

BYLC Youth Leadership Summit 2016

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Foreword

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Dear Friends,

I hope this message finds you well. You will be happy to know that last month we hosted our fourth international youth leadership summit in Dhaka with 400 young change makers and 30 inspiring speakers. The theme of our summit this year—connect, collaborate, and co-create—resonated strongly with both the students and the speakers as many of the challenges we are facing in the world today require collaboration across social, religious, and national boundaries.

We were honored to have with us three outstanding scholars as leadership faculty—Sir Christopher Ball, former warden of Keble College at Oxford, and Harvard faculty Dean Williams and Hugh O'Doherty. This year's leadership sessions focused on the need for young people to develop an understanding and appreciation of the 'other' because the key to addressing many of the conflicts and uncertainties in the world today is in instilling values of empathy, tolerance, and inclusiveness in our young generation.

For those of us from Dhaka, like many from other cities around the world, the past few months have been quite difficult as we grapple to understand why some young people, with so much potential, decide to throw away their future by turning to violence. The solution, we believe, is in harnessing the energy of youth, believing in their potential, listening to them, and empowering them to lead positive change in society. For us at BYLC, the summit



The new Sustainable Development Goals look forward to a world where the Goals have been met for everyone. It is young people who have the biggest stake in this future, and it is young leaders who will make it happen.

– Jane Edmondson, Title sponsor of BYLC Youth Leadership Summit 2016 and DFID Country Representative

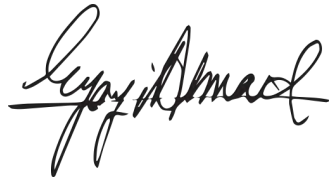


Through this Summit, BYLC

demonstrated that for every four or five misguided youth there are another 400 youth who are willing to go the extra mile to make the world a better place.

I invite you to watch a short video on our 2016 summit and to stay connected with us.

With much gratitude,



Ejaj Ahmad
President, BYLC

has allowed the world to see how dedicated the Bangladeshi youth are about working for the greater good of their country. This inspires me to devote more efforts in my work in Jakarta, where I work with underprivileged children.

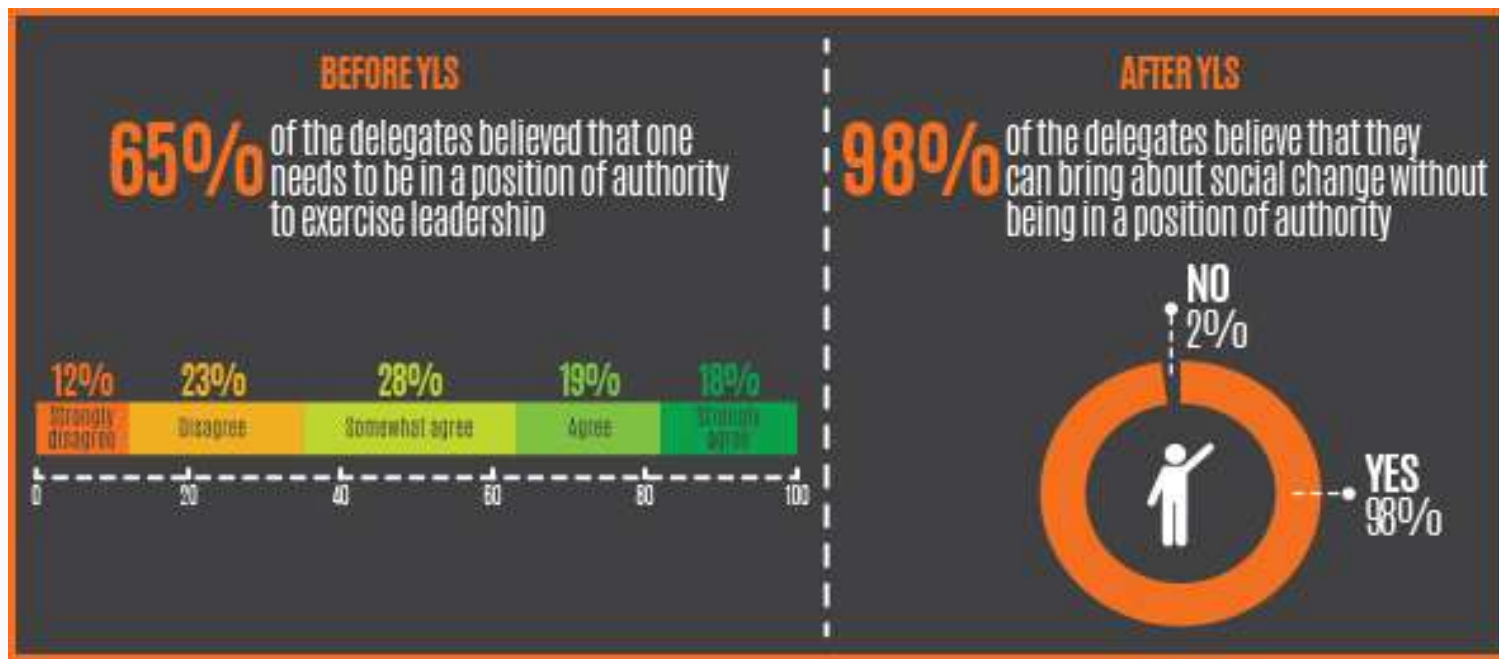
– Rekha Nur Alisha, Delegate
from Indonesia, YLS 2016



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To understand the impact of the BYLC Youth Leadership Summit (YLS) 2016, we conducted a survey to understand perceptions of leadership



Press



Press coverage in [The Daily Star](#)

Press coverage in [Dainik Ittefaq](#)

Article on the three days of BYLC YLS

2016 in [Dhaka Tribune](#)

BYLC Youth Leadership Prize 2016



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