



Social Safety Net Programs in the HNP Sector

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- Five development initiatives of the MOHFW was included in the SSN Programs of **FY 2011-12**:
 - Demand Side Financing Maternal Voucher Scheme
 - Revitalization of Community Health Care Initiative in Bangladesh
 - Social health services
 - National nutrition services
 - Maternal, child, reproductive and adolescent health
- Total number of beneficiaries were poor pregnant women of the project/program area
- Associated cost was Tk. 580 crore.

Social Safety Net Programs in the HNP Sector (contd.)

- The same five initiatives continued in **FY 2012-13, FY 2013-14 and FY 2014-15** with associated cost of Tk. 665 crore, Tk. 612 crore and Tk. 1039 crore respectively.
- In FY 2014-15, the number of beneficiaries increased to 2,75,83,900 under the five initiatives.
- Average annual spending for SSN programs under the MOHFW till FY 2014-15 was Tk. 725.55 crore.
- A study undertaken by the cabinet division in 2015 (published in 2016) revealed that the SSN programs of the MOHFW contributed to reduce MMR, U-5MR.

Social Safety Net Programs in the HNP Sector (contd.)

- In FY 2015-16, under the five programs, the number of services increased to 15,80,75,308; however, associated cost reduced to 552.15 crore. [*The main reason for reduction of cost is the completion of the community clinic project in June 2014*]
- The number of initiatives under the SSN programs of MOHFW increased to 7 in FY 2016-17, with associated cost of Tk. 789.24 crore.
- In FY 2017-18, the number of initiatives increased to 10 with associated cost of Tk. 789.24 crore.

On-going SSN Programs of MOHFW

(i) Demand Side Financing: Maternal Health Voucher Scheme

- ▶ The Maternal Health Voucher Scheme was introduced in 21 upazilas of 21 districts to reduce MMR, increase institutional delivery, perform safe delivery & reduce complication during delivery.
- ▶ Under the DSF program, pregnant mothers receive
 - ✓ Antenatal, intranatal & postnatal care services
 - ✓ Laboratory investigations with free of cost
 - ✓ Transport allowance for receiving their services from facilities
 - ✓ Free services for Normal delivery, C-Section & treatment of complication during delivery.

On-going SSN initiatives of MOHFW

- Currently, Maternal Health Voucher Scheme is continuing in 55 upazilas of 41 districts.
- In FY 2017-18, about 71,695 mothers received Incentives (Cash incentive & Travel cost) under DSF program. Cost associated with this activity was Tk. 2.3 crore.

(ii) Demand Side Financing: Cataract Surgery for Poor and marginalized Population

- In FY 2017-18, about 2,000 poor people received free treatment. The cost associated was Tk. 60 lakh.
- Till now, a total of 3,30,000 Cataract surgeries had been performed.

On-going SSN initiatives of MOHFW (contd.)

(iii) Shasthya Shurokkha Karmashuchi (SSK)

- ▶ SSK was developed by HEU of MOHFW to provide free health care services to BPL (Below Poverty Line) households with quality; and to reduce the out of pocket (OOP) expenditure.
- ▶ In FY 2017-18, about 46,297 families were brought under the SSK utilizing Tk. 4.63 crore.
- ▶ SSK card holder household will receive free IPD services for 50 diagnoses and this benefit package will be increased gradually.
- ▶ Till 31 October 2018, about 27,533 BPL households in Kalihati, 27,002 BPL households in Ghatail, and 26,156 BPL households in Modhupur upazila (total 80,691 BPL households) have been registered.

On-going SSN initiatives of MOHFW (contd.)

(iv) Demand Side Financing: Increase Accessibility of the Poor, Marginalized and disadvantaged Population

- Currently, there are 13,707 functional CCs. In FY 2017-18, people from rural communities, especially mother and children, received health services from the CCs through 11.25 crore visits. Cost associated with this activity was Tk. 738.07 crore.
- Since revitalization in 2009 to June 2018, the number of visits in CCs is more than 71.00 crore. Number of daily visit per CC is 38.

(v) Referral of Patients to Higher Facilities

- *Primary health care services* are provided at the CCs. Approximately 1.01 crore patients were referred to higher facilities for better management

On-going SSN programs of MOHFW (contd.)

(vi) Ensuring Normal Deliveries for Rural People

- ▶ To ensure normal delivery in the rural areas, 28,758 deliveries were conducted in the CCs in FY 2017-18

(vii) Vitamin A Supplementation

- ▶ Vitamin A supplementation has been incorporated within the national immunization program since 1995
- ▶ In FY 2017-18, about 4,16,50,217 children received Vitamin-A supplementation worth Tk. 20.10 crore
- ▶ On 14 August 2018, about 2,08,05,290 children of 6-59 months received Vitamin A capsule in the first round of 2018 National Vitamin A campaign

On-going SSN programs of MOHFW (contd.)

(viii) Iron Folic Acid Supplementation

- To control and Prevent Anemia, iron tables of Tk. 15.7 crore were distributed to 1,53,14,152 women in FY 2017-18
- It is expected that In FY 2018-19, iron tablets worth Tk. 17.50 crore will be distributed.

(ix) Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM)

- Till date, 340 SAM units including 2 NGO facilities have been established and Tk. 20.05 lac has been spent.

(x) Establishment of Children-friendly hospital

- 788 children-friendly hospitals have been established using Tk. 1.11 crore.



Way Forward

- The MOHFW would implement its SSN programs with priority;
- The DSF programs will be expanded as planned in the PIP of the 4th HPSNP
- Sufficient budget will be allocated to the SSN programs;
- MOHFW would collaborate with other Ministries/Divisions to implement the action plan of the National Social Security Strategy (NSSS).



Thank you

