

Promoting Agricultural LIFAD Commercialization and **Enterprises (PACE) Project**





Project Duration: January 2015 to December 2020

Goal

• To enhance livelihoods (higher income from self-employment, business profit and wage employment and food security) of the moderate and extreme poor (men and women) in a manner that ensures sustainability.

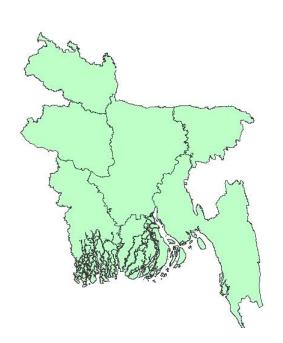
Objective

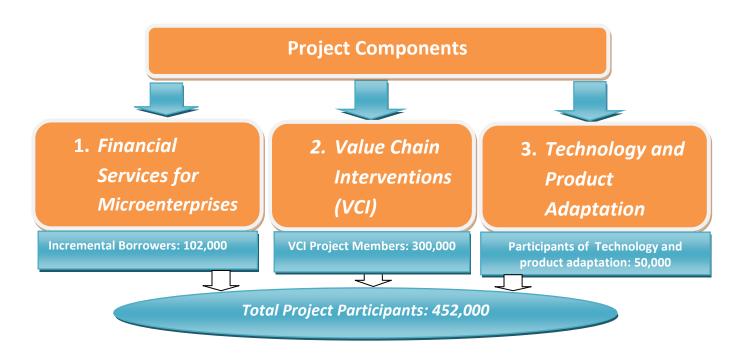
• To improve profitable business opportunities for microentrepreneurs and create wage employment for extreme and moderate poor people.

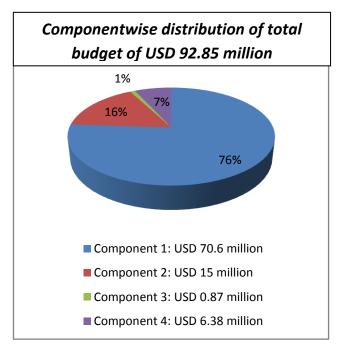
The project is being implemented all over Bangladesh through the Partner Organizations (POs) of **PKSF**

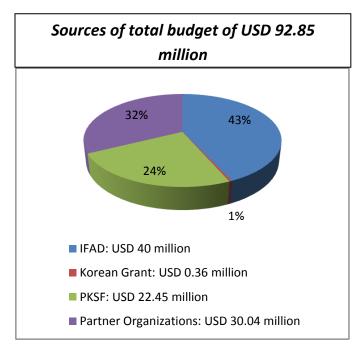
Target population

- Microentrepreneurs (missing middle)
- Moderately poor
- Extremely poor









Impacts:

- 60% households reporting improvements in household index
- 50% increase in income of 70% moderate and extreme poor households participants from farm, non-farm and service type business and wage employment

Outcomes:

- PKSF's portfolio in ME program increased at least by Taka 3,200 million
- POs' portfolio in ME loan program increased by Taka 5,600 million
- 70% microentrepreneurs' increased sales by 50%
- 13,000 fulltime equivalent wage employment created
- Taka 9000 million increase in cumulative sales of participating businesses (farm and non-farm sectors) in value chains
- 50%. of microenterprises (out of 300000 beneficiaries of value chain sub-projects) operating 3 years after the support received from the project
- 10 technologies and products successfully introduced to small producers

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