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**INSTITUTE OF  
HAZRAT MOHAMMAD SAW**

**COMMUNICATION  
OF  
ENGAGEMENT (COE)**

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**FOR THE PERIOD**

**June 1, 2022 to May 30, 2024**



Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW)

**STATEMENT OF CONTINUED SUPPORT**

18 June, 2024

**To our stakeholders:**

Greetings from Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW).

I am pleased to reaffirm that Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW) continues to support the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti Corruption etc. This is our Communication of Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

Attached are the actions that our organisation has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its principles as suggested. We also commit to share this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

Lt. General (Retd.) M Nooruddin Khan, PSC  
President  
(Former Chief of Army Staff, Bangladesh Printer)



## **Actions taken by the Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW) in support of UN Global Compact Principles**

Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW) is a research think tank based registered as a non-profit Society with the Government of Bangladesh. The Institute is committed to work for the establishment of socio-economic justice by promoting peace and human development. A key focus area of the Institute is upholding human rights including rights of persons with disabilities. In this context the Institute conducts various IT and professional trainings programs, research and advocacy events to promote human development with emphasis on assisting the disadvantaged members of the society.

### **Training Programs for Visually Impaired, Persons with Disability**

The Institute provides various FREE training programs for visually impaired and persons with disability to improve their livelihood and prospect for job and self-development. Training programs are focused on Information Technology, PABX & Call Center, technical and professional training and spoken English. The main components of the IT program are to acquaint students to use computer and access information superhighway and for visually impaired persons to access IT technology by using screen reading software to be able to do web surfing, use Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint through.

Training programs are held also through collaboration initiative with various local and national partners. Under the initiative the Institute has expanded its training experience and support to Government entities and also other non-profit organizations working in this field where the local entity provides the training center and Institute provides operational and technical assistance including training staff.

These programs aims to help persons with disability to gain better access to information, enhance their knowledge, increase mobility and help self development and employment. The Institute has also started training on Mushroom cultivation to help visually impaired persons gain employable skills.

## **Research, Awareness & Advocacy :**

The Institute provides pro-bono legal assistance to the destitute, free legal counseling on family matters, redress of grievances and career counselling for the visually impaired and disabled persons. It conducts various advocacy programs in order to generate greater awareness on the rights of visually impaired persons, disabled persons and on human rights. It also conducts engagement programs such as nationwide talent competition for the visually impaired every year and observes international events targeted towards this section of society such as World White Sticks Day and the UN International Day for Disabled Persons etc. Other activities of the Institute are regular discussion sessions and round table meetings on social issues, awareness building on human rights including right of migrant workers, rights of persons in police custody, means to address human trafficking, climate induced migration etc.

It may be noted that during the period of the current COE (1 June 2022 to May 31, 2024) several local partners have joined us and enabled us to expand our programs at district level in Bangladesh. The Institute has conducted the following programs in support of the United Nations Global Compact Principles:

- 1) **Inauguration of IT Training Programs for Visually Impaired Students with ManobKallayan Trust – 14 June 2022**
- 2) **Opening Ceremony of IT Training program with Chittagong University – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2022**
- 3) **Certificate Distribution Ceremony with Mayor of Rajshahi – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022**
- 4) **Certificate Ceremony at Pabna - 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022**
- 5) **Talent Competition for Visually Impaired Persons : 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022**
- 6) **Talent Competition for 3<sup>rd</sup> Gender Persons & Visually Impaired Students: 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2023**
- 7) **Certificate Distribution at NTRCB, Tongi- 28 January 2024**
- 8) **Certificate Distribution at University of Chittagong- 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024**
- 9) **Certificate Distribution at NESCO Training Center, Rajshahi: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**

## DETAILS OF EVENTS:

### 1) Inauguration of IT Training Programs for Visually Impaired Students with ManobKallayan Trust – 14 June 2022

To expand our various free training courses the Institute has started to run Training Centers in collaboration with various local partners. Under the collaboration program the Institute extended its training programs to likeminded organizations working in similar field and enables them to provide similar training by overcoming logistical, financial or technical limitations and provides necessary teaching staff and assistance. With such goal the Institute initiated a training programs with Manob Kallayan Trust of Pabna, a renowned local charity and orphanage facilities for the disabled and disadvantaged community.

### 2) Opening Ceremony of IT Training program with Chittagong University – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2022

The Institute expanded its training programs in association with University of Chittagong to provide IT trainings to visually impaired students at University of Chittagong. The program is conducted in collaboration with DISSCU, a student association for the disabled students at UC. The program aims to empower the visually impaired students of the University to utilize IT and Internet skills to expand their knowledgebase and conduct studies.



### 3) Certificate Distribution Ceremony with Mayor of Rajshahi – 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022

The Institute and NESCO jointly held an Certificate Distribution event for the visually impaired students of Rajshahi who successfully completed 3 month training in IT Course. The Program was attended by Mr. A.K.M Khairuzzaman Liton, Mayor of Rajshahi City Corporation, Shekh Abdul Latif Al Madani, Chief Advisor of the Institute, Mr. Zakiul Islam, Managing Director of NESCO, and students. The Chief Guest, Mr Liton praised the initiative taken by the Institute and NESCO to expand the facility and the programs for the people of Rajshahi.



### 4) Certificate Ceremony at Pabna - 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022



The Institute and MK Trust Pabna jointly held an Award program for the students of Manob Kallayan Trust who completed the Beginner's IT Course. The Program was attended by Shk Abdul Latif Al Qadi Al Madani, Chief Adviser of the Institute, Mr. Zakiul Islam, Managing Director of NESCO, and students of MK Trust.

## 5) Talent Competition for Visually Impaired Persons : 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022



In our effort to promote a more inclusive society every year the Institute holds a Nationwide Talent Competition for persons with various disability, visually impairment every year. As part of our ongoing efforts for the disadvantaged community the Institute held a Nationwide Talent Competition of Visually Impaired Persons during September 2022 and award was given on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022. **Mr. M.A. Mannan, Honorable Minister, Ministry of Planning** presented awards at the Award ceremony) at Sheraton Hotel, Banani, Dhaka.

## 6) Talent Competition for 3<sup>rd</sup> Gender Persons & Visually Impaired Students: 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

The Institute organized a Nationwide Talent Competition for visually impaired students and 3<sup>rd</sup> Gender persons. Students from all over the country participated in the competition. **Mr. Nuruzzaman Ahmed, M.P, Honorable Minister, Ministry of Social Welfare** presented award amongst the winners of the Talent Competition for Visually Impaired and 3rd Gender Persons at Sheraton Hotel, Dhaka.



### 7) Certificate Distribution at NTRCB, Tongi- 28 January 2024

A program was held at the end of 6 month long training program with the National Training and Rehabilitation Center for the Blind (NTRCB, Dept of Social Welfare, Government of Bangladesh. Several officials of NTRCB and the Institute, Local Government officials were present at the event. A new training program on mushroom cultivation was also initiated during the event. Such training would enable the students to cultivate mushroom and help to become self-reliant by producing and marketing this popular food item.



### 8) Certificate Distribution at University of Chittagong- 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024

The Institute of Hazrat Mohammad (SAW) organized a Certificate Distribution program for successful trainees at University of Chittagong and Orientation of new batch of trainees. The students expressed their gratitude for holding such programs and stated their further needs or various aspects of the program which will help to improve their skills during the discussion meeting.





## 9) Certificate Distribution at NESCO Training Center, Rajshahi: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024



A certificate distribution program was held at NESCO Training Center for the Disabled in Rajshahi. Prizes were distributed amongst the disabled students who completed month long training programs. Officials of the Institute, NESCO and local dignitaries were present.

