

### Certificate distribution ceremony of Skill development training for female prisoners held at Bogra district Jail:



After getting the approval from IG prison, we have successfully completed 13 batches of skills development training inside the prison. The last batch of the training was for Beautician and it was started on March 13, 2016 and ended on May 16, 2016. The duration of the training was 40 days. The numbers of 20 inside female prisoners were the participants of this training. After successfully completion of the training the certificate distribution ceremony held on May 19, 2016 among the trained female prisoners. Mr. Ashraf Uddin, Deputy Commissioner of Bogra inaugurated the training closing session and certificate distribution ceremony. Mr. Mokammel Hossain, Jail Super, Bogra, and some more prison authorities were present in that ceremony. In the ceremony due to an emergency meeting the Deputy Commissioner of Bogra distributed 6 certificates to 6 trained prisoners and another 14 certificates were distributed by Jail Super, Bogra. In that ceremony, the Deputy Commissioner said to the trained prisoner, 'If you have any problems for getting jobs or starting a Parlor, you must communicate with me and Jail authority or Light House'. He hoped not to see them again inside the prison and wanted them to see as beauticians in the future. Light House conducted this kind of training inside and outside the prison with the assistance of GIZ and Jail authority.

### Creating Space for Street Bystander and KPs by Mass Awareness:



Light House Consortium has been working to raise awareness on STI and HIV transmission prevention among the FSWs and their clients through one to one and group contacts as well as local contextual traditional activities. The project believes that besides working with the FSWs and their clients, mass awareness is also important to prevent STI and HIV transmis-

### Inauguration of 2nd Batch of Painting Training Inside Prison:



According to the IRSOP yearly training calendar approved by IG, prisons 1st training batch for Bogra District Jail is training on 'civil painting' have been launched on May 22, 2016. The Jail Super, Bogra District Jail Mr. Mokammel Hossain inaugurated the training. 25 convicted prisoners attended the training session. The total duration of this training would be for 21 days. Deputy jailers, and head guard of prison, Bogra District Jail were also present at the inauguration ceremony. Jail Super told that the civil painting training course was organized by ministry of home affairs and GIZ and implemented by Light House. The main purpose of the training inside prison was to reduce recidivism and thereby overcrowding in prisons in Bangladesh. It was a joint work of German government and Bangladesh government. This is known to all that civil painting training is a very demanding training and its demand is growing day by day. To get this training outside of the prison one has to spend for minimum 15000-20000 taka. But inside the prison it was given free with the certificate that can be used for getting a job. So the Jail Super invited all the participants to utilize that opportunity with the full of attention during the training session. Then he concluded his speech by saying to utilize those training skills outside of the prison properly, to lead a life without re-committing crime and with having a healthy and sound life with the family members.

### Judgeship and Panel Lawyer Meeting Creates Ample Opportunity for Ensuring Legal Aid Services:



It was a first time ever to organize Judgeship and Panel Lawyers' view exchange meeting for improving access to justice through legal aid services held in Naogaoan District Judge Court on May 30, 2016. There were no platforms for the Judges and Panel Lawyers who were mainly involved in providing legal aid services for poor

### Light House Awarded the NFM and signed agreement with the SCI:



Light House Consortium comprise with YPSA, SJA and Nari Mukti Sangha awarded the NFM-Female Sex Worker package and signed agreement with the Save the Children International (SCI) for 22 months, effective from February 1, 2016 where Light House is the lead of the consortium. The project aims to provide support to the female sex workers and their clients through managing a total of 35 DICs and SDICs (21 DIC and 14 SDIC) covering 21 prioritized districts vulnerable to HIV epidemic where Light House has been implementing the program through 9 DICs and 7 SDICs, YPSA through 5 DICs and 3 SDICs, SJA through 4 DICs and 3 SDICs and NMS through 3 DICs. SCI is providing technical assistance (TAs) when necessary as Principal Recipient (PR). All types of activities are being implemented through DIC where variety types of staff members are working. Continuous capacity building initiative is crucial to ensure quality service delivery for which developing team members with job specific skills integrated with the project. Part of this initiative developing a team as "Master Trainer" has integrated with the project to achieve the following objectives; Provide skills to conduct DIC and SDIC level training related to BCC/peer education and DIC operation. Provide skills to monitor program activities and supervise team members along with the job support. Light House Consortium organized a 5 days (May 15-19, 2016) long basic training for Master Trainers in Bogra where 25 DIC participated and Sub DIC Coordinators along with 8 project/program monitors/focal persons. Md. Harun-or-Rashid, Chief Executive, Light House inaugurated the training. Deputy Chief Executive, Light House, M&E Specialist, Finance & Admin Specialist, TC-Program, TC – Clinical Services of Light House Consortium as well as Manager – FSW Intervention of SCI worked as facilitator of the training.

### MaMoni Health System Strengthening:





sion. For this, LH Consortium has focused on the traditional activities of the approved work plan, e.g. street drama, puppet show, musical events, etc. According to the approved work plan, LH consortium organized 4 events in different working area in May, 2016 through signing contract with the cultural organizations or with the individual performers. The objectives of the event includes to (i) create mass awareness among the street bystander and KPs on HIV and STI transmission prevention (ii) increase self-esteem of the KPs through creating space for them among the general population.

#### Sharing meeting among the District Administration, Acid Salesmen and its Users:



To ensure of reducing selling and buying Acid without license, the bad effects of the invalid using of acid, to make the awareness on the violence of acid and to apply the laws of controlling acid properly an assembly was held at 10:00 AM on May 2, 2016 at the convention centre of Deputy Commissioner, Korotoa. Under the support of UNICEF and Acid Survivors Foundation, District Administration and Light House jointly organized a ceremony of exchanging opinions among the Acid Sellers and Users. The session was presided over by Md. Asraf Uddin, the district commissioner. In the session speeches were given by Sufia Nazim, the sub district commissioner (Education and ICT), Mousumi Sharmin, the manager Support Services of Acid Survivors Foundation (Dhaka), Md. Panna Mia, Chairman, Bangladesh Juellers Cooperative Society, Bogra Branch. In the program more than 50 Acid sellers and users were present.

litigants. There were many issues and concerns to be discussed to speed up as well as to improve legal aid services in the community. As there were no such scopes to sit together, those important issues and concerns were unresolved. Light House in cooperation with District Legal Aid Committee (DLAC) created this opportunity to sit together and discuss the legal aid issues and get scopes to resolve the matter and find out the way forward for improving access to justice through ensuring legal aid services for those who need it. The meeting was presided by the Additional District and Session Judge Zia Uddin Ahmed while Joint District and Session Judge (DLAC Officer) Gazi Delwar Hossain moderated the program. A total of 16 Judges and 32 Panel Lawyers were present in the meeting. Besides, Public Prosecutor (PP), Government Pleader (GP), Additional Police Superintendent, District Jailer and local NGO representatives attended the view exchange meeting. In the meeting the Light House representative Md. Siddikul Alam Mamun delivered a power-point presentation on the progress and achievements of the project titled "Improved Justice and Legal Aid Services (IJLAS) under Community Legal Services (CLS) program supported by UKAID through Maxwell Stamp-PLC. CLS-IJLAS project is being implemented in seven districts including Naogoan". The presentation showed that the last project year (April'15-March'16) referred a total of 2,048 cases to different legal aid service providers including DLAC and 1280 cases were resolved peacefully.

It was also elaborately discussed the roles and responsibilities of panel lawyers in delivering legal aid services to the poor litigants in the court. DLAC Officer emphasized that the services they provide for the poor and disadvantaged people are very important for ensuring justice and human rights in the society. Government is committed to provide these services for those who suffer with poverty but need justice and they are the people who need to stand beside them.

Light House National Scaling up of the awarded "application of 7.1% Chlorhexidine solution in the newborn umbilical cord" effective from December, 2015 to May, 2016 with the support of MaMoni Health System Strengthening Project of Save the Children funded by USAID. The purpose of the project is to provide technical and operational assistance to the IMCI section of DGHS for the National Scale Up of the use of 7.1% Chlorhexidine digluconate for newborn cord care that will contribute reduction newborn mortality and morbidity. The main scope of work of this project is to provide training to the government facility and community service providers of Rajshahi and Rangpur divisions. Until May 2016, Light House Project team completed training in 10 districts out of 16.

To complete the rest 6 districts, a two month extension of the project for the period of June and July 2016 are signed between SCI and Light House in June 2016.

#### High Level Visit:



The Joint Secretary – Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Program Manager, National STD/AIDS Programme visited Female sex worker Intervention of GFATM. They paid visit to the Jessore DIC of Light House Consortium on May 28, 2016. The team moved around the DIC and talked to the beneficiaries and staffs about the service delivery process and progress.

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