



Suspicion of irregularities in relation to CARE's activities in Bangladesh

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (MFA) has a strategic partnership with CARE Denmark for the period 2022-2025 with an annual grant of DKK 55 million. CARE Denmark supports a project in Bangladesh through their local partner, CARE International Bangladesh (CIB), with the aim to provide community-led innovation for climate risk mitigation. The total support to the project by CARE Denmark is DKK 9,654,883, of which DKK 7,982,545.96 has been disbursed to CIB.

In July 2025, CIB's internal audit team identified irregularities as part of internal controls. The irregularities involved weak controlling in reviewing travel claims, as a suspected employee had claimed travel costs for a travel that the employee did not attend. The amount under suspicion was DKK 71.

CIB submitted an initial investigation report to CARE Denmark's management in July 2025. In coordination with CARE International Regional Office, CIB appointed an investigator for the case. In August 2025, CIB forwarded a final investigation report confirming the allegations. The confirmed suspect was dismissed with effect of August 2025, while a warning letter was issued to the finance & administrative project officer of CIB for significant negligence when reviewing travel claims. In the meantime the full expense of DKK 71 has been reversed from the concerned project. CIB have ensured that other staff members will get the necessary training in procedures regarding travel claims.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs thus regards the case as closed without loss of Danish funds.