





## A young woman of Korail Slum inspired and hopeful to live with her family in a tided and odorless place.

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COURTYARD MEETING AT BOUBAZAR OF KORAIL SLUM MAY 04, 2021



MRS CHAMELI FROM BOUBAZAR, KORAIL SLUM OF DHAKA

Mrs. Chameli is a young women living in the Korail Slum. Her maternal family also live in the Korail slum. Her husband is a service holder, works in a small company and she also work for their living. Moreover, she works with a non-government organization for ensuring proper sanitation in the Korail Slum. She is also a member of Environmental Pollution Prevention Committee formed by Dhaka CALLING Project in Korail Slum.

She joined a meeting of Dhaka CALLING Project and acquainted with various sides of pollution especially pollution due to improper waste management, legal frameworks related to waste management and how the project is envisioned to create the slum area waste free. During the meeting she shared her opinion and said, "We are deprived people-there is no well-structured roads, toilets, houses. Even there is no proper system for dumping waste. If we get the opportunity with the help of the project to keep our slum clean, we will able to keep our surrounding environment safe and pollution free".

In Korail, besides the Jhilpar (Lake), roads are very narrow, waste collectors cannot enter into the area with van. So people living adjacent to the Jhilpar area dump their waste into the Jhil (Lake). After attending the meeting, she inspired. As no organizations are working for waste management in their slum. Her sister also a member of Korail Youth Advocacy Group (YAG). After hearing the activities of YAG, Mrs Chameli become more inspired.

Previously, she dumped her household wastes into a bin without separating bio degradable and non-bio degradable wastes. Now she separates and keeps plastic wastes in a different bag before dumping the household wastes. She also talks to her neighbor to not to dump waste here and there as well as separate non-biodegradable waste in a different bag for further use or sell. She wants to live with her family in such an area where there is no pollution, no waste, no odor.







