

## Future Target

Set up specialized schools and hospital centers for people with disabilities in Pabna Char

Arrange free eye care, cataract surgery, and general health care to the handicapped

Guide disabled people apply for government services



## FOR A JUST SOCIETY

The Association for Socio-Economic Advancement of Bangladesh (ASEAB) is a non-government, non-political, and voluntary development organization founded and run by a group of committed professionals, social workers, and multi-disciplinary experts. For over 30 years, ASEAB has been contributing to uplifting the miseries of the poor and the needy communities facing multi-faceted social deprivation and long-held injustices.

Through various projects, the organization aims at ending poverty, and improving the lives and prospects of the destitute across Bangladesh. The head office of ASEAB is situated in the village of Khayerbagan, 10 kilometers from the district headquarters of Pabna, located in the catchment of the great river Padma.

In the last three decades, ASEAB played a significant role in transforming the lives of the people of Char areas of Pabna, where acute poverty, starvation, illiteracy, floods, river erosion, habitat loss, and a decline in cultivable land have been prevalent. In this context, ASEAB commits its resources at relieving individuals from the grip of enduring poverty and hunger. Since its inception ASEAB have covered more than 10 of 17 SDGs to mitigate social injustice, deprivation, and inequality across almost all the divisions of Bangladesh through different initiatives. As of 2023, ASEAB has served about a million beneficiaries and their families.

ASEAB has been working and affiliated with different national and international organizations and networks since its inception. The organization obtained registration with the NGO Affairs Bureau in 1995, the Trust Act in 2002, the Microcredit Regulatory Authority in 2008, and the Joint Stock Company in 2009.

## DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

Actionaid, Bdesb Foundation USA, Baznas Indonesia, Bangladesh Bank, CARE Bangladesh, Concern, DFID, GoB-unicef, Imana USA, Islami Bank Bangladesh Ltd, Mafiq Foundation USA, Manusher Jonno Foundation, USC Canada and WFP

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## SOCIAL RECOGNITION & SECURITY FOR PHYSICALLY & MENTALLY CHALLENGED PEOPLE

### PROJECT DURATION

2007 TO TILL DATE

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ASEAB



## Project Background

ASEAB is a humanitarian organization that values assisting vulnerable people, particularly those in Char areas of Pabna who are frequently deprived of healthcare owing to a faulty communication system. Due to proper knowledge about basic healthcare and superstitious beliefs, child marriage is highly valued, and women's health is not prioritized, resulting in a large number of infants being born with disabilities. Since 2007, a survey of 15 villages in one union has identified 575 adults with physical and mental problems, with more than 100 children excluded. To address this issue, ASEAB has donated meals and mobility assistance such as wheelchairs, crutches, and artificial limbs to the crippled.



## Beneficiary

Physically and Mentally Vulnerable Poor People

- 275 people with disabilities received assistance
- 37 people received mobility assistance
- More than 100 got medical aids
- Food support for all the beneficiaries

## Project Area

- Pabna Sadar



## Projects Objective

The objective of the project is to support the disabled people from the poor and ultra-poor families and minimize the burden on the society. who cannot afford to take care of the disabled people in

assisting the people in need establishing educational and medical centers for people, free eye treatment, cataract surgery, and general healthcare services with disability in Pabna Char area.

Assist the disabled in registering for government services by liaising with all Upazila and District Social Service Offices.

Provide income-generating opportunities for those who are fit to work, such as providing goats and groceries.

Improve the quality of life for the disabled in Pabna Char areas by providing them with the necessary resources and support.

## Projects Activities

The project provides food and mobility aids such as wheelchairs, crutches, and artificial limbs to the disabled. The beneficiaries are also provided with free eye treatment, cataract surgery, and general healthcare services to the disabled. It also assists the disabled in registering for government services by liaising with all Upazila and District Social Service Offices. They are also provided with income-generating opportunities to those who are fit to work.

