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Community Radio Advocacy in Bangladesh so far: Step by Step

Advocacy for Community Radio with the government has started in 1998 in Bangladesh. Mass Line Media Centre applies for permission to establish community radio to the Ministry of Information.

In 1998, AHM Bazlur Rahman drew an advocacy plan regarding community radio in Bangladesh entitled 'Policy Advocacy of Community Radio in Bangladesh'.

Community Radio was discussed as a national issue for the first time in 1999 in the first National Mass Media Conference. The conference was arranged by Centre for Development Communication (CDC).

Community Radio came to the centre point of Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communication (BNNRC) after it was established in 2000. BNNRC organises continuous advocacy activities regarding Community Radio with the other concerned organisations.

In 2006, BNNRC, MMC, Focus, YPSA and Voice jointly organised a Three-Day long Round Table on Community Radio as the National Advocacy Meeting. UNESCO, UNICEF and UNDP joined in the advocacy activities for the first time.

After Dr. Fakhruddin Ahmed, the Honourable Chief Adviser of the Non-Party Caretaker Government of People's Republic of Bangladesh, have taken the charge BNNRC organised a Letter Campaign regarding community radio. The objective of the campaign was to open up the community radio as a pilot basis. As the outcome of the campaign Office of the Chief Adviser sent an advice to the Ministry of Information in order to release permission for the pilot basis community radio.

For the first time in the history a high authority meeting is held at the conference room of the Information Ministry regarding community radio on the 23rd July

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in 2007 chaired by the Information Secretary and organised by the Ministry of Information. The Director General of Bangladesh Betar and the Principal Information Officer were present in the meeting along with other high officials.

As the invited discussants former secretary Mr. Abdul Mueyed Chowdhury, Kamrul Hassan Manju, the Executive Director of MMC and AHM Bazlur Rahman-S21BR, the CEO of BNNRC were also present in the meeting in favour of the community radio advocacy group.

After a comprehensive discussion regarding community radio as a pilot basis the meeting takes decision to form a ministerial committee of 8 members convened by the Director General of Bangladesh Betar who would make concept paper, regulatory framework and application form in relation to community radio and would submit to the Ministry by one month. According to the discussion the Ministry issues the circular regarding the 8 members-committee on 22nd May in 2007, Memo No- 382/8.

After a several meeting the Director General of Bangladesh Betar finalise the draft of the concept paper, policy and application regarding community radio. BNNRC and MMC assist the committee in this regard.

The Ministerial Committee officially presents the concept paper, policy and application regarding community radio in a meeting organised by the Ministry on 29th October in 2007. The Information Secretary chaired the meeting. Former secretary Mr. Abdul Mueyed Chowdhury joined in the meeting along with all of the committee members and other high officials.

After a comprehensive discussion on the issue the meeting decides the submitted concept paper, policy and application forms to be sent to the different ministries i.e. Ministry of Home, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Ministry of Local

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Government, Rural Development and Cooperative, Ministry of Science and ICT and Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) for comments and perusal.

It is also decided in the meeting that another meeting would be held after the comments are received.

According to the decision all the papers are already sent to the listed ministries for comments on 25th November in 2007.

An inter-ministerial meeting is held on the last 6th February. Representatives of the concerned ministries were present in the meeting.

At last, the government formally announces the Community Radio Installation, Broadcast and Operation Policy 2008 on the last 12th March 2008.

The Ministry of Information of the People's Republic of Bangladesh invited very rapidly the applications for Community Radio installation, broadcast and operation from the interested organisations.

We congratulate heartily the government for announcing the policy. We also want to express our warm gratitude to the individuals and institutions in home and abroad for assisting us in Community Radio Advocacy.

- AHM Bazlur Rahman, BNRNC, Dhaka, Bangladesh





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- L. KugDibulU tiwli Oi m½ msik-ó cZóvb ev ms'vi  
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- M. KugDibulU tiwli t÷ kbtk Aek'B vbowZ I mybw' 0  
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- N. msik-ó ms'v ev cZóvbti vbw' 0 RbতMvóxi a'vbavi Yvi  
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- P. msik-ó ms'v ev cZóvbU' Aek'B AvBbMZ 'eaZv  
\_vKtZ nte; Ges
- Q. m'cP'iti i cix'q|gj K m'cPvi cte'MúgxY RbতMvóxtK  
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Ges m'jeav ewÁZ RbতMvóx KugDibulU tiwli 'vctbi  
t'q'Á AM'waKvi jvf Ki te|

## 2. Fundamental Principles of Community Radio:

Internationally recognized and accepted funda-  
mental principles of community radio will also  
be followed in Bangladesh. Any Organization or  
Institution intending to operate community  
radio must fulfill the following principle: -

- (a) It should be explicitly constituted as a 'non-  
profit' organization
- (b) The institution / organization should have a  
proven record of providing service to local  
community for at least five years.
- (c) The community to be served by the  
Community Radio Station should be well  
specified and defined.
- (d) It should have an ownership and manage-  
ment structure that is reflective of the com-  
munity that the CRS seeks to serve.
- (e) The program contents should cover educa-  
tional, social, gender, economic, environ-  
mental and cultural fields be relevant to the  
needs of that particular community. It  
should not go beyond the community's cul-  
tural and historical heritage. Any kind of  
political, sectarian or doctrinal program  
shall be prohibited.
- (f) The institution/ organization must be a  
Legal Entity.
- (g) Preference should be given to rural commu-  
nities during the pilot phase. The focus  
must be for communities deprived of the  
reach of mainstream media outlets.

3. **এসজিএফ'র কিংডমবিউ তিউলি 'বচ I cwi Pvj bvi AbgwiZ/ j vBtmY cûBi Rb' cûqvRbxq thvM'Zv t**

3.1 **কিংডমবিউ তিউলি f÷kb 'বচ I cwi Pvj bvi t'q'f' wbtgwe³ ms'v ev cûZôvbmgn Avte`b Kivi thvM' nte etj wetewPZ nte t**

K. **mi Kwi MtelYv I Dbqeb ms'v ev cûZôvb mgn hv0 2bs Abt'Qt` ewYZ kZw' cûZcvj b Ki te;**

L. **temi Kwi Dbqeb ms'v ev cûZôvbmgn hv' i Kgc'f' cuP eQtii `vii`a wetgvPb/ MYgva'g/ Z`c'hy³ m=úwKZ Kv'f'ÁZv Av'Q Ges hwnv 2bs Abt'Qt` ewYZ kZw' cûZcvj b Ki te| ms'k-ó cûZôvb ev ms'vi Aek'B AvBbMZ `eaZv \_vK'Z nte wKsev GbwRI e'jivi tivrúofy³ n'Z nte|**

3.2 **wbgwj wLZ ms'v ev cûZôvb কিংডমবিউ তিউলি cwi Pvj bvi Rb' thvM' etj wetewPZ nte bv t**

K. **e'w³MZ ev thš\_fvte cwi Pwj Z e'emv cûZôvb;**

L. **ivR%bwZK `j ev Zv' i AsMmsMVb thgb Qv' msMVb, tUW BDwbqb BZ'w` ;**

M. **t`wk-wet`wk th me tKv'úwb hvi v gwij K ev tkqvi tnv' vi t'K j f'vsk cûvb K'f' \_v'K;**

N. **AvSRwZK/wet`kx temi Kwi ms'v ev wet`kx m=c'v'vi ms'v/P'v'bj ; Ges**

O. **mi Kvi KZR wbol x tNwl Z tKv'bv cûZôvb ev ms'v|**

3. **Necessary eligibility Criteria to obtain license/permission for the installation and operation of Community Radio in Bangladesh**

**3.1 The following types of organizations shall be considered eligible to apply for Community Radio establishment and operation:**

- a. Government research institutions and development organizations, which satisfy the conditions listed at 'Para 2' above.
- b. Non-government development organizations, with at least five years of operation and involved in poverty alleviation or media & ICT sector, which satisfy the basic principles listed at "Para 2" above. The organization should be a legal entity or registered from NGO bureau.

**3.2 The following shall not be eligible to run a Community Radio:**

- a. Individuals and partnership firms;
- b. Political Parties and their affiliate organizations including students' wings, trade unions, etc;
- c. Organizations and companies both local and foreign where profits are distributed to the owners/shareholders;
- d. International NGOs and foreign broadcasters/channels and
- e. Organizations banned by Government.

4. জব্দিমিঁস চঁমুqv t

4.1 evsj v` k KugDibul tiwVI t÷kb `vcfb AvMhx thvM` cãZõvb ev ms`vfk G msµvš-jvBfmY cãBi Rb` wbtgve³ cãµqv Abymiy KiZ nte t

4.1.1 miKvi Rb`v`KugDibul tiwVI t÷kb `vcfb AvMhx thvM` cãZõvb ev ms`vi wBKU nZ G msµvš- Abtgv`b cõvfb Di`fk` wbaWi Z Qfk Avte`b Avneb Ki te;

4.1.2 MnxZ Avte`bcTmgn hvPvB evQvB ceR thvM` Avte`bKvix wbePfb Rb` Z` gšYvj q GKwU ti,tj Uwi KugwU I GKwU Kwimwi Dc-KugwU MVb Ki te;

4.1.3 Kwimwi Dc-KugwU I ti,tj Uwi KugwU KZR wbePZ Avte`bKvix ms`v ev cãZõvb m`utK` ^tvogšYvj tqi gZvgZ MhY Kiv nte;

4.1.4 Abtgv`b cõvfb cte`Z` gšYvj q evsj v` k tUwj KugDibutKkb ti,tj Uwi Kugkb (weUAvim) nZ ÔclKvtqvY cõc`Zvi m`te`Zvõ cãZte`b MhY Ki te| m`cPvi Kvhg Avi`c Kivi Rb` Abtgv`b cõB cãZõvb ev ms`vfk we.U.Avi.im. t`fk wclKvtqvY (Zi½) eiv` wbtZ nte;

4.1.5 cixvvgjK m`cPvi cte`GKwU cãZõvb ev ms`v tKejgvT GKwU KugDibul tiwVI t÷kb `vcb I cwipvj bvi jvBfmY crte;

4.1.6 cõwgK Abtgv`b cãBi 1(GK) eQtii gta`

4. Licensing Process:

**4.1 Eligible Organizations or Institutions desirous to install Community Radio Station in Bangladesh will have to follow the following procedure to obtain license:**

4.1.1 For public welfare, Government shall call for application from eligible Organizations and Institutions in prescribed format to provide approval;

4.1.2 The ministry of Information shall form a regulatory committee and a technical sub-committee for the assessment of applications and selection of eligible applicants;

4.1.3 Opinion shall be received from the Home Ministry on applicant Organization or Institutions selected by technical sub committee and regulatory committee;

4.1.4 Before granting approval the Ministry of Information shall accept a "Probability of Attaining Frequency" report from Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC);

4.1.5 Only one license shall be granted to any institution/organization during the pilot broadcasting phase;

4.1.6 The applicant shall set up Community Radio station within 1 (one) year of receiving approval. Existing laws and regulations must be maintained for

Avte`bKvixtK KugDubuU tiwWI t÷kb `vcb  
 KiZ nte| KugDubuU tiwWI t÷kb `vcibi  
 j t`ti tiwWI i hšcwZ Avg`vb l cÜZ`vcibi  
 Rb` Aek`B t`tki cPvj Z AvBb, weawavb  
 tgb Pj tZ nte| Gt`tt msuk-ó cÜZvb ev  
 ms`vtK weUAvimó kZfgn cÜZvj b KiZ  
 nte| Pevš- Abtgv`b/j vBtmY cvl qvi ci  
 m=cPvi Kvhtg`i i` KiZ| cÜtg cix`vgj K  
 cKí wntmte Abtgv`b cÜSi ZwiL ntZ `B  
 eQtii Rb` cwi`vgj K j vBtmY t` l qv nte|

the importation and replacement of any radio equipment for the establishment of community radio. Associated organizations and institutions shall fulfill the conditions of BTRC in this regard. Broadcasting activities shall begin only after obtaining the final approval/license. Initially license will be provided for a two year period starting from date of approval as an experimental project.

4.2 j vBtmY cÜSi Rb` Avte`bKvixtK wbtg<sup>3</sup> kZfej x  
 cY KiZ nte t

- K. tKvtbv cÜZvb ev ms`v th Gj vKvq KugDubuU tiwWI t÷kb `vcib AvMhx tmLvbKvi `vbxq RbMtYi mvt` Dbqbgj K KvRi AŠZtct` cP eQtii cÜwYZ AwfÁZv`vKtZ nte;
- L. tKvtbv cÜZvb ev ms`v th ai`bi Abpnb cPvi KiZ B`QK Zvi GKwU msu`B ifcti Lv`Zwi Kti Avte`b cT`i mvt` j vBtmY cÜvbKvix KZEt`ji wBKU Rgv w` tZ nte;
- M. cÜweZ tiwWI t÷k`bi e`e`vcbv Kvvtgv, Abpnb wbg` Ges m=cPvti `vbxq RbMvóxi AskMhtYi gv`vi we l qvU `úófvte D`j -L`vKtZ nte;
- N. KugDubuU tiwWI t÷kb `vcibi Znmetj i Drm RvvtZ nte| tKvtbv temi Kwii ms`vi mrvh` tbcv ntj ev temi Kwii ms`v wbtR D``v<sup>3</sup> ntj

**4.2 Applicants for license must fulfill the following criteria:**

- a. Proven record of community development work for at least five years in the area wished to be served in association of local people with a community radio station;
- b. A broad outline of the type of program to be broadcast should be prepared and submitted to the licensing authority.
- c. Indication of the level of community's participation in management structure of the proposed station and its program preparation and broadcasting shall be spelt out in writing.**
- d. The criteria will also include the sources of funding for the Radio Station. If donor fund is obtained then necessary approval of the NGO Affairs Bureau as per existing law shall have to be obtained.
- e. Priority will be given to the applicants managed by and/or looking to serve the disadvantaged and backward sec-**

we`gvb AvBb Abjvqx GbwRI G`vtdqvm`ejtiv  
t\_ik c0qRbxq Abjgv`b MbY KitZ nte;

0. th mKj c0Z0vb ev ms`v c0sK Ges mgvRi  
wci0tq cov RbMv0xi Dbq`bi Rb` KvR Kit0  
Zv` i Avte`btK AM0aKvi c0vb Kiv nte |

#### 4.3 jvBtmY wcl t

KvgwDwbU tiwVI GKwU DbqbgjK c0vm Ges  
AjvFRbK c0Z0vb weavq miKvi G Rb` hy`hy`  
jvBtmY wcl avh`Kti0 | c0ugKfite c0ZwU t`-k`bi  
Rb` jvBtmY wcl 20,000.00 (wek nvRvi) UvKv Ges  
evRqvBthvM` RvgvZ 1,00,000.00 (GK j`!) UvKv  
avh`Kiv nq | miKvi th tKv`bv mgq G wcl ev  
RvgvbtZi cwigvb c`pt wba`iYi cY`gZv ivtL |  
wclKv`qYx wcl evsj v`k tUwj thvMvthvM w`bqS`y Kvgkb  
(weUAvim) KZR wba`i Z nte |

### 5. Kwii Mwi KvVtgv t

5.1 c0Z`KwU KvgDwbU tiwVI t`-k`bi e`vb nte Gi  
Ae`vb`K tK`a`Kti PZw` R 17 wKtj wgvUvi | G Rb`  
mte`P 100 lqvU m`c`Pvi kw`i UvYvgUvi e`envi  
Kiv hvte | Z` gS`vj q KZR MwZ Kwii Mwi Dc-  
KvgU I RvZxq ti`tj Uvi KvgUvi m`c`wi k mvt`c`  
Dwi`o RbMv0xi Ae`vb ev AmgZj t`f`Mwj K Ae`vi  
t`q`i` UvYvgUv`i` gZv 100 lqvU n`Z ev`x` Kti  
250 lqvU ch`S`-Kiv th`Z cvti ;

5.2 GwUbv Uvlqvtii D`PZv nte fig t\_ik mte`P 32  
wgvUvi | Zte Abjgv`bKvix KZE`i`i ce`bgwZ mvt`c`

tions of the population (with special  
consideration to women).

#### 4.3 Licence Fee:

Reasonable license and spectrum fees have  
been fixed by the government considering  
the fact that Community Radio is a devel-  
opment initiative and non profit entity.  
Initially license fee for each station has  
been decided to be 20,000.00 (Twenty  
Thousand Taka) [286 US\$] and seize-able  
deposit is 1, 00,000 (One Lac Taka) [1429  
US\$]. The Government reserves all rights  
to redefine this fee and deposit at any time.  
Frequency fees shall be decided by  
Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory  
Commission (BTRC).

### 5. Technical Structure:

5.1 Each Community Radio Station will cover a  
range of 17 km. from it's centre. Maximum  
limit for transmitter power could be 100  
watts. The permitted power could be decid-  
ed on the basis of the licensee's area of  
work and/or geographical dispersion of the  
target audience. In this case an ERP of  
maximum 250 watts can be considered.  
Requests for higher transmitter power  
above 100 watts and up to 250 watts will  
require approval by the Committee consti-  
tuted under the Ministry of Information;

5.2 The antenna tower's height from ground  
level will not exceed 32 meters. But in  
sparsely populated areas such as islands,  
the mentioned height can be restructured  
with prior approval of the licensing author-

Qnoŧq wŌwŪŧq \_vKv RbemwZcyGj vKv thgb- PivĀj ,  
cwnwo Gj vKvŧZ KwŧŧZ Kvfvŧi R cvl qvi Rb" Dŧj -wLZ  
D"PZvi Zvi Zg" nŧZ cvŧi | mKj ŧŧŧĀ GwUbv tMBb  
Aek'B 6 wŪwe -Gi gŧa" mŧwgZ ivLŧZ nŧe;

5.3 Gd. Gg. e'vŧŪ b'vkvbvj wŧŧKvŧqŧŧ G'vŧj vŧKkvb  
c-''vb Abŧvqx KŧgDŧwŪ ŧi wŪl ŧ÷kb cwi Pŧj bvi Rb"  
''vb wŪw' Ū Kŧi wŧŧKvŧqŧŧ (Zi ½) cŌvb Kiv nŧe |

6. bŧwZgvj vi Ab''vb'' kZŧej x t

6.1 Abŧgv'' bcŪŪ cŪZŌvb ev ms''vŧK wŪwŪZ KiŧZ nŧe th  
mŧcPwi Z Abŧvŧbi gŧa" Ggb wKŪŪ Aŧŧŧ nŧe bv  
hv-

6.1.1 Ab'' ŧ' ŧki mgvŧj vPbv Kŧi ev evsj vŧ' ŧki mŧ½  
Ab'' ŧ' ŧki eŪZcyŧmŧúKŧŧŧ ŧŧwZMŌ-Kŧi ;

6.1.2 cŪKvŧk'' A\_ev AcŪKvŧk'' th ŧKvŧbv agŧ  
mŧcŌvq A\_ev RvwZŧMvŌxi cŪZ KŪvŧŧ Kiv nq,  
hvŧZ mŧcŌvq ev RbŧMvŌxi gŧa" wŧŧŌl 'Zwi  
nq, hvi dŧj Dc`j xq `wŧfŧ½i cŪKv NŧŪ, hv  
RvwZMZ AmŧŧŧH 'Zwi Kŧi Ges mŧvŧcŌvqK  
mŧcŪwZ wŧbŌ Kŧi ;

6.1.3 Ak-xj , gvbnwbKi th ŧKvŧbv wŧl q A\_ev ŧKvŧbv  
e'wŧŧ (eMŧŧ), `j ev ms''vi wŧi'ŧx fj Z''  
cwi ŧekb ev `j xq `wŧfŧ½ cŪKv Kŧi ;

6.1.4 wŧsmv ev ŧŌl ŧK DrmwŧZ ev cŪi wPZ Kivi  
AvksKv \_vŧK A\_ev AvBb-k;Lj v cwi cŧŧ A\_ev  
wŧRvZxq avi Yv ev gŧbvfvŧŧK DrmwŧZ Kŧi ;

6.1.5 Av`vj Z Aegybbv A\_ev ŧ' ŧki HK'' bŌ Kŧi ;

ity to achieve the desired coverage. In all cases antenna gain must be kept limited under 6 DB;

5.3 Frequency shall be allocated in FM band as per National Frequency Allocation Plan after selecting the place of Community Radio station;

6. Other Conditions of the Policy:

6.1 The Permission Holder shall ensure that nothing is included in the programme broadcasts which:

6.1.1 Offends decency, criticizes other countries or endangers the friendly relations of Bangladesh with other countries.

6.1.2 Openly or in veiled manner attacks any religion, community or ethnic group or in any way created animosity between communities or groups of people or tries to promote sectarian views which may lead to communal discontent or disharmony.

6.1.3 Contains anything obscene, defamatory or false information against person (s), groups or institutions or is partisan in nature.

6.1.4 Is likely to encourage or incite violence or contains anything against maintenance of law and order or which promotes anti-national feelings/attitudes.

6.1.5 Contains anything amounting to con-





tj vKt`i `¶Zv eix ubwDZ Ki te|

7.3 `¶eQtii Rb` jvBtmY` c0vb Kiv nte| Abtgv` tbi weia l kZ`gfb Pj tj Ges tKvfbv weia f½ bv Kitj , mdj mgvwb tkfl miKwi wvš- Abhvqx ctef<sup>3</sup> mgqmxgvi gZv Abtgv` tbi mgqmxgv MhxZv ms`vi Avte` tbi tc¶¶tZ bevqb Kiv hvte|

7.4 jvBtmY` `Ej n`všit Kiv hvte bv| MhxZv c0Z0v tbi tKvb mvsMvwbK cwi eZ0 ntj Zv Zvr¶¶wbK wj wLZfvte mi Kvi -tK AewNZ KitZ nte|

7.5 evsj vt` k teZvti hw` `vbxq vel q msuk-ó tKvfbv Abpöb m=cPvi nq Zvntj wevfbaeKugDwbU tiwWI t÷k tbi gta` Abpöb weibgtqi AbgwZ t`qv thZ cvti | RvZxq „i“Zcy©A\_ev tKvb ubw`0 GjvKv m=cwKZ tKvb Abpöb evsj vt` k teZvti m=cPvi Z nI qvi ci msuk-ó GjvKvi KugDwbU tiwWI t÷kb,tjvtZ tm Abpöb cp:cPvi KitZ nte| thgb Rwzi DfítK` ivócwZ, c0vbgšy/Dc t`óvi fvlY, tKvfbv RvZxq w`em D` hvctbi t¶¶t wtkl Abpöb l Avenvl qv msev` , mi Kvi ev evsj vt` k teZvi KZK tc0i Z Abpöb mi vmwi m=cPvi ev cp:cPvi KitZ nte| GQvov GjvKv/KugDwbU wfvEK Abpöbgvj v KugDwbU tiwWI t÷k tbi gva`tg weibgtj` m=cPvi KitZ nte|

7.6 KugDwbU tiwWI i Abpöbgvj vi velqe`i gta` KwI , eq`c l wki wkv, tRÜvi Bm`y c0wgK `v` , cwi tek l Avenvl qv, mgvR Kj `vY, eZ0vb evRvi `i , KwI RvZ ctY`i Pwn`v, M0gxY Ges GjvKv wfvEK Dbqb, wki i hZpe gvZ... `v` tmev, cwi evi cwi Kíbv, evsj vt` k

special priority to the marginalized communities in terms of their race, caste, religion, physical disability and gender.

7.2.4 The licensee will ensure capacity building for and within the community through formal and / or informal training as required.

7.3 The license will be granted for an initial period of 2 years. Based on performance of the licensee and provided that no violation of the terms and conditions has occurred during the period, the license can be renewed for such periods as the government may decide. The pilot projects have to be evaluated on mid term basis as well as at the final stage of its operation.

7.4 The license shall not be transferable. There should have provision to conduct midterm and final evaluation of performance.

7.5 Permission may be provided on pilot basis to share programs among different Community Radio Station if the programs consist of locally relevant content. Programs of Bangladesh Betar (Radio) would be relayed or re-broadcast in the Community Radio Station as and when these are of national importance or of relevance to the people of the area. Special program such as address of the president, prime minister, special program of national days celebrations and weather bulletin. Community based broadcasting program has to be broadcasted through community radio stations.

teZvfi i Rivxq msev, vbxq RbtMvxi Avq eixi  
welq,tjvtK clavb w tZ nte| A\_r KugDvbuU  
tiwvi i Abpvbgvj vq msuk-o RbtMvxi r\_qetkl frte  
cZdij Z nte|

7.7 KugDvbuU tiwvi tZ mrcPvi Z Abpvtb msuk-o  
RbtMvxi m`m`i AskMhY wbuZ KiZ nte|  
A\_r msuk-o RbtMvxi KugDvbuU tiwvi oi mKj  
Abpvtb i cwi Kibv, ev`evqb, cwi Pj bv l gj`vqtb  
Ask MhY KiZeb|

7.7.1 j vbtmY MhxZv msuk-o KugDvbuU i tclvctU Zvi  
tiwvi tZ mrcPvi Z Abpvbgvj vi gj`vqtb  
cvkvcnk KugDvbuU i RbtMvxi Ask MhY eixi  
Rb` wvfbremthvM-mjev t`qvi gva`g Zvfi  
AvMh evortbvi cwi Kibv Kiteb;

7.7.2 Dbqb Bm`y l bxiZi e`vcvfi DctRjv chqvi  
mikvvi KgKZ e`e` KugDvbuU tiwvi  
t`k`tb mrcPvi Z nte;

7.7.3 AskMhYgjK clvqvi gva`g GKvU wbu`  
Abpvtb vbxq Z, Nubv Ges clvcb  
(tbulvctKkb), vbxq ms`Z, cwi Pq Ges  
vbxq fvlvtK Ztj aitZ nte;

7.7.4 Abpvb Kvvtgv, welqe, Dc`vcbv l fvlv  
e`envfi i t`t` Aek`B vbxq ms`Zi  
cZdj b NUvZ nte|

7.8 KugDvbuU tiwvi thznZ vbxq gva`g wntmte KvR Kti  
ZvB vbxq Dbqb msev mrcPvi i AbgvZ t`qv nte|

7.6 The program contents of the community  
radio broadcast service will focus on agri-  
culture, both adult and children education,  
gender, primary health, environment, social  
welfare, current market prices, demand for  
agro products, rural and community devel-  
opment, baby care, maternity health care,  
family planning (radio bulletin), income  
generation etc. The programming should  
reflect the special interests of the commu-  
nity to be served.

7.7 The programs should ensure community  
peoples' inclusion from the point of partici-  
pation, choice and sharing. The community  
people will participate in program planning,  
implementing, operating and evaluating.

7.7.1 The licensee will develop plans to  
facilitate and promote community  
participation besides setting out the  
station's programmatic values in con-  
text to the community to be served.

7.7.2 Speeches of government officials at  
upazilla level on development issues  
and policies would be broadcast by  
the CRS.

7.7.3 Through participatory process a spe-  
cific program should set its spotlight  
on local information, events and noti-  
fications, local culture, identity, and  
local language.

7.7.4 The format, subject, presentation  
and language of programs must  
reflect the local culture.

Zte th tKvrbv ai tbi i vR%wZK welq mrcPvi, mKj cKvi wbePbx cPvi I weAvcb KtVvi fvte wvwl x Kiv nte| KvgDwbwU tiwVI t÷kb iy t`wk-wet`wk tiKWRZ wetbr`bgjK I cOgvY` Abpovb teZvi tmYi bwiZgvjv AbyniY mvtct¶ mwiZfvte cPvi KiZ cvi te| wet`kx mrcPvi ms`v/P`vtbtj i msev` I Pj wZ NUbwrfwEK Abpovb, Avtj vPbv I UK tkv mivmwi ev tiKW`Kti mrcPvi KiZ cvi te br|

7.9 wbtgæ ewYZ kZmvtct¶ DbaqbgjK tmev msuk-ó weAvcb cPvi Kiv hvte:

7.9.1 weAvcb DbaqbgjK tmev msuk-ó ntZ nte Ges wvwl ó t¶¶¶ mivgve× vKtZ nte;

7.9.2 KvgDwbwU tiwVI t÷kb wvwlZ Ki te th Abpovb A`qbkvixiv msuk-ó Abpovb ev Abpovbgjvi welq-e`wksew ÷vBj Ges t÷k tbi bwiZgvjvi e`vcvti tKvb cPve we`vi KiZQ bv;

7.9.3 weAvcb cPvtii t¶¶¶ miKvtii we`gvb wbt`Rbv AbyniY KiZ nte|

7.10 cOqvRtb th tKvb miKwi KZE¶ th tKvb KvgDwbwU tiwVI t÷k tbi Kvhpq wqšY I gvbUi KiZ cvi te| ZvB jvBtmY MhxZvtK G aiYi th tKvb wqg-Kvbp tgb Pj tZ nte|

7.11 jvBtmY MhxZv Z` gšYvtq msuk-ó t÷k tbi Kvhpq m`utK` TgvmmK wicvU` tCÓY Ki te| jvBtmY cÓB cÓZôvb ev ms`v cO`vgK ch¶q cPwi Z Abpovbgjvi tiKW`E msi¶Y Ki te| G t¶¶¶ th

7.8 As the community radio serves the purpose as local medium, thus, local development news will be permitted. Nonetheless, any kind of political broadcasts will be strictly prohibited.

7.9 Advertisements related to development services will be permitted while community radio program broadcasting based on the following conditions:

7.9.1 The commercials should be related to development services relevant and limited to the specified area.

7.9.2 Community stations will ensure that the sponsors of programs do not influence the content or the style of individual programs or the overall programming of the Community Radio Station and its code of conduct.

7.9.2 Existing government regulations shall be followed for commercials.

7.10 Any Government authority may regulate or monitor the activities of any community radio station if necessary.

7.11 The licensee should provide quarterly report to the ministry of information. The licensee will preserve records of broadcasted programs during the piloting phase. In case of failure, the Government will have the liberty to revoke the license.

7.12 The Government or its authorized representative shall have the right to inspect the broadcast including other Community

tKvṭbv aiṭYi e`\_Zvi Rb` miKvi cḶqvRb ntj ,  
msuk-ó RgvKZ RvgvbZ evṭRqvBKiyMn AbgvZ/  
jvBṭmY ewZj KiṭZ cviṭe|

7.12 miKvi wKsev miKvi Abṭgw`Z cḶZibwa th tKvṭbv  
KvgDwbW tiwWI ṭ÷kb I Gi `vcbv cwi`kḶ Ges  
Dil`ó RbṭMvóxi `v`nsuk-ó Z` msMḶ KiṭZ cviṭeb|

7.13 RvZxq wbi vcvE`v ev Ri`wi Ae`w/hy: A`ev weṭivagj K  
cwiw`wZ A`ev G RvZxq tKvṭbv cwiw`wZi KviṭY  
miKvi ṭh tKvṭbv msL`K ev mKj KvgDwbW tiwWI  
ṭ÷kb AwamḶY ev Gi/G`ṭjvi Kvhṭg `wMZ KiṭZ  
cviṭe| GmKj ṭṭṭ miKvi ṭh tKvṭbv msL`K ev  
mKj KvgDwbW tiwWI ṭ÷kb-Gi AbgvZ/jvBṭmY  
ewZj Kivi Awakvi Ges msuk-ó cḶZóvb, ms`v ev  
e`wṣṭK cḶwZ AvBṭbi Avl Zvq Avbri ṭṭgZv ivṭL|

7.14 tKvb GjvKv ev RvqMvq mṣcḶvi tK`a `vctbi  
AbgvZ cḶvb Kiv nṭe ṭm ṭṭṭ miKvṭiii wmxvšB  
Povš-nṭe| tKvṭbv weṭkl evZṖ mṣcḶṭiii Rb` ev  
cḶ`wikZ I Ri`wi cḶqvRṭb ev Rb`ṭ`A`ev  
cḶk`wZK `ṭhṭMi ṭṭṭ miKvi wḶṭ`R msuk-ó  
KvgDwbW tiwWI -ṭK Aek`B gvbṭZ nṭe|

7.15 jvBṭmY MḶxZvṭK AwWU Kiv ewil`R wnmve Ges ewil`R  
wiṭcvU`miKvṭiii KvṭQ Rgv w`ṭZ nṭe|

7.16 wbaṭiZ mgṭqi gṭa` jvBṭmY MḶxZv mṣcḶvi  
Kvhṭg `ii` KiṭZ e`\_ḥṭj miKvi AbgvZ/jvBṭmY  
ewZj KiṭZ cviṭe|

7.17 KvgDwbW tiwWI mṣcḶvi KZeṭṭṭi wBR`^ Drm,

Radio Station set up facilities of the  
licensees and collect information in con-  
nection to public and community inter-  
ests.

7.13 The Government will have the right to take  
over the entire Community Radio Station  
service and network possessed by the  
licensee or revoke/ terminate/ suspend/  
punish the license in the interest of  
national security or in the event of nation-  
al emergency/ war or low intensity conflict  
or in any similar type of situations.

7.14 Notwithstanding anything contained any-  
where else in the license, the  
Government's decision shall be final and  
conclusive. The Government shall have  
the power to direct the licensee to broad-  
cast any special message as may be con-  
sidered desirable to meet any contingency  
arising out of natural emergency, or pub-  
lic interest or natural disaster and the like,  
and the licensee shall be obliged to com-  
ply with such directions.

7.15 The permission holder shall be required to  
submit their audited annual accounts and  
annual report to the Government.

7.16 The Government may revoke permission  
of license if the licensee fails to commis-  
sion services within the instructed period.

7.17 The Govt. may take initiatives to create a  
Community Radio Development Fund as  
supplement for the community broadcast-  
er's own resources, capacity building,  
improvement in quality of technology,

მეცნიერებათა, კომუნიკაციების მართვისა და რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილება  
„საქართველოს რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილება“-ს მიერ  
შეიმუშავებულია რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების  
შეიმუშავებულია რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების

7.18 მსსს-ის მსსს-ის ცენტრალური და რეგიონული ტელევიზიის  
განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ დადგენილი პირობების  
კომპლექსური დაცვა

7.19 რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ  
დადგენილი პირობების დაცვა უზრუნველყვეს რადიო-  
ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ დადგენილი  
პირობების დაცვა

7.20 რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ  
დადგენილი პირობების დაცვა უზრუნველყვეს რადიო-  
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პირობების დაცვა

7.21 რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ  
დადგენილი პირობების დაცვა უზრუნველყვეს რადიო-  
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პირობების დაცვა

7.22 რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ  
დადგენილი პირობების დაცვა უზრუნველყვეს რადიო-  
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პირობების დაცვა

## 8. რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების შეიმუშავებულია რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების

8.1 რადიო-ტელევიზიის განვითარების განყოფილების მიერ  
დადგენილი პირობების დაცვა უზრუნველყვეს რადიო-  
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პირობების დაცვა

research & evaluation purpose, etc.

7.18 Concerned organizations and institutions shall comply with all conditions decided by BTRC for the use of frequency and radio equipment.

7.19 Tower established for community radio operation shall not be given for the use to private telephone operators.

7.20 Organizations/Institutions establishing community radio stations shall arrange for overall security of the station with armed Ansers by it's own funding and the in-charge of concerned police station shall submit a monthly report to the government stating if any anti-state broadcasting have been carried out.

7.21 The government preserves all rights to modify any rules or regulations stated in the policy in support of public welfare or for appropriate broadcasting or for public security.

7.22 The Government reserves the right to revoke the license at any time in public interest or in case of violation of the terms and conditions provided.

## 8. Monitoring of Community Radio Broadcasting:

8.1 Every month a copy of CD containing the recordings of broadcasted programs of community radio station will be provided to the local authority prescribed by the Government.

bw\_cT cixqiv-ibixqiv KitZ cvi te Ges c0qvRtb  
m=c0vi KZ tKvfbv Abpvtbi vmlv (CD) vbxq KZ0tqi  
Kvfo KvgDvbuW tiwvI t=k Rgv w`tz eva`\_vKte;

8.2 DctRjv vbe0x Avdmvi, DctRjv vkqv Avdmvi,  
DctRjv c0KSkj x, vbxq mi Kvfi i vbe0PZ c0Zvba,  
evsj v`k teZvfi i vbxq t=k tbi c0Zvba, vbxq  
vkqv c0Z0vb c0vfbv mgstq GKvU vbxq Dct`0v  
KvgvU MVb KitZ nte| H KvgvU v0qvgZfvte msvk-0  
KvgDvbuW tiwvI t=k tbi Kvhpq gvbuI Ki te Ges  
c0Zgvfm mi Kvfi i v0KU GKvU c0Zte`b Rgv t`te;

8.3 Dct`0v KvgvU KvgDvbuW tiwvI t=k tbi kv<sup>3</sup> |  
`0PZvi vbuI tL msvk-0 t=k tbi K0qvRbxq civgk<sup>9</sup> te;

8.4 KvgDvbuW tiwvI 0i Abpvtb DctRjv ch0qi mi Kvfi  
KgRZ0` i AskM0YtK Dct`0v KvgvU DrmwnZ Ki te;

8.5 KvgDvbuW tiwvI 0i gva`tg Db0b velqK veAvcb/  
mi Kvfi veAvcb t`qvi e`vcvfi Dct`0v KvgvU  
msvk-0t` i DrmwnZ Ki te;

8.6 Abpvtbi gv0 Db0tbi Rb` KvgDvbuW tiwvI i Rb`  
MvZ Dct`0v KvgvU mgq mgq c0qvRbxq KvD0Yij s  
tmev t`te;

8.7 Z` gšYij q KZR MvZ tK>`iq gvbuI s KvgvU  
KvgDvbuW tiwvI cvi Pvj bv mspš-mveR vel`q Z` vi vk  
Ki te Ges mgq mgq gšYij qtK AevnZ Ki te|

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8.2 A local advisory committee will be formed  
under the UNO, Officer-In-Charge of local  
police stations, and Regional director of  
local Radio station Principal of locally situ-  
ated education institution. The committee  
will monitor the community radio station  
activities in regular basis and submit a con-  
fidential report to the Ministry of  
Information per month.

8.3 The advisory committee will provide sug-  
gestions based on the strengths and weak-  
nesses of the community radio station  
broadcasting.

8.4 The advisory committee will encourage the  
participation of upazila level government  
officials in the community radio programs.

8.5 The advisory committee will encourage pro-  
ducing development advertisements / gov-  
ernment advertisements through commu-  
nity radio.

8.6 The advisory committee will provide neces-  
sary counseling service to improve the  
quality of programs.

8.7 Central Monitoring Committee formed by  
Ministry of Information shall supervise the  
overall operation related to Community  
Radio and shall inform the Ministry on a  
regular basis.

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**ÔKugDibulU tiwWI Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³i mwZ"Kvi mclj RbMþYi KvFQ tclQvFZ cvfiÔ**

- GGBPGg eRj j ingvb, cãvb ubeifn, eisj v`k GbwRI m tBUI qvK®di tiwWI GÜ KugDibUkKkb

**cke KugDibulU tiwWI clZövi mt\_ wKfite AvBmUkK m=ú³ Kiv hvq?**

DÊi: Avgiv t`tki clZ`S-AA`j Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³ thgb, BÜvi tBU, K=úDUvi, tUij wFkb, tmSi Ryj vb, tgvBj tclv, tiwWI I wFiwI K`vtgiv e`envi Kti mgvR Z\_ wefvRb `i Kivi e`vcvfi KgRvE mslmWZ Kti AvmUQ| Avgiv gtb Kw, Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³tZ clëkwaKvi Môtgi gvbfl i Rb` tKvb `vb ev AbMh bq, G clëkwaKvi Zv` i tgšj K AwaKvi | tm w`K w`iq Avgiv mi Kvix bwiZgij v Abhvqx Môtgi gvbfl i Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³tZ Môtgi gvbfl i th AwaKvi i tqtQ Zv mnR mij fvlvq bwiZ wbafl Kt` i KvFQ tclQ w`wQ| dtj KugDibulU tiwWI -i mt\_ Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³ Av`vj b m=ú³ | thgb, tKvb Gj vKvq GKÜv KugDibulU tiwWI t÷kb `wcz ntj tmLvfb BÜvi tBU t`tk clB Z\_ eisj vq Abjev` Kti m=cpvi Kiv hvq| GtK Avgiv ewj tiwWI eãDvRs|

**cke KugDibulU tiwWI, Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³i tmer clZ`S-AA`j Qwotq t`evi t`qj t` GbwRI Ôi fvgKv Kiv nte?**

DÊi: Z\_ I thvMvthvM tmer Môtg Môtg tclQ t`evi t`qj t` GbwRI e`vcK fvgKv cvj b Ki tZ cvfi | Kvi Y, clq clZw Môtg GbwRI Kv hfg i tqtQ| tmLvfb Ziv GKÜ Kti i`ij bñ R tmÜvi

`vcb Ki tZ cvfi N thLvfb K=úDUvi, tclv, tj wgtbkb, K`vtgiv, dtUvKacqvi, GgbwK BÜvi tBU `vKte| Môtgi meeqm tj vKRb Zv` i Pwn`vgZ G\_ t`v e`envi Kite| dtj GbwRI i Pj gvb KvRi mt\_ Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³ mgvšZ nte Ges GKÜ w`wZkxj e`v`vcbvq GwU Pj tZ `vKte| jtg G ai tbi bñ R tmÜvi KugDibulU gwij Kvivq Pñ th tZ cvfi | GbwRI , t`v ZLb `qZvex I Aw`R ev Kwix mivqZv w` tZ cvfi |

**cke Avgv`l t`tk thme tuj tmÜvi nt`Q, tmLvfb KugDibulU tiwWI Kiv fvgKv ivLZ cvfi?**

DÊi: clgZ, tUij tmÜvfi i Ab`Zg KivR nj kni i gvbfl i mt\_ Môtgi gvbfl i Z\_ wefvRb Kvgtq Mlgevmxi Rieb I RweKvi gvtvrbq NBvfv| Gt`qj KugDibulU tiwWI nj GKv t` mnRj f` gva`g| Gi gva`tg AwZ mnR, Kg LitP, mnR `vbxq fvlvq mgMÖGj vKvq `i Kvix Z\_ tclQ t`qv hvq| Avgiv DcKj xq Gj vKvq th 10wU i`ij bñ R tmÜvi `vcb Kti wZvi Ab`Zg Dñ k` nj GLvfb pgrštg KugDibulU tiwWI `vcb Kiv nte Ges DcKj xq gvbfl i Pwn`v tgvZvteK Z\_ m=cpvi Kiv nte| dtj Z\_ I thvMvthvM cthp³i mclj RbMY ZLbB cvte, hLb KugDibulU tiwWI clZwU `vfb `wcz nte|

tmSRtb: gwmK K=úDUvi RMZ

**Annexure I**

**Committee on Community Radio**  
To Develop Draft Concept Paper, Policy and Application Form  
**Ministry of Information,**  
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## Community Radio National Help Desk @ BNNRC Secretariat

BNNRC has already opened the Community Radio Help Desk with the following help and services to the interested initiators:

- a. Help Desk for the Community Radio Enthusiast; Budget and Planning;
- b. Assisting in filling up the form and following up with the concerned Department, Ministries and Commissions in this regard;
- c. Technical guidance for Studio setup, broadcasting equipments;
- d. Assist in acquiring relevant software;
- e. Baseline studies and need analysis;
- f. Monitoring and Evaluation;
- g. Capacity Building including training on radio content production, editing and presentation;
- h. Transmission management;
- i. Library and Archives;
- j. Feedback;
- k. Identify partners and funding agencies.

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**Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communication (BNNRC)** is a national networking body working for building a democratic society based on the principles of free flow of information, equitable and affordable access to Information, Communication Technology (ICT) for remote and marginalized population.

BNNRC is registered with the Ministry of Law, Parliamentary and Justice Affairs, as a trust and NGO Affairs Bureau, Office of the Prime Minister, Government of Bangladesh according to the foreign donation (Voluntary Activities) regulation ordinance 1978 as an organization on Information, Communication and Technology for Development (ICT4D) established in 2000 as per Article 19 charter of UN bill of rights.

Currently, with congenial support from Cordaid (a Netherlands based funding partner) BNNRC is implementing a project **Promoting Appropriate Technologies and Policies to Uphold the value "ICT as Basic Human Right"**.

BNNRC now strive for following core interventions to achieve PRSP, WSIS action plan and Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

1. Awareness on correlations of ICT, poverty alleviation and Institutionalization of Democracy and Right to Information (RTI)
2. Establishment of ICT Resource Center and Promotion of Radio Listeners Club as primary ICT catalyst in remote rural areas;

3. Advocacy and Campaign for Bridging the Digital Divide/Information Divide/Knowledge Divide and open up air waves for Community Radio - voices for the voice-less;
4. Piloting ICT4D projects at rural areas to create show case examples for greater multiplication through Rural Knowledge Center (RKC).
5. Establishment of Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) for Disaster Preparedness and Risk Reduction through Amateur Radio (HAM Radio) promotion .
6. Establishment of People's Right in Telecommunication/ Global Commons/Country Commons.
7. To Promote the adoption of Free/Open Source Software(FOSS), open standards, and open content for development

BNNRC has been undertaking pioneer approaches to integrate ICT for Development (ICT4D), related policy advocacy for good governance, people's rights, global/ country commons and poverty alleviation with community development work at the grassroots through its networking members in Bangladesh. BNNRC's outreach extends to local national and international forums.

BNNRC is affiliated with

- Global Knowledge Partnership (GKP),
- World Association of Community Radio Broadcasters (AMARC),

- World Association for Christian Communication (WACC),
- Developing Countries Farm Radio Network (DCFRN),
- Freedom of Information Advocate Network (FOIA),
- Commonwealth Human Right Network (CHRN),
- One World (TV, Radio, Net),
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