

## **Association For Rural Development and Studies (ARDS)**

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5. Objectives :
  - 1) Research on issues like women, education, rehabilitation of social outcasts.
  - 2) Development of environment.
  - 3) Poverty alleviation.
  - 4) Improvement of health status.
  - 5) Awareness raising of HIV/AIDS/STD or STI.
  - 6) Development of urban slum dwellers.
  - 7) Coordination with different local, International, national and UN agencies, and cooperation with the government as well as other organizations serving the humanity.
  
6. Recent Research : ARDS publishes newsletter on regular basis.  
Publication Of the Organisation (1996-99) It is going to be published a book- on slums of Dhaka City.
7. On-going Research Projects : Domestic violence against maidservant in Dhaka city.
  
8. Future Plan of Research : To conduct an in depth study on Street Children.
  
9. Chief Researchers :
  1. **Dr. SR. Halder**, Ph.D in Economics. spec: micro-credit
  2. **MRS Samiha Huda**, MSS in International Relations. spec: Women Studies.