

Situation Report Template

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Coronavirus – Bangladesh

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Part 1: The Overall Situation

(general information is already included in IMT reports. You don't need to fill it. Just give the required info in green)

Please provide information about how the government and/or other institutions are ensuring the continuity of education or child protection services provision during the quarantine/confinement period (homeschooling, online education, distance education with homework, distribution of books, guides/brochures and educational or recreational material, education via radio, TV, among other alternatives).

Government has closed all education institutions from 17th March to 9th April 2020 and that further extended till 16 May '20. And also, government declared that the closing of school day may extend till September'20 if the situation not become normal. Children are confined at home with their parents and in mental distress as their outdoor activities have totally closed. For continuation of education of secondary school's students, Bangladesh's Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education started broadcast the lessons from today (March 29) for students of class six to ten on TV to remain students on education. Similarly, for Primary school's students the lessons started from 07 April'20. Continuity of education for marginalized children is a challenge specially not having access to TV and internet. If the closure of schools prolong, children from poor and marginalized may discontinue their education depicting a risk of increasing number of out of school. No additional measures have been taken from the government and other institutions for child protection in this humanitarian crisis except awareness program.

Part 2: The Situation in Areas Where Educo/ChildFund Works

- What issues are children, families and communities in these areas facing? (closed schools, home confinement, food shortages, safety concerns, health issues, etc.)

Country Situation:

In Bangladesh, on 08th March 2020 first Corona Case has been reported by Bangladesh government. Since the first reported to 03 April'20 total 61 confirmed case has informed by Bangladesh Government, of which 06 -patients are died and 26 patients cured after getting treatment and rest of 29 are under treatment. Now the Bangladesh has entered into the third stage (Community transmission) of Corona

Virus and number of Infected and death case are increasing rapidly. As of 03 May, total 9455 people infected and from that 177 are died and 1063 persons are cured. In last 24 hours recorded 665 people are infected and 02 are died.

Bangladesh government has closed all educational institutions and people traveling from abroad are advised to home quarantine with no symptoms, people with symptoms are being institutional isolation/quarantine. The number of affected people is increasing day by day and predicted that the situation may be worse in upcoming days.

Following the government notice, all of Educo schools have declared to close till 09 April 2020 that extended till 16 May'20 and all activities of Educo have been postponed. Numbers of Corona Virus patient detected/reported in Educo Bangladesh working/intervened areas and there are some panic at community level.

All government and non-essential businesses across Bangladesh are closed from 26th March to 04th March'20 and that extended till 16 May'20. All shops are closed apart from pharmacies, food markets and other necessities. Emergency services including hospitals remain open. The Government has advised people to stay at home and not travel outside unless urgent during this period. Garments factories in the capital Dhaka and the port city of Chittagong reopened on Monday (27 April) after being permitted to resume work. The country's garment factories had closed in late March but under pressure from retailers to fulfil outstanding export orders, many resumed their operations, despite a nationwide lockdown in place until May 5. Thousands of textile workers have returned to work in factories in Bangladesh amid a nationwide coronavirus lockdown, raising fears of an increase in the spread of the contagion. Garment forms 80 per cent of the country's total annual exports, and the country is expected to lose export revenue of about USD 6 billion this fiscal year as the sector has been hit by cancellations from some of the world's largest brands and retailers.

From 25th March, military has taken the responsibility to control over the people move and enact the home quarantine/stay at home for all the people as a govt declaration. Prime Minister of Bangladesh has announced a bail out of BDT 92,000 crore (1 crore= 10 millions) for export-oriented industries, in order to tackle the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the country's economy. She also announced that VGD (Vulnerable Group Development), VGF (Vulnerable Group Feeding) and selling rice at BDT10 per kg programs will continue too. "Medicine and healthcare services are being provided at free of cost." However, support is very poor for the lower income people in the community, presently there is no visible activities seen in the community level those already lost their daily income. In addition, it is suspected that coronavirus is already spread out at community level that make a mess for all the country people, but still it's has not flown out massively.

After the declaration of general holidays, 30-40% people living in Dhaka city already shifted them to rural areas with panic and feeling insecurity of their live and declining their livelihood opportunity. The 46% families living at Dhaka city are mostly are day laborer, rikshaw puller, daily wages earner, house maid, small shop owner/ paid worker, garments worker and the shutdown currently impacted their livelihood of that segment of people and severely affect their food security. Other than, at rural areas poor people can economically cope with the situation in next 15 days. Families confined in their house are in mental distress. Expert predicting that the real scenario of Corona virous infection and it impact on live and livelihood will more visualize within next 14 days in Bangladesh. Local government is listing the most vulnerable HHs for distributing food support to those daily earning is totally or partially stopped for lockdown. Apart of this support, some clubs, institutions and local organizations are

distributing food and hygienic items among the poor families. But this support not enough to meet up the basic needs of the affected people and the coverage of affected families not enough as require.

Still the safety and security situation are normal in all areas but assuming the scenario may change in coming days if the daily wages of poor people stop for next few days and they do not received assistance from government and non-government.

In some cases, people are not getting basic health facilities from government institutions, as doctor and health service providers are in very scare situation and government imposed some restrictions.

Situation of Educo intervention areas/communities:

Dhaka district:

As of 03 May , in Dhaka City total 4499 confirmed cases have reported and out of them 22 are from 11 Educo intervention communities from that 07 are recovered, 13 are under treatment and 02 are died and grandmother of our school students has been infected. Most of the city areas has been locked down and people are not allowed to go out-side or enter in the city for preventing the transmission of corona virus. Most of the financial activities are totally stopped in Dhaka city. At least 30% families are in crises for managing daily food for their families basically who engaged with daily earning. Few families are receiving food items from government and non-government organizations though government has declared to support all vulnerable affected people.

Narayanganj district:

As of 03 May/20 , total 1007 confirmed infected case has been reported from that 12 are in Educo intervention area and grandfather of one school's students infected in Narayanganj. At least 40 % Educo student's families are in crises for managing daily food for their families basically who engaged with daily earning. As this is in industrial areas, people are getting food support from the social elite.

Bhaluka under Mymensingh district:

As of 03 May , in Mymensingh district total 150 confirmed case has reported, out of them 01 from Bhaluka Sub-district but all of beneficiaries of Educo are safe The District Administrator (DC) in Mymensingh locked down the district from April 14, 2020 until further notice in a bid to contain spread of the coronavirus. The health facilities are not working properly. Daily labor and peoples who lives hand to mouth are suffering for food scarcity due to lockdown situation. Presently, few (6000 family in Bhaluka Sub-district) vulnerable family gets one-week food support from the local government. But, support for the lower income people in the rural community are insufficient. Due to Locked down, market system is not working properly, there is no visible activities seen in the community level for that a huge number of people lost their daily income but not yet getting any kind support from the government authorities.

Bhaluka is an industrial area and the mostly garment industry. This industry can spread the Coronavirus pandemic as the maximum factories already reopened and running without taking any protection measures.

Kaliganj under Gazipur District:

As of 03 May, in Gazipur total 324 are infected from that 91 are from Kaiganj sub-district. But fortunately, all of students, teachers, and beneficiaries safe. The area where the patient was found has been locked down. As a result, people are not able to go out to buy necessary items from the area and transportation is completely banned from Kaligonj sub-district administration.

Sreemangal under Moulibazar district: (CFK funded ALOY-ALOW project)

Till to date total 02 confirmed cases have identified in ALOY-ALOW project areas but fortunately none of our beneficiaries. Other than all Learners, Facilitators and Community Promoter are well and are safe till now. All of ECD centers remain closed as per Government circular. ECD Facilitators continuously in touch with our beneficiaries. No issues related to child protection have been identified yet. The income generating activities of all walks of people are obstructed because of COVID-19 and especially vulnerable people are facing problem for maintaining daily life. At least 40 % families are in crisis for managing daily food for their families basically who engaged in different work outside of Tea Garden area Such as: Rubber Garden, Punji worker, Day Labourer and Temporary worker (TG). On the other hand, Tea Garden Authority are not continuing overtime activity at Tea garden area so, household income is declined. Some people are still moving to and fro in order to search food despite deteriorating situation of COVID-19. The community has been locked down by Tee Garden authority as a preventive measure, but permanent tea garden workers are working at tea garden. Only Permanent workers are allowed to do the work in garden. Mask, globes, sanitizer, disinfected materials etc. are being distributed by Tea garden authorities to permanent workers only. Government distributed the relief in the areas; Rice to 9850 families, Cash to 4,48,000 BDT, Baby food to 381 families.

Cox's Bazar

On 24th March, first COVID 19 patient has been detected in Cox's Bazar. To reduce transmission risk and support social distancing, operations in the camps have been reduced to essential services, assistance and movements, as per RRRC guidance issued on 25 March. All non-essential visits to the camps have been suspended, in line with Government of Bangladesh guidance.

In Cox's Bazar, Child Protection Sub Sector requests that all Child Protection partners immediately suspend all activities in Child Friendly Spaces, Multi-Purposes- Centers and Adolescent Clubs until further notice.

On 25th March, Concern Worldwide reported, while Concern Worldwide and FH staff traveling to Rohingya camps a group of people from host community physically and verbally assault with claiming that NGOs people are spreading Corona Virus at Camps.

Ukhiya and tekna Upazila health complexes have installed five and ten bedded COVID 19 isolation wards respectively in its compound. Army check posts are very strict at the entrance of the Rohingya camp and movement for foreigners have totally prohibited for the COVID 19 situation. As essential services are ongoing, NGO workers are also strictly restricted and lock down the area from 08 April'20.

Total 37 COVID-19 positive cases reported in Cox's Bazar with one recovered as of 23 April 2020. No confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been identified so far in the Rohingya refugee camps. One of the International NGO named Friendship International office break the rules of locked down in Ukhiya. Two staffs fined one lac taka due to not informing to Ukhiya administration about staff entering from Dhaka and Gaibanda outside of Cox's Bazar to Ukhiya as well as not maintaining quarantine for 14 days.

Cox's Bazar district has declared locked down from 8 April 2020 including the Rohingya camp, only essential facilities and services to remain open and staffed in a very limited way. From 25 March, only essential services like all health and nutrition facilities and services, food distribution, LPG distribution, Hygiene promotion and ongoing hygiene kit distribution, water and sanitation activities, construction as necessary of health facilities and additional WASH infrastructure, site management with 20% staff of usual number, identification of new arrivals, family tracing and ensuring quarantine are being delivered in the camps, to reduce the staff footprint of the operation, and to minimize risk of transmission within the camp setting.

Health Sector in collaboration with the Civil Surgeon's office and RRRC's office continue to coordinate current response to COVID-19 in the camps and support the host community. All vehicles with essential services are washing with disinfection spray at the entrance of Cox's Bazar city by arm force. Two radio magazines and one Live Phone In radio program on COVID-19 have been recorded and broadcasted.

As per Education Sector Meeting (6 April 2020), Education has been categorized as non-essential hence no direct access by Educo personnel to the camps. In addition, Education sector will be collaborating with other sectors (Child protection, Nutrition, FSL and WASH) to disseminate messages and education materials to every learner and household. For example, In the Nutrition sector, every two weeks they provide materials in OTP centers where 300 volunteers and 2 nurses are work accordingly.

- Child protection risks caused or exacerbated by crisis (for example mental health problems/psychological distress, domestic violence, elder care, child labor, discrimination etc.)

As children are confined in their house and their outdoor activities almost closed, they are in mental distress. Recently, Joint Need Assessment working group conducted Multi-Sectoral Anticipatory Impact Analysis, Needs Assessment and the below key findings came out through discussion with different levels of people related with child protections:

- 42% responders reported that beating by parents of guardians had increased
- 40% increase on calls to the child helpline
- Due to the school closure, a higher number of children are staying at home. Poor children especially don't have access to TV/ online based learning
- increase in child abuse, and exploitation are increased while approximately 45 million children in Bangladesh live confined now in homes.

Many children are in scarcity of food as well as are in threats of health hazard for lacking of cleaning items. Some children are not getting child protection especially food crises and health aspect. A good

number of children are passing proper food crises. Stay home for a long hour make them bored and Children are turning away from education, losing focus on reading.

- How many of our beneficiaries and families are affected?

As reported by teachers and operation teams, no students, children and their family infected by COVID 19. But as Educo is working with the economically vulnerable people, approximately 60% family's livelihood impacted so far and they are in very scare situation for their live and livelihood. Through discussion with community leader over phone, it came to know that, approximately 20% of targeted families of Educo facing difficulties to manage their daily food who are engaged with daily earning. And people with food crisis is increasing day by day and some people are starving for scarcity of food. People with other health problems are not getting proper treatment facilities for collapse of health facilities. Numbers of community people are not giving importance to stay at home, some are unnecessary moving at outside though government restrictions. So, continuation of awareness at community level is require.

Part 3: Educo/ChildFund's Preparation, Response and/or Recovery action

- Planned, desired or ongoing action – inside or outside current operational areas. (just mention it. It will be further developed in a separate template). PLEASE SPECIFY IF DESIRED OR ONGOING

Educo Bangladesh, has been monitoring the situation since the Corona Virus threatened the country, Bangladesh.

Internal actions: In the meantime, Educo Bangladesh has initiated several activities for reducing the risks of Corona Virus infection at workplace and school. Ensured handwashing facilities in schools and office premises and compulsory hand washing for staff, students and visitors on arrival in offices. In school and community awareness sessions are facilitating using flipchart and classroom sessions. Educo Bangladesh has formed a crisis management team consist of 11 members from different function and location. The team regularly conducting meeting to monitor, analysis the situation and find out the possible actions and guiding all staff. We also oriented our partner organizations and keeping regular contact with our local leaders and youths for updating the local situation and disseminate awareness messages at community level. All mass gathering and outdoor activities of Educo has been postponed unit the situation is normal. If the situation become worst and widely transmitted at our community level Educo Bangladesh may support the affected children and their families with whom we are working.

Educo Bangladesh has been reviewing the situation in regular basis and a skype meeting holding with key organizational staff and some major decisions have taken; a steering committee will be formed that committee will intensively monitor the situation and will periodically update the management, prepare PP proposal, partner mapping, overall strengthening the organizational level preparedness for emergency response, if require.

On the basis of current country situation, Educo Bangladesh has decided to close all field level activities and offices and all staff are advised to work from home from 22 March'20 up to next notice period.

If the situation prolongs till 15th May'20 than Educo will modify the existing projects and new project will design for achieving the set objectives of AOP and utilization of allocated budget.

Response actions: Educo Bangladesh has printed a festoon and hanged at all schools and public places for awareness on Corona Virus. At the time of school opened, teachers and operation team created awareness among students and community people. After the school closed, teachers are regularly communicating with students and their family members for updating the situation of students and their family and providing psychosocial counseling over mobile phone. Awareness messages are periodically posting in Educo Facebook page for public awareness. For supporting the affected people Educo Bangladesh has submitted a response proposal today i.e. 17 April and the proposal has approved by HO. The project has targeted to provided food, cash, hygienic items and distribution of awareness leaflet to the 7683 most affected people of 06 districts in Bangladesh. And Cox's Bazar office also prepared different response proposal for supporting the Rohingya community .

Educo Bangladesh has been maintaining coordination with other INGOs working in country to updating on the situation and actions at county level.

At Cox's Bazar:

- Educo Humanitarian Program in CXB provided basic orientation to all staff on key messages on COVID 19 prevention. The program has started home based awareness campaign on COVID 19 prevention in Camp 8E.
- CXB Information Management Team (IMT) formed for regular update on CXB situation.
- Hand sanitizer and mask distributed among Educo Cox's Bazar staffs
- All staff are instructed to work from home. Field staff are maintaining regular contact with block leaders (Majhi) and CBCPC members to gather and disseminate information regarding COVID 19 in the camps.
- Cox's office maintaining coordination with Country office, updating the situations, having security guidance and instruction.
- Assessed Camp Situation and need assessment of Corona Virus impact over phone communicate with CBCPC Members, Majhis, Imam and Adolescents.
- Provided information of Educo multipurpose Center for temporary life savings activities at camp 17 to site management coordinator through Child Protection Sub sector (CPSS)
- Received permission of vehicle movement pass for any emergency activities in cox'sbazar.
- Educo is developing COVID 19 Proposal with the possible interventions, local partners, corporate sectors and volunteer organization those are interested working with Educo for the supporting of affected people.
- Educo and SKUS supporting in survey and message delivery activities on prevention of COVID 19 for mass awareness through digital content.
- Educo CXB submitted a project on COVID 19 response to CXB Education sector on 28 April 2020.
- Educo CXB shared project Proposals on COVID 19 for CFK to Educo HQ.
- Community demands Hygiene kits to prevent corona virus especially mentioned the soap, sanitizer and masks for COVID prevention.

- Access to information on prevention of corona virus especially for women and adolescent girls is limited.

Do any of the above initiatives cover the areas where we have sponsored children? If yes, please indicate which initiative and the area it covers.

The mass awareness program on Corona virus has implemented in our sponsorship program areas to create awareness among our students, children, youth and their families. Government and non-government organizations, institutions, club or individual are distributing food to the poor families and some of the sponsorship family are covering through this support. In future, the support from non-government organizations may comedown through the support will require. In that case, support from Educo necessitate for the survival of the affected people.

- Who are we partnering or collaborating with to provide our action?

Educo has directly implemented the project collaboration with local government. The approved COVID 19 emergency response will be implemented through the partnership of 03 national NGOs.

- What kind of response activities or interventions are being provided? What support are needed (or have been collected/distributed)?

In the meantime, Educo create awareness on Corona virus among our stakeholders. As this is new experience, Educo are exploring the possible interventions, local partners, corporate sectors and volunteer organization those are interested working with Educo for the supporting of affected people. But, Educo is exploring the implementation strategy for supporting the community people with maintain the social distance and ensuring the safety of staff. Educo is expecting to distribute food, cash, hygienic items and awareness leaflet to the 7683 most affected people of 06 districts in Bangladesh among the sponsorship and non-sponsorship families.

- How is Educo/ChildFund linked with humanitarian coordination structures, i.e. in which clusters or working groups do we participate at country level?

In Bangladesh, government systems are coordinating and managing this crisis situation together with UN organizations, no NGO/INGOs cluster are now active in Bangladesh for Corona Virus. As a member organization of National Need Assessment Group, Educo attended in an online meeting with other members to review the overall situation and develop needs assessment tools.

- Next steps

Educo is continuing monitor the situation and response decision has taken base on the overall Corona Virus situation and an proposal will be submitted to HO at next week for supporting the affected people. In next week Educo will distribute the relief items after signing MoU, fund transfer and getting formal permission from government in this week.

PROGRAM STATUS

- **Projects funded by internal and/or sponsorship funds**

Project N°	Not affected	Low/medium incidence (ej. activities in suspended schools/communities, with the possibility of extension)	High Incidence	Expected response (if relevant)
BD1873		All schools and community level activities have been postponed until the situation became normal.		If the situation became normal within two month the activities will be redesigned and will be completed within project period. If prolong more than two month the project will redesign. Under this project awareness raising activities is conducting.
BD1874		All schools and community level activities have been postponed until the situation became normal.		If the situation became normal within two month the activities will be redesigned and will be completed within project period. If prolong more than two month the project will be redesign. Under this project awareness raising activities is conducting.
BD 1932		The following activities which were planned for April and May has been suspended till June. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conduct consultation workshop with local government authorities to identify the existing gaps and training need Assessment 2. Conduct Orientation and training session on Child Rights and Protection with local government authorities 3. Disseminate Child Rights Monitoring report to address recommendations of UNCRC & UPR review at national level 		If the situation remains under controlled till June, a new schedule will be shared.
BD1933		In the meantime, postponed the following activities;		Till to date we are not planning any modification of

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industrial attachment of students (Practical session for the SSC Examinee) • Awareness session on Child Rights Issues with community stake holders. • Psychological assessment and counseling sessions of the right holders (Adolescents and youths). 		the project activities; situation will be monitored, and appropriate decision will be made.
BD1934		All school is closed as per government instruction. As all types of gathering is prohibited so at this time all the activities of the project are postponed, so financial execution will be delayed.		If the situation improves within 2 months, we hope we will be able to achieve the target by giving extra efforts.
BD1935		All activities suspended at community level as preventive measure.		Till to date we are not planning any modification of the project activities; situation will be monitored, and appropriate decision will be made.
BD1985		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Children regular learning session/class has been suspended until further notice. -All 33 schools are closed. -Community level meeting, training, workshop, gathering are postponed. -Some budgetary variance will occur due the situation. -Some material is not delivered in time so that the execution will delay. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -It will recoverable if the suspension period stay within 2 months only. -If the suspension periods prolong more than 2/3 months, it requires contingency plan to recover. -New contingency plan is required for both programs especially for prolong issue.
BD1936		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Children regular learning session/class has been suspended. -Working children education will hamper. -Community level meeting, training, workshop, gathering are postponed. -Some expenses related the above program will variance, expense will low. 		If the school closed not more than two months, the due education of students can be recovered rescheduling the curricula.

		-Some materials will not deliver in time so that the execution will delay.		
BD1986		School academic activities closed, children are suggested to stay home, all mass gathering activities, even meeting, training, workshop also suspended.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teacher's and staffs are keeping connection with stakeholders for updating children's situation to all. -Cash/food support (one shot) for the affected children family (if someone affected by COVID-19) - It is possible to reschedule all the activities if the crisis we can overcome within 2 months otherwise we should revise activity and budget.
BD2019		All of schedule activities at Camp have been postponed.		Awareness, IEC materials production and distribution, PSS and referral support to the most vulnerable groups including children and adolescent
BD4407		If most of the staff will work from home and situation does not prolong more than three month, the project activities able to completed within project period.		If the situation pro long more than three month some activities have to chancel and redesign the project.

- Externally funded projects

Project N°	Not affected	Low/medium incidence (ej. activities in suspended schools/communities, with the possibility of extension)	High Incidence	Expected response (if relevant)
BD 1892		School/community meeting suspended All kinds of workshop/training are suspended.		Awareness building, information dissemination to the committee, Partner/Educo are coordinating with GO.

BD 1806		Project activities like awareness program, meeting were postponed both in schools and communities. Yet household latrine installation activities are going on by the vendors. Follow up/monitoring at field level by the project staffs are very small scale.		The scheduled activities will be shifted/redesigned considering the country situation.
BD1783		Project activities suspended both in schools and communities. However, teachers and staff are keeping communication with children and communities for getting update information on a regular basis.		The scheduled activities will be redesigned.
BD2019		All of schedule activities at Rohingya Camps have been postponed.		Awareness, IEC materials production and distribution, PSS and referral support to the most vulnerable groups including children and adolescent

All short of field level activities has postponed till till the situation become normal. If the situation not improved or normal the project activities will held-up until the situation become normal.

Please indicate any communication stablished with external donors in relation to current and potential grants, especially with such donors that are directly managed through the Country Office. The purpose of this information is to keep HO informed, specifically the Resource Mobilization unit.

Educo Bangladesh has been updating the overall situation to Child Fund Korea and shared Educo Bangladesh position in response; if the situation remain same or deteriorated, Educo may intervene WASH awareness, cash transfer, NFI support, PSS support, development of IEC materials on COVID-19.

- **Advocacy and communication actions at network and platform level**

Educo Humanitarian Program is an active member of Education Cluster, CPSS, Youth Working Groups in Cox's Bazar and working with this groups for creating awareness. Same as field office working with local government for disseminating awareness knowledge. Besides this, EDUCO is the member of Joining

Force-CRN and Child Rights Advocacy Coalition (CRAC, B) in Bangladesh. These networks have decided to take some advocacy and awareness activities to save the vulnerability of children during this crisis. Educo jointly with other Child Rights Advocacy Coalitions have prepared a press release to urge government for including the indigenous community in food support program of government for this crisis.

Educo Bangladesh as a member of Joining force Bangladesh (JFB) regularly communicating on Skype meeting about the responsibilities in this crisis. They have prepared 2 press statements to protect the children from COVID-19. JFB has developed some messages for parents, guardians and children as awareness and also how to protect their children and children themselves from any sorts of abuse and exploitation. The press statements have already been published in two national English newspaper – the daily Sun and rising BD. JWB is getting preparation for a child led Assessment report on the vulnerability of children in COVID-19 situation. The assessment will be online and will address education, protection, livelihood , health and mobility of children by May 2020.

Educo Bangladesh as a member of Child Rights Advocacy Coalition in Bangladesh (CRACB) has also developed some awareness materials on COVID-19 and disseminated the messages through Facebook, CRACB members organizations. CRACB also addressed two vulnerabilities of ethnic and ethnic children through a press statement which has been published in the national newspaper Dhaka tribune. CRACB also regularly monitoring child rights situation of COVID-19 and updating the status through its Facebook. Besides this EDUCO Bangladesh has prepared a one pager on the initiative taken by EDUCO for COVID-19 and it has been uploaded at National Girl Child Advocacy Forum (NGCAF) webpage- ‘CORONA Situation’ which has been created for NGCAF members.

During the pandemic CoVID-19 Educo Bangladesh as a member of Child Rights Advocacy Coalition in Bangladesh (CRACB) has been taken some initiative about the vulnerability of the children. CRACB has realized that there are no documents by the government or others how many children are affected and how many are death. Considering the severity CRACB has developed a database on the effected children for COVID-19. One of the member organization BSAF of CRACB has given responsibilities to maintain the database. The database was developed by monitoring 15 national daily newspaper. According to the database (4 April-30 April) 52 children were infected and 6 children died (as per IEDCR). 27 children were died with the symptoms of Corona. 24 were tested but their report yet not published. Affected children in terms of Age 4 Months to 18 Years.

- **Number of estimated cases of infection in the communities where we sponsor and have projects (if available)**

Total 34 corona virus confirmed case have been identified in Educo Working areas but none of our beneficiaries.

so far, our best knowledge from the field, none of our student including sponsorship children and their families are affected.

- **Possible sources of funding**

- Provide information about potential sources of funding for these emergency response efforts using the chart below.

Donor	Projects	Amount (Euro)	Requested? (Y/N)	Confirmed? (Y/N)

As day by day the situation is becoming worst and lock down situation is prolonging, therefore people with affected livelihood need food assistance. Educo Bangladesh has planned to implement emergency response program for the affected program with ensuring safety of Educo and partner staff.

- **Budget**

- Outline if there is any need of internal project reorientation (in terms of budget and activities) or any extra budget needed.

As the situation is becoming worst and log down situation is prolonging, Educo Bangladesh is anticipating all projects activities not able to complete within the project period, even though the situation become normal in June'20. The development issues will be shifted in the changing world and have to provide more concentration on food security of affected people. At this moment, Educo Bangladesh is planning to sphere 4% of total organizational budget for allocating it to emergency response program. But this amount not enough for addressing the needs of affected people therefore need additional grants from HO/external donors.

- **Media/Communications**

NO NEED TO FILL.

This information will be informed through IMTs

- **Program support needed or requested from HO – whether onsite or remote.**

External funded projects may require extension to cover the due activities for this crisis and in that case, HO may need to communicate with external donor (CFK).

Educo Bangladesh need additional fund from HO for emergency response operation or to linkage with other donors for secure additional fund.