Youth Foundation of Bangladesh

Covid-19 Emergency Response & Rehabilitation Program















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Introduction

Sustainable Development Goal & the Year-2020

Year 2020 was a very significant year for all the nations and organizations. Because all the nations were setting commitments toward SDGs, global partnerships were strengthening in more resilient manner then ever and many very important conventions, conferences were supposed to be held on this year from where countries may come to important and strong partnerships toward sustainable development. Also world was coming in a harmony toward climate action, environmental commitment and justice. In a word it was a year to set the new roadmap of SDGs to be achieved by 2030.

But this global catastrophe due to the practical consequences of the Novel Corona-virus outbreak (which WHO declared as Global Pandemic) caused a massive diversion on all the ongoing efforts and set the eradication of the threat the UTMOST PRIORITY.

The coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic: Global Scenario

The coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic undoubtedly the most severe health crisis of our time and leaving all the others behind it became the utmost priority of each nation to fight this pandemic, save their healthcare system and save millions of life. Since the outbreak in last five month it affected 212 countries infected almost four million people and cause death of more than 274 thousand people and this number is increasing day by day.

It devastated the healthcare system of most powerful nations and brought terror to the every citizen of the nations. Most tragically the worst sufferer are the countries whose were most secured places on the earth. USA, Canada, UK, Italy, Spain, Russia, Iran, China, Germany, France, Brazil became many of the worst sufferer by this and came to this conclusion no present healthcare system can fight this virus until we can stop or limit the spreading of it. Thus almost every nation following the same preparedness method directed by WHO and activated lockdown on countries and regions to ensure social distance. Travel restriction and restriction on export import has implemented subsequently. Economic activities has been limited and all the other institutions kept restricted to operate. This caused collapse entire framework and structure of every nations and it brings downward trend at every parameters of world economy. Caused unemployment to billions of people. Large businesses facing enormous challenges, small business has been devastated. The worst sufferer of this pandemic became the people who live by day to day earning, foreign workers, illegal immigrants and millions of refugees. Also the human rights has been deviated measurably to the large portion of global population.

Scenario of the developing and least developed countries (LDC's) are most devastating. They are struggling more to ensure their basic necessities where healthcare system is far more vulnerable than the developed war. The consequences of this situation made people unable to maintain social distancing and follow the lockdown.



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How Bangladesh responding this pandemic: National Scenario

Bangladesh was one of the most vulnerable countries to this pandemic and since the outbreak in March it has devastated the country. As it is one of the most densely populated country (161 million people) along with more than 1 million rohingya refugees the upcoming days are beyond imagination. And the recent catastrophe due to Cyclone Amphan lead our nation to an extremely challenging time in history.

Healthcare system which is merely adequate for this huge population now facing the hardest challenges. Govt. hospitals are in lack of facilities to serve this huge population and very few private hospitals can provide proper treatment for this virus. Sufferings of the patients from other diseases and health problem are beyond imagination as all the hospitals are occupied or locked down due to coronavirus.

The counties economy is mainly based on RMG sector (approximately 83% of exports and contributing almost 13% of GDP), agriculture and foreign remittance. This pandemic has catastrophic affect in this sectors. Also due to the lockdown situation large industries and businesses has been affected severely. Small business has been shattered and made millions of people newly unemployed where unemployment is the major problem of this country. The livability of the general people has been declined due to this impulsive virus. The worst sufferers are the people from middle class to poor. Because unemployment struck major portion of 50 million workers of informal sector thus affected the middle class segment of society and poor people who lived their lives by day today work has lost almost everything. All the development works has been halted. Thus country is facing the most challenging time and the worst humanitarian crisis after the liberation war in 1971.

Though the government has declared almost 1000 cores of BDT to respond this pandemic initially and several other packages for the healthcare professionals still this economic disruption is causing far greater harm to be recovered by this measures. And very recently government compelled to loosen the lockdown to continue business and industries potentially increased the risk of mass transmission of the disease.

Besides there remain many problem with the cross functional collaboration and interlinking the activity from central government to local government. Lacking's of transparency, and integrity existing everywhere and thus corruption in the relief distribution making this afford merely useful for the citizens. Also extreme poverty and inevitable devastating consequences to economy compelled government to gradually withdraw the lockdown on several sector can be fatal for the health of the major portion of population.



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Role of Civil societies, social enterprises and NGO's

Prior to the outbreak of coronavirus in Bangladesh till today civil societies, social enterprises and NGO's along with the participations of general people are playing great role to fight this pandemic with limited resources but great efficiency and large youth participation in the volunteering work is the most significant during this time. While fighting this pandemic our citizens of Bangladesh faced lack of resources and facing numerous problems where the most mentionable are

- Basic knowledge on personal hygiene
- Health Safety
- Facilitating healthcare system and personnel
- Law & order
- Food Security
- Unemployment
- Extreme poverty
- Sheltering homeless people
- Transportation of essential goods & medicine
- Educational Disruption
- Human rights

Thus civil societies, social enterprises and NGO's are working alongside with the people to address this issues. But the real war will be the actions to be taken after the outbreak. Also the end will come with some responsibilities to the developed nations and NGO's to work for the developing countries to help them overcome this catastrophic effect.





Covid-19 Emergency Response & Rehabilitation Program





We (YFB) working with greatest community of youth in Bangladesh. We have successful program on poverty eradication, WASH, Education, Energy & Environment. We are also raising awareness and capacity building program on SDGs in Bangladesh as a member of UN Global compact and special status holder of UN-ECOSOC. Our country is one of the most densely populated and vulnerable country due to climate change and we had continuous programs all over the world unlike any NGO's in the world.

Since the beginning outbreak in China Youth Foundation of Bangladesh has initiated working proactively to fight this pandemic and initiated "COVID-19 Emergency Response and Rehabilitation Program" as a part of humanitarian activity and country preparedness and response program. Through this program YFB already served 500 ultra-poor families, 100 lower-middle class families with humanitarian aid. We introduced a concept of providing lower middle class and middle class families with daily groceries and food for 14 days which we named "Box of Happiness" and delivered those door to door. Because this segment of society cannot ask for help and reached by providing health safety, facilitating/helping to maintain personal hygiene building capacity, awareness and knowledge to more than 10000 people with following activities.

Program Objective:

- Control the mass spreading of novel corona virus by creating awareness and ensuring protective measures.
- Protecting health, safety and nutrition of the most venerable portion of population (following WHO guideline).
- Ensure health and safety in workplace.
- Capacity building of the business and industries to recover the adverse economic impact of pandemic thus protect employment.

Program Activities

Our program activities mainly divided into five categories under which several different campaign and activities has been already initiated and proposed to be initiated gradually.

- Awareness and Capacity building
- Emergency response & action
- Humanitarian Aid
- Rehabilitation
- Research & Survey





Past & Ongoing Campaign Activities

From the very beginning of the outbreak of the virus in Wuhan, China and few other countries YFB initiated below mention campaigns and activities to create awareness and control the mass spreading of the virus.

- Awareness program in educational institute.
 - YFB organized several campaign and awareness session in Primary schools, met with students and guardians. There we provided safety guideline and discussed the facts & FAQ's about Covid-19, personal hygiene and emergency preparedness measures.
- Workshop and seminar.
- Training and activating nationwide volunteer as Corona Action Unit.
- Online and offline awareness campaign.
- Distributing leaflet and stickers with WHO guidelines.
- Country preparedness and response campaigns.

From the beginning of the outbreak in early March YFB initiated aforementioned campaigns and activities which are still ongoing.

- Distributing free hand sanitizer, mask and PPE.
- Spray disinfectant in different locality
- Creating hand wash zone beside streets.
- Emergency medical support assistance.
- Building shelter for homeless people.
 - o From the beginning of the outbreak YFB along with local authority temporarily rehabilitated homeless people from different zone of Dhaka city in different educational institute and ensured better food and health safety in the interim period of lockdown.
 - Presently we are designing program for permanent rehabilitation of homeless people under such condition.

• Better Food Better Future

O Under this initiative YFB distributing of nutritious food to the children of ultrapoor families in Mirpur zone of Dhaka, Bangladesh. Because large portion of children depends on the government provided nutritious food in primary school. But in this situation due to pandemic where every educational institute is closed left this children more vulnerable to this outbreak with lack of proper foods. Thus we take this initiative to deliver required foods for ensuring the







proper growth of children from ultra-poor families. In this initiative we are reaching door to door with help of information and resources from respective institution.

- Free food and aid distribution: Box of Happiness
 - O Under this initiative based on the donations from our members, corporate partners and general donators we are listing people from lower middle class & middle class families who are suffering from economic crisis due to pandemic. Our team with utmost confidentiality and respect sending food and medical support door to door. Under this initiative we are serving more than 1100 family.





Our Future Campaign & Activities







Fighting COVID-19 pandemic needs dynamic approach which varies in different countries due on population, lifestyle, countries economy, industries, occupation, religion and cultural factors and aspect. Thus there is no unique pathway to fight this pandemic for all countries.

Government and civil societies took numerous measures from national to individual level but present condition where we are compelled to work and live along with this threat to save our industries and countries economy we confronted an extraordinary situation with massive challenges. Thus it requires extraordinary measures, requires sound awareness among mass population and active participation control massive spread of the virus. Because fighting this pandemic with existing healthcare facilities cannot be succeed until ensuring personal & institutional awareness.

This requires sound co-ordination of Government, authority, healthcare system, financial organization, industries, civil societies, NGO's and other necessary stakeholders. Considering present condition and assuming further consequences YFB initiated following campaign/awareness/participatory initiatives

- Awareness is Life: Awareness campaign and activation program
- Workplace safety Pioneers: Video documentary campaign to spread exemplary workplace safety measures maintained by renowned brands, corporates & industries.
- Empowering Opportunity: Capacity building & micro-financing program to the most effected small businesses due to pandemic involving in new business opportunities.
- The Pandemic Journal: A survey and research based program to study different aspect & impact analysis of the pandemic.

The consequences and the aftermath of COVID-19 in Bangladesh and similar counties will be far worse than the developed countries. While they will emphasize on the Healthcare system and economy countries like us have to fight with many more factors. This pandemic will have severe impact on existing industry and management system. Also the agricultural sector will be in a big challenge to feed their people. Education system will have to recover the study gaps as distance learning is a new concept in developing and LDC's. Human based production system will have to consider gradually adopting automation system thus it can face such situation. Also capacity building of mass people for maintaining personal hygiene, healthy life style will be a great challenge. Small business have to be reinstalled by the help of financial organization thus unemployment reduction will be great challenge also.

But every calamity comes with many learning and new opportunity. This pandemic will encourage adopting online platforms, digitalization of education, medication, corporate and business culture. It will create opportunity for millions of graduate unemployed youth to join







the workforce thus create solutions which can provide sound operation of business and development activities in such adverse condition in future. Many start-up will come with the solutions for each sector which is suffering most from the present condition.

Thus Youth Foundation of Bangladesh designing following research based activities and youth engagement program which will enable youth to reduce unemployment, design lean start-ups, industries and related stakeholder to make considerable change in present system of their operation and business after this catastrophe and ultimately ensure a quality life for people.

- Impact analysis of COVID-19 of education system
- How COVID-19 pandemic effecting informal employment
- Problems and opportunities from the consequences of COVID-19
- Lean Start-up Training and youth engagement program.
- Capacity building program on personal hygiene and healthy lifestyle.
- How COVID-19 pandemic rebuilding the family relations and triggering the rate of domestic violence.
- Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on Human Rights.

Program Donor & Partners:

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Our Activities at a glance:



Medical Camp and awareness program on COVID-19 pandemic







Preparing Box of Happiness















Distributing Humanitarian aid to ultra-poor families









YBF initiated shelter for homeless people









YFB initiated spraying disinfectant in locality and prayer halls





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- সাবান/হ্যান্ড ওয়াশ দিয়ে ঘন ঘন হাত পরিস্কার করতে হবে
- অপরিস্কার হাতে চোখ, মৃখ, নাকে স্পর্শ থেকে বিরত থাকতে হবে
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- ঢাকনাযুক্ত ময়লার বাক্স ব্যাবহার করতে হবে
- হাত মেলানো বা আলিঙ্গন করা থেকে বিরত থাকতে হবে
- যত্রতত্র কফ থুথু ফেলা থেকে বিরত থাকতে হবে
- আক্রান্ত ব্যাক্তিকে একান্তে রাখতে হবে
- মাস্ক এবং রুমাল ব্যাবহারে অভ্যাস করতে হবে
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Youth Foundation of Bangladesh
Special Status with UN ECOSOC











YFB distributed and pasted awareness leaflet and poster also established several hand wash zone on different places of Dhaka



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YFB distributed nutritious food to school children from ultra-poor families to ensure better health during this pandemic





YFB organizing different discussion session/webinar to discuss different aspect of Pandemic



Who we are

Youth Foundation of Bangladesh(YFB); we working with the most powerful portion of our population YOUTH. Because Youth are the future leaders, planners and decision-makers of our nation thus the world. They are the most energetic and productive segment of the total population.

We are working for eradication of poverty, quality education, gender equity, empowerment of youth, reducing inequality, human rights and addressing social, economic & environmental problems with our energetic team and vast network of youth volunteer across the country thus world. Since 2009 we are building capacity & awareness among the people of Bangladesh through our dynamic programs which created a decent acceptability for YFB in national and international arena.

Since the beginning we initiated many programs which were mainly youth-centric and dedicated for awareness building of people. Soon after the initiation of SDGs in 2015 we adopted all our programs with specific goals of SDGs and our ultimate goal set to building capacity of our nations and neighboring countries for achieving sustainability by 2030. Also each year we with our team designing pathway and finding solutions for the challenges of achieving SDGs. Thus we are bringing new programs which carries strong values and vast impact on our population.



About Us....

History....

"Youth Foundation of Bangladesh (YFB) is a non-govt. non-profitable and non-political voluntary Youth organization. It was established in 19th October 2009, with the initiation from a group of young minds who are social oriented, aim to confirm youth engagement in the relevant of social aspect, youth development, youth self-actualization, to change the socio-economic, exchange culture, aware people to change and develop country as well as better Bangladesh"

YFB Principle

- To involve the youth in the mainstream of sustainable development process.
- Confirm Youth Engagement toward SDGs through social activity, skill development, learning session and capacity building.
- Learning & Sharing tolerance, understanding, solidarity and cooperation among young men and women irrespective of race, sex, language, religion or political orientation.
- Collect & Promote the interchange of ideas between youth of all countries.
- To transform the unemployed youth into organized, disciplined, productive and proactive workforce.
- To facilitate the unemployed youth for self- employment/wage employments at home and abroad providing skill development training and micro-credit support.
- Engaging different sector in order to confirm Corporate Social Responsibility with their higher satisfactory business cooperation.
- Facilitate the collection of information about the needs and problems of youth.
- Disseminate information about the methods, techniques and activities of youth organizations.

Our Vision....

"Empowering Youth for the Sustainable Future."

YFB is completely youth based organization. Our aim is to unite youth and to build their living meaningful. Every youth have the ability to change the social, environments thus make a strong impact but first by changing thyself. It is youth's responsibility to build the foundations of social atmosphere. Our vision is to awake up the perception of social responsibilities in every youth of the world. If it is achieved, then youth will bring peace and happiness thus build a sustainable world for the future generations.



Youth Foundation of Bangladesh

at a glance.....

Organization Name : Youth Foundation of Bangladesh

Organization Short Form : YFB

Registration Authority : Registrar of Joint Stock Companies & Firms,

Under the Societies Registration Act-1860

Motto : Youth for Global Peace

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Partner Organization



Our Social Enterprise



Our Organization....

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Ex- General Manager on MY TV

Ex- HR Head on Regency Hotel

Golam Sarowar

Media Personnel

Ex- Deputy Director on Bangladesh Shilpokola Academy

Nazmul Huda Mohd. Sharif Uddin

General Manager,

Head of Technology Contracting Global Sourcing.

Managing Director Division, Grameenphone

YFB is run by an **Operational Management** under Founder Governing Body. Approved from the board of member, Founder & CEO will be the chief of the organization.

Key Team Members of YFB

S/L	S/L	Desi	ignation	
01	Mohammad Safi Ul Alam	Found	Founder & CEO	
02	Tanvir Rajib	Executive Director		
03	Abdullah Al Mahmud	Head of Operation		
04	Masum Haque	COO		
05	Noor E Elahi		Director	
06	Farah Peaa	Dii		
07	Mamun Hossain			
08	Md. Mahabub Alam Khan	Coordina	Coordinator (Finance)	
09	MD. Jishan Mahmud Rumi	Program	Program Coordinator	
10	Nesar Ahmed			
11	Md. Sahidur Rahman			
12	Fazley Farayzee		HR	
13	Aysha Siddika Jenifer			
14	Madhobi Akhter	Manag	Manager (Admin)	
15	Shajan	Manager	Manager (Operation)	
16	Faysal ahmed		Executive	
17	Dorpon Khan	Exe		
18	Zakaria Mamun			
19	Md. Jahid Hossain	Head	Head of Media	
20	Abidur Rahman		Sylhet	
21	Iffat gaznabi		Dinajpur	
22	Mosiur Rahman Chonsol		Mirpur	
23	Md. Razib ul Karim	YFB Ambassador	Thakurgoan	
24	Mohammad Fazle Rabbi		Chandpur	
25	Indira Chakma		Rangamati	
26	Noor Mohammad Zaiyan	SDG Campai	SDG Campaign Ambassador	
27	Ummay Ozifa Noor Zaheen	SDG Campai	SDG Campaign Ambassador	
26	Tofayel Ahmed	Resear	Research Fellow	
27	Fateha Marzana			
	Md. Abu Sufian Mazumder		Legal Advisor	



Our Valuable Donor, Sponsor & Media Partner:





















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Our Working Sphere



















What We Do

Food Security & Agriculture
Health & Sanitation
Education
Sports & Culture
Gender Equality
Clean Water
Unemployment & Entrepreneurship
Inequality
Industrial Sustainability

Urban & Rural development
River, Ocean & costal ecosystem
Energy & sustainable consumption
Climate change & Environment
Human Rights
Humanitarian & Disaster response
Research, Survey & Training

Peace & Justice





















Our Program Activities

How We Do



Dialogues & Open Discussion Conferences

Cultural Activities & Concert

Boot camp
Mock Parliament
Tree plantation
Humanitarian Aid
Health Campaign

Leaflet, Flyer & Sticker Distribution
Fair, Rally & Public Engagement Program
Social Media campaign
Skill development

Micro Empowerment
Awareness Building

Entrepreneurship program

Field Survey Research





















Our Ongoing Programs

























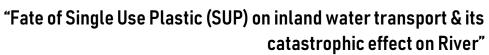


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Youth Engagement Program



Climate Action Campaign Tracker (CACT)



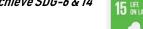
An awareness and participatory Program to Achieve SDG-6 & 14

Peace in Green

An awareness and tree plantation program

SDGs Center

Research, survey, monitoring program to track and measure performances of SDG initiatives































Our Previous Programs & Activities



















Program & Campaigns

Save Water Save the World Road Safety is Life Safety Better Living & Education for Poor People (BLEPP) Small- E Stand Beside Victims Save Agricultural Land My Education My Rights

Regular Activities

One Goal for Education Give Me 1(one) Blanket

Celebrating International & National Days & Occasion
School Art Competition
School Materials Giving program
Humanitarian Activities



Organization Documents & Achievements





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22 October, 2012

Dear Mr. Safi ul Alam,

Thank you for writing to the Secretary-General to express your organization's support for the Global Compact's principles in the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. We applaud your leadership in making this decision and welcome your organization's participation in the Global Compact — the world's largest corporate citizenship initiative, with thousands of business participants and other stakeholders from civil society, labour and government located in 120 countries.

At the heart of the Global Compact is a conviction that organizational practices rooted in universal principles help the global marketplace to be more socially and economically inclusive, thus advancing collective goals of international cooperation, peace and development. Indeed, companies and other organizations participating in the Global Compact are working diligently to give concrete meaning to this principle-based change approach.

From the beginning, the Global Compact has considered the active engagement of non-business stakeholders a critical factor for making real progress. Your participation helps to foster this collaborative spirit which is so critical for tackling today's challenges.

The involvement of civil society, labour and the public sector serves many important purposes – bringing different strengths and perspectives to the corporate citizenship agenda. For example, these organizations provide expertise on issues, hold businesses accountable for their commitments, offer incentives and rewards for responsible actions, facilitate implementation of the principles, and serve as excellent partners on a variety of issues. We urge your organization to consider these and other relevant ways to advance the Global Compact. Additionally, you are encouraged to internalize the ten principles within your organization's strategies, policies and operations.

As a voluntary initiative, the Global Compact draws strength from our participants' commitment and actions. To spur implementation and progress, we provide various learning and engagement opportunities for signatories. These include: 60-plus country and regional networks where issues and activities are driven at a local level; practical tools and guidance documents on the principles and other priority issues; and international and local events where multi-stakeholder participants can exchange experiences, partake in learning and problem-solving exercises, engage in dialogue and identify likeminded organizations for partnering projects.

Further details on such activities can be found in the attached guidance document, "After the Signature: A Guide to Engagement in the United Nations Global Compact" and on the Global Compact website (www.unglobalcompact.org).

Mr. Mohammad Safi ul Alam Chairman Youth Foundation of Bangladesh Dhaka



Credibility and accountability are critical factors for advancing the Global Compact. We encourage all organizations engaged in the initiative to communicate with their stakeholders about efforts to promote and implement the initiative's ten principles and to engage in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Millennium Development Goals. To start, your organization may wish to inform stakeholders – such as members, employees and partners – and the general public about your decision to support the Global Compact.

Again, we thank you for joining the Global Compact. We are eager to hear your ideas and experiences, and encourage you to share your views with us. We stand ready to support your efforts to advance the initiative's ten universal principles and contribute to a more sustainable and inclusive global economy.

Yours sincerely,

Georg Kell Executive Director UN Global Compact Office







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8 June 2018

Dear NGO Representative,

Subject: Follow-up to the decision of the Economic and Social Council

I am pleased to inform you that the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) at its Coordination and management meeting of April 2018 adopted the recommendation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to grant Special consultative status to your organization, Youth Foundation of Bangladesh. Please accept the heartfelt congratulations of the NGO Branch.

Consultative status for an organization enables it to actively engage with ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, as well as with the United Nations Secretariat, programmes, funds and agencies in a number of ways. In order to better understand this relationship, we take this opportunity to provide some critical information about the privileges that consultative status with ECOSOC confers on your organization, as well as the obligations that your organization will be required to meet under this relationship. We therefore urge you to take the time to carefully review the information provided below.

A. Privileges and benefits of consultative status

1) ECOSOC Resolution 1996/31

Arrangements for consultations with NGOs are regulated by ECOSOC resolution 1996/31, adopted by the Council on 25 July 1996. Please review the entire resolution at: http://csonet.org/content/documents/199631.pdf for detailed information. It provides information on ways to participate in the work of the Council, including opportunities to organizations such as yours to consult with Member States and the United Nations system at large, based on the nature and scope of work that your organization undertakes. Consultative relationship with NGOs also enables the Council or one of its bodies to seek expert information or advice from organizations with special competence in a subject matter:

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- Consultative status allows you to be informed about the provisional agenda of the Economic and Social Council;
- Organizations in general consultative status may request the Secretary-General, through the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, to place items of special interest in the provisional agenda of the Council.

2) Attendance at meetings and access to the United Nations

- Your status now entitles you to designate official representatives to the United Nations Headquarters in New York and the United Nations offices in Geneva and Vienna. Your representatives will be able to register for and participate in events, conferences and activities of the United Nations, and organizations in general and special consultative status may designate authorized representatives to sit as observers at public meetings of ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, General Assembly, Human Rights Council and other United Nations intergovernmental decision-making bodies. Those on the Roster may have representatives present at such meetings concerned with matters within their field of competence. These arrangements may be supplemented to include other means of participation. To ensure your participation, please use the username and password that have already been assigned to your organization and login to the NGO Branch website at: http://csonet.org/index.php?menu=14 for more information.
- In order to obtain grounds passes, please use the same login and password
 information and follow the instructions carefully to designate your
 representatives for the current calendar year. Please note that representatives
 nominated by your organization are required to collect their grounds passes in
 person at designated locations in New York, Geneva and Vienna.
- Your login and password information should also be used to update your organizational profile and contact information at all times so that we can keep you informed of important communications from the United Nations in a timely manner. Please be aware that all communications from the United Nations Secretariat will be sent to the email address that your organization has provided in its organizational profile. It is the responsibility of the NGO to provide and update this information. Therefore, please set up your email address in such a way as to enable your organization to monitor incoming messages from the NGO Branch without interruption. To this end, you are advised to check and update your organizational profile every six months at: http://esango.un.org/civilsociety/login.do. Failure to do so may cause you to miss critical information from our Office pertaining to your consultative status, or any other information that may prove invaluable to your work and/or your participation in the work of the United Nations.

3) Written statements at ECOSOC

 Organizations in general and special consultative status are able to submit written statements relevant to the work of the Council on subjects in which these



organizations have a special competence. These statements may be circulated by the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the members of the Council.

- Requirements regarding the submission and circulation of written statements are elaborated in resolution 1996/31. They include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - (a) Written statements shall be submitted in one of the two working languages of the United Nations (English or French);
 - (b) They shall be submitted within the time period indicated prior to the Council's meeting each year in order to allow appropriate consultations between the Secretary-General and the organization before circulation;
 - (c) Written statements from organizations in general consultative status are limited to a maximum of 2,000 words;
 - (d) Written statements from organizations in special consultative status are limited to a maximum of 500 words;
 - (e) The Secretary-General, in consultation with the President of the Council, or the Council or its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, may invite organizations on the Roster to submit written statements. Provisions for these submissions, if approved, will be determined accordingly by the Council.

4) Oral presentations at ECOSOC

- · Requirements for oral statements include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - (a) The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations makes recommendations to the Council about which organizations in general and special consultative status should make an oral presentation to the Council, as well as the items on which they should be heard. Such organizations are entitled to make one statement to the Council, subject to the approval of the Council;
 - (b) Whenever the Council discusses the substance of an item proposed by an NGO in general consultative status and included in the agenda of the Council, such an organization shall be entitled to present orally to the Council, as appropriate.
- 5) Consultations with ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies
 - Commissions and other subsidiary bodies of ECOSOC may consult with NGOs
 in general and special status; and such consultations may be arranged at the
 request of the NGO. Organizations on the roster may also be heard by these
 bodies on the recommendation of the Secretary-General and at the request of
 such commission or subsidiary body;



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- A commission of ECOSOC may recommend that an NGO with special competence in a particular field undertake studies or investigations, or prepare papers for the commission;
- NGOs shall be able to consult officers of the appropriate offices of the Secretariat on matters of mutual interest or concern. Such consultation shall be at the request of the NGO or the Secretary-General;
- The Secretary-General may request organizations in general, special and roster status to carry out studies or prepare papers.

6) Use of United Nations facilities

The Secretary-General is authorized to offer United Nations facilities to NGOs in consultative status, including:

- accommodation for conferences or smaller meetings related to the work of ECOSOC:
- appropriate seating arrangements and facilities for obtaining documents during public meetings of the General Assembly that deal with matters in the economic and social and related fields;
- arrangement of informal discussions on matters of special interest to groups or organizations;
- · access to United Nations press documentation services;
- prompt and efficient distribution of documents related to ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies as the Secretary-General deems appropriate;
- · use of United Nations libraries.

B. Responsibilities and obligations of NGOs in consultative status

1) Quadrennial reports

Organizations in general and special consultative status are required to submit a report on the activities of their organizations in support of the work of ECOSOC and the United Nations once every four years, known as quadrennial reports, as per ECOSOC resolution 1996/31. This requirement is reinforced through ECOCOC resolution 2008/4 on "Measures to improve the quadrennial reporting procedures." In keeping with these requirements, your organization will be required to submit its first report for the 2018-2021 period by no later than 1 June 2022 for review by the ECOSOC Committee on NGOs. Please download and carefully follow the guidelines for the submission of these reports on the NGO Branch website at: http://csonet.org/?menu=85



- In the intervening periods between the submission of quadrennial reports, organizations are advised to keep detailed records of participation in United Nations meetings and events, as well as cooperation with United Nations funds and agencies for inclusion in subsequent reports.
- 2) Suspension and withdrawal of consultative status
 - As per resolution 2008/4, if an NGO fails to submit its quadrennial report by the due date of 1 June, following three reminders after the initial due date, the ECOSOC Committee on NGOs shall recommend immediate suspension of consultative status for the organization the following year for a period of one year.
 - According to the same ECOSOC resolution 2008/4, NGOs whose consultative status has been suspended due to an outstanding quadrennial report will be required to submit the report within the period of suspension in order for the Committee on NGOs to consider, take note of the report and recommend reinstatement of consultative status.
 - If, however, an NGO fails to submit the report within the stipulated period, the ECOSOC Committee on NGOs shall recommend to the Council the immediate withdrawal of consultative status. Once consultative status has been withdrawn by the Council, the NGO will no longer be entitled to the benefits and privileges of the relationship.
 - The organization concerned will be entitled to re-apply for consultative status
 only after a period of <u>three</u> years, following the effective date of withdrawal of
 status
 - Additionally, consultative status of NGOs can be suspended for up to three years
 or withdrawn by the decision of the Economic and Social Council on the
 recommendation of its Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations in the
 following cases:
 - (a) If an organization, either directly or through its affiliates or representatives acting on its behalf, clearly abuses its status by engaging in a pattern of acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations including unsubstantiated or politically motivated acts against Member States of the United Nations incompatible with those purposes and principles;
 - (b) If there exists substantiated evidence of influence from proceeds resulting from internationally recognized criminal activities such as the illicit drugs trade, money-laundering or the illegal arms trade;
 - (c) If, within the preceding three years, an organization did not make any positive or effective contribution to the work of the United Nations and, in particular, of the Council or its commissions or other subsidiary organs.



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Strict prohibitions against misrepresentation of consultative status

- NGOs in consultative status are NOT considered part of the United Nations system. As such, they are not representatives or staff of the United Nations, nor are they authorized to enter into business arrangements on behalf of the United Nations, or misuse the United Nations' name or logo for endorsement of an organization's activities in any way. Furthermore, consultative status does not entitle NGOs any privileges such as tax exemptions, diplomatic passports, travel privileges, etc.
- NGOs in consultative status are forbidden to use the United Nations logo on their stationery, business cards, websites, meeting banners, cars, office buildings, etc. Misrepresentation of consultative relationship can result in adverse consequences for your organization, including suspension or withdrawal of status.
- If the organization wishes to display consultative status on its letterhead, the
 following statement can be included below the name of the organization:
 "Organization in (Category of status) with the Economic and Social Council
 since (year status granted).

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. We welcome the opportunity to work with you and will be happy to facilitate your participation in the work of the United Nations, in particular ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, in the future

Yours sincerely,

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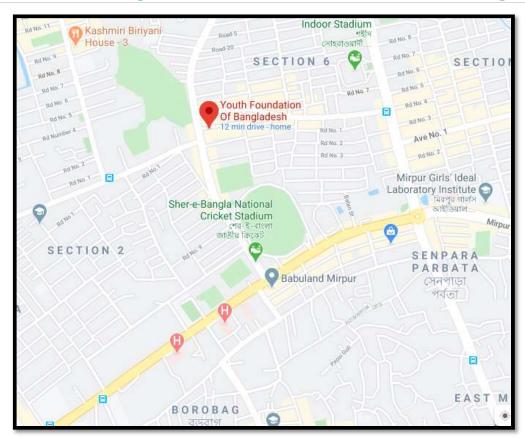
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