

Seminar outline of the 19 th Aug. Updated on 11 th Aug. V5	<i>This outline will be updated in time to time even one day before of the seminar and will be available for public in relevant website of www.coastbd.net, www.bd-cso-ngo.net and www.cxb-cso-ngo.org.</i>
Title	Accelerating Grand Bargain 3.0 for Advancing Humanitarian Action Emphasizing on Quality Funding, Localization, Accountability to Affected Population and Aid Transparency
Date and time	19 August 2025, From 10h00 am to 2:00 pm (10.00 to 10.30 tea coffee and networking, session 10.30 to 12.45, lunch 12.45 to 1.30 pm)
Seminar Venue	La Vita Hall, Lakeshore Hotel, House: 46, Road: 41, Gulshan- 2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh.
Note: open for all relevant stakeholders but we encourage to register.	Who has registered in this link, https://forms.gle/SoBbs3yziry7LcuV6 , Consider that they are confirmed. Registration is not mandatory now, but we encourage to do it. This is a in person event, only exception for 3 distinguished speakers who will participate virtually from abroad.
Participant's criteria	The Country Director/Manager, Executive Directors/2 nd , or 3 rd lead of the INGOs, NNGOs, LNGOs, Network of civil society organizations, UN Agencies, BDCSO Process, CCNF members, Donor / embassy officials engaged in humanitarian responses.
Distinguish speakers (yet to confirm)	Saheen Anam, Executive Director MJF Shireen Haque, Naripokka Gawhar Nayeem Warha, Disaster Forum Morshed Alam Sarker, Executive Director, POPI & Chairman CDF Abdul Awal, Executive Director NRDS, SUPRO & GCAP. Saikat Biswas, National Humanitarian Access Coordinator, UNRCO Shofiul Alam, Country Manager, Start Fund Bangladesh Dipankar Dutta, Country Director, NRC in Bangladesh Sudhansu Sekhar Singh, Humanitarian Aid International, India, (Virtual participation) Marvin Parvez, Community World Service Asia, (Virtual participation) Members from Grand Bargain Secretariate Geneva. (Virtual Participation) Matilda Svensson, Embassy of Sweden
Organized by	BDCSO Process and COAST Foundation.
Language	English and Bangla. (Simultaneous translation will be available with receiver)
Objectives	(i) Provide short overview of the Grand Bargain 3.0 implementation agenda. (ii) Express concern on how emphasizing could be given to Quality Funding, Localization, accountability to the affected population and aid transparency. (iii) Reflect views on how we can give more focus in reshaping / reforming the aid architecture.
Background	As we know, the Grand Bargain declaration was made in May 2016 at the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS), with commitments focused on quality funding, localization, aid transparency, and other key themes. A total of 69 (25 donor countries, 24 UN agencies and international organizations, 12 INGOs, 5 Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement entities, 3 Networks) are signatories to these commitments and

	<p>submit annual progress reports in each year. The Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) facilitates the progress of these commitments through a secretariat. Recently, the Grand Bargain introduced its revised version, Grand Bargain 3.0, to the public, an annual meeting has had happened during October 2024 in Geneva.</p> <p>The implementation of GB 3.0 will be emphasized until 2026, raising the question of how best to accelerate this process. An event in 2024 organized by ICVA and CHS Alliance served as a review workshop, discussing future directions. Emerging perspectives suggest the commitments should be shorter and simpler to support effective implementation, with a strong focus on localization, accountability to affected populations, and aid transparency.</p> <p>Several networks and groups are active in supporting these priorities. COAST Foundation, for instance, has initiated a popular country-wide effort, the 'BDCSO Process, a network of CSOs and NGOs in Bangladesh to advance these goals. Similarly, the CCNF (Cox's Bazar CSO NGO Forum) has emphasized a localization roadmap for the Rohingya response. UN agencies in cooperation with participating NGOs in Rohingya response did a study and drafted a road map of localization in Rohingya response. These groups are hosting this workshop to share the Grand Bargain 3.0 priorities in Bangladesh with an aim to get the insights form the participants on accelerating the implementation of Grand Bargain 3.0 at country level.</p> <p>We are happy to inform you that COAST Foundation is holding the BDCSO Process secretariat which is a recent signatory of the Grand Bargain and the network is committed to advance the Grand Bargain implementation agenda in the country.</p>
Presenter	<p>Md. Iqbal Uddin, COAST Foundation, CCNF & BDCSO Process.</p> <p>(The workshop participants will receive draft presentation and Grand Bargain 3.0 documents ahead of the workshop date so that they will have options to read it out and understand more on what GB 3.0 is, that will enable them to share concrete recommendations for actions to advance the Grand Bargain implementation agenda in Bangladesh).</p>
Moderation	M Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, Executive Director COAST, Chief Moderator of BDCSO, Process and Co – Chair CCNF.
10.00- 10:30	Registration and networking with tea and coffee.
10:30 – 10.45	Welcome. Objectives, ground rules (respectful and positive statement, discouraging repetition, brief and no addressing, encouraging complementarity and inclusiveness) and methodology of the seminar. Origin and evolution of the Grand Bargain 3.0 process. Role of LNGOs, NNGOs, INGOs, UN agencies in respect of quality funding, localization, accountability to the affected population, aid transparency etc.
10.45 - 11. 00	Keynote presentation
11.00– 12.30	Distinguished speakers (max 5 minutes) and in between one or two interventions (each max 2 minutes) from floor.
12.30- 12.45	Conclusion and vote of thanks from the moderator
12.45- 1.30 pm	Lunch/ prayer
Methodology	Keynote presentation will be for maximum 15 minutes. Slides will be shared with speakers and available on the website for the participants. Each distinguished speaker

	will be requested to take maximum 5 minutes. In between speakers one or two interventions will be invited from the floor, each intervention will be requested for max two minutes. Moderator will give summary at the conclusion of the seminar.
Furtherance of outcome / campaign	On behalf of the organizers, a one-pager/ flyer summarizing the workshop outcome will be published, along with video production, specifically for social media platforms like X/Twitter. A press release will also be prepared, with a focus on media coverage in Dhaka and Cox's Bazar-based print outlets. These materials will be distributed globally to ensure a wide reach and engagement of Bangladeshi NGOs aiming to accelerate the implementation of Grand Bargain 3.0.
Materials available	Under the notice board of www.coastbd.net , www.bd.cso-ngo.net and www.cxb-cso-ngo.net ,
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