

SOHAY

A catalyst to change human life

Little Initiative for Better Health

Musk is a must if the working place is smoky or dusty but there are thousands of workers who are working in small factories in Bangladesh who even not know about the fact. Most alarming thing is that most of the workers are under aged. They are dangerously in health risk. Their lung



can be seriously affected by the dust, smoke, gas or chemical vapor. SOHAY is a nonprofit development organization working with child labour and many other issues have taken an initiative to provide mask primarily for the child workers in the factories of its working areas. Though the child workers are not enough aware about the consequence and the benefit of the mask but their minimum understanding is that mask will prevent them from dust. There is a shoe

making factory in kamrangirchar area which is so gaseous that it is impossible to work there without proper safety equipment or at least a mask. SOHAY has given mask to the worker especially child workers. The feedback or expression of the children is very multidimensional and interesting. When they are asked about their feeling, they only utter good but the real feeling of them can be understood by their innocent smile. When some particular children were asked about their feeling then they tried to express their feeling. Alamin is 12 years old child

worker who works in an imitation factory says that he is very delightful because when he works the dust of the factory hamper his work. Jannati is another child worker of same factory says that **“I was not aware about the use of mask but now I know the benefit of it of it and I will now regularly use the mask”**. The adult workers also demanded for mask for themselves and SOHAY has given some mask to them. In the area of UDC 12 Mostofa(11), Dipu (11), Mou (9) and many



other children have got the mask. They express their feeling joyfully and with laughter. They say that they were working in a dusty and hazardous environment but they have thought it is very

natural. When the FO talks about it and give them the masks they can realize the importance of mask and they also aware about their health. From the beginning SOHAY is trying to do something more for these children but SOHAY's capability is limited. Therefore SOHAY needs more help and support to continue this process.