

Breaking the Cycle of Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in Dhaka's Daulatdia Brothel



Project Summary

The 3-year programme titled “Breaking the Cycle of Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in Daulatdia Brothel” in Dhaka, Bangladesh, funded by Swiss Solidarity and Fondation Philanthropique Famille Sandoz (FPFS), is implemented in partnership with MMS. Through this programme, Tdh aims to break the cycle of child sexual exploitation, support sustainable livelihoods for sex workers, and strengthen community protection systems in Daulatdia—the largest brothel in Bangladesh.

Project Outcome

Outcome 1: Children including adolescents in Daulatdia are less vulnerable to commercial sexual exploitation, supported by caregivers who adopt protective practices and contribute to a safer environment.

Outcome 2: Vulnerable sex workers and at-risk youth in Daulatdia transition to sustainable livelihoods, reducing risks associated with commercial sexual exploitation.

Outcome 3: Community and institutional systems in Daulatdia are equipped to prevent and respond effectively to commercial sexual exploitation, providing coordinated and sustainable protection for vulnerable children and youth.

Key Activities

- Provide case management support for 300 children and adolescents at risk of commercial sexual exploitation.
- Deliver life-skills training to 360 children and adolescents through the Sports for Protection (S4P) and ENGAGE curricula, with trained groups leading 24 initiatives to promote protection, rights, and social cohesion.
- Partner with three schools to train teachers and School Management Committees (SMCs) in identifying children at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, provide in-kind support to ensure continued education, and equip schools with menstruation-friendly facilities.
- Provide entrepreneurship training, financial literacy, and conditional cash grants to 170 vulnerable sex workers to support alternative income generation.
- Identify 210 adolescents and youth at risk of commercial sexual exploitation and provide vocational training, job placement, and career counselling.
- Strengthen Community-Based Child Protection Committees (CBCPCs) and Counter-Trafficking Committees (CTCs) through training and community-led initiatives.
- Conduct evidence-based advocacy to inform policy and promote sustainable protection against commercial sexual exploitation.

Lead Agency: Terre des hommes (Tdh)

Partners: Mukti Mahila Samity

Geographic Focus: Daulatdia, Dhaka

Duration: April 1, 2025 – March 31, 2028

Funding Organization: SwS and FPFS



Terre des hommes (Tdh) is the leading Swiss organisation for children's aid. We aspire to a world in which the rights of children, as defined in the Convention on the Rights of the Child, are always respected. A world in which children can thrive in safe environments and become agents of the change they wish to see in their lives.

Siège | Hauptsitz | Sede | Headquarters
Av. Montchoisi 15, CH-1006 Lausanne
T +41 58 611 06 11, F +41 58 611 06 77
E-mail: info@tdh.ch, CCP: 10-11504-8

www.tdh-bangladesh.org
www.facebook.com/tdh.ch
www.twitter.com/tdh_ch
www.instagram.com/tdh_ch



Terre des hommes
Helping children worldwide.

Contact

For more information please contact:
Jiniya Afroze, Deputy Country Representative
& Head of Programmes

jiniya.afroze@tdh.org, +8801753886246

Stay updated with our latest news

facebook.com/TdHBangladesh
linkedin.com/tdh-bangladesh