



E-NEWSLETTER

Local Education and Economic Development Organization (LEEDO)

Organizational Overview

For over two decades, the Local Education and Economic Development Organization (LEEDO) has been a leading child protection organization in Bangladesh, dedicated to transforming the lives of vulnerable street-connected children. Established in 2000 in response to the growing crisis of street children, LEEDO is a registered non-profit under the NGO Affairs Bureau (Reg. 1466) and the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (Reg. 413), operating under a 7-member Executive Committee.

Guided by the principle of “no child left behind,” LEEDO follows a child-centered, rights-based, and trauma-informed approach to ensure protection, dignity, and opportunities for every child. It rescues children from unsafe environments, provides immediate shelter and care, and supports their rehabilitation and reintegration into families or society.

LEEDO offers safe shelter, education, healthcare, psychosocial support, and livelihood training. Key initiatives include SETU Bandhan transitional shelters, Peace Home residential facility, mobile schools, and the School Under the Sky program. It also provides vocational training, child sponsorship, and inclusive education for children with special needs. Beyond services, LEEDO actively engages in advocacy and awareness campaigns to combat child labor, abuse, trafficking, and exploitation. Through partnerships with communities, media, and policymakers, it strengthens child protection systems. Over the years, LEEDO has supported thousands of children toward safer and more hopeful futures.



Forhad Hossain
Founder & Executive Director
LEEDO

Editorial

We welcome you to our e-newsletter, a digital bridge connecting your heart to the children we serve. We are deeply moved by our stakeholders' extraordinary kindness, providing a vital lifeline to those once lost to the shadows of the streets. By joining our hearts, we rewrite stories of hardship into futures of hope and dignity. Your collective love ensures every survivor is protected. We are eternally grateful to everyone involved in this work for making these miracles possible.

Our Approach

LEEDO follows a unique 4R model: **Rescue from the street** → **Reintegration with families** → **Referral to shelters** → **Rebuild Lives**.

Through this approach, we operate 2 Transitional Shelters Setu-Bandhan (TSSB), 7 Schools Under the Sky, Mobile School and a permanent home "Peace Home", currently supporting 54 children, including 17 with special needs.

Achievements of March, 2026

This month, LEEDO's outreach team successfully rescued 40 vulnerable children from the streets and unsafe environments. Among them, 28 children were safely reintegrated with their families after proper verification, while 09 children were referred for long-term rehabilitation and care at partner shelters. These efforts reflect LEEDO's continued commitment to ensuring safety, nobility, and a brighter future for every child.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS: MARCH 2026



*Note: All figures are for March 2026 only.

Our Ongoing Projects

- **Peace Home:** Permanent home for vulnerable children.
- **Transitional Shelters (Setu Bandhan):** Immediate rescue and holistic rehabilitation.
- **School Under the Sky:** Open-air informal education at transit hubs.
- **Mobile School:** A classroom on wheels reaching hard-to-access children.
- **Inclusive School:** Specialized education for children with diverse needs.
- **Journalism & Empowerment:** Training youth to advocate for their rights.
- **ICT Training:** Building digital literacy for future employability.
- **Cooked Food Support:** Daily nutritious meals for street-connected youth.
- **Trauma Healing Support Center:** To give mental healing support to street-connected youth.

Jesmin Akter's Award-Winning Vision

March was a month where the power of a child's voice and talent took center stage. The heartbeat of our month was a talk show on Banglavisision, where our Founder & Executive Director, Forhad Hossain was joined by Jesmin Akter to share her incredible journey about winning an International prize. It was a proud moment for the entire LEEDO family to celebrate Jesmin winning the Best Photography Award at the 7th Nepal Cultural International Film Festival (NCIFF), proving that there are no limits to what our children can achieve.



Launching the Kraft Modell Manual

March marked a significant milestone in our commitment to holistic healing with the official launch of the **Kraft Modell Manual**. This comprehensive guide serves as our new roadmap for helping children process trauma and build emotional resilience through the power of play-based learning. By integrating these structured sessions into our daily care, we are ensuring that every child at LEEDO has the tools to heal, grow, and rediscover the joy of childhood in a safe and supportive environment.



Iftar, Eid Joys, and Community Care

The spirit of compassion was truly felt as we came together for our communal Iftar Mehfil, sharing meals and moments of reflection with our children. This season of giving continued with our annual Eid clothing distribution, where the gift of new clothes brought immense dignity and bright smiles to every child. Finally, a heartwarming visit from Wellbeing Bangladesh to Peace Home added a vital layer of health-focused support, reminding us that our mission is sustained by a community dedicated to ensuring every child feels healthy, happy, and deeply loved.



Media Coverage

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মোড়ক উন্মোচন করল লিডো

সমকাল



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কমলাপুর রেলস্টেশনের জেসমিন জিতলেন
আন্তর্জাতিক পুরস্কার, কে এই জেসমিন?

Our Mission

To integrate at-risk children into the mainstream by implementing programs that address all aspects of their lives—including health, education, economic empowerment, rehabilitation, and advocacy.

We aim to provide appropriate opportunities for a better and safer future for extremely vulnerable street children whose lives have been shattered by poverty, exclusion, and abuse, ensuring they regain protection and return to society with dignity and equal rights.

Our Vision

Through raising awareness about the dire conditions of extremely vulnerable street-connected children and youth, we envision a world where all members of society take responsibility to ensure their protection, enabling these children to achieve a brighter future.

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