

Template for Open Global Grant Submission to International Section of D5240 Website

Title: Basic Education Bangladesh - ODL (Open Distance Learning) for poor mothers teaching slum children

Global Grant Number: GG1875366

Area of Focus: Basic Education and Literacy

Host club: Cox's Bazar City, Cox Bazar Bangladesh

International club: Cambria, Cambria CA USA

Project Overview: In partnership with the Amarok Society who operates 20 schools in the Bangladesh slums, currently teaching 500 illiterate mothers and 2500 extremely poor children, we will introduce and establish ODL (Open & Distant Learning). This teaching method is used for online college courses and other distant education programs. The methodology transitions the traditional curriculum program to increase efficiency and quality, with 25% less instruction time for new teachers and supports higher quality instructions for all teachers. A specialist in ODL, will train the current and new teachers how to transition the current curriculum into the new technique. This grant pays for the consultant, and materials to establish the new curriculum and presentation tools. It also establishes one school, including all expenses for 1-year to teach 100% new curriculum. As the course and materials are validated, the existing schools will transition into the new curriculum.

Who will it benefit: The school model provides 2-hours of instructions per day. One teacher and an assistant trains 25 women. Each women then returns home and trains 5 children the information they learned. The students, both mothers and children will benefit. The teachers will benefit from greater effectiveness in instruction. Long term, the community benefits as literacy levels increase. Education equates to better jobs and income, gender equality, better health and nutrition, less domestic violence and an end to early marriage. . The transition from slum ignorance to literacy will have lasting effects.



*If you teach a mother,
you teach a family.*

*If you teach 5 mothers,
you teach a neighborhood*



*If Education of a mother
Has a direct correlation to the
Education her child*



*Education Builds Peace
Ignorance Builds Extremism
A chance to make the world
A better place to Live*

Why do you believe it is sustainable? The Amarak Society was created by Dr. Tanyss Munro an accomplished educator from Canada and her husband Gem Munro, who has devoted his life to improving educational opportunities for disadvantaged people. They began in 2006 with 25 mothers. Their mission it to teach the world's poorest children. The successful method of teaching the mothers, who then teach 5-children what they have learned has been proving. Everywhere a school is established, it is successful and the generation gap of ignorance is broken.

Total \$ amount for the grant: \$54,480

Total \$ amount needed from clubs: \$18,000

A list of clubs that have committed funds:

Rotary Club of Cambria - \$3,000

Tentative deadline for application submission: November 15, 2019

Any websites or YouTube video links: Cooperating Organization,
Amarok Society: <http://amaroksociety.org/wordpress/>

Are you willing to visit other clubs to pitch the project? Yes

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