National Dialogue Meeting: Eco-Village Development (EVD) in Bangladesh: Exchanging Views, Ideas & Experience”  
Grameen Bank Auditorium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka, Bangladesh.  
Dhaka, Bangladesh on 21 June 2017  
Program and Proceedings  
Welcome by Mr. Sohel Ahmed, Managing Director of Grameen Shakti.  

Introduction of the participants.  
The Participants of the event were from different NGOs, Government official from Department of Environment, Researchers and academicians from universities as well as people from villages, where some of the Eco-Village (EVD) solutions were implemented in Bangladesh.  

“Eco-Village Development (EVD): Brief Highlights on the overall project objective, scope & activities”  
Presented by Mr. Mohammad Mahmodul Hasan, Manager of Grameen Shakti.  
Mr. Hasan presented the activities done by Grameen Shakti in Bangladesh under EVD project including the village development with some unique features driven by the demand from villagers, networking in the villages as well as in the arena of policy making.  

How the solution of EVD can be incorporated in SDGs mapping  
Presented by Mr. Sohel Ahmed, Managing Director of Grameen Shakti.  
Mr. Ahmed has shown how the solutions of EVD can be incorporated in SDGs mapping in Bangladesh under the Ministry of Planning that is already in aligned with 7th Five Years Plan of Bangladesh. He also pointed out the challenges and barrier to meet the target.
Prospects of biogas and slurry management in Bangladesh.
Presented by Dr. M S Islam, Senior Consultant, Grameen Shakti.

“Powering Aquaculture: Renewable Micro grids for Off-Grid Fish Hatcheries and Surrounding Communities”
Presented by Mr. Md. Sayeed Ur Rahim Mahadi, Technical & Country Liaison Officer, Renewable World.

Introduction to the INFORSE Network
International Network for Sustainable Energy
INFORSE – South Asia (inforse.org)
Presented by Mr. Hasan from Grameen Shakti, INFORSE Focal point in Bangladesh

The program was ended with interactive discussion including question and answer session.

Mr. Abdus Sattar, Chief Financial Officer, Grameen Shakti has thanked all the participants for attending the program and welcomed all to next seminar to be held in July, 2017.

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Read more on the Project and the Publication: Eco-Village Development as Climate Solution, which is also available in Bangla: http://www.inforse.org/asia/EVD.htm
http://www.inforse.org/asia/Pub_EcoVillageDev_SouthAsia.htm and http://www.gshakti.org/