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The global epidemic of corona virus/covid-19 has already turned into a terrible epidemic affecting human lives. The crisis of the whole world has caused extreme misery among the people. National Development Programme (NDP) has been implementing covid-19 activities for poor and vulnerable people from the very beginning. A summary is given below of the Covid-19 activities that NDP performed by December 2020.

NDP staffs contribution for Covid-19 affected people

National Development Programme (NDP) takes initiatives in very emergency to grants all employees one day salary to 4 districts administration.

NDP has provided taka 2 lacs to each Deputy Commissioner Relief Fund (Sirajganj, Bogura, Pabna and Natore) and taka 2 lacs to the Honorable Prime Minister



Executive Director of NDP Md. Alauddin Khan handed over cheque to Deputy Commissioner of Sirajganj Dr. Faruk Ahmed

Relief Fund through Palli Karma Shahayok Foundation (PKSF), for a total of BDT 10 lacs. Another 4 (four) lakh taka including rice, pulses, oil, soap and a total of 14 (fourteen) lakh were distributed among the day laborers and helpless families on an emergency period.

Also NDP has distributed relief materials to 500 HHs with different temporary campaign under Alokito Gram Kormosuchi and Proben Kollyan kormosuchi. To keep the environment clean, NDP provided 10 disinfectant spray machines to Sirajganj district administration.

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UNDP's Humanitarian Assistance to the special needs people



Belkuchi UNO distributed humanitarian assistance to beneficiaries

2,971 selected distressed families. A total of 611 persons with 54 special needs (disabled) families from Sadar, 553 tribal families from Rayganj and 210 families with special needs (disabled) in Belkuchi upazila and municipality area were covered under this programme.

Each family received 27kg of humanitarian assistance including daily necessary item like rice, pulses, oil, sugar, salt, flour, soap etc. NDP select this vulnerable people with the priority base affected families in Covid-19. Assistant Commissioner (Land) of Sirajganj Sadar Mohammad Rahmat Ullah, UNO of Belkuchi Md. Anisur Rahman and Raiganj upazila Parishad Women Vice-Chairman and Executive Director of Pragatisheel Nari Proteshta Niskriti Das led the distribution of their respective upazila.

Kazi Masuduzzaman, Deputy Director (M&E) of NDP and Youth Volunteers Kalabati Rani Mahato and Parimal Mahato of UNDP were presents in the distribution function.

Auto vans and milk caring cans distributed to the Covid-19 affected dairy entrepreneurs

National Development Programme (NDP) has been implementing EES Programme in Sirajganj district. Heifer International Bangladesh is giving technical and financial assistance to improve the quality of livelihood. Apart from regular activities in Rayganj and Ullapara Upazila, the project is also executing various activities to address covid-19. At the same time, the project has given 4 auto vans and 9 milk cans to Cooperative Society under the Agriculture and Livestock Value Chain project.



Rayganj UNO handed over Milk can to Cooperative Society as a gift

Raiganj Upazila Nirbahi Officer Md. Rajibul Alam was present as a chief guest during the distribution at Raiganj Upazila Parishad Hall. He said that "NDP has been carrying out various development activities from the very beginning as a partner of the government. In the end, he wished success to the project and assured cooperation". Upazila Women Vice Chairman Niskriti Das and Md. Rezaul Karim Bachu were present as special guests. Project Coordinator Abu Anesh Yousuf, Md. Mizanur Rahman, Area Manager and 4 leaders of cooperative societies were presents.

Humanitarian Assistance under SHOUHARDO-III Programme for their vulnerable beneficiaries



Hand Washing Station

NDP has been implementing SHOUHARDO-III Programme at Belkuchi, Chowhali and Shahzadpur upazila. This Programme has been working to improve people's livelihood from the beginning with financial and technical assistance from CARE- Bangladesh. In addition to regular activities, this Programme has implementing various activities in Covid pandemic.

Through the project 4,500 households receives taka 564 million and everyone receives taka 12,000 via bkaash. To motivate the local people to washing hands, NDP has founded 42 hand washing station at programme area. On the other hand, 350 volunteers have provided humanitarian assistance to affected families at different unions in Covid-19 situation.

Hygiene support from ELNHA Project for reducing Covid-19 vulnerabilities

Empowering Local and National Humanitarian Actors (ELNHA) Project is being implemented in Sirajganj district in collaboration with SKS Foundation and funded by Oxfam in Bangladesh. Through the project, National Development Programme (NDP) is implementing various



Kazipur Sadar Up chairmen delivering his speech about Covid-19 at distribution centre

activities to increase health awareness among the local public about corona virus. On the other hand various materials are distributed from this project. Among them, hygiene kits and other materials were distributed to 298 families in Kawakhola Union of Sirajganj Sadar and Sadar Union of Kazipur Upazila. This assistance has provided to 125 households in Kawakola union and 173 households in Kazipur Sadar union on 16 November 2020.

Every household got 10 bath soaps (125 gm each), 5 packets of detergent powder (200 gm each), 3 packets of sanitary pads, 20 liter bucket (with cap), 50 surgical masks, 1 plastic mug, and 1 awareness leaflet. Kawakhola Union Parishad Chairman Md. Abdul Halim and Kazipur Sadar Union Parishad Chairman Md. Atiqur Rahman Nannu were present on the distribution. All the activities of the project have been conducted under the guidance of Kazi Masuduzzaman, Deputy Director (M&E) of NDP.

Aware people of both union think that the project would help to reduce the corona virus risk among the poor and marginalized people of the region as well as raise public awareness about the corona virus.

Food Support under ELNHA Project for reducing Covid-19 impact



NDP Executive Director Md. Alauddin Khan with beneficiaries at distribution centre

Empowering Local and National Humanitarian Actors (ELNHA) Project has implemented in Sadar upazila of Sirajganj District in collaboration with SKS Foundation and funded by Oxfam in Bangladesh. In addition, various initiatives were being introduced to raise health awareness the

local community in the event of Covid-19 epidemic. On July 30, 2020, 410 families received various materials at Pioneer KG and Pre-Cadet School in Masumpur Natun Para of Sirajganj sadar upazila. Every households receives a total of 62.5 kg bags, where included with 40 kg of rice, 5 liters of refined oil, 2.25 kg of chira, 1 kg of iodized salt, 1 kg of sugar, 13.5 kg of pulse, etc.

Executive Director of NDP Md. Alauddin Khan was present as a Chief Guest at distribution programme. At the time, NDP's executive director informed everyone about the danger of Covid-19 and advised them to wear masks. Other officers and local delegates of the community were present, including Director (Programme) Moha. Shah Azad Iqbal and Deputy Director (M&E) Kazi Masuduzzaman.

On the other hand Sirajganj sadar UNO Sarkar Asim Kumar attended to the distribution at Malshapara Primary School as a chief guest. On behalf of the Government, he told everyone about the contagious disease and thanked NDP.

Technical Assistance for reducing Mother and Child risk amidst Covid-19 Pandemic

Due to the Covid-19 epidemic, all types of public gatherings have been strictly prohibited as per the government directions, but the activities have been continued by adopting different strategies. As per Health Regulations, various initiatives are being carried out to raise awareness of Covid-19 and improve the behavior of food, nutrition and health among the beneficiaries of the programme.

The project is being implemented by the Department of Women's Affairs with technical assistance from United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) and strategic planning by NDP. Awareness campaigns are provided by women development workers who work at the project's union level. Every beneficiary mother receives information about Covid-19 through mobile phone calls sitting at home and maintaining a safe distance. Avoiding public places as much as possible, maintaining social distance, wearing masks at outdoors, wash hands regularly with soap, wearing masks when breastfeeding a baby, changing cloth when going home, and using hot water if possible are all recommendations for raising awareness. Union health workers, union family planning workers, even local village doctors are helps to get the warning notice to the mothers in various ways.

Covid-19 Campaign through Leaflets and Masks

50,000 leaflets and 20,000 masks were distributed from NDP's own fund to increase awareness on covid-19 prevention. This awareness programme has been implemented in every upazila of Sirajganj districts. Among those materials 10,000 masks and leaflets were distributed to the Upazila Parishad Chairman and the Police station. These materials are directly distributed by the organization at public gathering places such as street corners and crowded places.



Kamarkhanda Upazilla Chairman received leaflets and masks from NDP project officer

On 29 March 2020 Project Officer of NDP (Cultural and Sports Programme) Md. Fazal Karim handed over mask and leaflet to Kamarkhanda Upazila Parishad Chairman SM Shahidullah Sabuj where President of Kamarkhanda upazila Press Club Golam Kibria was present.

Covid-19 Awareness Campaign by ENRICH Programme



Providing mask's & leaflets to ordinary people

ENRICH Programme is initiated in Bera upazila of Pabna district and Gurudaspur upazila of Natore district with financial and technical support from Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF). Various activities are being introduced to increase health awareness during the covid-19 period, in addition to

the regular activities in Bera and Gurudaspur upazila. In the meantime, 500 masks and 450 leaflets have been distributed in Bera upazila to raise awareness about Corona virus. Health assistance has also assured counseling a total of 3,834 families with 9 hands washing events for youth and adolescent groups, 2 days of miking, 1 youth banner hanging for awareness, and 2000 counseling sessions for youth and adolescent groups in the village are among the other activities. At the same time, NDP distributed 200 masks from own funds in Gurudaspur upazila, as well as sanitizer use assurance campaign, awareness Campaign (at family level) for 8,600 house holds, distributing 500 awareness leaflets, and 2 days miking in Mashinda union.

CGBV Project initiatives during Covid-19 Pandemic

Combating Gender Based Violence (CGBV) project has been successfully implemented in Sirajganj district with support from the Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF). In addition to regular activities, CGBV project also executing various activities in Covid-19 provisions.

A total of 266 health awareness activities have been done in 14 villages of Kaliaharipur and Soydabad union of Sirajganj sadar upazila. It also included with 140 women teams, 42 men teams, 42 adolescent groups, 42 youth groups, 2 union social support groups, and 1 Upazila social support group. In total, 6,100 participants including 3,550 women, 870 men, and 1,680 youths were presents in the meeting.

From this project 5,000 leaflets and 900 protective face masks distributed to increase awareness

Humanitarian food support by Human Rights Programme



Beneficiaries of Rajganj Upazila

National Development Programme (NDP) has implementing Human Rights Programme at Sirajganj districts. On covid-19 pandemic period NDP provide food supports to vulnerable people from this project. This assistance has provided to 150 households in Rayganj upazila and 200

households in Tarash upazila on 28 and 30 April 2020. This project is funded by UNDP and National Human Rights Commission. Every family receives 15 kg rice, 5 kg potato, 5 kg flour, 2 kg sugar, 2 litre oil, 1 kg Chira, 3 kg onion, and 2 bath soap. All the activities of the project have been conducted under the guidance of Kazi Masuduzzaman, Deputy Director (M&E) of NDP.

Covid-19 crisis and VGD-PACE Project

National Development Programme (NDP) has initiated Dairy Value chain project as part of the PACE project with financial support from Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF). Activities that have been completed in Covid-19 through "Increasing Income of the Entrepreneurs through Dairy Cluster development and extension" are summarized as follows:

SI	Particulars	Numbers
1.	Covid-19 awareness training for material suppliers	75
2.	Covid-19 awareness training for service providers	60
3.	Covid-19 awareness training for farmers	900
4.	Covid-19 awareness training for milk traders	60
5.	Covid-19 awareness training fo rmanufacturers of dairy products	30
6.	Taking action on bio-security in the market place	05
7.	Covid-19 awareness training for milk traders committee	50
8.	Poster, signboard & awareness leaflet distribution	100

