

SUMMARY

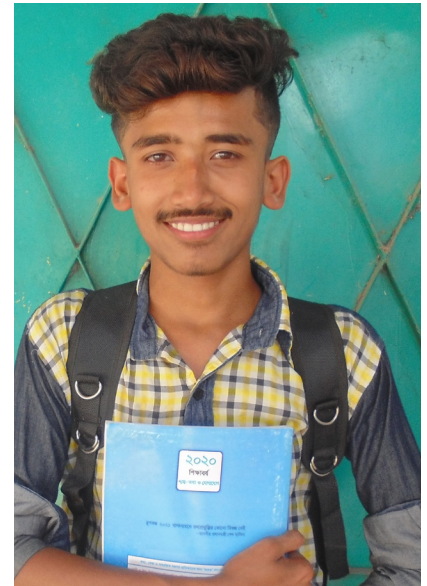
We are pleased to report that the Jiboner Jannya (Well-Being of Life) Project has surpassed the Life-Of-Program goal of reaching 62,991 people with activities that protect children from labor and all forms of violence within supportive families and communities.

Although some project activities had to be postponed due to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions in Bangladesh, our staff adapted by scaling down the size of events and workshops, emphasizing good hygiene, and using mobile technology to monitor and get updates on children. World Vision also provided awareness messages in project communities with updated information on COVID-19, and how to prevent it.

Our top priority was maintaining support for families and children. We provided 182 families with

monthly conditional cash transfers after removing their children from hazardous labor, to help ease financial strains caused by the pandemic and reduce the likelihood of their children returning to work.

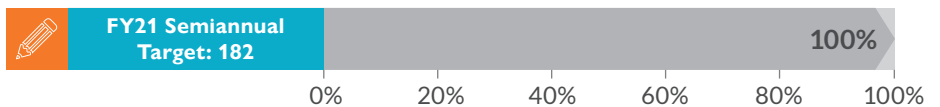
In addition to receiving catch-up education services at Child Friendly Learning and Recreation Centers (CFLRCs), children removed from the most dangerous forms of labor also participate in Life Skills Based Education (LSBE) groups. These groups help youth build character, cope with emotions and stress, and develop strong problem-solving, decision-making, and communication skills. In this reporting period, the project established seven new LSBEs with a total of 180 participants. We trained seven new peer educators to lead the groups and develop annual action plans.



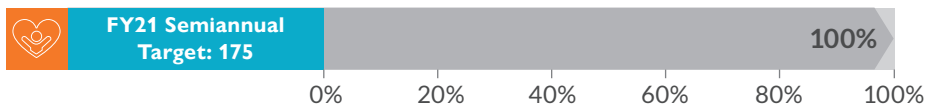
“I [felt] very tired of working. I wanted to go to school.”
After missing years of school and working 10-hour days in a restaurant, 16-year-old Hurairah received catch-up education from World Vision’s Child Friendly Learning and Recreation Center (CFLRC).

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES

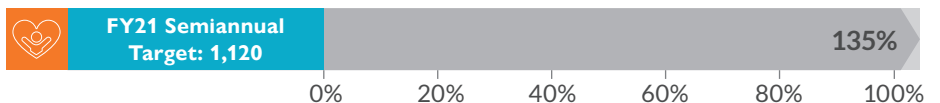
182 children were removed from the worst forms of child labor and enrolled in school.



175 children were legally registered as citizens and received birth certificates.



1,514 people increased their understanding of child labor and child protection issues.



127 CFLRC graduates received support to transition to primary school.



KEY LEARNINGS

The global pandemic has increased financial strain on families in Bangladesh, especially in our project areas. To reduce the pressure for children to return to work, we recently offered a two-day workshop to encourage parents to continue income-generating activities. The training included an analysis of how market demands have changed and helped people identify ways to run their businesses more efficiently.

As the work to help parents and caregivers provide for their families continues, we also want to ensure there is ongoing support for catch-up education programs for children. During the last 6 months of FY21, the project will focus on identifying and training local partners and community members who will manage CFLRCs in the future, once the project closes.

LIFE-OF-PROGRAM UPDATE



PLANS FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

In the last six months of FY21, the project will:

- Finalize arrangements for long-term management of CFLRCs.
- Conduct a final project evaluation.
- Hold quarterly Child Forum meetings, encouraging children to be active participants in the fight against child labor, abuse, and early marriage.

THANK YOU

Thanks to your faithful support, more children than ever are going to school and playing with classmates, instead of going to work. Your generosity has helped create a brighter future for thousands of families in Bangladesh.



In March, 52 children and youth who were removed from hazardous labor participated in a community birthday celebration at the CFLRC in Jessore. Most of these children have never experienced a birthday party. Events like this show children they are loved, valued, and their lives are to be celebrated.

*Five year program, FY16-FY21



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FINANCIALS

Program spending October 2020 through March 2021

Activity Description	Fiscal Year-to-Date Spending	Project-to-Date Spending	Project-to-Date Budget Through End of FY21
Outcome 1: Children are active participants in efforts to reduce child labor and all violence against children in their families, communities, and workplaces	95,275	1,375,978	1,509,385
Improve life skills and build character, resilience, decision-making, and communication skills of children engaged in and at risk for worst forms of child labor.	409	107,843	118,299
Improve children's capacity to advocate with local and national government regarding child labor and other child protection issues.	6,015	93,901	103,005
Establish community-managed child friendly learning and recreation centers(CFLRC).	31,659	385,900	423,315
Provide early childhood care and transition to primary school for children aged 3-5 who are at risk for worst forms of child labor.	3,087	335,465	367,990
Provide catch-up education and transition to primary or secondary school for children ages 6+ who are withdrawn from or at-risk of worst forms of child labor.	54,104	452,869	496,776
Outcome 2: Families have strong, healthy relationships and access to services that care for and protect children from child labor	1,656	872,014	956,558
Ensure family development plans for families of children engaged in or at risk of worst forms of child labor.	-	8,557	9,386
Improve parenting skills of parents/caregivers of children engaged in or at risk of worst forms of child labor.	-	82,502	90,501
Increase income-generation opportunities for parents and/or vocational training opportunities for children ages 14+ who are engaged in or at risk of the worst forms of child labor.	1,656	775,450	850,632
Increase job placement or market linkage opportunities for parents and children over 14 years	-	5,505	6,039
Outcome 3: Communities are working together to establish and sustain a protective environment for all children, especially those engaged in or vulnerable to child labor	32,135	511,660	561,267
Increase public awareness among children, parents, communities, and civil society on child labor and child protection issues.	23,344	371,756	407,799
Strengthen government child protection bodies and improve coordination between government and non-governmental child protection stakeholders who hold authority to combat child labor at all levels.	5,086	73,634	80,773
Strengthen community-based child protection committees' capacity to report child protection incidents to justice system, refer children to social services, and guide survivors through justice and social services systems.	-	6,915	7,585
Strengthen national, division, district, and local-level advocacy initiatives that support the implementation of laws protecting children from all forms of harm, including child labor.	3,705	59,355	65,110
Subtotal	129,066	2,759,652	3,027,210
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Management and Fundraising	43,022	919,884	1,009,070
Total	172,088	3,679,536	4,036,280