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HLP Foundation (A Platform for Horizontal Learning)



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What are the Objectives of HLP Foundation?

- ☐ Enhance the capacity of Union Parishads by supporting them to learn from and replicate proven good practices
- □ Promote networking and collaboration among Union Parishads
- □Scaling-up of union parishad good practices
- □Support policy advocacy for the CSO members and concerned stakeholders.

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HLPF's contribution to R2G



- Facilitate raising citizen's voice through budget meeting and expenditure tracking
- Foster outcome-based peer learning and scaling-up of good practices
- Selected by locals
- Reviewed by them
- If any Good Practice is replicated > 50 times in Bangladesh, then it is called as best practice
- Funded by Locals
- Policy Keform

Accountability

- Practice to policy Support
- Bottom- up



3 levels of accountability

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HLP Basic Features

- ☐ In HLP everyone is a teacher and everyone is a learner
- HLP creates win-win situation
- ☐ HLP is non-threatening

HLP Added Value in Bangladesh

- ☐ USD 1 brings USD 7 for overall improved services.
- ☐ USD 1 brings USD 4 for WASH improved services.

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Achievement of HLP Foundation

Successfully organized the International HLP Convention from 12–14

September 2023.



- Developed a web-based application, BMET (Budget Monitoring & Expenditure Tracking), to support Union Parishad budgeting (<u>link: r2g.hlpfoundation.net</u>).
- Successfully incorporated a dedicated nutrition budget line into the Union Parishad budget for the first time.
- Workshop on review of the BMET with NILG.

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Achievement of HLP Foundation

- Increased the budget allocation for WASH and Nutrition from 1.45% to 18% in the 2024–25 fiscal year, with expenditure rising from 72% in 2022–23 to 89% in 2023–24.
- Awarded BMET Certificates to all 40 Union Parishads in recognition of their efforts in preparing digital budgets for three consecutive fiscal years.

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• Announced the BMET Champions, recognizing 10 Union Parishads as the best performers in BMET implementation.

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• Review of the budget form for ensuring nutrition and the practical benefits of using the digital budget app.

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