



**Uttaran**



# Uttaran - Profile

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## About Us -

Uttaran, which means 'transition', in Bangla language has been living up to its name through a myriad of development interventions since 1985 from Jatpur village of Tala upazila under Satkhira district to uphold the rights of the poor and underprivileged. The organization was founded with the aim to building a society free from all inequalities where everyone can access and is aware of their basic rights. Being a people centered organization, Uttaran has been using a rights-based approach to alleviate poverty, diversify livelihood opportunities and empower poor communities throughout the southwest region with gradual expansion to other parts of the country. For the last 35 years Uttaran has been working for the most inaccessible and vulnerable districts such as Satkhira, Jashore, Khulna, Bagerhat, Barisal, Bhola, Barguna, Patuakhali, Feni, Noakhali, Laksmipur, Jamalpur and Cox's Bazar. In 2019-2020, with an annual expenditure of BDT. 1,038,530,860 (One hundred three crore eighty-five lac thirty thousand eight hundred and sixty taka only) Uttaran was able to directly benefit 300,100 households concentrating specially on the landless, underprivileged women, outcastes and untouchables who are victims of socio-economic classification, hierarchic caste system and a male-dominated society. Through a network of 48 offices, one training centre with well-developed communications and operating procedures along with 515 experienced and highly qualified staff and 1,120 volunteers, Uttaran has strong credibility among the communities and as well as the Government of Bangladesh.



## Mission

A society with gender, class and caste equality

## Vision

Equip the disadvantaged people with the tools needed to deal with their social, environmental, health, economic and cultural issues and concerns.

## Strategy

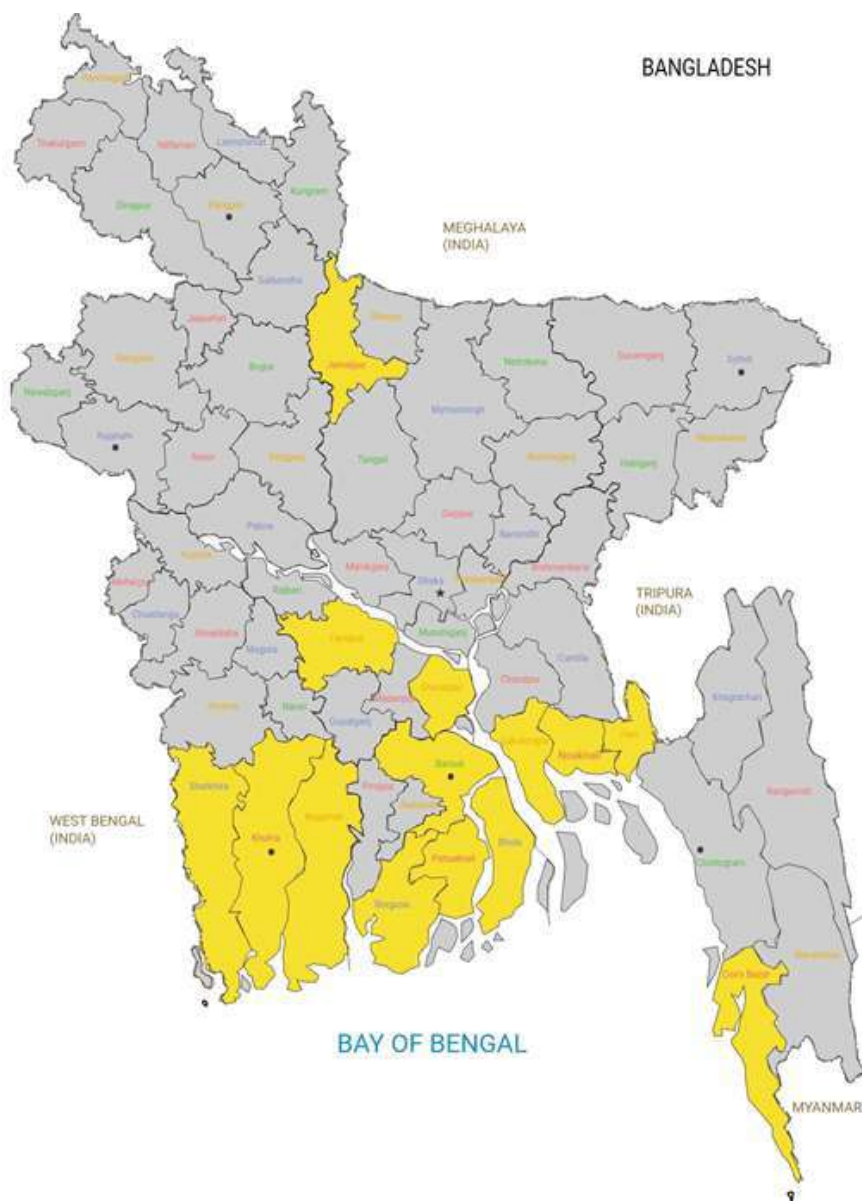
- Organization and capacity building for the poor
- Ensure sustainable livelihood practices for women and poor
- Ensure women and poor's entitlement to social services (education, health, safety net)
- Raising voice, influence and agency of poor through advocacy, campaigns, lobbying and networking
- Mainstreaming of rights, gender and inclusion issues
- Building pro poor partnership
- Result Based Management (RBM) practices

## Legal Entity

Legal entity and registration

- i) Registration number by Department of Social Welfare – Sat - 6/85,
- ii) Registration number by NGO Affairs Bureau – 0255
- iii) Registration number by Micro credit Regularity Authority- 01366-02704-00277
- iv. Registration number by Joint Stock Company, S-11188

## Working Area





## Our Participants

The organization works with extreme poor communities prioritizing landless communities, women, outcastes, untouchables and religion-ethnic minorities.

**In 2019 - 2020**  
**we were able to reach**  
**300,100**  
**Household directly**



## Our Management

The overall governance for Uttaran rests with the General Committee which is made up of 21 members. The General Committee elects the Executive Committee for a period of two years. In Annual General Meetings, the General Committee has to ratify policies and programs which have been adopted by the Executive Committee consisting of 7 members, its main decision-making body. It also approves the audited account and budget for the coming year, as per government legislation. General Committee meets annually while the Executive Committee sits quarterly. But in reality, the EC has to sit more than four times as per organizational needs. It performs such functions as entrusted to it by Constitution. The Executive Committee appoints the Director who is responsible for coordinating the overall programme and administrative matters. The Director is assisted by six programme coordinators, Internal MEAL team, Accounts and Finance team, Audit Team, Administration and Safeguarding Committee.





## Our Policies

- Personnel Management Policy
- Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy
- Anti Discrimination Policy
- Data management Policy
- Diversity and Inclusion Policy
- Environment and Social protection Policy
- Anti-bribery
- Risk Management Policy
- Financial Manual
- Procurement Policy & Procedure Manual
- Internal Auditing Guidelines
- Anti-Fraud and Corruption Whistle Blowing Policy
- Value for Money Policy
- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Gender and Development Policy
- Savings & Credit Management Policy
- Partnership Policy and Strategy
- Policy on Child Protection in Emergencies
- Anti Sexual Harassment Policy
- Retaliation and Anti Harassment Policy
- Cost Allocation Policy
- Asset Safeguarding Policy
- Whistle Blower Protection Policy
- Anti Terrorism/ Combating Financing Policy
- Anti Money Laundering Policy
- Branding Guideline
- Asset Transfer Guideline
- Monitoring & Evaluation Framework
- Primary Organization Policy
- Gono Unnyan Federation (GUF) Policy
- Motor Cycle Uses Guideline
- COVID resilient village guideline
- Inventory Management Policy
- Food Bank Management Policy
- Training and Staff Development Policy
- Accounts & Management Training Manual
- Disaster Response Contingency of Uttaran
- Draft Constitution of Panni Committee

## **Uttaran's - Programmes**

- Rights, Gender and Social Justice (RGSJ)
- Food Security and Nutrition (FSN)
- Disaster and Humanitarian action (DHA)
- Climate Change and Water Governance (CCWG)
- Education and youth action (EYA)
- Integrated Rural Development (IRD)

**48 offices**

**515 Staff in Uttaran's family (45 % female)**

**1120 Volunteers**





## **Major Achievements**

**Advocate and facilitated for 44,448 HH who received 18034.21 acres of khasland from the Government of Bangladesh**

**Impacted atleast 24,720 people through the youth led social development projects**

**Quality education assured for 250,000 children and youths (Primary, Secondary and Technical Education)**

**Two rivers saved by advocating for Tidal River Management with the support for Government of Bangladesh.**

**35,370 primary school students received proper dietary and hygiene support with the assistance**

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**“Since 2000 Uttaran has responded to all major disasters through 67 projects spending around BDT 1,749,238,720 to reaching over 3,585,939 people in Coastal districts of Bangladesh.**

**In addition, Uttaran is also working for the Rohingya Population from Myanmar who were faced with severe violence and fled to Bangladesh”**

**131,280 individual household members from 819 villages or 151 unions throughout Satkhira, Khulna, Jashore and Bagerhat district**

**WASH 100% Sanitation coverage in Satkhira**

**Legal Aid Service provided for over 10,000 people**

**Direct Agricultural support for 105,000 HH  
Non-Agricultural support for over 50,000 HH**



## Uttaran's Institutions





## People Forum of Uttaran



## Contribution Towards SDG

Uttaran's support for transition are aligned with Bangladesh Government vision 2041

Contribution towards UN Sustainable Development Goals





## **Annual Turnover of Uttaran Year Turnover (BDT.)**

- 2019-2020 - 1,038,530,860
- 2018-2019 - 1,149,981,593
- 2017-2018 - 1,057,176,898

## **National and International Audit**

**Following national and international audit firms audited Uttaran's account and found transparent fund management.**

- Rahman Rahman Huq (KPMG)
- Hoda Vasi Chowdhury & Co. (Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu)
- ACNABIN BAKER TILLY INTERNATIONAL
- A. Qasem & Co.
- Howladar Yunus & Co.
- Aziz Halim Khair Choudhury (PKF International)
- A. Wahab & Co. (Moores Rowland International)
- S. F. Ahmed & Co. (ERNST & YOUNG GLOBAL)
- Khan Wahab Shafique Rahman & Co.
- Rahman Anis & Co.
- J. R. Choudhury & Co.
- M. M. Hossain & Co.
- M. N. Islan & Co.
- S. K. Barua & Co.
- Masih Muhith Huq & Co. (IGAF Worldwide)
- Ashraful Haque Nabi & Co.
- Azad Zamir & Co.
- Islam Kazi Shafique & Co

# Our Supporters



Community Mobilization - Poverty Eradication - Environmental Justice



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