

MSS members participating in PKSF organized competition on the occasion of Bangabondhu's birth centenary



PKSF is organizing a competition through its non-governmental development partners on the occasion of birth centenary of Bangabondhu. The competition is in four segments. The youths of ward number 09, Bangalipur union of Saidpur Upazila of Nilphamari District are participating in this competition under the banner of ENRICH

program of MSS.

The four categories of this competition are Poetry Writing, Article/Story Writing, Drawing and Social Work. The topic of the first three categories is Father of the Nation Bangabondhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Small structural work and repairing, environment and biodiversity preservation, serving the mankind, preventing social disorder and superstition, innovative social business model and creative social work will be given priority in the Social Work category. The last day of submitting the topics of the competition is 15th December 2020.

MSS stands beside its fire damaged members



There was a massive fire incident at Kallanpur Notun Bazar Slum on 30th October 2020. There were ten members of MSS whose houses and shops were burnt to ashes due to the fire. The members were

devastated and living in unlivable condition. At the initiative of Branch # 44 under zone 03 of MSS Women's Credit Program, cash money was distributed among the fire affected members. All the ten members were given grants of three thousand Taka each.

The local representative of the slum, representative from the MSS head office, Zonal, Area and Branch managers were present at that money distribution program. The fire damaged members expressed their humble gratitude to MSS after receiving the financial support.

MSS bi-monthly work progress meeting held



MSS bi-monthly work progress meeting was held at the SEL auditorium in Dhaka on November 16, 2020. The Executive Director Munawar Reza Khan presided over the meeting with the presence of zonal and area managers and his top management team. Mr. Tarikul Ghani, the advisor of MSS was also present there as the special guest. The overall work progress of all the branches

and areas during the period of July, 2020 to August, 2020 were discussed and evaluated at the meeting. The work plan of November 2020 and December 2020 were also presented there. The precautionary measures plan for the Covid-19 era was decided at the bi-monthly work progress meeting. Mr. Ghani urged to make MSS as a renowned and role model NGO of Bangladesh by helping the underprivileged people of the country.

Mr. Khan said, "We will ensure hundred percent transparency, accountability, and performance of the employees to make our MSS a role model to all." He requested all the employees and well-wishers of MSS to work collaboratively to overcome the current situation.

Tahmina's 'Family Mushroom Farm'



Tahmina, a Sufolon entrepreneur under Women's Credit Program of MSS. She lives in Ramerkanda Village of Keraniganj Upazila, Dhaka. The village is under Rohitpur Union. Tahmina, the mother of two children is the co-owner of joint venture named 'Family Mushroom Farm Limited'. She took loans from MSS four times in five years. With MSS loans the farm got bigger and ten jobs were created.

Mushroom is a nutritious and popular food yet it is not included in our daily meal chart. Tahmina and her co-owners are experimenting some mushroom-based food products such as Mushroom Kebab, Mushroom Pickle, Mushroom Powder and Mushroom Chips to market them with a view to changing the peoples' food habit.

Forty kilogram of Mushroom and one hundred mushroom spawn packets (the packet in which the mushrooms are produced) have been sold on average in a day from their farm. Tahmina, her husband Jubayer and her Aunt-in-law work along with ten other employees of the farm. Jubayer informed that, they are making a profit of sixty to seventy thousand Taka excluding all other expenses.