

Ministry of Social Welfare

INTRODUCTION

Ministry of Social Welfare is one of the important Ministries dealing with social security for the people of Bangladesh, being charged with the largest number of programmes. To introduce Bangladesh as a welfare state, this Ministry is implementing programmes like Old Age Allowances, Widow Allowances and Allowances for Persons with Disabilities, grants and aid to acid burnt victims. The Ministry has also multidimensional and intensive programmes for the welfare of the by-passed, disadvantaged segment, unemployed, landless, orphans, distressed, vagrants, homeless, socially, intellectually and physically challenged, neuro-development challenged, poor, helpless patients, children at risk, of both rural and urban areas of the country. In accordance with Article 15(D) of the Constitution of Bangladesh, the Ministry of Social Welfare as well as attached Department and Agencies, are implementing these programmes. All the programmes are related to achieving the targets of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Management of Social Transformation (MoST), Vision 2021 and the Seventh Five-Year Plan.

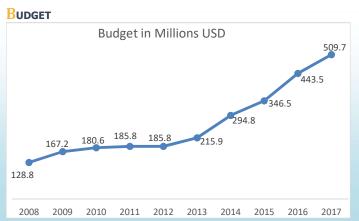
OBJECTIVES

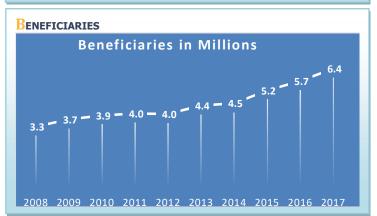
The strategic objective of the Ministry is to consolidate the major lifecycle programmes, making them more inclusive and efficient.

PROJECTS

MoSW has implemented 34 Social Security Programmes up to now. In 2017-18, it is implementing 23 Programmes, these are;

- 1. Old Age Allowance
- 2. Allowances for the Widow, Deserted and Destitute Women
- 3. Allowances for the Financially Insolvent Disabled
- 4. Assistance for Cancer, Kidney and Liver Cirrhosis Patients
- 5. Grants for Residents in Government Orphanages and Other Institutions
- 6. Capitation Grants for Orphan Students in Non-Govt. Orphanages
- Programme for Livelihood Improvement of teagarden labourers
- 8. Stipend for Disabled Students
- 9. Grants for the Schools for the Disabled
- 10. Fund for the Welfare of Acid Burnt Women and Disabled
- 11. Trust for the protection of the persons with neurodevelopmental disabilities
- 12. Welfare Trust for Physical disabilities
- 13. Shamaj Kallyan Parishad
- 14. Service and Assistance Center for Disabled
- 15. Rehabilitation and Creation of Alternative Employment for Beggers Profession
- 16. Programme for Improving the Livelihood of Bede and disadvantage community
- 17. Programme for Improving the Livelihood of Trans Gender (Hijra)
- 18. Child Sensitive Social Protection in Bangladesh
- 19. Construction of Hostel for Govt. Orphanage
- 20. Services for Children at Risk
- 21. Establishment of Hostel for the Visually Impaired Children (37 Unit)
- 22. Construction of Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Centre, CRP-Manikgonj
- 23. Amader Bari (Our Home): Integrated Old and Children Home









CHALLENGES

The National Social Security Strategy envisages that the Ministry of Social Welfare will assume the responsibility of leading lifecycle based social security. Thus, the ministry has a huge responsibility of causing the transition of social security towards that goal. In the short run, the ministry has been assigned with the responsibility of coordinating the thematic cluster on social allowance, while also participating in most of the other clusters as an important member.

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