



#### Presidential Initiatives



#### **Empowering Girls**

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Empowering Girls

# I am immensely pleased to have this opportunity of sharing our success story from our District 3281.

#### Our story is about Empowering Girls.











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## **Bangladesh Rotary Priority Community Project (BRPCP)**



A Sustainability for Good Success Story **Barrister Mutasim Billah FARUQUI** District Governor, D3281







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The First Ever Signature Project at our District Level in the 85 Years History of Rotary in Bangladesh

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#### OUR MISSION

is to set up female friendly comfort centers for adolescent girls to manage their menstrual hygiene in schools and colleges empowering them with uninterrupted studies to propel our economic and social progress.











#### We are aimed to solve the

Absenteeism and Drop-outs of girl students because of their inability to manage menstrual hygiene in schools and colleges.











#### Why we have chosen this project?

Research finds that 4.4 million students in Bangladesh become sick every year because of poor sanitation & 86 percent of them are girls because of poor menstrual hygiene in schools in colleges. No functional toilets in over 50 percent schools, madrasas and colleges.



#### **CURRENT SCENARIO**









For this initiative, our

**Rotary Clubs** 

**Rotaract Clubs** 

**Rotary Community Corps** 

**Local Educational Institutes** 

Local Sponsors: both Individuals & Organizations

are joining hands together to take this action



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We are also in discussions with Rotary Clubs in Other Districts to Join with Us to make our Girls Empowered to achieve economic empowerment for the country, for the world.











#### In assistance with the Ministry of Education of our Government



Meeting with Hon'ble Minister of Education



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#### Let's See the Architecture





#### SEPARATE SANITATION FACILITIES FOR GIRLS



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# Each Comfort Center is aimed to cater 2,500 students on average that means:

## One time usage of One Student costs less than a Cent

(even if we consider the cost depreciation value only for one year)



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#### We have a dedicated district team for

#### **Technical Support**

### **Financing Support**

#### **Monitoring Support**



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#### For Each Comfort Center Our Financial Planning equation is simple

<b>Club Contribution</b>	<b>30 Percent</b>	<b>\$1.5 Million</b>
<b>District Contribution</b>	30 Percent	\$1.5 Million
<b>Sponsor Contribution</b>	40 Percent	<b>\$2.0 Million</b>



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#### Sourcing for Funds

- We have to work out 3.5 million US Dollar for the District and Sponsor Contributions.
- Other than local sponsor and sources, we are looking for Partners for 2 million US Dollar.
  - Please let me know, if you have any query or you need further understanding.





























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## How many girls' life will be changed?

#### **Average Per Comfort Center**

#### 2500

#### **Total after First Year**

#### 0.375 Million

#### **Total after Second Year**

#### 0.875 Million

#### **Total after Third Year**

#### 1.25 Million













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# **Currently, works are in progress for 75 Comfort Centers under Phase I**











#### Reasons for our success are

- Right problem finding through proper feasibility study
- 8 Right achievable target through proper planning
- Right partnerships for engaging all right partners
- 8 Right maximization of resources











#### Awareness & Grooming is in-built

Another reason of the success of this initiative is to keep 'Awareness' and 'Grooming' as in-built option.

A team of experts from Rotary and outside Rotary has already started developing a 'curriculum' for the students where a Comfort Center is operational.

This 'training' is aimed to tackle mental & physical well-being, knowledge about sexual and reproductive health and gender-equitable behavior.













**Educated Girls are Empowered Girls AND** 

**Empowered Girls can Empower our Economy towards a Better Life AND** 

**Only Sustainable Projects can bring Empowered Results** 

## **THANK YOU**

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