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#### EDITORIAL NOTE

In 2023, with new hires, Agami is working on effective solutions with the right mix of technology and human interactions. From our PPI updates on this issue, you will witness the excitement of all the recent activities.

Agami, as an organization is strengthening its internal framework while encouraging both employees and volunteers to communicate more often, share monthly updates with Agami leaders, and initiate conversations to align goals between Agami and its constituents. Agami started developing website items, improving its presence on social media. This is progress.

Several taskforce teams have been introduced to the organization for overview, compliance and advice on focused topics. This, Agami believes, will effectively distribute work and mitigate some risks related to delays in process. This is progress.

In a nutshell, Agami has been carefully working towards solutions that mean progress in education, and in turn, would mean "absolute progress" to Agami.

The quarterly Agami News could not be published in the last 12 months for various reasons. Moving forward, we plan to publish this quarterly publication on a regular basis. Your co-operation and feedback will be appreciated.



Please continue to provide your feedback to news@agami.org as they matter most to the Agami News team.

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#### **Agami Inc Calendar**

#### April 2023

 Global Seminar : Agami Chapters opportunities and challenges

#### May 2023

 Global Seminar : Staff Training & Career Development

#### **June 2023**

Global Seminar: Long-term Agami
 Vision and Growth Potential

#### School Program Calendar

#### **April 2023**

- Periodic School Monitoring
- SP Impact Analysis

#### **May 2023**

- SP Impact Analysis
- Baseline Data Collection for New Projects
- Orientation SP Reporting and Documentation

#### **June 2023**

- · Periodic School Monitoring
- Analyze School Monitoring Data to Assess Impact

#### **Teachers Training Calendar**

#### April 2023

- Online Session with Teachers & Headteachers on Teachers' Guides of Grade
- Math & Science Content Development for 3rd Phase Interactive Training

## AGAMI INC. ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER



Agami Inc. Concluded successful Year-End Fundraising activities by making new records of Year-End Fundraising threshold.



Agami Inc. executive team has generated all donation related tax-receipts in the beginning of the year and distributed them to respective donors.

Agami Inc. has distributed the first phase of payments based on an approved budget by the board.



Agami Inc
executive team is
organizing goggle
workspace to
improve more on
operational
activities

#### ANNUAL FUNDRAISING 2023



After performing successful online events over the last few years, the Agami team has decided to do hybrid events. It will be in-person and online events to explore the new dynamics.

This year's fundraising team is organizing in-person events in Washington DC, Virginia, and Maryland Area and it will stream through Agami facebook Pages and YouTube Channel. Agami Southeast Chapter (ASEC) team is taking the lead in organizing in-person events and all other team members around the globe are supporting by taking lead on fundraising activities and logistics support. Annual Fundraising 2023 will be held on July 22, 2023 (It may change upon venue selections and event planning, the fundraising team will circulate if there is any change).



Agami Expressions - The podcasts are available on Spotify, Apple and Google channels. The podcast aims to promote awareness about several philanthropy missions and volunteering opportunities.



Agami Education
Foundation has
performed a successful
Fundraising event in
Bangladesh

#### May 2023

- Math & Science Content Development for 3rd Phase Interactive Training
- Ideal Class Initiative Session in Schools
- Follow-up Class Monitoring
- Online Math Olympiad Sessions with Teachers

#### **June 2023**

- Ideal Class Initiative Session in Schools
- Follow-up Class Monitoring
- Online Math Olympiad Sessions with Teachers

#### Librray Project Calendar

#### April 2023

- Icebreaking visit by volunteers to the schools inside Dhaka
- Collect donations and books for all schools

#### May 2023

- Distribute books and organize book reading sessions in seven schools.
- Distribute books to schools outside Dhaka

#### June 2023

- A book reading session organized by HerStory foundation in one of the schools.
- Start project to two schools outside Dhaka,

#### LiF - Life is Fun calendar

#### **April 2023**

- 3 Regular sessions with 3 Agami supported Schools
- Online Teachers' Training
- Finalize the "Sanitation & Water Supply" proposal

#### **May 2023**

- 4 Regular sessions with 4 Agami supported schools
- Online Science Olympiad with teachers
- Preparation for World Environment Day Celebration
- Preparation for Half-yearly review report

# AGAMI EDUCATION FOUNATION ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

#### **OPERATIONS TEAM**

Agami's Operation team
has been building to
supervise and organize
Events, and marketing
activities with
Procurement activities of
AEF.

#### **POLICIES**

Several new organizational policies, including Agami Code of Conduct have beer finalized and is available on the website for our stakeholders.

# VACANCY

#### **New Hires**

Agami Education
Foundation recently
Hired new Accounts
& Finance Manager,
a Payroll officer for
EdTech and an
Intern for Library
Project.

#### FD-6 CELEBRARTIONS

Agami Education Foundation got Approval of **FD-6 from NGOAB** for the first time.

As a part of the process to work in Chittagong, Hill Tracts held a meeting at Regional Council, Rangamati, AEF built a partnership with **Ashika Development Associates.** 



#### Recruitments

The Agami Education Office is expanding and recruitment is open in most teams. In the last three months, some new staff members and interns were hired

#### **AEF Profile Book**

#### AEF Profile Book , published in October,2022 .

It highlights the significant happenings in Agami, achievements, and partnerships. Besides, there are success stories of the underprivileged children we are working for and many more.

**UPDATED PROFILE BOOK** 



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#### **June 2023**

- 2 Regular Sessions with 2 Agami supported schools
- Online Science Olympiad sessions with teachers
- Half-yearly review report submission
- 'World Environment Day-2023'
   Celebration

# Improving English Teaching (IET) - calendar

#### April 2023

- Establish English Club in the Agami supported schools located inside Dhaka
- Recruiting English Olympiad intern and volunteer
- Starting teachers' training on Olympiad technique
- Spoken English Training and remote monitoring

#### May 2023

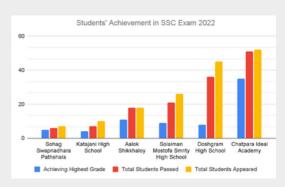
- Initiating English Reading and writing activity, Target group: Primary level (Grade III-V)
- Teachers' Training on Olympiad Technique
- Remote monitoring in seven schools and providing feedback
- Creating self-learning videos based on the lesson plans developed by IET

#### **June 2023**

- Initiating English Reading and writing activity, Target group: Secondary level (Grade VI-VIII)
- Teachers' Training on Olympiad Technique
- Remote monitoring in seven schools and providing feedback
- Creating self-learning videos based on the lesson plans developed by IET

#### SCHOOL PROGRAM - HIGHER PASS RATES IN AGAMI-SUPPORTED SCHOOLS.

An overview from Agamisupported schools unveils that the success rates in secondary school certificate (SSC) examinations held in 2022 have significantly increased. The success rate of SSC in 2022 is 85.76%. The number of highest-grade achievers (A) increased by 37 candidates compared to the previous year.



72 candidates secured an 'A' grade this year (2022), whereas 5 students from Chatpara Idea Academy and 1 student from Aalok Shikkhaloy secured a GPA-5.00 of (A+).

Six Agami-supported schools in 2021, who were also Agami patrons in 2022, have produced a successful outcome. A total of 139 examinees out of 158 succeeded in the last examination. Amongst all the participating schools, Aalok Shikkhaloy, Chatpara Ideal Academy, and Shohag Swapnadhara Pathshala earned the leading positions in considering the overall pass rate.

Schools are committed and highly optimistic to uphold this year's progress and will perform better in future examinations.

Md. Nayim Uddin Dhaka, Bangladesh.



## LIBRARY PROJECT - FUN WITH ORIGAMI



Syeda Aniqa Anju, one of the Library Project volunteers, mentored the students of PSD Nandipara to make the prettiest swans with her origami skills.

It was a very unique session for the kids. How much they enjoyed it? Their smiles say it all.

Origami session October 2022 PSD Nandipara School



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#### **Health For Education Calendar**

#### **April 2023**

- · Conducting a health survey
- General health camp (In selected 2 schools)

#### May 2023

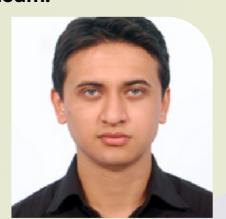
- Primary survey
- Eye camp (In selected 2 schools)

#### **June 2023**

- Primary survey
- Dental camp (In selected 2 schools)
- HfE impact analysis

#### HEALTH FOR FDUCATION NEW TEAM

**Newly formed Health for Education (HfE)** team:



Dr. Md. Rashedul Islam Rashman Ms. Farzana Basher Sharna **Project Lead, Health for Education (HfE)** 



**Project Coordinator, Health for Education (HfE)** 

#### MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN 2023



Agami Inc. has started a membership campaign for 2023. Agami Inc. board has modified the membership period by making a calendar year which is starting on January 1st and ending on December 31st. A member can pay their membership anytime during the year to keep their membership to have voting rights to elect an Agami board member or run for the board member position.

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#### LIBRARY PROJECT WELCOMES NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR 2023



Agami Library Project recruited its new batch of volunteers for the year 2023. An onboarding session was arranged on Saturday, 19 March 2023. A total of 14 volunteers attended the session. Those who could not be present physically - a separate session was later held virtually.

The onboarding started with an introduction to Agami and Agami Education Foundation. The volunteers later got to know about the Library Project, its operations and its scopes through a formal presentation.

> **RENEW AGAMI MEMBERSHIP**

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# **EDTECH** Internet Society Foundation members visit project school under SCILLS grants

The SCILLS (The Strengthening Communities/Improving Lives and Livelihoods) Team, Jenn Beard and Guilherme Rocca, from the Internet Society Foundation (ISF) recently traveled to Bangladesh for some site visits and meetings with current and former grantees.



After attending a grantee gathering on March 15th,
Agami EdTech team took the ISF members to Switch
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# "NATIONAL MATH & SCIENCE CURRICULUM 2022 DISSEMINATION" TRAINING BY TEACHERS' TRAINING PROGRAM

The training sessions were facilitated by two government master trainers. The teachers were introduced to the new curriculum and subject conceptualization on the first day of the training. On the 2nd day of the training, the teachers got familiarized with grade competency, appropriate teaching-learning materials, and experiential learning methods.



#### IET - SPOKEN ENGLISH TRAINING FOR THE TEACHERS







Improving English Teaching, an English initiative of Agami Education Foundation started a four month long Spoken English course for the teachers of Agami supported schools. Total 16 lectures are there in the full course. Until now 12 lectures were conducted online using Zoom platform. IET organized an in-person training session for lecture #4 and lecture #7.



#### LIFE IS FUN 4TH ANNUAL SCIENCE FAIR 2022

"Life is Fun" science education program of Agami Education Foundation has organized Annual Science Fair-2022 for the fourth time in Dhaka. This program aims at teaching science education to primary-level children in a semi-formal manner with the motivation to stimulate their interest in science.





Zinnia Afrin Dhaka, Bangladesh

The program was held based on the theme "Let's Learn Science with Fun". Due to the pandemic, last year, the fair was organized virtually with a live demonstration of the Science Projects by the students.



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#### AGAMI WEBSITE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2023, Agami Website (agami.org) has been goon through many updates. New Marketing Officer joined the Agami Education Foundation and working on website content development and changes. Since then, there are some recent changes on the website:

- AEF Profile Books PDF file update on the website.
- Training schedule updates, Global Seminar, and upcoming events on the website.
- Some information from the website was updated and many more changes are yet to happen gradually as per need and research.

So constantly improving the information and items for the Agami website is also a part of the progress of Agami.

### AGAMI CHESS GUILD

(January-March, 2023)

- 1.Sheikh Russel Youth (Under-20) FIDE Rapid Chess Tournament -2023 (11th Feb ).
- 2. Elegant 34th FIDE Standard Rating Chess Tournament 2023, Below- 1850.(10th Feb)
- 3. Begum Laila Alam 13th FIDE Rated Women's Chess Tournament-2023 . (7th Feb)
- 4. Manha's Castle 14th FIDE Rating Chess Tournament, Below- 2100 (17th Feb).
- 5. Elegant 35th FIDE Standard Rating Chess Tournament, Below- 1850 (10th March)
- 6. Elegant 20th FIDE Blitz Rating Chess Tournament, Below-2000 (11th March)
- 7. Manha's Castle 15th FIDE Rating Chess Tournament- 2023 (15th March)
- 8. Bangabandhu FIDE Rapid Women's Chess Tournament (17th March)
- 9. Manhas's Castle 18th FIDE Rapid Rating Chess Tournament, Below-2100 (26th March)



Jakia Akter, awarded

From **January to March** Our Students Participated in various International Rating Tournaments.

player.

as best female

Jesmin Akter got Awarded as best non rated player, Suraiya Akter got Awarded as best under 16 player and Aysha Akter Habiba got Awarded as best Under







Md Ebrahim started as the 64th player and finished at 61st place with 2 points out of 7 rounds.

# **MORE FROM PPIS**



#### LIBRAY PROJECT FESTIVALS, 2022

Each year Library Project (LP) holds festivals in each of the schools it operates on - as a conclusion for the year's activities.

Last year in 2022, LP arranged the festival in each of the six schools of Dhaka.





# FOLLOW- UP MONITORING BY TEACHERS' TRAINING TEAM

At the beginning of this year, the schools were provided with required exercise, assessment, and record-keeping sheets to conduct all the necessary activities according to the lesson plan.

#### IET - 4 Day Long Training on New English Curriculum



A four-day long Training on "New English Curriculum Dissemination "2022" was organized by IET in the AEF office from 2nd March 2023 to 5th March 2023. The Training was conducted by Ms. Nafisa Begum, Lecturer (English) at Govt. Teachers' Training College, Dhaka.

The teachers were provided all types of equipment and portfolios for each student so that they can keep a record of the student's growth in the cognitive, affective, and psychomotor domains.

While monitoring Science & Math classes the Teachers' Training team has observed improvement in teachers' performance in different sectors. The teachers have also been given feedback on how they can adjust their instruction to make the class more interactive.







//HANK STATEMENTS OF APPRECIATIONS STUDENTS OF AGAMI- SUPPORTED SCHOOLS

> Sanjida Akhter (14), a class VIII student, acknowledged Agami's support, saying, "The way Agami Education Foundation has been supporting our education is truly fantastic and beneficial in increasing the overall quality of education at Doshgram High School. And without their help our authority couldn't manage the school properly."





Rakib Hasan (11), a student of grade V of Laxmipur Simanta Bazar Primary School, says "tiffin, uniform, notebooks and many other things are provided from the school program. They help us a lot in our studies. We hope to have 'Agami' beside us in the future as well.

"We are provided tiffin daily from the school. So we come to school regularly and study with attention. Our teachers teach very carefully. We are thankful to the Agami family for supporting us" said Sazzad Jahir (11), a student in grade V of **Aalok Shikkhaloy.** 



# CELEBRATIONS AT AGAMI EDUCATION



Agami Education Foundation celebrates International Women's day with the fabulous colleagues by this surprise gifts

#### **AGAMI NETROKONA CHAPTER**

Agami Netrakona Chapter (ANC)

organized Book and Blanket
Distribution ceremony at the
Sweeper Colony School,
Netrakona. The Science Fiction
writer and academician Professor
Dr. Muhammed Zafar Iqbal shared
his memories, happiness,
thoughts and books with the
students.

Abdur Rahman Khan, Director of Field operations, AEF and Matindra Sarker, the convener of ANC were also present in the ceremony along with others ANC leaders and volunteers.





The 7th Annual General Meeting of Agami Education Foundation (AEF) was held last Saturday, October 29 at 5:00 PM at the Bleu Cafe Restaurant in Dhaka. The program started with the greeting speech of the president of the organization, Shawkat Hossain.

AEF Executive Director Monika Biswas gave an update on the project activities in the meeting. At the next stage, Mahbubur Rahman, the Director of Financial Affairs of the organization, discussed last year's income and expenditure account, financial grants, and budget allocation of the organization. AEF Field Operations Director Abdur Rahman Khan moderated the 7th annual general meeting of Agami Education Foundation (AEF), which works to improve the quality of education of underprivileged children.

Mr. Tahsin Rauf, member of the Board of Directors of Agami Inc. was present in this event. He provides opinions and advice on various issues.

AEF Vice President Dr. Prof. M.R. Kabir delivered the closing speech on the occasion. Finally, the meeting was formally concluded with a photo session and dinner



#### AGAMI EDUCATION FOUNDATION HOLDS 4TH FUNDRAISING EVENT

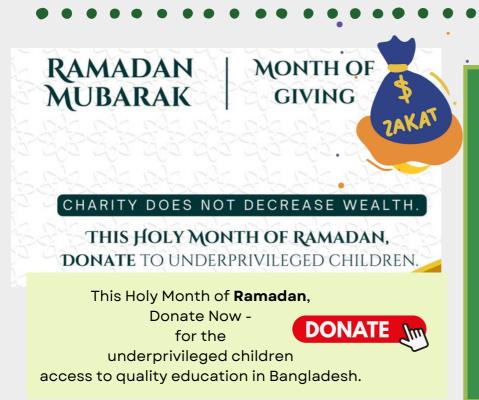
The 4th Fundraising Event of Agami Education Foundation (AEF) was held on Saturday 11 March 2023 at 6 pm at Emmanuelle's party center, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212.



Ramendu Majumder, an honorable actor, writer, stage director, and theater producer, was the Guest of Honor of this event. Dr. Tazkera Khanom - Former Director of Finance of AEF, Nafisa Khanam - Former Executive Director of AEF, Mohammad Kamrul Hasan, who is now the Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Risk Officer at Lanka Bangla Finance Limited graced the event as special guests.







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