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Path to Employment

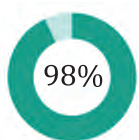
RAISE Apprenticeship Program

Key Insights

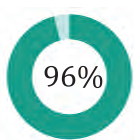
The RAISE project, implemented by Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF), has demonstrated significant potential to transform technical and vocational education in Bangladesh. The Apprenticeship Program under RAISE focuses on developing potential entrepreneurs and a skilled workforce by providing capacity-building support to NEET (Not in Education, Employment, and Training) youths from low-income families. Through technical training under Master Craftspersons (MCPs), life-skills training, and support for self or wage employment, it helps microenterprises thrive in a rapidly changing world.

A survey under Tracer Study was jointly conducted by PKSF and the World Bank among 2,529 apprentices across the first three cohorts/intakes of the apprenticeship program in April 2025.

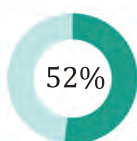
Social Acceptance & Empowerment



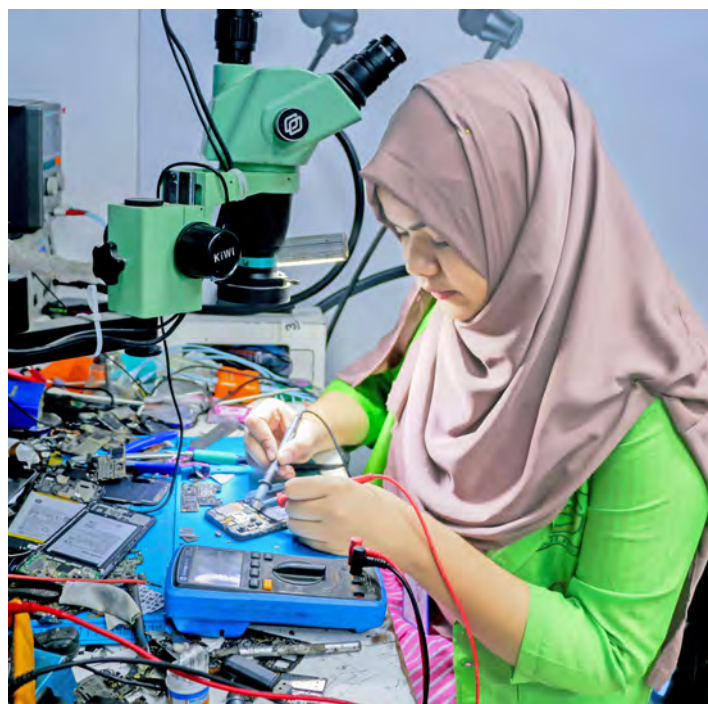
Showed aspirations for personal and professional growth



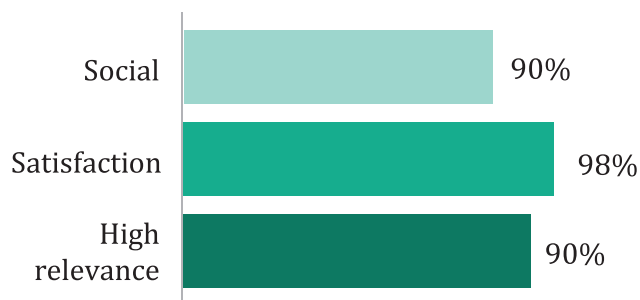
Boosted sense of self-worth and achievement



Enhanced community respect



Skills Utilization & Training Quality



"The apprenticeship training was clear, the 'ustad' was patient and supportive, and follow-up assistance (from the organization) was excellent."

– An apprentice from Joypurhat

Employment Outcomes

88%

Graduates employed

64%

Wage-employment

24%

Self-employment

The program significantly reduced joblessness as **unemployment rate dropped** from 13% (Cohort-1) to 7% (Cohort-3)

Employers' Perception on Graduate Apprentices



95% of employers hired RAISE apprentices

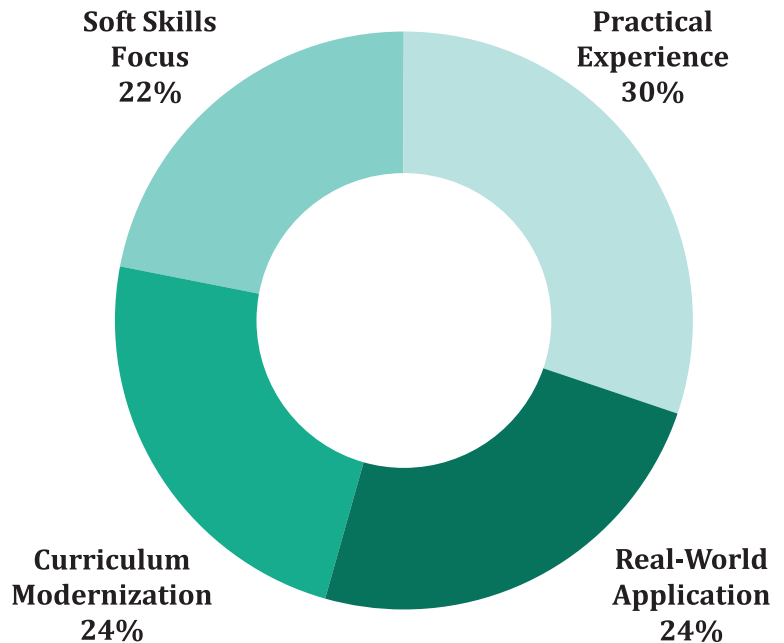


95% of employers are satisfied with apprentice performance



87% of employers are "Very Likely" to hire from RAISE again

Apprentices' Perception on Training Program



Employment Outcomes of Male and Female Apprentices

Out of 1,104 female apprentices, **41%** are wage-employed and **39%** are self-employed. On the other hand, Male apprentices are **80%** wage-employed, while only **13%** are self-employed.

Key Features



73,000 youths



16,000 Master Craftsperson



40-hour Life Skills Development Training



6-month-long apprenticeship



26 Trade-specific Occupational Technical Skills

Life Skills Gained



84%



Leadership



90%



Adaptability



89%



Innovation

"I am self-employed. I became self-reliant. I now earn my own income, support my family, and this training has truly changed my life for the better."

– An Apprentice from Jashore