lunch Program and Transportation facilities which can motivate students and parents
- Increased amount of poor students due to poverty.

09. Detailed Description of the Problem

Bangladesh is the 7th Poorest Country in the world with 166 Million Population [World Bank Report]. Despite Government's best approaches it is impossible to spread a quality education in every areas of Bangladesh, especially in isolated rural areas. Apart from that, the never ending cycle of poverty, natural disasters, pandemics and unfavorable political situations in Bangladesh prevents the young generations to go to school and forces them to drop out. As recent as 2020, over 2000 private School and College got shut down due to unfavorable economic condition causing 4-5Million students to dropout. Dropout is an obstacle for any sort of development, as these students get associated with child labor, drug trafficking, early marriage, domestic violence and crime association.

With all these in mind, Euro Bangla Foundation initiated its own Education Project in the rural and backward area of Shariatpur (Bhederganj). With its inception back in 2017, the school had a very good track record of educating 550 students on yearly basis. The profit that generated from school, the project was self-sufficient enough to run consistently while maintaining quality education system. We received generous funds of over 100,000 CHF from our benefactors throughout the inception of School Project, with that We built a stat of the art school building, hire expert educators and furnish the school with necessities. Through fundraising we had sufficient amount of money to expand school facilities and provide transportation (School Bus), modern ICT lab, Science Lab, Library, Gym and sport classes and equipment.

The Government even promised us and other private school to bring under MPO system. MPO is a procedure where government's share in the payroll of the non-government educational institutions. Under the scheme, the government gives 100 percent of the basic salaries to the teachers of non-government institutions. Infrastructural development, number, and result of the students are considered to be included under MPO.

Euro Bangla Foundation and its Donor organizations were set with proper project plan and funds to continue spreading education in rural area of Bhederganj but starting from 2020, Covid-19 pandemic struck the core of education system. To prevent the infection spread among children and youth, the Bangladesh Government took initiatives such as: Complete lock down of School activities from March 2020 to April 2022. This damaged our School project greatly. Due to lockdown we could not hold campaigns to admit students in our school, parents lost jobs and increased poverty resulting mass student dropout. We have to lay off more than half of our expert educators. The funds that we prepared for school expansion, considering humanitarian side have to invest in remaining staffs and teacher. Throughout the entirety of Lockdown Euro Bangla Foundation Model School provided 50% salary to Office Administrative and Teachers to keep them abled to survive the poverty. Furthermore, due to lock down the promise that Government gave to include our school under MPO got delayed indefinitely and we do not know when we will get a solution of the issue. Finally, we resumed our project operation from April 2022 but facing great difficulties: student reduction to 306, high expenditure-low income. Euro Bangla Foundation and all its managing personnel doing what it takes to keep this project running but without a strong financial assistance we are very uncertain about the future.

We thank all our previous benefactors cordially for all the supports they provided, but due to Covid-19, Ukraine-Russia war and natural calamities We, Euro Bangla Foundation is requesting for further financial assistance that can repair the School Finance system and increase its full efficiency in the coming years.

10. Possible Solution

To fight against this obstacles, Euro Bangla Foundation is initiating fundraising program that will financially support the ongoing School Project. Through generous Donation and Collaboration from Donors we aim the following factors:

1. Maintain Qualified teachers to ensure the best and quality education for the students.
2. Initiate 25 Campaigns in the rural area to spread awareness about necessity of education, 20 Local meetings with parents, students, local authorities that will generate knowledge about our running project and motivate target audience to send their children to school.
3. 25 Programs where normal, poor and ultra-poor students will be benefitted with distribution of books, education materials, short term financial help to keep them motivated to continue schooling.
4. Introduce Lunch system for students in the school that will create an incentive for students and parents.
5. Introduce a transportation system by providing 5 Auto Rickshaw [6 seat accommodation excluding the driver] for student especially female students. This will increase our school's capture area as well as promoting safe travels for young female students.
6. Set up Projector for Class 6-10 [Secondary School] to ensure and provide quality education contents.

7. Take full responsibilities for ultra-poor students on monthly and yearly basis: month 40 CHF, Annually 480 CHF.

8. Set up ICT lab with 20 computers that will greatly benefit the students to be computer literate.

9. Set up Science lab with appropriate equipment that will provide practical knowledge to students.

10. Revamp our library with increased book amount to 10,000.

11. Minor renovation to School field and infrastructure to make a comfortable environment for the students.

With correct planning, funding and taking the right approaches, Euro Bangla Foundation is confident that it will grow capacity to mitigate the risks.

11. Estimated Budget for School Project

Project Expenses Year 01 and Year 02

Project Equipment Budget

Description	Quantity	Unit Expense	Monthly Expense	Total Expense in CHF
ICT Lab Setup				
Computer	20	450 CHF		9000/-
Computer Table	20	24 CHF		480/-
Chair	20	5 CHF		100/-
Keyboard	20	8 CHF		160/-
Installation Cost				105/-
Projectors	05	425 CHF		2125/-
Physics Equipment				
Magnifying Glasses	02	5 CHF		10/-
Weighing Machine	01	57 CHF		57/-
Spring Balance	01	4 CHF		4/-
Scale	05	4 CHF		20/-
Measurements				
Ammeter	01	11 CHF		11/-
Chemistry Equipment				
Watch Glass	05	3 CHF		15/-
Thermometer	02	3 CHF		6/-
Brush	05	2 CHF		10/-
Bunsen burner	05	21 CHF		105/-
Dropper	10	0.20 CHF		2/-
Wash Bottles	10	2 CHF		20/-
Beakers	10	2.50 CHF		25/-
Volumetric Flask	10	3 CHF		30/-
Biology Equipment				
Micro Scope	01	46 CHF		46/-
Dissecting Kit	02	4 CHF		8/-
Vocational Training Equipment				220/-
Sports Equipment				100/-
Lab Maintenance Cost				50/-
Library Books				10,000/-
Total Budget				22,709 CHF

Student Incentive Budget

Description	Quantity	Unit Cost	Monthly Budget	Total Expense in CHF
Lunch Program			3257 CHF	39,080/-
Transportation	05	992 CHF		4,960/-
Student Take Care/Financial Aid	29	40 CHF		1,160/-
Total Cost				45,200 CHF

Teacher and Staff Salary Budget

Name	Designation	Monthly Salary	Yearly Salary
Md. Mizanur Rahman	Headmaster (Expertise in Math and Science Subject)	272 CHF	3,264 CHF
Md. Jasim Uddin	Assistant HeadTeacher (Humanities Subject)	201 CHF	2,412 CHF
Abdul Motaleb	Teacher (Religion and Ethics Studies)	151 CHF	1,812 CHF
Ruhul Amin	Teacher (English)	171 CHF	2,052 CHF
Bishnupad Sharker	Teacher (Business Studies)	171 CHF	2,052 CHF
Md. Fazlur Rahman	Teacher (Bengali and English)	151 CHF	1,812 CHF
Md. Maksud Hossain	Teacher (English)	151 CHF	1,812 CHF
Sajeda Akter	Teacher (Children Section) and Librarian	121 CHF	1,452 CHF
Sufia Akter	Teacher (Primary Subjects)	121 CHF	1,452 CHF
Md. Redwan Siddique	Teacher (Math and Science)	181 CHF	2,172 CHF
Md. Suza Khan	Teacher (Math and Science)	181 CHF	2,172 CHF
Sabrina Momtaz	Contractual Teacher (Math and Science)	100 CHF	1,200 CHF
Sharmin	Contractual Teacher (Primary Subjects)	100 CHF	1,200 CHF
Md. Khandokar Mannan	Admin Officer and Supplementary Teacher (Bengali)	151 CHF	1,812 CHF
Runa Yasmin	Accounts Officer and Supplementary Teacher	151 CHF	1,812 CHF
Md. Mukul	Computer Operator and IT maintenance	151 CHF	1,812 CHF
Dadon Sarker	Office Assistant	121 CHF	1,452 CHF
Halima	Office Assistant	121 CHF	1,452 CHF
Md. Akter Mutaaid	Security Guard (Day Shift)	90 CHF	1,080 CHF
Md. Dulal Dewan	Security Guard (Night Shift)	90 CHF	1,080 CHF
Total Staff: 20		2,947 CHF	35,364CHF

Budget Summary:

Description	Cost
Equipment Budget	22,709 CHF
Student Incentive Budget	45,200 CHF
Teacher and Staff Salary Budget	35,364CHF
Program Budget	2,500 CHF
Total Budget	105,773 CHF

Please Note this budget is subject to change based on economic situation in Bangladesh

Total Estimated Budget for the Project: 105,773 CHF

Project Duration Under the New Fund: 02 Years

Starting Date: September 2023

Story of Sakiba:

Sakiba is a student currently attending class-8 at Euro-Bangla Foundation Model School. Sakiba's Father is a Rickshaw puller and the only earning person of their family. Though it was very tough for him to bear the expenses of a large family of 12 members, he never forced his children to stop studying. He was a dreamer to bring light into his children's lives. Due to financial condition, he struggled a lot managing the daily expenses even 3 meals a day for his family. But still he used to appreciate his children's dreams.

But the little hopes turned down when The Corona Pandemic broke at 2020. Due to frequent lockdown Sakiba's Father had to give back the Rickshaw he borrowed from a Mahajan. The family had to sell their valuable things, livestock, even their small amount agro-lands to pay off their other debts, Sakiba's father took to support his children. Everything seemed to be falling apart. Sakiba and her older brother had to move to Dhaka to support the unbearable condition of their family. Sakiba joined a family as a housekeeper and her brother as a day labourer.



Sakiba: Photo and Interview Taken 24th July 2022

The next 1 year was like a nightmare to Sakiba. She said "I had to wake up early at 6 am. They took me as a housekeeper saying that all I have to do is to take care of their younger children. But it turned out that, I had to take care of three children, do all the household chores including washing, cooking, managing the dishes all alone and they used to give me only one meal a day. It was devastating. At nights I used to cry praying to Allah, saying that it would be better even if I die. I don't know it was my crying wish or what, one day I couldn't just walk due to severe weakness. The family got scared and send me back home without my full payment. However, the situation was starting to be a bit in control at that time. Along with my brother, my father also started working as a day laborer. I was sick almost for a long 6 months due to malnutrition and severe weakness. My mother started working in the neighbouring houses. Everything we had seemed destroyed in just a time span of one year."

Finally, after struggling another long year, Sakiba's father managed to start his Rickshaw job again. But it was still difficult for him to support the study of his children paying the due debts they had to take during the Covid-19 time.

At that time, the quick response of Euro-Bangla Foundation Model School brought light again in Sakiba's life. Sakiba said "It was like a daydream to me to get the opportunity of attending school again. My parents with broken heart... killing their dreams... were thinking of marrying me off. At that time... one day our honourable school teachers came to our house, they talked with my parents and giving hope they said that whatever support I need, they will help me to at least finish my higher secondary class. I was speechless with joy. So finally, from this January, I got the chance to start my study again."

Sakiba is attending school with "0" tuition fees and other necessary supports from the school. She is studying hard to be self-dependent one day so that she can repay this great support of Euro-Bangla Foundation Model School by achieving success and prestige.

Euro-Bangla Foundation currently supporting 45 poor students from underprivileged families like Sakiba to ensure their quality educations for a better, self-reliant and secured life.

Sakiba thanked Euro-Bangla Foundation from the bottom of her heart for their noble contribution and great support to give her the chance to study again. "I was fortunate enough to be able to start studying again, and this credit is all to Euro Bangla Foundation Model School" She added.

Story of our Jobayda:

Jobayda is a brilliant student who is currently studying in Class-10 at Euro Bangla Foundation Model School. Life has never been any easy for Jobayda as she has to carry the curse of being born into a very poor family. Jobayda's Father is a day laborer and the only earning person in a large family of nine members. Jobayda is the 3rd child of her parent's. In poor countries like Bangladesh, the middle child of large families, particularly girls, do not get much opportunity to take part in secondary education. But being a very talented student from childhood, she got support from her family to study despite having many financial difficulties. But the situation turned down when Covid-19 pandemic broke out in 2020. Her family's financial situation was completely ruined as a result of frequent lock-downs and lack of work opportunities. And it hampered severely on educational factors of Jobayda and her other siblings. She had to stop studying to support the basic needs of the family.



Jobayda: Interview taken- 24th July 2022

At such times Euro Bangla Foundation extends its helping hand like a beacon of hope. Euro-Bangla Foundation is supporting Jobayda with her institutional fees and other necessary needs like free private tuition fees, accessories like writing pad, papers, pen and guide books and frequent house visits to encourage her parents so that they can at least mentally support her to continue her studies.

Euro-Bangla Foundation currently supporting 45 poor students from underprivileged families like Jobayda to ensure their quality educations for a better, self-reliant and secured life.

Jobayda thanked Euro-Bangla Foundation from the bottom of her heart for their noble contribution and great support to give her the chance to study again. Jobayda wants to be a doctor when she grows up and wants to stand by the underprivileged girls like her in the future. She expressed her unbounded feelings saying that.... "Studying science is a luxury for me due to my financial shortcomings. I cannot afford private tuitions... I even have to walk an hour away from my house to attend regular classes... But still I chose this path because I want to be a doctor when I grow up to stand by helpless girls like me. And this is being possible only because of the unparalleled support of the esteemed and family-like teachers of Euro Bangla Foundation"

Conclusion: We, Euro Bangla Foundation before Covid-19 Pandemic had well tested implementation structure to successfully run the school Project. Yet we had some setbacks. In our phase of fundraising, we had sufficient fund to build a state-of-the-art School Building in rural area and furnish it with basic necessities and increase new benefits such as: provide school bus and set up ICT Labs. But we could not raise any funds that can support our School Teachers and Staffs. Despite this we still managed to run our teachers and staffs with the earning we had from our students. Sadly, due to Covid-19 lockdown, Ukraine Russia War, Flash Floods and Constant price hike our project area which is a poor rural area, the people are struggling and fighting everyday against poverty and education becoming a difficulty. This resulted in mass student dropout. We had no choice but to spend our funds allocated for increasing school benefits to take care of our teachers and project staffs considering the humanitarian side. At the moment the little amount of income generating from remaining student fees it is becoming difficult for us to maintain quality educators and ensure proper education. The Government's initiative to bring our School under MPO got postponed indefinitely, though we are trying our hardest, it is not in our hand when Government will include us.

While we Thank our donors for the support, it is very unfortunate we have to request you again to spread your helping hand to run this project in these hard times. Alongside with it we are inviting potential benefactors, philanthropists to support these 306 children who are constantly struggling to continue their education and make opportunity for thousands of dropout students, who can again comeback to study and achieve their goals under your generous donations.

Declaration

I on the behalf of the Euro Bangla Foundation Model School, hereby declare that the statement given in this Project Report is true and correct, and, when necessary, I will provide more information requested by the Donor Organizationen.

Date: July, 2023



Miah Nurul Islam - President
Verein Hilfswerk Bangladesh

Our Teachers and Staffs (05.07.2022)



Prize Giving Ceremony (05.07.2022)



Class Activities (May, 2022)



Class Activities (May, 2022)



Semester Examinations July, 2022

