

2021



## Introduction

Project for Humanity carried out underprivileged empowerment activities during 2021 in various districts of Bangladesh. This report aims to highlight the organization's efforts in tackling socio-economic inequality, empowering women and improving the living and economic conditions of marginalized communities facing various adversities.

## **Our Approach**

We focus on identifying and assisting the most deserving underprivileged individuals and families, supporting them with their specific needs. By providing the necessary resources and support, we empower them to become self-sufficient, ultimately benefiting their families. This approach leads to a positive impact and fosters sustainable development.

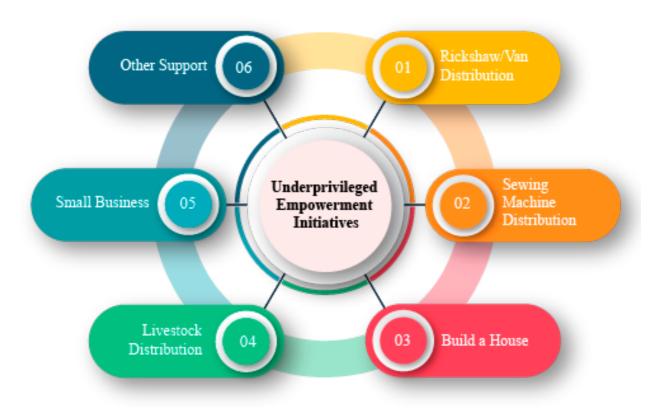
You give a man a fish you feed him for a day if you teach a man to fish you feed him for a lifetime.

## **Objective**

our empowerment initiatives aim to uplift underprivileged communities by addressing their specific needs and challenges. Our goal is to support them so they can generate income and become self-sufficient, ultimately benefiting their families. Through this approach, we promote positive impact and sustainable development, enhancing living conditions, empowering women, and fostering economic growth.

## **What We Did**

P4H focuses on empowering underprivileged individuals in rural areas through various initiatives. Our aim is to assist them in becoming self-sufficient, enabling them to generate income and support their families. Our efforts include distributing resources like rickshaws/vans and livestock for self-employment, build house for destitute families, creating self-employment opportunities through small businesses, empowering women through skill-building programs, and providing support to those in need.



## Why We Did

In Bangladesh, 20.5% of the population lived below the national poverty line in 2019 (Poverty Report by ADB). Rural areas often face numerous challenges related to poverty, inadequate infrastructure, limited access to basic amenities, and gender inequality.

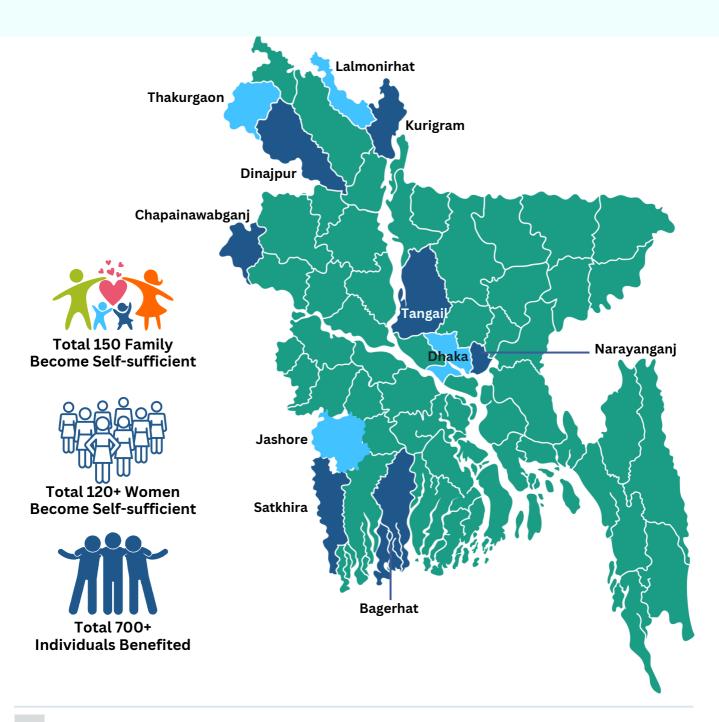
We undertake Underprivileged empowerment initiatives to alleviate poverty, enhance living conditions, promote economic income, empower women, and provide support to overcome their underprivileged circumstances and become self-sufficient members of society. Our aim is to make them self-sufficient, enabling them to generate income and support their families with their own income.

## **When We Did**

We carried out our initiatives during the year 2021 to support underprivileged individuals in different districts of Bangladesh.

## Where We Did

We implemented our initiatives in some selected districts across rural areas in Bangladesh, strategically targeting underprivileged individuals and communities to address their specific needs and challenges and leading to positive impact and sustainable development.

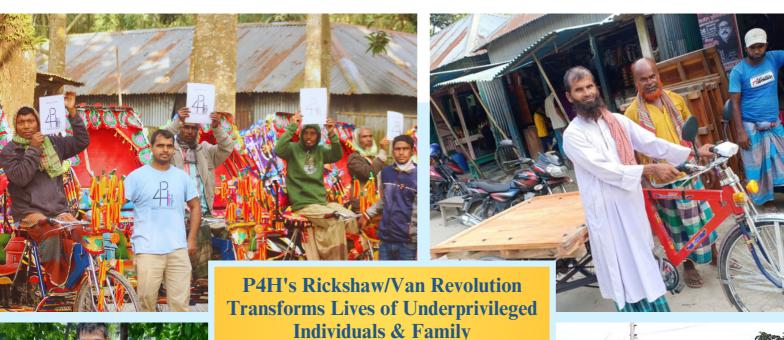




#### **Rickshaw/Van Distribution**

for Self-Employment

P4H distributes rickshaws to underprivileged individuals in Bangladesh to create self-employment opportunities. Our aim is to help them generate daily cash income and support their families. By providing rickshaws, we empower them to utilize their abilities, achieve economic stability, help them to overcome their underprivileged circumstances, and become self-sufficient.









### **Sewing Machine Distribution**

for Empowering women



We distributed sewing machines to more than 60 disadvantaged women residing in rural areas. This initiative primarily targeted single mothers, widows, and women who facing financial challenges while caring for their children. By offering sewing machines, we enabled these women to engage in income-generating activities while staying at home to take care of their children. This initiative not only enhanced their skills but also fostered gender equality and economic independence.





#### **Build a house**

for destitute families

We support 11 families living in extremely poor housing conditions by facilitating the rebuild of houses. This initiative specifically targeted vulnerable groups such as those affected by poor, the elderly, and individuals whose children have left them in their old age. While these individuals had homes, their conditions were extremely inadequate. By providing support, our aim was to improve their living situations, ensuring safe and secure shelter, promoting stability, and enhancing the overall well-being of these families.



#### **Livestock Distribution**



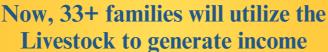


We distributed livestock, such as cows and goats, to 33+ families from diverse vulnerable group including encompassed physically disabled individuals, widowed women, unemployed youth, individuals burdened by loans, and impoverished households. This initiative played a pivotal role in supporting sustainable development, as the beneficiaries get a valuable assets for engaging in agricultural activities, utilized the Livestock to generate income, meet their daily needs, and invest in education and healthcare for their families.

















### **Small Business**

#### for Creating Self-Employment Opportunities

We empower underprivileged individuals by providing essential support and resources to establish small businesses and self-employment endeavors. Our assistance extends to over 17 individuals from diverse backgrounds, including those facing economic disadvantages, physical disabilities, elderly individuals, and unemployed youth. Through these businesses, they can generate daily cash income to support their families, fostering economic independence and improving their overall livelihoods.









#### **Testimonials**





Reazul Islam has been struggling with the family's financial crisis since birth. In a family of 14 siblings, none of them received the proper education and couldn't dream of a good career. All they own is just a little land as their homestead.

Reazul Islam has a son and a daughter. He lives in a little ramshackle house of a single room. All the four members of his family live in that little room. Although the matter is very shameful, but he has nothing to do. He can't afford a personal room for his grown-up daughter. He used to run a small poultry shop with some loans.

We (P4H) came to know about Rezaul's plight and gifted him a milch cow. Through which he can earn daily income to meet the expenses of his family and to meet the education and medical expenses of his children. Besides, the cow will become a long-term asset of the family.

He is deeply thankful to P4H for this act of kindness, as it has opened up new possibilities for him and his family.

Rezaul Islam, Dinajpur Livestock Recipient





Jasmine Akter is a 38-year-old physically handicapped woman by birth. Her life is an epitome of a harrowing story beyond description. Despite all the odds and misery in her life, she is not yet to get lost in despair. Rather she continues her fight and strives to be self-dependent. She is still unmarried and was never married till this age apparently due to her physical disability. father is suffering from psychological disorder for the last twenty years.

We listened to his plight in detail and stood by him and gifted him a sewing machine through which he could become selfsufficient by sewing.

Jasmine expresses her profound gratitude to P4H for their kindness and support.

Jasmine Akter, Dinajpur Sewing Machine Recipient



#widowedmother



One of the great sorrows of Sufia Begum was that she could never conceive a child. It has been five years since Sufia Begum's husband died. Sufia Begum used to earn by sewing kantha (Quilted blanket). but due to a decline in demand, her income from this skill diminished significantly.

Projects for Humanity has donated a sewing machine to alleviate this hardship. A widow and destitute Sufia Begum have also expressed interest in benefiting people by sewing clothes. She said, "I will pay less for sewing for those who are helpless and destitute like me".

Sufia Begum, Kurigram Sewing Machine <u>Recipient</u>

## **Financial**

**FUND RAISED** 

 $\approx$  \$ 25,700.00

**EXPENSES** 

≈ \$ 65,300.00

# Thank You

To help us implement these initiatives

Throughout 2021, we worked tirelessly to improve living the conditions underprivileged individuals and provide support to those affected by natural disasters. efforts resulted Our successful reconstruction of 11 houses, the establishment of 17 new small businesses. and the distribution of 29 rickshaws/vans, 60 sewing machines, 33 livestock, nets, and cash financial aid boats. underprivileged individuals and family in rural areas of Bangladesh. We remain committed to expanding our efforts in 2022 and helping even more people in need.

















