

Annual Report

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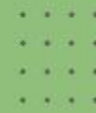
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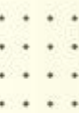
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Acknowledgement

We sincerely express our heartfelt gratitude to all our generous donors, including friends, family, stakeholders, and our local and international partners. Your continued support plays a crucial role in improving the lives and well-being of vulnerable street children in Bangladesh. Thank you for standing with us in this important mission.



A Message from Founder and Executive Director Mr. Forhad Hossain, LEEDO

As we reflect on the achievements and progress made during 2023-2024, we are filled with immense pride in LEEDO's unwavering commitment to the well-being and rights of street-connected children, particularly survivors of physical and sexual abuse. Over the past decade, LEEDO has grown into a beacon of hope for these vulnerable children, establishing a comprehensive and robust social protection ecosystem that provides holistic 360° support. Our work encompasses rescuing children from the streets, offering long-term rehabilitation, and facilitating their reintegration into families through our sponsorship programs.



This report highlights the milestones we've reached, the challenges we've faced, and the ongoing dedication of our team, partners, and supporters. Together, we are making a lasting impact in the lives of some of the most marginalized children, working toward a brighter and more equitable future for all.

Our PEACE HOME, the first permanent shelter of its kind in Bangladesh, currently provides a nurturing environment for 55 children—boys and girls, including those with disabilities. These children receive education, healthcare, nutrition, and psychosocial support, empowering them to break free from their past struggles. It is truly heartwarming to witness these children, once living in desperate circumstances, now attending formal schools and preparing for a brighter future. Among them, 17 specially-abled children are thriving in an inclusive educational environment, which reflects our unshakable commitment to equality, dignity, and inclusion.

The children faced difficulties for making passports as street children to participate Street Child Cricket and Football World Cup. Running between ministries, passport office and with a declaration of me, being the legal guardian of 35 over children got their passports.

Moreover, we continue our efforts in critical hotspots for survivors of physical and sexual abuse, tirelessly advocating for their rights and helping them overcome personal and economic barriers to growth. Guided by the values of honesty, transparency, sincerity, and reliability, we remain determined to create meaningful, long-lasting change in the lives of these children.

To our supporters, partners, and all who have stood with us on this journey—thank you for believing in LEEDO and for your invaluable partnership. Together, we are making a lasting impact, working to build a safer, brighter, and more equitable future for the most vulnerable among us.

Organizational Overview

Local Education and Economic Development Organization (LEEDO) is a not-for-profit, voluntary-based development organization founded in 2000 and fully functioned in 2010. The organization was initiated by a group of educated social and human rights activists and educators aiming to improve the life chances of children forced to live in extreme difficulties on the streets and also to address the needs of the growing number of vulnerable street children in Bangladesh.

Legal Status of LEEDO

LEEDO is registered with NGO Affairs Bureau, Office of the Prime Minister, People's Republic of Bangladesh. Registration Number: 1466 and also registered with the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, People's Republic of Bangladesh. Registration Number: 413. LEEDO - is a non-profitable and voluntary based development organization. It was established in 2000. Number of Executive members are 07 (Seven).

Vision

Raising awareness and encouraging society to protect vulnerable street children, girls, women, and child sex survivors while ensuring them a brighter future.

Mission

- ☐ Educate and empower people globally to create lasting community improvements through holistic missions.
- ☐ Transform communities by addressing health, education, empowerment, rehabilitation, and advocacy.
- ☐ Rehabilitate vulnerable street children, girls, women, and child sex survivors ensuring their reintegration and brighter futures.
- ☐ To promote peace-building between victims and the state while demanding justice and accountability from the culprits.
- ☐ Urge the media to spread awareness and advocate against all forms of violence toward children, girls, and women

It has been working for the development of vulnerable and less fortunate street children since 2000 and fully functioning from 2010 for making our country free from street children. LEEDO is working on the street following the approach Rescue from the street> Reintegration to the families>Refer to the shelters through our two Transitional Shelters SETU Bandhan, one Crisis Shelter Mirpur-. LEEDO has 5 School under the Sky at Sadarghat Terminal, Rayer Bazar Buddhijibi, Kamalapur, Mirpur Shah Ali Mazar and Tejgaon, 1 Mobile School and 4 Shopner Pathshala of KFC which is usually implemented around the city for the street living children.

Besides, we have a permanent home named 'PEACE HOME' where 55 Street Orphan Children including 17 Special Children with full facilities are supported here such as food, education, clothes, healthcare, etc. until they are mainstreamed.

Activities of Transitional Shelter SETU Bandhan

We have two Transitional Shelters:

1. *Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan-TSSB, Kamalapur*
2. *Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan-TSSB, Kodomtali*



Rescue from the Vulnerable Situation



Through street link and outreach initiatives, our volunteers and mobilizing team regularly rescue destitute children from streets, train terminals, bus stations and police stations. These transformative processes enable us to recover vulnerable children, who are struggling to exist on the streets and give them shelter and a route back to a healthy and dignified life. These children are generally found at high health risk, including malnutrition, skin diseases, respiratory problem etc. As a first step, the social mobilizers build a rapport with the children through talks, plays, and assurance of a better life in the transitional shelter and permanent rehabilitation. Trust building is a key part of the rescuing work since these children are wary of being exploited, and naturally rely on many instincts (such as lying, holding back information etc.) to survive under extreme adversity. Once a child agrees to move to a Transitional Shelter, the social mobilizers file a general diary (GD) with the nearby Police Stations to take care of the child. The children are then moved to LEEDO's Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan Kodomtali and Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan Kamalapur for six weeks to ensure their basic needs such as nutritious food, clothing, bathing, toilet, a bed, medical treatment, entertainment, education and other essential facilities. In the past year, we have rescued **458** vulnerable children from the street.



Reintegration to Families



LEEDO firmly believes that a shelter, especially with one's own family, is a far better place for a child to live than to be on the streets. Children physical, mental and emotional states are best served by their family members. Hence, after a child is moved to a Transitional Shelter, LEEDO starts looking for his/her family with the aid of police and other linkages. When the family is found, a second GD is filed at the nearby police station of the family home to reunite the child with his/her family. After the reintegration, LEEDO follows up with children's families to keep updated about their condition over phone and sometimes through physical visits, if needed. If the family cannot support children's education, LEEDO arranges for financial support to continue their education. In the past year, we reintegrated **373** children into families.



Refer to Shelters



If a child's family remains untraceable or the condition of the family is such that it would negatively affect the child's wellbeing and growth, LEEDO arranges for the child to be looked after in their own permanent shelter (LEEDO Peace Home and other like-minded organization such as Dhaka Ahsania Mission, SOS Children's Village, Shishu Polli Plus, Mayer Achol, Sheikh Rasel Training and Rehabilitation Centre for the Destitute Children and Street Children Rehabilitation Centre etc. Again, the organization follows up with the referred organization to ensure that the child is safe and sound. In the past year, we referred **140** children at our Peace Home and other like minded organization for long term rehabilitation.



Trust Building with School under the Sky



LEEDO runs informal Schools Under the Sky using ‘Human Values’ and ‘Living Values’ programmes in areas where street children are concentrated. This includes train and bus stations, market areas and launch terminals. This approach to schooling is designed to educate street children, enabling them to read and write as well as to receive essential life-skills training. These schools offer a safe place, where children can socialize, network with each other and learn from each other’s experiences. This is also a platform for informal group therapy, where youths can pick up information, grasp opportunities and develop life skills through hearing firsthand about the experiences of other children and how they learnt to be resilient. We now have five schools at Kamalapur, Rayer Bazar, Sadarghat, Mirpur Shah Ali Mazar and Tejgaon. We have **150** children who regularly attend our Schools Under the Sky with another hundred whose attendance is irregular.



Mobile School



The Mobile School is first time in Bangladesh for the street working children. We run this school specifically for Street Kids in various catchment areas in Dhaka to motivate the working children to go to school for enrolling formal education. It is an innovative project to educate street kids and make them aware of how to keep safe and develop a goal for life. The education system is based on games and entertainment for building their self esteem. Mobile schools are also a means of rescuing street children. This is a new intervention for us and for Bangladesh and both requests for it and reactions to it has exceeded our expectations. We hope that it will make great changes to the lives and prospects of street children. Mobile School approaches the children to enroll in the formal school and remove child slave.



Inclusive School



This is an inclusive schooling project where specially-abled children who are living in our Peace Home are getting inclusive education like personal skill development, handicraft, behavior and speech therapy, psychological support etc. Inclusive education' is the provision of universal and non-discriminatory education to all students in the same manner. In this system, on the basis of the special needs and potential of each student, removing barriers to learning and acquiring knowledge, as well as improving the quality of the overall education system. Instead of taking into account the learner's limitations, the same approach places more emphasis on his special learning needs. However, the method of learning is determined based on the assessment of the success of the disabled child's education. As the integrated education system is flexible, it becomes easier to adopt new ideas or strategies in education. This system includes diversity in the overall education program including curriculum, teaching materials, teaching and learning methods. At the same time, this approach encourages diversity. As inclusive students are physically and mentally challenged, they are taught handicrafts along with education in inclusive schools, thereby improving their work skills. Also other activities of the school are Assembly, Space Therapy, Psycho Social Support, Art Therapy, ADL, Free Play etc.



Shopner Pathshala



LEEDO has been implementing the school, Shopner Pathshala with the support of Transcom Food Limited KFC four stores from the month of December, 2022. LEEDO intends to support many homeless streets connected children to give them opportunity to study non formal education at KFC four stores at KFC Dhanmondi, KFC Paltan, KFC Adabor and KFC Elephant Road. Transcom Food Limited and LEEDO partner will work collaborate in the betterment of street connected children for enabling them to read and write as well as to receive essential life-skills training and human based curriculum. First of all, through street link LEEDO teachers gathered all the children. Then the children attendances were taken. Each morning, the KFC restaurants will be transformed into classrooms where the children can enhance their skills in various areas, such as basic literacy, mathematics, arts, vocational skills, social etiquette, and hygiene. KFC has also procured supplies like books, stationery, school bags, and board games, in addition to providing meals for the children during each session to aid their learning growth.



Child Sponsorship



LEEDO is sponsoring some children to improve their life chances. They are benefitting from formal education and being nurtured as holistically as possible. Every effort is made to reintegrate with their families, children living in slum conditions. We are now sponsoring **15** children. They are going to school now. They are also getting monthly nutritional support. Now they can begin to formulate realistic dreams and look forward to fulfilling them in the future also counsel such children, listening to and acting on their preferences.



Street Family Sponsorship



Being deeply concerned about the welfare of children, LEEDO has initiated another intervention that is new to Bangladesh, that of rehabilitating street families that have no shelter in which to sleep and live. They lost their homes due to various disasters such as floods, cyclones, river erosion etc. We support these families by providing monthly financial support to start small business. We are trying to enable the **10** families to become self-employed and the children to gain an education. We also give them full livelihood support.

LEEDO has been implementing a project titled, “Supporting Vulnerable Street Families through Soft Skill Training” since March, 2023. This project will uphold the lifestyle of vulnerable street families through Income Generating Activities (IGA) such as Sewing, Handicrafts etc. A skilled Instructor is giving training to the women of the street families. The beneficiaries received the skills of fabric measurement, cutting and swing, idea about swing machine and how to operate it, making plazo, pants (male and female) and some more related skills.

LEEDO has been providing housing facilities to 10 vulnerable street families with the aim of main streaming into the society. Besides, they will receive soft skills development for the sustainability to live into the society with dignity by earning money from making and selling the cloths or other things into the online or offline market place. They will be self dependant and maintain the family by themselves as well.



Distributed Ramadan Food Packages to the Vulnerable People



The holy month of Ramadan was fast approaching where Muslims families from across the globe fasting from dawn to dusk as means to become closer to Almighty as well as remembering those that were less fortunate. During this month, many of us began and ended our fasts with nutritious foods to keep us going throughout the 30 days. Unfortunately, this won't be the case for numerous families in Bangladesh who struggled to access daily meals. The needy in Bangladesh could not afford quality food for fasting. The vulnerable groups were facing more food scarcity during Ramadan. So, during the Ramadan time, we have supported 169 food package to the vulnerable children and families.

Sl No.	Date of Distribution	Quantity of Food Packages	Place
01	16/03/2024	30	Peace Home
02	16/03/2024	25	Rayerbazar Buddijibi
03	16/03/2024	25	Sadarghat
04	16/03/2024	10	Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan Kodomtali
05	17/03/2024	20	Kamrangirchar Slum
06	18/03/2024	10	Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan Kamalapur
07	18/03/2024	15	Tejgaon
08	19/03/2024	25	Kamalapur
09	19/03/2024	9	Konakhola, Keraniganj

Awareness/Advocacy Campaigns

✚ Demanding Justice against killing, injured and detained of the children during student movement of quota in Bangladesh by Child and Human Rights Activists Forum (CHRAF) Against all forms of violence and killing.



On August 14, 2024, a press conference was held at the Nasrul Hamid Auditorium of Dhaka Reporters Unity in Dhaka for all types of child abuse and murder. The press conference was conducted by the forum convener, Mr. Forhad Hossain, Executive Director of LEEDO. He welcomed and thanked all the guests and children who came. He said, we work for children. Many innocent children have died, been seriously injured and have been imprisoned in this quota movement. He strongly called on all concerned quarters to identify the criminals and bring them to justice. We sincerely thank you all for standing by us. He also said that from now on, we will go in front of the Press Club to protest against the killing, injury and imprisonment of children and seek everyone's cooperation for the safety of children.

The press conference seems to be arranged first time, so far, in Bangladesh on this particular issue. An initiative to raise voice for this inhuman and brutal actions against children, most of them were street connected innocent ill-fated poor children.

From this press conference the forum raised some demands to probe and make trail and take exemplary punishment of those who killed, injured and detained to the innocent children. This was a clear violation of the UN Human Rights Charter and UN Child Rights Convention that Bangladesh Government is the prior signatory country.

Recently news says that “UNICEF has now confirmed that at least 32 children were killed during July’s protests, with many more injured and detained. This is a terrible loss. UNICEF condemns all acts of violence. Link <https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/ryypdnoz6j>

In this press conference forum members Mr. S.M. Rezaul Karim, Legal Adviser, BLAST, Mr. Moniruzzaman Mukul, General Secretary, SCAN, Mr. Mahbubul Hoque, Chairman & Executive Director, Bangladesh Shishu Odhikar Forum, Mr. Fazlul Karim, Country Co-ordinator, Muslim Charity, Mr. Rezaul Karim Khokon, Founder, Sudha, Mr. Shubashish Roy, Executive Director, Ekmatra Society, Ms. Sumona Zaman, President, Inner Wheel Club North & South and many others demanded following issues to take consideration:

01. Should publish a clear scenario of detained, injured and dead children’s real numbers.
02. Take under the judicial trial of them who made these unlawful drastic situations for children.
03. Take initiative for the victims’ children families providing economic assistance and rehabilitation.
04. Free detained children immediately.
05. Take immediate action for treating of injured children and extend humanitarian assistance and provide education opportunity for them and family.
06. Take initiative to formulate law more effective and active to reduce such practice in future.
07. Demanding justice by an independent and neutral judicial process immediately.

The speakers and guests were supported these issues and strongly urged to be considered by the government. The concerned speakers pointed out some issues in the press conference.

01. When children brought to the Police Station there should be a decent and child friendly police officer to take care of them. Sometimes changes the ages of children. Fake age is registered instead of real age of children for imprisoning them. This is very painful and shouldn’t be practiced at all.
02. Treatment facilities should open and free for injured children immediately.
03. Psychosocial counseling should be provided to the traumatized children.
04. Ministry should formulate a law for children with regard to banning such incident in future.
05. A follow up mechanism should have on board for observing development in this regard.

The speakers as well as the forum would like to engage all international community, friend of humanity and international defender of human rights bodies to raise their voices to stop killing and free and fair trail against this inhuman incident.

Later on a procession and human chain has been organized in front of national press club with festoon and banner demanding justice for the killed, injured and detained children.

Flood Relief Distribution and Medical Camp



Overview:

On August 28, 2024, LEEDO successfully conducted a flood relief distribution campaign in the flood-affected regions of Cumilla, Daulatpur, and Manoharganj. The campaign was aimed at supporting 300 families who have been severely impacted by the recent floods, providing them with essential supplies to help them cope with the immediate challenges posed by the disaster.

Distribution Process:

The distribution was carried out systematically to ensure that the most vulnerable families received the aid first. Our team coordinated with local community leaders to identify the families in greatest need. Special attention was given to maintaining order and safety during the distribution, with priority given to elderly individuals, women, and children.

Relief Distribution:

- **Beneficiaries:** 300 vulnerable and affected families.
- **Items Distributed:**
 - **Food Packs:** Each family received essential dry food items, including muri, chira, molasses, water bottle, and baby milk.
 - **Hygiene Kits:** Distribution included soaps, sanitary pads, and oral rehydration salts (ORS).
 - **Water Purification Tablets:** Ensuring access to safe drinking water.

Medical Camp:

- **Services Provided:**
 - **General Health Check-ups:** Medical professionals conducted check-ups for adults and children, addressing common health issues.
 - **Medicines:** Free distribution of essential medicines, including antibiotics, painkillers, and fever medication.

- **Counseling:** Psychosocial support was provided to those suffering from trauma due to the floods.
- **Referral Services:** Serious cases were referred to nearby hospitals for further treatment.

Impact:

- **Immediate Relief:** The distribution and medical camp addressed urgent needs, ensuring that the affected families had food, water, and access to basic healthcare.
- **Health & Hygiene:** The provision of hygiene kits and medical check-ups helped prevent potential outbreaks of waterborne diseases.

Challenges:

- **Logistics:** The flooded roads posed significant challenges in reaching some of the affected areas.
- **Weather:** Inclement weather delayed the distribution process in certain locations.
- **Transport system:** Yesterday we faced tremendous jam on the Dhaka- Chittagong highway. It takes almost 12 hours to reach the destination where it might be taking 3-4 hours. The road full of vehicles of flood relief.

Next Steps:

Our team will continue to monitor the situation in these areas and assess the need for further assistance. Plans are in place for follow-up visits to ensure that the distributed items are being effectively utilized and to provide additional support if needed.

Conclusion:

The flood relief distribution and medical camp were successful in providing essential support to the affected families. Despite some challenges, the operation was a success, demonstrating our organization's commitment to supporting communities in times of crisis. Continued monitoring and follow-up are recommended to address any long-term needs of the community.

Event Report: International Day for Street Children 2025



Every child deserves love, safety, and the freedom to dream. But for millions of children around the world, the street is their reality — their home, playground, and sometimes, their only refuge. On **April 12, 2025**, LEEDO (Local Education and Economic Development Organization) joined the global movement to honor these children by observing the **International Day for Street Children** at **LEEDO Peace Home** in Dhaka.

This year's event wasn't just another date on the calendar — it was a heartfelt gathering filled with purpose, compassion, and a loud, clear message: *Street children matter*. The afternoon began with a powerful **discussion session**, where respected voices from the child rights community spoke about the urgent need for collective action. Among them were **Mr. Forhad Hossain**, Executive Director of LEEDO; **Mr. Rezaul Karim**, a passionate child rights activist; **Mr. Subashish Roy** and **Mr. Hiroki Watanabe** from Ekmattrra Society; and **Mr. Md. Amran Khan**, representing the Department of Social Services.

Their words echoed a shared truth — that ensuring the rights of street-connected children is not just the government's job, but a *shared social responsibility*. Climate change, poverty, displacement — these aren't just statistics; they're the lived experiences of the children we see on the streets every day. "We must respond with empathy and humanity," said Forhad Hossain. And we couldn't agree more.

What made this day even more special was the way it centered the children themselves. A **mobile health clinic**, powered by **Hope on Wheels (Global Street Connect)**, offered health checkups to children from **LEEDO Peace Home** and the **School Under the Sky**. For many of them, it was their first encounter with preventive healthcare — a small but powerful step towards dignity.

Then came the part that lit up everyone's hearts — a **cultural performance by the children**. Songs, dances, poems — each performance was a celebration of their resilience, talent, and joy. The event wrapped up with an **awareness rally**, where children, volunteers, and community members marched together in solidarity for child rights.

The energy was infectious, and the message was clear: these children are not invisible, and their dreams are valid. With support from local and national media, the stories of these children reached even further — reminding us all why this day matters.

At LEEDO, every day is a chance to stand beside the most vulnerable and amplify their voices. April 12 is just a reminder — that with empathy, partnership, and action, we can build a world where no child has to call the street their home.

Some Published News links:

- Leedo organizes rally on International Day for Street Children
<https://www.dhakatribune.com/378512>
- <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/corporates/leedo-observes-international-day-street-children-1114126>
- <https://www.facebook.com/JamunaTelevision/videos/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6/673467241970742/?rdid=f4LoZfErIkZ6D4S0>

- <https://youtu.be/bwDNibmSDQ4?si=QALqbbAttURyYAjs>

Emergency Cooked Food Distribution for Vulnerable Street Children & Youth.



LEEDO implemented emergency cooked food distribution support supported by a collaborative effort between PERNOVA, Switzerland and Friends of Street Children of Bangladesh, UK to Kamalapur Railway Station, Paltan, Gulistan and Sadarghat for Vulnerable Street Children & Youth. The meals provided varied and included nutritious options such as rice, fish curry, chicken curry, vegetables, lentils, chicken hodgepodge, egg polao and egg hodgepodge.

This project addressed the critical issue of food insecurity among vulnerable street children and youth residing in the Kamalapur Railway Station, Paltan, Gulistan and Sadarghat areas of Dhaka. Recognizing the daily struggles these individuals face in accessing adequate nutrition, PERNOVA, Switzerland and Friends of Street Children of Bangladesh, UK partnered to support an emergency cooked food distribution program. The project aimed to improve the well being of this vulnerable population.

Project Outcomes:

- **Direct Food Assistance:** Many vulnerable street children and youth received hot, nutritious meals throughout the project period.
- **Improved Food Security:** The project provided temporary relief from hunger and improved the food security of the beneficiaries.
- **Nutritional Support:** The varied menu offered a range of essential nutrients, contributing to the physical well-being of the recipients.
- **Community Engagement:** The project facilitated interaction with the street children and youth, creating a sense of community and support.

- **Partnership Strengthening:** The collaboration between PERNOVA and Friends of Street Children of Bangladesh demonstrated the power of partnerships in addressing social challenges.

The Emergency Cooked Food Distribution project successfully delivered much-needed meals to vulnerable street children and youth. The project highlights the importance of such initiatives in addressing immediate needs and improving the lives of marginalized populations. Further effects should focus on developing sustainable solutions to combat food insecurity and address the root causes of vulnerability among street children and youth. Further data collection on the impact of the meals on the beneficiaries' health and well-being would be beneficial for future project planning. LEEDO extends its heartfelt gratitude to PERNOVA & Friends of Street Children of Bangladesh for their unwavering support in this transformative journey. We look forward to further collaboration in empowering more lives in the future.

Dhaka Pictures



Mr. Forhad Hossain, Founder & Executive Director of LEEDO proposed the concept of Dhaka Pictures, to be developed by six youths from LEEDO Peace Home, in collaboration with Conrad Alleblas and Jamillah van der Hulst. This exhibition marks the culmination of a three-week photo

workshop, which engaged young participants from LEEDO Peace Home. The workshop was skillfully crafted and led by acclaimed filmmakers Conrad Alleblas and Jamillah van der Hulst of Dutch-based JaJa Film Productions. Under the Dhaka Pictures, these budding photographers embarked on a journey to capture the essence of Dhaka, focusing on its people and streets. Conrad Alleblas, in particular, played a pivotal role in mentoring our young photographers, encouraging them to explore the vibrant streets and immortalize their perspectives through the lens.

Their collective efforts have resulted in a captivating exhibition, offering glimpses into the soul of Dhaka, preserved and presented through a Google Drive Link for wider appreciation.

Dhaka Pictures won an award at the Los Angeles Photography and also won the Best Photojournalism Award “Luminous Frames Festival in Denmark. Dhaka Pictures photographers always capture photos to stop street based violence against the children, girls and women.

Street Child Cricket World Cup *in India, Chennai 2023*



Timeline of the Match

- The Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 in India Chennai took place from 23rd September to 30th September 2023.

Travel Details:

- Date and Time of Departure: Friday, 22 September 2023 at 14:40
- Date and Time of Arrival : Sunday, 1 October 2023 at 20:45

Venue

- Hotel Savera
- Address:146, Dr. Rasha Krishnan Salai, Mylapur, Chennai, Tamil Nadu 600004, India

Bangladesh Team Performance:

- Bangladesh played a total of 6 matches against the following teams:
1. Sri Lanka 2. Hungary 3. Burundi 4. South Africa 5. England 6. Uganda

Bangladesh won the first 3 matches against Sri Lanka, Hungary, and Burundi. They faced a defeat against South Africa in the fourth match. **They bounced back by winning the match against England and reached the semi-finals.** Unfortunately, they lost in the semi-finals against Team Uganda.

Team Leader was Mr. Forhad Hossain, Delegate Jesmin Akter, Young Leader (Girl) Most Sopna Akter, Coach Md. Asadullah and team players were 1. Md. Hasib 2. Mst Razia Akter 3. Emon Islam, 4. Hasan Ali Musafir, 5. Hamida Akter, 6. Sathi Akter 7. Most Afrin Khatun and 8. Md. Rubel.

The Bangladesh team showed commendable performance throughout the tournament, securing victories in multiple matches and displaying their skill and dedication in the Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023.

This World Cup will welcome 22 teams from 16 countries to India in 2023. It will unite Street Children from around the world. This is a unique event that can show the world how cricket is helping the street children a voice to challenge the negative perception they face. By taking part LEEDO will raise awareness so that every street connected child is protected, respected and supported to realize their fullest potential.

Different Workshops & Trainings

✚ *Big Blue organized several workshops through online and offline with the support of Porticus.*



Dates: September 26 & October 10, 2023

Facilitator: Ms. Supriti Sarkar

Key Feedback:

Include date, location, objectives, and impact in posts.

Use meaningful captions for shared links, tagging relevant organizations.

Start LinkedIn activities with bold and formal captions.

Create a 3-month social media calendar for review.

Develop communication and crisis management guidelines.

Ensure cyber security and follow ethical publishing standards.

Mobile Photography and Videography Workshop

Date: December 17, 2023

Facilitator: Mr. Rayan

Key Learnings:

Photography: Basics like framing, exposure, shutter speed, aperture, ISO, and editing tools (Snapseed, Adobe Lightroom, Picsart).

Videography: Basics like lighting, camera setup, and action.

Practical exercises: Capturing and editing photos/videos, using CapCut for video editing.

Social Media Strategies Workshop

Date: February 28, 2024

Facilitator: Ms. Supriti Sarkar

Key Learnings:

Platform Functions:

Facebook: Community engagement, fundraising.

Instagram: Visual storytelling.

LinkedIn: Professional networking.

Twitter: Advocacy, real-time updates.

Social Media Campaign Structure: Call to action, hashtags, content type, channels, and captions.

Voice & Messaging: Authenticity, empathy, educational content, and engagement.

Boosting Tips: Focus on naturally high-performing posts.

Communication Strategy Essentials: Define goals, target audience, key messages, content, and monitor results.

Recommendations:

Draft a year-long advocacy plan.

Monitor successes and remain adaptable.

Training Report on Basic Concepts of Organizational Behavior, Attitudes, Etiquette, Customs and Culture

Venue: LEEDO Peace Home

Date: 30/03/2024, Saturday

Time: 10:00AM-5:00PM



Facilitator: Mr. Syed Mossaddeque Hossain

Organized by: LEEDO

Participants: Introduced themselves by name, designation, job experience, and training history.

Objectives:

Understand organizational behavior and related issues.

Improve attitudes and skills to fulfill responsibilities.

Enhance activity quality.

Key Highlights

Definitions:

Organization: A structured group recognized socially and institutionally.

Organizer: The person managing resources, planning, budgeting, and mobilization to establish the organization.

Organizational Behavior: Study of human behavior within organizations.

Values: Norms and beliefs shaping human behavior.

Discipline: Adherence to rules ensuring standard behavior.

Etiquette, Customs, and Culture:

Etiquette: Politeness and consideration.

Custom: Long-standing practices like respect for elders.

Culture: Behavior, language, and rituals passed through generations.

Organizational Behavior Issues

Unacceptable Actions:

Misconduct, disclosing confidential information, neglecting duties, or engaging in harmful political/religious activities.

Financial irregularities, spreading false propaganda, and intoxication on premises.

Punishments:

Minor: Warning letters, salary deduction.

Major: Demotion, dismissal, or financial compensation for damages.

Hierarchy and Roles

1. Top-Level Management:

Set policies, targets, leadership, funding, and donor communication.

2. Middle-Level Management:

Bridge central and field operations, monitor activities, and provide data to top management.

3. First-Line Management:

Manage daily operations and coordinate between central office and field staff.

Chain of Command:

A structured hierarchy from managing directors to field staff ensures accountability.

Concluding Remarks:

Participants filled a self-assessment to identify strengths, weaknesses, and solutions.

Mr. Forhad Hossain thanked the facilitator, urging staff to apply training insights to achieve organizational goals.

Significant Story of the children



Arju Rahman's journey from orphanhood to success is a testament to resilience and opportunity. She is around 21 years old. Since 2016, she found a nurturing home at LEEDO Peace Home, where she accessed essential livelihood facilities. Education became her beacon, and with steadfast determination, she progressed through S.S.C. and H.S.C. examinations, now pursuing her B.A. at Alhaj Mockbul Hossain Degree College in Mohammadpur.

Previously vulnerable on the streets, Arju's life took a remarkable turn at LEEDO Peace Home. Her talents extend beyond academics; she's a skilled dancer, generously sharing her passion with other children. Her commitment to education led her to become a part-time teacher at KFC Shopner Pathshala from December 2022 to February 2024.

Arju's achievements are not confined to local endeavors. In 2019, she represented her country in the Street Child Cricket World Cup in the UK, propelling her team to the semi-finals. Under the guardianship of Mr. Forhad Hossain, Founder & Executive Director of LEEDO, she obtained a passport, opening doors to further opportunities and experiences. Her artistic talents blossomed through the Dhaka Pictures Photo Exhibit, following a comprehensive workshop by acclaimed filmmakers Jamillah van der Hulst and Conrad Alleblas of Jaja Film Productions.

Now, Arju has seamlessly integrated into society's mainstream. In March 2024, she embraced a new role as a Patient Care Attendant at Bangladesh Specialized Hospital, supported by LEEDO with a commendable remuneration. Her happiness emanates from newfound self-reliance, a testament to her resilience and the transformative power of support and opportunity. Arju Rahman stands as a shining example of how determination and support can uplift lives, empowering individuals to thrive and contribute positively to their communities.



Sania Mirza's journey epitomizes resilience and transformation. She is around 21 years old now. She found herself in a precarious situation on the streets until LEEDO intervened in 2015, providing her refuge at LEEDO Peace Home where she accessed vital resources for livelihood. With LEEDO's support, Sania embarked on an educational journey, excelling through S.S.C. and H.S.C. examinations, currently pursuing her B.A. honors at Alhaj Mockbul Hossain Degree College in Mohammadpur.

Her talents extend beyond academics; she's a gifted singer and devoted her time as a part-time teacher at KFC Shopner Pathshala from December 2022 to February 2024. Guided by Mr. Forhad Hossain, Founder & Executive Director of LEEDO, she acquired legal guardianship and obtained her passport, enabling her to represent her country in the Street Child World Cup in the UK 2019, where her team reached the semi-finals.

Presently, Sania has secured a fulfilling role as a Patient Care Attendant at Bangladesh Specialized Hospital, supported by LEEDO with a commendable remuneration. Through this opportunity, she has seamlessly integrated into society, achieving self-reliance and immense happiness.

Sania Mirza's story highlights the transformative impact of support and opportunity, proving that with determination and assistance, individuals can overcome adversity, thrive, and contribute positively to their communities.



Md. Al Amin's journey is truly inspiring! From his educational achievements to gaining professional skills and becoming self-reliant, he showcases the positive impact of support and determination. It's wonderful to see LEEDO Peace Home contributing to such transformative stories.

Md. Al Amin was living at LEEDO Peace Home since 2017. Born on April 5, 2006, he completed his Class VIII education at KIK UCEP Hesamuddin School in 2020, where he also underwent three months of Electric Wiring training. From 2021 to 2023, he worked as an Engineer Assistant at Right Technology, specializing in repairing laptops and desktops. Currently, he is employed as a Technician at SP Trade International, where he handles laptop and desktop repairs and assembles desktops. Al Amin is now fully self-reliant, showcasing remarkable progress and determination.



Md. Kashem's father had died when he was 3 years old. Kashem has two sisters. But his mother was not able to take care of all of them.

For this reason he had come out on the street. He had come Dhaka by train. In Dhaka he worked as a porter in railway station. He cannot remember his address then.

LEEDO team took him to the shelter and referred him to Peace Home. He was living at Peace Home.

Kashem was doing study there and getting all of the supports under LEEDO Peace Home. He has participated in Street Child Cricket World Cup in England and he represented Bangladesh there.

Now he is 21 years old.

Now he is going Washpur Model Model Institute and he is in class Nine. He is now living outside of LEEDO Peace Home. LEEDO arranged a Job placement for him at Akor food as a Designer.



Hasib and Polash are two brothers whose parents were living separately. They lived with their grandmother, but she was unable to take care of them. As a result, they ended up on the street. The rescue team found them at the airport rail station and referred them to the LEEDO Peace Home for a better future.

When we received them at the LEEDO Peace Home, Hasib was 11 years old. Since then, he has received all the support of LEEDO under the Peace Home program. Initially, we enrolled him in a Bangla medium school. After two years of studying there, we transferred him to an English medium school. After completing eighth grade, he was admitted to Washpur Model Institute, where he began vocational studies. In addition, LEEDO arranged a part-time job for him, where he learned to cook fast food. Now he is in good shape and is working there. LEEDO also took him to participate in the Street Child Cricket World Cup in India in 2023, where he performed very well.

Now, he is living independently outside of LEEDO and leading his own life. LEEDO's door is always open for him. He is now great example for our other kids.

PEACE HOME

“A Peace Home for Great & Special Homeless Children”



LEEDO established a new home named PEACE HOME with full facilities where parentless and destitute street children can begin to lead more normal lives. It is the first permanent home specifically built for street kids and there is no discrimination between boys and girls, normal and disabled. The children are supported here until they can be mainstreamed. We now have 55 children, both boys and girls, in this home. We also have 17 special needs children with various kinds of disabilities. They are provided with facilities such as food, education, clothes, healthcare, bed etc. We are trying to make their lives easier and happy. They are regularly attending formal school and gradually building new and better lives.

Activities for the betterment of the Children of Peace Home

Serial No.	Activities	Description	Outcomes
1.	Providing Healthy & Nutritious Food	We are providing daily 4 times nutritious food, purifying water, seasonal fruits after lunch. As per their desire, sometimes a rich food is served. The children are very much conscious while taking food and spontaneously maintaining hygiene before and after eating. They are doing the things in a disciplined order and their progress is undoubtedly praiseworthy.	55 children are getting this support among them 17 children was Special with physically & mentally challenged.
2.	Clothing support	The children are being provided daily dresses, school uniforms, party dresses, warm clothes etc. during winter.	55 children are getting this support among them 17 children was Special with physically & mentally challenged.
3.	Accommodations	We are providing safe and peaceful accommodations to the children. There are 5 storied building at Peace Home. The 2 nd floor is for boys and there are bunk beds for each child. And the 3 rd floor is for girls and there are also bunk beds for them. The elder boys and girls are looking after other little kids to stay comfortably.	55 children are getting this support among them 17 children was Special with physically & mentally challenged.
4.	Education	The children are going to formal school and Special children are going to Inclusive School for receiving inclusive education. Our 8 children are going to English Medium School. We are providing all the educational materials and tuition fees for their study. They have facilities like study room with	39 children are going to Bengali Medium School. 8 children are going to English Medium School.

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		study tables & chairs. Besides, they study by sitting top on the stage in eco-friendly environment.	
5.	Recreation	We have great opportunity here for recreation. The children are enjoying singing, dancing on the beautiful stage. There is a big playground in front of Home. They used to play football, cricket there. We have also provided game materials to them like Bat Ball, Football, Stamp, Chess, Carom Board, Ludo, toys etc.	55 children are getting this support among them 17 children was Special with physically & mentally challenged.
6.	ICT Learning	There is a computer lab at our home and the children are learning basic computer literacy, graphic designs. The computer classes are scheduled for 05 days within a week so that our children can learn it effectively. There are 30 computers in our Lab and each of children gets an opportunity to learn. They have learned Microsoft Office, Excel, Powerpoint and browsing, Illustrator such as Business Cards, Social Media, Banners, Flyers, Graphic Designs. This training is helping of our street children to be skilled on ICT which is mandatory for the development of our nation and cope up with the globalized world. 20 elder children also receiving freelancing computer training within 3 days in a week so that they can earn money from freelancing market.	40 children are getting this support and among them 30 children are able to operate office program and 10children are able to browse internet. Besides, 50 children are able to play computer games. 20 children are receiving freelancing computer training.
7.	Singing Class	The children can play at least 10 levels of SURGAM and play piano. They have learned more songs to sing. They have two singing teachers to sing the songs. On several occasions they have participated indoor and outdoor programs by singing many songs. Their performance was really mind blowing, the audience was raised their big hands and much appreciated for their performance.	50 children are getting this support.
8.	The standard English Pronunciation Learning	The children are trying to talk most of the time using standard pronunciation of English with the Foreign Volunteer. Some of the children are already skilled to speak standard pronunciation of English and others are trying their best.	20 children are getting t
9.	Health & Hygiene	We are very aware about health and	55 children are getting this

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		hygiene. Every child is taking shower using shampoo, soap, and wearing clean clothes. Sufficient cleaning and toiletries items are daily used for children's. Actually the children have set up their mind that cleanliness is each and everyone's responsibility. So they help especially disabled children to be cleaned. They are using hygiene materials while cleaning the toilet daily.	support.
10.	Medical Treatment	Whenever a child becomes sick, he/she has to take/admit in a hospital immediately. We have been provided medical treatment for 45 children in Govt. & for 30 children in Non Govt. Hospital.	55 children are getting this support.
11.	Gardening.	We are developing our own organic garden day by day. We have already eaten Guava, Mango, Lemon, Papaya, Pumpkin, Ladies Finger etc. from the garden. We have planted spinach, variety vegetables and fruits in our organic garden.	The children are really lucky for having variety vegetables, fruits etc from their own organic garden which is very useful for keeping them healthy.
12.	Art & Painting	The children have drawn many marvelous pictures. They are very creative and painted many meaningful and colorful paintings.	14 children have learned art and painting and 12 children are very good in Art & Painting.
13.	Dancing	The children dancing performances are really outstanding. Arju Rahman is the dancing teacher and she teaches the other girls of this home very nicely. They have performed on several occasions of this Home like New Year Celebration, Christmas Celebration.	16 children are very good in dancing and they are well performer also.
14.	Cleanliness	We are always aware for cleanliness of our Home daily. Home Manager has given the responsibility among the elder girls. They are doing their jobs very efficiently and follow up after some interval. Sufficient hygienic materials have been used while cleaning.	55 children are aware about cleanliness and they wash their hand before and after eating. Besides, they are aware also about their home cleaning.
15.	Reading story books	Mothers / Younger tells a fantasy /ghost/Arabic story every day before sleeping to the little children so that they can sleep in peace and fresh mind. Now the story telling is a habit and the children are loved to hear the story.	Some of our young children read books/stories like as mothers. As a result, they are being much capable to read and tell story book.
16.	Special Caring for Special Children	We have 17 Special children with various disabilities. They are regularly	The Special children are progressing day by day. They

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		doing classes in LEEDO Inclusive School. Two some expert teachers are giving teaching to them.	are able to take food in a queue, eat individually, brush their teeth, can go washroom and in a nutshell, they can follow the instructions.
17.	Parade/Jogging	The children parade daily in the morning.	50 children parade daily.

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Bangladesh with first two games in Street Child Cricket World Cup Tournament



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Today the team of 4 boys and 4 girls aged 14-17 who until recently were surviving on the streets of Dhaka won their first two games in the Street Child Cricket World Cup.

One of the children in the team has a disability. Before receiving help from LEEDO, which now provides the children with a home, they were experiencing exploitation and abuse at the railway station, the ferry terminal and in domestic service.

The team were playing at the Amir Mahal Cricket Ground in Chennai in the opening games of the World Cup. They won their first game with Sri Lanka by 16 runs and their second game with Hungary by 50 runs.

After the games team captain Hasan said “ Bangladesh played well. Sri Lanka was a strong team, but they lost. Our batting was strong, but our bowling can be improved. I think playing South Africa in our group will be the greatest challenge. We are hoping to win more matches and eventually reach the final.”

Team member Razia said “ I really enjoyed today. The Bangladesh team played well. I like staying at the Peace Home run by LEEDO where I can take part in education and games with other children. I never imagined that I would ever come to a tournament like this.”

Many individuals and organisations have supported the team and the work of LEEDO in Dhaka, to enable the children to join this tournament including Dhaka Inner Wheel, Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC), IDP Education Specialists, AHZ Associates and London College of Legal Studies South. Others who want to show their support can do so by making a donation at: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/friends-of-street-children-bangladesh>

Good luck to team Bangladesh in the remaining stages of the tournament.

- The children taking part in the tournament all now live at a long-term Peace Home for children who were surviving on the streets. The Home is run by [LEEDO](#), an organisation that has been working with children on the streets of Dhaka since 2010. [LEEDO](#) also provide outreach work and education on the streets and a transitional shelter that supports children's rehabilitation, making long term arrangements for their care.
- UK charity [Friends of Street Children, Bangladesh](#) have raised funds to support the participation of children from LEEDO Peace Home in the Street Child Cricket World Cup. During the tournament Friends of Street Children Bangladesh aim to raise more funds for LEEDO's education and outreach work with children at the ferry terminal and the station in Dhaka.
- The cricket tournament is being organised by [Street Child United](#). They arrange international sporting events where street children from around the world take part. They aim to change people's negative perceptions of street children, inspiring a brighter, safer future for street-connected children everywhere.

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Photo Gallery



During the month of March, 2024 169 Ramadan Food Packages provided to the vulnerable people



One of our colleague Coordinator, Advocacy, Training & Project Information on 26th February, 2024 attended the workshop of ECPAT at Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel.

Photo Gallery



Our children of LEEDO Peace Home are receiving new dresses and having lunch for celebration of Eid-ul-Fitre



Our Doctor of LEEDO is providing medicine for sick children of School Under the Sky.

Photo Gallery



Our children of Transitional Shelter Setu Bandan are receiving new dresses for celebrating Eid-ul-Fitre



Our Children of Transitional Shelter Setu Bandhan are enjoying games indoor and outdoor.

For more information please don't be hesitated!

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