

Key Project Information for the project

“Bettering Communities through Social Forestry in Bangladesh”

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SN	Particulars	Description
1	Entities involved	This project is managed by Value Network Ventures Advisory Services Pte Ltd. (VNV) as the project developer (PD). The implementation will be facilitated by Bangladesh Bondhu Foundation (BBF) who will act as a project participant (PP).
3	Non-technical Summary of the Project	<p>The Bangladesh Bondhu Foundation (BBF) jointly with Value Network Ventures Advisory Services (VNV) is implementing a Gold Standard for Global Goals Standard project, “Bettering Communities through Social Forestry in Bangladesh”</p> <p>The project aims to empower and encourage farmer communities while also reinforcing ecosystem- based natural resource management in the existing agricultural landscape. The project activities, spanning across several districts in Bangladesh, will strengthen tree cover outside of the forest which will help the rural economy and provide livelihoods of local communities. Livelihood based interventions include skill development programs, improved market linkages, enhanced entrepreneurial mindsets and self- reliance within the community.</p> <p>The project also promotes rejuvenation of borewells, existing waterbodies, drip irrigation at planting sites for watering purposes which can be used by the community.</p>

4	Project Related Impacts	<p>Proposed project will contribute to various dimensions of sustainable development.</p> <p><u>Good health and social and economic well-being</u> – In contrast to monocultures, agroforestry will provide healthy living environments for local communities while enabling different biological systems to cooperate and flourish. This will lead to increased productivity and diversification of income source. Overall, social forestry leads to elevation of community income, enhance their nutritional status and ensure resilient and sustainable food production.</p> <p>In addition, activities revolving around skill development and market linkages will overall foster a socio-economically empowered community.</p> <p><u>Climate Action</u> – Agroforestry activities mimic natural ecosystems more closely. Ensuring healthy soils through sustainable practices, agroforestry activities will help in climate change mitigation through enhanced carbon sequestration.</p> <p><u>Life on Land</u> – Agroforestry will ensure biodiversity enrichment while supporting soil biodiversity through enriching soil health and fertility. Overall, it will actively improve conditions for plants, livestock and wildlife alike.</p>
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Contact Details

In order to receive any further information regarding the project, stakeholders are requested to contact at the following addresses:

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