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CRP's puppeteers at Chayanat

Together We Can in association with CRP staged a puppet show at Chayanat on 6th July 2019. It was the second show of "Mukti Aloy Aloy" (Light of freedom) after it was staged in the Women of the World festival organized by the British Council in early April. The team of puppeteers included 12 persons with disabilities and was trained by a renowned actress and CEO of Together We Can, Kazi Nawshaba Ahmed and her team. The puppet theatre based on a true story of an ex-patient of CRP earned much appreciation. Among the audience there were many famous artists and renowned figures. Popular artists Rofiqun Nabi and Shishir Battacharya congratulated for such a successful show and also encouraged the participants for their brilliant performance.



CRP's puppeteers with disabilities staged a puppet show at Chayanat, Dhaka



From above (left to right) Trainees waiting for interview, CRP-VTI staff providing ID cards to the trainees, representatives from different factories interviewing the trainees



Garments employee selection programme under Marks & Start Project

Marks and Spencer, a renowned retailer brand from UK and their Bangladeshi suppliers has been supporting the disabled people's training costs at CRP and ensuring their job after completing the training since 2006 under Marks & Start Project.

Till date approximately 2200 people with disabilities are working at 70 different garment factories all over Bangladesh. When the training finishes M&S organizes a job selection programme for the successful trainees. Representatives from different factories interview the trainees and select them according to their suitability. M&S recently held a selection program at CRP's Reddaway Hall on 22nd July 2019. Representatives from 20 factories selected 55 trainees among the total 84 participants. The rest are suggested to participate in the next selection programme.



Md. Yeamin with the CRP-Barishal's Centre Manager Rubina Akhter



Md. Yeamin Hossain receiving prize from the Honourable ICT State Minister Junaid Ahmed Palak

Success of CRP's Vocational Trainee

This year, the National IT Competition for youth with Disabilities was held on 22nd June 2019 at the University of Asia Pacific, Dhaka. This competition was arranged by the Govt. ICT division and the Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC). Competitors were divided into four categories according to their impairment; physical, visual, speech impaired and neuro development disorder.

The best three in each category were selected by a jury. Congratulations to Md. Yeamin Hossain Amin, a former student of CRP-Barishal Vocational training center for obtaining first place in physical disability category. He received a crest, a certificate and a smartphone. He is going to participate in the Global IT Challenge (GITC) for Youth with Disabilities which will be held on November 25-29 this year in Busan, South Korea. He is very grateful to CRP.

Experience sharing: Attending WHO 2nd Global Rehabilitation Meeting at Geneva, Switzerland

World Health Organization (WHO) 2nd Global Rehabilitation 2030 Meeting and Technical Working Group workshops on Package of Rehabilitation Intervention and Rehabilitation Competency Framework were held at WHO head-quarter in Geneva, Switzerland from 8-10 July 2019. I, Md. Julker Nayan, Associate Professor and Head of OT Department, attended the global meeting and workshops as a member of the Technical Working Group with the invitation and sponsorship by WHO. Representatives from the WHO member states attended the programme and presented their country situation and initiatives for Rehab 2030. Professional associations and NGO representatives were also invited to share their experience in Rehabilitation.

It was such a great opportunity to meet the rehabilitation professional experts and country representatives around the globe. This visit also gave me immense pleasure to see the exquisiteness and heritage of a tiny part of the Europe.



Md. Julker Nayan at WHO HQ



WHO Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus



WHO_Rehab 2030 Group photo



Errol Doobay, a volunteer & a long-standing supporter of CRP

Errol Doobay is a long standing volunteer and supporter of CRP who founded the IT centre in its head office at Savar. It was a long cherished dream of his son Allan Doobay to set an IT room and he was planning in his ways but he suddenly died of an accident. From then Allan's father Errol started to work on his son's dream. He came to CRP, assessed the situation, raised fund for modern IT equipment and then set up the centre. Every year he comes to CRP, brings a lot of new equipment to CRP and works to develop IT department. During his recent visit in February 2019, he built a ramp and a garden beside the pond at CRP with the fund he raised from UK. Previously persons with disabilities could not access the place, so Errol took the initiative to build a ramp and a small garden with beautiful flower plants for a better view.

He is planning to build a hydrotherapy pool with all modern amenities at CRP-Savar. The electro-mechanical system of that pool will run by solar panels. Hydrotherapy has a great impact on patients with neurological disorders such as spinal cord injury and cerebral palsy. It increases muscle power, improves respiratory system and reduces muscle tones of both children and adult patients.

Primarily he discussed and made plans with Therapists and Engineers and soon will be back from UK with essential funds needed for building it.

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Errol Doobay with Valerie and CRP staff



A staff in a wheelchair trying the ramp