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MISSION

To promote an environment where all girls and boys, women and men with disabilities have equal access to health, rehabilitation, education, employment, the physical environment and information.

VISION

To ensure the inclusion of girls and boys, women and men with disabilities into mainstream society.

CORE VALUES

Sensitivity
Compassion
Respect
Collaboration
Commitment to excellence

OBJECTIVES

- ◆ To provide treatment, rehabilitation and support services focusing on physical, emotional, social, psychological and economical aspects.
- ◆ To promote the development of skilled personnel in health care and rehabilitation in the country and SAARC region.
- ◆ To develop Centres in different parts of the country to expand the services for persons with disabilities in collaboration with other organizations.
- ◆ To organize and promote programmes for the prevention of disability.
- ◆ To develop programmes for early identification, therapeutic intervention and education.
- ◆ To promote advocacy and networking on disability issues.
- ◆ To promote empowerment of girls and women with disabilities.
- ◆ To promote empowerment of persons with disabilities through community based services.
- ◆ To raise awareness about disability issues nationally, regionally and internationally.
- ◆ To conduct research consistent with the vision, mission and overall objectives of CRP.
- ◆ To promote sports and recreational opportunities for persons with disabilities.
- ◆ To promote collaboration opportunities nationally, regionally and internationally to share experience and expertise.

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“I have had the pleasure of watching CRP grow for ourselves, our staff members, our donors and for our beneficiaries.”



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN, TRP

It has been a great privilege for me to have been involved with the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP) for so many years as the Chairman of the Trust for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (TRP). I have had the pleasure of watching CRP grow for ourselves, our staff members, our donors and for our beneficiaries. We passed through a successful year and reached another step closer to our goal to include people with disability (PWDs) in the mainstream society.

While the external environment for non-profit organizations remains a very challenging one, I have seen our community come together and show resilience, determination and a shared sense of purpose, working effectively as a unified voice for change.

We saw many notable successes during the year under review. One of them was the establishment of two service centres in Sylhet and Pabna. This will accelerate the services that are needed by the people in those districts.

CRP faced our share of challenges in the fiscal year, as did all of our staff members. But I am pleased to report that we achieved our goal, thanks to the hard work and dedication of CRP's team and all of our extended family including friends, volunteers, partners, donors and patrons, from home and abroad who played their part.

We count on your continued support and cooperation to CRP in the coming years.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Muhammad Saidur Rahman'.

Muhammad Saidur Rahman
Chairman
Trust for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (TRP)



“We continue to favour the Robin Hood method, taking from the wealthy to give to the poor and it is for this wonderfully generous help that we thank all our donors.”

MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER & COORDINATOR, CRP

Accidents and illnesses resulting in disability are part of life in all countries of the world. In Bangladesh these incidents are further complicated by poverty. CRP’s aim is to reduce accidents in general and for those who have succumbed, provide the best standard of treatment and rehabilitation possible at the same time giving this support at a subsidized rate for those who cannot contribute to their costs. It is for the provision of this financial support that we rely on our partners who donate so generously from countries around the world. Donations are received from the Government of Bangladesh and funding agencies as well as individuals and are raised in various ways from the proceeds of flea markets and the sale of CRP calendars to contributions made at Bangladeshi restaurants and by sponsored marathon runners. Financial support is the back-bone of CRP’s work enabling those staff members on the ground to work for the poorest persons with disabilities. We continue to favour the Robin Hood method, taking from the wealthy to give to the poor and it is for this wonderfully generous help that we thank all our donors.

The aim of this report is to share with our readers something of the work attempted in all our centres across the country. We hope you will find it encouraging. Our desire is to give the best possible care to everyone in a holistic way, providing physical, emotional, social reintegration and economic support. May we as service providers walk alongside our service users and donors to realize this desire during our next reporting year.

Valerie A. Taylor

Valerie Taylor
Founder & Coordinator
Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP)



“We hope our effort will help to raise a ray of hope for those who desperately need these services.”

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CRP

CRP is working for the last 38 years for mainstreaming the physically challenged people into the society. In fiscal year 2016-2017, we found much reason to celebrate as we moved forward boldly with our services for the most marginalized community of Bangladesh. But disability has its own stigma and such people are often left behind. For achieving Sustainable Development Goals of the government and for building a truly inclusive society, the stigma and discrimination that oppresses those with a disability must be confronted and uprooted.

During the year the dedicated, bold and courageous team of CRP has worked relentlessly to bring about meaningful changes in the life of our beneficiaries. We have expanded our services to 12 different locations across the country to serve the people in their community. With this aim we have also conducted outreach programmes and mobile clinics. We have also tried to introduce new services such as manufacturing of orthopaedic shoes and occupational therapy support for mental health patients. Next year we are planning to introduce a day centre for these patients. We hope our effort will help to raise a ray of hope for those who desperately need these services.

This annual report gives a brief description of the work that has been carried out over the last year. We recognize with gratitude the efforts of CRP staff members, students, volunteers, donors and patrons, from home and abroad. We can confidently say that, the necessary practical help, financial support, prayers for those who need our assistance will always be forthcoming in the years ahead. This is because of you, who have always stood beside us since CRP commenced its journey.

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Md. Shafiq-ul Islam
Executive Director
Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP)

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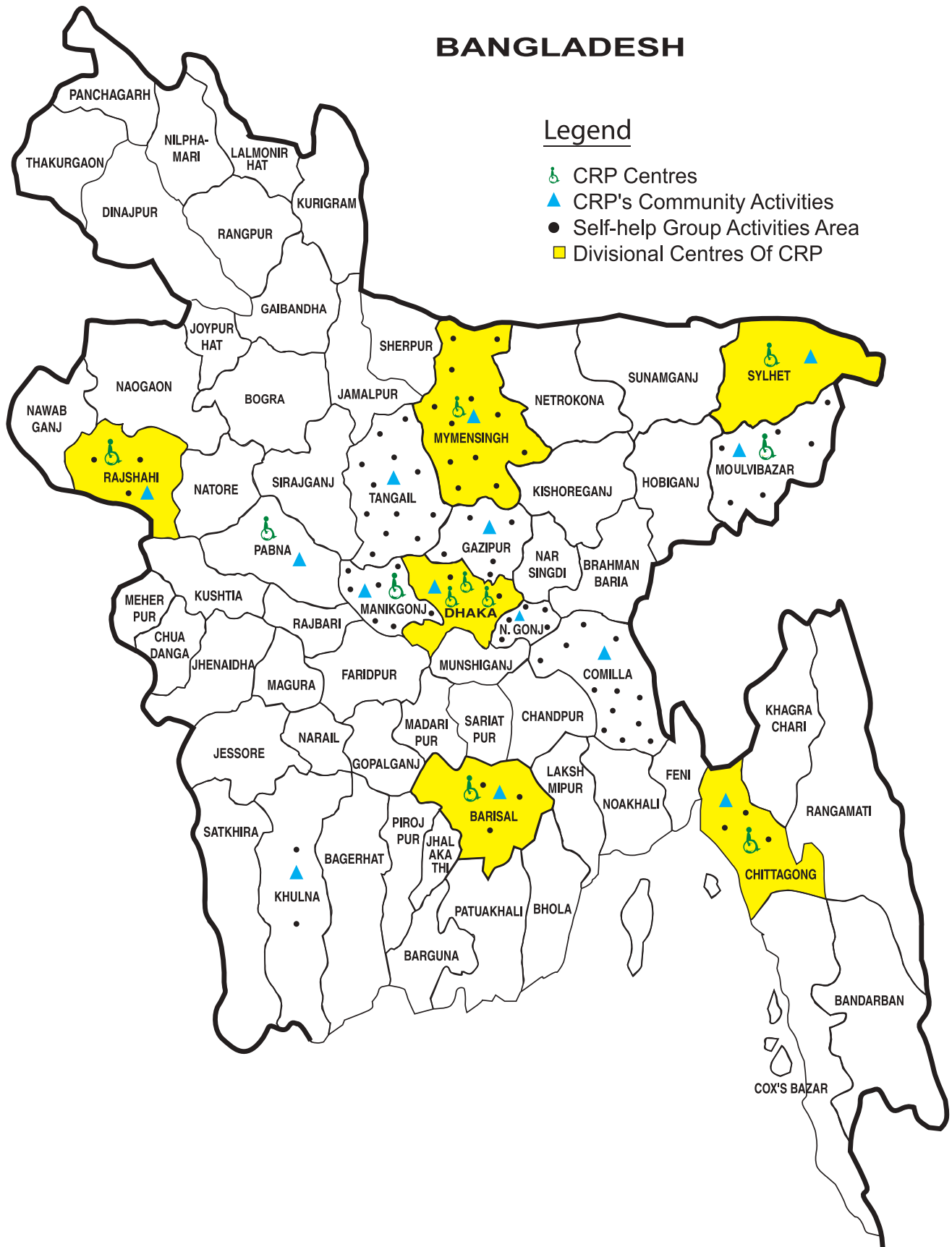
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2. CRP Activities



CRP AT A GLANCE

CRP Services

Medical Services
Physiotherapy
Occupational Therapy
Speech and Language Therapy
Special Seating
Prosthetics and Orthotics
Wheeled mobility aids and assistive devices

Human Resources

Total staff (69 of whom have physical disabilities, the Prottoy group) 1053
Male 55%
Female 45%

Income Generating Activities

Real estate rental
Printing press
Wood workshop
Metal workshop
Plant nursery
Compost production
Mushroom cultivation
CRP-Aware shop
Cafeteria
Recycled Paper Technology
Pharmacy
Social business

CRP Centres

CRP-Savar, Dhaka
CRP-Mirpur, Dhaka
A.K. Khan-CRP, Chittagong
Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi
CARSA Foundation-CRP, Barisal
Iskandar Shitara-CRP, Sylhet
CRP-Pabna, Diabetic Shamity
CRP-Ganakbari, Dhaka
CRP-Moulvibazar
CRP-Manikganj
CRP-Nawabganj, Dhaka
CRP-Gobindapur, Moulvibazar

Academic Activities

Bangladesh Health Professions Institute Programmes/Courses

Master of Physiotherapy (MPT)
Master of Rehabilitation Science (MRS)
B. Sc. in Physiotherapy
B. Sc. in Occupational Therapy
B. Sc. in Speech and Language Therapy
Diploma in Medical Technology-Physiotherapy
Diploma in Medical Technology-Occupational Therapy
Diploma in Prosthetics and Orthotics
Diploma in Medical Technology-Laboratory Medicine
Diploma in Medical Technology-Radiology & Imaging
Certificate in Education (Special Education)
Occupational Therapy Assistant
Physiotherapy Assistant

Proposed Programmes

Master of Occupational Therapy (MOT)

William and Marie Taylor Inclusive School

Inclusive Education Unit (IEU)
Special Education Needs Unit (SENU)

CRP-Nursing College

B.Sc. in Nursing
Diploma in Nursing

CRP-Madhab Memorial Vocational Training Institute

Computer Office Application
Electronics Repair
Dress Making & Tailoring
Shop Management
Linking Machine Operator
Industrial Sewing Machine Operator
Bee Keeping
Mushroom Cultivation

Annual Expenditure

Annual Income/Expenditure : 446, 067, 424 taka

CRP Timeline: Major Events

Year	Event
1979	CRP is established in the grounds of Shaheed Suhrawardy Hospital, Dhaka
1981	CRP is shifted to a rented house in Dhanmondi, Dhaka
1986	CRP moves, once more, to a rented accommodation in Farmgate, Dhaka
1990	CRP finally moves to Savar, the present Head Office
1992	Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI) is launched
1992	2 Year PTA and OTA courses are initiated
1993	Permanent construction begins at Savar
1993	A "Special Needs School (SENU)" commences in the grounds
1994	Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) programme is initiated
1995	A branch of CRP is opened in Gobindapur, Moulavibazar District
1995	CRP introduces Paediatric Services
1995	3-Years Diploma Courses in Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy are offered at BHPI
1997	Construction of the surgical theatres completed
1997	First students are enrolled in CRP's Rehabilitation Nursing Course
1998	CRP-Savar is officially inaugurated by the present and then Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina
1998	Completion of the construction of CRP-Ganakbari's main building and hostel
1998	Commenced construction of CRP-Mirpur Building
1999	"Special Seating Unit" is introduced with the support of "Motivation, UK"
1999	Telemedicine Link for Bangladesh is established at CRP
1999	Dhaka City Centre is founded at Mohammadpur, Dhaka
2001	Inauguration of CRP-Ganakbari by the Norwegian Ambassador, GerdWahlstrom
2003	Inauguration of CRP-Mirpur where a generous contribution from the Kadoorie Charitable Foundation covered 50% of the costs of the 13 storey building
2003	Mrs. Raihana Mahbub donates a piece of land in Manikgonj to establish another CRP branch for vocational training expansion
2004	B.Sc. in Speech and Language Therapy Course is offered at BHPI
2004	Mrs. Leena Alam donates CRP a 2-storey building on 15 decimals of land in Nawabgonj
2005	Domiciliary service is introduced at CRP-Mirpur
2005	CRP introduces Prosthetics and Orthotics unit with the help of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Special Fund for the Disabled (SFD)
2011	Physiotherapy and Occupational therapy services start at A.K. Khan-CRP, Chittagong
2011	Inauguration of Speech and Language Therapy Department at CRP-Savar
2012	Received 0.161 acres of land from Mr. and Mrs. Mozaharul Hannan for Rajshahi Divisional Centre
2013	Valerie Taylor wins Rotary International "The One" award
2013	Master of Physiotherapy started
2013	REVIVE project for Rana Plaza survivors commences
2014	Inauguration of Master of Rehabilitation Science at BHPI
2014	Prosthetics and Orthotics School launched at CRP-Savar
2014	Nursing College started at CRP-Savar
2014	CRP's Metal and Wood Workshops moved to Ganakbari
2014	Inauguration of E-library and Computer Laboratory at BHPI
2015	Inauguration of students and patients residence with the support of Rotary International, Hongkong District 3450
2015	13 th ASCoN Conference hosted by CRP
2015	Extension of Vocational Training Unit at CRP-Ganakbari
2016	Inauguration of Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi
2016	Bee keeping training for SCI patients is introduced at CRP-Savar
2017	CRP-Pabna Diabetic Samity started its services
2017	4th divisional centre of CRP started its journey with the name Iskandar Shitara-CRP, Sylhet

5. CRP Services - Treatment

5.1 Medical Services Wing

The Medical Services Wing (MSW) is the largest department in CRP. It provides inpatient, outpatient, radiology, pathology and operation theatre services to those in need.

Inpatient services:

We provide round-the-clock inpatient services to spinal cord injured (SCI) patients. We treat our patients using a Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) approach where every team member shares their expertise to ensure the best outcome for our patients. In the 2016-17 fiscal year, a total of 340 patients (290 male, 50 female) were admitted, of whom 315 were new and 25 were readmissions. These figures include 148 patients with pressure sores. During this period, 338 patients were discharged, with an average length of stay of 105 days. 29 patients with pressure sores stayed for more than 200 days. 36 patients were referred to tertiary hospitals for ICU support and six patients passed away. This reporting year, we added two non-invasive ventilator machines to provide emergency treatment for severe respiratory distress.



A patient having ventilator support

Scarf Injury :

This type of injury follows strangulation with a scarf/orna/dupatta which accidentally gets drawn into the motor of an auto-rickshaw while the passenger is sitting on the seat just behind the driver. It can result in serious neck injury leading to quadriplegia with bowel-bladder function impairment, sometimes even on-the-spot death. Since January 2014, we have received a total of 41 patients with scarf injury, including unfortunately, three injured young women who arrived on the Eid holiday. All

three of the Eid victims had severe respiratory problem and one has since died. A request to our readers, please be aware of the risks and be more vigilant when travelling, in order to protect the lives of our beloved young daughters.

Outpatient services:

The MSW provides outpatients services for patients with neurological, orthopaedic, paediatric and rheumatology problems. We have specialist consultants in the areas of orthopaedics, paediatrics, neurology and holistic health. This year, a total of 57,268 patients benefitted from our outpatient services. Outpatient services are available everyday from 8 am to 5 pm except Thursdays (8 am to 1.30 pm.), Fridays and government holidays, when they are closed.

Radiology services:

We provide services to inpatients, outpatients, students and CRP staff. For outpatients, services are available during office hours, and for inpatients, services are available as required, day or night. During this fiscal year, 7,898 outpatients, 129 inpatients, 292 staff and 164 students underwent radiological tests. A total of 211 patients had their investigations through an Ultra sonogram.

Pathology services:

In this reporting year, a total of 6,318 patients received pathology services and 15,505 pathological tests were performed. To provide quality service to patients, we are continually trying to add new investigative procedures to our unit and this year we added serum electrolytes.

Operation theatre services:

CRP's modern operation unit comprises two well-equipped operation theatres where well trained surgical teams, consisting of a neurosurgeon, an orthopaedic surgeon and a plastic surgeon operate. This year, 203 patients were successfully operated on. This figure includes:

Spinal fixations	19
Plastic and reconstructive operations	99
Implant removals	27
ORIF (Open Reduction & Internal fixation)	38
PLID(Prolapsed Lumber Intervertebral Disc)	12
Various other operations	08

Volunteers:

Volunteers from both home and abroad visit and support our MSW. Last year, Dr Luis Garcia, Dr Miguel and Mr Victor visited CRP from Spain and performed 4 critical operations over a two-day period.

Telemedicine service:

Any patient can request a second expert opinion regarding their condition from renowned medical specialists recognised by the Swinfen Charitable Trust. The consultation is free of charge to inpatients and staff. During this reporting period, a total of 19 patients received expert advice regarding their diagnoses and management plans.

Club foot management:

The Ponseti technique is the most well-known and effective method to treat congenital clubfoot deformity. MSW uses this technique when providing management of this condition. This year, a total of 463 plasters were made as part of patient corrective treatment.

5.2 Physiotherapy

The Physiotherapy department is committed to provide scientific and evidence-based clinical practices in order to promote health and physical well-being. It does this by maximizing mobility and functional ability for persons with disability, disease or injury, whatever stage of life they have reached. It is a dynamic profession, and physiotherapy is essential at all stages of the patient-care pathway. The quality of service provision by the Physiotherapy department is beyond doubt, as the department is well-blessed with able and experienced physiotherapists.



Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy Treatment "Cervical Traction"

Physiotherapists are committed to continually evaluate and review their practices to ensure the highest level of service to those in their care. All clinical physiotherapy staff at CRP strive for excellence in the level of service they provide to our patients. Consequently, many are developing themselves through various post-graduate degree courses, such as the M.Sc.PT and the M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science (MRS) courses, both of which are affiliated to the University of Dhaka.

We are always very delighted to exchange knowledge and skills with foreign teachers and students. During this fiscal year, three undergraduate students from York St. John University, UK, and nine Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) students from the USA, led by Professor Michel Landry, Chief, Physical therapy division, Duke University, USA, undertook placements within the CRP Physiotherapy department.



Gait training in bamboo parallel bars

The Physiotherapy department provides a daily service for inpatients and outpatients throughout the year (except Fridays and holidays). The number of patients attending the outpatient units has increased consistently over the past three years. This reporting year, 23,183 patients were treated compared to 19,337 patients for the previous fiscal year. In the case of inpatients, 340 SCI patients were treated this reporting year.

Every two weeks, there is a patient case study presentation given by staff within the musculoskeletal department. The musculoskeletal department has weekly senior staff discussions and meetings to share the management of more complex patient cases. In addition, bi-monthly patient education classes have been introduced this year for lower back pain patients in order to promote awareness. The neurological unit has recently introduced an awareness program for the care-givers of patients with neurological

issues. This unit developed a "Home Based Rehabilitation" program in March, 2015 in collaboration with the Occupational Therapy Department. The program was designed by a UK Physiotherapist, Jill Fisher, and a volunteer Physiotherapist, Wouter Muyres from the Netherlands, and continues to produce great results.

A scientific seminar was held at CRP-Savar on 2nd April, 2017 as part of World Autism Day regarding the role of physiotherapy in Autism.



Strengthening group therapy for SCI patients

The department also celebrated "World Physiotherapy Day" on 8th September, 2016 and a "Get together" program on 21st March, 2017 jointly with the clinical and academic departments from Savar and the Physiotherapy department from CRP-Mirpur.

From its inception, the Physiotherapy department has tried to engender awareness among the general public regarding the physiotherapy profession and the services available at CRP, by arranging various programs on different national TV channels and by publishing relevant articles in the daily press.

The Physiotherapy department has also undertaken several collaborative activities with various national and international organisations, including the Bangladesh Physiotherapy Association, Handicap International, Bachte Shekha and World Vision.

The Physiotherapy department endeavours to provide the best possible service to our patients and is committed to fulfilling the mission and vision of CRP.

5.3 Occupational Therapy Department

Occupational Therapy (OT) is one of the integral parts of CRP's comprehensive rehabilitation operation. The OT department provides services to a wide range of people with functional limitations due to disease, injury or impairment, with the aim of improving their level of independence and enhancing their quality of life. Treatment areas include adult neurological conditions, hand and upper limb rehabilitation, spinal cord injury rehabilitation, paediatric services and mental health conditions.

During this reporting year, a total of 2,859 patients benefitted from OT outpatient services. 2,157 of the patients were adults with neurological conditions and the remainder were patients with hand injuries. The OT hand therapy unit provided 890 upper-limb splints. These included static, progressive static, dynamic and soft splints. The materials used are locally available plastic-wood and imported thermoplast and aquaplast.

During this reporting year, a total of 340 patients admitted as inpatients with spinal cord injury received OT interventions. Out of the 256 patients who completed their rehabilitation, 23% were independent, 49% were partly independent and 28% were dependent.



Spinal Cord Injury patients participating in Art Therapy Group

As group therapy is a very effective method of treatment, 263 groups were run with outpatients. In addition, the OT inpatient unit has now introduced weekly art groups and music group therapy to enable patients to participate in leisure activities. The unit also runs regular Activities of Daily Living (ADL) and upper limb functional groups.

Occupational therapy as part of mental health rehabilitation is becoming increasingly popular. Since 2014, mental health and psychosocial rehabilitation services have evolved at the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), Dhaka. In the current reporting year, 380 clients received OT intervention from NIMH through individual and group sessions. OT in mental health service has expanded in Pabna Mental Hospital and three government medical college hospitals (located in Barisal, Chittagong and Rajshahi). This marks another exciting developmental milestone.

The 15th Asian Spinal Cord Network (ASCoN) conference was held in Jakarta, Indonesia, from the 26th to 30th October 2016. Md. Julker Nayan, Junior Consultant and Head of Occupational Therapy department was awarded the “ASCoN Observership Award-16” for the best scientific research presentation, which was entitled “Post-rehabilitation job status of people with spinal cord injury in Bangladesh”.

Abeda Reza, Clinical OT, attended the International Conference on Autism and Neuro-developmental Disorders, held in Bhutan in April 2017.

During the reporting year, the OT department, in collaboration with the Bangladesh Occupational Therapy Association (BOTA), organised a two-day Continuous Professional Development (CPD) program on “Advanced OT Intervention for Autism.” 40 OT professionals from around the country participated in the training, which was facilitated by Sk. Moniruzzaman and MM Kamal Rahat Khan.

In October 2016, the Bangladesh Journal of Occupational Therapy and Rehabilitation (BJOTR) was published for the first time, and received international recognition with an official registration number. Special credit should be given to the editors and contributors to the journal. The BJOTR includes a broad range of research articles based on OT practice in Bangladesh. The journal plans to release an annual publication with the most up-to-date evidence available.

Dr. Alison Laver-Fawcett, Associate Professor of OT, York St John University, UK, visited us for six days in March, 2017 in order to supervise Emily Hirst, Georgeena Taylor, Joanne Belle and Joe Antcliff, final year OT students who were with us from March to May. Dr. Alison also conducted CPD training on the development of a measurement tool

for functional outcome and processes that need to be conducted for its validation.

Mandy Hong and Heather Bronson, OT students from the University of Alberta, Canada, completed their final year placement in the SCI unit from June to August 2016.



Receiving donation of OT books from York St. John University representative

Dominic Poggi, an OT student from the same university, conducted an 11 week placement from January to March 2017 and assisted in the hand therapy unit. York St. John University also made a generous donation of therapeutic books this year.

5.4 Speech & Language Therapy

Helping people to communicate using the Speech and Language Therapy (SLT) service at CRP is a new development in Bangladesh. The aim of the department is to provide outstanding and caring services to people from all over the country who have communication and swallowing difficulties.

The department is heavily committed to achieving its objectives. Speech therapists provide services to CRP adult and paediatric outpatients and to paediatric inpatients. In addition, our interns provide services to the SCI unit and to WMTS, the CRP inclusive education school. 15 qualified Speech & Language Therapists are working in CRP Savar, Mirpur and other sub-centres. Although it is difficult to provide qualified therapists in sub-centres outside Dhaka, we are able to continue our work in regional locations by using staff and interns from Savar on a rotational basis. The demand is ever increasing and a large number of patients have been treated by our therapists this year.



Use of gesture with object

Between July 2016 and June 2017, a total of 1,914 patients (both adult and children) received individual treatment sessions and 595 received group treatment sessions as outpatients at CRP-Savar.

To support and develop our pioneering work, we continue to benefit from the services of volunteer therapists from many different countries. During the reporting year, we were grateful for the support from Ms Janet Steffens from the USA who made her third visit to CRP in November and December, 2016. Janet helped the department deal with both management and clinical issues. During the visit, she worked in the SCI unit for the first time.

In addition to Janet, one Bangladeshi SLT student provided volunteer service to the department for a two month period.

5.5 Paediatric Unit

The primary goal of the Paediatric Unit is to facilitate and ensure quality of life for children with disabilities by offering a wide range of services to meet their needs.

Rehabilitation services are provided by skilled physiotherapists, occupational therapists and speech and language therapists working alongside specialist paediatric consultants.

The delivery of paediatric services is divided into outpatient and inpatient services. For inpatients, a two week home-based program is provided for children with Cerebral Palsy and their mothers. Each week, 20 children are admitted to the unit as inpatients. Individualised therapeutic services and group therapy sessions are given to both the children and their mothers. Examples of the types of sessions we run include morning group therapy and balance and coordination, hand therapy and

communication classes. Where appropriate, assistive devices are also provided to children to ensure optimum rehabilitation.

Outpatient services are available for children with different conditions, for example Cerebral Palsy, Autism Spectrum Disorder and other neuro-developmental disorders.

In the reporting year, the inpatient program served 759 patients and the outpatient program served 24,738 patients. A total of 1,099 Ponseti patients have also been treated by the Paediatric Unit.

During the year, different special days were celebrated by the unit including National Children's Day, World Cerebral Palsy Day, World Autism Awareness Day, World Down's Syndrome Day and World Clubfoot Day.



Combined treatment (PT+OT+SLT)

Several of our graduate therapists obtained their post-graduate qualifications during the reporting year.

A total of 27 staff attended the monthly knowledge sharing course where different presentations were discussed as part of continuous professional development. In addition, five physiotherapists also attended training on prosthetic management for amputee patients arranged by ISPO-Bangladesh and conducted by Prosthetics and Orthotics Department, CRP-Savar.

Several occupational therapists attended a training course on the subject of 'Advanced Occupational Therapy Intervention for Children with ASD' and a workshop on 'Behavior Technology for Autistic Children'. A senior occupational therapist participated in a special training course in South Korea on autism entitled 'Multi-year Competency Enhancement Diagnosis and Treatment for ASD children in Bangladesh'. This training was arranged by KOICA with the help of Bangladesh Government and ran for 2 weeks in October 2016.

Another occupational therapist attended a Training of Trainers course run by 'Access to Health and Education for All children and youth with Disability (AHEAD)'.

In addition to regular self-development, a senior physiotherapist and a senior occupational therapist took part in a series of television awareness programs on Autism and Cerebral Palsy under the title of 'Haat Bariye Dilam'- "I extend my hands". The theme of the programs was 'Cerebral Palsy and Physiotherapy' and the programs were shown on RTV.

The In Charge of the Paediatric Unit attended an international conference on 'Autism and Neuro-developmental Disorders (ANDD 2017)'. It was held in Thimphu, Bhutan and was jointly organised by the Ministry of Health of the Royal Government of Bhutan, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the World Health Organization (WHO).

This year, the department conducted a study on the topic 'Parental Knowledge regarding Rehabilitation Activities for their Children with Cerebral Palsy' The survey concluded that 63% of parents know about rehabilitation activities, 99% know about physiotherapy, 84.4% know about occupational therapy, 76.1% know about speech and language therapy and 68.8% are aware of assistive devices. The study also detailed the family income of respondents. The majority had a family income of between Tk. 3,000 and Tk. 10,000 per month. Only 12.6% were in the Tk. 60,000 to Tk. 100,000 bracket.

During the year, a physiotherapy student from York St John University, Kirstie-Marie Campbell, successfully completed a three-week placement in the unit. Last year, an occupational therapy student from the University of Alberta, Canada, Mandy Hong, successfully completed her Competency Based Fieldwork assignment in the unit. Mandy worked in paediatric unit for seven weeks in 2016.

5.6 Prosthetics and Orthotics Department (P&O)

Prosthetics and Orthotics department of CRP is providing services with improved materials and technology services since 2003. Prosthetics and Orthotics Department is playing a major role in enabling a person with a disability to change from

being immobile to mobile, a passive receiver to an active contributor, from isolation to inclusion. Patients of P&O department are managed by an inter-disciplinary team approach to ensure maximum functioning and effective patient outcomes. The team includes physiotherapists, prosthetists, orthotists and technicians. The P&O staff provide exceptional prosthetic and orthotic services, including assessment, design, fabrication, fitting, gait-training, follow-up, repair and maintenance.

The P&O department currently employ a total of 4 Physiotherapists, 4 Prosthetist and Orthotists, 2 Orthotists, 1 Prosthetist and 18 technicians, 1 Orthopaedic Shoe technologist in CRP-Savar, CRP-Mirpur and CRP-Chittagong. In addition, 5 staff of the department are now studying in Mobility India, Bangalore. Another two staff members are studying the diploma in orthopaedic shoe technology in Vietnam for their continuous professional development.

Certified practitioners represent expertise in all specialties, including: lower and upper limb prostheses; lower/ upper limb and spinal orthotics for all kinds of neuro-musculo-skeletal disorders; paediatric orthotic conditions, such as scoliosis and other paediatric pathologies.

Recent Activities:

Staff with combined clinical experience and technical expertise have treated a total of 734 patients. The team has successfully delivered 1081 orthoses, 164 Lower limb prostheses and 9 Upper limb prostheses as well as 4 'LN4' prostheses and 4 spinal braces. The services include meetings with the physicians and therapists whenever required to facilitate and speed up the treatment process.

P&O department has worked for social networking by attending 2 mobile health camps throughout the region with the support of AHEAD project and Bachte Sheka.

2 Prosthetists and Orthotists attended a workshop on multidisciplinary management of lower limb amputation organized by Handicap International in December 2016 in Dhaka.

ICRC activities:

- ◆ Continuous support to the P&O clinic and school by expatriates and Physiotherapists to ensure quality care for persons with disabilities. P&O department had expert support from

3 P&Os and 1 Physiotherapist.

- ◆ Continuously providing raw materials, tools, machinery and equipment which produces affordable, comfortable and durable devices for the patients.
- ◆ Ongoing scholarships for students of P&O school.
- ◆ Donated wheelchair lift for CRP bus.
- ◆ Support to observe major international days for persons with disabilities.
- ◆ Sponsorship for one P&O professional to attend ISPO World Congress in Cape town, South Africa in May 2017.

P&O department constantly strives to help its patients to improve their quality of life and regain their self-confidence. From prostheses to braces and supports, it empowers human potential with its products and services.



A patients trying his prosthetic leg

5.7 Special Seating Unit (SSU)

The CRP Special Seating Unit (SSU) has had an extraordinarily successful year with the concept of ‘Seating for Independence’ for the children with Cerebral Palsy (CP). Most CP children cannot sit independently. Therefore, SSU has started producing special seating devices for them. The SSU also produces other forms of rehabilitation devices including lumbar rolls, cervical pillows, wheelchair cushions and shoulder slings.

In this reporting year, the unit created 230 special seating wheelchairs, 180 special seating follow-up appointments and 260 special seating assessments for children with disabilities. This year activities were not confined only to services for patients. We

conducted two workshops under the auspices of the Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI), with the aim of developing an interdisciplinary collaborative practice. The workshops were attended by physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists and community based rehabilitation staff. SAARC students studying for an MSc in Rehabilitation Science at BHPI also participated in the workshop, which allowed them to develop their skills in the area of wheelchair service delivery.

To address the unmet needs of patients in Dhaka, the SSU extended its services this year to CRP-Mirpur branch.

In order to develop physiotherapeutic and occupational therapeutic skills regarding supportive seating, the unit introduced six in-service training sessions on the topic of Smooth Referral Processes. The unit also developed informative materials and shared these with all divisional centers of CRP.



A boy in his special seat

As part of our innovation drive, a ‘Tail-bone pressure relief cushion’ was developed this reporting year, aimed at benefitting patients with tail-bone pain. In addition, a special mattress has been fabricated for SCI patients on discharge. These mattresses have been funded by the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Dhaka. Another new product created by the SSU was a clavicle brace, which was designed to immobilize a fractured collar bone.

The unit also supported many external organizations, including the Disabled Rehabilitation & Research Association (DRRA), the Village Education Resource Center (VERC), Bachte Shekha and the Centre for Disability in Development (CDD), all with the aim of ensuring proper seating and the provision of assistive devices for their patients.

5.8 Appropriate Paper-based Technology (APT)

The APT unit produces numerous types of assistive devices using waste paper in low resource-setting circumstances. The most popular products created by APT include paper seating chairs, feeding chairs, hand therapeutic toys, balance boards, amongst others.

With the intention of sharing this special technology with SAARC students at BHPI, the unit conducted a one-week training workshop. To quote one of the trainees from Nepal, “The Technology (APT) was a completely new thing for me and I believe every health professional working in the rehabilitation sector should know about these technologies. The knowledge I have gained during my stay in Bangladesh will definitely be shared with other professionals in my country in the near future”.



MRS student Renuka Suhwal from Nepal working at APT unit

In addition to everything else that it has made, the unit produced more than two hundred pieces of APT therapeutic equipment for the Access to Health and Education for All Children and Youth with Disabilities (AHEAD) project for 20 primary schools with special emphasis on children with intellectual disabilities.

Last but not the least, the unit expresses its gratitude to the VIYELLATEX group for donating required raw materials to us.

6. Rehabilitation Wing

6.1 Social Welfare Department (SWD)

CRP's Social Welfare Department (SWD) determines the financial and social support needs for both inpatients and outpatients through in-depth assessment of their socio-economic status. The department aims to facilitate treatment, training and rehabilitation for both Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) patients and patients with physical disabilities who are facing economic hardship. Support is determined on an individual basis according to needs in two areas; institutional needs and needs in the community.

Institutional Services

The Social Welfare Department (SWD) completes an assessment form for each patient. The type of information collected includes socio-economic status, educational background and environmental data. This assessment is used when determining the kind of support required. The department also arranges the collection of blood for the treatment of patients in emergencies. The treatment costs for the very poorest are heavily subsidised. Treatment costs that can be subsidised include surgical operations, mobility aids, assistive devices, ambulance transport for referrals and investigations and capacity building training by the department. The SWD also facilitates emergency transfers, communications with care-givers, picnics for in-patients, recreational programmes, Milad-Mahfil (prayer), Iftar and government programs.



Ex patient follow up by CRP's Social Worker

Community Services

The department arranges out-reach team visits for SCI patients in the community and works with social workers, OTs, PTs and nurses to prepare recommendation reports for each patient. The SWD arranges travel for certain patients to return to their homes, and provides reintegration support as necessary under its "Good Start" programme. The department also organizes fortnightly Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) visits to CRP-Ganakbari.

Capacity building classes are held once a week for all SCI patients. A range of topics are discussed, for example, leadership skills, financial management, vocational training possibilities and skills development.

In collaboration with other departments, the SWD observed various significant days during this reporting period including National and International Disability Day, CRP Open Day, the Annual Sponsored Walk, Human Chain, International Mother Language Day, Victory Day and Independence Day. During this reporting period, the following activities were successfully carried out by SWD.



Sewing Machine distribution by BACHAO

Subsidy to poor patients

SL. No.	Activity	No.	Amount (BDT)
01	Treatment costs for SCI inpatients	408	5,57,64,355.00
02	Treatment costs for paediatric inpatients	738	69,74,007.00
03	Treatment costs for outpatients (post operative)	13	79,100.00
04	Mobility aids and assistive devices for inpatients and outpatients	908	38,63,212.00
05	Medicine, plaster charge and investigations for outpatients	419	576,664.00
06	Sewing machines distributed to inpatients and outpatients	22	1,61,890.00

Summary of additional SWD programmes

SL. No.	Activity	No.
01	Units of blood collected	468
02	Number of SCI patients participated in capacity building training	264
03	Home visits by out-reach multi-disciplinary team	148
04	Outing (recreation) programmes for SCI and CP patients	60
05	Ambulance service for poor patients	66
06	Clothes distribution for poor patients for Eid festival	150
07	Eid programme arrangement for SCI patients	05
08	Observation of significant days	08
09	Qurbani (animals sacrificed) on Eid day for patients	06
10	Other programmes (milad, picnic, iftar, govt. programme etc.)	08

6.2. Vocational Training Institute (VTI)

The CRP Madhab Memorial Vocational Training Institute (VTI) was established in 1999 and affiliated in 2003 to the 'Bangladesh Technical Education Board' (BTEB). Madhab Chandra Kongsho Banik was a SCI patient of CRP. After his treatment, he joined CRP as a Program Support officer. Madhab was also involved in raising considerable funds for

CRP. In honour of his achievements and commitment to CRP, the vocational training institute is named after him.

The target student group are physically challenged people from all over Bangladesh. Different courses are currently running in five locations; at CRP-Savar, CRP-Ganakbari, CRP-Rajshahi, CRP-Barisal and CRP-Chittagong.

Received training:

The main objective of VTI is to develop skill training among people with disabilities and ensure employment opportunities in different areas.

Residential hostel facilities are available for both male and female students. Follow-up visits continue throughout the year to assess the impact of the training.

Alongside the training, VTI runs some co-curricular activities for its students such as sports, cultural activities, gardening and outdoor recreational programs. Students also have the opportunity to attend various national and international competitions in fields such as cricket, basketball and Information Technology.

Training Achievement:

Received training	515	(M-267, F-248)	Male: Female Ratio = 52%: 48%
Employed	431	86%	Self employed - 56% and Service - 44%
Unemployed	73	14%	
Number of Follow up	504	(M-285, F-219)	Male: Female Ratio = 57%: 43%

VTI Donors:

In 2016-17, VTI received donations from several high-profile organisations. The money received was used to cover student training costs. Notable donors included Marks & Spencer, BSRM, ILO, TESCO, AHEAD, the Bangladesh NGO Foundation (BNF), and the Inclusive Job Center (IJC).

Profile of Roki:

Roki is 24. He was born with Cerebral Palsy (CP) and uses a wheelchair to get around. He received shop management training at CRP and then decided to set up a grocery shop. His desire is to support himself as a self-employed person in society. After his training, CRP reintegrated him into the community and he is now running a successful business from a rented shop in Chandulia, Hemayetpur.

Notable Events

The Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC) and the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) divisions of the Bangladesh government organised the second 'National IT Competition 2017 for Youth with Disabilities'. The event was held on 6th May 2017 at the University of Asia Pacific, Dhaka. The competition was divided into four categories; Visual Disability, Physical Disability, Speech and Hearing Impairment, and Neuro-developmental Disability (NDD). This year, 12 computer trainees from CRP-VTI competed in the Physical Disability category, and two of them, Imran Hossain, from Tangail and Subroto Kirtonia, from Barisal, won top awards.



Subroto Kirtonia receiving award from the guests

SL	Courses	Duration (months)	Male	Female	Total
1	Computer Office Application	3	65	18	83
2	Computer Office Application	6	39	43	82
3	Radio & TV Servicing	6	33	0	33
4	Dress Making & Tailoring	6	20	40	60
5	Shop Management	1	67	09	76
6	Linking Machine Operator	2	38	0	38
7	Industrial Sewing Machine Operator	2	0	78	78
8	Industrial Sewing Machine Operator	4	0	41	41
9	Mushroom Cultivation	1	02	05	07
10	Handicraft (tailoring, block printing, batik, weaving by handloom, embroidery-by hand and machine)	6	0	14	14
11	Wood work	6	01	0	1
12	Metal Work	6	02	0	02
	Total		267	248	515

Future Plans

To increase vocational training facilities, CRP has targeted the establishment of a new vocational training institute at Manikganj. Construction has already started.

6.3 Counselling Service

Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) has a profound effect on various aspects of life due to radical changes in body functions and in the majority of cases, these changes are permanent. All SCI sufferers need rehabilitation in order to achieve maximum independence and to assist with the adaptation to a new way of life. Independence and psychosocial adjustment are important in achieving a successful integration back into the community. Timely counselling offers SCI sufferers help as they strive to adapt to the consequences of their condition. It helps them towards the goal of resuming their everyday lives while having to deal with issues such as pain, insomnia, nightmares, irritation, emotional issues, spiritual healing, coping, adjustment and learning how to look after themselves.

The ultimate goal of the CRP counselling service is to help SCI patients understand themselves and their purpose in life post-accident, in order that they may live life to the full.



CRP's counsellor talking with a patient

In this reporting year, all SCI patients admitted to CRP for rehabilitation received counselling services. 69 couples received psycho-sexual counselling and about 63 young adults received psycho-sexual education. 35 live programs were completed using community speakers to discuss experiences with the in-patients via conference call. Additionally, there were 93 in-patients who received an audio recording on health education via mobile phone links.

To re-assure patients that they are not alone and that CRP is always with them, CRP provides follow-up services. For example, in this reporting year, 304 patients were contacted via 'phone follow-up calls. Overall, these services allow patients to regain confidence and provides them with further information. One important aspect is preventing previous problems from recurring, for example, the 2009 patients followed up by CBR workers revealed 251 SCI sufferers with pressure ulcers.

6.4 Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR)

The Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) service works to ensure the inclusion of people with disabilities (PWDs) and children with disabilities (CWDs) in mainstream society. The CBR department has been working since 1994 to enhance the quality of life for people with SCI, Cerebral Palsy (CP) children and other PWDs and their families. Recently, the CBR department started working with an innovative device, a pressure relief alarm, designed by the Biomedical Physics & Technology Department (BMPT), University of Dhaka. The device aims to prevent SCI patients developing pressure sores. Four devices are currently being trialed in order to assess their impact.

The number of traumatic spinal cord injuries resulting from one type of transport related risk, scarf strangulation, is increasing in Bangladesh. The accident occurs when a woman's scarf gets caught in the motor of certain types of transport. The prevalence of this injury is as a result of a design fault. The CBR department has been working on promoting awareness of this type of scarf injury and on preventative measures. It has distributed wooden struts that can be used to prevent scarves falling into the motor of the high risk vehicles.

CBR staff attended training on wheelchair service delivery in this year.



Advocacy on scarf injury at a bus stand

Activities of CBR: July'16 to June'17

Sl No.	Name of activities	Target	Achieved	M	F	Total
1	Home visit (SCI)	2400	2009	1717	292	2009
2	Home visit (CP Child)	144	126	68	58	126
3	Vocational Training Student Follow-Up	192	273	245	28	273
4	Advocacy Campaigns / participants	72	74	3798	3720	7518
5	Road Safety Campaigns/ participants	12	10	241	43	284
6	Scarf Injury Awareness Program	-	41	1728	1280	3008
7	Referral Service	-	262	194	68	262
8	Phone Follow-Up	480	438	376	62	438
9	Health Accessories distributed	-	564	503	61	564
10	Rehab support for IGA to SCI patients	-	45	42	3	45
11	Rehab support for IGA to SENU patients	-	3	3	-	3
12	SCI patient caregiver training (vitality)	4	3	18	17	35
13	Pakkhaghat Barta distributed (Disability News Magazine)	5000	2418	-	-	2418
14	Two part Mattress	-	22	17	5	22
15	Special Mattress	-	15	14	1	15
16	Telemedicine	52	48	179	223	402
17	Outpatient Child with Disability Education support	-	2	1	1	2
18	GO/NGO Communication	108	166	498	259	757
19	Meeting on Accessibility in the Community Infrastructure (School, Market, and Religious Building etc.)	36	39	208	223	431
20	Disability Awareness Program (fall from height)	-	1	38	23	61

6.5 Sports & Recreation

CRP strives to achieve the maximal quality of life for people with disabilities. Sports can play an important role in the lives of disabled people. It contributes to a healthy lifestyle, provides access to social networks and peer support and helps develop self-discipline and positive self-esteem. CRP has both indoor and outdoor games facilities where people with disabilities can take part in sports such as wheelchair basketball for men and women, power lifting, wheelchair table tennis, amputee football, cricket for disabled, badminton, chess, skittles, darts,

wheelchair volleyball, shot-put boccia and balloon games.

Sports activities of this reporting year :

1. Quarterly sports and patient picnic days for admitted SCI patients.
2. An annual sports and cultural competition for admitted patients and all CRP staff.
3. CRP joined a friendship cricket series against West Bengal Cricket Association for Differently Abled

Cricket team winning the series 2-1. This event was supported by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

4. A five-day Inclusive Sports Training program was conducted by Jaspal Dhani, a wheelchair user and an Inclusive Sports Trainer from UK and David Villala, Wheelchair Lawn Tennis Coach in the UK. At the end of July, 2016 this weeklong training programme was held at CRP-Savar where 30 participants including project staff, therapists, CBR workers and school teachers joined. Wheelchair basketball, boccia, wheelchair table tennis, basics of wheelchair tennis, sitting volleyball and blind cricket were the sports included in the training. This event was supported by the Access and Empowerment project.

5. A 15-day Wheelchair Basketball Camp was held at CRP in the autumn of 2016 for men and women with physical disabilities supported by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

6. The International Wheelchair Rugby Foundation (IWRP) ran a four day development clinic programme in Bangladesh. It began on April 8, 2017 at Bangabandhu Stadium, Dhaka.

The program was initiated by Disability Sports Australia (DSA), and supported by the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DfAT). The principal sponsor in Bangladesh was Chowdury Shahabuddin Ahmed in partnership with the Centre for Disability Development (CDD) and Sports for Hope and Independence. A team of ten officials, including a doctor, therapists, a referee coach provided logistical support, whilst ten spinal cord injury patients from CRP took part in the clinic as trainees. Thus, the total number of attendees from CRP was 20.



Wheelchair rugby clinic

7. Academic Institutions

7.1 Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI)

Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI) is the academic institute of CRP. It was established in 1992.

The higher professional education programs that BHPI offers include an MSc in Physiotherapy and an MSc in Rehabilitation Science. In order to develop professionally competent Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists and Speech & Language Therapists, BHPI also offers BSc programs in Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy. All programs are affiliated to the Faculty of Medicine, University of Dhaka.

Other courses offered by BHPI include diplomas in Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Laboratory Medicine, Radiology & Imaging and Prosthetics & Orthotics. The objective of each course is to produce skilled medical technologists in their respective fields. All diploma courses are affiliated to the State Medical Faculty of Bangladesh. A certificate course in Special Needs Education at BHPI enables primary school teachers to deepen their understanding of inclusive education for children with disabilities. This course is affiliated to the National Academy of Primary Education (NAPE). At present, a total of 783 students are studying at BHPI.

BHPI has an excellent reputation in South East Asia. It is a trusted and popular destination for those seeking higher education in rehabilitation science, and this year received a high number of applications from SAARC member countries for the "SAARC regional Inter-professional Master Program in Rehabilitation Science" course. A total of 19 students from Afghanistan, Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka and the Maldives are expected to join the MSc in Rehabilitation Science program this year. It should be noted that 10 international students are already studying for Part II of the current MSc in Rehabilitation Science program.

We are proud to announce that the first batch of 16 students who completed the MSc course in Physiotherapy, along with 19 students who completed the MSc course in Rehabilitation Science programs, graduated this year. A total of 131 graduates from all BSc and MSc programs attended the 50th Convocation of the University of Dhaka in March 2017 and received their certificates at the same time.

This reporting year, BHPI initiated a Continuous Professional Education (CPE) program. Subsequent CPE programs will include topics such as the Ponseti method for clubfoot, wheelchair skills training, women's health and gynecological physiotherapy and management of lower back pain. In addition, BHPI also successfully conducted a seminar on "The role of physiotherapy on Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)". A teacher training course on effective teaching was also conducted by Prof. Nazmul Haq, Director, Teacher Development Institute for three weeks in April and May.



Graduates from BHPI

The students of BHPI now enjoy an e-Library, online teaching through Skype, computer lab facilities and digital circulation services. The BHPI library currently accommodates 150 students at a time. There are 11,511 books, 1,353 theses and 3,000 printed journals in the library. Most of the books are converted to e-books. So, students can access them easily in the library computer lab. Our e-library provides access to HINARI and INASP having more than 20,000 e-Journals and books. From our website: <http://crplibrary.libguides.com/home>, students can also access the e-library.

In accordance with CRP's mission and vision, BHPI has developed its own set of core values in order to guide its students in terms of ethical standard practices. These are; sensitivity, flexibility, honesty, respect, dignity, empathy, collaboration and commitment to excellence.

In addition to regular academic activities, BHPI organised and oversaw several social and cultural activities for its students, faculties and support staff members.

Community visits are an integral part of learning for Masters in Rehabilitation Science students and this

year our students completed a survey – "Disability Study Visit and Data Collection" with persons with disability on the island of Saint Martin near Cox's Bazar.

Another notable achievement at BHPI was the development and implementation of student database software which will strengthen the BHPI record keeping and data management systems.

A significant milestone in the history of BHPI was reached this year with the establishment of the BHPI International Hostel funded by the SAARC development fund (SDF). It is a six storied building with eight rooms on each floor. It has modern facilities including a lift, 24/7 generator service with substation, two ramps and two security (IP) cameras at the doorways, an air conditioned common room, a gymnasium, two dining rooms and two kitchens.

BHPI also benefited from collaborative work with two international universities. Faculty members from these universities visited CRP in order to provide academic support for our national and international students. In parallel, 15 students from Duke University, USA, and York St John University, UK, completed their clinical placements at CRP.



The photograph taken by Nirupom Bardhan

Finally, in addition to their higher academic accomplishments, our students also performed exceptionally well in many other areas. At the forefront was Nirupom Bardhan, a physiotherapy student, who was the winner of the photography category at the recent World Confederation for Physical Therapy (WCPT) congress held in South Africa from 2nd to 4th July, 2017.

7.2 CRP-Nursing College

The CRP Nursing College is an academic institute of CRP. It was established in 2004 and its mission statement is to contribute to the health care sector in Bangladesh by producing skilled and qualified nurses, professionals who are much in demand in our country. The responsibilities of nurses in the public and private health care sectors are ever increasing and nurses are required to be increasingly proactive to ensure the delivery of top quality health care.

The CRP Nursing College currently offers a four-year BSc course in nursing affiliated to the University of Dhaka and a three-year Diploma in Nursing Science and Midwifery course approved by Bangladesh Nursing Council.

The 4th batch of BSc in Nursing commenced this year (2017) with an intake of 32 students. The course has a maximum yearly capacity of 40 students per batch. At present there are a total of 233 students studying at the CRP Nursing College. This year, 91% of our graduate students successfully passed the comprehensive Bangladesh Nursing Council License examination.

Significant events at the CRP Nursing College during the reporting period:

- The college observed “International Nurses Day” on 12th May 2017. CRP organised a program which was supported by Mr. Shahidul Bari, who donated t-shirts, Managing Director of Maa Designtex Ltd, and Mir Mosharef Ali from Canada sponsored the cake.
- The Rotary Club of Dhaka and the Toufiq Habib Foundation provided scholarships for 10 under privileged students at the college. The Azra Ahmed Fund and Mrs. Roushan Ara Akhter of the Gulshan Ladies Club are currently supporting two BSc students financially. Mr. Shahidul Bari, MD of Maa Designtex Ltd, is supporting another two students
- On 11th April 2017; CRP Nursing College BSc students celebrated their 3rd anniversary.
- The college held its annual Iftar party on 19th June 2017.
- Representatives from the Royal Nursing Institute (Gazipur) a private organization,

visited the college on 28th March 2017.

- One of our lecturers attended a month-long training program on “ToT-Midwifery” organised by the Government of Bangladesh. 24th September, 2016 to 24th October, 2016.
- The college organised a “Nutrition Fair” on 10th November 2016 to increase awareness regarding nutritious foods related to health services.



Lecturer Adam Page with nursing students

Adam Page came to Bangladesh from England to work as a volunteer English teacher at CRP's Nursing College. His students greatly benefited from his classes.

7.3 School of P&O, BHPI

In 2014, and with the assistance of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and GIZ, Germany, CRP established a school of Prosthetics and Orthotics within the Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI). The school is the only one of its kind in Bangladesh, a country with a population of 160 million people. As part of our constant efforts to source the best and most renowned experts in the field of Prosthetics and Orthotics, we selected Mr. Nkhoma Samuel from Zambia, Kim Song Bo from Cambodia and Mr. Madeshanaika from India to join our faculty. ICRC currently funds all equipment and also three-year academic scholarships (tuition fees, exam fees, materials etc.) for all 30 students of the school. They also provide major technical support and through their school advisor contribute directly to the teaching of the school as required. ICRC also donated books to the School library.

Accreditation and request for further support:

The School has secured government approval for their diploma course and is in the process of securing international accreditation from the ISPO. The ISPO undertook their first assessment in January 2016 and full accreditation is expected by January 2018.

There are currently three batches of ten students at the school. The first batch joined in 2014, the second in 2015, and the third in 2016. The first batch has completed their final P&O diploma examinations and will graduate later in 2017. Post-graduation, they will undertake an internship which will continue until December 2017 and they will then be employed by CRP. They are expected to sit for the ISPO examination in January, 2018.



P & O School

The School is fully equipped and operational and consists of laboratories, necessary machines and other technical facilities. The School has thirty workbenches with vices and fully furnished classrooms with multimedia and library facilities. All students are accommodated on CRP premises for the entire three year duration of their study.

7.4 William & Marie Taylor Inclusive School (WMTS)

William and Marie Taylor School (WMTS) started its journey in 1993. WMTS is the CRP Inclusive School at Savar. Our priorities are social inclusion and promoting the rights of children, with the objective of enabling and encouraging all children to be active and independent learners.

WMTS has two educational units; the Inclusive Education Unit (IEU) and the Special Education Needs Unit (SENU). A total 278 students, including 117 children with disability (CWD) attended in this reporting year.



Prize giving of annual sports

There was a 100% pass rate in the primary school certificate (PSC) exam with four students obtaining A+. As usual, WMTS organised lots of activities and events throughout the year such as the annual picnic, annual sports day, cultural competitions, Milad Mahfil, cub scouts programs, and quarterly parents meetings. Alongside these, WMTS also participated and arranged different events and celebrations for special days such as Independence Day, International CP Day, World Autism Awareness Day, Road Safety Day, International Children's Day and International Disability Day. During this reporting year, WMTS introduced some new activities for the benefit of our students and school services, for example;

- Full time horse-riding therapy from 8 am to 5 pm.
- Expansion of vocational activities e.g. cooking classes, computer classes, animal husbandry and horticulture classes.
- Morning coaching classes for special needs children who also attend other classes in IEU.
- A new cultural class (Dance & Music) for WMTS special needs students takes place two days in a week.
- Arrangement of accessible toilets in new students' hostel with emergency alarm system.

In December 2016, 12 cubs including six special needs students participated in the 14th Savar Upazilla Cub Scout camporee. One IEU special needs student achieved 1st place in a quiz competition out of 300 scouts.

At the 11th National Art Competition and Exhibition 2016, WMTS special needs students, Anisha and Shahajada, received awards for art work that they had drawn by foot from Joinul Abedin Art School, Dhaka. During the year, WMTS rehabilitated one special needs student, Abir, by providing a cow with calf to him, thus providing him with a potentially

long term source of income. We also renovated a shop of another ex-student of WMTS named Porimol.



Andrew in a Class

Andrew Rochford, a British volunteer at CRP, has given enormous support to WMTS by providing teacher training with the aim of improving their English teaching skills.

In May 2017, all teachers and therapists attended a two days workshop on the topic “Providing a quality service: Quality of life for persons with disabilities” which was conducted by Tahmina Huq, Educator in Special Education, Singapore.

In June another three-day workshop was arranged by WMTS at the school on the subject of “Inclusive Education”. The workshop was conducted by Prof M. Nazmul Huq, IER, Dhaka University and a total of 33 staff working in the school joined.

Dr. Rezwan Hussain, PhD, Assistant Professor, ULAB, an existing donor and volunteer of CRP, provided support by introducing a musical curriculum and developing activities for the play group. Dr. Hussain has also been involved in the painting and renovating of parts of the school.



Andrew & Rezwan in a Class

8. Our Centres

8.1 CRP-Savar

The headquarters of the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP) is situated in Chapain, Savar and occupies approximately 10 acres of land. In 1990, CRP relocated to CRP-Savar from rented premises in Farmgate.

The executive and administrative offices, the medical service wing, therapy service departments, patient accommodation, surgical operating facilities, educational institutes of CRP (Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI), CRP Nursing College, William & Marie Taylor Inclusive School and the School of Prosthetics & Orthotics) and other service units are all located at the head office.

There is a basketball court and other sports facilities. A large multi-purpose hall called the Reddaway Hall provides facilities for cultural events, conferences, meetings, sports events and patient activities.

There is also a unique type of rehabilitation training facility for patients known as the half-way hostel, where patients prepare themselves for returning to their community. There is a large accessible garden where SCI patients learn gardening skills working from a wheelchair. CRP-Aware shop is an outlet for the sale of handicrafts made by CRP’s patients.

CRP originally began its operation in 1979 in two cement storerooms in the grounds of the Shaheed Suhrawardy Hospital, Dhaka. The size and complexity of the current CRP-Savar centre, the 12 CRP sub-centres across Bangladesh and the extensive range of services now provided to Persons With Disabilities, exemplify the progress made by CRP during the last 38 years of operation.

8.2 CRP-Mirpur

Located in section 14 of Mirpur-a strategic and accessible area within Dhaka, the capital city. CRP-Mirpur consists of a modern 13-storey building that rises above the Dhaka skyline. It makes a significant financial contribution to CRP-Savar and is itself financially self-sustainable.

CRP-Mirpur is a disabled-friendly building with wheelchair access in its five-storied ramp and three lifts – which is rare in Bangladesh. The upper seven floors of the building are rented out to various organisations. CRP-Mirpur itself occupies the lower six floors, where medical, therapeutic and diagnostic services are provided.

CRP–Mirpur provides the following services to its patients:

- Outpatient and inpatient medical services
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Stroke Rehabilitation
- Hand Therapy
- Paediatric Services
- P&O (assessment and fittings)
- CRP-Aware Shop and Pharmacy
- Pathology, Radiology, ECG investigations
- Domiciliary (Home-Based) Services

A key service provided by CRP–Mirpur is the outpatient inter-disciplinary service. A highly experienced team comprising of a Medical Officer, Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapist and Speech & Language Therapist provides these services to the patients. Moreover, a distinct advantage of the outpatient department is that each of its units are independent in their own right: Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy and Prosthetics & Orthotics Services. Professional counselling is a recent addition, making our services more comprehensive.

The Mirpur centre also contains a 44-bed Stroke Rehabilitation Inpatient Unit (SRU) for adults, including 16 private rooms. The Paediatric Department regularly admits 11 in-patients every fortnight. Most of the patients are children suffering from Cerebral Palsy. The centre also features a Pathology and Radiology Department with sophisticated equipment.

Domiciliary (Home-Based) Services are unique to the city of Dhaka and provides therapeutic services to home-bound patients. Furthermore, the centre offers a special service known as Extra Time Service (ETS), which is available to patients from 5.00 pm to 8.30 pm (after regular working hours).

In addition to the above clinical services, CRP–Mirpur has a multipurpose conference hall with sophisticated audio-visual equipment and which is used to hold internal meetings, programmes, events, etc. The facility is also rented out to external organisations for seminars, symposiums and workshops. This activity assists in the financial sustainability of the organisation. The conference hall can accommodate up to 150 people. There is also a well-decorated day centre for staff members’ children, along with a well-maintained

cafeteria adjacent to the conference room which provides healthy meals at an affordable price.

The CRP-Aware Shop, which is on the ground floor of CRP–Mirpur, sells orthopaedic appliances and equipment to our service users. A well-stocked pharmacy sells medicine at affordable prices. Finally, the building also houses an Inclusive Job Centre, which helps disabled people get jobs in the Ready Made Garments (RMG) sector, thus helping them improve their lives.

Overall, CRP–Mirpur is an advanced and well-maintained facility which serves not only the medical and rehabilitation purpose for which it was constructed but also supports its parent organisation in achieving financial stability.

8.3 A. K. Khan-CRP, Chittagong

A. K. Khan-CRP, Chittagong is a collaboration between the A.K. Khan Foundation (AKKF) and CRP. This centre has been fully functional since its inauguration on 2nd October 2012. Patient numbers from July 2016 to June 2017 are given below.

Patients Treated:

Total Number of Patients : 2,164

Prosthetics & Orthotics:

Prosthesis : 85
Orthosis : 186

Vocational Training:

Computer office applications : 16
Electronic Repairs : 09
Dress Making and Tailoring : 13
Capital for Livelihood support : 15

Subsidy to poor patients towards cost of assistive devices and treatment: 24,98,740 Taka

Other Activities and Programs:

Mobile Clinic : 04
Day Observance : 01
Scarf Injury awareness : 02
Policy dialogue : 01

Existing Services & Facilities:

At present this centre has the following services and facilities -

- Medical Care Service
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy

- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Mini Gym & Sport Therapy
- Vocational Training
- Patient Accommodation
- Generator Service
- CBR Activities
- Canteen service

In Development:

- Basketball ground
- Patient's private rooms
- Male ward
- Wheelchair Basketball Team

Potential future plan:

- ADL Corner
- Mini Hydrotherapy Pool
- Conference Room
- Mini sensory garden
- Therapeutic playground for paediatric patients.

8.4 CARSA Foundation-CRP, Barisal

CARSA Foundation-CRP, Barisal is a divisional centre operating out of rented accommodation. The centre was established with the aim of supporting a large number of patients who come from remote areas in the southern part of Bangladesh, where rehabilitation facilities are not available. The centre started its journey on 8th July, 2013, with a mission to promote an environment where all disabled people in the Barisal division have easy access to CRP services. At present, the services that are provided include medical consultancy, Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy, Speech and Language therapy and referrals for Prosthetics and Orthotics.

Patients treated:

Total number of patients : 1030

Assistive device distributions:

Wheelchairs	: 14
Prostheses	: 03
Orthoses	: 08
Standing frames	: 04
Walking frames	: 04
Knee support splint	: 03

Vocational training facilities :

CARSA Foundation CRP-Barisal runs a vocational training institute which aims to enable people with disabilities to generate their own income and lead a

dignified life. During the reporting year, 47 trainees successfully completed vocational training as follows:

Computer Office Applications	: 26
Dress making and tailoring	: 12
Shop management	: 09

One of our vocational students of Barisal, Subrata Kirtonia, who did the computer operators course, was runner-up in the 'National IT competition for young people with disabilities 2017'.

Community based activity:

CRP arranges advocacy and networking meetings in different areas of Barisal to raise awareness regarding disability and to provide information about services available at CRP. The local CBR department carries out home-based follow up visits to local patients discharged from CRP-Savar. CRP-Barisal encourages the empowerment of persons with disabilities through the formation of a Disabled Peoples Organization (DPO). At present Barisal Sadar, Bakerganj and Banirapara are three DPOs that are supported by CRP's Access to Livelihood for Persons with Disability (ALPD) project.

SCI Corner at Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital:



MOU signing with SBMCH

In January 2017 CRP and Sher-e Bangla Medical College Hospital, Barisal signed a MOU to support both people affected by Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) and mental health conditions requiring occupational therapy. CRP and SBMCH are actively collaborating towards improving the lives of both groups. On 15th March 2017, the collaboration was extended to include rehabilitation services for SCI patients.



Sewing machine distribution

Community based IGA support:

CRP-Barisal provides support to eight shop management and 26 tailoring Income Generating Support (IGA) initiatives. This IGA support programme involves start-ups which are run by people with disability and are funded by the AHEAD project. Md. Aktaruzzaman, Asst. Director Social Welfare Services and Mr. Shamol, Senior Social Welfare Officer, Barisal, were present at the handing over program.

8.5 Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi

Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi is a CRP divisional centre, and became operational on 27th July 2013 in Rajshahi division. The facility is housed in a well furnished four-storey building which was funded by the Embassy of Japan. Patient accommodation and additional services are available in a three-storied building directly behind the main building. The construction of this building was funded by CBM Germany (ground floor) and Brig. Gen (Retd) AHM Abdul Momen (first and second floors). CBM Germany and Bangladesh American Charitable Organization (BACHAO) provide support to CRP by funding subsidies to the poorest patients and financial assistance to vocational trainees. BACHAO has also provided funds to equip the gymnasium.

Available services:

- Medical care
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational therapy
- Speech and Language therapy
- Patient follow up after discharge from CRP Savar in Rajshahi division. (287 patients were followed up by CBR workers)
- Training for community volunteers on basic disability issues (52 volunteers received training)
- Awareness Raising Programmes (14 programmes)

- Mobile Clinics (2)
- Vocational training in computer applications, tailoring and shop management
- Patient accommodation
- Generator back-up service



Wheelchair provision for SCI patients at RMCH

Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi has a MOU with Rajshahi Medical College (RMCH) to provide therapy to support both people affected by spinal cord injury (SCI) and patients requiring mental health services.

Therapeutic Service:

Total number of patients	: 1,086
Assistive Device Distribution	: 12
• Wheelchair	: 02
• Cervical collar	: 06
• Hand splints	: 04

Advocacy and Networking Campaigns:

During the reporting year, Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi completed 14 advocacy and awareness programs, attended by a total of 786 participants. Six programs were run at local schools and colleges and two were conducted with auto-rickshaw drivers, manufacturers, suppliers and owners on the subject of the cause and prevention of scarf injury strangulation when travelling in an easy bike. The remaining programs consisted of disseminating information about disability to local schools, covering topics such as causes, prevention, identification, available treatment and the rights of disabled people.

Vocational training facilities are available at our centre, covering three trades; computer and office applications, dress making/tailoring and shop management. During the reporting year, 73 trainees successfully completed Vocational Training courses as follows:

Computer and office applications	: 40
Dress making/Tailoring	: 16
Shop management	: 17

Position of employment:

Employed	: 05
Self-employed	: 30
The remainder continue to search for jobs.	

Future plans, as of July 2017:

- Accommodation for paediatric and adult patients
- Gymnasium and sports therapy
- Sensory room
- Splinting room
- Therapeutic playground for paediatric patients
- Conference room facilities
- Canteen facilities
- Daily living corner
- Hydrotherapy pool
- Facilities for paying patients
- Aware shop
- Hand therapy service
- Prosthetics and Orthotics department

Special Day Observances:

Afsar Hussain-CRP, Rajshahi staff joined in the celebrations for the International Disability Day and Autism Awareness Day, both organised by the Government Social Services Department at Rajshahi. Activities included a rally, discussions, a presentation and a cultural program.

8.6 CRP-Ganakbari

CRP-Ganakbari is a sub-centre of CRP. It plays important roles both in assisting disabled women reintegrate into mainstream society and running successful Income Generating Activities (IGA). Established in August 1995, it is a residential vocational training centre for disabled women located 15 km from Savar. Since its foundation, CRP's entire IGA program has shifted to CRP-Ganakbari.

Vocational Training

The training facility at CRP-Ganakbari is predominantly set up for women. CRP provides standard food and accommodation to each trainee. It has 48 beds for trainees' accommodation. It provides training on tailoring and handicrafts. Each trainee receives a certificate on completion of their training which is an important step on the road to independence.

The duration of the Tailoring and Handicraft course is six months and covers basic dress making skills, as well as block printing, batik, embroidery, designs that are in demand by customers. It also includes basic business management techniques. Before leaving for their own community, CRP provides each successful graduate with a hand operated sewing machine and seed money as a way of ensuring a good start to the next stage in their lives.



Training room of Marks and Start project

CRP launched the 'Industrial Sewing Machine Operator Training program' at CRP-Ganakbari in 2006. Trainees receive professional training on operating a modern industrial sewing machine. There are two training programs; a two month course and a four month course. The objective of the program is to turn out highly employable multi-skilled machine operators who have disabilities.

CRP-Ganakbari provides an opportunity to empower disabled women aged 18 and over. Some have an opportunity to receive formal education and adult education is compulsory for the rest.

For recreation, all trainees take part in multi-cultural programs such as singing, writing and reciting poems and stories, producing puppet shows and other activities where they can demonstrate their talents, develop their communication skills and build up their confidence.

After leaving the centre, trainees receive follow-up visits from CRP's Social Welfare Department and CBR workers to check how they are coping and to provide any further input if necessary.

Admission criteria:

Acceptance to CRP-Ganakbari is dependent on an assessment of each applicant's potential to benefit

from the training on offer at the centre. On arrival at the centre, each trainee is assessed by a doctor, physiotherapist, occupational therapist and social worker to decide on the appropriate treatment if needed and what sort of skills training and income generating activities would be best for them. Age is an important admission criteria as trainees must be aged between 18 and 30.

Income Generating Activities (IGA)

The Income Generating Activities (IGA) programme is located at Ganakbari. The IGA units consist of:

- A metal workshop where all the metallic assistive devices, such as wheelchairs and standing frames, are produced.
- A wood workshop that produces different types of wooden furniture and wooden assistive devices.
- A printing press where many printing facilities are available.
- A paper recycling unit (RPT) where waste paper is recycled and turned into useable items, for example handmade file, folders and envelopes.
- A nursery where a variety of plants are grown and sold, thus contributing to a green environment.
- A mushroom growing facility which can produce between 500g and 1.5 kg of mushrooms per day during the season.

The centre is continually coming up with ideas for new activities. CRP has a plan for expanding the vocational training to include more options, resulting in a centre where any disabled person will have the freedom and opportunity to be trained and thus take an important step towards leading an independent life.

8.7 Iskandar Shitara, CRP-Sylhet

In the reporting year, Iskandar Shitara, CRP-Sylhet, is the newest CRP facility in Bangladesh, opened on 16th May 2017. The facility currently occupies a rented house in Shah Jalal Uposhahar, Sylhet but will move to a permanent facility, once new premises are constructed. The new facility will be on land donated by Advocate Moinuddin Jalal and hence the name Iskandar Shitara, CRP-Sylhet, has been given after his late parents. The centre employs 12 staff including 3 Physiotherapists, 2 Occupational Therapists, 2 Speech and Language Therapists.

Available Services & Facilities:

- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Paediatric services
- CBR activities



Sylhet land Deed Agreement Meeting

8.8 CRP- Pabna Diabetic Shamity

CRP-Pabna Diabetic Shamity, the 10th CRP sub-centre, opened in January 2017 and was founded with the collaboration of Pabna Diabetic Shamity.

The main center is situated at Gachpara where Physiotherapy, Occupational therapy and Speech & Language therapy are provided as outpatient services. Physiotherapy services are also provided at Pabna Diabetic Shamity Hospital in the town under the same banner. Occupational therapy services are given voluntarily to the Pabna mental hospital under the RRED project, with the intention of improving mental health services there. We work on awareness raising programs regarding disability and rehabilitation, scarf injury prevention and also provide assistive devices to patients when required.

Between January and June 2017, more than 600 patients registered at CRP-Pabna Diabetic Shamity for treatment. At the mental hospital around 50 patients received occupational therapy while developmental classes for staff were conducted by CRP's occupational therapist.

Though this is not a divisional centre, due to the prime location, CRP receives patients not only from Pabna district, but also from other districts, such as Sirajganj, Rajbari, Kushtia and Natore.

We are grateful for the dedicated support and help from Mr. Baby Islam, President of Pabna Diabetic Shamity, and Mr. Mustaque Ahmed, member of TRP, in the successful establishment of this centre.

8.9 CRP- Moulvibazar

As the first step in developing a Sylhet divisional service centre, CRP launched an outpatient therapy service at Moulvibazar in April, 2011. The start-up cost of the centre was raised by a British paraplegic wheelchair user, Peter Donnelly.

Currently CRP-Moulvibazar is housed in a two storey building that covers four decimals of land in Moulvibazar. The building was generously provided rent free by Eng. Sayed Abdul Goffar and is CRP's to use for five years. However, due to its layout, it is somewhat difficult to carry out all therapy services properly within that centre. With this in mind, CRP approached potential donors in the Moulvibazar area with the intention of obtaining land and a building that would enable CRP to establish a permanent centre in Moulvibazar. No donor was forthcoming. However, in the meantime, thirty five (35) decimals of land in Sylhet was donated to CRP, enabling us to establish Sylhet Divisional centre. As a result, the Trustee Board of CRP took the decision to relocate CRP's divisional centre from Moulvibazar to Sylhet. Local residents in Moulvibazar, including high officials, were not happy with the proposed move. Consequently, several officials, including the local Member of Parliament (MP), Deputy Commissioner (DC), Superintendent of Police (SP), Civil Surgeon and various other government officials wrote to Valerie Taylor requesting that services continue at Moulvibazar. As per their request, the CRP Board of Trustees decided to continue services at Moulvibazar until December 2017. We are still hoping that a generous donor can be found in Moulvibazar and through a gift of land and a building, enable us to establish a permanent centre in Moulvibazar and carry on services as a sub-centre of CRP.

Patients Treated:

Total number of patients:1,014

Available Services:

- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Paediatrics
- CBR activities

8.10 CRP- Manikganj

As part of the expansion of CRP services across all divisions of the country, CRP has collaborated with the Ministry of Social Welfare, Bangladesh Government, to construct a vocational training and rehabilitation centre for the disabled at CRP-Manikganj. The construction of the facility finally commenced in this reporting year. The six-storey building will be accessed by a ramp. The approximate size of the building, as per drawings, will be 2,313 msq.



Construction of CRP-Manikganj starts

8.11 CRP- Nawabganj

Currently, some activities related to Community Based Rehabilitation services and awareness raising programmes, in collaboration with the Upazilla Disabled People's Development Council (UDPDC), are functioning at this centre.

8.12 CRP- Gobindapur

CRP-Gobindapur is situated in the Kulaura Upazila of Moulvibazar District in Sylhet Division. The centre has four bungalows on its 13.5 acres site which can be rented by foreign or domestic tourists and guests. Income generated from this guest accommodation is used for treatment and rehabilitation for CRP's patients with disabilities. Within a 50 minute radius of the centre, guests can visit more than 10 different sight seeing places. CRP caters for both individual and group meals at reasonable prices. A team of experienced staff is here to welcome guests and ensure a comfortable stay. A unique combination of comfort, a noise free environment, and warm hospitality makes CRP-Gobindapur a truly memorable experience for all guests.

Success Stories

Shaown's Story

Shaown is a young man 19 years of age who has a spastic type of cerebral palsy. He is currently living with his family in Sonargaon. His father died when Shaown was very young, and being unable to support him, his mother sent him to the 'Ashanir Home' in Mymensingh in 2006.

He came to CRP in 2009 and was admitted to the Special Education Needs Unit (SENU) in CRP's William and Marie Taylor Inclusive School. After receiving physiotherapy, occupational therapy and speech and language therapy, his motor skills began to improve. Though he cannot talk, he understands everything and communicates through gestures. To help his condition, he received a special mobility wheelchair following his admission to CRP.



Shaown with his mother in his shop

After completing his special education in 2016, he received vocational training in shop management. He returned to his home location where his mother lives with his sister. As he is a grown man, and his mother is very old, his sister is the only person who can physically manage him now. However, his mother is able to care for him in other ways. Considering his family's financial condition and their limited resources, CRP built an accessible grocery Shop that has been run successfully by Shaown and his mother since 2017. The shop is adjacent to his house and accessible to him. Furthermore, CRP's occupational therapists modified both his home and the shop to allow ease of movement.

In this project, CRP's long standing friend and donor, Carol Bennett's daughter Laura Bennett, helped raise the money for Shaown's shop by crowd funding. At present he is living happily with his family. His local community is also very supportive, as Shaown's store is the nearest grocery shop for them.

Halima's Story

Halima is a beautiful young woman of 23. She lived with her family in Chandpur. Her father died when she was very young and from then her brothers supported the family. At present, she is a 3rd year student of B.Sc. in Nursing at CRP Nursing College. She uses a wheelchair for her mobility but her condition was not the same five years ago. It was a sunny day in April 2013. Halima climbed a mango tree near the roof of her college at her friend's request. Suddenly she reached beyond the edge of the roof and fell from the 3rd floor. She was immediately taken to a local hospital by a rickshaw while being unconscious. There the doctors gave her some first aid and immediately referred her to the Medinova Hospital in Chandpur for some medical tests. The doctors diagnosed her with severe spinal cord injury. She had her surgery in Uttara community hospital and stayed there for 30 days. Then the doctors suggested her family to take her to CRP for rehabilitation. At the end of June 2013 she came to CRP and at that time she was unable to sit.

She was assessed as a paraplegic patient and was admitted to CRP. During her four months stay at CRP, she received occupational therapy, physiotherapy and counselling services to overcome her trauma. Within her rehabilitation period, another surgery was done to remove the plates from her backbone and on removing the stitches the doctors and therapists encouraged her to sit. She was transferred to a wheelchair after two weeks. After returning home, she had to sit for her Higher Secondary



Halima in front of CRP Nursing College

Certificate (H.S.C) examination and achieved excellent results. She had the eligibility to study further and she wanted to serve others who suffer. So she chose to study Nursing and got herself admitted in CRP Nursing College in 2015. Halima is really thankful for being a patient at CRP because she thinks that if she had not come to CRP her physical condition would have never improved. Though she is very confident she faces a lot of problems when attending placements in different hospitals as a nurse. People think that sitting in a wheelchair she cannot do anything. For the first two years of her study no hospital permitted her to practise but after fighting a lot she could make them realize her abilities. Some hospitals then accepted her and permitted her to work. She has proved to be the most successful nursing student at CRP's Nursing College.

Aziz's Story

Aziz has been working in the Prosthetics and Orthotics department at CRP as a technician for the last 4 years. He lives in Savar with his mother and newly wedded wife. Recently he received a scholarship to attend an 18 months Diploma course in Orthopaedic Shoe Technology in Vietnam which will commence in September, 2017.

Twenty years ago, his life was completely different. He was a 10 years old boy living with his family in Natore, Rajshahi. One sunny day in 1997 he was going to the market by bicycle. Suddenly, his cycle collided with a truck coming from the opposite direction and the truck ran over his legs. He was immediately taken to the Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, where he was left untreated with only a few bandages to cover his wounds. His condition deteriorated as infection spread to his bones. He went to a missionary hospital in order to receive better treatment. There, the doctors suggested amputating both his legs to avoid the risk of further complications. Two years after his accident, he received prosthetic legs from an NGO and which lasted for five years. He then had prosthetic legs made of aluminum at the missionary hospital. Unfortunately, these only lasted for one and a half years. During this period, he passed his secondary and higher secondary school exams. At the same time, his father left the family and remarried, which made Aziz's life more miserable.

He joined Action on Disability & Development (ADD) as a volunteer and was later appointed as a Field Officer. He worked with ADD for nine years at Natore. When looking for more sustainable options for artificial limbs, he found that one NGO, the Centre for Disability Development (CDD), provides different assistive devices for the disabled. He was just about to buy his third pair of prosthetic legs from CDD when he received an invitation to a conference on Prosthetics and Orthotics at CRP. That was the day he came to know about CRP and its services. He joined CRP as a vocational trainee on the computer application course and ordered his artificial legs from the P&O department in 2013. Following the course, he was appointed as a P&O Technician at CRP. Aziz said that CRP produces the best and most sustainable artificial limbs at a reasonable price.

Three staff from CRP have previously attended this Orthopaedic Shoe Technology course in Vietnam. Aziz will be the first disabled bilateral amputee attendee. He will rejoin CRP after finishing the course.



Aziz repairing his own prosthetic leg

9. Departments

9.1 Human Resource

The CRP Human Resource Department (HRD) has been working relentlessly to make CRP's working environment more adaptive, resilient, diverse and inclusive by implementing best practices and adopting modern technologies in the field of HR.

The following information reviews the activities of the HRD for the reporting year July 01, 2016 to June 30, 2017:

- Total number of employees (as of June 30, 2017) : 1,053
- Total number of recruitments : 164
- Employment type (numbers)
 - Permanent : 735
 - Temporary -Full Time : 125
 - Temporary- Part Time : 14
 - Project : 35
 - Replacement : 02
 - Apprentice : 01
 - Casual : 34
 - Intern : 98
 - On study leave : 09
- Yearly turnover rate (%) : 11
- Number of employment separations : 107
- Reason for employee separation (numbers)
 - Resignation : 84
 - Dismissal : 01
 - Termination : 12
 - End of Contract : 05
 - Retirement : 04
 - Deceased : 01
- Training & development sessions
 - Internal : 09
 - External : 21
 - International : 06
- Number of 3 day orientation sessions : 06

Support from staff welfare fund:
470,836 (four lac seventy thousand eight hundred thirty six) taka agreed at nine meetings.

- Number of promotions : 59
- Number of transfers : 20

Different meetings organized by HRD:

1. 12 senior staff
2. 29 management committee

3. 12 general staff
4. 9 staff welfare fund committee

9.2 Fundraising and Resource Mobilisation

CRP is a non-government and not for profit organization which is dedicated to the treatment and rehabilitation of the poorest and most marginalized persons with disabilities, especially those with spinal cord injuries, strokes, amputees and children with cerebral palsy. As CRP-Savar and other divisional centres receive patients from very rural areas and most of them are economically weak, CRP has provided approx. 100 million taka in subsidies towards their care. This has been possible due to the continuous support of the donors from both Bangladesh and abroad. The Fundraising and Resource Mobilisation department of CRP has a mission to help realise CRP's goal of creating an inclusive society for the persons with disabilities and to achieve this through fundraising efforts which deliver concrete results. Thus this department continues to raise funds by applying to different prospective donors at home and abroad and organises different fundraising tours, visits and events.

The following table shows major contributions from "Friends of CRP" groups in different countries in the financial year 2016-2017:

CRP Partners for Core Programmes in reporting year:

Project Partner	Donation received (BDT) in Millions	Donation received (USD)
Valerie Taylor Trust (VTT)-UK	11.65	145617.0
FCRP-Canada Society	0	0
FCRP-Sweden	0.16	1991.58
FCRP-Germany	0.193	2415
American Friends of CRP	0	0
Local donations	27.88	348526.38
CRP Zakat Fund	10.36	137947.32
Government of Bangladesh (Ministry of Health & Family Welfare)	30	375000
PWT Brands (Denmark)	.01	1244.45

CRP Project Partners

Project Partner	Project Name/Purpose	Donation (BDT) in Millions	Donation (USD)	Project Period
Bangladeshi American Charitable Organization (BACHAO)	Support to provide sewing machines and wheelchairs for needy people with disabilities at CRP	0.92	11,486.19	Yearly
Sheltech Limited and Platinum Hotels	Desk calendar printing	0.13	2,584	Yearly
TESCO	Support for the Disabled and Underprivileged People to Reintegrate into Mainstream Society by Providing Vocational Training at CRP	2.21	27,606.34	December 2016- November 2017
Ministry of Social Welfare	Construction of Vocational training and rehabilitation centre for the disabled at CRP-Manikganj	5.00	625,000	3 Years
Stitching Liliene Foundation through DRRRA	Promoting Rights and Inclusion of Disabled people for their Empowerment (PRIDE)	0.63	7,923.75	Yearly
CBM Germany	RRED Project	0	0	July 2016 - June 2019
DFATD, Canadian Govt.	Access to Health & Education for all Children & Youth with Disabilities (AHEAD)	33.05	413,081.45	July 2016 - June'17
Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF)	Access to Livelihood for Persons with Disabilities (ALPD)	4.2	52,500	July 2016 - March 2017
SAARC Development Fund	Regional Inter-professional Master's Program in Rehabilitation Science (SDF)	231.89	289,862.61	June 2013 - May 2018
Marks and Spencer	Vocational Trainee Support- Marks & Start	2.09	26,128.76	Yearly
International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)	Cricket Tournament for Disabled	2.95	36,905.47	Yearly
Ministry of Health	Support for Poor Patient (MoH)	30	375,000	Yearly
Bangladesh NGO Foundation	Support for Poor Patient (NGO Foundation)	0.275	3,437.5	Yearly
Engr Abdul Awal	Engr Abdul Awal's Fund (Zakat & other special case)	6.00	75,000	Yearly
Sydney University, Australia	CRP-CIVIC Trial Project	3.60	45,098.4	May 2015 - April 2020
PRIMARK	Specialists' Teaching and Education Support for the Prosthetics and Orthotics School at BHPI, CRP-Savar	0	0	Yearly
BSRM Steels Limited	BSRM - CRP Vocational Training Facilities for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs)	0.70	8,750	May 2016 - December 2016
ILO	Skill Development and Economic Empowerment of PWD's (SDEEP)	2.56	32,000	January 2017 - February 2018
Livability Ireland	SCIDAB	2.44	30,529	Yearly
Vitality UK	Care Giver Training	0.32	4,045.48	Yearly
Justice Mostafa Kamal Fund	Support to poor patients	0.029	374	Yearly
Rotary Club Dhaka Mahanaga & Akhtar Karim Foundation	Sponsorship for 10 diploma nursing students	1.08	13,500	Yearly
Toufiq-Habib Foundation	Sponsorship for two BSc nursing students	0.072	900	Yearly
Albert and Renate Mehr	For Brother Bob's referred patients	0.115	1,449.28	Yearly

9.3 Accounts & Finance

CRP has established a well- defined financial system where at every stage segregation of duties and responsibilities are known to each and every responsible person. An effective internal control system has been developed within the organization which helps to achieve the financial control required. The Finance Department has an office in Savar, as well as the other CRP centres i.e. Mirpur, Ganakbari, Rajshahi, Chittagong, Barisal, Pabna, Mymensingh, Sylhet, Moulvibazar and Gobindapur. All accounts of the centres are maintained, supervised and controlled by CRP head office, Savar, Dhaka.

The financial statements of CRP are prepared on “ a going concern basis” under the historical cost convention using the accrual system of accounting in accordance with the International Accounting Standards (IAS) and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as adopted in Bangladesh and in compliance with the applicable laws and regulations of Bangladesh. However, sometimes the project financial statements are prepared in accordance with Donor guidelines and NGO Affairs Bureau requirements. The accounting year of CRP and all its sub centres is from July to June. Both the Annual Budget and Financial Statements are prepared according to the accounting year. However, the mutual project financial year runs according to the project agreement.

9.4 Research, Monitoring & Evaluation (R, M & E)

To achieve maximum impact, it is imperative that organisations measure the outcome of their work. The R, M & E Department is dedicated to ensuring the quality and ethical standard of research projects, as well as monitoring activities of various departments and projects and preparing reports with concrete recommendations.

As part of its regular activities, the R, M & E department conducts clinical audits to ensure that a high standard of the record keeping system is practiced by clinicians working at CRP. This year, the Special Seating Unit, P&O Department and divisional centres were brought under this clinical audit system.

Currently, the R, M & E Department is involved with four research projects; “ISCoS Database: ASCoN Pilot Project (IDAPP)”, “The CIVIC trial: Community-based Interventions to prevent serious

Complications following spinal cord injury in Bangladesh”, “Outcomes of an institute based rehabilitation programme for persons with spinal cord injury in Bangladesh” and “200 repetitions of isolated muscle contractions per day to increase the strength of partially paralysed muscle in people with recent spinal cord injury”.

9.5 Advocacy and Networking

To CRP, advocacy is defined as the act of working, speaking, or writing to promote, protect and defend the human rights of people with disability. The main functions of CRP’s Advocacy and Networking Department are to provide information and to assist people with disability regarding their rights. The department plays a vital role in enabling people with disability to negotiate complaints processes, or to take legal action with regard to enforcing their human rights. The department assists CRP in raising awareness among the general public regarding disability. CRP is heavily involved with the National Forum of Organisations Working with the Disabled (NFOWD). CRP is also an active partner of Bangladesh Business Disability Network (BBDN) and Association of Development Agencies in Bangladesh (ADAB). These organisations are the platform for the NGOs who work for people with disability.

In this reporting year, community awareness generating activities have focused on falling from heights and road accidents, as these are the two main causes of spinal cord injury in Bangladesh.

In the area of road traffic accidents, the major concern was, and remains, strangulation caused by scarf entanglement with Easybike motors. The source of the issue lies in the faulty design of the Easybike vehicle. The bike was designed with a gap between the driver's seat and the passenger seat. In many cases, the loose end of an orna/scarf falls through this gap into the motor and tightens very quickly, causing either instant death or a broken neck.

To prevent such accidents, and to raise public awareness of the risk, this department initiated some effective measures. As a result, a wooden strut has been designed to fill the gap between the driver’s seat and the passenger seat. Awareness raising materials such as flyers, stickers, posters, and festoons were designed and produced. In this reporting year, 1,130 wooden struts were distributed among Easybike drivers. Other awareness materials were distributed to the general public, including to school students and Easybike drivers, owners and importers.

During the reporting year, respective persons from the Advocacy and Networking Department attended various meetings with national and international NGOs, civil society representatives and government officials. As part of awareness-raising, this department was involved with several programmes associated with people with disability, such as International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Spinal Cord Injury Day, Road Safety Day, Sponsored Walks, and Open Days. The department has been heavily involved with the Road Transport and Safety Act, in conjunction with the Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) and the World Health Organisation, Bangladesh.

9.6 Publication & Communication

The Publication and Communication department prepares, manages, updates and publishes all types of CRP publications (both electronic and paper-based). This department continually updates the CRP website with the latest news of events, activities, services and information.

The department also prepares case studies of SCI patients and shares success stories regarding disabled people and their communities. The department receives visitors, interviews volunteers and also prepares their profiles. As part of its communication function, the department produces press releases regarding significant events and liaises with the media in order to obtain maximum coverage for each event. It also assists the media by covering awareness raising issues through news or documentaries.

The departmental video camera person produces different videos and documentaries for wider use regarding awareness-raising of spinal cord injury and providing information about CRP and other disability issues. It also manages the official social media pages of the organization. In a nutshell, Publication and Communication is the face of CRP, as it is the department through which people connect with CRP.

Publications which this department produces regularly include:

- Annual Report
- Pakkghat Barta/Paralysis News (Quarterly)
- E-Newsletter (Monthly)
- Press releases, leaflets, brochures
- Documentaries

9.7 Information Technology

As per the plan of previous reporting year this year we set up Virtual Local Area Network (VLAN) for better performance, administration and security of network. To implement the plan we installed a CISCO 2950 switch which was donated by Mr. Errol Doobay who is an old friend of CRP. In this reporting year CRP's total internet bandwidth has been increased to 21 Mbps. New wireless access points were set up at CRP Library for the students and BHPI office building to provide enhanced internet support to the teachers of BHPI. Along with the regular trouble shooting and maintenance activities IT department is closely working with the developers of Online Payment and Appointment System (OPAS), KORMEE (Human Resource Information System), CRP Educational Institute Management System (CEIMS).

Future Plans:

1. To install Recovery Database for PDMS (Patient Database Management System).
2. Writing IT policy document.
3. Set up more IP cameras at different locations of CRP.
4. Implement Online Payment and Appointment System.
5. Implement KORMEE and CEIMS software.

9.8 Internal Control & Systems

Internal Control & Systems Department is committed to provide the assurance that CRP's risk management, governance and internal control processes are operating effectively. This department identifies the potential risk factors before the risk occurs and reviews the management of key risks by preparing a regular audit plan. A high risk area such as Accounts, Reception, Cafeteria, Pharmacy, Aware shop, VTI training shop are audited on a monthly basis and other departments are audited three times in a year. During the reporting year 2016-17, Internal Control & Systems Department completed an audit in the Finance department, Income Generating Activities (IGA), Store and all other risk areas of CRP Savar, Head Office and the sub centres. A few of the observations below were found during the audit:

- High risk-03 (Maximum level of action was taken)
- Medium risk-39 (Mostly have been corrected)
- Low risk-70 (Recommended to take necessary initiative)

The Internal Control & Systems Department also provides continuous support to review the price of CRP services and products and maintains an inventory of all fixed assets

10. Income Generating Activities (IGA)

The Income Generating Activities (IGA) department has generated significant income. Most of its activities are located at CRP-Ganakbari. The IGA Department consists of seven units and functions with 71 staff members, including 12 PWDs working in an inclusive environment with accessible work stations and modified equipment. The IGA department mainly works to increase income for the sustainability of CRP. To increase its income a good number of initiatives have been taken, and changes made, this reporting year, to develop its products and to increase production capacity. The major activities of the IGA department are production, sales, marketing, branding, timely delivery, repairing, supplying production inputs.

10.1 CRP Metal Workshop

CRP's metal workshop is consciously working towards increasing the production of various assistive devices, and to support inpatients or outpatients by applying different new technologies according to their requirement. Approximately 26 types of assistive device are produced in the metal workshop, including wheelchairs, Stryker beds, tricycles, standing frames, Taylor braces, traction sets, knee support splints, elbow crutches, lumbar corsets, stretchers, parallel bars, and pulley sets. In addition, different types of powered wheelchair have been developed and are now in the test phase. The monthly production capacity of the metal workshop is increasing gradually with the expanded work area and improved technology. At present, the metal workshop is running with 28 staff members including 4 wheelchair users. They are working with user-friendly and an accessible work station as per their needs.

During this reporting year, the metal workshop served Handicap International, World Vision Bangladesh, Society for Health Extension and Development (SHED), Resource Integration Centre (RIC), mPower, Dhaka Disabled, Disabled Rehabilitation and Research Association (DRRA), International Committee for the Red Cross (ICRC) and Access to Health and Education for all Children and Youth with Disabilities (AHEAD) project.

10.2 CRP Wood Workshop

The wood workshop has continued to deliver goods to internal and external customers. CRP-Savar and other divisional centres are mostly furnished with the furniture produced by the CRP wood workshop. The workshop has a product range of about 150 wooden assistive and therapeutic devices. Most of the devices are produced for patient support.

At present, the workshop is running with 26 staff members including 3 wheelchair users and one hearing-impaired staff member.

During this reporting year, the wood workshop participated in different fairs including those organized by the Australian, Canadian and British High Commissions. Such events assist CRP in not only generating income but also help raise awareness of disability and help establish CRP as a national brand.

10.3 CRP Printing Press

The printing press is one of the most important sources of income generation for the IGA department. CRP's printing press products have been sold to Handicap International, Beximco Limited, Rahman Rahman Haq Audit Firm, SGS, Viyellatex Group, Clean Team in Dhaka and Bangladesh Industrial Polish, Shanta Group, Shamser Garments, Nagarik Hospital, New Model High School, Holy Child School, Hazi Toraf Ali school, Subondi Model High School with a constant supply of orders year-round. Currently, the unit is more than capable of producing a wide range of different types of high quality printed work. Consequently, the unit is continuing to develop and production and sales are gradually increasing.

During this reporting year, a strategic decision was made to expand the printing press area. Six staff members are running the operation including one wheelchair user.

10.4 CRP-Recycled Paper Technology (RPT)

The RPT unit produces different types of recycled paper based products such as all patients' files, folders, X-Ray envelopes, A4 size envelopes, letter size envelopes for internal use. The unit is located at CRP-Ganakbari. Various local companies provide waste paper to this unit for recycling purposes. Besides the paper, arrowroot, bleaching powder, soda powder and jute fibre are among the raw materials used by RPT. The RPT unit is trying to minimize the cost of production and also trying to add a good number of quality products to the product line. Currently, three staff members are working at RPT, CRP-Ganakbari.

10.5 CRP- Plant Nursery and Mushroom Cultivation

As a part of the drive to increase income generation and sustainability, the nursery is gradually expanding its business by diversifying and focusing more on increased plants production and mushroom



PWD working in Nursery

cultivation. Mushroom cultivation is mostly carried out by wheelchair user trainees from the women's rehabilitation unit, under the supervision of the gardener. Mushrooms are nutritious, inexpensive and available in both dry and fresh form. Plant nursery and mushroom cultivation is currently being run with one staff member with help provided by women trainees from the rehabilitation unit.

10.6 CRP- Pharmacy

CRP's pharmacies are located in Savar and Mirpur centres. They generate income through the sale of medicines and medical supplies at competitive prices to patients, students, staff members and other external customers. CRP endeavours to ensure a trouble-free experience and to ensure that medicines and medical supplies are always available to customers, even in emergency situations, and in particular for our spinal cord injury patients.

10.7 CRP- Aware Shop

CRP has two "Aware Shops". One is at CRP-Savar and the other at CRP-Mirpur, where products manufactured by CRP are displayed. "bKash" and "flexi-load" services, the very popular nationwide mobile to mobile money transfer and payment system are available at both shops. In this reporting year, an ice cream refrigerator and two new coffee machines have been purchased and put in CRP-Savar in order to increase revenue for CRP's IGA department.

10.8. CRP- Cafeteria

CRP provides canteen facilities at the Savar and Mirpur centres. A total of 16 permanent staff and six temporary staff work at the CRP-Savar cafeteria. Three meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and snacks are available at set times for staff, students, patients and visitors at reasonable prices. The digital payment system by proximity identity card has become a very convenient method of payment for all users.

11. Projects

11.1. Access to Health and Education for all Children and Youth with Disabilities (AHEAD)

The AHEAD project continues to contribute to securing the future of boys and girls (0-18 years) and young adults (19-24 years) with disabilities by increasing their access to health services, educational opportunities and employment through training programs. This focus strengthens the framework for the protection of human rights and acts as a catalyst to poverty reduction. The International Centre for the Advancement of Community Based Rehabilitation (ICACBR), Queen's University, implements the AHEAD project on behalf of the Government of Canada in partnership with the Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP), Bangladesh, two organizations with a long-standing successful collaboration. The project is in its fifth and final year (2017) and continues to be implemented in 13 districts: Sylhet, Moulvibazar, Mymensingh, Tangail, Rajshahi, Gazipur, Dhaka, Manikganj, Narayanganj, Comilla, Barisal, Khulna and Chittagong. During the past year the project has advanced its commitment to directly link its activities to CRP sub-centres throughout the country to ensure long-term program and activity sustainability after project completion.

The AHEAD Project made significant progress during this reporting period with many activities completed or nearing completion. Between July 2016 and June 2017, the project completed the third cohort of district workshops of the Training of Trainers (TOTs) programs in health and education. Nine hundred and eighty-nine (F-511, M-478) service providers completed their training on inclusive education and health sector services over the past year. In addition, the project led one policy forum and facilitated twenty meetings on disability inclusive policies and curriculum adaptation for the participating organizations.

During this reporting period, the AHEAD project delivered three week-long Girls Leadership Training programs for 85 young women with disabilities. Additionally, the project broadcast 10 radio programs in different districts to increase awareness related to accessible health and education for children and young adults with disabilities within their communities. During this period the project provided vocational training to 182 (F-78, M-104) young adults with disabilities, and provided 84 wheelchairs and 72 other assistive devices to youth and children with disabilities.



Distribution of wheelchairs and assistive devices provided by the AHEAD project to children with disabilities in Kapashia, Gazipur

The project has 16 active district action collaborative (DAC) groups that play an important role in identifying and implementing activities most relevant within their respective upazillas. These DAC groups support livelihood activities and ensure that access to health services and educational opportunities for children and young people with disabilities exist within the community. The DACs plan and evaluate activities which are supported by the project and facilitated by AHEAD District Coordinators. The DACs are directly linked to CRP sub-centres whose personnel will continue to support the sustainability of the groups upon completion of the AHEAD project.

During the remaining six months of the project, AHEAD will continue to be committed to improving knowledge of disability related issues within the community, and in enhancing the accessibility of health services, employment and inclusive education opportunities for children and young people with disabilities in Bangladesh.

11.2 Access to Livelihood for People with Disabilities (ALPD)

The project Access to Livelihood for People with Disabilities (ALPD) ended on 31 March 2017. This project was supported by DFID through Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF). This project was operational in 20 upazilas in 6 divisions of Bangladesh. The following results were achieved in the last 9 months of the project:

- 276 persons with disabilities (PWDs) are self-employed following the assistance of the project.
- 458 PWDs are now included in the government safety net programs.

- 619 children with disabilities have been enrolled into local schools.
- 127 PWDs obtained employment in the private and public sectors.
- 68 PWDs are included in different government and local committees.
- 3,509 PWDs received health support with the assistance of the project.
- 114 PWDs completed different vocational training courses.
- 9,819 PWDs have been trained on disability issues.
- 19 PWDs received loans from government institutes.
- 382 PWDs received relief, incentives, warm clothes from the government and the private sector.
- 2 DPOs obtained 7 decimals of land for their own offices from the government.
- 6 DPOs were registered by the Department of Social Services under the Ministry of Social Welfare.

11.3 Rights, Rehabilitation, Empowerment for Persons with Disabilities (RRED)

The Rights, Rehabilitation, Empowerment for Persons with Disabilities (RRED) project is a project funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). It started in March 2017 and will end in December 2020. The project is being implemented as a partnership between CRP and Christoffel Blinden Mission (CBM). The overall objective of this project is to reduce poverty and improve the living conditions of persons with disabilities (PWDs).

The main project areas are Barisal, Chittagong, Dhaka, Pabna, and Rajshahi. PWDs, their family members, community workers and community members, community based volunteers, DPOs, service provider organisations, educational institutions, the business community, NGOs and the Government are the target beneficiaries of this project.

The major activities of this project are medical treatment and therapeutic services, skills development training, livelihood support for business development, empowerment and advocacy, training for DPOs and CBR volunteers, assistive devices provision, and awareness raising programs. The project is working collaboratively with government medical college hospitals and the Jatiyo Protibondhi Unnayan Foundation (JPUF) (National Disability Development Foundation) in Barisal, Chittagong

and Rajshahi, government mental health institutes in Dhaka and Pabna and non-government organisations. Between March and June 2017, 2,671 beneficiaries received medical and therapeutic sessions, 152 assistive devices were distributed, 95 young people with disabilities received skills development training and 23 received livelihood support with the assistance of RRED project.

11.4 The CIVIC trial: Community-based Interventions to prevent serious Complications following spinal cord injury in Bangladesh



CRP CIVIC Team with auditor from George Clinical, India

The CIVIC trial has moved into its 3rd year. This is a five year collaborative research project between the University of Sydney and CRP. To date, we have recruited 324 participants. We aim to recruit a total of 410 and expect recruitment to be finished by early 2018. The aim of the trial is to determine whether we can help newly discharged patients to stay healthy and achieve a good quality of life. We are trying to do this through a combination of regular telephone contact and home visits. To date, we have conducted 290 home visits and over 4,000 telephone consultations. We provide advice and support for all kinds of potential problems but particularly pressure ulcers, as they are the biggest threat to survival and a good quality of life. Our research project is being monitored and audited by a professional clinical trial company called George Clinical, India, which is a division of The George Institute for Global Health. The company ensures that the trial is conducted strictly in accordance with protocol and is up to international standards.

11.5 Promoting Rights and Inclusion of Disabled people for their Empowerment (PRIDE)

The CRP PRIDE project is working to ensure the rights and inclusion of persons with disabilities (PWDs) into mainstream society.



Prize giving ceremony at school sports competition under PRIDE Project

In the reporting year, this project worked in health, education, livelihood, social and empowerment domains of the CBR matrix at Savar union and Tetoljhora union of Savar Upazila. PWDs up to 25 years old were the target beneficiaries. 313 PWDs were identified via a baseline survey within the project areas. Different types of conditions and disabilities were also identified by the survey, including cerebral palsy (140), physical disabilities (42), speech difficulties (28), intellectual disabilities (23), hearing impairments (17), visual impairments (14), Downs syndrome (13), autism (13), muscular dystrophy (9) and other disabilities (14). The project is staffed by a team of three (CBR Coordinator, Inclusive Education Facilitator and Community Health Facilitator). Intern physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists and social work students from the CBR department at CRP actively worked on the project during their internships.

11.6 Construction of Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Centre for the Disabled at CRP, Manikganj

CRP entered a partnership in 2011 with the Ministry of Social Welfare of the Bangladesh Government to construct a Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Centre for the Disabled at CRP, Manikganj. The main aims and objectives of the project are:

- To ensure economic rehabilitation, poverty alleviation and empowerment of Persons with Disability (PWDs) through vocational training.
- To promote empowerment of disabled youth focusing on confidence building, education, vocational training and employment.
- To facilitate successful reintegration of PWDs into the community.
- To provide free training and treatment to at

least 40% of disabled, under privileged and extremely poor participants.

The Public Works Department of Manikganj district is implementing the project and the Deputy Director of Manikganj district Social Welfare office is working as the Project Director.

11.7 Spinal Cord Injuries Development Association Bangladesh (SCIDAB)

SCIDAB started its journey in 2011 with a view to strengthening the unity of SCI people and to establish their rights in society. It is a non-profit, voluntary, non-government organization registered with the Department of Social Services (DSS), Ministry of Social Welfare (Registration no. Dh 09106).

SCIDAB has been working closely with people with spinal cord injuries (SCI) in Bangladesh in terms of their socio-economic development, human rights and prevention of further complications. Over the last two decades approximately 6,000 people with SCI have received treatment and rehabilitation support from CRP. SCIDAB is focused on creating an umbrella in order to raise a strong voice against discrimination towards PWDs and to establish a barrier free society for them.

SCIDAB is managed by a 13-member Executive Committee (EC) run out of CRP Head Office, Savar, and four 7 member Regional Committees (RC) at branches in Chittagong, Sylhet, Barisal and Rajshahi. SCIDAB is unique in the sense that all its members, including the EC and RC decision makers, as well as office bearers, are themselves persons with SCI. The national membership stands at 1,350 (1,211 male and 139 female).

Activities in the reporting year (July 2016-June 2017):

- SCIDAB developed a database for its members to ascertain their present condition, problems, needs, etc.
- The Executive Committee (EC) election of SCIDAB was held on 19 March 2017 for 13 positions.
- SCIDAB conducted three awareness programmes in April, May and June 2017 at schools and college in order to raise awareness among students of spinal cord injury

caused by scarf strangulation and other reasons. Leaflets, stickers, posters, and flyers were distributed at these events.

- SCIDAB organized a day long workshop assessing and exchanging opinions on SCIDAB's activities and decisions for the future. The workshop was held on 17 June 2017 at CRP conference room. A total of 25 people with spinal cord injuries participated in the workshop.
- SCIDAB supported with local donations the medical expenses of 17 spinal cord injured people including 3 SCIDAB members at CRP.
- SCIDAB provided two wheelchairs (made by CRP) for poor people with spinal cord injuries.
- SCIDAB organized a training workshop on management of "Personal life after Spinal Cord Injury". A total of 64 people with SCI participated in the workshop. Participants revisited subjects including bladder and bowel management, nutrition and complications of persons with SCI.
- SCIDAB published the Bangla version of the manual entitled "Active and Independent: a self care guide for persons with SCI". The first Bengali self-care guideline was sponsored by Abilis, Square Hospitals Ltd. and Queen's University funded AHEAD project.
- SCIDAB has been working to develop a good network with other organizations for the disabled (DPOs) such as the Turning Point Foundation, Protibondhi Nagorik Sangathner Parishad (PNSP), and the Women with Disabilities Development Foundation (WDDF). SCIDAB is also a member of "Asian Spinal Cord Network (ASCoN)".



Advocacy program on scarf injury in a local school

12. Friends of CRP

12.1 Valerie Taylor Trust (VTT), UK

A wide range of fundraising activities continue across the United Kingdom – from small events in supporters houses to larger community activities. One major fundraising initiative by Roger and Jan Varney (long term supporters of CRP) – is to raise sufficient funds to modernise the operating theatres at Savar.

It was a pleasure to have Valerie at our Annual Supporters Meeting in London in May. This is always a well-attended occasion. It is an excellent opportunity for supporters to be brought up-to-date on what is happening in Bangladesh and to talk about the excellent work that is going on.



St Johns Charity Fair 2017

We are pleased that the security situation has not affected the work of CRP and that a good number of volunteers from the UK are now spending time there. From time to time some of them talk at our Annual Meeting about their experience of working with CRP's patients.

Sadly, one of the founding Trustees of VTT, David Newell, died in August 2017. He had an excellent knowledge of CRP having worked in Bangladesh with OXFAM. He brought much experience and wisdom to the work of our Trust and will be missed.

Finally our best wishes to all the staff at CRP whose hard work and dedication helps those in need.

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12.2 FCRP-Canada Society

Friends of CRP - Canada Society is a Canadian registered charity. The primary goal is to provide financial and professional support for CRP-Bangladesh in its efforts to rehabilitate, support, educate, employ and advocate for the disabled of Bangladesh. It further endeavours to support Canadians who wish to volunteer at the CRP in Bangladesh. FCRP- Canada Society is receiving donations by two methods:

1. By cheque (to "Friends of CRP - Canada Society") to: 901 - 1737 Duchess Avenue, West Vancouver, BC V7V 1P8. Tax receipts are issued for all amounts over C\$20.00.
2. Through Canada's online donation organization "Canada Helps", www.canadahelps.org and follow the links to enter "Friends of CRP - Canada Society". A receipt will be sent electronically.

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12.3 Friends of CRP- Germany

The "Freundeskreis des CRP Bangladesch e.V." (in English: "Friendship of CRP Bangladesh") has 14 active members. Additional supporters help both with donations and helping out at our events. We are very happy to report that in 2017 a school in Ottobrunn, which is near Munich, has decided to form a partnership with the William and Marie Taylor School in the CRP. They will organise regular social welfare activities for the school and they want to get in touch with pupils and teachers at CRP. The start of the partnership was celebrated at the yearly school party held on 19th May. About 300 pupils and their families were given information about CRP and its school. The children had the chance to experience living with disability, by trying to use a wheelchair and move without seeing. At the event, people were able to donate direct small items such as standing frames, toys, pencils etc. Half of the income from the food and drink sales was also donated. All together, we raised around 1,000 euros for CRP school. It was a great chance to spread the news about our supporters' organization, CRP and the WMTS amongst our own



Enjoying the flea market

local community. We are still organizing an annual garage flea-market. The fifth flea market took place in May 2017 and was a great success. Every year, it is a great pleasure to share information locally about what we do. Everybody sells in front of their own home, and customers walk from house to house.

Houston Bangladeshi community in order to raise awareness about CRP's activities. Wonderwork Inc. USA donated \$20,000 to CRP-Bangladesh through AFCRP. One of our active members, Dr. Hashibul Hannan visited CRP-Savar and CRP-Rajshahi in June 2017.

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12.5 Friends of CRP- Sweden



Fund raising fair for CRP

Through word of mouth advertising, we try to convince people about the benefits of supporting CRP and the valuable contribution that CRP makes to society. In this way, we are able to collect many donations towards our cause, both small and large.

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12.4 American Friends of CRP (AFCRP)



Dr. Hannan's visit to CRP

American Friends of CRP (AFCRP) is a registered non-profit domestic charitable organization established in 2012. AFCRP is authorized to raise and send funds to CRP-Bangladesh. In this fiscal year, AFCRP held an annual early fund raising drive through the Internet and collected approx. \$17,000. We also organised supportive community events, such as Boishakhi Mela, an Iftar party, and an Eid-reunion and distributed CRP brochures to the

FCRP-Sweden has kept up the effort of raising funds for the very important work done at CRP. However, members do often mention the current world situation and the fact that there are many different conflicts and many people and organisations in need of funds, which makes the fund-raising task more difficult. During this reporting year, our working groups have arranged or participated in several events. One group raised funds by cultivating plants and receiving donations in exchange. Other members participated in a Christmas market, collecting funds in exchange for sweets, bread and cakes for Christmas. Several groups raised funds by participating in flea markets. A local business leader continues to generously donate funds. In addition, people have asked friends and family to donate gifts at Christmas and birthdays, and our collection boxes, which have been placed in local shops, continue to receive contributions. People's generosity as well as the spreading knowledge about the work done at CRP continually acts as an inspiration to work more for CRP's future!

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13. Notable Events and Visits

13.1 HARD EMOTIONS, an extraordinary initiative for helping CRP



CRP's patients in the sculpture exhibition

Alliance Française de Dhaka and ARTcon jointly organised a fifteen day-long Solo Exhibition of Scrap Metal Sculpture by Arhamul Huq Chowdhury titled 'HARD EMOTIONS' from September 23, 2016 at La Galerie, Alliance Française de Dhaka.

Arhamul Huq Chowdhury is one of the longest serving volunteers at CRP. He has given countless hours to work voluntarily at CRP in the evenings to design and fashion many beautiful sculptures using the waste products of CRP's metal workshop. A total of 24 metal sculptures laden with intense emotional juxtaposition and at times a satirical view of society and its systems were on display at the exhibition.

Mr Bruno Plasse, Director of Alliance Française de Dhaka welcomed the distinguished guests and presided over the opening ceremony. Three physically challenged people from CRP jointly inaugurated the exhibition. The entire proceeds of the 13th solo exhibition of the artist were donated to CRP for treatment and rehabilitation of the persons with disability.

13.2 The ASCoN Conference: Workshops, Cultural Evening & Social Program

A team from CRP attended the 10th National Congress, the 15th Annual Scientific Meeting of Indonesian Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Association and the 15th Asian Spinal Cord Network (ASCoN) conferences in Jakarta, Indonesia, which were held between 26th and 30th October 2016. The team was led by Md. Sohrab Hossain, Head of Programs, CRP. This conference included discussions on numerous topics relevant to spinal cord injury

management and musculoskeletal disorders. The theme of the conference was "Holistic Rehabilitation Care for Optimizing Quality of Life in Persons with Spinal Disorders". There were side-presentations in smaller rooms. Most of the side-sessions were practical workshops that focused on spinal cord injury management in hospitals and the community. Md. Sohrab Hossain, Head of Programs of CRP and Md. Julker Nayan, Head of the CRP's Occupational Therapy department conducted several workshops on spinal cord injury management and rehabilitation. CRP was mentioned as an SCI resource centre and one of the best SCI rehabilitation centres in different presentations. Md. Shofiqul Islam from CIVIC and Roksana Hoque, Research Officer from CRP presented their papers in a free paper session. Delegates from different countries such as Australia, the UK, the USA, India, China, and Japan attended the conference. The Executive Committee nominated Dr. Valerie Ann Taylor as Patron, while Md. Sohrab Hossain was selected as a full executive member of ASCoN, and Md. Julker Nayan won the 'ASCoN Observership Award'.



CRP's staff along with other participants at 15th ASCoN Conference

The conference did not just consist of talks and workshops. There were two social events; an after-party on Thursday evening and a gala dinner on Friday. Stephen and Maggie Muldoon organised the gala night and cultural evening, which showcased different cultural performance from different delegates' home countries.

13.3 CRP's Officials at APOSM 2016

The Asian Prosthetic and Orthotic Scientific Meeting (APOSM) was held between November 4th and 6th, 2016, at Coex, Seoul, Korea. Over 700 professionals from 45 countries attended. During the three-day conference, educational programs, special presentations and lectures were provided on relevant topics, providing attendees with current

knowledge, research findings and technological advances in this diverse field. In addition, there were workshops, symposia, exhibitions, a gala dinner, and opportunities to experience some of Korea's cultural heritage.



CRP's Founder and the Coordinator of the P&O School (far left) at the APOSM meeting

CRP's Founder and Coordinator, Dr Valerie Taylor and Muhammad Rezaul Karim, Coordinator-School of Prosthetics & Orthotics, BHPI attended the meeting on behalf of the International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics (ISPO) Bangladesh. Their attendance was supported by a generous grant from ISPO-Japan and ISPO-Bangladesh. The conference provided a great opportunity to expand networking among the P&O professionals around the world. P&O-CRP is one of the newest members of this professional community and its presence gained much appreciation from the expatriate members who were there.

13.4 Scarf Injury Awareness Programme: "Correcting faulty design of easy-bike to prevent accidents and increase public awareness"

Savar Upazila administration and CRP jointly organized an awareness programme on 5th December 2016 at Savar Upazila Auditorium. Assistant Commissioner, (Land) Sanjida Yasmin was present on behalf of Savar Upazila Administration and Valerie A. Taylor, Founder and Coordinator and Md. Shafiqul Islam, Executive Director were present from CRP. 15 headmasters from different schools, 50 Easy-bike drivers and 30 Easy-bike

owners and some NGO representatives also took part in the programme. It started with a presentation of the current situation of scarf strangulation in Bangladesh and was followed by an awareness song on the scarf injury issue. This was originally an English poem, written by Dr. Victor Patterson M.D and set to music by the students of Bangladesh Health Professions Institute (BHPI).



Easy-bike drivers attending the programme

After the discussion session Valerie and Ms. Sanjida jointly displayed a specially designed wooden strut, manufactured in CRP's wood workshop, which covers the gap between the two seats, and which will completely reduce the risk of scarf injury.

13.5 Hanif Sanket visits CRP

Mr. Hanif Sanket, the renowned media personality and host of the popular TV programme "Ittadi", visited CRP on 25th January 2017. The visit included a discussion session with CRP's staff regarding working collaboratively for disability awareness issues. Some disabled patients shared their experiences with Mr. Hanif Sanket. The issue of scarf injury caused by the faulty design of Easy-bikes was also discussed, and Mr. Hanif Sanket promised to



Hanif Sanket meets CRP's special needs children

help make people aware of it. He then toured the services and programmes of CRP. During his visit, he was accompanied by CRP's Founder and Coordinator, Dr. Valerie A. Taylor, and TRP's Chairman, Mohammad Saidur Rahman.

13.6 BRAC Bank donated Tk. 10 lac to CRP

The employees of BRAC Bank organized a mini marathon titled "BRAC Bank Run 2017 – Kalyaner Pothochola" (Walking for development) to raise funds for charity. This is the first such event initiated by a bank in the country. Mr. Anisul Huq, Mayor, Dhaka North City Corporation, attended the program as the Chief Guest. The annual marathon program was held at the South Plaza area of the



CRP's Executive Director receiving the cheque from the Mayor, Dhaka North City Corporation and CEO, Brac Bank Ltd.

National Parliament on January 6, 2017. Mr. Selim R.F. Hussain, Managing Director and CEO, BRAC Bank Limited and the employees of BRAC Bank across the country took part in the marathon. Officials from other private banks, corporate houses and media and film celebrities also participated in the event. On the day, the employees raised funds which the company doubled and then donated Tk. 10 lac to CRP.

13.7 First short certificate course in BHPI

CRP's Special Seating Unit (SSU), in collaboration with BHPI, organized a short certificate-training course on "Wheelchair Service Training (Basic Level)" from February 25th to 28th, 2017. This was the first short course offered by BHPI. The aim of

the course was to make participants aware of, and implement, the new guidelines developed by WHO regarding the importance of maintenance and accessibility for wheelchairs in different situations, and the correct provision of the appropriate wheelchair to a user, in order to make sure it is used to the best effect. Iffat Rahaman (Bristy), Sr. Physiotherapist and In-charge of SSU, who is also a WHO certified trainer, trained nine therapists on this course. The course was inaugurated by Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, Executive Director, CRP on 25th February and concluded with the certificate distribution by Valerie A. Taylor, Founder and Coordinator, CRP on 28th February.



Trainees with teachers and CRP's Executive Director

13.8 CRP received a land donation in Rangpur

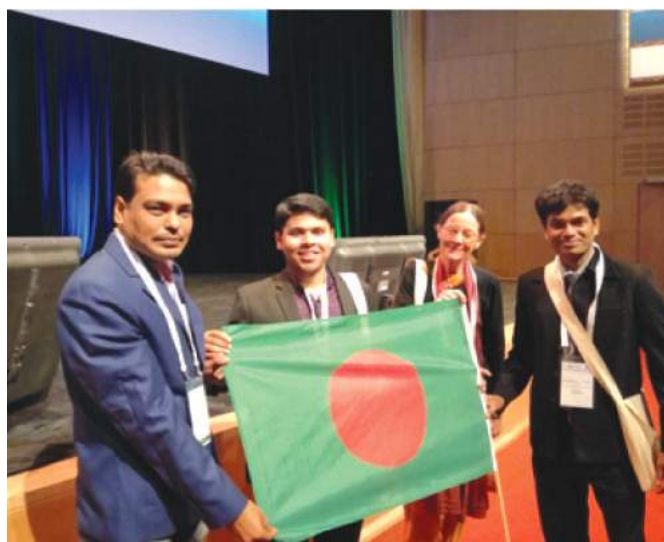
Rangpur City Corporation donated a one-acre plot of land to CRP for constructing a divisional centre. On April 26, 2017 CRP organized a land hand-over programme at Rangpur where CRP's representatives received a very warm welcome from the people of the city. The Chief Guest of the programme was Freedom Fighter Sarfuddin Ahmed Jhantu, Mayor, Rangpur City Corporation. CRP's Executive Director, Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, attended the function as the Special Guest. Both guests signed the agreement on behalf of their respective organisations



Land hand over programme in Rangpur

13.9 16th ISPO World Congress

Four CRP representatives joined the International Society of Prosthetics and Orthotics' 16th World Congress 2017 which took place in Cape Town, South Africa from 8 to 11 May 2017 and was organised in collaboration with ISPO South Africa. With the support of Handicap International, ISPO and ICRC the attendees from CRP were Dr. Valerie A. Taylor, Founder of CRP and also the President of ISPO-Bangladesh; S M Imran Shoaib, In-charge, P&O department, CRP-Savar; Lokman Ali Talukdar, In-charge P&O department, CRP-Chittagong and Mahmudul Hassan Al Imam, Research, Monitoring & Evaluation Officer.



Participants from Bangladesh in the ISPO World Congress 2017

For the first time, ISPO's flagship meeting invited international participants to the African continent. The 16th World Congress was a unique interactive forum where professionals involved in the care of persons in need of prosthetic, orthotic, mobility and assistive devices, came together to learn about the latest scientific and clinical advances, products, innovative technologies, designs and materials in prosthetic and orthotic care.

Participants included Orthotists, Prosthetists, Physiatrists, Orthopaedic surgeons, Physical and occupational therapists, Rehabilitation engineers, Clinical psychologists, social workers, caregivers and many others.

13.10 CRP's first bus with lift installation for wheelchair users

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) donated a lift to install in a bus to make it accessible for wheelchair users. CRP received the lift in September, 2016. They then had to scour the market to find an engineer to install and get it operational. It was very difficult to find someone who could do this work, but finally Faruk Automobiles and workshop from Savar were commissioned to do the work, it was soon up and running.



ICRC inaugurated the lift

In February 2017, the bus was then sent to Navana Limited for modification. CRP received the bus on 16th May 2017 and CRP's Executive Director Md. Shafiq-ul Islam along with ICRC's Head of Delegation inaugurated the first bus with this modern amenity. Wheelchair users will be able to ride on the bus independently which will also save time and decrease the work load of their carers

13.11 Visit of the Team "Three Journeys Round"



Pilots receiving souvenir from CRP's Founder

“Three Journeys Round” is a project which will sponsor the two organisations, Motivation and Save the Children. Two Pilots, Peter Wilson and Matthew Gallagher, are heading these projects undertaking three remarkable journeys by helicopter, namely; Round Africa 2016, Round the World 2017 and Round Latin America 2018. The purpose of these journeys is to raise the profile of ‘a better planet through sustainable development’. The objectives include meeting local community leaders whose stories can inspire others to make their individual difference to sustainable development, to showcase these successes worldwide, to raise money for remarkable organisations making a difference. On their way, they stopped off in Bangladesh and visited CRP at the end of April. They were very impressed to see the activities and services offered at CRP-Savar.

14. Day Observance:

14.1 World's first International Spinal Cord Injury Day

In line with International Spinal Cord Society (ISCoS) and Asian Spinal Cord Network (ASCoN), CRP observed the first World Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) Day on 5th September 2016. With the theme “Prevention is Cure”, CRP started SCI day in Savar with a morning rally with SCI patients, followed by a discussion session held at Dhaka Reporters Unity on the themes of the causes, consequences, management of spinal cord injury and how to ensure an inclusive life for people with this condition. The Honorable Member of Parliament, Kabi Quazi Rosy, and the Honorable Secretary of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Dr. Chowdhury Md. Babul Hasan, were present as Special Guests. Md. Babul Hasan suggested introducing a separate faculty for SCI management in every medical college of Bangladesh. Dr. Mazharul Mannan, Consultant Neurosurgeon, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University, requested including an ICU unit at CRP as soon as possible for emergency response to SCI patients and also suggested increasing others awareness of SCI management.

Md. Saidur Rahman, Chairman of the Trust for the

Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (TRP) chaired the programme. SCIDAB committee members, guests from other organizations such as ADD, Handicap International, GIZ, and CBM also attended the function.



Discussion session at Dhaka Reporters Unity on SCI day

14.2 World Physical Therapy Day

As in previous years, CRP, along with the Bangladesh Physiotherapy Association (BPA), observed World Physical Therapy Day on 8th September, 2016. The theme for the day was “Add Life to Years”. CRP’s Physiotherapy department organized a rally from CRP-Savar to Radio Colony to celebrate the day. CRP’s Executive Director, Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, along with all CRP departmental heads, inaugurated the rally. This day signifies the importance of physiotherapy in medical service.



Rally on Physical Therapy day

14.3 World Cerebral Palsy Day- “I am here, we are here”



CP Day

World CP Day 2016 was observed on 5th October with the theme “I am here, we are here”. CRP observed the day with various events. CRP’s William and Marie Taylor Inclusive School, the paediatric unit and staff from other departments started the day with a rally followed by an art competition for special needs children and a cricket tournament. There was also a discussion session along with a cultural programme in the afternoon at CRP’s Reddaway hall. Md. Ziaur Rahman, Social Welfare Officer, Savar was the Chief Guest for the programme. CRP’s long standing friend and donor, Mrs. Shahidullah, was present as the Special Guest. Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, Executive Director of CRP, chaired the programme. The aim of the day was to raise awareness about Cerebral Palsy among the general public and to ensure the rights of people with Cerebral Palsy in society.

14.4 Road Safety Day

CRP observed the national Road Safety Day 2016 with many events. The aim of the day was to raise awareness among the general public about road safety. The main theme of the programme was “Vital post-crash actions: Medical Care, Investigation, Justice” A rally, a human chain, awareness leaflet distribution, discussions, an art competition, a cultural programme and a debating competition were the main events of the day. Md. Nazrul Islam, Chairman of the Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) attended the programme as the Chief Guest and CRP’s founder and Coordinator, Dr. Valerie Taylor, chaired the programme.



Road safety day rally

Md Shafiq-ul Islam, Executive Director of CRP, staff, teachers, students, patients, various government and non-government officials and journalists were also present for the occasion. The programme was supported by the AHEAD (Access to Health, Education for All Children and Youth with Disabilities) project from Queen’s University, Canada.

14.5 World Occupational Therapy Day – “Making it Together”

The CRP Occupational Therapy department observed “World Occupational Therapy Day” on October 27, 2016, to promote and celebrate the profession internationally. This programme was also supported by the AHEAD project. A day-long programme with the theme “Making it Together” was held in CRP’s Reddaway Hall. Mohammad Abu Naser Beg, Upazilla Nirbahi Officer, was the chief



Welcome to the Chief Guest during OT day

guest for the day. Dr. Farida Yasmin, Upazilla Health and Family Planning Officer; Md. Ziaur Rahman, Upazilla Social Services Officer, Md. Amzadul Hoque, Residential Medical Officer and Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, Executive Director, CRP, attended as special guests. The General Secretary of the Bangladesh Occupational Therapy Association (BOTA), Shameem Ahmed, participated as the key note speaker of the event. Dr. Valerie A. Taylor, CRP's founder and Coordinator, chaired the programme. The aim of the discussion was to enhance the visibility of the professional development and to promote the activities of Occupational Therapists locally, nationally and internationally.

14.6 Disability Day: "Achieving 17 Goals for the Future We Want"

CRP observed the 18th National and 25th International Day for Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) on 3 December, 2016. The theme for the day was "Achieving 17 Goals for the Future We Want". This year CRP observed the event with a three day programme.

The event commenced on 30th November with a sports programme at CRP's basketball court. The following day, 1st December, a wheelchair basketball match was held at the same venue. The closing ceremony was held on the 3rd December with a rally and a human chain followed by different cultural activities, and speeches by guests who shared their experiences.



Rally on Disability Day

Around 500 people from different NGO's, local community, volunteers, students and over 100 wheelchair users joined in the rally and human chain. Md. Ashadul Islam, Director General, NGO Affairs Bureau was present as chief guest for the closing session, and Ikhtiyar Aslanov, Head of the

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) as Special Guest. Valerie A. Taylor, founder and Coordinator, CRP, presided over the programme. This year the programme was supported by AHEAD Project, Decathlon, ICRC, ISPO-Bangladesh and Pride Project.

14.7 CRP's 37th birthday with WHO Officials

CRP celebrated its 37th birthday on December 11, 2016. This year, officials from the Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) Unit, WHO Bangladesh, Dr. Syed Mahfuzul Huq, National Professional Officer along with his wife and Mr. Moniruzzaman, National Consultant-Injury and Disability Prevention, joined the Celebration.



CRP's 37th birthday

The special guests released balloons and pigeons in front of the administrative building and cut a birthday cake at the Reddaway Hall. Then CRP's founder and Coordinator, Dr. Valerie Taylor led a tour around CRP. The visitors were very pleased to see the rehabilitation services and support provided and encouraged CRP to develop a deeper collaboration with the WHO.

14.8 Annual Sponsored Walk 2017



Annual Sponsored Walk in Gulshan-2 Lake Park

CRP organized the Annual Sponsored Walk on Friday, 27th January, 2017 at Gulshan-2 Lake Park. The purpose of the walk was to increase awareness among the general public about disability issues, as well as to raise funds for patients' rehabilitation. The theme for the walk was 'Break Barriers, Open Doors for an inclusive society and development for all'. Students from Milestone School and College and Shaheed Mansur Ali Medical College joined the walk with their parents and teachers. Members of the Gulshan Club, the Gulshan Society and foreign volunteers also participated. From CRP, participants included Dr. Valerie A. Taylor, Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, Executive Director and Mohammad Saidur Rahman, Chairman of the Trust for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (TRP), along with many patients, students from the William and Marie Taylor Inclusive School and CRP staff. Each wheelchair user was accompanied by a person walking with them. The event was supported by Transcom Beverages Ltd., who donated rice meals for everyone, and Epyllion Group, who provided the T-shirts.

14.9 Open Day

CRP celebrated its Open Day on 3rd March, 2017 to raise awareness of the rights of people with disabilities and to increase their participation as full members of society.

Dr. M Harunur Rashid, Former Director General, Bangla Academy and Former President of Asiatic Society, was the Chief Guest at the event. CRP's Founder and Coordinator, Dr. Valerie Taylor and Executive Director Md. Shafiq-ul Islam accompanied him to the fair ground. They then inaugurated the fair and the Open Day together.



Open day inauguration by the guests

CRP's patients, staff members, volunteers, and students were present at the inauguration ceremony. Every department displayed their services at their individual stalls in the fair.

Other activities included a merry-go-round, horse riding for children, fishing, an art gallery, entertainment for the children and fun for the whole family. There was also a cultural programme in the afternoon at CRP's Reddaway Hall which included a puppet show, wheelchair dancing, singing, and other entertainment, including a band. The evening finished with a raffle draw.

14.10 World Autism Awareness Day

CRP observed World Autism Awareness Day on April 2, 2017 with the slogan "Towards Autonomy and Self Determination". The paediatric unit organized a rally with autistic children, their parents, paediatricians and therapists of CRP. The rally started out from the CRP main reception area, went around CRP and finally ended at Reddaway Hall. It was followed by an art competition and a prize-giving ceremony. CRP's Executive Director, Md. Shafiq-ul Islam, attended the programme and cheered on the children.



Art competition

Four children with autism and teachers from CRP's William and Marie Taylor Inclusive School (WMTS) joined the Prime Minister's Programme on this occasion. CRP-Mirpur and other divisional centres of CRP also observed this day with rallies, seminars and other programmes.

14.11 World Health Day observed at CRP

CRP observed "World Health Day" on April 8, 2017 with the slogan "Depression: Let's talk". The celebration started with a rally which went around CRP and a discussion session at the Reddaway Hall. The Heads of Medical Services, Education and Support Services took the stage and led the discussion on mental health issues.



World health day rally

One of the themes was coping with depression through talking as sometimes there is no better way than talking or sharing one's thoughts and feelings with your family and friends. CRP inpatients, students of William and Marie Taylor School, their parents and other staff were present at the discussion.

14.12 5th World Club Foot Day



Rally during World Club Foot Day

CRP observed 5th World Club Foot Day on 4th June, 2017. The event was organized by the CRP Ponseti Clinic under the banner, "A world free of clubfoot deformity". CRP's Executive Director, Md. Shafiqul Islam; Dr. Sayeed Uddin Helal, Head of Medical Services Wing; Md. Shahidur Rahman, Head of Support Services; children and their parents and many staff members joined the rally around CRP. Afterwards, the children received a toy each.

15. Achievements

15.1 CRP wins the T20 Physically Challenged Cricket meet in India



Disabled cricket team

CRP physically challenged cricket team won the coveted title by 2-1 in a three match Indo-Bangla series in the T20 Physically Challenged Cricket meet in Kolkata. In the first match, India won by eight wickets but Bangladesh fought back to beat the hosts by 58 runs in the second encounter. In the third and deciding match, Bangladesh won the toss and scored 119 runs for 6 wickets at the FC Ground Kolkata on 18th December, 2016, while India were all out for 102 after only 19.2 overs. Some sparkling batting from Shariful Islam and a brilliant show from the bowlers, especially Akbar Hossain, powered Bangladesh to a huge series win.

The award ceremony was attended by the MLA of West Bengal, Mr Arjuna Pal; the Joint Secretary of India Cricket Association, Mr Samarsh Majumdar; the President of the Physically Challenged Cricket Association of India, Mr Surendara Lahiya and the President of West Bengal Cricket Association, Mr Dilip Chatterjee.

The CRP physically challenged cricket team were supported by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

15.2 Valerie receives an honorary reception from Bangladesh Protidin

CRP's Founder and Coordinator Dr. Valerie Taylor and Angela Gomes, Executive Director of Bachte Shekha, were treated to an honorary reception by Bangladesh Protidin, a daily newspaper and the Social Islami Bank Limited on 14th March, 2017.



Valerie receiving award from honourable guests

The Chairmen of both companies, Ahmad Akber Sobhan of Bashundhara group and Major Dr. Md. Rezaul Haque (Retd.), Chairman of SIBL along with various staff from their organisations were present at the reception, which also celebrated the founding of Bangladesh Protidin eight years ago.

In his speech to the recipients, Ahmad Akber Sobhan announced his intention to donate 25 lac taka to both organisations, to help them in their continuing work in the humanitarian services to the disadvantaged.

15.3 CRP received 5th HSBC-Daily Star Climate Champions Award

CRP was one of five recipients of the 5th Climate Champions Award to protect nature, given by the HSBC Bank and the Daily Star Newspaper.

CRP was given the award as a result of its initiatives regarding recycling paper and other materials. CRP uses recycled paper to make stationary such as envelopes, visiting cards and file folders. It also uses recycled materials to make furniture such as chairs, tables, toys and therapeutic items for disabled children and patients. Other recycling and environmental friendly initiatives include producing compost from kitchen waste, incinerating medical waste, and recycling waste water through a water treatment plant.

The award was presented by the Environment Minister, Anwar Hossain Manju, at a ceremony held at the Radisson Blu Hotel in Dhaka on 29th April, 2017. Shitangshu Kumar Sur Chowdhury, Deputy Governor of Bangladesh Bank; Francois de Maricourt, CEO, HSBC Bangladesh, and Mahbub Ur Rahman, Deputy CEO, HSBC Bangladesh, were also present on stage during the award ceremony.



Valerie with other awardees and guests

16. Volunteers/Visitors

Sl. No	Name	Country	Department
01	Mukti Mohammad	The Netherland	General Volunteer
02	Vicky Paynter	UK	Occupational Therapy
03	Hannah Carrut	UK	Special Seating Unit
04	Charlotte Walker	UK	Prosthetics and Orthotics
05	Molly Thornton	UK	General Volunteer
06	Callum McIntyre	UK	General Volunteer
07	Dzenana Jalovic	Canada	General Volunteer
08	Darko Krznic	Canada	General Volunteer
09	Jan Steffens	USA	Speech and Language Therapy
10	John Steffens	USA	General Volunteer
11	Dominic Carl Poggi	UK	Occupational Therapy

12	John Wiseman	UK	General Volunteer
13	Dr. Luis Garcia Rodriguez	Spain	Medical Services Wing
14	Dr. Miguel Neira Boga	Spain	Medical Services Wing
15	Victor de Miguel Fernandez	Spain	Medical Services Wing
16	Errol Doobay	UK	Information Technology
17	Janet Varney	UK	Medical Services Wing
18	Roger Varney	UK	General Volunteer
19	Surg.Rear Admiral Ralph D. Curr. FRCCGP	UK	Medical Services
20	Adam Page	UK	General Volunteer
21	Joanne Belle	UK	Occupational Therapy
22	Emily Hirst	UK	Occupational Therapy
23	Joe Antcliff	UK	Occupational Therapy
24	Kirstie-Marie Campbell	UK	Physiotherapy
25	Georgeena Taylor	UK	Occupational Therapy
26	Elisha Doi	UK	Physiotherapy
27	Jacob Turner	UK	Physiotherapy
28	Lucy Robinson	UK	Carers training
29	Justin Frishberg	UK	General
30	Jana Jackos	UK	General
31	Niki Henderson	UK	General
32	Alison Laver-Fawcett	UK	Occupational Therapy
33	Peter Wilson	UK	Visitor
34	Matthew Gallagher	UK	Visitor
35	Katherine Murphy	Scotland	Research
36	Michel Landry	USA	Physiotherapy teaching
37	Kai Kennedy	USA	Physiotherapy
38	Kira Battle	USA	Physiotherapy
39	Rachael Nobbs	USA	Physiotherapy
40	Max Dyal	USA	Physiotherapy
41	Brad Swanson	USA	Physiotherapy
42	Hina Javed	USA	Physiotherapy
43	Carly Cooper	USA	Physiotherapy
44	Annie Daorai	USA	Physiotherapy
45	Courtney Kauk	USA	Physiotherapy
46	Rieke Hayes	Ireland	Physiotherapy
47	Sharmin Rahman	Bangladesh	WMTS

17. Individual Donors list

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2. A.T Shahidul Kabir & Shamim Kabir
3. Abdullah Al Mamun
4. Abdus Salam Miyan (Dipok)
5. Advocate Nasir Uddin
6. Afsar Uddin Ahmed
7. Alauddin Ahmed
8. Ambereen Khan Hasan
9. Aminul Haque
10. Aneela Haque
11. Ashfika Rahman
12. Asiful Haque
13. Asmeen Khan
14. Ambereen Khan Hasan
15. Atiya Abedin
16. Azra Faizi Ahmed
17. Basia Rahman
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19. Deanna & Peter Verchick
20. Dr Maqsurur Rahman
21. Dr Md Easir Arafat Khan
22. Dr Mohammad Mahmudul Hasan
23. Dr. Prof. Dewan Saifuddin Ahmed
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25. Dr. Mamotaz Begum
26. Dr. Saad
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69. Md Shafiqul Islam
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122. Brig. Rtn Dr K M Maqsurur Rahman
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127. Samia Halim
128. Sayed A M Asfakul Abedin
129. Seemin Ahsan
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131. Shahidus Sadeque
132. Sharmin Farhana
133. Sultana Akbar
134. Romena Huq
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136. Suraiya Aktar
137. Tahera Rahman
138. S.K. Mostaque Ahmed
139. Afroza Nizam
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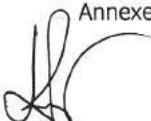
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CHAPAIN, SAVAR, DHAKA
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE, 2017

Particulars	Note	Figures in BDT	
		30.06.2017	30.06.2016
PROPERTY AND ASSETS			
Non-Current Assets	5.00	587,243,442	571,368,542
Current Assets		603,379,223	540,673,265
Inventory		19,211,914	18,047,063
Investment	6.00	485,840,287	466,806,202
Advances and deposits	7.00	4,382,433	2,692,915
Cash and cash equivalent	8.00	70,639,779	26,693,912
Accounts receivable	9.00	23,304,810	26,433,173
Less : Current Liabilities			
Accrual expenses	10.00	1,778,816	2,058,422
Accounts payable	11.00	4,255,311	6,792,284
Security deposit	12.00	9,279,926	9,419,686
		15,314,053	18,270,392
Net Current assets		588,065,170	522,402,873
Total		1,175,308,612	1,093,771,415
Financed by			
Fund account	13.00	778,281,207	711,141,432
Reserve fund - BSMF		1,000,000	1,000,000
Reserve fund (DU)- BHPI		12,000,000	12,000,000
Reserve fund- Nursing Institute		2,093,381	2,093,382
Ruth Zumbal Scholarship Fund		327,440	327,440
Mujibur Rahman Foundation Scholarship Fund		219,528	219,528
General reserve	13.01	-	5,519,980
Endowment fund	13.02	233,927,352	218,613,706
Staff Gratuity fund	13.03	43,421,592	46,117,978
Staff Welfare fund	13.04	1,771,034	385,715
Staff PF fund	13.05	102,267,078	96,352,254
Total		1,175,308,612	1,093,771,415

Annexed notes from 1.00 to 36.00 form an integral part of the financial position


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TRUST FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE PARALYSED (TRP)
CHAPAIN, SAVAR, DHAKA
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE, 2017

Particulars	Note	Figures in BDT	
		2016-2017	2015-2016
Income			
Grant from foreign donation	14.00	15,656,203	92,810,497
Grant from Gob(Ministry of Health & Family Welfare)	15.00	30,000,000	25,000,000
Donation from corporate organization	16.00	3,728,331	17,628,025
Donation from wind fall client	17.00	24,153,779	6,070,167
Contribution from self finance project	18.00	42,456,568	9,951,352
Contribution from patient (Direct)	19.00	164,406,231	136,771,417
Contribution from parent	20.00	60,242,929	51,770,382
Interest on investment & bank	21.00	9,652,434	9,438,711
Zakat fund		11,035,785	12,543,050
Overhead cost recovery from bilateral project	22.00	199,376	137,069
Contribution from patient (Indirect)	23.00	87,227,600	107,013,103
Grant from Project	24.00	61,083,382	-
Total		509,842,618	469,133,773
Expenditure			
Personnel cost	25.00	245,227,927	237,141,232
Support cost	26.00	23,783,797	23,013,262
Logistics/Transport cost	27.00	5,662,359	6,097,926
Input Cost	28.00	7,653,460	-
Centre operation	29.00	29,413,542	29,628,698
Medical and Therapy services	30.00	20,301,929	20,758,919
Education program	31.00	18,362,479	23,598,595
Rehabilitation support services	32.00	7,808,639	39,476,008
Self finance project	33.00	14,141,115	18,713,933
Human resources development	34.00	270,868	314,801
Project operation	35.00	47,418,568	-
Professional & Audit fees		115,907	110,000
Depreciation charges		25,906,834	28,093,419
Sub-Total		446,067,424	426,946,793
Excess of income over expenditure during the year		63,775,194	42,186,980
Total		509,842,618	469,133,773

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2. FCRP-Canada Society

Friends of CRP- Canada Society was officially registered in the province of British Columbia in November 2009 and Federal Charitable Status was granted in 2010.

For more information please contact:

Carolyn Scott, President. E-mail: carolynleescott@gmail.com

Donata Von Platen, Vice- President. E-mail: frogplaten@gmail.com

Your donation can be made by cheque to "Friends of CRP - Canada Society" and sent to: 901 - 1737 Duchess Avenue, West Vancouver, BC V7V 1P8. Tax receipts are issued for all amounts over C\$20.00 or through Canada's online donation organization "Canada Helps", www.canadahelps.org and follow the links to enter "Friends of CRP - Canada Society". A receipt will be sent electronically.

3. FCRP-Germany

For more details of Friends of CRP-Germany please contact:
Elke Sandmann. E-mail: eksandmann@gmx.de, Tel: 0896709060

Or make a bank transfer to the following account:

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Kto.-Nr. 100 005 6976
SWIFT-BIC-Code: SSKMDEMM
IBAN number: DE27 7015 0000 1000 0569 76

4. FCRP-Sweden

For more details of Friends of CRP-Sweden please contact:
Sofia Portström. E-mail: sofia.portstrom@live.se, Phone: +46 (0)705-382785
Marie Portström. E-mail: marie.portstrom@gmail.com

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Contact Information:

American Friends of CRP, 1635 Ralston Branch Way, Sugar Land, TX 77479
For more information please visit web site: www.us-crp.org
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19. Abbreviations and acronyms

1.	ADAB	Association for Development Agencies in Bangladesh
2.	ADL	Activities of Daily Living
3.	AHEAD	Access to Health and Education for all Children and Youth with Disabilities
4.	AKKF	A K Khan Foundation
5.	ALPD	Access to Livelihood for People with Disabilities
6.	ANDD	Autism and Neuro-development Disorder
7.	APOSM	Asian Prosthetic and Orthotic Scientific Meeting
8.	APT	Appropriate Paper Technology
9.	ASCoN	Asian Spinal Cord Network
10.	ASD	Autism Spectrum Disorder
11.	B.Sc	Bachelor of Science
12.	BACHAO	Bangladeshi American Charitable Organization
13.	BBDN	Bangladesh Business Disability Network
14.	BCC	Bangladesh Computer Council
15.	BGMEA	Bangladesh Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association
16.	BHPI	Bangladesh Health Professions Institute
17.	BJOTR	Bangladesh Journal of Occupational Therapy and Rehabilitation
18.	BMPT	Biomedical Physics & Technology Department
19.	BNC	Bangladesh Nursing Council
20.	BOTA	Bangladesh Occupational Therapy Association
21.	BPA	Bangladesh Physiotherapy Association
22.	BRTA	Bangladesh Road Transport Authority
23.	BSRM	Bangladesh Steel Re-Rolling Mills
24.	BTEB	Bangladesh Technical Education Board
25.	BUET	Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology
26.	CBR	Community Based Rehabilitation
27.	CDD	Centre for Disability Development
28.	CP	Cerebral Palsy
29.	CPD	Continuous Professional Development
30.	CRP	Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed
31.	CWD	Children with Disability
32.	DAC	District Action Collaborative
33.	DC	Deputy Commissioner
34.	DFATD	Department of Foreign Affairs Trade and Development
35.	DPO	Disabled People's Organisation
36.	DPT	Doctor of Physical Therapy
37.	DRRA	Disabled Rehabilitation and Research Association
38.	DSA	Disability Sports Australia
39.	DSS	Department of Social Services
40.	ECG	Electrocardiography
41.	ETS	Extra Time Service
42.	GIZ	Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
43.	GO	Government Organisation
44.	HRD	Human Resource Department
45.	IAS	International Accounting Standards
46.	ICRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
47.	ICT	Information and Communications Technology
48.	IDAPP	ISCoS Database: ASCoN Pilot Project
49.	IDPD	International Day of Persons with Disability
50.	IDT	Interdisciplinary Team
51.	IER	Institute of Education and Research
52.	IEU	Inclusive Education Unit
53.	IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards
54.	IGA	Income Generating Activities
55.	IJC	Inclusive Job Centre
56.	ILO	International Labour Organization
57.	ISCoS	International Spinal Cord Society

58.	ISPO	International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics
59.	IT	Information Technology
60.	IWRF	International Wheelchair Rugby Federation
61.	JPUF	Jatiyo Protibondhi Unnayan Foundation
62.	KOICA	Korea International Cooperation Agency
63.	M.Sc	Master of Science
64.	MOT	Master of Occupational Therapy
65.	MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
66.	MPT	Master of Physiotherapy
67.	MRS	Master of Rehabilitation Science
68.	MSW	Medical Services Wing
69.	NAPE	National Academy of Primary Education
70.	NDD	Neuro-developmental Disability
71.	NFOWD	National Forum of Organisations Working with the Disabled
72.	NGO	Non Government Organisation
73.	NIMH	National Institute of Mental Health
74.	OPAS	Online Payment and Appointment System
75.	OT	Occupational Therapy
76.	P&O	Prosthetics and Orthotics
77.	PDMS	Patient Database Management System
78.	PSC	Primary School Certificate
79.	PSES	Promotion of Social and Environment Standards in the industry
80.	PT	Physiotherapy
81.	PWD	Persons with Disability
82.	RC	Regional Committees
83.	RIC	Resource Integration Centre
84.	RM&E	Research, Monitoring and Evaluation
85.	RMCH	Rajshahi Medical College and Hospital
86.	RMG	Ready-Made Garment
87.	RMG	Ready Made Garments
88.	RPT	Recycled Paper Technology
89.	SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
90.	SARPV	Social Assistance and Rehabilitation for the Physically Vulnerable
91.	SBMCH	Sher-e- Bangla Medical College and Hospital
92.	SCI	Spinal Cord Injury
93.	SCIDAB	Spinal Cord Injuries Development Association Bangladesh
94.	SCS	Spinal Cord Society
95.	SENU	Special Education Needs Unit
96.	SFD	Special Fund for the Disabled
97.	SHED	Society for Health Extension and Development
98.	SLT	Speech and Language Therapy
99.	SMF	State Medical Faculty
100.	SRU	Stroke Rehabilitation Unit
101.	SSU	Special Seating Unit
102.	SWD	Social Welfare Department
103.	TOT	Training of Trainer
104.	TRP	Trust for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed
105.	UDPDC	Upazilla Disabled People Development Council
106.	UK	United Kingdom
107.	ULAB	University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh
108.	UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
109.	USA	United States of America
110.	VERC	Village Education Resource Center
111.	VTI	Vocational Training Institute
112.	WCPT	World Confederation for Physical Therapy
113.	WMTS	William and Marie Taylor School
114.	WRI	Worker Role Interview
115.	YWD	Youth with Disability

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