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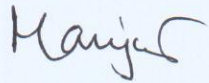
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that **Human rights & Environmental Action Development (HEAD)** is working with ActionAid Bangladesh since the 1st September 2016 to until 31st August 2018 as a Partner Organization for the Bangladesh Firestarter Initiative (BFI). This is to furnish that the BFI funds a reactive and open small grants scheme managed by AAB. The scheme targets emerging and innovative youth-led organizations/clubs leading advocacy projects, especially those led by disadvantaged young people, specifically young women, girls and minority communities outside of Dhaka. HEAD works to encourage youth leadership in local communities through youth engagement of human rights and environmental issues in partnership with AAB. The following is a brief of their project:

Project Title	Lighten and Empowerment Action for Disadvantage (LEAD)
Project Objective	To promote the rights of disadvantaged community by strengthening the leadership capacity of youth aiming to inclusive them with the mainstream of the society as well as make them capable to social change maker.
Thematic Area	Livelihood Skills development, income generating initiatives, Child rights and child protection, Women rights and gender equality.
Project Location	Labsa, Bolli and Nogorghata union of Satkhira District, Bangladesh.
Project Start Date	01-01-2016
Project end Date	31-08-2018
Project Description	<p>This project believes in youth participation by youth including girls for youth development and for increasing their capacity to self-employment. The goal of the project is to empower the disadvantage through engagement of youth leadership.</p> <p>This project is working at community and policy level to ensure that youth have genuine and meaningful opportunities to work through peer to peer approach and with policy makers to have impact on the issues faced by young people and community people. The project provides capacity development skills training on Leadership, Gender, Advocacy and lobbying and linkages. Moreover, this project enables young people to take necessary initiatives in ensuring youth empowerment and leadership services at the community level and mobilize community people and service providers for the betterment which can lead to the process of sustainable development of the community.</p> <p>The ultimate target of this project is to influence policy level that requires institutionalization of youth voice. Well-articulated demands of the young people will be ensuring youth empowerment through policy documents to influence wider investments and policy decisions that will be responsive to the needs of young people.</p>

I wish them success for their future endeavors with youth development!

Yours sincerely,



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