**The journey of SHOUHARDO**

Transformative Impact on Resilience, Empowerment, and Sustainable Development

**SHOUHARDO I**

* **Household Reach**: Reached 400,000 households across eighteen districts of Bangladesh.
* **Child Nutrition**: Using economic interventions and maternal health and hygiene education, among other strategies, SHOUHARDO significantly achieved an 11.7 percentage point decrease in child underweight rates (U2),
* **Food security**: Increased the average months of sufficient food access from 5.2 to 7.5.
* **Women Empowerment:** Increased women's influence in household decision-making by 23%, particularly linked to their involvement in Empowerment, Knowledge, and Transformative Action (EKATA) groups, as well as participation in other SHOUHARDO groups.
* **Community preparedness:** Pioneered a 10-day advance flood forecasting system, a substantial upgrade from prior 48 to 72-hour forecasts, and incorporated it into a multi-modal warning system for robust, comprehensive community alerts.
* **Infrastructural Development**: Infrastructure related to income, WASH, DRR, and governance via various cash for work. Constructed 4171 latrines, 3428 water structures, 2016 homestead raising, 111 road maintenance.

**SHOUHARDO II**

* **Household Reach**: Reached 370,000 households across eleven districts of Bangladesh.
* **Food security**: Increased adequate household food provisioning from 5.9 months to 11 months.
* **Child Nutrition**: Achieved a 6.9 percentage point reduction in the prevalence of underweight among children (U5).
* **Women Empowerment:** Significantly improved the mobility, decision-making participation, and community awareness of women and girls.
* **Agricultural Productivity:** Crop-producing households adopting at least three optimal technologies rose from 42. I % to 92.9%.
* **Improved Maternal Health:** Women receiving more food and more rest during pregnancy increased from 12.5% to 57.6% and 23.5% to 63.3%, respectively.
* **Disaster Management & Preparedness:** Successful in disaster management due to well-organized contingency planning and provided a 4-5 hour warning period before flash floods.

**SHOUHARDO III**

* **Household Reach**: Reached 168,521 households across eleven districts of Bangladesh.
* **Poverty Alleviation:** Achieving an 8.6 percentage point reduction in households living below the $1.90/day poverty line.
* **Child Nutrition**: Achieved a 15 percentage point drop in the rates of underweight children (U5).
* **Women Empowerment:** 23.8 percentage points of women enjoyed sustained household decision-making power.
* **Climate Resilient Practices:** Households become resilient to significant shocks by sustaining food consumption and effectively recovering through the use of sustainable agricultural and storage methods.
* **Creating Economic Opportunities:** Increased community involvement in health, agriculture, and business, especially financially stabilizing underprivileged and female-led households.

**SHOUHARDO III Plus**

* **Household Reach**: Reached 168,521 households across eight districts of Bangladesh.
* **Financial inclusion:** Collaborated with commercial banks to promote financial inclusion and expand access to formal financial services for ruralcommunities.Approx**.** 12 % of PEPs have now access to Banks.
* **Sustainable entrepreneurship:** The Activity created a significant number of business networks for the model LSPs for their future sustainability.
* **Women Empowerment:** SBCC campaigns to raise awareness and promote positive health, hygiene, and nutrition behaviors among community members. Women and girls are now significantly aware of their rights, especially in child marriage, decision-making, participation, and community engagement.
* **Maternal Health:** Increased ANC and PNC-seeking behavior of pregnant women.
* **Advocacy and Networking:** Enabled the community by creating strong linkages between VDCs and local government to advocate for their community needs and rights at local, regional, and national levels.
* **Climate-Smart Agricultural Techniques**: Integrates climate-smart agricultural techniques that are adapted to the local context and resilient to climate variability.