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## *Fact Sheet*



- Giving every child a basic education has been a priority of the UN for decades, yet getting to the poorest children is a serious challenge. Clearly, new approaches are needed.
- There are an estimated 70 million young children world-wide who have never been to school for reasons of poverty.
- Most mothers in this lowest socio-economic level have never been to school for reasons of custom and poverty.
- Since January 2006, we have been successfully teaching mothers to be neighbourhood teachers in the urban slums of Bangladesh, a moderate Islamic country.
- In turn, each mother teaches 5 children – at a cost of less than \$1 a day.
- Not one thin dime is spent on building schools – we rent slum dwellings to teach mothers who teach children in their homes.
- We put mothers at the centre of children's education – making their schooling socially sustainable.
- There are currently 12 mothers' schools in the slums of Dhaka and Khulna providing education to 260 mothers who teach 1,500 children.



It's a good beginning, but there is so much more to be done.

*Women of many slums are waiting and hoping for a school to open so they can teach their children.*

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