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Home: Shimantik, a national non-government organization in Bangladesh, started its activities back in 1979 initially to provide succor to the flood-stricken people of Zakiganj upazila of Sylhet district. It has since expanded its activities to cover wide ranging geographical and programmatic areas.

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About us: Shimantik, a national non-government organization in Bangladesh, established in 1979. Shimantik is dully registered with the Social Service Department {Syl-7(221)/84, dated 16 May 1984} and NGO Affairs Bureau (Registration no.298 dated 28 May 1989), Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Directorate General of Family Planning (DGFP).

Vision, Mission, Principles (core values):

Vision: Shimantik's vision is to bring a social movement to empower disadvantage people especially women and children of Bangladesh.

Mission: Shimantik's mission is to create an enabling environment for integrated development initiative aim at betterment of underserved populace to ensure quality service and technical assistance in health, education, environment, research, human resource development, livelihood and other multi-dimensional approaches.

Core Values: Shimantik's actions are driven by the principles of equity, transparency, openness, sustainability and environmental protection. Shimantik as a development change maker preaches and practices have certain organizational values. These include:

- Actively encourages its people reach to their highest potential
- Practice high degree of self-discipline
- Neutrality and non-political
- Cost consciousness
- Indiscrimination in respect to religion, class, cast, and gender
- Transparency and accountability for all staff

Governance:

General Council (GC)

General Council (GC) is the highest level body of the organization, which is consists of more than 70 members from different professionals. GC meets once yearly in the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The role of GC is to elect Central Executive Committee (CEC) member for 2 years duration, review the ongoing organizational activities and approve the yearly organizational activity plan, formulate and approve policies and annul budget.

Advisory Committee

Advisory Committee consists of 11 members from different professionals selected by the GC for 2 years duration. The role of Advisory Committee is to advice the CEC while the organization faces any critical crises or problems and plays an active role on organizational management and development in an advisory capacity.

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Central Executive Committee (CEC)

Central Executive Committee consists of 11 members-elected by the GC for 2 years duration. CEC meets once in every three months to discuss the progress of organizational activities, take part in policy making process, organizational management, development and take initiative to implement of the different activities of the organization and solve problems if organization faces so far. The CEC remains accountable to the GC and the Executive Director remains accountable to the CEC.

(PHOTO of CEC)

Regional Executive Committee (REC):

There are four REC which represents the CEC to implements Shimantik’s different projects and program for different places and locations. Each REC has 7 members elected by CEC for two years duration like CEC. These RECs provide support to different projects as and when required on behalf of CEC.

Management:

Administrative Council

The ED is responsible for the overall management and implementation of all activities of Shimantik and both REC and CEC ensures the voluntary oversight to the activities implemented through ED and his implementation teams. The organization has different section or department like program & research, capacity building & training, education and finance & human resource. It has also an internal audit and monitoring section. Different directors (who are also the core staff of the organization) are responsible for respective department that are assigned as per its constitution. Besides these, different project wise resources are available as per project design and implementation approach. Administrative Council’s activities are guided by policies and guidelines approved by its CEC which includes personnel (HR) policy, financial management policies, work place policy, quality assurance guidelines, child safety policy, gender policy etc.

PHOTO of ED, DED, Directors, Managers

Senior management team (SMT): Shimantik has its senior management team (SMT) constituted by ED, DEDs, Directors and project heads/chiefs of different project. The SMT lead by the Executive Director where some key professionals of Shimantik volunteers (member of CEC/REC) involved. The main

objective of formation the SMT is to review the progress of different project wise activities of Shimantik regularly and suggest corrective measures, if necessary. It also discuss, share its opportunity, challenges, problems and take initiatives to resolve the problem (if any) during implementing the project activities. It helps the organization to reach its set goals, objectives properly and accelerates the momentum of delivering the services with the highest level of quality.

Implementation approach and experience:

Shimantik implements the projects by following approaches:

- Project to program, research to program
- Capacity Building of Community and local institute
- Community participation in developing project proposal and implementation process
- Experience sharing, research findings dissemination and scaling up
- Community contribution
- Cost sharing
- Make resources available for the benefit of stakeholders and beneficiaries

Experience:

Managing large donor funds and experience in program management: Shimantik's strong management experience is evident from its large donor based projects including USAID/ NHSDP, DFID, UNICEF, ADB/UPHCP, Johns Hopkins University (JHU), UNFPA, WFP, GFATM, WHO, National Institute of Health (NIH), Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Save the Children International etc. The organization has twelve senior Public Health Specialists in its core staff. The full time Executive Director and other professionals of Shimantik have enough experiences to implement and manage different programs. Since its inception, it has been managing large number of donors funded projects like urban primary health care service delivery project (UPHCSDP), Smiling Sun Franchise Project (SSFP), NGO Health Service Delivery Project (NHSDP), Integrated Safe motherhood, new-born care and family planning project, Marketing innovation for health (MIH) project etc. Since in 2001, Shimantik has been implementing several research project in collaboration with Johns Hopkins University-USA, icddr, b and MoHFW. Many of the study findings have published in Lancet journal and many developing country including Bangladesh have incorporated those recommendation in their national health strategy. Shimantik's strong institutional capacity is evident from its large donor base those mentioned above. So, it has capacity to manage large donor funds and also has project management experience for long time.

Serving Low Performing Areas: Sylhet division and Chittagong division are the low performing area according to several BDHS data compare to national data of health, family planning, nutrition, education etc sectors. Shimantik NGO health service program, urban primary health cares service delivery program, pilot project of family planning, Tobacco Free Sylhet and Mamoni project have been providing health and population services in the low performing urban and rural hilly areas of northeastern Bangladesh. Shimantik

has been working 32 upazilas of Sylhet division out of 39 upazilas. It has also been implementing some projects in Chittagong division. Under its urban primary health care projects in Sylhet and Dhaka, it has been working with slums people where the areas are also low performing. So, Shimantik has been providing services in low performing areas of Bangladesh.

Experience in Safe Delivery Service: Shimantik initiated delivery services from Zakigonj, Kanaighat, Beanibazar, Golapganj, Balagonj, Fenchugonj, Companigonj, Biswnath, South Surma and Jaintapur clinics since 2006. Initially 7 Skilled Birth Attendants (SBA) was providing these services. Through UPHCP, Shimantik has been providing safe delivery (both normal and cesarean section) services in Dhaka and Sylhet city corporation area since 2001 and 2007 respectively. It has also been providing primary health care services, safe delivery services through its own funded clinics.

Experience in Clinical FP Services: The organization has been providing ESP services, Norplant, F-IMCI, and C-IMCI in the vast of community of ten upazilas of Sylhet district through NHSDP, in Dhaka city corporation and Sylhet city corporation through UPHCP .

Maintain Quality Assurance: Shimantik provides highest attentions to quality and uses “Quality Comes First” as a key message for its activities. It has experience of using client oriented provider efficient (COPE), Appreciative Inquiry (AI) and roving facilitation for ensuring the quality of services in addition to the use of routine monitoring and supervision tools used in similar programs. Shimantik has also used “data for decision making” as a computerized tool in developing local level capabilities in the identification of problems and solutions. Team building, strategic planning and community involvement activities with the participation of local government institutions and agencies also play a key role in its capacity building and quality assurance efforts.

Staff: Shimantik has developed a core group of highly trained professionals each with a specific niche in capacity building, local governance, networking, program management, training, documentation and dissemination and write-ups

Right based and Gender sensitive approaches: Shimantik strongly believes and practices rights based approach to sexual and reproductive health. Such an approach is concerned with gender equity and equality, sexual and reproductive rights and client – centered sexual and reproductive health care. Over the years, a human rights-based approach to reproductive health has evolved which emphasizes the rights to health, to have children by choice, and to have a safe and satisfying sex life. WHO defines the rights-based approach as a conceptual framework for the process of human development that is normatively based on international human rights standards, and operationally directed to promoting and protecting human rights. It integrates the norms, standards and principles of the international human rights system into the plans, policies and processes of development. A rights based approach includes reproductive health services that protect a woman’s general health and well-being, that allow for well-informed decisions, and are respectful of individual choices.

Training and Capacity Building: Shimantik is maintaining a training center in the Upashahar area of Sylhet City. The training center is fully equipped with hostel facilities for participants. Shimantik is conducting training in different areas e.g. women development, women empowerment, health and family planning, training of trainers, motivation, advocacy, monitoring and evaluation, etc.

In addition to the training centre, Shimantik is also running a Teachers Training College approved by the National University. The TT College on B.Ed course has earned a very good reputation in the area and has helped the organization to establish wide ranging linkages with the professional groups in Sylhet Division.

Shimantik has been functioning four separate human resource centre/skill development training centre at Sylhet. It has been implementing its Develop Midwifery Program for three years duration. Each batch has thirty female students. The students continue their study at free of cost. DFID provide the financial support through BRAC university. It has also been running two years Community Paramedic Course under the guidance from Bangladesh nursing council. Medical Assistant Training School is another skill development area of Shimantik. Recently it has obtained approval for continuing three years nursing diploma course. All these four institutes are the government affiliated.

Social development programs: The key strategy of NHSDP, Marketing Innovation for Sustainable Health Development (MISHD) and Mamoni projects in implementing its BCC/M activities was to create awareness and demand for services within and from the community. The main thrust of the initial activities was to empower field functionaries to plan and undertake BCC/M activities according to their local needs and considering the local socio-cultural norms. Shimantik involves communities and local government institutions in all its activities and functions. The education program of Shimantik is based on community support and mobilization of mothers. Shimantik School for Primary Education is based on the concept of community support and women are playing a key role for its success.

Financial Management: Shimantik has the experienced financial personnel to maintain the books of accounts for its different projects. Shimantik has been maintaining the books of accounts properly. It has an approved financial manual and personnel policy. Shimantik strictly follows the manual to implement any project for **sound accounting practice**. The existence and effectiveness of Shimantik's good financial accounting system is evident from the fact that it has continued long term funding relationship with donors. From last 15 years, Shimantik's annual turnover is more than BDT.220 million. It has currently implementing an USAID funded project name "Marketing Innovation for Sustainable Health Development (MISHD)" which annual budget is more than BDT 60 million. It has been functioning about 15 donors funded project and 8 self funded project. So, Shimantik has the sufficient financial management capacity to implement the proposed project.

Shimantik has been **implementing projects of over US\$ 2,900,000 per year** for last ten years. The following table presents a picture of the Shimantik implemented projects and their annual value, which ranges between US\$ 2,760,000 and US\$ 3,076,000 during last five years: (It is noted that this figure is excluding Shimantik's own funded projects. The table is given below:

Sl.	Year	Total Turnover (BDT)	Total Turnover (USD)	Conv. rate
1	2017-18			1 USD = 80 BDT.
2	2016-17			
3	2015-16	296,497,049	3,706,213.00	

Shimantik conducts annual consolidated financial audit regularly by Chartered Accountant Firm. Besides this, it conducts project wise annual audit for different donor funded projects which also be submitted to NGO Affairs Bureau.

Targeting poor and Vulnerable: Shimantik mission and vision clearly states its commitment to target poor and vulnerable population. In conducting all its activities, Shimantik gives a very high priority to poor and vulnerable population. Shimantik always gives special attention to assess the ability of the people to pay for the services and the poverty situation among the target population.

Operational areas:

Though Shimantik has started its activities from the Zakigonj upazila of Sylhet district but it has since expanded its activities to other geographical areas. It has experience to work in 209 upazilas of different parts of Bangladesh under 29 districts.

At present, Shimantik is implementing several projects in most of the upazilas of Sylhet division. Under Sylhet district it has been working in all 13 (thirteen) upazilas. In Moulvibazar district, it has been working in all seven (7) upazilas, in Hobigonj district it has been working in seven (7) upazilas out of 8 upazilas and in Sunamgonj it has been working in five (5) upazilas out of eleven (11). In Chattagram division, Shimantik is working in 6 upazilas of Brahmanbaria district and three upazilas of Chandpur district. In Dhaka division, it has been working in eight upazila of Dhaka, Shariotpur and Gopalganj districts. Shimantik has been implementing some projects in Khulna division and cover 2 upazilas of Bagerhat district. Under Barisal division, Shimantik covers 5 upazilas from two districts namely Barisal and Pirojpur. Besides these, Shimantik has been working in all 27 wards of Sylhet City Corporation and 11 wards of Dhaka south and Dhaka north City Corporation.

Shimantik's coverage is about 7.00 million population all over the country.

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Our program and current projects:

Health, family planning and nutrition (Health Service Delivery Program)

Education (Non formal, formal and technical education)

Research and Evaluation

Capacity Building and Skill Development

Livelihood and women empowerment

Awareness raising (community mobilization) and BCC

Health service delivery program (Health, family planning and nutrition project):

Shimantik has been implementing several health related projects since its inception in 1979 in different places of Bangladesh. It is a pioneer organization to provide health services in Bangladesh. Under its health service delivery program, Shimantik has been implementing the following projects:

1. Advancing Universal Health Coverage (AUHC) – former NGO Health Service Delivery Program (NHSDP)

Shimantik has started its health service delivery activities in 1998 in rural six upazilas of Sylhet district. The project's name was Rural Service Delivery Project (RSDP) which was funded by USAID through Pathfinder International. Later it was implemented in different names like NSDP, SSFP and at present, it is continuing as the NHSDP. Shimantik has been implementing NHSDP in eleven (11) upazilas of Sylhet district namely Zakigonj, Kanaighat, Beanibazar, Golapgonj, Balagonj, Fenchugonj, Companygonj, Osmaninagar, Biswnath, Jaintapur and Sylhet Sadar.

Through this project, Shimantik provides essential services packages (ESP) services which include reproductive health including family planning and child health services to the underserved people of the rural areas. Shimantik charges fees for its services but approximately 40 percent of the people who are very poor are provided free service. The program is being implemented with active involvement and participation of the local communities and will be continued to till December 2018. (SOME PHOTO IN RIGHT SIDE)

2. Urban Primary Health Care Service Delivery Project – (UPHCSDP)

In 2000, Shimantik has got the opportunity to work at urban area of Dhaka city corporation in ward nos 24, 25,26 and 35. It has provided ESP services to the urban slums through primary health care centre (PHCC), satellite clinic and comprehensive reproductive health care centre (CRHCC). In 2007, it has awarded the project in Sylhet city corporation area. Both in Dhaka and Sylhet city corporations (SCC), Shimantik has implemented UPHCP –II with the financial support from Asian Development Bank (ADB), SIDA, DFID, UNFPA and Government of Bangladesh. The project was implemented through the guidance of LGERD/city corporation. At present, Shimantik has been implementing its UPHCSDP in 21 wards in SCC out of 27 wards. The Project aims to reduce maternal and child mortality and morbidity by strengthening the urban primary health care infrastructure and ensuring that people receive quality health care services including safe delivery. The current project will be continued to till September 2018. (SOME PHOTO IN RIGHT SIDE)

3. Health System Strengthening Project (MaMoni)

In July 2016, Shimantik started its ACCESS Project by the financial support from USAID/MCHIP. This program was came as the scaling up of the PROJAHNMO research project. Later in 2010, the project was renamed as “*Integrated Safe Motherhood, Newborn Care and Family Planning Project (MaMoni)*”. The project was implemented in four upazilas of Sylhet district and four upazilas of Hobigonj district. Since in 2013, the project has got another name “*health system strengthening project (Mamoni)*” and continue to till date. The long term goal of the program is to improve maternal and neonatal health. The overall objective of this project is to increase the practice of healthy maternal and neonatal behaviors in a sustainable and potentially scalable manner. MaMoni is also strengthening evidence-based interventions, both at the health facility and in the community, including: breastfeeding, hand washing and hygiene for newborn health; management of the Low Birth Weight (LBW) babies and essential maternal and newborn health services and practices. At the national, district, and local levels, MaMoni is galvanizing stakeholders around priority

interventions, collaborate with them to scale up programs, and apply effective, innovative approaches that is accelerate delivery of MNH-FP services.

4. Malaria Elimination Program GFATM in Bangladesh

Shimantik has been implementing its Malaria Control Program in Kanaighat upazila of Sylhet since in 2008. The project is funded by GFATM through BRAC. The main objective of this project is to detect Malaria patients and reduce the incidence of the disease. Besides this, other aims of the project are to diagnosis in correct way and give effective treatment 90% malaria affected people and to increase the participation & coordination of local population, local organization & respective organization in the implementation & management of malaria control program. It has been identifying malaria patient through necessary diagnosis, providing treatment, referring for better treatment to GOB health facilities, making awareness raising activities among the community, distributing mosquito nets to the poor family. The project will continue to December 31, 2020.

5. Family Planning Services in Sylhet City Corporation.

The project “Providing Family Planning Services in the Slums of Sylhet City Corporation for a period of 51 months” aims to provide quality health care in Sylhet City Corporation (SCC) by the poor. The project provides family planning services at the door step of the slum dwellers of Sylhet. It implements the project under the authority of the Directorate General of Family Planning (DGFP), Health Education and Family welfare under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. The project funded through the Family Planning Field Services Delivery operational plan. Shimantik gets reimbursement for pay for doorstep services offered by FP volunteers, for weekly evening satellite clinics, for capacity building, quality assurance, training, research, workshops and support the coordination of FP services in Sylhet city for the project period of 4.5 years (April 2018 to June 2022). In addition to reimbursement, DGFP provides contraceptive supplies, client registers and forms, coordination, monitoring, and the provision of trainers. In addition, DGFP will reimburse compensation package (wage loss, travel cost etc.) to the Long Acting and Reversible Contraceptive (LA & RC) users through the NGO implementing the project.

6. Self funded health care centre (clinics) at Dhaka and Sylhet

Since in January 2013, Shimantik has been functioning a 20 bedded clinic at Dhaka under phase out of UPHCP-II. It has been providing ESP+ services including safe delivery through this comprehensive clinic. Considering the successful functioning of the clinic activities and performance, Shimantik has taken initiative to establish another two primary health care (PHC) centre at Madertek and Goran (Sipahibagh) areas of DSCC. All these three clinics are functioning well and self supported.

Education:

Shimantik has been implementing formal and non-formal education project. A few of them are funded by donors and maximum of them are Shimantik’s own funded.

1. Non-Formal Primary Education:

Shimantik has been implementing 15 non formal primary education centre with the assistance (Financial and technical) from BRAC. BEP was initially launched as BRAC Non-Formal Primary Education (NFPE) in 1985. In 2003 it was renamed as BRAC Education Program (BEP). BEP carries out its programme activities in accordance with a five-year plan and is active in five major areas. Non-formal Primary

Education is one of the major programs through which BRAC provides quality primary education to underprivileged children. However, total 450 children (300 female and 150 male) are studying in 15 centre and they will complete their 5 class graduation in December 2018.

2. Formal Education: Shimantik International School at Kaligonj, Zakigonj :

Shimantik International School was established in 2005 in order to fulfil the demand of standard education. Under the guidance of Shimantik Executive Committee, the school started Nursery to Standard five class in its initiative period and then expanded up to eight grade. Well educated and experienced teaching staff were engaged. The student took part to the many competitive way and resulted good. It ensures its 100% result every year. In the last JSC and PSC the school gain 5 A+ and 5 government scholarship. The environment of the school is very good. The Shimantik authority expresses open class nine from next year. All preparation has been taken in this regards. At present 360 regular student studies here.

3. Shimantik Ideal School at Sylhet Town:

To develop a nation there is no alternate without education .As a development organization Shimantik take a initiative to provide quality education to primary & secondary student through Shimantik Ideal School.

Our mission is to support the achievement of National goal to impart quality education to all the citizens of Bangladesh. In 2010 this school received the first approval from Ministry of Education & Sylhet Education board .From the beginning this school earn a remarkable results .Last year 100% students of this school passed in primary school certificate exam & junior school certificate exam. School managing committee always close monitoring to teachers & their teaching technique .This school take a special initiative to provide monthly routine medical check-up for Teachers & Students for better health & also include Computer Technology in high school level for facing future challenges.

4. Shimantik College, Sylhet:

It has started its college section since in 2010 known as general college for class XI and XII. At present, it has obtained approval from Bangladesh National University for functioning graduation section like BA, B.Sc. and B. Com for female student.

5. Shimantik Ideal Teacher's Training College:

Bangladesh is committed to the World Declaration on Education for All (Jomtein, March 1990). The educational system of Bangladesh faces several problems specially teachers training college .The low performance in B.Ed. education is also matter of concern. To support the achievement of National goal to impart quality education to all the citizens of Bangladesh through providing high quality training and support services to secondary schools teachers so that they can provide best quality secondary education all over Bangladesh

Research and Evaluation:

Shimantik has been providing high quality technical and professional support to government, private sector organizations and development partners for the design, survey and evaluation of program initiatives. It has also implemented several research activities in collaboration with Johns Hopkins University USA and ICDDR,B. Shimantik has undertaken the following major research and evaluation activities currently:

1. Pneumococcal Vaccine Impact assessment in Bangladesh:

This research project is being implementing in collaboration with Johns Hopkins University, icddr,b, Child

Health Research Foundation and MoHFW which funded by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The main objective of the project is to evaluate the impact of PCV-10 use in routine and catch-up immunization on prevention of PCV-10 serotype-specific IPD.

2. Alliance for Maternal And Newborn Health Improvement Phase -II (AMANHI-II)

This is maternal and newborn health related research project funded by WHO through Johns Hopkins University-USA. The primary objectives of the project are to determine population-based burden, timing, and causes of maternal, perinatal and neonatal deaths and also to determine the burden of severe acute Maternal morbidity (SAMM) in the study populations and to document the care received for each morbidity condition.

3. Project for advancing health of newborn and mothers.

This research project is funded by BMGF through Johns Hopkins University-USA. The objective of the project is to describe the efficacy of maternal immunization with the RSVF vaccine in reducing the incidence of all symptomatic RSV respiratory tract infections detected by active/passive surveillance in maternal subjects from immunization through six months after delivery.

Capacity Building and Skill Development:

The Organizational Development Department executes key role in the improvement and expansion of the organization. This department has direct impact on the efficiency, productivity and future plans of Shimantik. One of major goals of this department is skill building of employees and conducting workshops at different levels of organization. The organization has the following program for skill development purposes:

1. Established Training Centre:

Shimantik has a fully equipped training centre at Sylhet town with 45 participants accommodation. The centre has two class room with multimedia services and other facilities. It has expert trainers pool, available relevant logistic and supply etc. for conducting training program.

2. Developing Midwife Program:

Bangladesh has been identified by WHO as one of the 57 crisis countries facing a crisis in the supply of human resource for health (HRH). The massive under-supply of qualified health professionals is particularly severe in the area of nursing and midwifery. To accelerate the production of midwives in the country, in January 2013, a three years direct entry Diploma in Midwifery Programme was introduced by the Government of Bangladesh under the 2011-2016 Health, Population and Nutrition Sector Development Programme (HPNSDP). The most significant private sector initiative has been from BRACU which introduced a three years direct entry Diploma in Midwifery course in 2013 in partnership with 6 other NGOs targeted at vulnerable students from hard to reach areas and provided free of cost to the students, funding DFID through BRAC University. Shimantik has also started the same course in Sylhet on a fee-paying basis.

[From the beginning of 1st quarter we have completed infrastructure, accommodation, skill lab, library, computer lab, staff recruitment, Faculty development training, dining and others necessary activities. In the 2nd quarter we have completed 1st batch students' enrolment procedure including written test, viva exam and final selection of candidate. 1st Batch students of Shimantik Academic Site came to dormitory on 2nd week of January 2013 accordingly and orientation class was held on 17 January 2013. The first class started

from 18 January 2013 and their graduation completed by Dec, 2015. We have enrolled 2nd batch-b January, 2015 and they will be completing their graduation by Dec, 2017. 3rd batch students were enrolled in January, 2016 and they will complete their graduation by Dec, 2018.

3. Community Paramedic Training Course:

Shimantik has started its Community Paramedic Training Course with 60 students. This project is run by the approval and guidance of Bangladesh Nursing Council. This is a two year course and functioning from 2011. There are two institutes are functioning which one is at Sylhet and one is at Dhaka.

4. Medical Assistant Training School (MATS):

Shimantik has started its Medical Assistant Training School (MATS) with 60 students. This project is run by the approval and guidance of State Medical Faculty of Bangladesh. This is a four year course and functioning from 2011.

Livelihood and Women Empowerment:

1. Vulnerable Group Development (VGD)

Shimantik has been working for the development of vulnerable women of different upazilas. The project is funded by MoWCA to increase the capacity of vulnerable women through training/orientation. It also ensure to receive allocated rice/wheat by the women from local union parishad chairman and deposited their savings properly to the bank account maintained by the authority.

2. Investment Component of Vulnerable Group Development (

Shimantik has been working with the NGOs who work for the development of vulnerable women of Sylhet division. The project is funded by World Food Programme (WFP) to increase the capacity of vulnerable women. It has been providing different type of training for their capacity building as well as the NGOs capacity development. Initially the duration of the project is one year but has possibility to increase another one year

Awareness Raising and BCC:

Shimantik has initiated to implement some awareness activities through different projects which as follows:

1. Marketing Innovation for Sustainable Health Development (MISHD) project:

Shimantik Started Implementing USAID Marketing Innovations for Sustainable Health Development Project in Sylhet and Chattagram division with the support of Social Marketing Company (SMC) and USAID from November 2016 and will continue to July 2021. Previously it was known as the Marketing Innovation for Health during 2012-2016. The project goal is to contribute to sustained improvements in the health status of women, children, and families in Bangladesh by increasing access to and demand for essential health products and services, using social marketing tools and concepts through the private sector. As a community mobilization partner of MISHD project, Shimantik will undertake the following activities to achieve its goal and objectives:

1. Engage Community Sales Agents (CSA) activities to expand their reach with products and project messages-
 - a. Selection and Orientation and follow-up of CSA in new intervention area;
 - b. Follow-up activity of CSA in old intervention area;
2. Group Meeting with MWRA (Married Women Reproductive Age); 3.Group meeting with Caregiver of under five Children; 4. Advocacy with School Girls and Boys (Adolescent aged); 5. Meetings with School Management Committee; 6. Attend Health and FP Coordination meeting in Upazila and District level; 7. IPC with Newly Wed Couples; 8.Marriage registers orientation; 9.Special Day Observation; 10. Mobile Film Program; 11. Advocacy Meetings with community influencer; 12. Mass motivational campaign to reach male participants; 13.Folk Song on Health and FP;

2. Nutrition Awareness & Support Services

The project is funded by World Bank through Social Development Foundation (SDF) for three years duration. The project will cover five districts namely Barishal, Pirojpur, Bagerhat, Shariatpur and Gopalganj. Raise awareness through group meeting and counseling, advocacy meeting and other BCC activities to improve attitudes and practices that enhance nutritional outcomes for targeted beneficiaries in selected project areas and to support beneficiaries in optimizing nutrition through their livelihood activities.

Some past implemented projects

Shimantik started its activities since in 1979 and had implemented several projects in different sectors. Some major projects completed by Shimantik are shown below:

Contracting Agencies/Donors	Location	Work Value	Tenure of Contract	Project Name
USAID through Pathfinder International	10 upazilas of Sylhet district		Jan '13 Dec '17	NGO Health Service Delivery Program (NHSDP)
WHO through JHU	Zakigonj, Kanaighat upazilas of Sylhet district.	\$780,100	Jan'13 Dec'17	Alliance for Maternal and Newborn Health Improvement (AMANHI)
Government of Bangladesh (MoWCA)	Seven upazilas of Sylhet district	BDT. 2,649,160	Feb '16 Dec '17	Vulnerable Group Development (VGD)
World Food Program (WFP)	Goainghat upazila of Sylhet district	BDT. 3,652,434	May '16- July'17	Investment Component of Vulnerable Group Development (ICVGD)
KFW (Garman) through DGFP	Sylhet City Corporation	BDT. 43,525,120	July '14 June '17	Implementation of a Pilot Project for Family Planning in the Slums of Sylhet City Corporation.

Contracting Agencies/Donors	Location	Work Value	Tenure of Contract	Project Name
Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids, USA	Sylhet, Hobigonj, Moulvibazer and Sunamgonj district	\$124,990	Dec' 14- Dec' 16	Supporting effective implementation of tobacco control law in Sylhet division
USAID through Social Marketing Company (SMC)	Sylhet, Sunamgonj, Moulvibazar and Habigonj district		Oct 2012 to Oct 2016	Marketing Innovation for Health (MIH)
DFID through BRAC University	Sylhet		July '12 Sept '16	Community Midwifery Development Project (CMDP).
The Brigham and Women's Hospital /Partners Health Care-USA	Zakigonj and Kanaighat upazilas of Sylhet district	\$65,150	Dec '14 Aug '16	Vaginal Microbiom and Mucosal Immunity Sub-study (VAMMI)
State Department of USA	Sylhet City Corporation	\$60,995	Aug '14 July '16	Introducing Babu Barta Bangladesh Program-Shimantik
National Institute of Health through JHU	Zakigonj, Kanaighat upazilas of Sylhet district.	\$585,875	July '11 – May '15	Maternal Genitourinary Infection and Perinatal Outcomes (MIST)
Care Bangladesh	Sunamgonj district	\$ 8,080	Sept' 15 Dec'15	Implementation of Nutrition @centre
Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids, USA	Sylhet, Hobigonj, Moulvibazer and Sunamgonj district	\$275,000	May 10- Nov 14	Tobacco Free Sylhet
USAID through JHU/Jhpiego	Zakigonj and Kanaighat upazila of Sylhet district	\$913,820	May 07 – May 14	Addressing unmet need for contraception in the post partum period in Sylhet district, Bangladesh.
Gates Foundation through JHU/CHRF	Zakigonj and Kanaighat upazila of Sylhet district	\$ 1,154,870	March 11- February 14	Aetiology of Neonatal Infection in South Asia (ANISA)
USAID through Save the Children, USA	Golapganj, Balagonj ,Fenchugonj and Biswanath of Sylhet and Hobigonj Sader, Bahuba,Lakhai and Madhabpur upazilas of Hobigonj district	\$4,784,500	July 06 – Sept 13	Safe Motherhood and Newborn Care Project (ACCESS/Mamoni)
USAID through Chemonics International	Zakigonj, Kanaighat, Beanibazar, Golapganj, Balagonj & Jaintapur	\$1,570,580	July 07 – Dec 13	Smiling Sun Franchise Project (SSFP)

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GFATM through BRAC	Dhaka City Corporation	\$165,000	August 05 – Dec 12	Tuberculosis Control Program
ICDDR'B	Khilgaon, Dhaka	\$89,215	January 09- March 12	Vitamin-D and Moni study
Orbis International	Dhaka and Sylhet City Corporation	\$ 135,000	July 06 – Dec 12	Primary Eye Care project
USAID/ Pathfinder International	Zakigonj, Kanaighat, Beanibazar, Golapganj, Balagonj & Jaintapur	\$1392622	Oct 2002- June 2007	NGO Service Delivery Project (NSDP)
USAID/ Pathfinder International	Zakigonj, Kanaighat, Beanibazar, Golapganj, Balagonj & Jaintapur	\$185937	Oct 1997- Sept 2002	Rural Service Delivery Project (RSDP)
ADB,DFID,SIDA & GOB	Sylhet City Corporation	\$24,00,000	April 2007 – Dec 2012	Urban Primary Health Care Project-II
Asian Development Bank (ADB), DFID, SIDA & GOB	Dhaka City Corporation	\$2,647,780	July 2000 – Dec 2012	Urban Primary Health Care Project (UPHCP) and UPHCP-II
UNFPA	Dhaka and Sylhet City Corporation	\$ 240,000	July 01 – Dec 12	Strengthening Reproductive health Services for the Urban Poor.
USAID through Extending Service Delivery	Sylhet City Corporation and Sylhet Sader upazila	\$ 246,000	March 09- May 11	Scaling up of healthy fertility and postpartum family planning rural experience in urban area of Sylhet, Bangladesh.
Saving Newborn Life through JHU	Zakigonj, Kanaighat and Beanibazar of Sylhet	\$762,697	Dec 06- Nov 09	Impact of Umbilical cord cleansing with Chlorhexidine on neonatal mortality and Omphalitis in Rural Sylhet District of Bangladesh
BRAC	Zakigonj of Sylhet	\$135,170	Jan 93- Dec 11	Non Formal Primary Education
Johns Hopkins University/ Save the Children USA	Zakigonj, Kanaighat and Beanibazar of Sylhet	\$ 893,500	Sept 01 – Oct 06	Community based intervention to reduce neonatal mortality in Bangladesh
UNICEF	Sylhet & Moulvibazar Tea garden	\$ 30,162	Aug 04 – June 06	HIV/AIDS Prevention Project
ICDDR'B (USAID)	Zakigonj, Kanaighat and Beanibazar of Sylhet	\$35,006	March 2005- April 2006	Maternal Morbidity Study Project:

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CARE Bangladesh	Zakigonj	\$20,000	January 1997- March 2001	Through this Cages project, the local people were get necessary training, gained knowledge, and were engaged to fishing and improved their livelihood status
CARE Bangladesh	Zakigonj	\$32,600	July 1996- June 2000	Disaster Preparedness Project: To improve the capability of the local farmers & fishermen and build up awareness about Disaster Preparedness to the community.
Bangladesh Population and Health Consortium (BPHC)	Zakigonj and Companigonj	\$207,727	July 1993- December 2000	This project provided Maternal Child Health (MCH) , Nutrition , Health, Income Generation and Women Development services in the project area.
ILO/GOB	Zakigonj	\$9,375	May 1998- April 1999	ILO-GOB credit project: The credit was given to the poorest group of community for income generation and employment creation program.
D F I D	Zakigonj, Kanaighat, Beanibazar, Balagonj, Golapgonj & Jaintapur of Sylhet district	\$32,600	Dec 1998- Feb 1999	This is an emergency loan assistance project for the flood effected households to improve their livelihood.
NFUAJ	Zakigonj	\$23,366	July 1996- June 1997	Shimantik has constructed 9 learning centres for non formal education, public library and partial construction of Head Office of Shimantik with the fund from Nagoya International Centre Through The National Federation of UNESCO Association in Japan (NFUAJ)
CIDA	Zakigonj & Kanaighat	\$13,320	July 1996- Oct 1996	The project is named as “Sustainable Health Management Scheme An Innovative Approach”

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