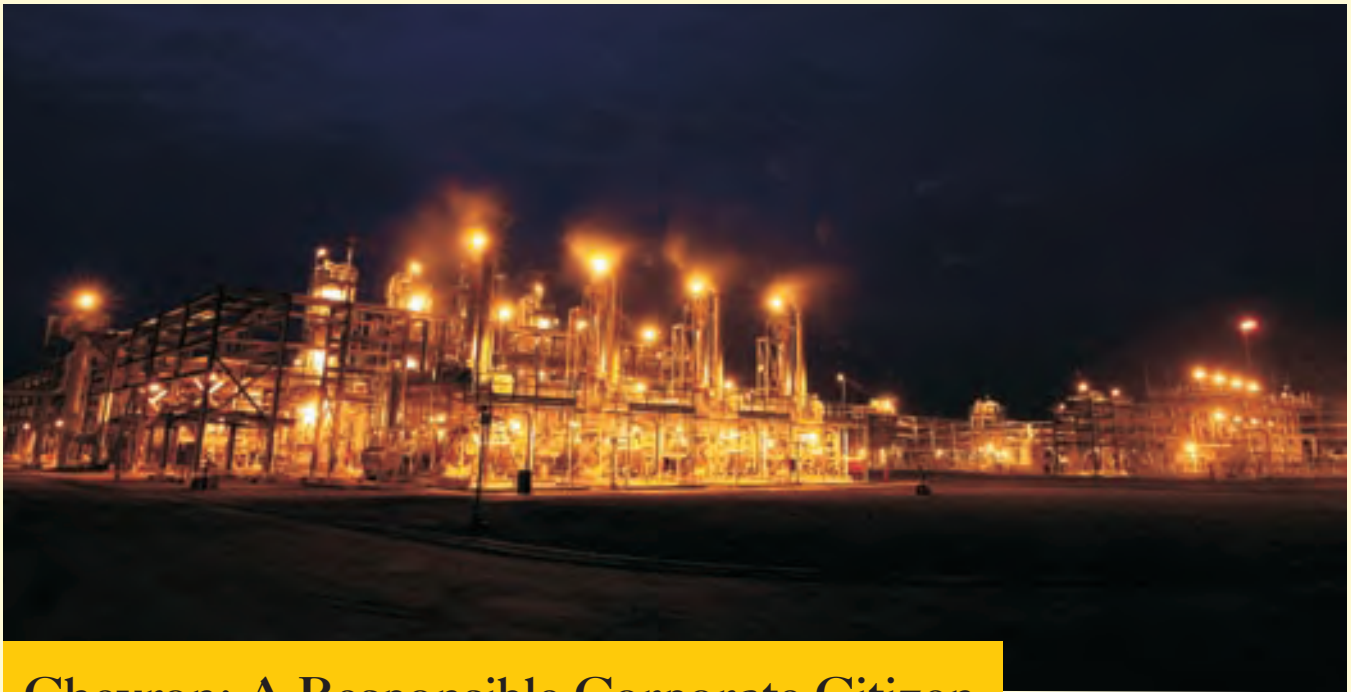




# Chevron Bangladesh

A Partner in Progress





## Chevron: A Responsible Corporate Citizen

The development of the world's energy resources has dramatically improved the quality of life for people around the globe. It has also played a major role in the growth and stability of new, emerging, as well as mature economies. Energy development creates skilled jobs, stimulates new industries, generates more goods and services for consumers and export markets, and results in higher living standards.

Chevron Bangladesh and its subsidiaries have been active in oil and gas exploration and production in Bangladesh for a number of years, predominantly in Blocks 12, 13 and 14 in the greater Sylhet region. The company is currently producing natural gas from Jalalabad, Moulavi Bazar and Bibiyana fields and employs roughly 3,000 people directly or indirectly, of which approximately 95% are Bangladeshi nationals.

Chevron Bangladesh is playing a key role in the energy sector of Bangladesh, addressing the nation's current and future energy needs and producing around 50% of its natural gas in a safe, efficient and environmentally responsible manner.

Chevron supports Bangladesh's goal to reduce the nation's reliance on imported energy by actively investing in major capital projects that deliver more gas to Petrobangla. Chevron, having invested nearly US\$ one billion, is one of the largest foreign investors in the energy sector of Bangladesh.

Corporate Social Responsibility is the foundation of Chevron's business practice, and one of our most cherished values. In all its operations, Chevron has been active in community development for several years through a wide variety of activities and programs that focus primarily on economic development, education and healthcare. Our aim is for these programs to be partnership-based, community-driven, sustainable, and in line with the company's business and social objectives. Being the best partner to people wherever we work is one of Chevron's core visions.

*Bibiyana gas plant and its surroundings*





## Economic Development & Capacity Enhancement

Chevron launched an Alternative Livelihood Program (ALP) in 2006 to assist underprivileged families residing near the Bibiyana field to augment their household incomes through the provision of technical and financial support to spur the growth of small businesses and farms.

ALP manifests the concept of Community-Driven Development and seeks to improve community wellbeing by promoting direct control over its own development process. The program aims to empower the communities and make them self-sufficient to run and manage their own micro-enterprises.

The approach used seeks to build human and institutional capacity, achieving long-term, sustainable economic development in the process and equipping families to take control of their own futures.

Opportunities are created for beneficiaries to increase income-generating skills via micro-intervention mechanisms, such as, (a) knowledge transfer and training, (b) orientation on financial management (c) provision of capital and asset transfer (d) market linkages to allow them to sell their own products.

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Critical support is provided to establish and run various agro and non-agro enterprises, including poultry farming, pond fish culture, duck hatchery, homestead and commercial gardening of fruits and vegetables, diesel engine maintenance, sewing and embroidery, goat rearing and cattle fattening.

After successful implementation in Bibiyana, this program was replicated in the communities near Chevron's two other gas fields, Moulavi Bazar (2008) and Jalalabad (2010) – being known as 'Jibika' in the latter.

Also being supported are the Alternative Livelihood Options (ALO) projects that seek to benefit 1,000 families living near Chevron's Moulavi Bazar and Bibiyana gas fields. The interventions (solar photovoltaic panels to households and schools, Improved Cooking Stoves and biogas plants) lead to a range of socioeconomic benefits and cost savings that are retrenched into micro-enterprises for which program participants have been trained.

Implemented by NGOs Center for Natural Resource Studies (CNRS), Prochesta and Institute for Development Affairs (IDEA), Chevron's economic development programs currently cover nearly 4,000 families residing in over 100 villages near Chevron's three gas fields.

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## Education Support Programs

Scholarships – This program was initiated in 2006. Disadvantaged but meritorious students are given priority. Last year, about 1,100 students were supported. The impact of this program is encouraging: in 2012, a total of 44 students – 23% of Chevron's scholarship recipients - obtained A+ in their Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examinations.

In Bibiyana, Nadampur High School, Mostafapur and Tahirpur Noi-mouja Aliya Madrasahs have each achieved 94-100% pass-rates in three successive SSC exams. Goflabazar High School, whose students were awarded Chevron scholarships for the first time in 2012, achieved 100% pass-rate.

The Quality Education Support initiative was started in 2006 and includes teachers' salaries (12 teachers for four schools - three per school), endowment fund; school furniture; sports equipment and school uniform support, educational implements, and special coaching.

Pre-Primary Education- In association with Save the Children, 15 pre-primary schools were run in 15 villages near the Bibiyana field.

A five-year scholarship support program has been launched for the Asian University for Women in Chittagong, attended by students from South and South-East Asia and the Middle East.



*Chevron runs 20 pre-primary home-based schools in as many villages near its Moulavi Bazar and Jalalabad gas plants. Implemented under the Alternative Livelihood Program, which it sponsors, 600 boys and girls below six years of age attend a nine-month school readiness course*



## Health and Sanitation

The Smiling Sun Franchise Program (SSFP) is a USAID-sponsored countrywide structured program that has been extended in Chevron's project areas of Bibiyana and Moulavi Bazar.

Three static Chevron-supported clinics in Bibiyana and Moulavibazar now provide healthcare services to approximately 6,000 villagers per month. A network of 32 satellite clinics is also operational.

The clinics are an excellent example of Chevron's partnership with the community. Land for the Bibiyana clinics was donated by local benefactors, and

clinic activities are planned and overseen by Local Advisory Committees. Regular financial assistance from local communities ensures increase in sustainability and provision of free services and supplies to those in greatest need.

Recognizing that a lack of basic awareness is a major factor in ill health, a crucial component of services provided is awareness-raising campaigns. These include sessions on maternal and child health, safe hygiene and sanitation and First-Aid. Other services offered include vaccinations, referrals and ambulance facilities to transport patients to the nearest major hospitals.

*This is one of three community clinics, supported by Chevron, and part of the USAID-sponsored Smiling Sun Franchise Program (SSFP). These clinics, along with their network of 32 satellite spots, deliver quality, affordable healthcare services at the doorsteps of about 23,000 people every year*



## Employees' Initiatives

Chevron employees take key roles in establishing the company's values in community development by regularly participating in projects such as tree plantation and blood donation drives, and Habitat for Humanity's programs to build low-cost, durable homes for the underprivileged



In linking the two banks of the Norkhai River, the Chevron-constructed Bibiyana Friendship Bridge served about 15,000 to 20,000 residents. Connecting the villages of Karimpur and Chanpur, the 160-foot (predominantly steel) footbridge provided the local community safe and easy passage, particularly during the rainy season.



Since 2001, Chevron Bangladesh employees have been regular volunteers in Habitat for Humanity International – Bangladesh's (HFH-B) house-building programs, with the goal of supporting the underprivileged to build low-cost but durable homes.



Since 2007, Chevron has planted over 213,000 indigenous timber-yielding, fruit-bearing and medicinal saplings in tea-gardens, homestead and roadside areas. Chevron employees participate in tree plantation drives each year to advance the company's regular environmental stewardship endeavors



Every year, Chevron Bangladesh employees voluntarily donate blood to mark World Blood Donor Day. The Bangladesh Red Crescent Society recognized Chevron Bangladesh as the "Best Voluntary Blood Donor Organization" for 2011.



Started in 2006, 180 local transport drivers received training on road safety awareness, with two courses being organized in Bibiyana. Billboards and road signage were setup as awareness tools.

Chevron Corporation is one of the world's leading integrated energy companies and conducts business worldwide. Headquartered in San Ramon, California, it is involved in virtually every facet of the energy industry. It explores for, produces and transports crude oil and natural gas; refines, markets and distributes transportation fuels and lubricants; manufactures and sells petrochemical products; generates power and produces geothermal energy; provides energy efficiency solutions; and develops the energy resources of the future, including research for advanced biofuels. Chevron's diverse and highly skilled global workforce consists of approximately 61,000 employees, including more than 3,000 service station employees.

