

Report on Quarterly Dialogue Meeting

Date : 15 September 2018

Place : Upazila health complex hall roo, Ranisankail

Participants : Staff of health department, CSO members

No. of Participants : Female-17, Male- 31, Total- 48

Introduction:

As part of “Civil Society Organization Strengthen Democratic Governance” project being implemented by Manab Kayan Parishad with the financial support of European and technical assistance of NETZ-Bangladesh and Bread for The World, a quarterly dialogue session of Civil Society Organization (CSO) was held at the Upazila health complex hall room at Ranisankail Upazila under Thakurgaon district on 15th September 2018 at 10.30 am.

Description:

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Mr. SateurRahman, Chairman Upazilla CSO. Dr. Shamim Ahamed, Upazilla Health Officer was the chief guest. In the very beginning the CSOSDG the project coordinator raised on the various issues, aims and objectives of projects being held. He spoke for the ties between the service holders and the served are very essential for good governance and transparency the services being rendered by the commoners. Hope this could be materialized through co-joint efforts he added.

In the meeting Dr. Shamim Ahamed, Health Officer who was chief guest in the meeting is newly appointed here who answered was very satisfied to see the on-going progress here which he never had come across. He thanked the organizers who had been making this efforts to be more fruitful for good governance and transparency. He opined that health is the basic rights of the people and one should look whether the benefits of developments are reaching to the common people at grass-root people since being geared up by the government. Community clinics are being established to be more helpful and dynamic. It is seen in the hospital medicines are being given at free of costs. The people of Ranisankail Upazilla they are getting better treatment in the Health Complex, headed. In this context he raised in the meeting what his department had been rendering on health services were those effective to serve in the doorsteps of the people. In the open discussion Mr. Abdul Karim CSO put this question to the Upazilla Health Officer whether our mothers were getting help and treatment during the gestation period. The Upazila Health Officer responded that there are good apparatuses for undergoing any operations in the hospital But there are short of doctors. There are medicines which are free and available in the Health Complex he told when responding to queries of Sri Basanta Kumar Member CSO. The CSO member Mr.Zillur Rahman put this question to the Health Officer whether the patients in the hospital they are getting diet regularly. The health officer responded that food being supplied through the contractors. This is being monitored by the officer of the hospital. He urged CSO members also to monitor it. Mrs.Dolly Begum CSO member emphasized the need to form Nagoric Committee (of people’s participation) to check any underhand dealings are going on in the health complex with joint

ventures. Mrs.MuniraBegum, CSO Member asked whether the supply of medicines are adequate enough. The health Officer replied that the supply of medicines were received formerly from the centre. The supply was meagre one. The hospital Could be operated with the direct participation of the people of Ranisankail Upazilla along side of government help. Mr.Sateur Rahman expressed the talks and recommendations were made in the meeting they could be implemented with the joint ventures of the officers Health Department, CSO members and mass participation of the people. Mr.Sateur Rahman declared the meeting dissolved tanking all the participants in the meeting and requested all to come forward to serve the nation with utmost sincerity.

Achievement:

- The efforts being made co-jointly
- To get know on the various sides on health and treatment

Challenge:

- The works being hampered due to the overworks of the Health Department.

Report on Quarterly Dialogue Meeting

Date : 17 September 2018

Place : Manab Kallyan Parished training center, Thakurgoan

Participants : Staff of Agriculture department, CSO members

No. of Participants : Female-11, Male- 22, Total- 33

Introduction:

Manab Kallyan Parished has persistently been implementing Civil Society Strengthening Democratic Governance project with the financial collaboration of European Union together with technical assistance of NETZ-Bangladesh and Bread for the World. As part of this, a quarterly meeting of the project was held at the conference room of Manab Kallyan Parished training center on 17th September 2018, 10.30 am amid the spontaneous participation of staffs of Agriculture Extension department, Thakurgaon district and members of Civil Society Organization (CSO) focusing on fostering synergic relations between service delivery institutions and service recipients as well as accessibility and availability of service provisions towards targeted populaces.

Description:

The Democratic Dialogue Meeting was held under the chairmanship of Mr. Abdul Latif the president of CSO. Mr. Aftab Hossain Deputy Director, District Agriculture Extension Department was the chief guest. There were other guests Mr.Majedur Rahman, Assistant Director and Mr. Mostafizur Rahamn, Assit. Programme Officer attenended in the meeting. Mr.Rashedul Alam, Project Co-coordinator had threadbare discussion on the various aspects as how to establish rapport between the served and to be in service of its definite goals and achievements. Later on Mr.Aftab Hossain, Assist.Director thanked Manab Kallayan Parished to introduce the respective officials of his department to the people in the sidelines of the meeting. He ventilated that Bangladesh has been going ahead in growing paddy in the world has stood 4th in her position. The officers and workers of Agriculture Extension department has also been taking efforts to help assist the farmers day and night. He expressed that agriculture is the mainstay to the people for which we require every ones participation and to play the paramount role of the people which is very essential. Later on Mr.Majedur Rahman, Assist. Director Agriculture Extension Department talked on the various issues and works of Thakurgaon District Agriculture Extension since the open discussion was being held. Mrs.Bhoktee Rani CSO praised highly for the works and services being played by the District Agriculture Department. She spoke agriculture depends upon the quality of soil for bumper crops .She opined that soil should be tested before we grow more crops is very significant. The tillers are to face lot of problems since there was no measures were being taken for soil tests. She further added soils being sent to Agri Extension department and there were provisions by the tillers to give fees which were 80% it seemed to be. Mrs. Munira Begum Member CSO asked to her quarries whether there were efforts being made by the Agri Extension for the quick services to the core farmers. The Deputy responded that the services being given to the tillers through digitalization. APPs have been opened and introduced. The farmers now are well-informed. The mobile phones are active to help assist the farmers. They are being operated over 28 hours the farmers getting information and

they could keep touch with the relevant departments on the methodologies of agri-practices ie. use of inputs, seeds varieties. Fertilizers and insecticides for taking intensive cultivation. Mr.Momtajuddin CSO member brought this to the notice of Agriculture Office of Baliadangi Upazilla that some officers are reluctant to go through their problems when pressed to full fill their demands. The Deputy Director told it was their moral duty to serve the farmers. Any grievances could be redressed through dialogue. He added. Mr. Assaudzaman Assad CSO member has emphasized the need that the services of Agri Extension Department the works should be on knowledge and information be brought home to the core farmers for which he made a proposal for mass campaign. The meeting was declared closed after questionnaires of the participants in the meeting. Mr.Abdul Latif who chaired the meeting thanked everybody to attend in the meeting. The dialogues were held would be fruitful if the CSO to tender knowledge and information to the tillers should have been disseminative and replicable.

Achievement:

- Developed relation between CSOs and LAs
- Keeping informed on the various aspects of Agri-practices.

Challenge:

- Work load of department

Report on Quarterly Dialogue Meeting

Date : 25 September 2018

Place : Women affairs office conference room, Baliadangi, Thakurgon

Participants : Staff of women affairs department, CSO members

No. of Participants : Female-16, Male- 27, Total- 43

Introduction:

Manab Kayllan Parishad-MKP has relentlessly been implementing Civil Society Organization Strengthening Democratic Governance project with the financial collaboration of European Union together with technical assistance of NETZ-Bangladesh and Bread for the World. As part of its mandate, a quarterly dialogue meeting was successfully held among the spontaneous participation of officials of Upazila women affairs department, Baliadangi and CSO members of Baliadangi Upazila focusing on linkage, communication, relationship and synergic working ties and dispensation of quality of services as well as a sustainable service delivery mechanism that positively effect on the lives and livelihoods of CSO members. The event was held at Conference room of women affairs office on 25th September of 2018 amid the facilitation role played by the assigned project functionaries of the pertinent organization.

Description:

The dialogue meeting was chaired by Mr.Abdul Jabber CSO member. Md Abu Belal Siddique was the chief guest officer Woman's Affairs. In the very outset of the meeting Mr.Rashedul Alam CSOSDG dealt with of the project works of the dialogue meeting its aims and objectives that Women Affairs Department has been working to ameliorate the lots of the women in distress. We are to know as how to solve our problems of the women who are being widely discriminated and are deprived of their rights. The chief guest Mr.Morshed Ali highlighted as how to serve and the receiver being getting help of the women who are subject of abuse and neglect in helping them our department will be working analog to change the very moods of their lives. He ventilated that Women Affairs Department has been working relentlessly to discourage early marriage, to check dowries and to curb women's violence WE cannot alone work for women's empowerment. Everybody should come forward that we change the lots of our women are being neglected. In the open discussion was held Mr.NilKanta Roy put this question to the Administrator of Women Affairs Department whether any tracings are being given to our women at free of costs. He retorted no fees are being taken from the trainee groups they are given honorarium during the training period. He added. CSO Mr.Bodiuzzaman asked on early marriages which should be curbed and avoided. This being hampered due to false birth registration the officer responded. He further spoke that local government and people representatives shall have to come forward to check recurrence them. By the by Mrs.Halima Begum, who was being tortured by her husband brought this to the Women Affairs Department. The officer concerned took her names and address assuring her to solve this problem. The matters are being digitalized. Any problems are facing by women they could phone in this number:109 to Women Affairs Department to have their support and cooperation to solve on any grave issues. Mr.Abdul Jabber who chaired the dialogue meeting

declared the meeting closed thanked the participants attended in the meeting. He fervently appeal to come forward to work on woman's solidarity and empowerment.

Achievement:

- To build a platform between the Govt. and the people to woman's free access to resources and to aware of their rights.
- To know on the various sides of the Department increasing woman's participation

Challenge:

- Works being hampered since the Department are heavy with their works.