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Ms. Chowdhury is a development activist, born in 1968 in a remote village in Gaibandha district. After graduating, she joined GUK – a community led NGO in the disaster prone northern part of Bangladesh – as a village associate. She joined GUK at a time when it was very difficult for women to engage themselves to work in remote areas, and dedicated herself to the development of poor and disadvantaged village women. Her whole working life has been focused on trying to organize the most vulnerable women to improve their livelihoods and empowerment. She has gradually been promoted to more senior positions and is now Director of GUK, the second highest position in the organization. Recently, she obtained an MBA, and previous to that participated in various training events on development issues at home and abroad, and participated in various international conferences and workshops in different countries as a representative of grassroots women, to give them a voice. She is also a full member of various national and international forums.