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Voice of Grassroots Women Entrepreneurs, Bangladesh



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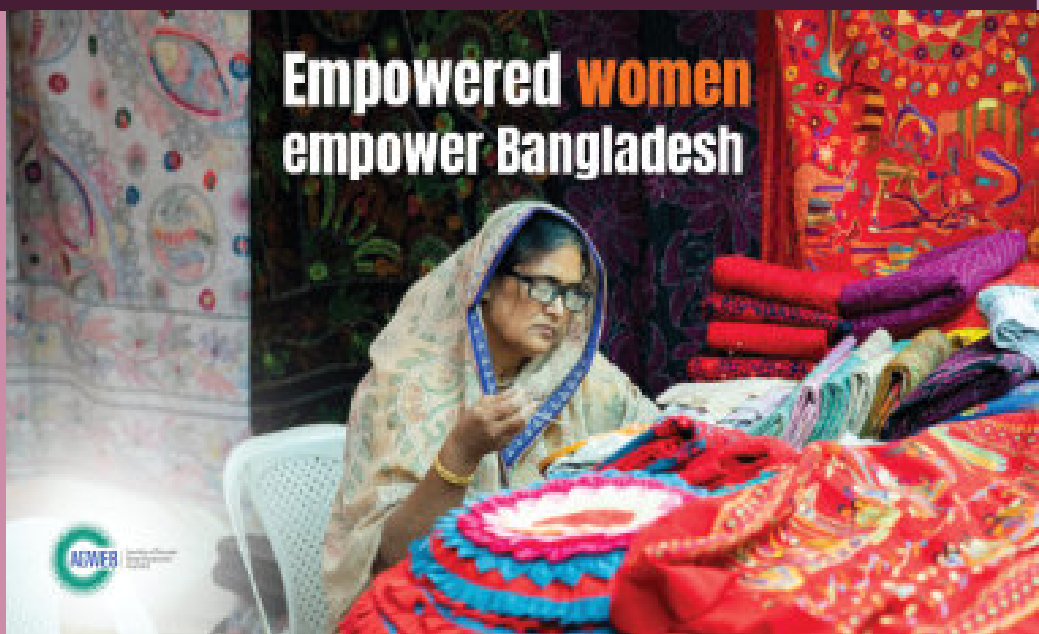


## Voice of the President

Mousumi Islam

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the November 2025 edition of AGWEB's monthly newsletter! This month has been nothing short of transformational, with new projects, bold voices, and inspiring stories shaping our journey. Let's take a moment to celebrate our wins, reflect on our learnings, and prepare for the empowering path ahead.



## Nationwide Growth

Women-led enterprises surged in regions like Barishal and Chattogram, supported by BSCIC and local development initiatives that empowered over 300 women and generated around Tk 2.5 crore. Banks such as Prime Bank PLC expanded training on financial literacy and SME-readiness—signalling a shift toward treating women-led businesses as strategic investments.

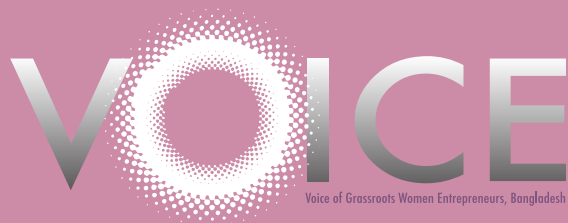
## Export Readiness Rising

ICC Bangladesh's workshop on export procedures, L/C management, and trade finance marked a major move toward integrating women entrepreneurs into global markets. More women are stepping into manufacturing, handicrafts, agro-processing, and e-commerce exports with growing confidence



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## Policy Advocacy Gains Strength

Women-led associations pushed for stronger political representation. WEAB's call for at least 150 parliamentary seats for women underscored the need for policy presence to address financing gaps, land ownership issues, and regulatory hurdles.

## Challenges Remain

Key roadblocks persist: limited financing access, compliance and export knowledge gaps, cultural constraints, and weak mentorship in tech and manufacturing sectors. These are increasingly acknowledged at national levels.

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led businesses in  
Bangladesh

## What It Means for the Future

Women entrepreneurs are vital to household welfare, community development, and Bangladesh's long-term economic goals—including export diversification and SME resilience.

## Join Us!

Whether you're an entrepreneur, policymaker, researcher, or ally, AGWEB welcomes you to be part of our growing movement. Let's make grassroots women-led enterprises the backbone of Bangladesh's inclusive economy.



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