

Message



It gives me immense pleasure to say few words on the occasion of the 17 th Anniversary of the International Angel Association, a voluntary Organization of Japan. The relation between Japan and Bangladesh has always been cordial and friendly. Japan is the most important development partner of Bangladesh since its independence. This year the 30 th Anniversary of Bangladesh Japan diplomatic relation is being celebrated.

I take this opportunity to convey my felicitations to all members of International Angel Association. I am sure, they will contribute more to strengthening of friendly relation between the peoples of Japan and Bangladesh in the years to come.

*Ahmad Mahmudur Raza Chowdhury
Director General
NGO Affairs Bureau
Prime Minister's Office
Dhaka, Bangladesh*

Message



I would like to congratulate International Angel Association on their 20 th anniversary as well as 17th Anniversary of their field activities in Bangladesh. It is now widely recognized that NGOs can play an important role in the development process of the society. In many developing countries, a great number of local NGOs are engaged in development activities. Bangladesh is no exception. I feel much pleased if I see some Japanese NGO are likewise working actively and contributing towards the well being of the rural people of Bangladesh. International Angel Association is definitely one of those who work for poverty alleviation and socio-economic development in Bangladesh.

I would like to express my respect for International Angel Association and its all devotee staff for their long persistent efforts in the field of educational support, female vocational training, agricultural, rehabilitation program and so on.

I particularly would like to recall International Angel Association's contribution for building 18 educational institutions. Also the women welfare centre has seen many graduates and its embroidered Nakshi Khatha goods have already entered into the international as well as local markets.

I am very pleased to note that the relations between Japan and Bangladesh have been growing steadily over the past 30 years. Since its independence, Japan has continuously supported Bangladesh in working for economic and social development. The major areas of our assistance are, (1) Agriculture, rural development, and improvement of agriculture productivity, (2) Improvement of social areas (basic human needs, health care, etc.), (3) Infrastructure building for investment and export promotion and (4) Disaster relief.

I believe the partnership between Japanese Government and NGOs will make our cooperation much effective and more productive, particularly in the fields of social sectors.

I wish International Angel Association further success in Bangladesh in their development activities. International Angel Association is a friend in need for the people of Bangladesh.

*Jiro Kobayashi
Ambassador of Japan
to Bangladesh*

Message



It has been 17 years since we have started our activities in Bangladesh. Throughout this period we have worked with local partners, searching together for the most appropriate approach of international cooperation.

We can not enjoy the fruit from seeds at once. We have to realize that it takes time to build for which we need a little bit of patience. Another point I have kept in mind while working for Bangladesh is the goodwill of our generous supports will contribute to the well-being of the vulnerable, especially rural women and children.

Today it is clearly evident, that the love of the supporters have helped various fields to flourish; Children in Angel Home, Students we have provided scholarship trainees at TTC and ATC, workers at WWC and wide spread ex-trainees who are engaged in different economic activities and so on. I am very glad, seeing they are going to their own ways with determination. I admire their efforts and enthusiasm.

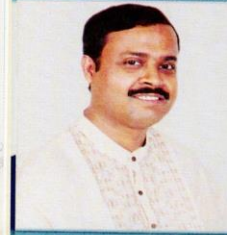
At the same time, I can not help but appreciate those who have supported us whether in Japan or in Bangladesh.

last but not least I wish a bright future for you all in Bangladesh.

May our cordial relationship last long.

*Yuriko kawamura
Chairperson
International Angel Association
Hyogo, Japan*

Thoughts



It was a simple start in 1985 in a small house at Mirpur, Dhaka, with a handful of staff and 12 children. Since then 17 years have passed. These were the years of cooperation and commitment, main focus was the creativity of people and developing human resources and skills. On our way to "Creating Change", we emphasized on Education and Social development through innovative training. Now growth of the organization in terms of contents and coverage is most visible.

International Angel Association was established in 1982 in Japan under the slogan "Love Over the World". It is a voluntary Organization which serves humanity, peace and friendship.

We express heartfelt gratitude to all the members, associates, sponsors and well wishers for their kind cooperation, long assistance and partnership in our development activities.

We also extend our sincere thanks to all the agencies, organizations and well wishers in Bangladesh, whose support and direction show us the way towards our long journey.

*MD. Azizul Bari
Executive Director
International Angel Association
Konabari, Gazipur
Bangladesh*

Angel Home (Shishu Sadan)

Children are the future of the world. 70 children are getting opportunity for education and proper care through this home. The organization will go on guiding them with proper care until, they become self-reliant and acquire the ability to maintain their livelihood.



It is a rare pride that I bear in my heart to be associated with Angel. I was privileged to teach English for sometimes to the resident students of International Angel Association.

May the wings of "Angel" continue giving shade to the distressed human beings.

Dahlia Ahmed
Senior Instructor Flight Service
Bangladesh Air Lines Training Centre.



My heartiest congratulation on the occasion of 17th Anniversary of International Angel Association.

Motaleb Prodhan
Rajshahi Medical College



It is cold here. I hope all of you are fine at Angel Home. I am quite busy with final examination of 'A' level. Angel home is always there in my heart.

Emdadul Hoque
United College of the Atlantic
England.



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Education Programme

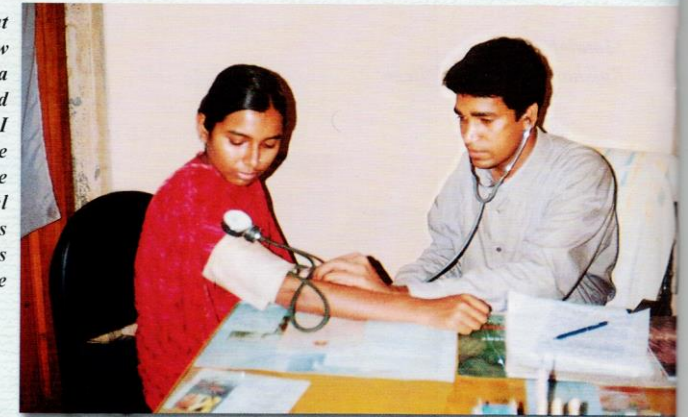
Human Resource Development is very important for our populated country. Education is the backbone of any nation. Keeping this in mind, the organization provide scholarship to poor & meritorious students in 50 districts from class Six to University level. A number of 3,500 students are receiving the opportunity to continue their study. The organization has built 18 schools building in different districts to provide better facilities.



Literacy rate is still low in our country. 5 centre in Kapasia under Gazipur district is running literacy programme giving education to the rural women.

I always wanted to be a doctor but my humble condition did not allow until Angel Association extended a generous hand which transformed my dream to reality. last month I joined as a Physician in a private Clinic. I am grateful to the members of International Angel Association for their gracious support to many others students like myself. I also hope to serve the people as far as I can.

Dr. MD. Rafiqul Islam
Dhaka



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TTC

TTC has started its journey in 1993. Technical training center provides training to women on Tailoring, Nakshi Kantha, Embroidery, Type writing & Computer. A number of 2025 trainees successfully completed the courses so far. Training enhances Skill and increases prospects for competent jobs.



Congratulation on the 17th Anniversary of International Angel Association. Its a great opportunity for women to get a number of training in a friendly atmosphere in Technical Training Centre. After completing my computer course, I have a job as a computer instructor. Now I am working at Sonali Bank in Joydebpur.

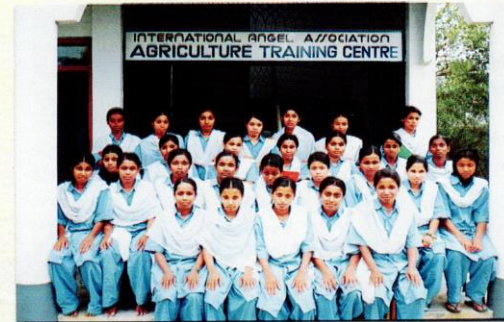
Sufia Begum
Sonali Bank

I remain occupied most of the time with job orders from my neighbours and others. Six months training made a positive change in my life. My heartiest love to the members of International Angel Association.

Asma Akter
Ambag, Gazipur



ATC

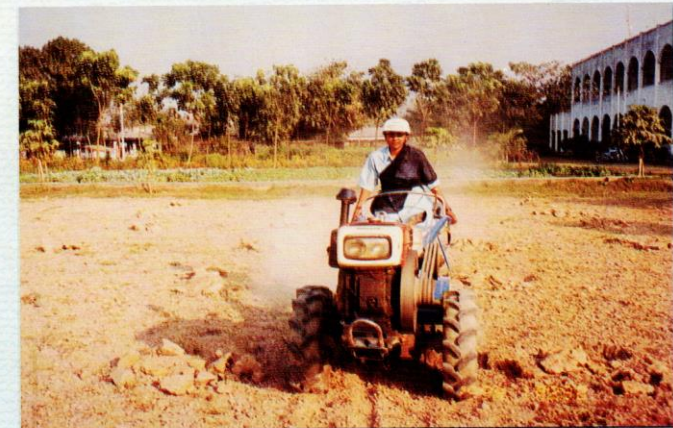


Agriculture Training Centre provides training in Agriculture, Poultry, Dairy to the rural women. The Programme started in 1994. This training requires a minimum of secondary school graduation and the training is designed for one year especially for rural women. A number of 272 trainees completed the course so far and working at NGOs, poultry farms as well as in their own agriculture fields.

I am one of the participants of the first batch of ATC. After completed the one year course, I worked at a private poultry farm two years. Long two years of hard work has taught me how to start a poultry business. I quit my job and started a poultry farm on my own. First it was small, now I have 4000 layer birds to take care of. I work hard at my farm. I feel happy when collecting eggs. My husband also help me. I remember the days of 1994. It was hard work but worth while.

I express my heartfelt thanks to International Angel Association of making the women self reliant.

Rehana Akter
Rayed, Kapasia



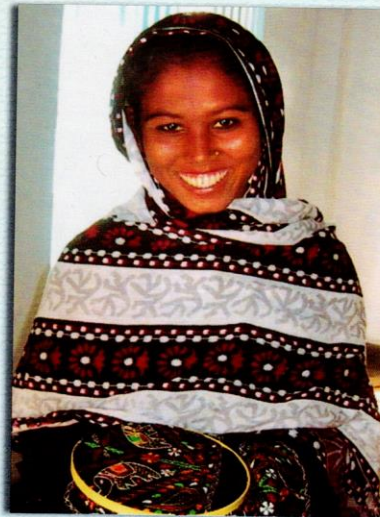
WWC

Women Welfare Centre creates job opportunities in tailoring & handicrafts ex-trainees, through its production centre, at Konabari Complex.



I am financially secured now and able to send my child to school regularly. International Angel Association assigns me with regular jobs and every month I make Nakshi Kantha bags and send them to International Angel Association. My heartiest gratitude to the members of International Angel Association for their kind support in training the rural women.

Nasima Akter
Gazipur



Health Care & Sanitation Activities

Health Care Centre is an out door clinic. serving the local people with minimum fees. Pathological test, X-rays and other facilities are given to the people. Gynecologist, child specialist and doctor take care of patients round the week. Eye Camp and Dental Camp are also arrange for the people with the assistance of Japanese doctors every year. Health awareness programme for women & children are continuing round the year.

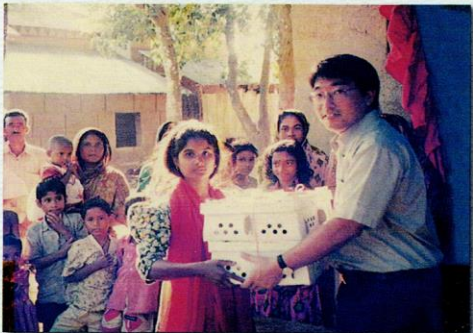


Every year group of students from Japan visit Bangladesh, during their stay they install with own hands Tube-well and Toilet in schools, mosque and villages, ensuring safe drinking water and adequate sanitation.



PDP

Poultry rearing is one of the common activities in village of Bangladesh. Women find it easier than other income generating activities. To rear the hybrid chicks it is important to know technical know-how regarding disease control and feed. Poultry Deveopment Programme trained 2000 small scale farmers, mostly women in kapasia about poultry rearing and its business management. The programme also promotes formation of co-operative society by the farmers to make their business sustainable.



*Mr. Yasuhiro Maeda,
Country Representative,
handing over chicks to
poultry farmer.*

International Angel Association in Japan

About 2000 women volunteers support overseas programmes in Bangladesh, Philippines, Combdia and Sieraleone. They also arrange Charity Bazar, awareness meeting about the necessity of voluntary activities and support handicapped & old home centre in Japan through out the year.



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Bangladesh.*



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