## Centre for Disability in Development (CDD)

## Celebration of International Women's Day 2020 at CDD

March 2020

Nowadays, women's rights and gender equality are taking centrestage across the world. It has been twenty-five years the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, a progressive roadmap for gender equality, it is believed that, it is about time to take the movement of women's steps ahead for a more womenfriendly world through bold, decisive actions.



CDD staff members are in the discussion meeting on International Women's Day

This year's theme for International Women's Day (8 March) is, "I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights". The Generation Equality campaign is bringing together people of every gender, age, ethnicity, race, religion, and country to drive actions that will create the gender-equal world we all deserve.





Participants in the of the discussion meeting

On March 08, 2020 Centre for Disability in Development (CDD) organized an in-house discussion meeting, at its HQ, expressing the solidarity with the vision for a gender-equal society emphasizing on the issue of women with disabilities in Bangladesh.

In the discussion meeting, CDD staff members talked about the importance of women's emancipation. Speakers expressed the urgency of recognizing women's unpaid work.



A PowerPoint presentation has arranged to show the present statistics of women's empowerment across the globe

Mr. Nazmul Bari, Director, CDD said, "From the very outset of CDD's interventions for persons with disabilities, it has a decided-preference for bring forward issues of women's with disabilities since, they are claimed to be the most vulnerable of the communities."

## **#GENERATIONEQUALITY** According to **UN Women** 8 March,

#InternationalWomen'sDay is a time to

- challenge gender norms,
- ✓ empower each other,
- ✓ celebrate diversity,
- ✓ break stereotypes,
- ✓ reject the binary,
- ✓ mobilize, and
- ✓ take action.

It's the time for #GenerationEquality!

#IWD2020

Anika Rahman Lipy, Assistant Director and Gender Focal Person, CDD stated that, "CDD always believe the refrain 'Women's rights are human rights.' Thus, CDD is determined to address issues which are related to women with and without disabilities with extra caution."

As a part of the event, CDD staff members made commitment to work for a balanced, equal, and just society for women.

## **Local level participation**

'Rights, Justice and Entitlements for Persons with Disabilities in Bangladesh (RJE-PiB)' project, a project of CDD, staff members attended discussion meeting as a part of the celebration of the day which was organized by Upazila Parishad, Savar.



Two person with disabilities under RJE-PiB project attended a meeting organized by Upazila Parishad, Savar

The programme took place at Savar Upazila Auditorium where along with different government officials, a number of NGOs attended the programme and spoke for the rights of women.