



Message from the Founder

As we look back on 2024, I feel inspired by the remarkable strides we've made in our mission to support underprivileged communities. This year has truly highlighted the strength of our collective efforts—our dedicated team, generous donors, and committed partners have all been essential in transforming challenges into opportunities for positive change.

The Amal Foundation is broadening its impact through initiatives that tackle pressing social issues. From empowering individuals with the Orphan Sponsorship Project and Zakat Empowerment Program to promoting sustainability through Climate Smart Agriculture and advocating for environmental responsibility at the Plastic Conference, our efforts have made a significant difference in people's lives.

As we move forward, I am optimistic that our shared dedication and unwavering pursuit of a brighter future will lead to even more remarkable accomplishments. Together, we will continue to build resilience, promote empowerment, and create lasting change in the communities we serve.

Esrat Karim

Founder and Executive Director

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Our Vision

A world where marginalized communities are empowered to live sustainably, thrive in the face of climate challenges, and access equal opportunities for education, health, and economic prosperity.



Our Mission

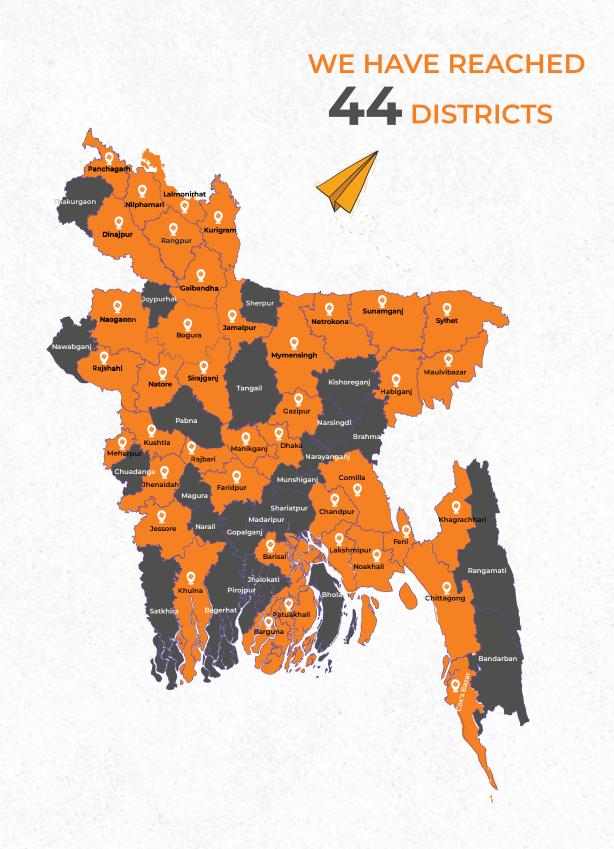
To empower vulnerable communities in Bangladesh through integrated solutions in education, healthcare, climate resilience, and economic development, ensuring inclusivity, sustainability, and resilience to future challenges.



Our Core Values

Amal Foundation's core values form the ethical foundation of its work and provide guidance for all organizational activities. These values represent the principles that underpin every project and decision, ensuring the organization remains focused on its mission while maintaining high ethical standards.

AREA WE COVERED TILL NOW







Established in 2017 by Amal Foundation, Ucchash School represents a key initiative aimed at promoting accessible and inclusive primary education for underprivileged children in Char Shonpocha, a remote and climate-vulnerable riverine island in Bogura. The school addresses barriers to formal education by offering a comprehensive support system, including free education, nutritious daily tiffin, regular health checkups, school uniforms, and essential learning materials.

Throughout 2024, Ucchash School remained committed to fostering the cognitive, social, and emotional development of its 50 students, responding to the unique challenges posed by the region's geographic isolation and socio-economic vulnerabilities.

We Are Providing



Free of Cost Education



Nutritious Tiffin



Child Brain Development Activities



Uniform & Stationeries

50

Students are getting preliminary Education

400

Students have completed preliminary education through Ucchash School

Ucchash school activities through the year 2024



Annual Picnic

Students participated in various athletic events, promoting physical fitness, teamwork, and school spirit.

Book and Stationery Distribution:

At the start of the academic year, every student received a complete set of educational materials including textbooks, notebooks, and art supplies, easing financial stress for families and ensuring equal access to learning.



Victory Day Celebration

Victory Day was observed with various activities, celebrating the country's triumph and honoring those who contributed to its liberation.



Promotion of Child Safety and Awareness

Interactive sessions on child helped students safety understand the difference between appropriate and inappropriate touch, promoting confidence and / personal awareness.



Extracurricular Activities

We combine academics with sports, arts, and cultural activities to foster confident, well-rounded individuals

Nurturing Education and Well-being in Rural Schools

The NutriTiffin for Tomorrow project is a collaborative initiative between Amal Foundation and Thrive, designed to address the nutritional needs of underprivileged children in rural schools. This project primarily targets schools located in areas where resources are limited, and families face significant challenges in accessing adequate nutrition. The project aims to provide nutritious tiffins to students, ensuring that they can focus on their education without the constant burden of hunger. By offering these essential meals, the initiative fosters a healthier, more engaging learning environment and supports the academic success of the children.

The core belief driving the NutriTiffin for Tomorrow project is that proper nutrition is crucial to a child's ability to learn, grow, and contribute meaningfully to their community. The initiative goes beyond simply providing food—it empowers children by giving them the energy and nutrients required to thrive both physically and mentally. These meals not only contribute to the children's physical health but also promote mental well-being, enhancing their ability to engage in school and reach their full potential in life.















Transforming Lives Through Orphan Sponsorship:

Amal Foundation, in partnership with One Ummah Charity, UK, continues to support vulnerable children through the Orphan Sponsorship Project 2023-2024. With over 4.8 million orphans in Bangladesh facing severe hardship due to poverty, lack of education, and inadequate living conditions, this initiative aims to ensure their well-being and provide essential support.

In four cohorts, Amal Foundation distributed food, financial aid, and educational materials to 300 orphaned children, ensuring holistic support for their well-being and development.

In 2024, Amal Foundation successfully implemented four cohorts of impactful initiatives aimed at supporting 300 orphaned children through comprehensive care. The foundation regularly distributed nutritious meals and food packages to the children and their families, enhancing food security and promoting healthy growth. Monthly financial assistance was provided to help meet basic needs and ensure family stability. In the realm of education, Amal distributed essential learning materials, including school supplies, uniforms, and books, while also covering school fees to guarantee uninterrupted access to education. These efforts reflect Amal Foundation's commitment to holistic development and lay the groundwork for expanding support and impact in the future.

Locations Covered





A DAY OF JOY AND LAUGHTER

As part of our ongoing commitment to the well-being of orphaned children, last year we organized a special day of entertainment for 300 children under our Orphan Support Project. The event took place at a popular children's park in Bogura Sadar, where the children enjoyed a day filled with fun, laughter, and carefree play. This initiative not only offered a joyful experience but also helped create lasting memories and emotional well-being for these young hearts. We believe that moments like these are essential in nurturing hope and happiness in their lives.



















Empowerment

We are dedicated to uplifting underprivileged communities by providing essential training that fosters self-sufficiency. Our commitment lies in equipping individuals with the skills and knowledge they need to become independent, confident, and capable of building a better future for themselves and their families.



Hope Skill Center for Women Empowerment

The project was launched by Amal Foundation, the Hope Skill Center for Women Empowerment addresses the compounded challenges of climate change and economic vulnerability in Bangladesh's Koyra Upazila, Khulna. These areas are frequently affected by natural disasters that push families deeper into poverty. The project focuses on equipping women with practical skills and income-generating opportunities to foster resilience and financial independence.

In 2024, the Poripurna Project made remarkable strides in empowering women in Koyra, Khulna. A total of 30 women successfully completed basic training in boutique and sewing, acquiring practical skills in home décor and advanced techniques that promote financial independence. The Koyra Skill Center, which trains 10 women every three months, continues to serve as a vibrant hub for learning and income generation. From the initial group, 10 women were selected for advanced training to further refine their craftsmanship and elevate their economic potential. Through this continuous cycle of skill development, the Poripurna Project not only boosts individual livelihoods but also cultivates long-term community resilience and leadership among women.

















Zakat Empowerment Project

Transforming Lives Through Faith and Opportunity

The Zakat Empowerment Project is a reflection of Amal Foundation's commitment to creating sustainable transformation by utilizing Zakat funds to uplift marginalized communities. The initiative is aimed at breaking the cycles of poverty, illiteracy, and inadequate healthcare by providing targeted interventions in education, healthcare, and economic opportunities. This holistic approach empowers individuals to improve their lives and reduce long-term dependence on charity.

By strategically channeling Zakat resources, Amal Foundation goes beyond providing immediate financial aid—offering sustainable livelihood opportunities that empower individuals to become self-reliant. Through the distribution of rickshaws, small shops, and sewing machines, beneficiaries are equipped to improve their economic condition and reduce long-term dependence on charity. This impact is best reflected in real-life stories: Mizan, once struggling to support his family, now earns a stable income with the rickshaw he received, while Shapla, a widow, has gained financial independence by launching her own sewing business. These stories illustrate the transformative potential of Zakat when used as a means to foster dignity, resilience, and lasting change.

















Project Shawnirvor

The Shawnirvor Project, implemented in the Khulna region (Maharajpur, Uttor Bedkashi, and Koyra), aimed to empower marginalized communities by addressing critical social issues such as child marriage, gender-based violence, and economic empowerment. Throughout 2024, the project successfully raised awareness, provided skill development opportunities, and offered legal aid to vulnerable groups. By focusing on awareness campaigns, capacity building, and collaboration with local governance, the project aimed to create a more informed, resilient, and self-reliant community.

The "Uthan Boithok" sessions played a critical role in raising awareness and fostering community engagement. A total of 214 sessions were conducted across the project areas, targeting major issues such as child marriage, forced marriage, violence against women, and the importance of public opinion in shaping societal norms. These awareness campaigns empowered women to speak out against harmful practices and made them more confident in advocating for their rights. Men were educated on the negative effects of violence and early marriages, which helped break traditional stereotypes. Additionally, youth—especially girls—felt more confident to pursue education and resist early marriage, while boys gained a better understanding of gender equality and the societal consequences of violence.

















Child MarriagePrevention Loan(CMPL)

Several beneficiaries have demonstrated the positive impact of the loans, using the funds to invest in sustainable income-generating activities. For example, Sohag, a father from the project, used his loan to purchase a CNG auto-rickshaw, which has provided a steady source of income for his family. Similarly, Shamsun Nahar's father invested in goat farming, and Mst. Mitu Moni's mother bought a cow, sold it, and reinvested the profits into purchasing another cow. Additionally, Mst. Liza's mother purchased and sold a cow, repeating the process to generate more income for her family.

In 2025, the CMPL Project will continue its efforts to provide capacity-building and support for beneficiaries. There will be 6 awareness sessions focusing on Gender-Based Violence (GBV), Women's Health, and Well-being, aimed at 150 beneficiaries across the three regions of Ukhiya, Teknaf, and Ramu. Another 6 financial literacy training sessions will be held to help 150 beneficiaries learn about budgeting, savings, loan utilization, and entrepreneurial skills.

Regular follow-up visits will be conducted to monitor how the loans are being utilized, ensuring they support productive income-generating activities. This will involve field visits, interviews, and small group check-ins.













BEFORE THIS PROJECT, MY
PARENTS WERE STRUGGLING
FINANCIALLY, AND THEY
THOUGHT MARRIAGE WAS THE
ONLY OPTION FOR ME. BUT
WITH THE LOAN, MY MOTHER
STARTED A SMALL BUSINESS,
AND NOW WE ARE
FINANCIALLY STABLE. I AM
STILL IN SCHOOL, CHASING MY
DREAMS INSTEAD OF BEING
FORCED INTO MARRIAGE. THIS
PROGRAM GAVE ME A FUTURE.

GITA RANI

SARIAKANDI, BOGURA



Youth Skill Development through Vocational Training: Empowering Rural Youth

The Electric Training Center in Bogura is an initiative by Amal Foundation aimed at empowering local youth by providing specialized vocational training. The program equips young individuals with valuable skills in electric wiring, AC repair, and fridge repair, alongside a deeper understanding of various electrical equipment. This hands-on training helps participants gain technical expertise and enhances their employability. Additionally, it prepares them for potential self-employment opportunities, enabling them to offer repair services within their communities.

By offering these practical skills, the initiative boosts the confidence of the youth and opens pathways to additional income, allowing them to support their families and contribute to the local economy. Over the course of one year, the project aims to create a skilled workforce in Bogura, fostering sustainable livelihoods and community growth. The training is designed to meet the demands of the local labor market, helping youth secure stable careers and break the cycle of poverty in rural areas.



In 2024, the Electric Training Center successfully completed three training batches, providing vocational training to a total of 75 young individuals. These participants gained specialized skills in electric wiring, AC repair, and fridge repair, all of which are highly relevant to the local economy. This training equips them with the technical know-how to enter the job market or pursue self-employment through repair services in their communities.

The program not only enhances their technical abilities but also plays a crucial role in increasing local employment opportunities, contributing to the broader goal of sustainable development. By providing skills that are in demand, the training helps young individuals build stable careers and fosters long-term economic growth in the region.













Women Empowerment through Pickle Project: Skill Training Centers and Entrepreneurship Initiative

The Pickle Project is a key initiative by Amal Foundation aimed at empowering underprivileged women by equipping them with pickle-making skills and entrepreneurial knowledge. This project not only focuses on developing practical skills but also enables women to achieve financial independence and break the cycle of poverty.

By 2024, the Pickle Project successfully trained 40 women across two cohorts, providing them with advanced training in pickle-making, storage, and quality control. The training was conducted 3 days a week, allowing the participants to gain the necessary skills to produce high-quality products and manage the intricacies of food production. The project has established market linkages with corporate buyers, ensuring a sustainable income for the beneficiaries.

The next phase of the project focuses on branding, market analysis, and quality certification, aiming to further strengthen the business aspects and ensure long-term success in the market. The project also provides flexible schedules, mentorship, and family support, creating an environment where women can thrive in their entrepreneurial ventures while balancing family responsibilities.



PROJECT IMPACT









Emergency

Amal Foundation is committed to offering immediate relief to individuals in distress during emergencies across Bangladesh. We focus on understanding the unique challenges faced by affected communities, listening to their perspectives on recovery, and crafting targeted plans to rebuild and strengthen their lives and communities for the future.



Amal Foundation's Fight Against the Flood

In response to the devastating floods that affected multiple regions of Bangladesh, Amal Foundation launched an emergency relief initiative aimed at providing immediate support to water-bound communities. The Flood Aid Distribution Campaign was designed to address the urgent needs of individuals and families who were severely impacted by the floods. These communities faced not only the loss of homes and livelihoods but also a lack of basic supplies such as food, clean water, and clothing.

The Flood Aid Distribution focused on delivering essential relief supplies to the hardest-hit areas, including Feni and other severely affected regions. The foundation's swift and organized response helped provide critical assistance to those in need, highlighting the importance of timely intervention in disaster-stricken areas.

In 2024, the Flood Aid Distribution campaign made a substantial impact, reaching thousands of individuals and families in urgent need of help. Amal Foundation worked tirelessly to ensure that essential supplies were distributed to communities that had been devastated by the floods.

FLOOD

RESPONSE IMPACT



2,835+

Dry Food Pack Distributed



2,150+

Hygiene Pack Distributed



4,957+

Hot Meal Distributed



730+

Clothes Pack Distributed



Area we reached during flood

Moulvibazar, Khagrachari Feni, Noakhali, Lakshmipur







Winter Aid Distribution 2024: Aid to Fight Winter

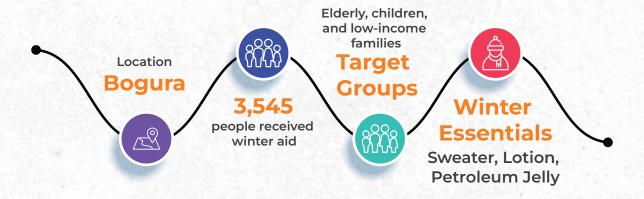
The Winter Aid Distribution 2024 project, also known as "Aid to Fight Winter," is an annual initiative by Amal Foundation designed to provide warmth and comfort to underprivileged communities facing the challenges of extreme cold. Each year, Amal Foundation focuses on helping low-income families, elderly individuals, and children who struggle to survive harsh winter conditions without proper clothing or warmth. In 2024, the initiative focused on Bogura district and other regions of Bangladesh, distributing vital winter essentials to ensure vulnerable populations could withstand the winter chill.

The project aims to ensure that no one suffers from the cold during winter months. By distributing sweaters, blankets, and other essential winter wear, the project provides immediate relief and helps vulnerable communities better cope with extreme temperatures.

In 2024, the Winter Aid Distribution project made significant strides in delivering essential warmth to thousands of vulnerable individuals. Through dedicated efforts, Amal Foundation reached many families in extreme need, particularly in Bogura and other targeted areas. The project distributed sweaters, blankets, and other winter essentials to help protect the most vulnerable groups, such as elderly individuals and children.

The project not only provided practical aid but also fostered community engagement. Volunteers, donors, and community members actively participated in the distribution, spreading warmth, care, and solidarity to those most affected by the harsh winter. The initiative was designed to be inclusive, ensuring that immediate aid reached the elderly and children, the groups most at risk during cold weather.















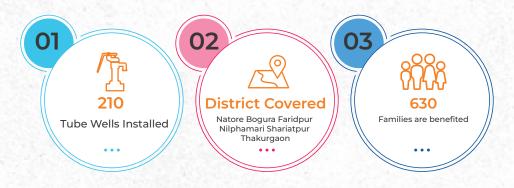




Clean water for all

Since its inception in 2012, the Clean Water for All project has been a cornerstone initiative by Amal Foundation, in collaboration with United Finance and One Ummah. This project aims to tackle the critical issue of water scarcity in underserved regions across Bangladesh by providing safe, clean, and accessible drinking water. Through the installation of tube wells, the project has significantly enhanced the lives of countless families in water-scarce areas, enabling access to clean water for drinking, cooking, and sanitation.

The initiative spans multiple districts, including Bogura, Sirajganj, Nilphamari, Gaibandha, Faridpur, Habiganj, Chandpur, Comilla, Rajbari, Cox's Bazar, Barguna, and Naogaon, improving community health and hygiene in areas plagued by the lack of water resources. For nearly a decade, this project has been instrumental in transforming the lives of rural communities and fostering sustainable development.





In 2024, the Clean Water for All project reached significant milestones in its mission to provide safe and accessible water to underserved communities across Bangladesh. The project successfully installed 210 new tube wells across multiple districts, further expanding access to clean water. This expansion has directly benefited thousands of families, ensuring they now have access to potable water for essential needs such as drinking, cooking, and sanitation.

The installation of these wells has had a profound impact on public health, significantly reducing the prevalence of waterborne diseases. Access to clean water has greatly improved the overall community health and sanitation, which is vital for the well-being of rural populations. Additionally, the project has contributed to enhancing local resilience, ensuring that communities are better equipped to handle water scarcity challenges and ensuring the sustainability of water sources in the long term.













Health Camp for Maternal and Infant Health

Amal Foundation, in collaboration with Savlon Bangladesh, organized the Savlon Health Camp 2024 to provide medical support and awareness counseling for mothers and newborns in remote areas of Chattogram Division. Postpartum women face weakened immunity, infections, and health complications, while newborns remain vulnerable to diseases due to low immunity. Unfortunately, there is limited awareness and access to healthcare in many parts of Bangladesh. This initiative aimed to bridge the healthcare gap by delivering essential medical services and education to those in need.

The Savlon Health Camp 2024, organized by Amal Foundation in partnership with Savlon Bangladesh, was held across various locations in the Chattogram Division to support new mothers, newborns, and children. The campaign provided health awareness sessions on postpartum care and newborn health, medical check-ups, and distributed hygiene products and essential medicines. Reaching hundreds of underserved mothers and newborns, the initiative significantly improved awareness about maternal health, nutrition, hygiene, and infant care. With support from doctors, nurses, and healthcare professionals, the camp ensured proper medical guidance and early intervention, leading to better health outcomes. Committed to expanding its reach, Amal Foundation plans to extend these vital healthcare services to more remote areas, reinforcing its dedication to maternal and child well-being.



Impact Summary















Free Health Camp for Flood Victims 2024: Delivering Urgent Medical Aid in Crisi

In 2024, Amal Foundation took immediate action to support flood-affected communities in Lakshmipur, Kamalnagar by organizing the Free Health Camp for Flood Victims 2024. The devastating floods left many families struggling with poor sanitation, waterborne diseases, and limited access to healthcare. Vulnerable groups, particularly women, children, and the elderly, faced serious health risks. Recognizing the urgency, Amal Foundation launched this week-long initiative from October 1 to October 7 to provide timely medical assistance and prevent further health deterioration in the community.

Key Achievements in 2024

The Free Health Camp reached hundreds of individuals in flood-affected areas, providing comprehensive medical care and preventive education. Patients received general medical checkups, early diagnosis, and treatment for waterborne illnesses and infections such as diarrhea, skin diseases, and respiratory issues. Essential medicines and nutritional supplements were distributed to support physical recovery.

Additionally, health consultations were provided to raise awareness about hygiene, safe drinking water, and balanced nutrition. These topics are critical in preventing disease outbreaks in post-disaster settings. The presence of experienced doctors and health workers ensured that each patient received personalized care and guidance.



Impact at a Glance



Environment

Our focus is on supporting environmental sustainability through green initiatives. By promoting eco-friendly practices and contributing to the preservation of natural resources, we are working to create a healthier planet and a more sustainable future for all.

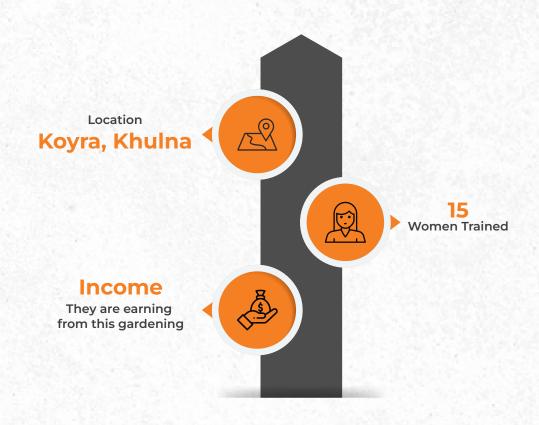


Building Climate Resilient Communities through Skill Development on Climate Smart Agricultural Techniques

The Amal Foundation, supported by TIKA and the Australian High Commission, is implementing the "Building Climate Resilient Communities through Skill Development on Climate Smart Agricultural Techniques" project in Koyra Upazila, Khulna. This initiative aims to empower underprivileged women in climate-vulnerable areas by providing them with practical training in climate-smart agriculture techniques and leadership development. The coastal region of Khulna faces numerous climate-induced challenges, including rising water salinity, frequent flash floods, and waterlogging, which have significantly impacted the livelihoods of its residents.

In 2024, the project focused on practical training and community engagement through two key phases. From January to July, the first phase trained 30 women in sack and vertical gardening, empowering them with hands-on skills to grow vegetables in limited spaces, ensuring food security and income opportunities. The second phase, running from November to December, includes four cohorts of 20 beneficiaries each, selected based on vulnerability to climate change and social inequality; one cohort has completed training, and the second began in November. Each cohort receives 18 classes—14 on climate-smart agriculture and 4 on leadership development—to build both practical and leadership capacities. Additionally, the project is hosting 20 community meetings in 2024 (5 per cohort) to foster knowledge-sharing and encourage wider community participation, with 4 meetings already held with the second cohort.







Capacity Development and Market Linkage for Project Beneficiaries of LoGIC

The UNDP LoGIC Project (Local Governance and Climate Change) aims to empower extremely poor farmers in Bangladesh by introducing climate-resilient agricultural practices and crops. Focused primarily on cultivating quinoa and chia seeds, this project addresses both the agricultural challenges posed by climate change and the economic needs of rural farming communities. By establishing a reliable market for these crops, the project strives to enhance the farmers' income and resilience, particularly in areas prone to extreme weather conditions such as those in Khulna and Bagerhat.



Key Activities in 2024

Throughout 2024, the UNDP LoGIC Project made significant progress in expanding its reach and impact. Key activities included:

Needs Assessment & Beneficiary Selection: In collaboration with the Department of Agriculture Extension (DAE), the project conducted Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) and Key Informant Interviews (KIIs) in Khulna and Bagerhat districts, covering ten selected areas. These activities helped assess the feasibility of cultivating quinoa and chia seeds in these regions, ensuring alignment with local environmental conditions and market readiness.

Capacity Building: Training sessions focused on climate-smart agricultural techniques, chia and quinoa seed cultivation, and market linkages were held. These sessions aimed to build the capacity of local farmers to produce and process these crops effectively.

Market Linkages & Crop Promotion: A significant emphasis was placed on establishing a market for quinoa and chia seeds, which included setting up partnerships for selling and distributing these products, benefiting both rural and urban consumers.

Agriculture Hub Establishment: A central hub was established in Faridpur to streamline agricultural input distribution, enhance production coordination, and promote sustainable farming practices across the region.

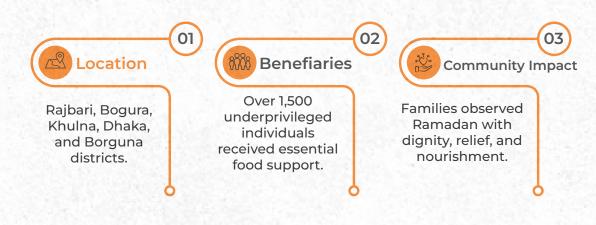




Spreading Hope Through Ramadan Food Distribution

The holy month of Ramadan is a time of reflection, compassion, and giving. At Amal Foundation, we uphold these values by distributing essential food packages to families in need. Every year, as part of our Ramadan Campaign, we strive to ensure that underprivileged communities have access to basic food supplies during this sacred time. Ramadan Campaign 2024

In 2024, Amal Foundation successfully provided food packages to 100 beneficiary families.

















Spreading Hope Through Ramadan Food Distribution

During the holy month of Ramadan, Amal Foundation continued its annual tradition of Iftar distribution, ensuring that those in need could break their fast with a nutritious meal. Many underprivileged families struggle to afford proper meals during Ramadan, making this initiative a vital source of support and compassion.















The Edge of Hope Photography Exhibition

On June 20, 2024, coinciding with World Refugee Day, Amal Foundation organized a week-long photography campaign at the British Council, Dhaka, to raise awareness about refugee rights and advocate for sustainable solutions.





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