

## **Report on District Dialogue Meeting**

**Date** : 24 November 2020

**Place** : District Social Welfare office hall room

**Participants** : Staff of District **Social** Welfare office, Panchagarh, CSO members

**No. of Participants:** Female-16 (Minority-01), Male- 16 (Minority-03), Total- 32 (Minority-04)

### **Introduction:**

ManabKallyan Prished has relentlessly been implementing “Promotion of social partnership for empowerment of marginalised communities in 6 districts and at national level in Bangladesh - PROSPECT” project with the financial assistance of BMZ and technical collaboration of NETZ-Bangladesh in Thakurgaon and Panchagarh district. As part of its efforts, a dialogue meeting between members of the Civil Society Organization (CSO) and officials/representatives of Panchagarh District Youth Development office was held at the Youth Development office hall room on October 24, 2020. The dialogue session was prominently focused on accessibility and availability of services from various entities towards targeted people through fostering a good and synergic relation.

**Description:** Mr. Oniruddha Kumar Roy, Deputy Director of District Social welfare office, Panchagarh was present as chief guest in the event while Md. Jakir Hossain , president of District Civil Society Organization (CSO) presided it over. Assistant Director Md. MasumAli, and Others officer of Social welfare officewere present in the meeting. At the beginning of the meeting, Lilima Mandal Advocacy and Training Officer (A&TO) presented goal, objectives of the project along with different objectives of the dialogue meeting. Also he hoped that relationship between service provider and receiver would expedite more through this dialogue meeting. Later, Mr. Oniruddha Kumar Roy narrates various ongoing services of his department. Then the open discussion started, First Mrs. Beauty Begum Member of Districts NSS wants



to know whether general disability allowance and disability allowance from school will be received at the same time. The deputy director of district social welfare said two services would not be available at the same time. Md. Zakir Hossain District CSO Member asked whether we can be included in the committee of Union Elderly Allowance or other allowances. The official said the Panchagarh District Social welfare office the committee was formed only for the coordination of Union Parishad and social services

In conclusion, the President Mr. Md. Zakir Hossain said that he appreciated the social service service and advised everyone to inform about the services and concluded the dialogue meeting by thanking them.

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**Achievement:**

- Active participation of Government officials
- Developed mutual relation

**Challenge:**

- The workload of the officers.
- COVID-19 session Congested Meeting venue.
- To maintain Physical distance