



Findings of Analysis of Laws regarding Child Marriage



Tipping Point project organized an event to share findings of analysis of laws regarding Child Marriage in south Asian Countries ([reports page link](#)) on 20 August 2017 at BRAC Centre. The study was conducted by Dr. Shahnaz Huda, Professor of Law Department, University of Dhaka.

Mr. Kazi Reazul Hoque, Honorable Chairman of National Human Rights Commission was present as Chief Guest and Senior Representatives of Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs and Ministry of Women and Children Affairs spoke as special guests in the event. In addition Advocate Salma Ali Executive Director of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association and Mithila Farzana Current Affairs Editor of Ekattor Media also spoke as special guests. Advocate Salma Ali spoke on feasibility of the court system to determine best interest of the child and challenges in administering the system. Mithila Farzana spoke on the role of media in ensuring proper interpretation of the new law and prevention of child marriage. Renowned Activists such as Hameeda Hossain and Dina Siddiqui were also present in the meeting. Chief Executives of national legal aid organisations, donor and NGO representative were also present in the meeting. Significant efforts were made to bring the three parties- Government, Civil Societies and Human Rights Commission to come together and discuss the new law in order to safeguard girl's rights in the rules of procedure for operationalizing the new law. The recommendations of the meeting will be submitted to the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA) and Bangladesh National Human Rights commission.