



that came from link up which was a global programme of the International HIV/AIDS Alliance, UK, funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Bangladesh has a high density population of 158.5 million and a high ratio of young population. Young population aged 10-24 is 30 percent which is a total of 47.6 million. Only 2.2% of males and 1.1% of females have perceived their risk for getting infected with HIV. Fifty seven percent of youth have misconceptions related to transmission and prevention of HIV/AIDS.

The affordability of getting SRHR information and services is limited as well as the access is absent for vulnerable young key people. Nobody specifically is addressing the age group of 10-24 years.

So SANGJOG, a Partnership initiative of PSTC and Population Council (PC) funded by Embassy of the Kingdom of Netherlands, aims to make a significant change to the integration of vital SRHR interventions and will generate important evidence to aid the broader SRHR/HIV integration movement.

Goal

- Increased access to integrated SRHR & HIV services to vulnerable young key people.



Objective

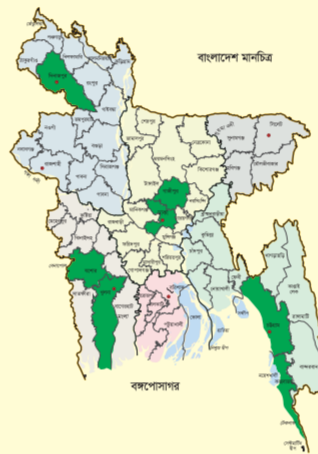
- Increase awareness and health seeking behaviour of 50,000 vulnerable young key people on SHR & HIV services.
Establish functional referral linkage with GoB and NGO health facilities for providing SRHR and HIV services to 25,000 VYKPs.
Increase capacity of 20 Government services facilities for providing integrated SRH and HIV services.
Advocacy for creating enabling environment sensitizing 300 stakeholders for increasing access of VYKPs to SRHR & HIV information and services.

Target Group

- Street children/pavement dwellers
Transport workers
Floating sex workers
Young people engaged in small trade and work as labour.

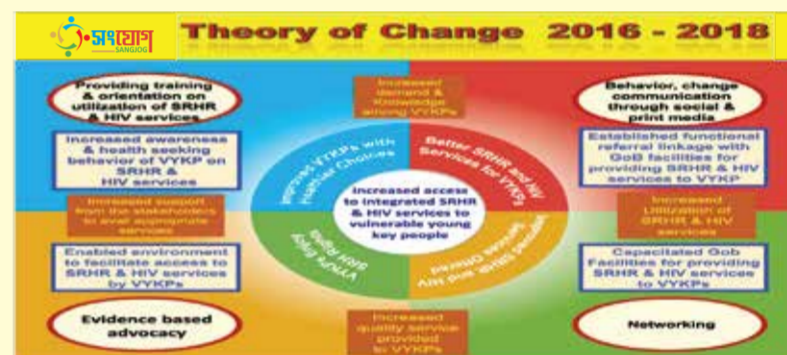
Working Area

- Dhaka
Gazipur
Chittagong
Cox'sbazar
Dinajpur
Jessore and
Kushtia



Major Activities

- Community mobilisation and education to increase knowledge of young key people vulnerable to HIV and AIDS;
Capacity building of youth leaders and networks to build a supportive environment for exercising SRHR;
BCC through using of different Medias (Print, Electronic, social media etc.)
Distribution of commodities; integration of SRHR/HIV services; establishment of referrals and linkages between service providers;
Creation of mechanisms for provision of affordable and accessible services to young key people vulnerable to HIV and AIDS;
Capacity building of government's health services centres towards integration of sustainable SRHR/HIV services.
Advocacy with district level stakeholders and national decision makers to raise awareness
Evidence generation and documentation and disseminations
Evidence based Information sharing at national, international events on vulnerability of young key people to HIV to obtain favourable policy commitments.



About PSTC

Population Services and Training Centre (PSTC) is a non-government and not-for-profit organization.

It works for improvement of condition and status of socially marginalized and disadvantaged people by undertaking various initiatives. PSTC began its operations in 1978.

Background

PSTC is the organization of Family Planning Services and Training Centre (FPSTC) which was created in 1978 following a government order to act as a coordinating body for the government, development partners and local NGOs working in the field of Family Planning and Maternal & Child Health (MCH).

Till 1995, PSTC promoted and developed 82 NGOs throughout the country and provided technical assistance in the area of project management, staff development, community development and sustainability of local NGOs.

In 1995 PSTC started its journey as a National NGO in Bangladesh.

Vision

Improved quality of life of disadvantaged people of Bangladesh.

Mission

PSTC's aim is to improve the health, social security and physical living condition for people of Bangladesh, especially for those who are poor and socially disadvantage in sustainable way.

Values

PSTC values are guided by the principle of commitment to its Mission, Vision, target people and the community as a whole. It adheres to the systems, inculcates the culture of integrity, modesty and team spirit.



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