



## Executive Desk



We're very very happy and blessed. This is simply because; over the past three decades we have got a chance to work for poor people at the grassroots level across the country.

We feel intense passion, when we are able to work with children, women, and the elderly as a partner for their development.

In varieties of development issues, domestic and foreign development partners constantly are working with having shoulder to shoulder. It is undoubtedly a matter of virtue, especially our involvement with the lives and livelihoods of poor people.

We are warned that "nothing is certain" these days, our main challenge is to cope with the changed circumstances repeatedly. In this contrast, we boost up our capacity, so that; we can accomplish our job properly. We want to keep up the pace of momentum of our journey into the free skyline. This is however; we love to see the Bangladeshi people only smiling, loving, enthusiastic, and happiness all around.

Pinku Rita Biswas  
Deputy Executive Director, RRF

## DC Jessore Made RRF Proud

*DC Jessore distributed Cheques for educational expense and Entrepreneurship development Materials among the beneficiaries of RRF Sponsorship and Ant-Trafficking project*



Dr. Md. Humayun Kabir, Deputy Commissioner, Jessore district.

Dr. Md. Humayun Kabir, Deputy Commissioner, Jessore district visited various activities of Rural Reconstruction Foundation on 31 March 2015 here at Jessore. It was 4 hours long trip he made organized by RRF with some events. The honorable chairman of RRF Mr. Tarapada Das accompanied him during his staying at RRF. At the very outset few RRF personnel awarded him a heartfelt welcome with a bunch of flower, and then a PowerPoint presentation was presented on the screen for helping him to know about RRF and its activities. In between that time, he distributed Cheques for educational materials among the few sponsorship program beneficiaries (funded by Chalice-Canada). Later, he distributed entrepreneurship development

materials among the few victims who have been cheated after going abroad, who are the beneficiaries of "Protecting victims of Human Trafficking in Bangladesh" project funded by Relief International. At the end of the program, the Deputy Commissioner Dr. Md. Humayun Kabir delivered a short speech. He said that that was an excellent piece of experience he got from that trip and would be very happy, if he would spend much more time and would go through RRF different programs intensively. He expressed his intention to visit RRF again if he would manage his time. Alongside him, The ADC (education) and DD-Social service were present alongside him.



## Training Workshop on USAID rules & regulation Glance to deal with USAID

The flourish organization Rural Reconstruction Foundation is waiting for a big deal for USAID award, which would be a landmark for RRF point of view. A total of 44 organizations from the southern districts were initially identified for AVC project's capacity building partnership which was narrowed down through preliminary review to 10 organizations for further assessment. Goal of capacity assessments is to understand initial strengths and weaknesses of the prospective partners and prepare a capacity building plan. Under USAID FORWARD- AVC project plans to strengthen five promising organizations from the PTF districts for consideration of direct USAID awards. Focus of capacity building is two folds; namely "Operational capacity" and "Technical capacity". CBSG (Capacity Building Service Group) has mainly undertaken to conduct capacity building activities on for USAID. It is mainly responsible to implement performance solutions and monitor change in performance through a specific process of institutional development.

Being pre-qualified NGO of USAID, 05 RRF's senior level personnel has attended in a 03 days long "USAID Rules and Regulation" training workshop at Hotel Hassan in Jessore in the duration of 22-24 March 2015.

## MRA Officials went to oversee RRF activities

Md. Rashidul Islam, Director (Joint Secretary), Microcredit Regularity Authority (MRA) with his fellow MRA officials Mr. Shahidul Islam, Deputy Director, MRA completed a 2 days trip to oversee the RRF different activities here in Jessore on 15 & 16 March, 2015. During his trip, he visited a few number of RRF Microcredit and development program inside Jessore district. He spent few time with sharing with RRF staffs in different issues. Later, RRF management presented a power point presentation where all the RRF activities been focused.



Md. Rashidul Islam, Director (Joint Secretary), Microcredit Regularity Authority (MRA)



Philip Biswas, Executive Director, RRF in a session in USA

## The RRF ED attends in an international Summit in USA

Mr. Philip Biswas, Executive Director and Mrs. Pinku Rita Biswas, Deputy Executive Director of Rural Reconstruction Foundation has taken part in an international summit namely "Fifty-ninth Session of the commission on the Status of Women" at American Convention Center inside the United Nation premises in New York, United States in the duration of 07-31 March, 2015. The main objective of this session is to bring the issues of family care responsibilities and reconciliation of work and family life into center of the debate on gender equality and women's economic empowerment in the context of Beijing+20 review. Being a panelist member of this session, Mr. Philip Biswas delivered a special article on "Women and the Poverty" and "Women and the Economy" in Bangladesh context. Both Philip and Rita also observed the International Women Day along with the all delegates from all over the world at Time Square in Manhattan, New York. Being an affiliated member of Make Mothers Matter (MMM) Paris, Rural Reconstruction Foundation has attended in this Seminar.