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ImpactX Foundation Newsletter



The Ministry Of Social Welfare

GOVT APPROVES TK 1.4B GRANT FOR PRIVATE ORPHANAGES

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The government has allocated Tk 1.4 billion (Tk 140.11 crore) as the second installment of the official grant for the fiscal year 2025-26 to meet up the cost of food and other basic needs of the children living in private orphanages across the country. Following the approval of the Ministry of Social Welfare, the fund has been sanctioned for 1,16,759 orphans across 4,209 private orphanages in 64 districts of the country, said an official order. According to the order, the money was released as the second installment from the allocation dedicated to the 'Private Orphanage' sector in the FY 2025-26 budget. The sanctioned funds have been placed at the disposal of Social Services Officers and upazila or urban social services offices so that they can distribute the amounts among the orphanages following the prescribed guidelines. According to sources at the Department of Social Services, a total of Tk 2.8 billion (Tk 280 crore) was allocated for the Private Orphanage sector in the current fiscal year.

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STANDING WITH ORPHAN KIDS AND SUPPORT THEM

ImpactX Foundation continues its mission to build a strong and compassionate community dedicated to supporting deprived children. Through collaboration with volunteers, donors, educators, and community leaders, the Foundation works to create opportunities for education, skill development, and a brighter future for underprivileged children.

By bringing people together around a shared purpose, ImpactX Foundation aims to ensure that every child has access to the support, resources, and encouragement they need to reach their full potential. Together, we are creating lasting impact and helping build a more inclusive and hopeful future for the next generation.

BANGLADESH: Deadly landslide kills seven more children in Rohingya camps -

9 July ,CoxsBazar, Bangladesh

A landslide triggered by monsoon rains has reportedly killed seven students and a teacher at a school in the Rohingya camps in Bangladesh, with more children being pulled from the rubble in the second deadly incident this week, Save the Children said.

The landslide came after at least eight people – including five children – died in flooding and landslides on 6 July in Cox's Bazar, the world's largest refugee settlement, that is home to more than one million Rohingya refugees, most of them women and children.

Several Save the Children learning centres have been damaged by heavy rain and flash floods, forcing their temporary closure. Homes, clean water sources and latrines and washing facilities have also been damaged. crowded camps cling to landslide-prone hillsides Rohingya refugees mostly live in shacks made of bamboo and plastic sheets that cling to steep, bare hills.



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WHY BANGLADESH MUST INVEST IN COMMUNITY-LED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

DR SHAMSUL BARI, THE DAILY STAR, 26 JULY. DHAKA.

15-year-old Partha Roy proudly held up a picture card of a duck and turned to his classmates. "Have I chosen the right one?" he asked. A chorus of excited voices answered, "Yes!" Moments later, he assembled the letters to spell the word himself and was rewarded with another round of applause. There were no textbooks, exercise books or private tutors, only laughter, encouragement and the joy of learning. Partha is one of thousands of children whose first experience of education has come through a Kajoli Early Childhood Learning Centre in rural Bangladesh. His confidence illustrates what every child deserves: the opportunity to discover that learning is enjoyable rather than intimidating. That simple moment captures the essence of an educational innovation that deserves far greater national attention. Bangladesh has made remarkable progress in expanding access to primary education. Today, almost every child enrolls in school, thanks to sustained efforts by government and non-government organisations. The new Government has also signalled its commitment to strengthening the education sector further. Yet enrolment alone does not guarantee learning. Too many children begin primary school without the basic literacy, numeracy and social skills needed to succeed. As a result, many struggle from the outset, contributing to poor learning outcomes, grade repetition and, ultimately, school dropout.

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VENEZUELA: Children and parents speak of fear, sleeplessness and missing their homes one month after earthquakes



Children impacted by the twin earthquakes in Venezuela a month ago said they are missing their homes, schools and loved ones and friends who were among the nearly 5,400 people that died in the disaster, said Save the Children.

In emotive, personal testimonies, children and their parents supported by Save the Children told the aid agency of the risks and hardship of living in tents, with parents worried about their children's safety, while dealing with their own grief and loss. The magnitude 7.2 and 7.5 earthquakes on 24 June destroyed homes and infrastructure across Venezuela with more than 16,700 people injured [1], over 23,300 displaced in transitional camps and thousands more sheltering in informal tented camps, where regular clean water and toilets are very limited



ORPHAN CARE DEMANDS COMMUNITY AND COMPASSION

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ORPHANED children in Bangladesh remain among the most vulnerable segments of society. Yet, despite the urgency of their situation, they are often overlooked in national statistics and policy planning. The Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey 2019 notes that approximately 4.1 per cent of children in Bangladesh live without parental care. However, this figure barely scratches the surface, for national databases lack disaggregated and comprehensive data on orphaned children. The absence of such information significantly hampers effective policymaking and programme development. This data gap reflects a broader neglect — one that presents a critical opportunity for collective action to protect and empower orphaned children across the country. Addressing this gap must be a priority for the government and development partners alike. The inclusion of orphan-specific data in national surveys and planning documents is vital. Accurate and comprehensive statistics are essential to developing responsive policies, designing targeted interventions, and tracking progress over time.

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