## With Love from Bangladesh

#### **Small Country**



148 460 km<sup>2</sup>

## 8<sup>th</sup> most populous country



170,000,000



#### **Disclaimer**

- Tons of information are available on Disaster
   Management in Bangladesh
- This presentation might include information that are a bit outdated
- This presentation does not necessarily reflect the views of the Government of Bangladesh
- I stand available for any correction in the presentation

#### Major Natural Disaster in Bangladesh 1985 -2009

Year	Disaster	Death toll
1985	Cyclone	11069
1987	Flood	1657
1988	Flood	1708
1988	Cyclone	5704
1989	Drought	800
1991	Cyclone	138,882
1996	Tornado	545
1997	Cyclone	550
1998	Flood	918
1999	Flood	15
2000	Flood	36
2003	Flood	104
2004	Flood	747
2007	Cyclone (Sidr)	3363
2009	Cyclone (Aila)	190

#### Natural disasters in Bangladesh



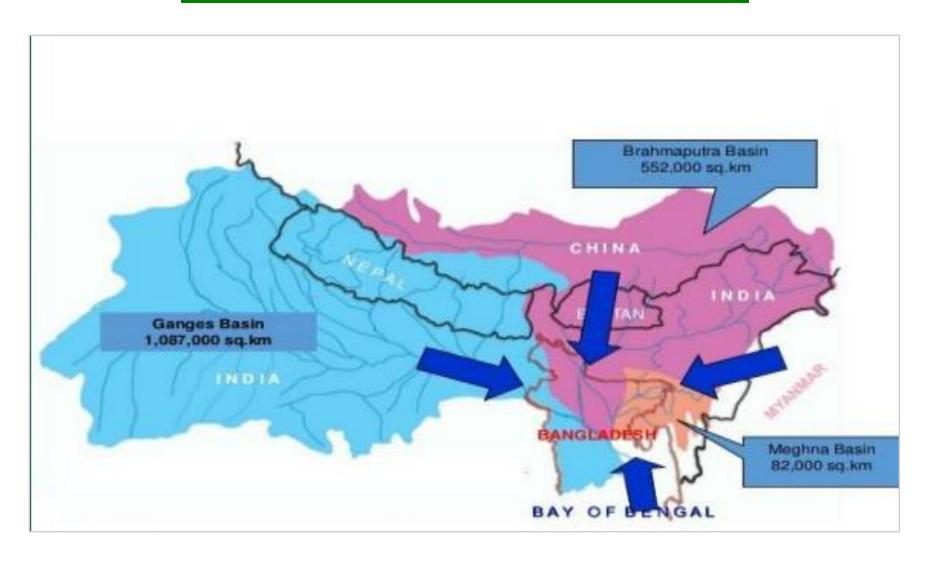
#### Natural disasters in Bangladesh

- Floods
- Cyclones
- Nor'westers and tornadoes
- Droughts
- Landslides
- River Bank Erosions
- Cold Wave
- Earthquake
- Manmade

#### Floods in Bangladesh

- Flood is a perennial disaster in Bangladesh
- It usually occurs during the monsoon season
- The geographical setting and meteorological characteristics has made the country vulnerable to different geo-hazards and hydro-meteoro-logical hazards/disasters
- Natural annual floods (barsha) that inundates up to 40% of the land area, which is very much necessary for rejuvenation of the arable land mass
- In the context of human exposure in flood hazard zones, nearly twenty million people are present in these zones

#### Water from everywhere



#### Types of Flood

- Flash floods in hilly areas
- Monsoon floods during monsoon season
- Normal bank floods from the major rivers
- Rain-fed floods

#### Major Floods in Bangladesh

<u>Year</u>	<u>Death</u>
1974	19,787
1984	553
1987	1,657
1988	1,708
1998	918
2004	747
2007	80



#### Major Cyclones hitting Bangladesh

Date	Maximum wind speed (km/h)	Storm surge height (metres)	Death toll
30 October 1960	210	4.6- 6.1	5149
28 May 1963	203	4.2-5.2	11520
11 May 1965	161	3.7-7.6	19,279
15 December 1965	217	2.4-3.6	873
01 October 1966	139	6.0-6.7	850
12 November 1970	224	6.0-10.0	300,000
25 May 1985	154	3.0-4.6	11,069
29 April 1991	225	6.0-7.6	138,882
19 May 1997	232	3.1-4.6	155
15 November 2007 (Sidr)	223	6.1-7.6	3363
25 May 2009, (Aila)	92	4.0-4.6	190

# Nor'westers and tornadoes in Bangladesh

14 April 1969

17 April 1973

11 April 1974

10 April 1976

09 May 1976

01 April 1

26 April 1989

14 May 1993

30 May 1996

04 May 2003

Dhaka (Demra)

Manikganj

Bogra

Faridpur

Narayanganj

Faridpur

Manikganj

Southern

**Tangail** 

Brahmanbaria

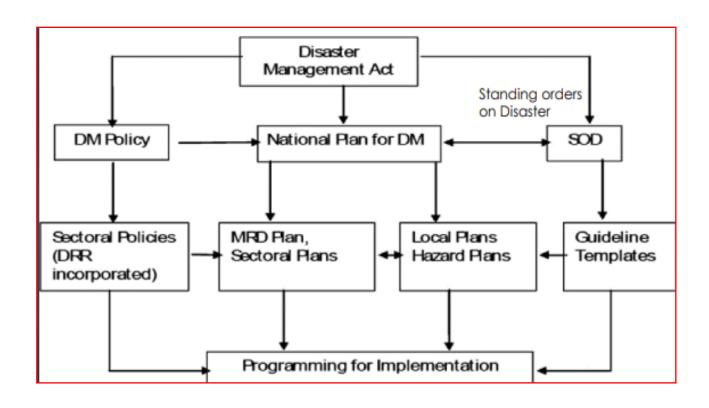
# Disaster Management in Bangladesh

**Disaster Management** is the **Process of Forming Common Objectives and Common Values** in
Order to **Encourage Stakeholders** to **Plan for and Deal with Potential and Actual Disasters** — with
the **Ultimate Objective** of **Minimising the Effect On Life and Property** 

#### Disaster Management in Bangladesh

The Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MoDMR) is top entity for Management of any disaster in Bangladesh

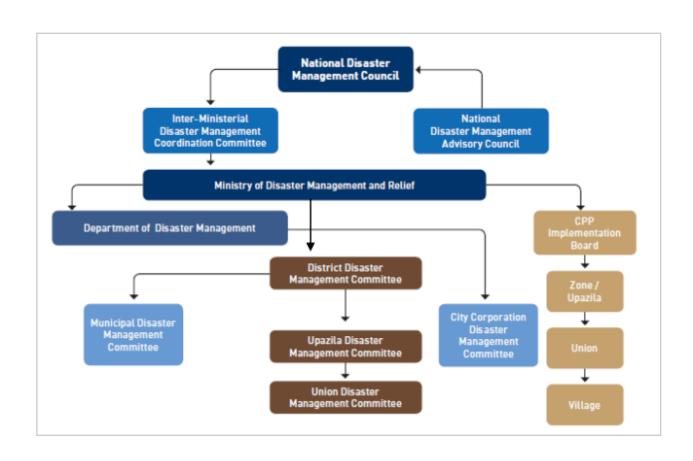
## Disaster Management Regulatory Framework



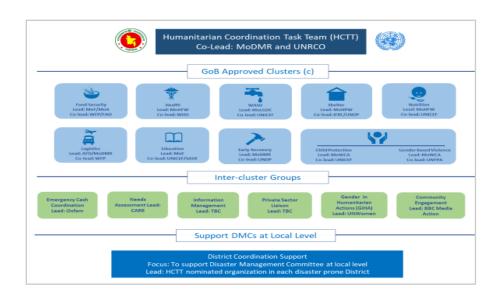
#### **Coordination Mechanisms**

- The National Disaster Management Council (NDMC)
- The Inter Ministerial Disaster Management Committee (IMDMC)
- The National Disaster Management Advisory Committee which is responsible for policy development and advice (NDMAC)
- The National Emergency Operation Centre (NEOC)

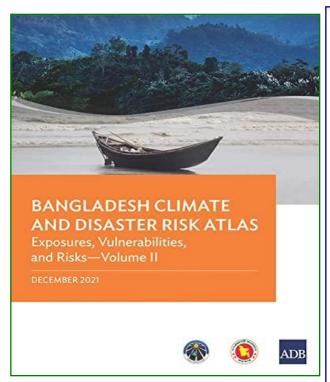
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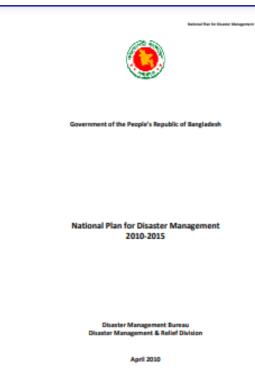


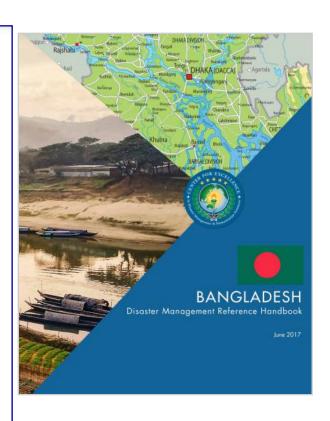
#### **Execution of Disaster Management**



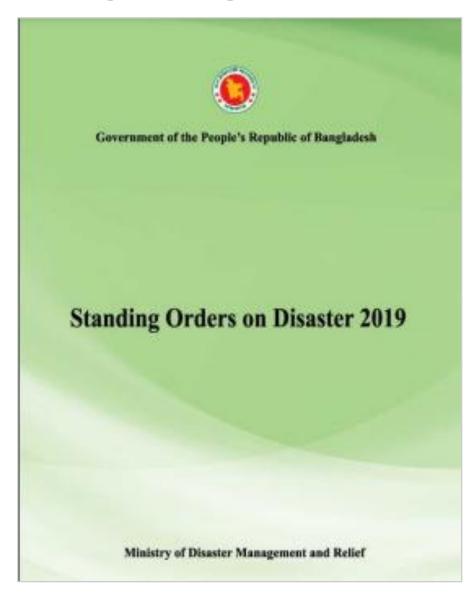
#### Legal regulations







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## Awareness program



### Products/Services

- Cell Broadcasting (CB) Early warning dissemination in flood prone and cyclone prone through Cell Broadcasting (CB) has been Successful.
- VR (Interactive Voice Response) Weather, flood forecasting and early warning for river port through IVR.
- SMS service to disseminate disaster early warning during and after disaster instruction will be circulated to officials of relevant disaster management.

## Community-based Early Warning (Cyclone Preparedness Programme)

- A key factor to reducing cyclone-induced life loss from 300,000 in the 70's to today's negligible number
- Established in 1970's at the request of UN General Assembly to the IFRC (The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.
- It has been institutionalized as part of national disaster management system
- community education and awareness agents,
- Warning broadcasters,
- Evacuation facilitators,
- Rescue and relief frontlines.

#### Volunteer

- Database
- ▶ Scouts
- ▶ BDRS
- Ansar and Village Defense (Para Military)
- Bangladesh National Cadet Core
- ▶ CPP



#### Mainstreaming DRR (Disaster Risk Reduction)

#### ▶ Education:

- DRR (Disaster Risk Reduction) issues incorporated in 31 text books of class III to XII
- Supplementary learning materials on DRR
- > 18 million students reached through National Curricula Textbook Board

#### ► Agriculture:

- Flood, Salinity tolerant crop varieties etc.,
- Continue improvement in food production

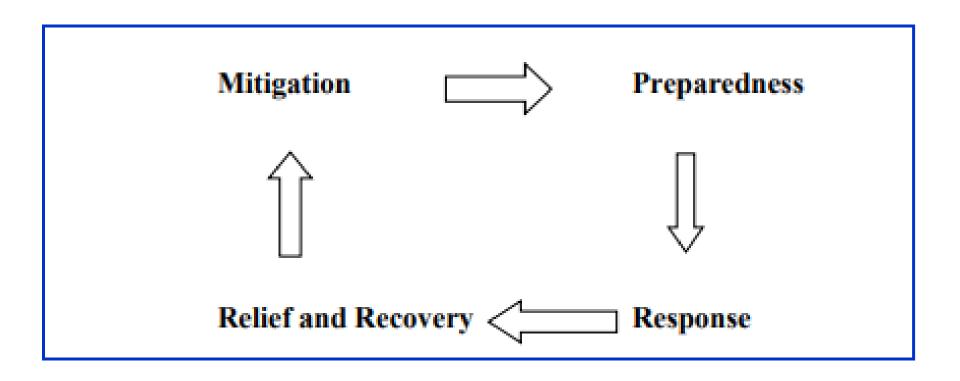
#### ▶ Health Sector:

Improve medical and hospital preparedness

# What is Disaster Management in Bangladesh?

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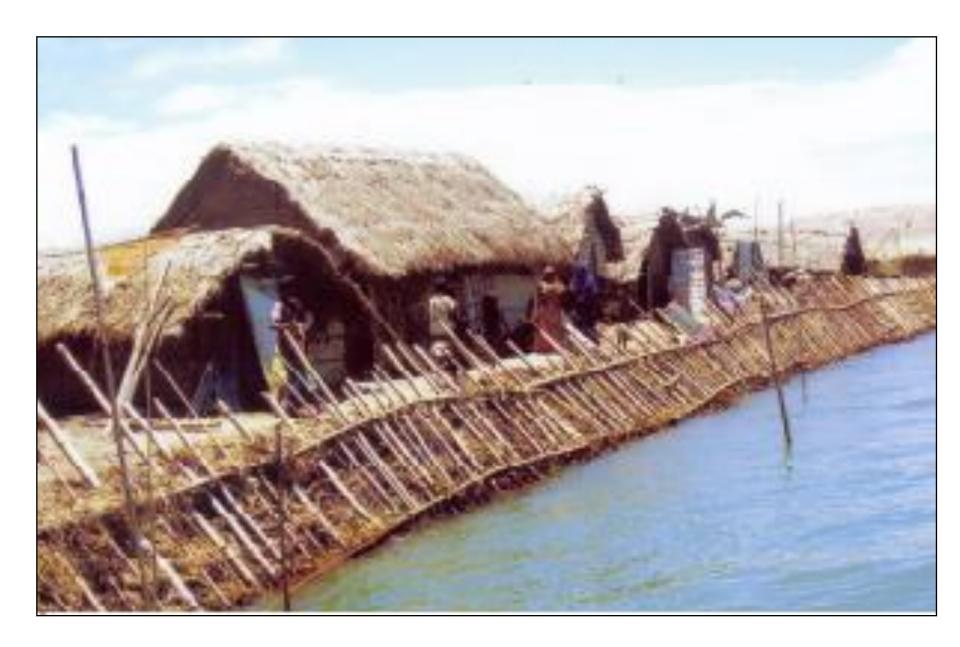
#### **Emergency Management Process**



#### **Structural Mitigation**

#### The general structural mitigation process are:

- Resistant construction
- Building codes and regulatory measures
- Relocation
- Structural modification
- Construction of community shelters
- Construction of barrier, deflection, or retention systems
- Detection systems
- Physical modification
- Treatment systems
- Redundancy in life safety infrastructure



#### Non-structural Mitigation

- Regulatory measure Regulatory measures
- Community awareness and education programs
- Non-structural physical modifications
- Environmental control
- Behavioural modification

#### **Preparedness**

- Preparedness means minimizing the adverse effects of a hazard through precautionary actions and measures
- Preparedness normally refers to building an emergency response capability before disasters occur, to facilitate effective and efficient response

#### Response

Response is 'Actions and Capability to react to the sudden onset of a disaster under stress, uncertainty, various constraints, and limited resources'

#### Relief and Recovery

 Relief measures involve fulfilling basic needs of shelter, protection, water, food, and medical attention

 Recovery in the long term would essentially mean rehabilitation, restoration of economic activities, livelihoods, infrastructure services, basic living conditions, medical treatments, and reconstruction of damaged properties and shelters

#### With love from Bangladesh

Nothing to be afraid of any natural disaster

We shall overcome – overcome together

# Thank you