

My name is **Bipul Mohanto** and I am of 47 years of age. I am a resident of Rajbati, Dinajpur Sadar, Dinajpur where I live with my family.

I had a road accident years back which led me to physical disability. That accident not only took one of my legs but brought incalculable miseries in my life. As I am the sole earner in my family, my family also had to endure the impacts of the accident. I was a private service-holder but after the accident and for my disability, I lost my job.

But my life took a positive turn when I got engaged with the **Rights, Justice, and Entitlements of Persons with Disabilities in Bangladesh (RJE-PiB)** project of **Centre for Disability in Development (CDD)** supported by **Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF)**. I have been provided with artificial limb (an assistive device) from them. To be honest, this assistive device helped significantly remove my mobility limitations. Now, I could walk on my own. Due to my increased mobility, I dared expanding my grocery shop which I have been running successfully.

I strongly profess that, assistive device can bring meaningful changes in the life of a person with disability.



"This artificial limb is much more comfortable, efficient, and lifelike as well as provides the means to stay independent."

Bipul Mohanto (47)