

BRIEF REPORT

Workshop with the School Teachers March 2024

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Let's combat Climate Change together

Saving Environment : Our Initiatives

Workshop with the School Teachers **PHASE 05**

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Introduction:

Human induced changes in the global climate and associated sea level rise are widely accepted with policy makers and scientists. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) concluded that “the balance of evidence suggests a discernible human influence on global climate”. The exact magnitude of the changes in the global climate is still uncertain and subject of worldwide scientific studies but it is broadly recognized that Bangladesh is very vulnerable to these changes. Indeed, it has internationally been argued that Bangladesh, as a country, may suffer the most severe impacts from climate change.

Even though it is particularly vulnerable to climate change in its coastal zone, covering about 30 per cent of the country the impact of coastal problems due to **climate change is getting worse day by day due to behavioral patterns and human practices**. As the people living in the city are not directly affected they do not feel that much about the problems. These are all man made and is done by the people living in non-coastal area especially people living in the cities as they are totally unaware about what they are doing , what is the impact of this and how it is affecting the children .**The main contributor to Climate Change is the use of fossil fuels** (e.g. gas and coal) to generate electricity and power our machinery (e.g. cars, lights, air conditioners).When we burn fossil fuels we release carbon dioxide and other gases into the atmosphere, contributing to global warming. And the city dwellers consume and misuse more of these resources not that they do it willingly but mostly without knowing the impact of it. Climate change directly affects the lives of young children both now and in the future. While children are among the most vulnerable to climate change, they should not be considered passive or helpless victims.

28th Conference of the Parties (COP 28) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. It is an annual United Nations (UN) Climate meeting where governments discuss **how to limit and prepare for future climate change**. The summit took place in Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) from 29th November to 13th December 2023. It resulted in several significant outcomes; one major outcome is to: **Transition Away from Fossil Fuels:** Nearly every country in the world agreed to “transition away from fossil fuels,” recognizing them as the primary driver of climate change. We all know that climate change is getting worse day by day due to behavioral patterns and human practices. It is our responsibility to share this information with children, to give them the opportunity to learn how their actions impact on the health of the planet.

As LEADS works with the children it believes that children are powerful agents of change. Providing children with relevant education in a friendly environment can enhance their understanding level. This kind of knowledge will enable children to learn how to be part of the climate change solution and empower them so that they can make a difference. It also believes that school students and teachers are one of the most critical segments to educate about their immediate environment. Targeting this group of children for any awareness programme will give opportunity to prepare them especially in a formal way through school learning or through environmental clubs and make them understand to transit away from fossil fuels by less use of gas and coal and not to misuse the resources which contributes in burning fossil fuel. Moreover, children can only make the adult aware about these issues once they fully understand their position and be the Change Agent.

Keeping sustainable education in mind LEADS developed the awareness campaign in 3 phases where the children are given opportunity to reflect upon their learning from textbook so that they realise their responsibility and come up with their own solution and multiply the knowledge and change their behaviour.

Awareness Campaign:

The campaign is planned to conduct in 4 phases throughout 2023

- Phase 1: Preliminary workshop with the School Teachers;
- Phase 2: Initial Sessions across Schools with the students;
- Phase 3: Planning for the Competition and final event with Teachers and
- Phase 4: Final Event, Competition, Exhibition and Prize giving Ceremony

Phase 1: Preliminary workshop with the School Teachers

A preliminary workshop was conducted with teachers from different schools on March 9, 2024, at Ambala Inn, Dhanmondi. It was the 5th phase of the Environmental Awareness Campaign.

Ms. Romina Dewan, Founder Executive Director, LEADS welcomed the teachers and facilitated the session

Mr. Selim Barkat, the Country Manager Habib Bank spoke on behalf of Habib Bank and delivered his valuable speech.

Mr. A.S.M. Kabir, Chairman of LEADS delivered Thanks giving speech on behalf of LEADS



The objective of the workshop was:

- To have uniform understanding about climate change and our behavioural pattern
- To know about the initiatives of existing environmental /other clubs to save our resources and environment
- Ensure the students are included to participate in the LEADS sessions through the Environmental clubs
- To Formalise the activities of Environmental clubs and have uniform activities throughout the schools to ensure Environmental Sustainability
- Plan the dates for school session

Time Schedule of the Workshop

Time	Duration	Activities	Method
10.00- 10.20	20 minutes	Registration and Tea	
10: 20-10:25	05 minutes	Introduction	Presentation
10.25-10.39	14 minutes	Greetings by Mr. Selim Barkat Country Director Habib Bank Ltd and Ms. Romina Dewan, Executive Director, LEADS Foundation	Speech
10.39- 10.40	1 minute	Executive Director LEADS Condolence for Lutfun Nahar Lucky, Viqarunnessa Teacher and one of the active members of LEADS	1 minute silence reading Sura Fateha once and Sura Ekhlas thrice
10.45-11.00	15 minutes	Teachers Introduction	Country wise Web of relationship
11.00- 11.30	30 minutes	Objective of the workshop	Power point presentation
11.30-11.45	15 minutes	Group formation	Nature based issues
11.45- 12.15	30 minutes	Group work	Flower Bud and Thorn Activity
12.15-1.15	60 minutes	Group presentation	Marker Place Discussion
1.15 -1.30	15 minutes	Planning for School Sessions	Plenary
1.30 - 1.40	10 minutes	Sharing / feedback by the teachers	Plenary
1.40 -1.50	10 minutes	Summarising and closing	Plenary
1.50-2.00	10 minutes	Thanks by Chairman LEADS Mr. A.S.M.Kabir	Plenary
2.00-		Lunch	

27 teachers from 14 different schools participated in different sessions actively (Annex -1). All of them including Habib Bank Country Manager wore purple shade to show respect to the women as it was just the next day of International Women's Day making the event vibrant and colourful



The teachers started registering themselves from 9.30 am and had tea. The LEADS team helped in registering. They were given a file with the session documents so that they can take it with them .

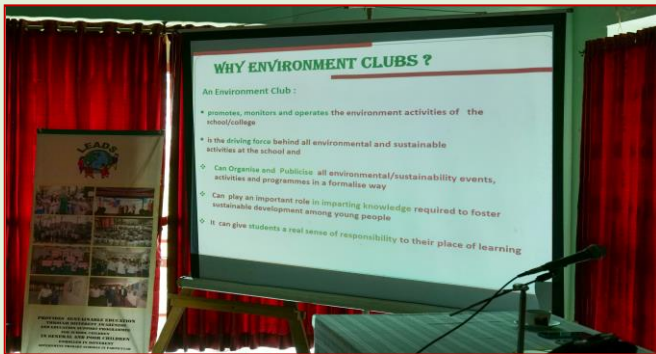


Hamida and Afsana from LEADS introducing Habib Bank and LEADS Foundation to the participants. They also briefed about the activities of Environmental Campaign of LEADS from 2012.



1 minute silence for the victims of Bailey Road Fire which included a teacher from Viqarunnissa School and active member of LEADS Campaign

The session started after the introduction done by LEADS team. The introduction of participants was done through an icebreaking activity where the participants stood according to their place of birth and created a network within themselves . After introducing themselves , the ED presented the objective of the workshop and environmental issues through power point . Main focus of the presentation was to remind



them of the formalisation of the environmental activities through environmental clubs and combat climate change through changing the behavioral pattern of the students and their surroundings . As the schools are already involved with these activities the theme of the workshop was “Saving Environment: Our Initiatives”



and see the steps they have taken so far. Therefore, the participants were divided into 6 groups for group work . The grouping was done on the basis of some names of environmental issues like , river, birds, hills, fruits, flower and natural resources . 3 schools worked in some groups with 6 teachers in that group and in some there were 4 but only in one group there were 5 as from Holy Cross only 1 teacher came .

Through Flower , bud thorn activity , they worked with their school partner and was asked to make a flower. The teachers worked very actively and enthusiastically and presented their work by making a flower





It was done just to make the activity interesting . The respective schools came and presented their work . After presentation of the first group the remaining groups added their comment and work It was then compiled in a common flower, taking all the common implemented, planned activities and the problems they commonly faced . Thanks to all the 27 teachers from 14 different schools including the Habib Bank Country Manager who wore purple shade to show respect to the women as it was just the next day of International Women’s day making the event vibrant and colourful with their presence . Lastly all the schools gave a tentative schedule for the school session discussing among themselves .



The Tentative Time schedule for the Phase 2 of the Initial Sessions across Schools with the students is given in Annex 2. They gave their feedback about the workshop which is also shared in annex 3 as comments of the teachers .

The Team and Supporter from Government Education Sector



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Conclusion: With the successful outcome of the workshop LEADS and Habib Bank Ltd is looking for another partner for effective implementation of the remaining phases of the Year-long Environmental Awareness Campaign, which involve session with the students in the respective schools, planning with teachers and Final event with Competition and Prize Giving Ceremony.

Annex 1

Names of the Participating Teachers

Sl no	Schools	Teachers
1	Dhaka Residential Model College	Muhammad Minhaz Uddin
		Ms. Shumaia Khanom
2	Shaheed Bir Uttam Lt. Anwar Girls' College	Tanzila Siddiqua
		Ms. Karimon Nahar
3	Shaheed Bir Bikram Ramiz Uddin Cantonment College	Md. Khalequzzaman
		Ms. Masuda Rahman
4	Saint. Joseph Higher Secondary School	Ms. Sanjida Afrin
		Ms. Noor Aida Arfin
5	RAJUK Uttara Model School & College	Mr. Sonjoy Biswas
		Ms. Sabrina Sultana
6	Agrani School and College	Md. Saiful Islam
		Ms. Nilufar Easmin
7	Bir Srestha Noor Muhammad Public College	Mr. Muhammad Anwar Sadat
		Mr. Azadul Mubarak Safiq
8	Dhaka Cantonment Board Adarsha Bidhya Nikaton Manikdi	Ms. Mahmudul Hasan
		Md. Khairul Islam
9	Adamjee Cantonment Public School & College	Ms. Riffat Jahan
		Md. Abdul Hasan
10	Civil Aviation School & College	Md. Rahamat
		Ms Keya
11	Azampur Government Primary School	Ms. Mahmuda Khatun
		Ms. Selina Parvin
12	Holy Cross Girls High School	Md. Al Mamun
13	Mokshud Pur Girls High School	Ms. Feroza Parvin
		Ms. Eva Sultana
14	Abdus Sobhan Model High School	Ms. Sufia Afroz
		Mr. Sonaton Chandra Ray

Annex 2
Phase 2: Initial Sessions across Schools with the students
Tentative Dates

	Schools	Tentative Dates
1	Saint Joseph Higher Secondary School	5 th June,2024
2	RAJUK Uttara Model School & College	June
3	Adamjee Cantonment Public School & College	May,2024
4	Civil Aviation School and College	July,2024
5	Shaheed Bir Bikram Ramiz Uddin Cantonment College	21 st May,2024
6	Dhaka Residential Model College	5 th June,2024
7	Bir Srestha Noor Muhammad Public College	5 th June,2024
8.	Abdus Sobhan Model High School	13 th August,2024
9.	Agrani School & College	5 th June,2024
10.	Azampur Government Primary School	5 th June,2024
11	Holy Cross Girls High School	June,2024
12	Muksud Pur Girls High School	July,2024
13	Dhaka Cantonment Board Adarsha Biddyaniketon, Manikdi	29 th June,2024

Annex 3

Comments from Teachers

Holy Cross Girls High School

Abdullah Al Mamun

It is indeed a giant step in raising awareness to save our mother earth. It is also a rare opportunity to meet many enlightened individuals.

I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunity to attend the recent workshop organised by LEADS Foundation. Gratitude also goes to Ms Romina Dewan for taking such an initiative.

The experience was enlightening and engaging , leaving me with valuable insights and actionable strategies to implement in my educational community.

Firstly , I would like to appreciate the diverse range of topics covered throughout the workshop. The session provided me with a comprehensive overview of the multifaceted approach needed to address environmental concerns within educational settings. The speaker’s expertise and passion were evident, making the sessions both informative and inspiring. Furthermore, the interactive nature of the workshop facilitated meaningful discussions and exchanges among participants. The collaborative activities and group discussions allowed for the sharing of best practices and innovative ideas., fostering a sense of shared purpose among attendees.

Overall, I commend the LEADS team for putting together such a valuable and impactful workshop. It has equipped me with knowledge and motivation to advocate for environmental sustainability within my school and beyond. I look forward to apply what I have learned and contribute to greener, more sustainable future for our students and communities.

Thank you once again for a wonderful workshop experience.

Rajuk Uttara Model School & College

Sanjoy Biswas

I want to express my gratitude to you and your team for putting on an event that was both beautiful and significant. Such activities will always be backed up by us.

Subrina Sultana Sara

“Our Environment Our Resource” what a great day it was! Thank you so much Romina Dewan Kabir Mam and LEADS for a brilliant workshop. It was an enjoyable experience, fantastic learning experience, well presented, engaging and inspiring seminar.

St. Joseph Higher Secondary School

Sanjina Afrin

It was an interactive and participatory at the same time informative session. Hoping to join in the upcoming by this organization.

Bir Srestha Noor Muhammad Public College

Azadul Mubarak Safiq

The workshop arranged by LEADS was really a successful one. We exchanged our views and ideas regarding environment pollution. We also learnt many things from this session that we can apply in our school compound involving our pupils.

Muhammad Anwar Sadat

Our experience is good indeed. Form another institution teacher's knowledge sharing or exchange was fruitful. Our club is 3 years old but still trying to engage all time with another environment clubs and foundation for the betterment of the world.

Dhaka Cantonment Board Adarsha Bidhya Nikaton Manikdi

Khairul Islam

Nice and fruitful arrangement to keep our environment clean and healthy .

Dhaka Residential Model College

Md. MinhazUddin

The programme was realistic and impactful.

Adamjee Cantonment Public School & College

Md. Abdul Hasan

অসাধারণ শিক্ষার্থীদের সাথে আরো কাজ করার idea ও অনুপ্রেরণা পেলাম ।

Civil Aviation High School

Md Rahamat Ali

এই প্রোগ্রামে এসে খুবই ভালো লেগেছে। অনেক কিছু জানতে পারলাম নতুন নতুন অনেক কিছু শিখতে পেরেছি। আশা করি আমি নিজে গিয়ে অন্যান্য শিক্ষক ও শিক্ষার্থীদের সচেতন করতে পারবো।

Shaheed Bir Bikram Ramiz Uddin Cantonment College

Md. Khalequzzaman

আজকের কর্মশালায় উপস্থিত থাকতে পেয়ে অনেক ভালো লাগলো। যার এ অনুষ্ঠানের আয়োজন করেছে তাদের অনেক ধন্যবাদ জানাচ্ছি। ধন্যবাদ জানাচ্ছি সম্মানিত শিক্ষকমণ্ডলীকে। শিক্ষার্থী ও অভিভাবকদের সাথে আলোচনার মাধ্যমে পরিবেশ বান্ধব পৃথিবী গড়ে তোলার আহবান জানাচ্ছি। আমি এ প্রতিষ্ঠানের উত্তরোত্তর সমৃদ্ধি ও সফলতা কামনা করছি।

Muksud Pur Girls High School

Eva Sultana

চমৎকার। এভাবে আমরা যদি কর্মশালা করতে পারি তাহলে আমাদের পরিবার ও বিদ্যালয়ে একটা সুন্দর ও মনোরম পরিবেশ তৈরী হবে।

Azampur Government Primary School

Mahmuda Khatun

অনেক ভালো লেগেছে আজকের প্রোগ্রাম অনেকের সঙ্গে মতবিনিময় হয়েছে। অজানা অনেক কিছু জানা গেছে। পরিকল্পনা প্রণয়নে বিভিন্ন স্কুলের কার্যক্রম থেকে প্রেরণা পাওয়া গেছে। সর্বোপরি এই কার্যক্রমটি আগামী প্রজন্মের জন্য অত্যাবশ্যিকীয়। এটা নিয়ে কাজ করা এখন আমাদের পবিত্র দায়িত্ব। এটা হাবিব ব্যাংক লিমিটেড এর কান্ট্রি ডিরেক্টর জনাব সেলিম বরকত স্যারের এবং লিডস্ এর নির্বাহী পরিচালক রুমিনা দেওয়ান এর আলোচনায় পরিষ্কার হলো।

Shaheed Bir Uttam Lt. Anwar Girls' College

Karimon Nahar

LEADS কর্তৃক আয়োজিত Environmental Awareness Campaign বিষয়ক কর্মশালায় অংশগ্রহণ করে আমি খুবই আনন্দিত ও গর্বিত। এর মাধ্যমে আমরা আমাদের প্রতিষ্ঠানের শিক্ষার্থীদের বিভিন্ন গুরুত্বপূর্ণ বিষয়ে সচেতন করতে পারবো। এতে শিক্ষার্থীরা স্বতস্কৃত ভাবে অংশগ্রহণ করবে এবং প্রতিষ্ঠানের পাশাপাশি বাড়িতেও ওরা সচেতন হবে ও অন্যকে সচেতন করবে।

Abdus Sobhan Model High School

Sonaton Roy

প্রোগ্রাম অনেক সুন্দর লেগেছে এবং আমি অনেক কিছু শিখতে চেষ্টা করেছি। বিশেষ করে স্মার্ট উপস্থাপনা, কাজের পরিবেশ, উপকরণ, বিষয়বস্তু সব মিলে দারুন উপভোগ ও করেছি। সেলিম স্যারের স্পিচ মুগ্ধ হয়ে শুনেছিলাম আপনাদের আয়োজনটি সত্যিই চমৎকার। আপনারা নেট ওয়াকিং এর যে নমুনা তৈরী করেছিলেন আমার কাছে এটা একদম ইউনিক লেগেছে।