

20<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary



**International Angel Association**

Voluntary Organisation of Japan  
Konabari, Gazipur, Bangladesh



*Members of International Angel Association in Japan*





NGO Affairs Bureau  
Prime Minister's Office  
13 # Shahid Captain Mansur Ali Sharani  
Matshya Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.



### Message

*It gives me immense pleasure to express my feelings on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the International Angel Association, a voluntary Organization of Japan. The relation between Japan and Bangladesh has always been cordial and friendly. Japan has been the most important development partner of Bangladesh since its independence. International Angel Association has played an important part in the Socio-economic upliftment of this country.*

*I take this opportunity to convey my felicitation to all members of International Angel Association. I am sure by their work they will contribute more to strengthening of friendly relation between the people of Japan and Bangladesh in the years to come.*

(C.Q.K. Mustaq Ahmed)  
Director General  
NGO Affairs Bureau



Ambassador of Japan



### Message

*I am glad to know that the International Angel Association celebrates its 20th Anniversary on the 9th November, 2005. I congratulate the Association and extend my sincere felicitations to all its members.*

*The Government of Japan has been extending support to Bangladesh since its independence for its socio-economic development. While offering bilateral assistance to the Government of Bangladesh, the Government of Japan under its Japanese Grant Assistance for grassroots Human Security Projects has also been extending grant to the nongovernmental organizations in Bangladesh including the International Angel Association.*

*I am pleased to see that the International Angel Association, as a voluntary organization of Japan, has been working actively and contributing towards the increase of overall welfare of poor people of Bangladesh. The International Angel Association, though initially started with the children's home for rehabilitation and education, has now expanded in various essential sectors like women's education, technical training, agricultural training, student's scholarship, construction of schools and health services including sanitary programs.*

*I believe that the partnership between Japanese Government and NGOs like that International Angel Association will make our cooperation more effective and productive, particularly in the field of social sector.*

*I wish the 20th Anniversary of the International Angel Association a great success.*

Matsushiro Horiguchi  
Ambassador



## Message

I am glad to learn that the International Angel Association, a Japanese funded voluntary organization in Bangladesh, is going to celebrate its 20th anniversary on 9th November 2005. I Congratulate the organization on this occasion.

I am happy to note that the organization is serving broadly in education sector, they do this through students' help programme and constructing school buildings. They also provide training to women in technical course on tailoring, embroidered quilt [nakshikantha], information technology, agriculture and livestock. Also, people from the programme area are routinely benefited from the organization's health care service which comprises consultancy and diagnosis. They also have an orphanage [Shishu Sadan] from which orphans are trained to be self reliant.

I appreciate the activities of this organization in our district and take this opportunity to thank the Japanese people for making the efforts of this organization a laudable success.

M. Fazle Rabbi  
Deputy Commissioner  
Gazipur



## Message

International Angel Association founded by my mother Mrs. Yuriko Kawamura in 1982 Under the slogan Love Over The World. It has been 20 years since we have started our activities in Bangladesh. On the occasion of the 20th anniversary it gives me a great pleasure to express my gratitude to all those who have cooperated with us.

We cannot 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 we 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 Technical training Center and Agriculture training center, 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.

Last but not least I wish a bright future for you all in Bangladesh.  
May our cordial relationship last long.

Higashimura Mariko  
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 20 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  
Bangladesh*



## স্মরণ করি

মিসেস ইউরিকো কাওয়ামুরা ১৯৮২ সালে জাপানের হিয়োগো জেলার ইতামি শহরে স্বেচ্ছাসেবী সংগঠন ইন্টারন্যাশনাল এঞ্জেল এসোসিয়েশন গড়ে তোলেন।

১৯৮৫ সালে তিনি বাংলাদেশ সফরে এসে এদেশের মানুষের প্রতি মমত্ববোধ অনুভব করেন ও তাঁর সহায়তার হাত প্রসারিত করেন। তার অকৃত্রিম হৃদয়ের ভালবাসার ফসল ইন্টারন্যাশনাল এঞ্জেল এসোসিয়েশন বাংলাদেশের মানব সম্পদ উন্নয়নে বিভিন্ন কার্যক্রম পরিচালনা করে আসছে। গাজীপুর জেলার কানাবাড়ীতে শিশু সদন, মহিলা কৃষি প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্র, কারিগরী প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্র, বিদ্যালয় নির্মাণ, স্বাস্থ্য সেবা কেন্দ্র ও ছাত্র বৃত্তির মাধ্যমে কাজ করে আসছে।

প্রতি বছরই তিনি বাংলাদেশের কার্যক্রম পরিদর্শন করেছেন। এই অনুষ্ঠানেও তিনি আসার ইচ্ছা প্রকাশ করেছিলেন কিন্তু গত ২৩ নভেম্বর ২০০৪ জাপানের ইতামি শহরে ইহলোক ত্যাগ করেন।

২০ বছর পূর্তির এই শুভক্ষণে কৃতজ্ঞ চিন্তে আমরা তাঁকে স্মরণ করি। তাঁর বিদেহী আত্মার শান্তি কামনা করছি। মানব কল্যাণে তাঁর শুরু করা কার্যক্রম আমরা সামনের দিকে এগিয়ে নিয়ে যাওয়ার প্রত্যয় ব্যক্ত করি।

শিশু সদনের ছাত্র-ছাত্রী, প্রশিক্ষার্থী ও কর্মরত সকল সদস্য বৃন্দ  
ইন্টারন্যাশনাল এঞ্জেল এসোসিয়েশন  
কানাবাড়ী, গাজীপুর।



## Activities

**1. Shishu Sadan (Orphanage) :** 70 Children included this program. 30 children accommodated in Shishu Sadan and 40 children living out side. They are receiving monthly support from this program to continue their higher education. The organisation will go on guiding their with proper care until they become self-reliant and acquire the ability of maintain their livelihood.



**2. Student Help Programme :** Human Resource Development is important for our populated country. Education is the backbone of nation. Keeping this in mind, the Organisation provide scholarship to poor & meritorious students from class six to University level. A number of 3,600 students are receiving the opportunity to continue their study.

**3. Technical Training Centre :** Technical Training Centre provides training to women on Tailoring, Nakshi Kantha, Embroidery, Type writing & Computer. The male can also get this opportunities to learn computer. The Organisation gives free hostel accommodation & food for female trainees. A number of 2,941 trainees successfully completed the course so far. Training enhances skill and increases prospects for competent jobs.



**4. Agriculture Training Centre :** Agriculture training Centre provides training in Agriculture, Poultry, Dairy and fisheries to the rural women. This training requires a minimum of secondary school graduation and training is designed for six month especially for women. 60 trainees divided by two session (Jan-June & July-Dec) selected all over the country. The Organisation gives free hostel accommodation and food for all trainees. A number of 2,431 trainees completed the course and working at GOs, NGOs, private farm as well as in their own Agriculture fields.

**5. Health Care Centre :** Health Care Centre is an out door clinic. Serving the local people with minimum fees. Regular doctors consultancy for general patients (Gynaecologist, Child specialist) and weekly one day Eyes facilities. Pathological test, X-ray, Ultrasound and others facilities are given to the people by subsidies rate. Yearly Eye Camp arrange every year in the month of December. Under this programme patients are given free treatment, Medicine and Cataract Operation. A number of 317 patients are successfully setup Lens their eyes. In the prevention of childhood blindness this Organisation distribute Vitamin A capsule among the rural school children.



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**6. Cultural Centre (Library) :** A large number of students and local people get this opportunities to read books . A number of 6000 books are available in this library. Every year the Cultural Centre arrange cultural program and speech contest on the day of the International Mother Language day, the Independence day, the Hiroshima day, the Victory day, the Birth Anniversary of Rabindranath, Nazrul, Jashim Uddin, Abbas Uddin and Joynul Abedin. The students of different school & college participate this Speech contest and Cultural program. There are 3 Community Library for the rural people at Kapasia in Gazipur district.



**7. Women Welfare Centre :** Women Welfare Centre creates job opportunities in tailoring and handicraft ex-trainees, through its production centre. A number of 14 Women are regular working in Konabari centre. About 2501 Women are working in others 2 sub centres.

**8. Yuriko Angel School :** The children of today will lead the nation tomorrow. But if their education is not complete, they would not be able to lead the country to peace and prosperity. Keeping this mind, the Organisation started Yuriko Angel School from January 2005.

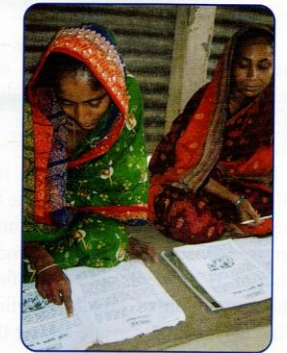


**9. School Construction :** The Organisation has built 24 school building to provide better facilities for the students.

**10. Sanitation Programme :** Every year a group of Japanese students visit Bangladesh, during their stay install with own hands Tube-well and Toilet. The organisation setup 35 Tube-well and 51 Toilet in different school, mosque and villages to ensuring safe drinking water and adequate sanitation.

**11. Tree Plantation Programme :** Destruction of our trees, wood, and forest has put the country to a great disadvantage. This destruction disturb our ecological balance. To save this ecological balance the Organisation always inspires and plants are supplied to the people. A number of 10,000 plants are supplied to the rural people.

**12. Women Education Programme :** Literacy rate is still low in our country. About 1,835 rural women trained for basic education and social awareness through 6 centre at Konabari & Kapasia in Gazipur district.



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## Training Courses

### Technical Training Centre (1993-2005)

Course	Duration of course	Course completed
Tailoring & Nakshi Kantha	6 Months	1124
Type writing	3 Months	379
Computer	3 Months	1438
Total		2941

### Women Education Programme (1993-2005)

Duration of course	Place	Course completed
6 Months	Konabari	278
6 Months	Kapasias	1557
Total		1835

### Agriculture Training Centre (Women) (1994-2005)

Course	Duration	Course completed
Agriculture, Poultry, Dairy and Fisheries	1 Year	249
	6 Months	182
Poultry	10 Days	2000
Total		2431

### Technical Training Support (Male)

Course	Duration	Institute	2002	2003
Electrical house wiring	4 Weeks	MAWTS, Dhaka	11	14
Motor Cycle Repairing	4 Weeks	"	10	5
Radio & TV Repairing	8 Weeks	"	-	3
Welding	4 Weeks	"	10	-
Power Tiller & Pump Machine	4 Weeks	"	9	-
Motor Car driving	4 Weeks	B.R.T.C. Gazipur	-	14
Total			40	36



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