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Q1: Respondent details

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Q2: Country or Customs territory BANGLADESH

Q3: Organization Public sector

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Q4: Title of case story

Access to Information Programme -An overview of the "e-commerce for all" initiative

Q5: Case story focus E-commerce development and efforts to bridge the "digital divide".

Q6: Case story abstract

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- · Simplifying through 'SPS'
- · Supporting innovation through 'Service Innovation Fund'
- · Celebrating innovators with 'Innovation Summits'
- Establishing delivery platforms enabling 'Services for All'

Q7: Who provided funding?	Private sector
Q8: Project/Programme type	Single country

Q9: Your text case story	Respondent skipped this question
Q10: Lessons learnt	Respondent skipped this question

Access to Information Programme

AN OVERVIEW OF "E-COMMERCE FOR ALL" INITIATIVE



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\$ 500 MILLION SAVED BY RURAL BANGLADESHIS



5,000+
ONE-STOP E-SERVICE
CENTRES ERCH WITHIN 3 KM OF EVERY CITIZEN



CITIZENS'

TIME 85% ↓

COST 63% ↓

VISITS 40% ↓

ACCESSING SERVICES



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IMPACT, RESULTS & RECOGNITION



for outstanding commitment towards ICT as a tool for sustainable development



for promoting use of ICTs to achieve the MDGs



for use of ICTs for public service excellence



for most innovative use of ICT to improve public service delivery to the underserved

4,547 UDCs

2 MILLION ONLINE REGISTRATION OF PROSPECTIVE MIGRANT WORKERS 237 MILLION SERVICES PROVIDED*

\$ 28.15 MILLION EARNED BY ENTREPRENEURS*

4 MILLION + CITIZENS IN M-BANKING

0.29 MILLION
CITIZENS COVERED BY
LIFE INSURANCE

75 MILLION BIRTH REGISTRATIONS FROM UDCs*

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ONE STOP SERVICE CENTRES

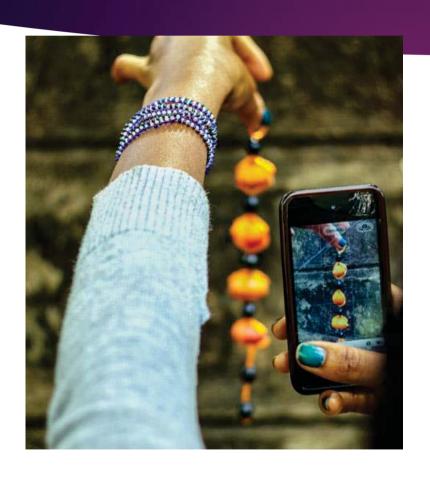
Taking Public Services to the Doorsteps of Citizens

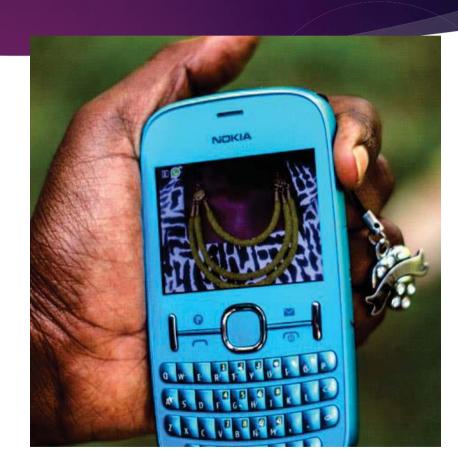
Digital Centres

The Digital Centres ensure that the underserved such as rural women, people with disabilities and the elderly - regardless of their literacy and ICT literacy can access vital information and services. These one-stop service centers are essentially micro-enterprises run by 'citizen entrepreneurs' - 1 male and 1 female in tandem with elected local government representatives. They leverage modern technology to provide citizens both free and feebased access to public services



E-commerce for all





Case of Bangladesh

66% still reside in rural communities

Syndication stands as a major barrier to agricultural and handicraft producers receiving fair remuneration for their wares

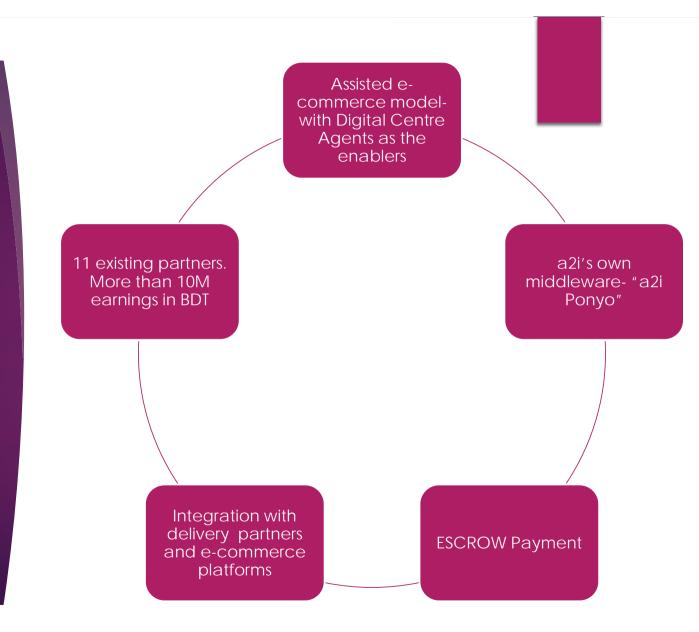
Less than 10% of total population are aware of the term "e-commerce"

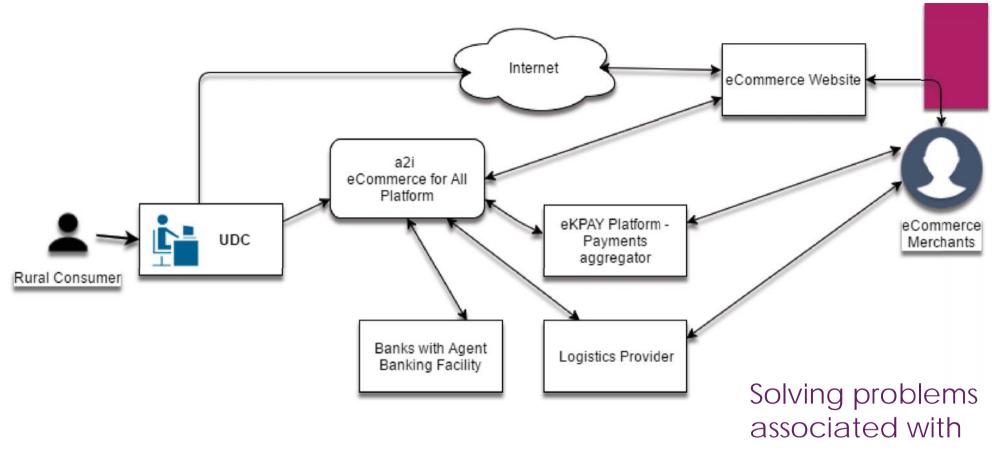
Less than 20% of MSMEs use internet for e-commerce

Lack of trust, access to internet, trusted means of logistics and payment main barriers to expansion

E-commerce a2i-model

Connecting rural population and small businesses to e-commerce services





Model by a2i

- Payment
- Logistics
- Access

Role of Digital Centre "Agents" Stakeholders in the ecosystem Local UDC Customer "shops" Acquisition **Payment** solution Local sellers partners Lead Product Generation+ Distribution Sales Assisted Role of UDC Ecommerce Agents Logistics Offine local Buyers partner Established Communicati ecommerce on and After Sales partners Sensitization Service (marketing/ partner branding/ marketplace

Problem to address: Payment

Problems

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- 90% Cash on Delivery
- Low usage of digital financial services
- Lack of trust

Solutions

- ESCROW as the payment method
- Utilizing the agent banking accounts of digital centre entrepreneurs

Problem to address: Logistics



- No standardized sorting, tracking and shipment mechanism
- Low volume of shipment makes it uneconomical for established courier companies



- Dedicated tracking system software of Bangladesh Post Office connected to a2i's own system va API
- Dedicated warehouses as collection and fulfillment system to systematize the last mile logistics delivery process and scale up economically

Process Map

Buyer visits the ecommerce portal by himself or travels to the UDC



UDC Agent 1 places an order for the desired product+ Transaction ID is created+ Buyer pays for the product through the ESCROW system



UDC Agent 2 (on the seller's vicinity) receives order for the product



Order prepared by the seller and taken to the UDC Agent for processing



Payment released to the Seller from the UDC Agent 1 end via the ESCROW system

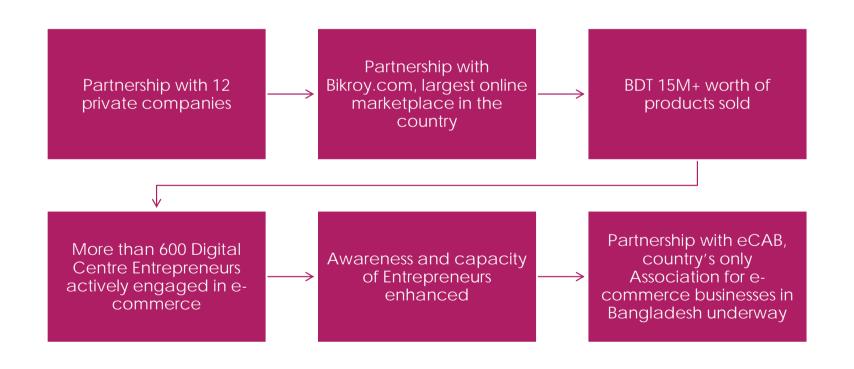


UCD Agent 1 receives the product and confirms the Transaction



UDC Agent 2 sends the product via a2i approved logistics partner

Results till now



Thank you