

Subject: Draft outline of Ending Child Marriage research findings sharing in four upazila and district during February 2021

Title of the event	Child Marriage, it's reason, impact in life and prevention measures: Study findings dissimilation on Bhola district
Objectives	<p>After the seminar, important policy and practice leaders of Bhola districts, will be able to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explain the reasons for the failure in preventing child marriage. 2. Explain the success story in preventing child marriage. 3. Explain the impact of child marriage in life. 4. Local Administration, Union Parishad Personnel, Kazi, Imam, CBCPC and other stakeholders are motivated to be active in preventing child marriage.
Venue	Monpura, Charfassion, Lalmohon and Bhola district town with Bhola sadar participants
Time	10.30 am – 13.00 pm. Date: 08 – 28 February, 2021
Background	<p>COAST trust has been working since 1998 for establishing equity and justice especially for the coastal poor where human rights and democracy is the key. It's one mission is to empowering and wellbeing the people to change their role and life so that they can live with dignity. Therefore, besides its microfinance program, COAST also works for ensuring education, human rights, women empowerment, ending child marriage, etc.</p> <p>In the women empowerment issue, COAST found, child marriage is a problem in Bhola district and the trend is increasing. For example, according to UNICEF, child marriage remains widely practiced with 51.4 per cent of women aged 20-24 years first married before their 18th birthday in the country, but in Bhola it is 60.3 % And 15.5 per cent of women first married before their 15th birthday in the country but in Bhola, it is 18.8 percent. So, the child marriage rate remains high.</p> <p>Therefore, COAST has commissioned (October to December 2020) a study to know the situation on Child Marriage in Bhola, its reason, impact in life and prevention measures. It feels, the study findings dissimilation and advocacy at local and national level so that stakeholders will take appropriate measures in policy and practice level. Study found that safety and security are the main reason for child marriage and 54.4% people hardly know the hot line numbers of government to get assistance. There are little of effort from important local level stakeholders in respect of preventing child marriage. (Bangla summary findings of the study is being attached herewith).</p>
Mobilization in step by step.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List of participants will be prepared with name, designation and mobile not at least 10 days before, consult with UNICEF. Preference will be given to political leaders, high officials and local government leaders. 2. Separate list of media and communication with them. 3. Chair, chief guest and special guest will be given formal letter with research findings and outline (in Bangla) at least 10 days before. Remind them one day before that they will come on time. 4. All the expected participants will be given a formal invitation letter with summary of research findings (not the slides) at least 7 days before personally. 5. Assign staff to mobilize the expected participants to come in the seminar on time. 6. Phone call to each of the participants one day before of the seminar. Ensure on time presence of the expected participants in the seminar place.
Methodology	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the seminar place at least 24 hours before, seating arrangement is in U shape. Ensure cleaning and disinfection including the earmarking of toilets. 2. Ensure 3 fits distance and ensure extra masks in the registration desk. 3. In respect of conduction, there will be (i) welcome and objective by organizers, (ii) welcome wishes from chief guest and special guest, (iii) key note presentations, (iv) remarks from designated speakers, (v) interventions from floor, (iv) summary of the

	<p>findings from the seminar from the organizers, (vi) final remarks from special guests and chief guest.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. A flow chart along with time allocation have to be drafted at least 12 hours before of the seminar in consultation with UNICEF officials. 5. Moderator of the seminar should be decided in consultation with UNICEF who is capable to maintain dignity of the participants, with enough knowledge so that will be able to reach toward appropriate conclusion with commitments and motivation.
Immediate outcome	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Within three days after completion a short report (especially including key remarks from important participation and a section on recommendations) will prepared. 2. A press release will be prepared by next 3 hours of seminar held and distributed to all the available media in local level.
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