



Bangladesh Urban Youth Conference 2025

Youth Voice for Sustainable Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights

Dhaka Declaration 2025

We, the youth of Dhaka city, united by shared aspirations, determination, creativity, and social responsibility, have come together at the Bangladesh Urban Youth Conference 2025. Through this platform, we strongly voice our collective demand to ensure future urban health system management including sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) for all.

1. A comprehensive strategy and framework for urban health management must be developed to ensure inclusive healthcare services for urban citizens.
2. Primary healthcare in every neighborhood should be provided exclusively by the registered medical professionals i.e. General Practitioners (GPs) under a complete regulatory framework. A regulatory authority should ensure the quality healthcare services to be delivered by the GPs.
3. Primary healthcare centers must be established in each ward operating in two shifts—day and night with aims to provide comprehensive public awareness, disease prevention, and limited curative care services for the community people.
4. 100–150 bed hospital in each zone should be established in every city corporation area.
5. A Zonal Health Office should be established in each zone aligning with the Civil Surgeon's Office model. This Zonal Office will ensure effective management and quality monitoring of public and private hospitals/clinics, pharmacies, GP chambers, diagnostic centers, family planning and EPI activities, as well as public health programs including infectious disease prevention.
6. Within the Zonal Health Office, positions should be created for field workers, service providers, public health specialists, and other relevant health personnel.
7. An easy and effective referral system from primary healthcare centers to



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- secondary/tertiary level healthcare facilities should be established to manage complicated cases.
8. To ensure women and adolescents' access to quality SRHR services, necessary measures should be taken. To address misconceptions, superstitions and stigma, necessary initiatives should be taken for raising public awareness.
 9. Existing government and non-government call centers related to reproductive health should be activated through stronger coordination mechanisms.
 10. Call centers and referral services should be made more active on prevention, protection and response against gender-based violence for GBV survivors' speedy access to required services.
 11. Guideline should be issued to establish adolescent and women friendly primary health care centers at all educational institutions.
 12. Adolescents and youths should be engaged in mass awareness initiatives related to reproductive health care services.
 13. In the national health budget, adequate amount of fund must be allocated for urban healthcare services.
 14. Price of all essential medicines must be reduced. To ensure necessary treatment for the ultra-poor, a government-level health insurance scheme must be formulated and implemented.
 15. Standardized pricing must be established for all types of diagnostic tests. Free or subsidized diagnostic services should be introduced at both government and private diagnostic centers to deliver services to the poor and ultra-poor communities.
 16. Health administration should be more proactive and strengthened with regular monitoring system to break the middlemen syndicate practice in the health facilities including government hospitals and other health service centers.



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With the aim of building a responsible, inclusive, and sustainable urban health system, we, the youth of Dhaka, present this Dhaka Declaration 2025 with a united voice and a call to action.

We call upon policymakers, development partners, and all relevant stakeholders to consider this declaration as a guiding framework for the future development of urban health system.

-Volunteers of Improving Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in Dhaka Project

