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RALLY

With the lead of National Human rights Commission (JAMAKON) human rights organizations of Bangladesh marched in a rally to mark the celebration of International Human Rights Day. The leading of JAMAKON showed that it will go in front to ensure human rights of all of the citizens of Bangladesh whether they are from different religion, caste, race, profession, and ethnicity or have different sexual orientation and gender identity.

Professor Dr. Mizanur Rahman, Chairman of JAMAKON inaugurated the rally and walked a mile with hundreds of people gathered in TSC Chatter of Dhaka University, a place of pride, glory of Bangladesh from where country moved to achieve its rights of mother tongue and the liberation. Bandhu Social Welfare Society (BSWS) along with around 100 sexual minority community participated in the rally with festoons in hands, JAMAKON emblem in head and hope in heart that rights will be ensured.

Beside the rally in Dhaka, people of SOGI community across the country organized rallies in 6 divisional cities. People from Barisal, Chittagong, Khulna, Rajshahi, Rangpur and Sylhet walked in the rally with upholding the slogan "Our Rights, Our Freedom, Always".

All this happened, because of the financial support of USAID Bangladesh through a Fixed Amount Award for "Human Rights in Development Project".



CULTURAL PROGRAM



On the eve of the human rights day, hundreds of people gathered at Abdul Karim Shahittobisharod Auditorium, Bangla Auditorium Dhaka to stare at the cultural show “Srishti, Shomota o Shomoodhikar-Shetubondhoney Songskrity” performed by Essence of Soul.

Establishing the corrective dispersion and understanding of the human rights among Bangladeshi citizens are a challenge itself. It becomes doubly harder when we are dealing with the sexual minority groups as they remain stunted in the conundrum of stigma and discrimination.

In order to relate to them the mainstream audience needs to be sensitized about the livelihood, struggles, desires, aspirations of this neglected community. One effective platform to address this issue is bringing everyone together in the stage of art and culture.

With support from United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Bangladesh, BSWS is currently implementing a project titled ‘Human Rights in Development’ (USAID’s HRID), under which the evening was organized to commemorate the International Human Rights Day.

The stunning evening was happened with the lean support of country’s most famous choreographers naming Shamim Ara Nipa, Kabirul Islam Ratan, Anisul Islam Hero and Sadia Islam Mou. It also gave the chance to the audiences to watch the talents of the community as 5 dances were choreographed by Mr. Mohor Ali Sakib, a SOGI community member.

Around 400 audiences participated in the program and applauded the gripping performances of Dance, Baul Song and the elegant fashion show with the presence of country’s one of the top models Sadia Islam Mou as the showstopper.

