

## Bangladesh Training & Research Foundation (BTRF) marked its steady progress in last year amid Covid-19 challenges

BTRF had marked its steady progress in last year during July 2020-June 2021 that revealed in their Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on September 05, 2022 in which BTRF President Mr. Mahammad Shahjahan attended as Chairperson of the meeting. This achievement has been attained amid people's fears, mobility restrictions and few other limitations those were statutorily and socially imposed on while Covid-19 was passing through all the devastating periods of its 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 3<sup>rd</sup> wave during BTRF's reporting period.



Attendee members expressed their satisfaction over the pace and volume of the business that BTRF procured and generate revenues during this pandemic period. BTRF's major business deal made with following consultancies and project work and organizations:

- **Handicap International:** Conduct a capacity assessment for local partners at Cox's Bazar
- **Partners in Population and Development:** Documentation of the best practices
- **World Fish:** Translation services
- **Renting out of the multipurpose hall:** 42 days occupancy
- **Food and catering services:** Continued with these services in spite of various limitations.

With the remission of the effect of Covid-19, BTRF has increased its business aspirations to have higher responses with their services for multipurpose hall and guest room utilization with food and catering services. They also have planned for a 6-month business drive on following businesses:

- Food and catering services to open for staff and other office deliveries
- Organize and conduct regular training courses under pre-set training calendar
- Promote the multipurpose hall and guest room utilization with Dhaka-based NGOs, training organizations and corporate offices
- Market search for new businesses for consultancy services on training and research
- Drive for getting enlisted with GoB, INGO and NGOs for BTRF services on food and catering, multipurpose hall and guest room facilities.



In his concluding remarks Mr. Mahammad Shahjahan, as Chairperson of the meeting, underscored the need of continuation of 'Client Oriented' and demand-based services for BTRF. He mentioned that the sister concerns were established to become effective organs of BCCP contributing to its sustainability in which BTRF is putting their good effort. He expected other sister concerns to come along the way as BTRF is trying to mobilize their effort. He reiterated that BCCP

transformation plan has introduced the sister concerns and income generation through them as a one of the five driving domains.