HOW MANUSHER JONNO FOUNDATION UTILIZES FUNDS

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promoting human rights and good governance

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Introduction of MJF

DFID in 2002, designed the HUGO project, later named Manusher Jonno as a challenge fund to provide financial and technical support to organizations working on human rights and governance in Bangladesh. The management and oversight responsibility was awarded to CARE with plans for Manusher Jonno to register as an independent organization under Bangladeshi law in 2005.

Manusher Jonno Foundation was registered with the Joint Stock Company as a non profit organization in 2006 and received NGOAB registration thereby getting legal status to receive foreign funding. DFID committed 13.5 million UK pounds for the program from 2002 to December 2007. The first phase of DFID funding came to an end in December 2007. In the second phase DFID signed Agreement with MJF for next five years from April 2008 to March 2013 for 30 million UK pounds. Meanwhile, the Royal Norwegian Embassy signed an Agreement with MJF in September 2007 for a period of three years from 2007 to 2009 for 2.5 million UK pounds.

Since MJF started operating as an independent organization and has set in place all the mechanisms, policies and practices that are the hallmark of a credible, transparent and accountable organization. The Governing Board (GB) has reviewed and approved detailed policies on finance, procurement, grant making and HR. Moreover, MJF is guided by the Higher Level Policies and the Constitutional Documents approved by the GB as well as Donors. MJF accounts are regularly audited and the internal audit has been contracted out to a reputable chartered accountant firm.

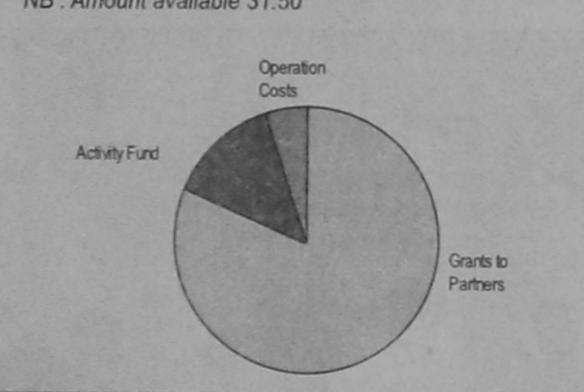
MJF programmes

Focusing principally on Human Rights and Governance, MJF is working through its partners to create opportunities to advance rights of vulnerable women, children, workers, marginalized groups and people living in the Chittagong Hill Tracts.

- Combating violence against women
- Child protection and development
- Ensuring access to justice for poor and disadvantaged people
- Promoting and protecting the rights of vulnerable and socially excluded
- Promoting and protecting workers' rights
- Promoting accountability and responsiveness of public service delivery
- Supporting the socio-economic development of Chittagong Hill Tracts.

Fund allocation during next five years 2008-2013 Figures in million UK pounds

Figu	res in million UK pound	
Particulars	Amount	
Grants to Partners	30.60	
Activity Fund (advocacy, capacity development)	5.13	
Operation costs	1.87	
Total required	37.60	
VR - Amount available 31 50		



MJF currently working with the following partner organisations

Combating violence against women

The Bangladesh Society for Enforcement of Human Rights, Unity for Social and Human Action, Action Aid Bangladesh, Acid Survivors Foundation, Mahideb Jubo Samaj Kallyan Somity, Banchte Shekha, UDDOG, Polli Sree, Nari Pokkho, Shishu Niloy, Fareea Lara Foundation, Bangladesh National Women Lawyers' Association, Society for Voluntary Activities, Concerned Women for Family Development, Jagorani Sangstha, Samaj Kallyan Sangstha, Mukti Nari-O-Shisu Unnayan Sangstha, Anirban Samaj Unnayan Sangstha, People's Oriented Program Implementation, Adivasi Unnayan Kendra, Gram Unnayon Sangathon.

Promoting and protecting workers' rights

Bangladesh Institute of Labour Studies, PHULKI, Karmojibi Nari, Institute of Development Education for Advancement of Landless, BIVA, Bangladesh Center for Workers Solidarity, MAMATA, Alternative Development Organization for Research & Evaluation, BRAC, Social Activities for Environment, Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit.

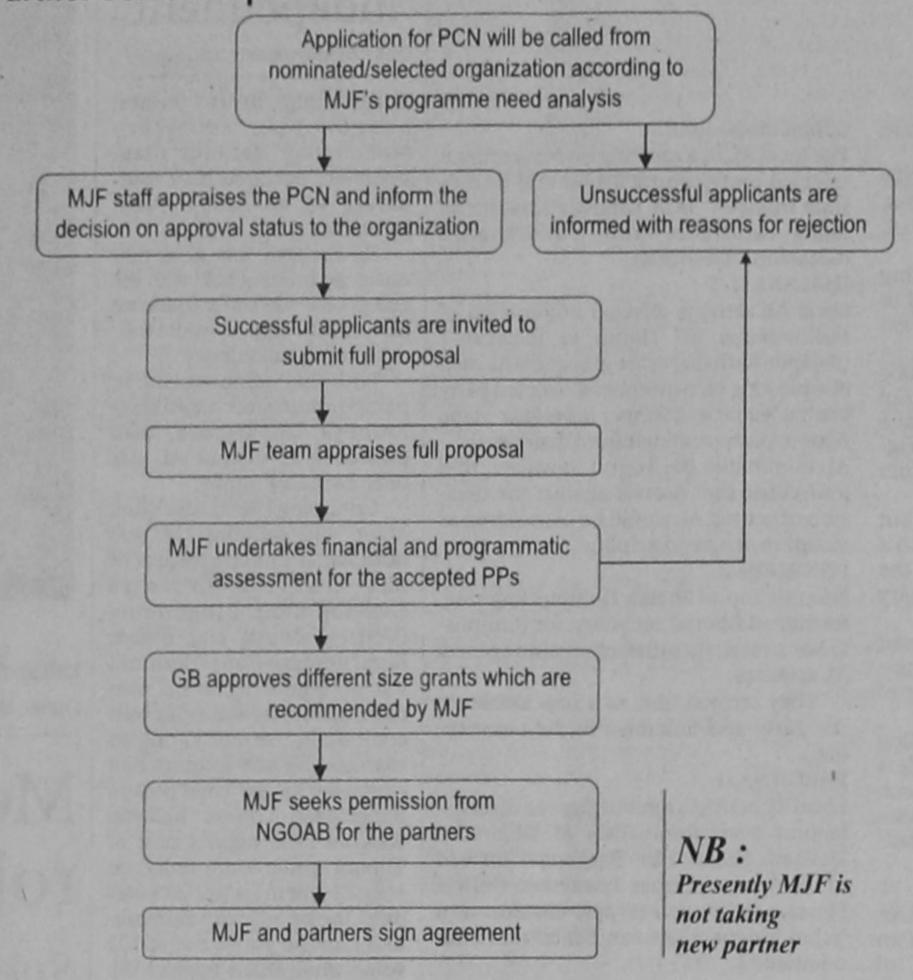
Promoting and protecting the rights of vulnerable and socially excluded groups

SPEED Trust, Uttaran, Assistance for Social Organisation and Development, BROTEE, Chinishpur Dipshikha Mohila Samity, BHUMIJA Foundation. Friends Association for Integrated Revolution, Prodipan, Centre for Services and Information on Disability, Social Assistance and Rehabilitation for the Physically Vulnerable, National Forum of Organization Working with Disabled, Action on Disability and Development, Program for the Introduction an Adoption of Contraceptive Technology Bangladesh, HIV/AIDS and STD Ailiance Bangladesh, Center for Rehabilitation of the Paralyzed, Center for Devcelopment Services, Association of Voluntary Action for Society, Community Development Association, Community Development Center, Onneyshan, Indigenous Peoples Development Services, Reliant Women Development Organization, CARITAS Bangladesh, Development Organizations of the Rural Poor, Parittran, Environment Council Bangladesh, Adivasi Sanskritic Unnayan Songstha, Mukto Akash Bangladesh, Centre for Disability in Development, Protibandhi Shishu Shiekkha O Paricharja Samity, Friendship, Humanitarian Foundation.

Child protection and development

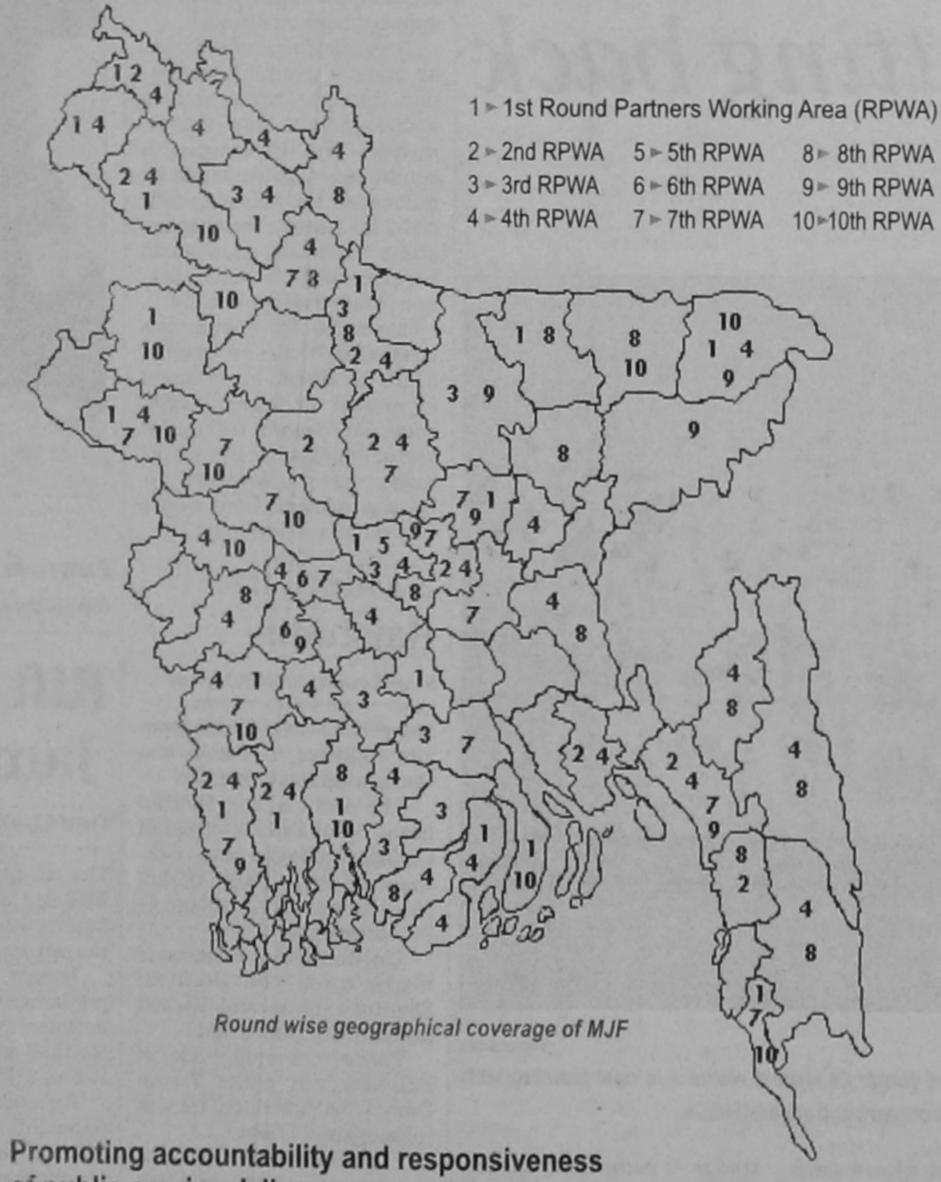
Centre for Mass Education in Science, FULKI, NABOLOK, Shoishab Bangladesh, Eco-Social Development Organization, Solidarity, Aparajeyo-Bangladesh, Breaking the Silence, Voluntary Association for Family Welfare & Social Development, Sonar Bangla Foundation, Community Participation and Development.

Partner selection process



MJF Thematic area, Budget and Beneficiaries

SI No	Theme	No. of Partners	Budget in UK pounds	Beneficiaries	
				Direct	Indirect
1	Combating violence against women	23	5,644,316	20629789	6037624
2	Promoting and protecting workers' rights	15	2,682,728	181294	8568300
3	Promoting and protecting the rights of vulnerable and socially excluded	39	7,952,306	217315	5827273
4	Child Protection and Development	14	3,662,487	91985	29000
5	Promoting accountability and responsiveness of public service delivery	26	7466923	726837	173400
6	Ensuring access to justice for poor and disadvantaged people	, 9	1,919,290	162362	2965850
7	Supporting the socio-economic development of Chittagong Hill Tracts	10	1,271,950	244100	549539
	Total		30,600,000		15 3 3 3 3



of public service delivery

Coastal Association for Social Transformation Trust, Gandhi Asram Trust, Resource Integration Centre, Rupantor, Rachine, Agrogoti Songostha, Institute for Environment and Development, Shamunnay, Bishwo Shahitto Kendro, Mukti Jodha Smriti Trust, Consumers Association of Bangladesh, D.Net, Mass-line Media Centre, Bandhu Social Welfare Society, Management and Resources Development Initiative, RDRS Bangladesh, Steps Towards Development, Bangladesh Disaster Preparedness Centre, Shaplaful, Southern Gonounnayan Samity, Population Services and Training Centre, Jagrata Juba Shangha, Women For Women.

Ensuring access to justice for poor and disadvantaged people

Sabalamby Unnayan Samity, Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association, Madaripur Legal Aid Association, Gono Kallayan Trust, Save the Children UK, Nagorik Uddog, Sirajganj Uttaran Mohila Shanstha, Pabna Protishsruti, Sylhet Jubo Academy.

Supporting the socio-economic development of Chittagong Hill Tracts

Mrochow Chen Chap Eungra Tia, Taungya, Green Hill, Kapo Seba Sangha, Ethnic Community Development Organization, MOANOGHAR, Hilehili Education & Social Development Foundation, Ananya Kallyan Sangathon, Bandarban Disabled Peoples Organization Development.

MJF activities

MJF supports local and national initiatives that help to build voices of the poor to demand better services. MJF also works on the supply side to assist local institutions to respond to the needs of the poor and marginalized. This is done primarily by awarding grants and providing capacity development support to NGOs who submit appropriate proposals and meet selection criteria.

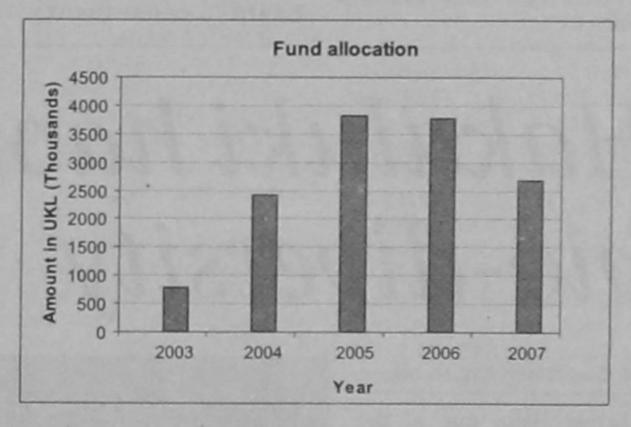
The broad activities of MJF are the following:

- Grants Management: MJF operation is run by a sound Finance and Administration System. Funds provided by donors are used for grant making and MJF operating costs. Financial monitoring of partner projects, financial assessment of potential partners, organizing audits, ensuring compliance to policies are some of the main activity of the department.
- Capacity Development of NGOs (financial, management and programmatic): To strengthen the human and institutional capacity of the partners NGOs so that they can implement their programmes and projects more effectively and in a sustainable way.
- Advocacy and Research: Policy research and advocacy is an important component of MJF activity. Plans to conduct, initiate or support any research is need based and geared towards assisting the various programmes of MJF.
- Communications and Networking: The communication strategy includes building profile of MJF and partners, dissemination of information on different activities, creating awareness and publicizing of important advocacy issues.
- Monitoring and Evaluation: MJF has robust monitoring system capable of tracking effectiveness of projects. Routine monitoring is undertaken by programme staff, M&E department assists to keep the projects on track and assess their performance through mid term and final evaluations.
- Management Information Systems (MIS): The MIS stores and manages all information related to Finances, Admin & Programme. It ensures transparency and accountability of MJF.

All these contribute towards efficient implementation of programmes on Rights and Governance.

Fund allocation during last five years 2002-2007

Amount in UK Pounds	
784,123	
2,420,777	
3,828,876	
3,769,559	
2,696,665	
£13,500,000	



Advocacy issues

MJF is at present involved in policy advocacy directly, or in partnership with civil society organisations. At present MJF is advocating on the following:

- Enactment of Right to Information (RTI) Act.
- Law and Policy formulation for Workers in formal and informal sector.
- == Enactment of Law on Domestic Violence.
- Effective implementation of CEDAW.
- Adoption of Ship Breaking Policy.
- Policy advocacy initiative for Child rights implementation through UNCRC alternative report preparation and dissemination.

MJF Balance Sheet 2007

