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Background Information of the Organization:

Mukti Foundation is a Non-Government Organization (NGO) came into being in 1996. A small group of socially conscious youth deeply hurt and moved by unjust social discrimination in respect of class, caste, creed and gender in a bid to wage struggle against all sorts of social injustice, came forward to form this organization. In the 23rd year of program intervention and has gradually covered a wide variety of program components and geographical coverage. The scenarios of Mukti Foundation working area is that the women are socially disadvantaged, neglected, little no access to health facilities and economically vulnerable. They are denied the legal, human and democratic rights and employment opportunities. It is fact that the rights of women and children are violated in family, community and responsible for deterioration of urban environment living in uncontrolled and unhygienic urban slums. The groups are not capable also to explore and develop their existing inherent potentials for their sustainable socio-economic and environmental development. First of all the organization is accountable to the beneficiaries of the organization. As the constitutions, the organization is accountable to the General Committee.

Present Activities Area: Satkhira, Khulna & Jessore district.

Legal Status: For the legalization of programming activities Mukti Foundation got registration from the following Govt. departments; (i) Registered with NGO Affairs Bureau vide FDR No. 1391 dated 08.06.1999; (ii) Registered with Joint Stock Company under Society Act Khulna-124 dated 11.04.2005; (iii) Registered with Micro Credit Regulatory vide Registration No. 0000381 dated 23.02.2009 & (iv) Registered with Department of Social Services vide Registration No. Satkhira-1092 dated 10.11.2010

Mission: To established a non-explicated, environmentally sound, surplus and rights based community.

Vision: To bring the positive change of livelihood like to get better education, improve health, safe water, deluge environment, employment and to establish rights to khash land of the poor through participation and accountability.

Goal: The goal of Mukti Foundation is to promote participation, self-reliant, environmentally sustainable development of the poor to help them alleviate poverty and achieve their potential and empowerment.

Objectives: The principal objective of Mukti Foundation has been to work towards their increased self-reliance of rural grass root people by the provision of: (a) Establishing the rights of the poor in the society and make them self-reliant; (b) Undertaking development activities for the rural poor irrespective of religion, caste, creed and gender; (c) Alternative institution building i.e. group formation, savings credit etc for the resource poor and under-privileged community especially destitute women, landless poor and wage labor; (d) Alleviate poverty through different income generation; (e) Eradication of illiteracy; (f) Improvement of Health, Sanitation and Nutrition status of the under privileged community particularly the women, landless poor, wage labor and out-caste community; (g) Ensuring human rights and empowerment of resource poor community; (h) Eradication of Gender violence in the society; (i) Sustainable utilization of natural resource and conservation biodiversity; (j) Proper utilization of indigenous knowledge in development activities. On a nutshell, Mukti Foundation is committed to assist the development movement of the people centered in the development perspectives.

Program Participants: The principal program participants are the resource poor and under privileged community of the society particularly the destitute women, landless poor and members of the religion-ethnic minority community. More specifically they are: (a) The landless poor wage labors.; (b) The poor marginal and small farmers. (c) Destitute women, particularly the widows, divorced and abandoned who are the worst victims of gender biased society. (d) -Members of the economically and culturally backward religion-ethnic minority community specifically the lower castes and out-castes. & (e) -The share croppers and the poor engaged in different professions.

Major Program Activities:

i) Promotion of Empowerment and Rights to Facilitate Access to Khas Land/Water bodies & Livelihood Improvement of the Landless & Deprived Fishing Communities (PERFECT):- The project is financed by Manusher Jonno Foundation. This project area two district Khulna & Satkhira two Upazila Paikjacha & Tala total 10 Union. Under this project Mukti Foundation has mobilized the hard core poor, landless, sharecropper, women headed households about their constitutional rights on khash land. Initially organization makes aware the targeted beneficiaries through group meeting, training and displaying flipchart, leaflet, posters etc. PERFECT project started its journey from October in 2013 at the two Upazila of Paikgacha and Tala of Khulna and Satkhira districts



respectively. It has more than 1200 landless and fishermen mainly in 8 Unions named Haridhali, Lata, Laskar and Chandkhali in Paikgacha Upazila and in Tala the others are Islamkati, Magura, Jalalpur and Khesra. We have already given 343 acres of khas land and water bodies more than 250 beneficiaries. We also served them giving capacity building training so that the beneficiaries can start alternative livelihood profession. We have linked 30 in govt. training services, 140 VGF, 40 VGD and other safety nets in that Union Parishad above. The group have forum to discuss primary groups problem and the forum is working Union Parishad for the beneficiaries' rights.



ii) **Savings and Micro Credit Program:** Mukti Foundation has been implementing 'Savings and Microcredit' as a core Program funded by Manitesse-Italy, Proshika and Own fund of Mukti Foundation since 1998. This Program is implementing 38 Villages of 10 Unions of Tala Upazila under Satkhira District.

iii) **EEP/Shiree-Uttaran SEMPTI Project:** Under this project Mukti Foundation has targeted 1635 beneficiaries of extreme poor and landless households to improve their livelihood through cultivation and management of khash land and khash water bodies. The project will ensure access to khash land and khash water bodies through providing legal support, civil society Distribution Rickshaw Van for IGA mobilization, capacity building of Union Foundation and staff members.



iv) **Intervention Efforts in WASH for Saline affected & Waterlogged Coastal Communities of Tala, Satkhira. (IEWASH).** The project located at Magura Union under Tala Upazila of Satkhira district. Combined effect of siltation of Kabadak River, water logging and increased salinity deteriorates the overall environmental health and WASH situation of the concerned area. We Installed 10 nos deep tube-well, 2 nos pond Installed Deep tube-Well Sand filter (PSF), 19 nos HH RWHP (3200L) & 5 nos community base RWHP(10,000L), Distribution 500 pic two pit offset latrines in Magura Union.



v) **Vulnerable Group Development (VGD):** This is Government Project of Bangladesh. This Program has been starting May/2013 and will be continued up to December/2014. Bangladesh Women and Child Department is the Supervisory Department. Training and Savings are the main interventions of the Project. Vulnerable people

of the Project areas are benefiting from the VGD Program.

vi) Up scaling of Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) for providing Community Water Supplies in Saline areas. This is the

continuation of the scale up Research on Groundwater Buffering in Coastal Bangladesh. Mukti Foundation provided active support during the site selection in Paikgacha and Koyra Upazilas of Khulna district. Mukti Foundation will be responsible for providing support in community mobilization, construction supervisions, monitoring data collection and abstraction managements for 10 sites (9 new and 1 existing) in Construction Daluti side. Paikgacha and Koyra Upazila



vii) Providing Cooking System Development. This Program has been starting August 2014 and will be continued up to December/2015. This project working area is Paikgacha & Domuria Upazila under Khulna district. Mukti Foundation has been a Sub-partner of IDCOL & direct partner of Rural service Foundation (RSF).

viii) WASH Technical skill: Among others, safe drinking water, sanitation and hygiene are the priority focus area of Mukti Foundation.

The organization has been working in two potential Upazila like Tala and Paikgacha under Satkhira and Khulna district respectively and successfully installed 2200 water (Rain water harvesting, PSF, Arsenic-Iron Removal Plant and Tube well) and 1600 sanitation (latrine along with a community one) points. Visit RWHP Journalist Group



ix) Relief and Rehabilitation Program. In 2000-2012

unprecedented flood devastated the project area of Mukti Foundation. The organization has under taken a massive relief and rehabilitation work with financial support from CONCERN Bangladesh. The implemented rehabilitation activities were house making, house repairing, tube well repair and installation, latrine construction, cash for work and also paddy & vegetable seed distribution.



x) Training, Seminar, Workshop and Day observation: Mukti Foundation has implemented the training program for the beneficiaries like poultry rearing, cow rearing, vegetable cultivation, fish culture, mat making, marketing, beef fattening and so on.

xi) Sustainable Rice Seed production & Delivery system on southern Bangladesh (SRSPDS): Mukti Foundation has been implementing the SRSPDS Project since 2009 supported by IRR Bangladesh and funded by USAID. The working areas of this Project are Paikgacha and Koyra Upazilas of Khulna District and Tala Upazila of Satkhira District. By this time 3882 farmers are benefited from this Project. There are 66 Demo Farmers and 3816 general farmers. Along with others Technical support 10,200 Kg. Rice Seeds has distributed among the selected farmers (Aman Rice Seeds- 3700 Kg, Boro Rice Seeds- 5300 Kg and Aus Rice Seeds 1200 Kg). One technical field staff distributed Boro rice seed has employed under this Project.

xii) Safe drinking Water, hygiene and Sanitation Program (WASH and WATSAN): Safe drinking water and sanitation is a common

problem in our community and the same also in this area. Arsenic is another crucial problem which is very much dangerous for the human being. With the financial assistance of NGO Forum Mukti Foundation



has performed software activities. Till now the organization has provided training to 825 participants. Mukti Foundation has installed arsenic and iron removal plant (AIRP) at different locations of the working areas. Received Safe drinking water from PSF

Management Structure: 21 members General Body is the highest body of Mukti Foundation. The committee generally meets once in a year. However, if necessary, it can summon emergency meeting. The member of the GC pay regular monthly subscription, actively take part in each meeting of GC and different social work. The GC forms the Executive Committee and approve annual budget. The members of the GC elect 7-members Executive Committee (EC) for the period of two years. The EC sit once in a quarter to look after the activities of the organization and takes necessary decisions. The Committee is responsible for overall management of total program/project implementation by the organization.

Current staffs position of the organization:

#	Category of staff	Total staff		Total
		Male	Female	
1	Managerial level	9	2	11
2	Field level	11	5	16
3	Service staff	4	-	4
4	Project staff	19	14	33
Total		35	16	51



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