SHOUHARDO III News - Haor Region
Quarterly Newsletter/Issue March

Job Fair: Linking Skilled Youth with Potential Employment held in Sylhet
A two-day long job fair and Learning Sharing Workshop was organized in Sylhet with collaborative efforts from CARE Bangladesh, BDJobs, and Technical Training Center, Sylhet on March 8 to March 9, 2020. More than 4000 youths attended the event and booths were set up by more than 40 potential employers.

CARE Launches Social Campaign aimed at stopping Violence Against Women
CARE Bangladesh launched a social media campaign titles, “আমাকে নিয়ে পেয়ে যেকেন” or “It Ends with me” on International Women’s Day, 2020.
In this regard, a booth was set up at the Job Fair in Sylhet where participating youth came forward to pledge their solidarity for standing against violence against women. Passionate youths came over, wrote down their thoughts, and attended Photo campaigning. You can also be a part of this campaign by logging on to www.facebook.com/ItEndsWithMe20/

Community people led development
Devoted community members in Shantipur village of Shingpur union, Nikli upazila of Kishoreganj came together for repairing a 20 gauges carpeted road. This 20 gauges damage of Islampur, Gazipur and Bhati Bharatia villages (of Singpur union) connecting road resultant of difficulties on movements of 400/500 people every day.

Community people led development

This community-led initiative started on January 31 2020 when Salima, the president of a Village Development Committee (VDC) along with the community members visited the Union Parishad and the local union parishad chairman regretted the initiative due to lack of sufficient fund and approval. The village members came to decision to repair the damage themselves without any payment. The UP chairman gave consent as well as commitment for extending collaboration from the chairman. On February 13, 18 VDC members, mostly women, came together and started repairing the road voluntarily without any monetary claims.

COVID-19 and community responses
“I attended a meeting held in Union Parishad that organized to raise awareness to prevent Coronavirus spreading. Then, according to directives, I engaged myself in awareness-raising campaigns among the community people, especially, maintaining social distance, keeping isolation by the people who came back from abroad, distributed Masks etc.”- Humaiun, Gobindasree, Tahirpur, Sunamganj.

SHOUHARDO III field team promptly responded to raising awareness for COVID-19 prevention. Local government was assisted by the project for raising awareness by demonstrating hand-washing, maintaining social distance, avoid gathering, restricted in movement, etc. These messages were widely spread at community level by program staffs and community volunteers.

This document is made possible by the generous support of the American people through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The contents are the responsibility of CARE SHOUHARDO III and do not necessarily reflect the views of USAID or the United States Government.