

WEE-Connect Initiative Interim Report

Completed reports should be submitted to wee_connect@bracu.ac.bd and Kym Cole at kym.cole@bracu.ac.bd.

1. Project Information

Funding Category	
Lead Investigator, Institutional Affiliation, & Email Address	
Title of Proposal	
Proposed Start Date	Total Project Budget
IRB Obtained (Yes/No)	IRB of Record
Do you represent that the Project activities were conducted in compliance with all applicable ethical, legal, regulatory, and safety requirements?	

2. Project Update

Please provide us with a brief update on your project's progress by answering the questions below. Please limit your response to each question to no more than 250 words or 1-page double-spaced.

- A. Are the project's activities and timeline on track as originally proposed? Please briefly describe the key milestones that have been achieved and specific dates for any anticipated fieldwork.
- B. If the project is not on track, please explain the challenges the team has experienced and detail the plan for getting back on track.

- C. If any significant changes have been made to the project and/or timeline, please detail them here. Examples include:
 - a. Changes to implementing partner(s) or the program being implemented
 - b. Study design or sample size changes
 - c. Inclusion or exclusion of relevant measures
 - d. Adjustments to research hypotheses
 - e. Major shifts in the timeline
- D. Has the team conducted a balance check between the treatment and control groups? If not, please describe the plan to conduct the balance check or briefly state that this is not relevant to your study's design.
- E. WEE-Connect is interested in learning more about your aggregate baseline sample. Please provide relevant demographic statistics, or briefly state that this is not relevant to your study's design. Relevant statistics may include gender, age, geographic location, educational attainment, employment status, measures of access to mobile devices and/or the internet, measures of access to digital and non-digital financial services, and measures of economic empowerment.
- F. How has the team integrated the measurement of women's empowerment into the study instruments? What specific dimensions of empowerment are being measured, and how so? Please provide an assessment of on-the-ground data collection related to these measures.

3. Financial Reporting

Please attach an updated budget including actual project expenditures for each line time. Please also include below a short description of any significant changes and their primary drivers. **[Attach Excel File]**

4. External Funding Obtained

Please list any other research or implementation funds that the project has received. These should include funds that were obtained prior to obtaining support from the WEE-Connect Initiative. You may add additional lines if necessary.

Grantor	Amount (USD)	Start Date of Award	Budget Areas Supported (e.g., personnel, data collection, travel, etc.)

5. Media Mentions & Publicity

Has there been any early enthusiasm or coverage of your project? Please share any public awareness of the project in the table below. For the “type of appearance,” examples include but are not limited to a presentation at a workshop, conference, or webinar, mention of study in an online or print publication, discussion of study in a full-length blog post, etc. Under short description, please describe the event or media coverage providing comprehensive but succinct details. Please also include any relevant links if video recordings or publications are available online.

Date	Type of Appearance	Short Description of Appearance