

Budget

Name of the Organization : Media Resources Development Initiative (MRDI)
 Name of the Project : Supporting Media During Transition Period in Bangladesh
 Duration of the Project : 18 (Eighteen) months (January 2026-June 2027)

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1	Establish a Media Reform Working Group													
1.1	Honorarium for team leader	1 person x 15 hours x 8 meetings	120	7,500	900,000	7,433	1 person x 15 hours x 2 meetings	30	7,500	225,000	1,858	1,125,000	9,291	
1.2	Honorarium for working group members	5 persons x 8 meetings	40	10,000	400,000	3,303	5 persons x 2 meetings	10	10,000	100,000	826	500,000	4,129	
1.3	Venue & equipment (MRDI Conference Room)	1 day x 8 meetings	8	10,000	80,000	661	1 day x 2 meetings	2	10,000	20,000	165	100,000	826	
1.4	Meeting cost (Tea, snacks & lunch)	8 persons x 8 meetings	64	700	44,800	370	8 persons x 2 meetings	16	700	11,200	92	56,000	462	
1.5	Information kit (Writing pad, pen & information material)	5 sets x 8 meetings	40	100	4,000	33	5 sets x 2 meetings	10	100	1,000	8	5,000	41	
	Sub-total of 1				1,428,800	11,800					357,200	2,949	1,786,000	14,749
2	Facilitate Inclusive Strategic Consultation & Policy Advocacy													
2.1	Inclusive strategic consultation													
2.1.1	Venue & Sound (The Daily Star Centre, Dhaka)	1 day x 2 consultations	2	45,000	90,000	743					-	90,000	743	
2.1.2	Information kit (Folder/bag, writing pad, pen & information material)	25 sets x 2 consultations	50	800	40,000	330					-	40,000	330	
2.1.3	Food for participants (Tea & Snacks and Lunch)	30 persons x 2 consultations	60	1,500	90,000	743					-	90,000	743	
2.1.4	Time cost for participants	20 persons x 2 consultations	40	5,000	200,000	1,652					-	200,000	1,652	
2.1.5	Conveyance for inside Dhaka participants	15 persons x 2 consultations	30	3,000	90,000	743					-	90,000	743	
2.1.6	Travel for Outside Dhaka Participants	5 persons x 2 consultations	10	1,500	15,000	124					-	15,000	124	
2.1.7	Daily Subsistence Allowance for Outside Dhaka Participants	5 persons x 2 days x 2 consultations	20	3,500	70,000	578					-	70,000	578	
2.1.8	Banner	1 unit x 2 consultations	2	1,500	3,000	25					-	3,000	25	
2.1.9	Transportation for programme staffs	Vehicle rent including fuel & driver allowance x 2 consultations	2	7,000	14,000	116					-	14,000	116	
2.1.10	Interpreter support for foreign guests with equipment	2 Consultations	2	35,000	70,000	578					-	70,000	578	



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	Sub-total of 2.1				682,000	5,632				-	-	682,000	5,632
2.2	Advocacy with parliamentary standing committees, parliamentarians, ministers and secretaries												
2.2.1	Meeting with parliamentary standing committees (Honorarium for MPs, food for participants and information kit)	2 meetings	2	150,000	300,000	2,478				-	-	300,000	2,478
2.2.2	Cost for meeting with ministers/secretaries (Honorarium for participants and food for participants)	4 meetings	4	20,000	80,000	661				-	-	80,000	661
2.2.3	Cost for meeting with parliamentarians (Honorarium for MPs and food for participants)	5 meetings	5	20,000	100,000	826				-	-	100,000	826
	Sub-total of 2.2				480,000	3,965				-	-	480,000	3,965
2.3	Media Campaign for Reform												
2.3.1	Honorarium for opinion writer	4 opinions	4	7,500	30,000	248	2 opinions	2	7,500	15,000	124	45,000	372
2.3.2	Policy dialogues & supplements at the community news outlets	1 community news outlets	1	250,000	250,000	2,065				-	-	250,000	2,065
2.3.3	Discussions in broadcast platforms including in TV and digital platforms	2 discussions	2	75,000	150,000	1,239	2 discussions	2	75,000	150,000	1,239	300,000	2,478
	Sub total of 2.3				430,000	3,552						165,000	1,363
2.4	Advocacy and Campaign												
2.4.1	Advocacy and Campaign Cost for the establishment of a Mass Media Commission, adoption of the Journalists' Rights Protection Ordinance and promote media self-regulation proposed by the Media Reform Commission.	Lumpsum	1	330,000	330,000	2,725	Lumpsum	1	220,000	220,000	1,817	550,000	4,542
	Sub total of 2.4				330,000	2,725						220,000	1,817
	Sub-total of 2				1,922,000	15,874						385,000	3,180
3	Development of National Safety Framework												
3.1	Desk review and assessment of existing safety mechanism within newsrooms												
3.1.1	Honorarium for local expert/s	2 person x 15 days	30	15,000	450,000	3,716				-		450,000	3,716



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3.1.2	Assessment cost (FGD, travel, accommodation, perdiem, information kit, etc.)	1 unit	1	150,000	150,000	1,239				-	-	150,000	1,239
	Sub-total of 3.1				600,000	4,955				-	-	600,000	4,955
3.2	Workshop to develop safety protocol												
3.2.1	Consultative workshops												
3.2.1.1	Venue & Sound (YWCA, Dhaka)	1 day x 3 workshops	3	35,000	105,000	867				-	-	105,000	867
3.2.1.2	Information kit (Folder/bag, writing pad, pen & information material)	25 sets x 3 workshops	75	800	60,000	496				-	-	60,000	496
3.2.1.3	Food for participants (Tea & Snacks and Lunch)	25 persons x 1 day x 3 workshops	75	1,500	112,500	929				-	-	112,500	929
3.2.1.4	Time cost for participants	20 persons x 3 workshops	60	5,000	300,000	2,478				-	-	300,000	2,478
3.2.1.5	Conveyance for inside Dhaka participants	20 persons x 3 workshop	60	3,000	180,000	1,487				-	-	180,000	1,487
3.2.1.6	Travel for Outside Dhaka Participants	20 persons x 2 ways x 2 workshops	80	1,500	120,000	991				-	-	120,000	991
3.2.1.7	Daily Subsistance Allowance for Outside Dhaka Participants	20 persons x 2 days x 2 workshops	80	3,500	280,000	2,312				-	-	280,000	2,312
3.2.1.8	Banner	1 unit x 3 workshops	3	1,500	4,500	37				-	-	4,500	37
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	Sub-total of 3.2.1				1,162,000	9,597				-	-	1,162,000	9,597
3.2.2	Multi-stakeholder validation workshop												
3.2.2.1	Venue & sound (The Daily Star)	Day	1	45,000	45,000	372				-	-	45,000	372
3.2.2.2	Banner	Event	1	4,000	4,000	33				-	-	4,000	33
3.2.2.3	Information kit (Folder/bag, writing pad, pen & information material) for participants and media	Units	45	800	36,000	297				-	-	36,000	297
3.2.2.4	Food & refreshment including media (Tea, morning snacks and lunch)	Units	50	1,400	70,000	578				-	-	70,000	578
3.2.2.5	Time cost for participants	25 persons	25	5,000	125,000	1,032				-	-	125,000	1,032
3.2.2.6	Travel for participants of outside Dhaka (Editor, News manager, academia)	10 persons x 2 ways	20	1,500	30,000	248				-	-	30,000	248
3.2.2.7	Daily subsistance allowances for participants of outside Dhaka	10 persons x 2 days	20	3,500	70,000	578				-	-	70,000	578
3.2.2.8	Interpreter support for foreign guests with equipment	1 Event	1	35,000	35,000	289				-	-	35,000	289
3.2.2.9	Transportation for programme staffs	Vehicle rent including fuel & driver allowance	1	7,000	7,000	58				-	-	7,000	58
3.2.2.10	Printing and distribution safety protocol	300 copies	300	500	150,000	1,239				-	-	150,000	1,239
	Sub-total of 3.2.2				572,000	4,724				-	-	572,000	4,724



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3.3	National Safety Framework Integration													
3.3.1	Honorarium of Expert/s	2 person x 7 days x 2 news outlets	28	10,000	280,000	2,312	2 person x 7 days x 4 news outlets	56	10,000	560,000	4,625	840,000	6,937	
3.3.2	Travel, accommodation, perdiem etc for expert	2 person visit to 1 regional/local news outlets	1	50,000	50,000	413	2 person visit to 2 regional/local news outlets	2	50,000	100,000	826	150,000	1,239	
3.3.3	Lunch and snacks for national news outlets	1 national news outlets	1	25,000	25,000	206	2 national news outlets	2	25,000	50,000	413	75,000	619	
3.3.4	Lunch and snacks for one regional/local news outlet	1 regional/local news outlets	1	15,000	15,000	124	2 regional/local news outlets	2	15,000	30,000	248	45,000	372	
	Sub total of 3.3				370,000	3,055					740,000	6,112	1,110,000	9,167
	Sub-total of 3				2,704,000	22,331					740,000	6,112	3,444,000	28,443
4	Framework of self-regulation													
4.1	Develop draft framework on self regulation													
4.1.1	Honorarium for expert	1 person x 20 days	20	10,000	200,000	1,652					-	-	200,000	1,652
4.2.2	Meeting cost	3 meetings	3	10,000	30,000	248					-	-	30,000	248
	Sub-total of 4.1				230,000	1,900					-	-	230,000	1,900
4.2	Workshop to validate the framework													
4.2.1	Venue & Sound (YWCA, Dhaka)	1 day	1	35,000	35,000	289					-	-	35,000	289
4.2.2	Information kit (Folder/bag, writing pad, pen & information material)	25 sets	25	800	20,000	165					-	-	20,000	165
4.2.3	Food for participants (Tea & Snacks and lunch)	25 persons	25	1,500	37,500	310					-	-	37,500	310
4.2.4	Time cost for participants	20 persons	20	5,000	100,000	826					-	-	100,000	826
4.2.5	Conveyance for inside Dhaka participants	15 persons	15	3,000	45,000	372					-	-	45,000	372
4.2.6	Travel for Outside Dhaka Participants	5 persons x 2 ways	10	1,500	15,000	124					-	-	15,000	124
4.2.7	Daily Subsistance Allowance for Outside Dhaka Participants	5 persons x 2 days	10	3,500	35,000	289					-	-	35,000	289
4.2.8	Banner	1 unit	1	1,500	1,500	12					-	-	1,500	12
	Sub-total of 4.2				289,000	2,387					-	-	289,000	2,387
4.3	News managers' engagement programme on self-regulation													
4.3.1	Honorarium for Facilitator	1 person x 2 days	2	25,000	50,000	413					-	-	50,000	413



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4.3.2	Transportation for facilitator, participants and Programme Staffs (Vehicle Rent+Fuel+Driver Allowance+Toll)	4 vehicle x 2 days	8	12,000	96,000	793				-	-	96,000	793
4.3.3	Information kit (Folder/bag, writing pad, pen & information material)	13 sets	13	3,000	39,000	322				-	-	39,000	322
4.3.4	Venue (With sound system & other facilities)	2 days	2	50,000	100,000	826				-	-	100,000	826
4.3.5	Food for participants (Breakfast, 2 tea-snacks, lunch and dinner)	15 persons x 2 days	30	5,000	150,000	1,239				-	-	150,000	1,239
4.3.6	Accommodation	14 rooms x 2 nights	28	7,000	196,000	1,619				-	-	196,000	1,619
4.3.7	Time cost for participants	10 persons x 2 days	20	7,500	150,000	1,239				-	-	150,000	1,239
4.3.8	Banner	1 unit	1	1,500	1,500	12				-	-	1,500	12
4.3.9	Incidental cost for programme staffs	3 persons x 2 days	6	450	2,700	22				-	-	2,700	22
4.3.10	Service & support in training venue	Per output	1	10,000	10,000	83				-	-	10,000	83
Sub-total of 4.3					795,200	6,568				-	-	795,200	6,568
4.4	Develop in-house protocol and capacity building												
4.4.1	Honorarium for Expert				-	-	1 person x 5 days x 2 news outlets	10	15,000	150,000	1,239	150,000	1,239
4.4.2	In house capacity building on self-regulation				-	-	2 news outlets	2	27,500	55,000	454	55,000	454
Sub total of 4.4					-	-				205,000	1,693	205,000	1,693
Sub-total of 4					1,314,200	10,855				205,000	1,693	1,519,200	12,548
5	Human Resources												
5.1	Team Leader (10% working time)	1 person x 14 months including four festival allowance	14	61,654	863,162	7,128	1 person x 8 months including four festival allowance	8	63,715	509,720	4,210	1,372,882	11,338
5.2	Programme Coordinator (100% working time)	1 person x 12 months including four festival allowance	12	100,000	1,200,000	9,911	1 person x 7 months including four festival allowance	7	105,000	735,000	6,070	1,935,000	15,981
5.3	Programme Officer (100% working time)	1 person x 11 months including four festival allowance	11	54,402	598,424	4,942	1 person x 7 months including four festival allowance	7	61,627	431,388	3,563	1,029,812	8,505
5.4	Accounts Coordinator (50% working time)	1 person x 11 months including four festival allowance	11	47,687	524,560	4,332	1 person x 7 months including four festival allowance	7	53,965	377,756	3,120	902,316	7,452
5.5	Staff Group Health Insurance Premium	1 time	1	35,000	35,000	289	1 time	0.5	35,000	17,500	145	52,500	434
5.6	License fee for human resource (ERP System, office 365 E1, DocuSign, etc.)	Licence fee for project team x 1 year	1	80,300	80,300	663	Licence fee for project team x 6 months	0.5	80,300	40,150	332	120,450	995
Sub total of 5					3,301,446	27,265				2,111,514	17,440	5,412,960	44,705



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6	Audit of accounts												
6.1	Audit Fee	1 time	1	100,000	100,000	826	1 time	1	100,000	100,000	826	200,000	1,652
	Sub total of 6				100,000	826				100,000	826	200,000	1,652
	Sub total (1 to 6) without Admin Cost				10,770,446	88,951				3,898,714	32,200	14,669,160	121,151
7	Admin Cost												
7.1	7% of Admin cost	12 months	12	62,828	753,931	6,226	6 months	6	45,485	272,910	2,254	1,026,841	8,480
	Sub total of 7				753,931	6,226				272,910	2,254	1,026,841	8,480
	Grand Total (1 to 7)				11,524,377	95,177				4,171,624	34,454	15,696,001	129,631

