



because every child
needs a future

Niketan supports disabled children in Bangladesh, in order to provide an independent, dignified and meaningful existence for them in civil society.

Niketan offers a future to children with a disability. We cooperate closely with our local strategic partner, the Bangladeshi NGO Disabled Rehabilitation and Research Association (DRRA) based in Dhaka. In the Manikganj district Niketan and DRRA together already realised:

- three day-care centres
- vocational training
- parent groups
- advocacy groups
- home service
- care-farm with residential facilities

**Please help Niketan strengthen society
and empower the disabled people in Bangladesh.**

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Niketan gives a future to people with a disability in Bangladesh

Disabled people are mostly forgotten

Did you know there are over 430 million disabled people in the world living in developing countries? And that these people are most likely the poorest in the world? They often have no access to:

- education
- employment
- healthcare, or
- information

It is the experience of Niketan that aid does not reach them.

Amongst the poorest people of the world, the disabled are the most forgotten.

Basic Human Rights

Disabled people don't get enough help and cannot enjoy their Human Rights as other people can. For this reason the United Nations



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This is Jahid Lalmiah, six years old and living with his two big sisters and his parents in a small village in Bangladesh called Raturia. He visits the children's service center in Kalama Shishu Niketan Baniajuri, where he spends three days a week.

Jahid has spastic diplegia which causes problems in the development to his legs, hips and pelvis. He is also deaf, but Jahid has a strong will and uses mimicry and gestures to communicate with others.

His mother wants it send to a deaf school, but that is far too expensive for her. Will you help Jahid?

decided to write the "Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities" (New York, 13 December 2006).

The government of Bangladesh signed this convention. With it's signature Bangladesh made a commitment which obliges them to ensure education and employment for people with a disability. Niketan intends to make sure this happens.

Niketan is a Non Governmental Organization (NGO) based in the Netherlands. It provides knowledge, capacity, advocacy and funding to help people with disabilities in (rural areas of) Bangladesh.