

## **Title of the Project:**

### **ORCA-SpaandanB Post Flood Rehabilitation for Flood Victims -2007**

## **Back Ground and Rationale of the Project:**

Bangladesh - a delta and a riverine country in the north of the Bay of Bengal on the Indian Ocean - experiences flood more or less every year. Flood is a common natural disaster especially to the people living by the side of the rivers. This year the country has experienced unprecedented floods. About 40% of the entire country has been submerged and over 40 million people have been affected directly. Both GOs and NGOs including Old Rajshahi cadets Association (ORCA) have mounted massive relief operation in the flood-hit areas.

The main disaster awaits the flood victims. After improvement of flood situation in the country, the hardcore poor flood victims, losing everything, are finding no way out to stand on their own feet. They are having no other choice but to starve, suffer from water borne diseases and ultimately become the victims of misfortune and miseries. Country's economy is the main hurdle towards smooth rehabilitation. So the participation of local NGOs with supports from foreign NGOs in post flood rehabilitation is urgently required.

Considering the gravity and magnitude of the post flood disaster and inspired by its project run under Help-ORCA banner being financed by SpaandanB for 3 years at Gangachara Rangpur, ORCA has designed **ORCA-SpaandanB Post Flood Rehabilitation for Flood Victims -2007** – a project to be implemented by ORCA under ORCA-SpaandanB banner in 3 other districts - worst affected by floods.

This project has been designed to provide sustainable livelihood to at least a thousand of distressed and homeless people including women and children. Moreover, the project will provide moral support to the flood-hit people and ensure human participation and support for the victims of natural disaster. As a part of humanitarian support to these people, the project is viable in terms of cost effectiveness. ORCA believes that the proposed project is highly justified for implementation.

## **Project Location:**

The project will be implemented in 5 worst affected unions under 3 districts. The project areas have been selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- ✧ Worse affected areas due to unprecedented flood
- ✧ Majority people is hardcore poor and has no resource to overcome the loses caused due to floods
- ✧ During relief operation in the areas, ORCA has assessed the needs by talking to people's representatives, local elite and representatives of the civil society.
- ✧ ORCA has firm base in the proposed project locations; consequently, this will be easy for ORCA to supervise and monitor the rehabilitation activities and run the programs initially for 3 years.
- ✧ Special attention will be given to select most desirable beneficiaries and avoid overlapping.

## **Project Beneficiaries:**

A total of 60 hardcore poor and distressed families - badly affected by the current year unprecedented flood - will be selected as the project beneficiaries. In two-year time a total of 180 families are expected to be directly benefited by the project activities.

**Matrix showing Project Location and Number of Beneficiary Family and ORCA Coordinator:**

<b>District</b>	<b>Upazila</b>	<b>Union</b>	<b>No. of Beneficiary</b>	<b>ORCA Coordinator</b>
Kurigram	Ulipur	Hatia & Buraburi	20 x 3 years	Mr. Tariq Abul Ala 3/133 Vice President, ORCA
Kishoreganj	Trail	Dhala & Bhairkona	20 x 3 years	Mr. Sayeduzzaman (Suza) 11/626 Treasurer, ORCA
Rajshahi	Charghat	Usufpur	20 X 3 years	Mr. Munzur Faruk Choudhury 12/696
<b>3 Districts</b>	<b>3 Upazilas</b>	<b>5 Unions</b>	<b>60 x 3 = 180</b>	

**Project Goal:**

The main goal of the project is to provide both moral and material support to the flood victims and rehabilitate a few disadvantaged families by ensuring Income Generating Activities (IGAs) for sustainable livelihood.

**Specific Objectives of the Project:**

- To help the flood victims overcome their losses
- To organize the beneficiaries in groups and teach/habituate them in group dynamism
- To make the beneficiaries self-reliant by providing them moral and material supports
- To provide group members with Rickshaw/Rickshaw vans for income generation.
- To make the group members grow savings habit

**Project Activities:**

▪ Formation of Shamities:

The beneficiaries of the project (180 members) in 3 districts will be mobilized and organized in 6 groups for development activities. The groups will have their own working committees and work on their own. ORCA designated Field Supervisor will meet the groups at their group meetings and facilitate them for activating their group dynamism in terms of need assessment, decision making process, leadership development, account keeping, maintaining group resolution and weekly savings.

▪ Accumulation of Weekly saving:

Initially among 180 group members 60 members from 6 different groups (10 from each group) will get 60 nos. of Rickshaws to initiate income-generating activities. The recipient members will save calculated amount to pay back the cost price of Rickshaw/ Rickshaw van in 50 equal weekly installments to ORCA representatives. This amount will help provide another 60 rickshaws/rickshaw vans to another 60 members (10 from each group) in next year. Thus, in two-year time all 180 members belonging to 6 different groups will receive rickshaws for income generation and will be rehabilitated to ensure a sustainable livelihood for their family members.

**Expected Outcomes of the Project:**

- A few flood affected families will be rehabilitated
- They will be organized for development activities under ORCA-SpaandanB banner.
- The beneficiaries of the project will gain self-confidence and will be self-reliant
- The project activities will help grow savings habit among group members
- The project activities will help improve the living standard

### **Implementing Organization:**

Old Rajshahi Cadets Association (ORCA)  
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### **ORCA and its Recent Activities:**

Old Rajshahi cadets Association (ORCA) is a non-partisan, non-government and non-profit global organization working with dedicated spirit "Lets all of us prosper together". Founded in 1972, it has come across glorious 35 years with utmost dedication to serve the humanity.

ORCA is not confined within the fraternity of the Ex-Cadet of Rajshahi Cadet College only – but its development endeavors like blood donation, relief distribution, post flood rehabilitation, construction and maintenance of orphanage and sheltering landless people in a number of 'ORCA Pallies' have made it well known to the society in recent years. It's worth mentioning here that ORCA built 40 houses for the flood affected people – 2004 at Ulipur, Kurigram with financial support from SpaandanB. ORCA with Help Rangpur has a number of programs at Rangpur that are also being financed by SpaandanB.

This year, ORCA - with spontaneous supports from its members and well wishers from the country and abroad - has mounted massive relief operation for the Flood victims in the different districts of the country. It has firm determination to successfully rehabilitate flood affected families as many as possible.

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### **Implementing Strategy and Management:**

The project will be implemented under ORCA-SpaandanB banner with overall supervision and guidance of the ORCA Executive Committee. In its EC Meeting, ORCA has designated Project Coordinator and Area Coordinators for smooth running of the project. ORCA takes the full responsibility for successful implementation of the programs, including financial and administrative affairs. The project activities will be supervised and duly monitored. Activity Reports including activities in pictures will be sent to SpaandanB twice a year. Financial Report will be sent once in a year.

### **Estimated Budget for the Project:**

An estimated budget for the proposed project ***ORCA-SpaandanB Post Flood Rehabilitation for Flood Victims -2007*** has been prepared by ORCA Project Coordinator for kind consideration of SpaandanB. The budget has been made for distribution of 20 Rickshaws/Rickshaw vans in 1 district. SpaandanB has every option to support all three districts or chose any portion of it.

Estimated Budget for the Project  
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Prepared by Old Rajshahi Cadets Association (ORCA)

<b>SL No.</b>	<b>Particulars</b>	<b>Total Cost in Bangladesh Taka</b>
1.	Cost of 20 Nos. of Rickshaw @ Tk. 9,000 X 20	180,000
2.	Cost of documentation, ceremonial distribution (Lump sum)	15,000
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>195,000</b>
5.	Add 5% of the budgeted amount for transportation, conveyance, project management etc.	9,750
	<b>Grand Total for one district:</b>	<b>204,750</b>

The budget for implementation of ORCA - SpaandanB Post Flood Rehabilitation for Flood Victims - 2007 for each district amounts to Bangladesh Taka 204,750 or approx. US\$ 3,000 only.

**For three districts: US\$ 3,000 x 3 = US dollar 9,000.** (Exchange Rate: 1 US\$: Taka 68.2 as on September 6, 2007.)

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