



Briefing on Advocacy and Networking





Vision:

A world of equity and justice where human rights and democracy is the social culture.

Mission:

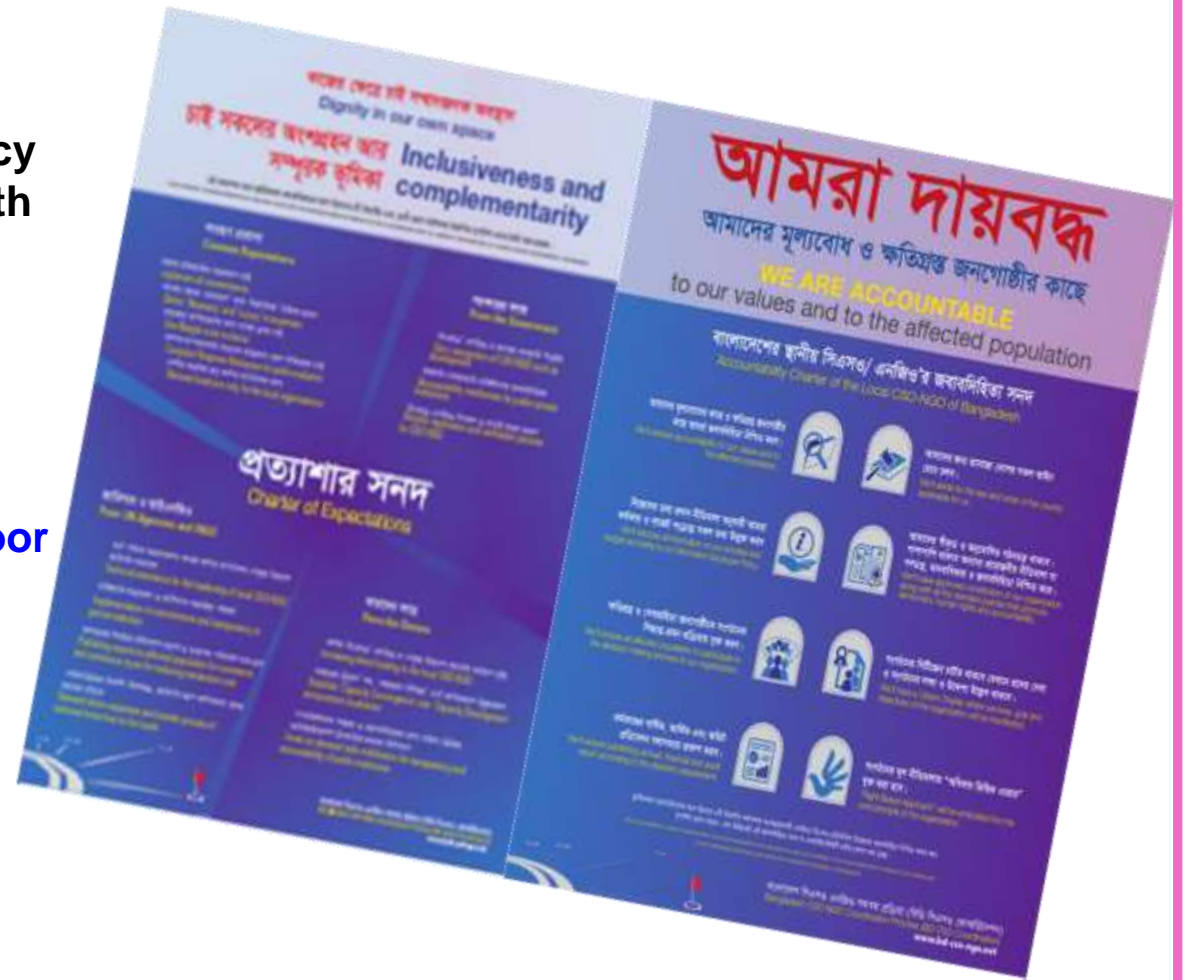
To promote policy debate and practice changes engaging CSO mobilization

Objective:

To promote and popularize the mass campaigning on policy issues and debates and linking the local level opinions with national and international level perspectives.

Strategies:

- i. Develop network that will support to government with positive engagement in case of appropriate and pro poor development issues.
- ii. Motivate to create an accountable, critical & self-initiatives and sustainable civil society movement.



Our Achievement

Building Network and CSO Alliance for Issue-based advocacy

- i. PO [Peoples' Organization] for local level advocacy.
- ii. EquityBD for Economic and Climate Justice issues and Advocacy.
- iii. CCNF for repatriation of FDMN and their rights.
- iv. IRWD for awareness and women rights.
- v. BD-CSO for Localization.
- vi. BFF [Bangladesh Farmers Forum].
- vii. A⁴EP [Alliance for Empowering Partnership].

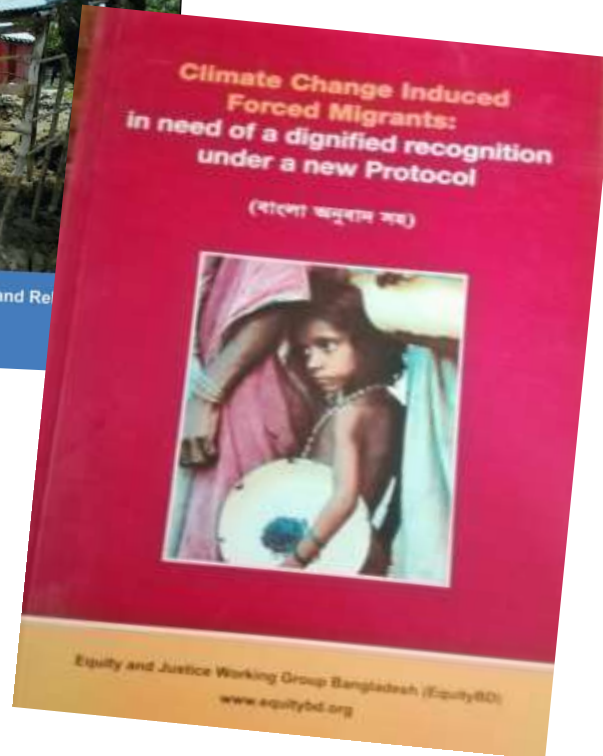
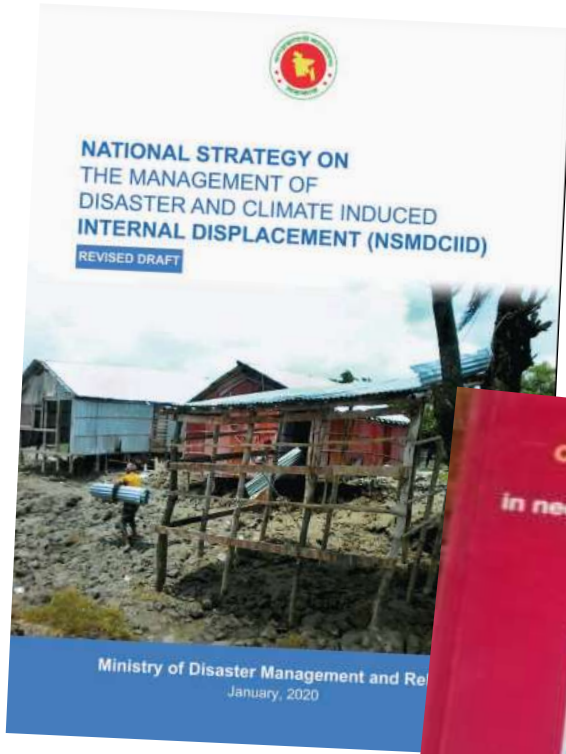
Apart COAST is active with many informal networks like BAPA, Climate justice, Tax justice, APRRN [Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network], ICVA [International Council for Voluntary Agencies], PDD [Platform on Disaster Displacement] TWN [Third World Network] etc.



Our Achievement in Policy and Practice Change

- User Fra rights of settlers in the Embankments through low-cost maintenance [SEMPP].
- **PO leaders playing role in local government process to enhance access for poor in government services.**
- Cancellation PRSP and stopping WB Immunity.
- Community Radio establishment.
- National Climate budgeting process BCCTF and Climate Budgeting





Our Achievement in Policy and Practice Change [Cont.-----]

- Inclusion of displacement related clause in Cancun Agreement “Para 14 (F)” in CoP-16.
- Govt. adopted the national displacement mgt. policy 2020 etc.
- Localization Taskforce lead by ISCG and UNDP for Rohingya Refugee fund rationalization.
- Systematic approach of Advocacy [Short study on related issues, draft position paper, dialogue & consultation with CSO and Policy makers, Press release Eng./Bangla, using social media for campaign etc.]

Success in campaigning on Voter education, Salt, Khas land distribution, rehabilitation of climate displacement, anti-hill cutting rail line in CxB, and RBA in MF.



We are in Challenges

- Regulatory attitude of government
- Ethical disaster; NGO/CSOs advocacies are diverted to interest based rather than ideological, values and knowledge driven.
- Power dynamics and Civil Society position in the power structure is obscure.
- Lack of intellectual and alternative leadership development.
- Hardly access to information.
- Dirty competition among the NGOs. Donors are dividing the NGOs.

Thank you

