

## Activity 2: Celebrating International Youth Day with theme, Tackling Poverty Together

**Event Date:** August 12 2006

**Venue:**

Department of Youth Development, Ministry of Sports and Youth,  
Dhaka

**Partners:**

- § National Youth Council of Bangladesh – Youth Organization
- § Department of Youth Development

**Background:**

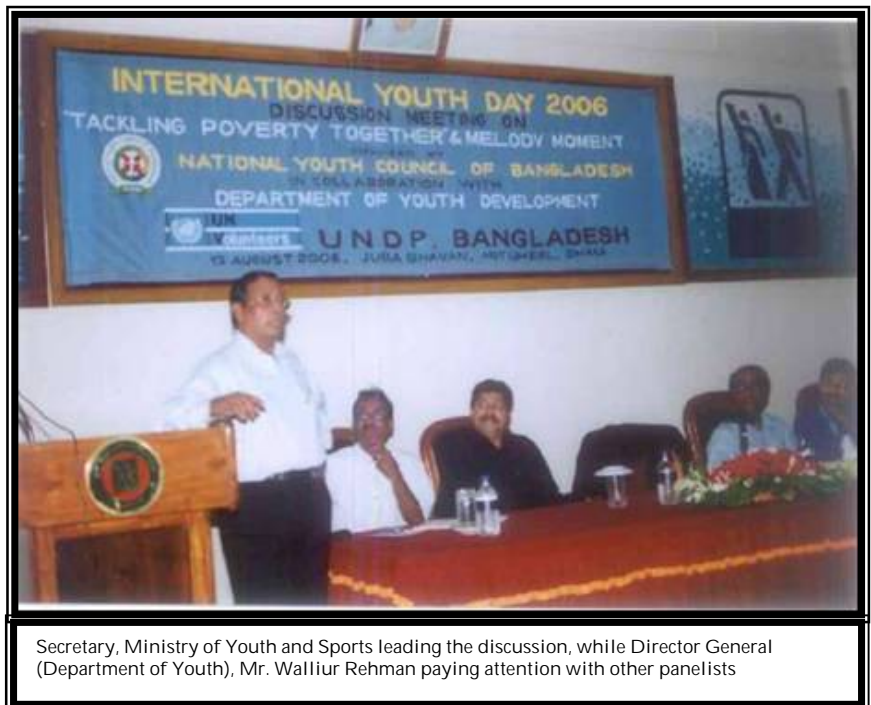
Bangladesh has very strong network of youth organizations. It is estimated that there are around 7,000 registered youth groups with department of youth development. Tapping and engaging these youth groups in promoting volunteerism and MDGs will help to strengthen volunteer programme in the country.

**Objective:**

To create awareness amongst youth leaders and youth groups on Volunteerism and their role in Tackling Poverty. We expect that this event will provide strategic directions to the youth organizations to organize their activities more inline with MDGs.

**Results Achieved:**

- § National youth council of Bangladesh, a leading youth organization with members of around 150 youth organizations,



organized series of events like, cycle rally, blood donation and discussion meeting.

- § A discussion on “Tackling poverty Together” was organized with ministry of youth and sports/ department of youth development in association with leading youth organization.
- § About 200 participants attended the discussion
- § Provided directions to the youth organizations on effective ways of volunteerism to achieving MDGs and particularly tackling poverty.
- § Strengthened UNV/UNDP's partnership with youth groups and Department of Youth Development