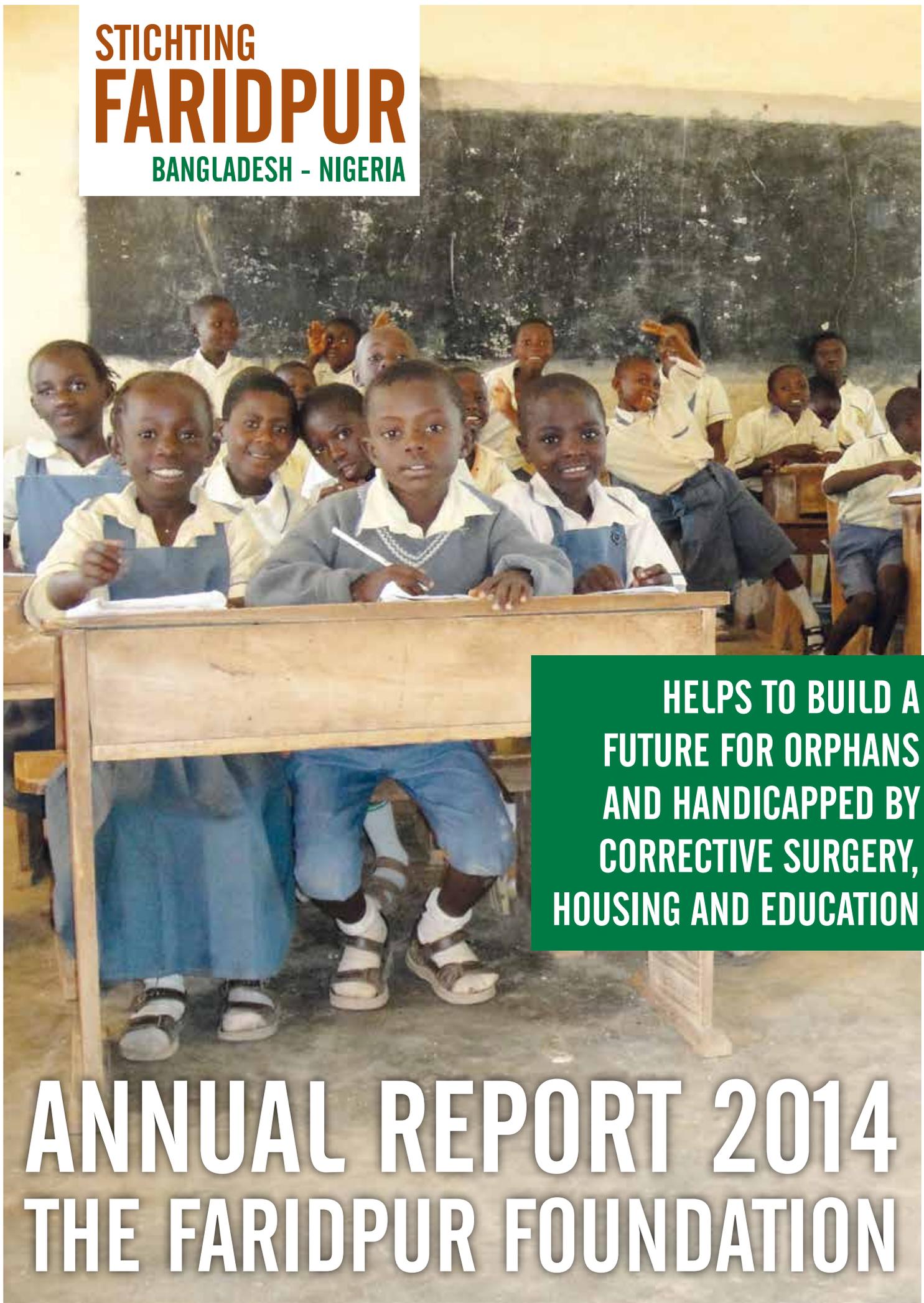


**STICHTING  
FARIDPUR**  
BANGLADESH - NIGERIA



**HELPS TO BUILD A  
FUTURE FOR ORPHANS  
AND HANDICAPPED BY  
CORRECTIVE SURGERY,  
HOUSING AND EDUCATION**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2014  
THE FARIDPUR FOUNDATION**

# PREFACE

This is the annual report of the Faridpur foundation for the year 2014. The Faridpur foundation is active in Faridpur in Bangladesh and in Mangu in Nigeria. It supports Cees and Neeltje Spronk's medical and social projects in Faridpur and Mangu.

In this report we describe last year's activities paying attention to:

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More detailed information can be found on our beautiful website [www.faridpur.nl](http://www.faridpur.nl).

In 2014 we were also supported by many volunteers in several ways for which we thank them. Naturally we also appreciate the financial support given to us by many people. In 2014 the money was almost completely spent on the people in Faridpur and Mangu needing care.  
(Data CBF: in 2013 for 122,8%.)

Would you like to support us in 2015? Our bank account number is NL20RABO0131841998 in the name of Stichting Faridpur in Oentsjerk. We appreciate your support very much.

*Board Faridpur Foundation*  
*J.M.L.Nijkrake, Chairman*

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# 1. BOARD MATTERS

The board of the Faridpur Foundation had four meetings in 2014. This year the same members as the previous year formed the board:

- Jos Nijkrake, chairman, Cornelis Wielsmastraat 3, 9061 AN Gytsjerk
- Thea van Raaij, secretary, Frisiastate 74, 9062 GZ Oentsjerk
- Liny Roodhof - Swaagman, treasurer, Heemstrasingel 48, 9062 GH Oentsjerk
- Neeltje Spronk - Mulder, member of the board, PR/funds raising, Wynzerdyk 43, 9062 GP Oentsjerk
- Jeltje Doeleman, member of the board, Zevenhuizen 5, 9064 DE Aldtsjerk

Very important for our work in Bangladesh is our sister foundation in Faridpur, the Faridpur Welfare Foundation (FWF), which was founded in 2002. Its chairman is Shamim Haque, Cees Spronk's brother-in-law. The FWF is sponsored by the AKH-Group and by Shamim Haque personally. (The AKH-Group is a textile company of which Shamim Haque is a co-owner.) It is responsible for financing and organising the Plastic Surgery Camps and also for housing the team members. It is also responsible for the organisation of the children's home and gives financial support if necessary. In Bangladesh there was some turmoil before the elections in January, but after the elections this was over so the mission in February could take place. Further in this report you can read that this mission of 2014 was very successful.

In Mangu/Nigeria we operate in the COCIN-Hospital and Revalidation Center. We give financial support to some projects in this hospital, which we also do for the School and Boarding School belonging to this hospital. In March there was a successful medical mission to Mangu. For the second mission to Mangu in October we could not form a complete team because of several reasons, such as the outburst of the Ebola virus and activities of Boko Haram. Nevertheless Neeltje and Cees Spronk went without a team. Fortunately they did an excellent job, about which you can read more later in this report.

Our foundation has the ANBI-status.

## 2. FARIDPUR / BANGLADESH

### **The Holland Children House (HCH)**

Manager of the HCH is Mr Manik. At the moment the HCH accommodates about 100 children, who are doing great. The oldest children went to high school and had to choose between studying or attending a vocational training.

In 2014 the boys moved to the fourth building. One building is empty now, because no new children have been registered. This gives HCH the opportunity to do some maintenance in the other buildings.

Meanwhile there is a new development: in October 2014 the Ministry of Social Welfare in Bangladesh contacted the Faridpur Welfare Foundation, the formal owner of the HCH. It would like to rent one of the buildings of HCH for their project "Services for Children at risk", the so-called SCAR-project. We regard this initiative positively as we expect that in this way the exploitation of the HCH will also be supported by the government, which we think is a good development.

In 2014 the wall around the school was completed.

### **The Vocational Training Centre belonging to the HCH in Faridpur**

The rebuilding of the cowshed near the HCH into a Vocational Training Centre was completed in 2014.

### **Cooperation with Doctors of the World (DVDW)**

Since 2013 we have cooperated with DVDW when organising the annual medical mission to Faridpur, which basically means that DVDW helps with the organisation and preparation of the trip and that it pays for the medical materials and the travelling expenses of the mission.

In 2014 there were meetings between the board and the management of DVDW to see if the cooperation can become even more intense. They agreed that a representative of DVDW will be added to the mission that will go to Faridpur in February 2015. In the long run the organisation of the mission will be DVDW's responsibility. To achieve this Cees and Neeltje Spronk will pass on their expert knowledge to DVDW, which can also use this knowledge when organising other medical missions.

We will evaluate on a yearly basis how we can continue and intensify this cooperation. The first evaluation is planned for June 2015.



### **The mission in February 2014**

In February 2014 the annual mission to Faridpur took place. The medical team consisted of plastic surgeons Cees Spronk, professor Paul Spauwen and Daphne van Dam, Rob Niemeijer anaesthesiologist and Aafke Lautenbach and Karin Plantinga, anaesthesia nurses. Neeltje Spronk accompanied them for the Holland Children House. A total of 155 operations was performed.

From Neeltje Spronk's report of February 2014:

*It is rewarding work and great to see how the parents' eyes shine after their children's operations.  
A large number of Bangladesh doctors helped enthusiastically, for which they were given a certificate.*





*In and around the HCH everything looks proper. Last year the boys moved to the fourth building of the HCH. The boys and the mothers who live there are very proud. The wall around the site is almost ready. It only needs some paint and then this project is also finished. This year 48 pupils attend higher education and some children start with vocational education. For this the former cowshed of the HCH will be rebuilt into the Vocational Trainings Centre, which will partly be paid for by the Dutch Embassy. On 18 February two ladies of the Dutch Embassy visited the HCH and symbolically started this renovation. As soon as the money is in, building and refurbishing can start, after which the lessons can be given.*



### 3. MANGU / NIGERIA

#### School and Boarding School

250 pupil attend school of whom about 40 are disabled and stay in the Boarding School. The Faridpur foundation donated money to refurbish the girls' boarding school. In 2014 the school could buy a used school bus with money from the Foundation. It also paid for ten second hand laptops.

#### The burns centre in Mangu

The new operation theatre of the burns centre was completed in 2014 and was officially opened during the mission of March 2014. It uses the old equipment, as the shipment of the new instruments was delayed. Fortunately in May the new equipment arrived and was installed during the mission in October. The old operation theatre was rebuilt into a nursing unit for patients with serious burns.

#### The cooperation with Interplast Holland

From 2006 we have cooperated with Interplast Holland during the medical missions in Mangu. It is an aid organisation of plastic surgeons. Interplast Holland finances and organises the missions to Mangu together with Cees Spronk, the team leader.



## The missions in March and October 2014

### March 2014

In March the medical team went to Mangu in Nigeria. It consisted of plastic surgeons Cees Spronk, Jan Willem Kortleve and Estelle Bell (trainee), Ina Groustra, anaesthesiologist, the anaesthesia nurse Pieter Benjamins and operation assistants Femke Annema and Linda van der Meulen. All did a wonderful job on 95 patients.



From Estelle Bell's report:

*"Immediately, even before we were working, a father and child came towards me. At a distance I could see the child's terrible burns in the face and neck. The next day during the screening for which 200 patients had come, we saw them as one of our first patients. For the next nine days we saw patients and parents non-stop for screening and operations."*

*"This mission was also particular because of the move to a new location of the operation theatres which was planned halfway during our two weeks' stay. It was questionable if we could operate upon all patients, as the generator stopped running and operating without electricity is a real challenge. Fortunately we could bring the generators of our guesthouse and the department radiology to the operating theatres, so we could proceed".*





### October / November 2014

We also planned a mission to Mangu from 25 October till 8 November 2014. Due to problems caused by Ebola and Boko Haram, this mission was different: Neeltje and Cees Spronk went together to Mangu. They unpacked the new instruments and put them in the operation theatres. A special cooperation between local doctors and Cees resulted in 38 operations. During her visits to the school Neeltje saw how happy the children were with the laptops and with the new school bus, used for trips to exams and excursions.



From Cees Spronk's report:

*"This time the conditions in Nigeria (Boko Haram, Ebola) were not favourable. It was impossible to go with a complete team. We had to do much work (the new materials for the operation theatres had to be unpacked and installed) and people were counting on us as there were many new patients. Neeltje and I decided to go with the two of us. Of course it was exciting to work only with local doctors and local staff for the operation theatres, but everything worked out fine".*

## 4. FUNDS RAISING IN 2014

We receive financial support from several funds, organisations and private persons for our work. We are grateful for each donation.

In 2014 the following organisations gave us more than € 1,000.-: Van der Meer Boerema Foundation € 12,500.- for school bus Nigeria and € 5,000.- for HCH Faridpur, Church deacons Oudwoude € 3,000.-, Rotary Dokkum € 3,500.-, Vien Sinke Foundation € 5,000.-, Stichting Alle Beetjes € 4,000.-, Swaenenborgh Foundation € 1,000.-, Rotary Harlingen € 17,620.-, Foundation Het Diakonessenhuis € 6,250.-.

In 2014 we organised a garden fair and a Christmas fair resulting in € 3,352.- for the garden fair, which was less than previous years, but the proceeds of the Christmas fair were more than in earlier years: € 8,022.-!

With the help of other board members Neeltje Spronk gave many presentations in our province, showing many people what our foundation does. The total proceeds of the presentations were very good: € 3,700.-.

## 5. FINANCIAL REPORT 2014

Here you will find a survey of the income and expenditures in 2014.

### Income:

Donations Children Home Faridpur	€	44,530.20
Donations medical work Faridpur	€	3,200.00
Donations school Mangu	€	22,700.00
Donations medical work Mangu	€	13,997.40
Donations burns centre Mangu	€	28,131.80
Interest internet savings account	€	927.40
<b>Total income 2014</b>	<b>€</b>	<b>113,486.80</b>

### Expenditures:

Costs Children's Home Faridpur for 2015*	€	35,000.00
Vocational training centre Faridpur	€	4,000.00
School Mangu	€	23,721.46
Medical work Mangu	€	24,111.42
Burns centre Mangu	€	64,078.00
Chamber of Commerce and administration costs	€	983.13
Banking costs	€	189.78
<b>Total expenditures 2014</b>	<b>€</b>	<b>152,083.79</b>

\* Real costs Children Home Faridpur for 2014:

Children's Home	€	32.870,24
School	€	7.164,85

Current account	€	21,347.15
Internet savings account	€	72,737.09
Balance 1 January 2014	€	94,084.24

Current account	€	15,322.76
Internet savings account	€	40,164.49
Balance 31 December 2014	€	55,487.25

*The annual account was made by F.T. Bangma-Wander of AFION Administraties B.V. in Snakkerburen.*

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