

Striving for a Sustainable Change



SKS

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SKS Foundation is a national non-government organization rooted in Northern Bangladesh. SKS facilitates multi-faceted development programs covering the poor & marginalized focusing women & children. Conceived on 1 December 1987 out of voluntary initiatives of self-motivated local youths in remote *char* area of Gaibandha, the Organization has gradually emerged in supporting the poor & oppressed segments of the society to fight exclusion, deprivation and injustice with multi-sectoral development interventions. SKS works following multi-disciplinary approach with vulnerable groups i.e. ethnic minority, landless, marginal farmers, climate victims, and so on in different geophysical contexts who suffer from exclusion and lack of access to resources. It has grown more visibly over the last 3 decades with diversity in its plans & programs targeting the deserving people. Thus, SKS has been **Striving for a Sustainable Change** in collaboration with the development partners and stakeholders.

Vision

A poverty-free society where everyone has access to resources and live with voice, dignity and justice.



Mission Statement

SKS Foundation facilitates improvement of life and livelihood of the poor and excluded by reducing their vulnerabilities, promoting empowerment and improving access to development opportunities and resources. SKS Foundation collaborates with government including local government, private sector, NGOs, networks and donors to ensure sustainable development.

Core Values

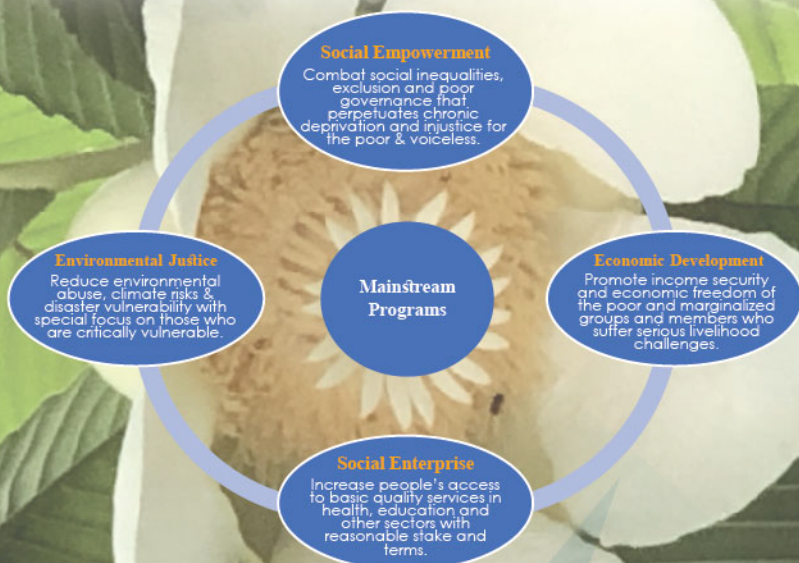


Unique Features

- Hard-to-reach priority
- Visionary thoughts
- Less hierarchy
- Brand sensitive
- Progressive growth
- Change & adapt
- Holistic approach

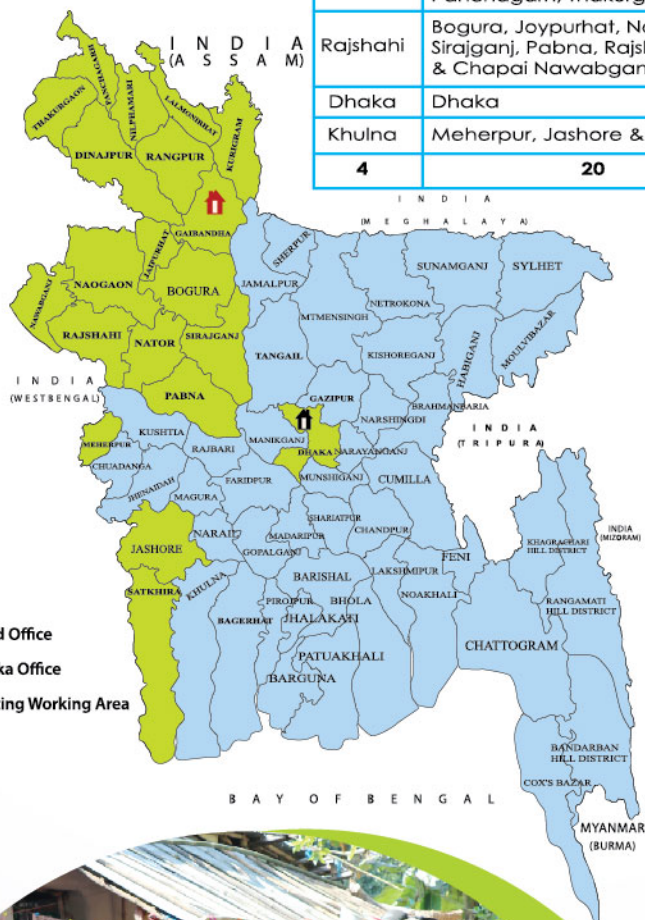
Strategic Objectives

1. Promote critical awareness & ability of the poor & excluded communities & disadvantaged population to fight against social odds and injustice.
2. Strengthen local institutions and leadership with means and capacity to promote effective and pro-poor service delivery in all essential aspects of life.
3. Increase inclusion of the resource poor in economic and financial services, livelihood innovations and marketable skill development.
4. Promote opportunities for social enterprise development, self-employment, partnership and market with special focus on women and adolescent girls.
5. Mobilize critical knowledge and resources from multiple sources including government to help climate change adaptation by communities & institutions.
6. Promote community-based disaster preparedness and environment-friendly actions in livelihood practices including promotion of WASH.
7. Develop sector-specific sustainable social business consistent with local demand and affordability that has potential to scale-up.
8. Strengthen quality service delivery under social enterprises with innovation, diversity and institutional development.



Intervention Areas at Present

Division	District	No. of Upazila
Rangpur	Gaibandha, Rangpur, Kurigram, Lalmonirhat, Nilphamari, Panchagarh, Thakurgoan, Dinajpur	41
Rajshahi	Bogura, Joypurhat, Noagaon, Sirajganj, Pabna, Rajshahi, Natore & Chapai Nawabganj	68
Dhaka	Dhaka	2
Khulna	Meherpur, Jashore & Satkhira	8
4	20	119



Program Participants

Type of Participants	Male	Female	Total
Economic Development	3,615	154,686	158,301
Social Empowerment	588,888	591,444	1,180,332
Children	21,925	25,206	47,131
Adolescents	20,764	27,641	48,405
Total	635,192	798,977	1,434,169

Functional Structure

1. Social Empowerment
2. Economic Development
3. Finance and Accounts
4. Program Development & Resource Mobilization
5. Human Resource Development & Administration
6. Internal Audit & Monitoring
7. Advocacy & Communication
8. Legal Support
9. Information Technology
10. Social Enterprise

Office Set-up & Staff Status

Microfinance Office- 166
Development Program Office- 52

Total Staff- 3,462
Male- 1,993 (58%)
Female- 1,469 (42%)

Annual Budget in 2019-'20

BDT- 13,911,753,576

Resource Sharing Partners

-ActionAid Bangladesh
-Andheri Hilfe Bonn, Germany
-Anukul Foundation
-Bangladesh Bank
-CARE Bangladesh
-Helvetas Swiss inter-cooperation
-IDCOL
-Japan Embassy in Dhaka
-Manusher Jonno Foundation

-Max Foundation
-Oxfam
-PKSF
-Plan International
-Swisscontact Bangladesh
-TDH-Netherlands
-VSO Bangladesh
-WaterAid Bangladesh
-World Vision



SKS Social Enterprises

SKS School & College: With its quality staff and organized academic facilities, the SKS School & College has set valued mark as the ideal educational institutions in Gaibandha. The Institution remains committed to complement in the nation-building developing its students with quality education.

SKS Nutonkuonri Biddyapith: Nutonkuonri Biddyapith contributes in imparting quality education in the rural area of Gaibandha. The students are provided with modern schooling facilities and a wide variety of co-curricular activities to stimulate students' natural talents.

SKS Hospital: Including Eye & Dental Units, SKS Hospital provides multi-disciplinary health services in Gaibandha having all modern facilities. Specialist doctors run the clinical facilities equipped with pre- & post-operative rooms & wards in a 5-storied building while the ultra-poor patients avail Health Premium Scheme support.

Radio Sarabela 98.8 FM: Covering around 25km radius of Gaibandha, SKS Foundation's Community Radio Sarabela promotes mass entertainment and creates awareness on education, culture & heritage, health, agriculture, environment, legal aid & rights, etc focusing on the hard-to-reach char dwellers.

SKS Inn: Standing as a Resort in a rustic setting in Gaibandha, the SKS Inn provides recreative facilities for family vacation, social, cultural & business events, training programs, etc. The Inn provides international standard hospitality to its clients while the cottages & rooms host the borders serving them with incomparable choice of foods, drinks & desserts.

Dainik Madhukar: The Dainik Madhukar is a popular daily in Gaibandha and other northern districts along with its popular e-paper version. The customers avail the services of the Dainik Madhukar with satisfaction as the Paper is printed 4-color in double demy size while the Daily focuses on local news, features and stories on local context & culture.

SKS Printers: The SKS Printers runs its services having modern machineries i.e. CTP machine, by-color Machine RP2C, Cord Machine, Lamination Machine, Spot Lamination Machine, Die Cutting Machine, Glue Binding Machine, Spiral Binding Machine, etc. The SKS Printers has attracted the potential clients from northern districts providing them with quality services at a competitive price.



SKS Resource Center

The SKS Resource Center, 20-km far from Gaibandha town, is located at the riverside of the mighty *Jamuna* surrounded by the traditional natural views. The Center is equipped with conference, training, study halls & rooms with residential facilities. The year-round crops & nursery, fruit & flower gardens, dairy & poultry farms, ponds with farming of local fishes, etc render any candidate to conduct study/research especially on the char culture & heritage, context & climate.

Associated with Networks




- Association for Land Reform Development (**ALRD**)
- Association of Development Agencies in Bangladesh (**ADAB**)
- Bangladesh Community Radio Association (**BCRA**)
- Bangladesh Country Coordination Mechanism (**BCCM**) Network
- Bangladesh Manobadhikar Somonnay Parishad (**BMSP**)
- Bangladesh Shishu Adhikar Forum (**BSAF**)
- Bangladesh Urban Forum (**BUF**)
- Char Development Research Center (**CDRC**)
- Credit and Development Forum (**CDF**)
- Civil Society Alliance for Scaling Up Nutrition (**CSA for Sun**)
- Disaster Forum-Bangladesh
- Federation of NGOs in Bangladesh (**FNB**)
- Freshwater Action Network South Asia – Bangladesh (**FANSA-BD**)
- Fecal Sludge Management (**FSM**) Network
- Gender-based Violence (**GBV**) Cluster
- Institute of Micro Finance (**IMF**)
- International Network for Alternative Financing (**INAFI**)
- National Char Alliance
- Network for Information, Response & Preparedness Activities on Disaster (**NIRAPAD**)
- Network of Non-mainstreamed Marginalized (**Adibashi & Dalit**) Communities (**NNMC**)
- NGO Forum for Public Health
- Northwest Regional Agriculture Network
- Resources Mobilization Alliance
- Sanitation and Water for All (**SWA**)
- Sushasoner Jonno Prochar Avijan (**Supro**)
- Unity for Social & Human Action (**USHA**) Network
- Water Commons
- Water Supply & Sanitation Collaborative Council, Bangladesh (**WSSCC'B**)

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