

The Life of a Livestock Services Provider



LSP's Profile

Name	Mustafa Kamal
Age	36
Date of Joining CLP	January 2011
District	Kurigram
Village	Chit Paikerchara
Marital Staus	Married
Education	Secondary School Certificate
Implementing Organisation	Solidarity

Mustafa Kamal came from a poor family, and was once a day labourer in Dhaka. He managed to complete his secondary school certificate from the Open University. Mustafa then undertook training to become a Livestock Services Provider (LSP), but earned only around Tk.3,000 per month. In 2011, the CLP provided training which enabled him to improve the service he could offer and thus grow his business.

Mustafa now earns *"In the community everyone knows me as the doctor. If there is a meeting, people invite me and give me the opportunity to speak"* Tk.8,000 – Tk.10,000 per month, owns a medicine shop, and has bought a bicycle which he uses to conduct home visits.

Mustafa has just purchased a solar fridge from the CLP, which allows him and other local LSPs to store vaccines safely. Mustafa knows the importance of ensuring that vaccines are stored and used correctly.

"Now there is no more poverty in my family. Once I could not eat twice a day, but now every couple of days I can buy fish and meat" Ever since receiving his training from the CLP, Mustafa has gained a good reputation within his community. This has also been the case with major drug companies such as Acme and Square, from whom he buys stock for his shop. Mustafa plans to save and buy a motorbike in a few months, which will enable him to visit more households each day and continue to expand his enterprise.

