

Bangladesh Dignity Forum

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in building
a better world.*



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Dignity is democracy's
next evolutionary step.

- Robert Fuller

**Participate in
establishing the
universal right
to equal dignity.**

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***DIGNITY** calling...
Its time*

Dignity is a basic need
that everyone wants. You
want it too. Now it is time
to transform your need
into a mass demand.
Please raise your voice to
be heard:

***Dignity is my constitutional
birthright. Its everyone else's.***

A unified claim alone can
change a reality that is
losing appeal to the
emerging spirit of time.





Bangladesh Dignity Forum provides a national platform for civic participation in the Campaign for Right to Dignity (CARD). To give dignity a national voice, the Forum was created in 2006 by Civic Bangladesh, a non-profit and non-partisan development organization registered as a Trust and also with the NGO Affairs Bureau (NGOAB).

CARD mobilizes mass participation in promoting the right to dignity in the social and civic institutions, and calls for fulfillment of the constitutional obligation and universal commitment to **equal dignity for all**.

The campaign is a civic response to **Article 1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights**, which affirms: “**All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights**”, as well as the **Constitution of Bangladesh** (Article XI (ratified 4 Nov. 1972)) that states: “**The Republic shall be a democracy in which ...respect for the dignity and worth of the human person shall be guaranteed...**”

Bangladesh is one of the few countries that include dignity in their constitutions. The country recognized dignity early in history in its **Proclamation of Independence** (10 April 1971) “**to ensure for the people of Bangladesh equality, human dignity and social justice**”.

To establish the right to dignity, Bangladesh Dignity Forum campaigns through civic education, networking and mobilization at different levels.

Aim

To wage a participatory, nonviolent social movement aimed at establishing the universal and constitutional right to dignity in Bangladesh

Objectives

- To cultivate the values of civility, humility and empathy;
- To raise the spirit of mutual respect, cooperation, non-violence, harmony and peace;
- To promote the principles of tolerance and respect for diversity and differences; and
- To overcome the abuse of power associated with ranks in the social and political institutions.



Strategies

- To extend, strengthen and consolidate the organizational structure of the Forum at the divisional, district, metropolitan and upazila levels;
- To raise or help raise civic awareness of the universal right to equal dignity through training, education and publicity;
- To inspire the people aspiring equal dignity to participate in non-violent social actions aimed at establishing the right to dignity for all; and
- To undertake organized and coordinated advocacy initiatives to influence policy reforms

Activities

- To organize discussions, dialogues, meetings, roundtables, seminars, workshops, conferences, etc, at different levels, and mobilize civic participation in the campaign events;
- To conduct studies on the different forms of rankism and share the results with wider audience;
- To build non-violent and peaceful social movement to create a culture of dignity by overcoming the abuse of power signified by ranks; and
- To launch issue-based advocacy campaigns to influence policy reforms

Membership

- Any individual/organization can apply for membership of the Forum.
- Free membership forms can be downloaded from <http://civicbd.org/bangladesh-dignity-forum>.
- The e-forms duly filled out by the membership aspirant will have to be emailed to the secretariat for approval.

For more information please contact us at the secretariat via emails, telephone calls and physical visits.

