

NOTE TO THE FILE
IYV NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18,2001

- Today's meeting was very important for us as we were expecting it since March 2001. I would like to thank Mr. Seikou Sanyang, UNV Program Officer for his role and guidance without which it was impossible for me to facilitate the holding of a National Committee meeting.
- The meeting was well attended and Chaired by the National Committee Chairman Mr. Manik Lal Sommader, Secretary Ministry of Youth & Sports.
- The meeting reviewed the activities that so far took place in Bangladesh in connection to IYV and appreciated the volunteer organisations for their efforts promoting the four IYV objectives in Bangladesh.
- The participants expressed their concern and anxiety to plan activities for the remaining period of IYV 2001 and beyond. A sub-committee was formed to formulate a realistic plan headed by the Deputy Secretary (Youth), Ministry of Youth & Sports.
- The meeting discussed the upcoming International Symposium on Volunteering (ISV) to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, 18-21 November 2001. In trying to select a representative of the IYV National Committee, the candidature of Mr. Manik Lal Sommader, Chairman of the National Committee and Secretary, Ministry of Youth & Sports was endorsed by the meeting.
- A sub-committee was formed for the preparation to present the IYV activities carried out in Bangladesh and to plan beyond 2001.
- The meeting recognised the good work of the Volunteers and Volunteer Organisations. Also, as part of IYV activities it was decided that Certificate of appreciation should be given to three individual volunteers and three Volunteer Organisations in each of 64 districts of Bangladesh. The Secretary of the IYV National Committee – the Director General, Department of Youth Development was given the responsibility to prepare the guidelines and criteria for selecting such candidates.
- The Director General, Department of Youth Development as the Secretary of the National Committee was also assigned by the Committee to review and prioritise the funding request submitted by the Volunteer Organisations in connection to IYV activities.