PROJECT BRIEF
Rights for Gender Diverse Population (RGDP)

PROJECT GOAL
Social justice promoted for Gender Diverse Population of Bangladesh through establishment of dignity and availing of state and non-state opportunities

OBJECTIVES
- To increase awareness and knowledge among gender diverse population about their human rights and responsibilities.
- To improve enabling environment for gender diverse population to access public services by creating mass awareness and understanding of policy makers and key stakeholders.
- To enhance capacity of the key stakeholders to reduce harassment, stigma, discrimination and human rights violations related to Gender Identity issues.
- To mobilize gender diverse community and the key stakeholders to improve safety and legal rights.

INTERVENTION AREAS
RGDP project implements its activities in 8 Divisions (Dhaka, Chattogram, Barishal, Rajshahi, Sylhet, Khulna, Mymensingh and Rangpur) of Bangladesh.

IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATION
Bandhu Social Welfare Society (Bandhu)

DONOR
USAID/ Bangladesh

DURATION
June 15, 2018 - June 14, 2021
THEMATIC AREAS

- Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights of Gender Diverse Population
- Advocacy for improved policies and services
- Basic Education: Formal and Informal
- Skills development includes Livelihoods Training and Jobs
- Gender Based Violence and Mental Health counselling
- Community system strengthening
- Safety and Security of Gender Diverse Population

PROJECT KEY ACTIVITIES AND EXPECTED OUTPUT

- Provided support to approximately 3000 beneficiaries.
- Increased awareness and understanding about Gender Diverse Population’s Human rights by 5,000 individuals representing the key stakeholders.
- 200,000 people reached through community radio programs.
- 31 Community Based Organizations assisted to improve their organizational capacity.
- Improved literacy and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) of 60 Gender Diverse Population.

- Oriented 1000 students and guardians about GDPs rights.
- Fellowships offered to 20 lawyers, 16 journalists and 45 students for supporting the community.
- Sensitized 150 Law Enforcement Personnel.
- Trained 160 panel lawyers on national and international laws related to community.
- 1080 beneficiaries received legal support from AIN ALAP department.
- 50 religious leaders gathered knowledge about gender diversity.
- Established relationship with 80 media representatives who will act as the human rights defenders towards the community.
- Rohingya Community is getting psychosocial counseling services through one support center at Cox’s Bazar.
- Formed safety and security committees of 31 CBOs across the country.