Dialogue Leads to Road Improvement in Deuli Village:

Under the HOPE Project, a **Union-level Dialogue and Joint Action Meeting** was held on **24 November 2025 in Keshabpur Upazila, Jashore,** providing a platform for community members, CSOs, and local government representatives to discuss priority development issues. During the dialogue, CSO members highlighted the poor condition of approximately **0.5 km of road** in **Deuli village under Ward No. 3,** which had remained unpaved for many years. During the rainy season, the road became almost impassable, creating significant difficulties for students, farmers, women, and other community members. Recognizing the importance of the issue, the Union Parishad Chairman assured participants during the dialogue that the road would be improved. Following the meeting, CSO members maintained regular communication and follow-up with the Union Parishad to support the implementation of the commitment. As a result of this continued engagement and advocacy, the Union Parishad completed **brick soling** on the approximately **0.5 km road** in Deuli village.

The improved road has significantly enhanced mobility for the local community. Students can now travel to school more safely, farmers have easier access to transport agricultural produce, and year-round movement has become more convenient for local residents, particularly during the rainy season. This case demonstrates how participatory dialogue, consistent follow-up by CSOs, and constructive collaboration with local government can translate community priorities into tangible development outcomes and improve the quality of life for local people.



