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1. Program outline

IPAC Inception Workshop

February 24, 2009, Srimangol

Venue: PDO Hall Room, Bangladesh Tea Board, Srimangol

Purpose:

1. to familiarize local partners (North – Eastern based staff of Forest Dept, Dept. of Fisheries, Dept. of Environment and other local agencies, local NGOs) with the scope of work and major components of IPAC
2. to share information about biodiversity and environmental conservation needs and challenges in the North Eastern – and programs / initiative underway to address them
3. to provide a forum for discussing local priorities, perspectives to be included in the planning and organizing of IPAC intervention in the North – Eastern cluster
 - a. promote collaboration and synergies in the implementation of IPAC
 - b. agreement on priority sites for the field level intervention
 - c. agreement on promising approaches to be supported
 - d. agreement on anticipated results and impacts

Participants:

USAID

IPAC and RDRS

Central & Local Government Representatives, DC, UNO, UP

Forest Dept – DOF and DOE Representatives

CWBMP

Local NGOs: CARITAS, Shining Sun, Save The Children, CNRS (IUCN/SDC)

CMC, RMO, FUG & RUG Federation and Community Representatives including Women, Adivasi (indigenous people) and Journalists

Private Tour Operator, Hotel, Resorts and Eco-cottage, Tour Guide

Representatives from Tea garden

Schedule

9 h	Welcome	IPAC
9.30 h	Introductory Remarks	USAID
10 h	Context for IPAC	Video documentaries on MACH and Nishorgo
11 h	IPAC Briefing	Scope of work, targeted results and priorities for first year
11.30 h	Local leaders	Comment and reaction by Local Leaders
	Tea	
12 h	Partners Perspectives	Information sharing on progress achieved, lessons learned, and Key challenges of participatory management of forests and other natural resources Forest Dept Fisheries
13 h	Lunch	
14 h	Partners Perspectives	(Continued) Info sharing on lessons learned, key challenges Environment Local NGOs
	Tea	
15.30 h	Discussions	Partnerships and Synergies for IPAC Priority interventions for IPAC
16.30 h	Closing	Conclusions and Recommendations

2. Introduction

Integrated Protected Area Co-management (IPAC) is a project (2008-2013) of Bangladesh Government with financial support from USAID. Upon successful completion of the MACH project (1998-2008) by Department of Fisheries and NISHORGO Support Project (2004-2008) by Forest Department, Ministry of Environment & Forest (MoEF) and Ministry of Fisheries & Livestock (MoFL) scaled up the collaborative management program in both terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. IPAC is funded by USAID and implemented by a number of GOB agencies; NGOs and other strategic partners of IRG. The project has a nationwide coverage and administered through five cluster areas namely a. Central cluster b. Sylhet cluster, c. Chittagong Hill Tracts cluster, d. Southeastern cluster and e. Sundarbans cluster. In the Sylhet Cluster, IPAC is working at Lawachara National Park, Satchari National Park, Rema-Kalenga Wildlife Sanctuary and Hail Haor wetland areas and extending co-management to Khadimnagar National Park, Tanguar Haor RAMSAR site and Hakaluki Haor Ecologically Critical Area to improve the livelihood status of surrounding communities through the improved conservation and management of these protected area ecosystems, The IPAC Cluster Inception workshop for Sylhet Cluster was held on February 24, 2009 at PDU Hall Room,; Bangladesh Tea Board at 9.00 AM. The list of participants are annex one.

Bangladesh is called the country of natural green. The journey to re-discover the beauty of green can start from Srimangol which is an Upazila of Maulvibazar District in the Division of Sylhet, Bangladesh. This gorgeous city is under the Sylhet division since the year 1996. Previously it was in the Chittagong division. Srimangol is nearly 160 km northeast of Dhaka, approximately 60 km south of Sylhet city. Srimangol is the place of tea gardens, hills and forest areas on the hills. Madhobpur, Lawachara, Baikka beel, Magurchara Khasia Punji all of them possess different shades of green. The sparkling green of Srimangol could be better described as Ocean of Green. As of the 1991 Bangladesh census, Srimangol has a population of 230,889. Males constitute 51.76% of the total population, and females 48.24%. This Upazila's 18+ population is 124,778. Sreemangal has an average literacy rate of 29.8% (7+ years). Non-Muslim constitute around 45% of the total population making up over one lakh, making it a city with one of the highest concentration of Non Muslim in Bangladesh. The ethnic, cultural and forest diversity found in Sreemongal create a unique impression of Bangladesh.

3. Inaugural session

The Inception Workshop was facilitated by ICB specialist, Mr. M. A. Hashem. He requested the honorable guests to take their chair and give details the whole day program schedule.

The inception workshop Inaugural session was chaired by; Mr. Istiaq uddin Ahmed, Project Director of IPAC; Mr. Mofizul Islam, Deputy Commissioner of Moulvibazar was presented as Chief Guest and Mr. Dr. Azharul H Mazumder, Environment Team Leader, USAID was the special guest.

3.1 Inaugural speech by chief guest

Mr. Mofizul Islam, District Commissioner, Moulvibazar District & Chief guest of inaugurated the Inception workshop with few words on Natural resource, management, conservation and development process. He talked about the present scenario of natural resource and their management over the country with especial concern on biodiversity. He also mentioned that there are some gaps in the government policy on natural resource management. He said some ministries of GO and NGOs are working as pilot base in different part of the country for example MACH, NISHORGO, CWBPM and bringing positive impacts at the target community. He opined that in future the positive lessons of those projects will be replicated in all of the PAs of this country.

3.2 Welcome Speech by COP, Mr. Bob Winterbottom

Mr. Bob Winterbottom COP-IPAC welcomed everyone for participation in the inception Workshop. He also thanked the entire CBO representatives worked for MACH and NISHORGO for their successful involvement in the project. He also thanked representative members of CMC, CMO, CPG, and federation for their participation. He said, "Already we have gathered a rich experience from the NISHORGO & MACH projects. This will provide a strong foundation for the implementation of IPAC project in the next five years." He noted that IPAC will be the continuation of MACH and NISHORGO interventions and replicated in other new sites. He gave special thanks to the organizer, Srimangol IPAC team and encouraged everyone to participate fully in the workshop.

3.3 Special Guest speech by USAID Representative

The special guest of the inception workshop, Dr. Azharul H Mazumder, Environment Team Leader, USAID; greeted to all government officials, Community base organizations & other participants at the beginning of his speech. He quoted some examples and success of NISHORGO & MACH projects in respect of biodiversity conservation through community based management at Hail Haor & Lawachara National Park. He pointed out some achievements like the opportunity

of tourism in LNP and Hail Haor as well as improved situation of biodiversity. He also mentioned that the formation of CMO and RMO is a new concept of co-management which was developed by NISHORGO and MACH in Bangladesh and it will be more advance through sustainable implementation of IPAC project. He also acknowledged and thanked Chief Guest, Mr. Mofizul Islam, Project Director of MACH (former) & Chairperson Mr. Istiaq Uddin Ahmed, project Director of NISHORGO (former) for their proactive participation in the workshop and expressed expectation that IPAC will be able to reach their goal with their direct advice and supervision.

3.4. Message from Chair, Inaugural Session Conservator of Forest & IPAC-Project Director

Mr. Istiaq uddin Ahmed, Conservator of Forest & Project Director, IPAC was the Chairperson of the inception workshop. He presented the background significances of forest resource protection in Bangladesh and inauguration of NISHORGO project. He also repeated the importance of participation of local people to conserve the forest resources. He also mentioned that FD took some proactive actions to implement NISHORGO through community-based management. He recognized the sacrifice of Mr. Rafiq, CPG member, Silkhail, Teknaf as an example of community participation in forest resource conservation. Finally, he thanked all for their attendance and wished active participation in the workshop.

4. Documentary Shows

Two video documentaries on 'Baikka Beel Abhayasram' and 'Nimble Walk through Nishorgo forests' were presented portraying the challenges, prospects and success stories of MACH project and five pilot sites of Nishorgo Support Project respectively.

5. Technical session 1

Mr. Mosharaf Hossain, District Fisheries Officer, Habigonj and Mr. Chowdhury Abul Fattha, District Fisheries Officer, Moulvibazar chaired the first technical session.

Project Briefing by DCOP-IPAC, Dr. Ram A. Sharma:

After the video clip show DCOP-IPAC, Dr. Ram A. Sharma initiated a discussion session on the following issues in the context of USAID Environment Program- MACH & NISHORGO and incorporation of best lessons of those projects in IPAC.

5.1 MACH

- ✓ Key activities of MACH project
- ✓ Proven approach and good practice of MACH-1

- ✓ Proven approach and good practice of MACH-2
- ✓ MACH achievements

5.2 NISHORGO

- ✓ Group formation, Institutional capacity building and people's empowerment
- ✓ Transparent Governance and Co-management approaches
- ✓ Nature-Tourism, Eco-Tourism, and tourism-Micro Plan
- ✓ Enterprise development
- ✓ Conservation and protection of forest resource through Co-management

5.3 IPAC

- ✓ IPAC mission and vision
- ✓ IPAC Clusters and working PA areas
- ✓ Wide spread adoption of Co-management approach
- ✓ Targeted results of IPAC project through community based management
- ✓ IPAC Interventions in Sylhet Cluster
- ✓ Anticipated benefits for local communities
- ✓ Climate change adoption

6. Technical session 2

6.1 Comments and Remarks from audiences

Dr. Ram A. Sharma, DCOP-IPAC, and Mr. Utpal Datta, CS-IPAC facilitated an open discussion session. The session was moderated into two folds; question asked from the participants and it was answered by the respective GO senior officials. All the CBO representatives and GO officials were engaged within the process. The comments/remarks from the participants were as follows:

6.1.1 Comments and Remarks from the CBO participants:

- MACH project & Fisheries department help last 10 years to protect sanctuary on any crucial / critical moment so we expect similar type of support from IPAC project.

-----RMO chairman, Borogangina.

- Earlier NSP took many Alternative Income Generation initiatives and we want the continuation of the process through ipac project. In further, we expect that IPAC project will take some initiatives about Fish culture in homestead ponds of PA areas.

Comments of CMC chairman, RKWS

- How CMC will work with various partners of GoB & NGOs? What is the implementation strategy of FD & Fisheries Department with IPAC-CBO's? We are looking for some clarifications.

CMC Chairman, LNP

- Mr. Gopal Deb Chowdhury, said that we worked for the protection of illegal felling at NSP project earlier. He committed to continue the actions for IPAC on behalf of Srimangol Journalist Association. He suggested to the GoB officials take strong initiatives to protect PA resources.

Vice president of LNP & President of Srimangol Journalist Association

- To protect the Haila Haor upstream water flow, water level, water quality need to maintain aquatic bio-diversity conservation. These may need earth-works, or digging water channels (*chara*). Mohona (points of stream convergence) are essential. Is there any initiative from IPAC ?

RMO representative, Mirjapur

- Mr. Shamsul, said communication and language (English) is a problem to operate tourism locally. Is there any provision to provide training on English speaking for the Eco-Tour guide from IPAC . He claimed for restricting visit without Tour Guide at Reserve Forest especially for Foreigners and there should have specific rule essentially to use PA tour guide.

Eco-Cottage operator & Tour guide

- Mr. Babul claims that patrolling groups are not functional as they were during NSP. It needs proactive initiatives for CPG.

CMC member representative, RKWS

- Kabir Ahmed said that there are 220 bills are exist at Hakaluki. He opined that all CBOs will support IPAC. He claimed that killing of birds by gunfire has stopped but some of the birds are still being killed by using poison pill. How do we prevent it?

CBO representative, Hakaluki Haor

- Piar Ali said that he didn't get help from Law & Order enforcement authority to stop illegal fishing. Sometimes the authorities harasses them when they work to stop illegal fishing .

Chairman RMO, Ballah

- We informed recently that IPAC started work at Khadimnagar on nature conservation through community-based participation. I think it will increase visitors mobility and gear-

up the local economy at Khadimnagar. We welcome IPAC and expect their activities at Khadimnagar.

Representative Khadimnagar national park

6.1.2 Comments and Remarks from GO participants:

- Mr. Masudur Rahman, Upazila Fisheries Officer, Tahirpur Khan wanted to know that how IPAC will act at Tanguar Haor where illegal fishing status is out of control.
- Mr. Madinul Ahsan, ACF-Sreemangal, he has been working at LNP sites for a long five years, he is interested to know some detail about:
 - ✓ What are the RMO and CMC collaboration mechanism in IPAC. Is it possible to include Upazila Paribesh (environment) Committee with IPAC?
 - ✓ Some amendment of regulations are needed for core zone management.
 - ✓ AIG program was not implemented properly as per PRA & RRA during NSP period.
 - ✓ Many organizations are involved with IPAC and it may create difficulty to maintain coordination among those organizations. He also viewed that the responsibility of those organizations may not be specific to the achievement of project goals.
- Mr. Mohsin Ali, Upazila Fisheries Officer, Moulvibazar sadar, said that he did not understand what is his role at IPAC? He asked for sustainable development of wetland through preserving aquatic bio-diversity.

6.1.3 Comments and Remarks from GoB High Officials and IPAC team about discussion session:

Mr. Chowdhury Abul Fattah, District Fisheries Officer, Moulvibazar said that poison fishing is strictly prohibited in the open water body. He agreed that there are still some practices of dewater fishing in the haor systems but DOF working on this issue. The blocked canals should be digged and opened for water passing. Now we are trying to mark the places and take necessary steps. We have lacking in work force. We expect to overcome such problems soon. IPAC can work out on the mentioned issues.

Mr. Mosharaf Hossain, District Fisheries Officer, Habigonj, said that the Top Management is always aware about the collaboration between project and GO departments. He also mentioned that it is not sustainable to declare the whole wetlands as Protected Aquatic Area but some part

can be declared as permanent sanctuaries. **Community** based management of aquatic resource (as an example MACH experience) can be replicated in other wetlands.

Mr. Istiaq Uddin Ahmad, Conservator of Forest & Project Director, IPAC said "I like discuss about few simple things. At first, please try to enrich your feelings for the nature, for the country, for the world and for our next generation. Earlier at MACH & NISHORGO, we did some important things. CMC & RMO formation and other CBOs are already included in GoB gazette. Members of those committees and organizations have some rights and authority. Please try to utilize this authority for proper preservation of the Natural Resources and bio-diversity at Forests & Wetlands. Relying on just fire arms and laws cannot save the forests or wetlands. For this reason, the modern and effective participatory community based management mechanisms have been developed like CMC and RMO. Some of you may claim alternative income generation. I request you; please specify the income generation activities. We will try to facilitate you through this project. However, remember, we cannot solve the entire problem through a single project but we have to move forward. The best way is, discuss among us, what is the problem? How it can be solved? What can we do to protect our natural resources? As a component of nature, we must think about it."

Mr. Ram A. Sharma, Deputy COP, IPAC said that he is maintained communication with the working group at Tanguar Haor. Therefore, no duplication activities will occur at that place. Please do not be worried. At IPAC, everybody's roles and responsibilities are very specific and well combined.

7. Group works on site-specific implementation

Mr. Mahbubur Rahman, DFO, nature conservation and wild life management division, Moulvibazar and Mr. Abdul Mabud, DFO, territory, Sylhet chaired the session.

The session was the working group session. To fiend out the next priority base activity (*on three questions or topic (I) Stakeholders need to be included in IPAC implementation (II) Priority activities to be taken in field implementation and (III) Required training on AIGA*) the participants of the workshop divided into three working groups.

Group 1: Lawachara & Khadimnagar National Park

Group 2: Satchari National park & Rema-Kalenga Wildlife Sanctuary and

Group 3: Hail Haor, Hakaluki Haor and Tanguar Haor

The following recommendations emerged from the working groups.

7.1 Group 1: Lawachara & Khadimnagar National Park

The groups Recommendations are present by Mr. Rafiqur rahman, Chairman of LNP CMC. The list of group participants (annex two)

7.1.1 Stake holders need to be included in IPAC implementation

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|---------------------------|--|
| ✓ Forest Department | ✓ Tour Operator/ Tour Guide |
| ✓ Police/BDR/RAB | ✓ Tea garden |
| ✓ Local Govt | ✓ Army (For KNP) |
| ✓ Local Indigenous people | ✓ Youth community |
| ✓ Sawmill owners | ✓ Journalists |
| ✓ Timber merchant | ✓ Teacher |
| ✓ Administration | ✓ NGO |
| ✓ NGO | ✓ Local Transport Committee |
| ✓ Elite Society | ✓ Local Hotel, cottage, Restaurant
owner representative |
| ✓ Imam/ religious leaders | |

7.1.2 Priority activities to be taken in field implementation

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|---|---------------------------------|
| ✓ Inventory | ✓ Accommodation (Tourist) |
| ✓ Necessary Materials for Community
Patrolling | ✓ CMC Activity at Core area |
| ✓ Pillar for Area Demarcation | ✓ Linkage with Tour Operator |
| ✓ Enrichment plantation | ✓ Percentage of Entry Fee |
| ✓ Visitor Facility (Water & Sanitation) | ✓ Staff mobility transportation |
| | ✓ Water Land development |

7.1.3 Required training on AIGA

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|--|---|
| ✓ Self dependent to FUG women by
training | ✓ Weaving, bamboo & cane training &
development |
| ✓ Beef Rearing & fattening training for
FUG | ✓ Eco-guide Training |
| | ✓ Cross visit & site visit for local
stakeholders. |

- ✓ Capacity building training for CMC members
- ✓ Other training for local community
- Flower Gardening
- Fish culture
- Tree nursery
- Home gardening
- Poultry

7.1.4 Recommendations for Khadimnagar National Park (including 1, 2 & 3.)

- ✓ Group Formation
- ✓ CMC Formation
- ✓ CPG Formation
- ✓ Establish Approach Road at Khadimnagar
- ✓ Information Center
- ✓ Flora & Fauna Study
- ✓ Office Accommodation for FD
- ✓ Electric Supply
- ✓ Watch Tower
- ✓ Site Indicator
- ✓ Main gate at entry Point
- ✓ Trail Development
- ✓ Bill board/ Sign Boar

7.2 Group 2: Satchari National park & Rema-Kalenga Wildlife Sanctuary

The group's Recommendations were presented by ASM Khairul Basher, Member Secretary of CMC & Range Officer RKWS. The list of group participants (annex three)

7.2.1 Stake holders need to be included in IPAC implementation:

- ✓ Tea garden representative
- ✓ Tea labor representative
- ✓ Fire wood collector representative
- ✓ Buffer zone plantation participant representative
- ✓ Bus / Truck owner / labor representative
- ✓ Alternative income generation activity for ultra poor community
- ✓ Communication development
 - Kalenga –Rema Road & culvert development
 - Kalenga – Rasidpur Road & culvert development
 - Borojuch Bazar – Kalenga Road & culvert development

7.2.2 Priority activities to be taken in field implementation:

- ✓ Increase manpower of Forest Department
- ✓ implementing entrance fee collection

- ✓ Water body development for wildlife & fish culture
- ✓ wooden bridge development on trail
- ✓ Accommodation arrangement for forest development
- ✓ sitting arrangement for tourist at rail
- ✓ primary school for indigenous people
- ✓ plantation of Social forestry at mucikandi

7.2.3 Required training on AIGA

- ✓ Training for local community on
 - Beef fattening
 - Fish Culture
 - Ape culture
 - Tailoring
 - Grocery shop
 - Adivasi cultural program

7.3 Group 3: Hail Haor, Hakaluki Haor and Tanguar Haor

The group's Recommendations were presented by Moajjem Hossain, Dumuria RMO member, Hailhaor. The list of group participants (annex four)

7.3.1 Stake holders to be included in IPAC implementation:

- ✓ Farmer
- ✓ Poor woman
- ✓ Landless
- ✓ Poor widow women
- ✓ Tea & Lemon garden owner
- ✓ Local Administration
- ✓ Bathan owner
- ✓ Fisher man
- ✓ Sand Renter
- ✓ Pump Owner
- ✓ Bird Hunter
- ✓ Light Hunter (Fish hunter at night)

7.3.2 Priority activities to be taken in field implementation:

- ✓ Increase rent time of bill & include new bill at the same management.
- ✓ Ensure loan to project wise small enterprise.
- ✓ Digging the Bill & canal
- ✓ Plantation behind the Bill & Chara
- ✓ Put out the Bill rent which are Sanctuary related.
- ✓ To ensure the flow of water
- ✓ Ensure about Deposit money for small loans & maintain it properly.

7.3.3 Required training on AIGA:

- ✓ Tailoring for poor women
- ✓ Training about wetland management
- ✓ Technical training for RMO & FRUG members
- ✓ Small enterprise training
- ✓ Other training for local community
 - Cattle Rearing
 - Beef fattening
 - Fish Culture
 - Home Gardening
 - Tree nursery
 - Homestead gardening
 - Poultry
 - Handicrafts

7.4 Chairperson comments on the session

Mr. Mahbubur Rahman, DFO, nature conservation and wild life management division, Moulvibazar said that this session was very participatory as well as a good brainstorming. Many recommendations were presented and some of the recommendations were very important for IPAC management . Mr. Abdul Mabud, DFO, territory, Sylhet said that their recommendations will be addressed by IPAC. He also said that **priority goal of the project** is to strengthen coordination among the departments as well as to ensure community participation for sustainable conservation management..

8. Partners Perspectives (KAP Survey Report Presentation)

IPAC is a project of Government agencies namely FD, DoF and DoF along with many other implementing NGOs/INGOs and strategic partners. The representatives from all the IPAC partners attended the workshop. Participating partners shared their experiences on progress achieved, lessons learned and key challenges of participatory management of forests, wetlands and other natural resources in respective fields of forestry, fisheries and environmental conservation. IPAC was appreciated for its multitasked initiatives and participants affirmed their concerted efforts to make the project successful. However, partners also noted that inter-sectoral coordination would be a great challenge for IPAC.

Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) Survey report presented by Asiatic, MCL included information about the following topics:

- ✓ Objectives of the survey
- ✓ Method and tool of the survey
- ✓ Stakeholder identification and selection
- ✓ Public involvement on natural resource collection
- ✓ Harmful equipments
- ✓ Rules and regulations
- ✓ Land encroachment status
- ✓ Local stakeholders knowledge on biodiversity issues
- ✓ Beneficiaries knowledge on ecosystem
- ✓ Beneficiaries knowledge on hazards of disrupted ecosystem
- ✓ Threats to sustainable management of forest
- ✓ Threats to sustainable management of wetlands
- ✓ Status of increasing public participation in management of PA
- ✓ Eco-tourism development at community level
- ✓ Role of culture and ethnic people
- ✓ Communication, message & challenges
- ✓ Sustainable management discussion and observation and recommendations

9. Closing Remarks

M. G. Mostofa, representative of World Fish Center, delivered a short closing statement about the inception workshop. He said that group planning by the community people is very important. He also mentioned that we are thinking and working for natural resource conservation through community-based management. We need to be ambitious but we cannot change the situation overnight so plans should be designed to support sustainable interventions.

Mr. Ram A. Sharma, Deputy COP, IPAC, thanked all for their proactive participation. Finally, he talked about co-management expenses and its proper utilization. He said that the whole expense of project implementing organization is audited by independent audit organizations. Even the GoB Project related expenses are also audited by GoB audit. At the end of the project, the whole expense statement will be presented to the authorities. There is no way to make any misuse of fund or manipulation of accounting. IPAC project administration will be very transparent.

Mr. Ahmed Hossain, PC, IPAC-RDRS said, "As a result of day long discussion, we can apply the essential events through CMC and RMO for proper implementation. His main message was, "the wetland & forest are our resources; we have the rights of sustainable utilization and management

of these. The proper management of the resources is our duty. We have learned several realistic example & experience at today's session which are very helpful for its sustainable management ". Chairperson, Mr. Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad, Conservator of Forest & Project Director, IPAC said "We have gathered different ideas form this whole day's discussion. Conservation of nature & Bio-diversity will be sustainable when we can implement this understanding properly through sustainable management. The people engaged in illegal natural resources collection are doing very risky works. If they have alternative income, I think they would not do this. We will try to overcome these things. We developed some Tourist-Park or Eco-tourism activities. This is not all. The achievement is how much we protect bio diversity and nature. IPAC started its journey along with a dream to ensure sound and rich biodiversity for both forest and wetlands. We will be working together to reach the goal of IPAC, for sustainable co-management to protect PA resources."

Annex one: List of all Participants

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14.	Ram Sharma	DCOP	IPAC, Dhaka
15.	Abu Sayeed Mohammed Sarif	SC	IPAC, Srimangal
16.	Shaila Shultana	COGF	IPAC, Srimangal

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67	Samol Sharma ghosh	Tea garden	Khadim tea garden Shylhet
68	Sobuj tati	Tea garden	Khadim tea garden Shylhet
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16. Ahad Ali, CPG Member, LNP
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