

LANGUAGE, EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

My Language, My Identity



Experiencing the Abundance of God's Love



No funding and no means of encouraging employees to keep going!

However, my deepest belief rested solely on **God's Plan**. Like Moses, I simply gave myself over to

God's will. Assuming that He intended to assign to me the responsibilities I took on at that point, I prayed for His strength and wisdom to steer this collapsing organization and for His discernment to keep it afloat. God occasionally puts us through hardships to help us become resilient and independent.

I remember the words of one of our donor representatives, "A true partnership is not only there for the good times but also for the bad times. Let's see what can we do

Together. No worries! We are with you". It was simply those words that offered me the courage to turn around. To survive at that time, I attempted to use small projects up to as much as \$2,000. My team is now writing a proposal of more than a million US dollars! What a change! I appreciate my team for helping me succeed and for their support and prayer. Building a distinctive and winning team is my dream. I now understand how much it is important to support your partners during their difficulties and crisis moment. I am grateful to God for His abundant love, and guidance. Thanks to all partners, friends and well wishers for your continuous prayer, inspiration and encouragement for SIL Bangladesh team.



Cornelius Tudu Country Director, SIL BD.

Whoa! What a way to begin 2024. We, at SIL Bangladesh, are embarking on the largest project in the history of SIL International. God be praised! There are other projects underway. For us, these are all more than just projects; they are alliances, opportunities, and possibilities.

Reflecting on **2017** onwards, the year we were set to close. We had no money. During that period, only one member had 20 percent support. What a pivotal time I have been through.

New Possibilities for Thirty Communities



SIL Bangladesh has long hoped to be able to instill the light of hope among the minorities living in the working area. These people who have been neglected for a long time, have been laughed at, and despised by others, no opportunity to have any education, nor have they experienced any degree of development. If they find a small job as an agricultural laborer to somehow manage to support their household, they need nothing else. They have no idea about the concept of modern

education, health, access to government facilities, leadership, self-reliance, willpower, or awareness. They do not even have any initiative to protect their mother tongue and culture. We (SIL BD) now have the opportunity to bring the light of hope to a total of thirty small ethnic groups with the Wycliffe Switzerland and help of implementation of the PMU Core Support Project for

the years from 2024 to 2028. I believe, SIL Bangladesh will come to occupy a place of hope, and hope to fulfill all the expectations of these people. May the Most Merciful God grant us that blessing!



Markas Soren, Project Leader, SOMPRITI

Beyond Work: A Journey of Learning, Connection, and Inspiration at SIL BD

It was a classic case of "expect the unexpected" when I started my internship with SIL BD. From team bonding sessions to prayers, each day was filled with professional growth and genuine camaraderie. The team members treated me like a part of their family. Furthermore, their commitment to strengthening my journey in the acquisition of knowledge, a sentiment that resonated throughout the entire team, motivated me to learn and improve. I, Momena Khatun, a University of Melbourne



student, completed an Internship at SIL International Bangladesh and earned university credit. The learning experience was exemplary, and I'm grateful to SIL BD for providing me with this opportunity. The pinnacle of my internship experience was undoubtedly the inspiring trip to Sherpur. Engaging with the local community proved to be a transformative experience.

The interactions and conversations were not only professionally enriching but also personally fulfilling. It was here that I witnessed the genuine impact of our work and felt a profound connection to the mission.

Therefore, I would encourage anyone looking for a career with an NGO to join SIL BD as an intern. If given the opportunity, I would eagerly embrace the chance to join the SIL BD team full-time in the future.



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