

From the A-PAD Bangladesh Activity Report Month of June 2021

Project Title: Capacity Building Project for the Establishment and Sustainable Management of a Multi-Sector Platform for Disaster Management in Bangladesh

Project Period: 17 January, 2021 – 16 January, 2022 (12 month)

1. Project Activities and Accomplishments

A-PAD Bangladesh started the project from January 2020 and presently started it from 17 January 2021 to build up capacity on disaster management. It communicates with the local community to give training on disaster management. To hold training program A-PAD Bangladesh staff organized small community meeting to sharing ideas on disaster and introduced them about A-PAD Bangladesh activities. A-PAD Bangladesh working 7 divisions in last years. A-PAD Bangladesh and its activities becoming very familiar and well accepted from different sectors like private sectors and civil society at that divisional areas.

There are expert teams consist of emergency health officer, medical assistant officer, field assistant and health workers in each divisions whose are doing home visit and aware the local community about basic disaster awareness. The team gave basic ideas about disaster management, preparedness, emergency health and doing mitigation plan for disaster risk reduction. A-PAD Bangladesh working at the rural areas all kind of directions or announcement from GOVT. or any disaster related news has been published the team delivering the message to the local community. Like Bangladesh GOVT. started vaccination program which many people did not know and some people did not interested about taking vaccine. So that the health worker visited different areas to disseminate message about the vaccination program. Main objective of the training to make a resilience community and establish networking platform to work collaboratively during and after disaster. COVID-19 is still major issue in Bangladesh. So that A-PAD Bangladesh organized sitting arrangement and make social distance, provide hand sanitizer to maintain hygiene and prevent COVID-19 outbreaks. Total 5,435 persons were benefited from A-PAD Bangladesh on from June 2021.

A-PAD Bangladesh attended coordination meeting at the 7 divisions in Office of Deputy Commissioner. At that meeting different NGOs had joined and explained their activities. Besides this what will be the next activities of the GOVT. and NGOs were discussed at that meeting.



1. Establishing emergency m	1. Establishing emergency management coordination center in disaster-prone areas of Bangladesh		
(Outcome 1)			
	un emergency disaster management co-ordination ce	nters.	
Activities	Outcome	Project Status:	
	Indicators to Measure Results:	Achievements vs Outcome:	
		If the activity is behind the schedule, please write the reason.	
1-1 Establishment of	(Outcome 1-1) Local community get emergency		
Emergency Disaster	health care and take emergency awareness program		
Management Co-	at this center.	Total 2,975 people visited to the Disaster Management	
ordination Center	Target beneficiaries: Local Communities; 10 persons	Coordination Center to discuss about disaster preparedness	
	x 25 days x 7 divisions x 12 months = 21,000 persons	and health related issues.	
	(Monthly Goal: 10 persons x 25 days x 7 divisions =	Dhaka: 20 Persons x25 Days = 500 Persons	
	1,750 persons)	Cox's Bazar: 14 Persons x 25 Days = 350 Persons	
		Pabna: 17 Persons x 25 Days = 425 Persons	
		Bagerhat: 17 Persons x 25 Days = 425 Persons	
		Patuakhali: 15 Persons x 25 Days = 375 Persons	
		Habiganj: 19 Persons x 25 Days = 475 Persons	
		Rangpur: 17 Persons x 25 Days = 425 Persons	
		Total = 2,975 Persons	
1-2 COVID-19 awareness	(Outcome 1-2) More than 700 people take COVID-19	CIS conducted COVID-19 awareness program at 7 divisions.	
program in 7 divisional	awareness training session, and have access to	During the pandemic situation the number of participant	
areas	accurate knowledge and preventive measures.	reduced but number of training sessions will increase to	
	Target beneficiaries:25 participants x 4 sessions x 7	achieve the goal.	
	divisions = 700 participants	15 participants x 2 sessions x 7 divisions = 210 Participants	



1-3 Establish quality lab	(Outcome 1-3) More than 9000 Covid-19 PCR tests are	A-PAD Bangladesh established PCR Lab for COVID-19 test. In
facilities to identify the	conducted, and knowledge and research results are	Bangladesh number of COVID-19 patients has been increased.
COVID-19 cases	shared among stakeholders.	So the number of test also increasing.
	Target beneficiaries: 30 persons x 25 days x 12	In June 2021 total 1,590 COVID-19 test has been done. 5
	months = 9,000 persons	
	(Monthly Goal: 30 persons x 25 days = 750	
	persons)	
2. Establish a network among	g NPF members and Strengthen A-PAD Bangladesh Na	tional Platform
(Outcome 2)		
Strengthened A-PAD Bang	ladesh National Platform as foundation of national col	laboration among the networking members
1-1 Self-assessment of	(Outcome 2-1) Roles, responsibilities, capacities and	
networking member	interests of A-PAD BGD members are identified	
organization	through the self-assessment.	
	More than 25 organizations conduct self-	
	assessment.	
1-2 Strategic Planning	(Outcome 2-2) 3500 people attend the strategic	Bangladesh is one of the country's most vulnerable to
Network Meeting	planning meeting and a strategic plan is developed.	climate change, as well as one of the most disaster prone.
	Target beneficiaries: 100 persons x 5 villages x 7	Bangladesh's flat topography, low-lying and climatic
	divisions = 3500 participants	features, combined with its population density and socio-
		economic environment, make it highly susceptible to many
		natural hazards, including floods, droughts, cyclones and
		earthquakes. Since disasters hurt the poor and vulnerable
		the most, damages caused by disaster such events can
		substantially roll back development progress. Disaster Risk
		Management (DRM) is therefore central to poverty
		reduction and development efforts. Integrating DRM into
		development planning and investments in Bangladesh will
		could better protect people and assets from rising disasters



impacts. The strategy for the certain periods is aiming to
coordinate the work of actors at the local level, Government,
private organizations and the stakeholders.
Objectives of the strategic planning meeting:
o Integration of risk reduction in development policies and
plans
 Strengthening of risk management capacities
• Creation of safe and resilient communities from disasters
CIS conducted Strategic Planning at Dhaka. The training was
conducted at the 5 areas in Dhaka. Total 500 participants had
joined at that strategic planning meeting
05 June 2021 Mugda, Dhaka, Total Participants 100
06 June 2021 Basabo, Dhaka, Total Participants 100
07 June 2021 Malibag, Dhaka, Total Participants 100
08 June 2021 Rampura, Dhaka, Total Participants 100
10 June 2021 Banasree, Dhaka, Total Participants 100
Bangladesh is home to almost 160 million people, living in a
land area of 147,570 square kilometers. Bangladesh is in South
Asia, to the north of the Bay of Bengal, bounded by India to the
west and shares a boundary with Myanmar to the east. It is
mostly a delta plain of the Ganges -Brahmaputra-Megna River
systems. Among the disasters earthquake is the major issues in
Bangladesh mainly the Dhaka city. As Dhaka is the
overpopulated densely area. There is no planning for the
habitat and the urbanizations. As a result during earthquake
and fire it becoming risky zones. On 5 June 2021 A-PAD
Bangladesh conducted strategic planning meeting at Mugda
which is the risky zones in Dhaka. At that meeting it was



discussed about the effect of earthquake and before and after
earthquake what measures can be taken. It is the high risk zone
if there collapse any building it also affected the road side area
and electricity pole which increase the number of damages.
A-PAD Bangladesh showed earth quake related manuals and
videos.
On 6 June 2021 A-PAD Bangladesh conducted strategic
planning meeting at Basabo which is one of the important
areas in Dhaka. At Basabo Kamlapur slum has affected of fire.
A-PAD Bangladesh conducted strategic planning meeting at
Basabo slum area and focusing on the fire. At that meeting it
also discussed about how to protect fire and after fire what
action can be taken.
7 June 2021 A-PAD Bangladesh conducted training at Malibag
where water logging is the major issue. At present in
Bangladesh there is continuing rainy season which is the main
reason for the water logging. Sometimes it creates problem
because of open electricity line. At that strategic planning
meeting A-PAD Bangladesh described about what activity and
measure can be taken.
A-PAD Bangladesh conducted strategic planning meeting at
Rampura on 8 June 2021. At that planning meeting it was
discussed about the earthquake as Rampura also the mostly
densely area where the building did not follow the BNBC code
that's why it is highly risky area. So at that strategic planning
meeting it was discussed about what action can be taken
during and after earthquake.
At 10 June 2021 strategic planning meeting was held at



2-3 <u>Networking partners DRR</u> <u>Training</u>	(Outcome 2-3) Network partners capacity is improved more than 20% compared to previous year. Conducting 1 to 5 scale self-assessment Target beneficiaries: 30 persons x 2 org x 7 divisions x 2 times = 840 participants	Banasree which is the most density area. At that planning meeting A-PAD Bangladesh discussed about earthquake. Because in Dhaka city earthquake is the major issue because in Dhaka many building did not follow the BNBC code that's why if there will occur heavy earthquake it will be heavy damage. At the strategic planning meeting it was discussed about action can be taken before and after earthquake. Two days training program was held at Habiganj where main participants were the networking partners 12-13 June 2021, Habiganj, Total Participants 60 A-PAD Bangladesh conducted 2 days Networking Partner DRR Training at Habiganj. Total 60 persons from 2 organizations Bangladesh Red Crescent Society-Habiganj and Habiganj Unnayan Sangstha had joined the training workshop. At the training workshop it was discussed about the rehabilitation process during and after disaster. During the training the participates shared their ideas about shelter management. Second day the training was focused on the relief distribution during and after disaster. The partner organizations shared their experience about relief distribution
		shared their experience about relief distribution
2-4 <u>Increase NPF members</u> and maintain partnership with network member organization	(Outcome 2-4) More than 10 organization join the A-PAD BGD NPF.	Number of new NPF member organization
2-5 International Symposium	(Outcome 2-5) More than 200 people attend the	Questionaries' about the symposium



<u>on DRR</u>	international symposium from national and overseas. More than 5 best DRR practices are shared. More than 80% of the attendees answer that the symposium is useful. Using the same measures of 2019 international symposium. Target beneficiaries: 200 participants	Required Document; Symposium Report
3. <u>Strengthen local capacity f</u> (Outcome 3) Local capacity for emerger	or disaster management	ned
3-1 <u>a) Workshop on Disaster</u> <u>Management</u> and <u>Emergency</u> Health <u>Program for local</u> <u>community, community</u> <u>leaders and local NGO</u> <u>and private organizations</u> <u>personnel</u>	(Outcome 3-1 a) Community Leader Network for Disaster Management and Emergency Health Program are built in 7 divisions. Indicators to Measure Results: More than 100 Community Leaders each in 7 divisions who take the workshop are registered as Network Member for Disaster Management and Emergency Health Program Target beneficiaries: 50 persons x 7 divisions x 2 times = 700 persons	Awareness and networking development training workshop on disaster management and emergency health program conducted in Galachipa and Rangpur. 3 days training programs were held in 2 divisional areas Galachipa and Rangpur. Total 100 participants had joined to the training workshop. To provide information, tools, and instruments that will increase the overall awareness and understanding of Disaster Risk Management in general and the topics of risk reduction. At the end of each session, there is scope to assess the learning of the participants from the session.
		 12-14 May 2021, Galachipa, Total Participants 50 19-21 May 2021, Rangpur, Total Participants 50 The workshop on disaster management and emergency health program was held in Galachipa and total 50 participants were presented at that training workshops. The first day of the training workshop was given training on lightning. What to do



inside and outside during a thunderstorm and how to avoid it
is discussed through training. The current of the status of the
virus is highlighted in the training workshop. Mr. Tapan Kumar,
a member of the area delivered his valuable speech in the
workshop. The second day training workshop discussed
airborne disasters. Detailed training on cyclone and what steps
can be taken after cyclone. Particular importance is attached
to disaster preparedness. And everyone is told to be careful
when dealing with corona. Mr. Ismail made his valuable
remarks at the workshop and at the meeting organized by CIS
we learned a lot about unknown things. And if we all take every
step, success in dealing with disasters is sure to come. The
third day of the three days' workshop discusses water related
disaster, floods and fires. Training was given on all activities
before and after the flood. "What diseases can be infected by
germs during floods" was discussed. The discussion was about
what can be done in case of fire and feedback was taken from
attendees. Everyone expressed a very satisfactory opinion. Mr.
Babul Das said that the three days training benefit everyone.
He thanked CIS on behalf of all and later said to continue such
training.
Three days training program was held in Rangpur and 50
participants from local community, community leaders and
local NGO and private organizations personnel had joined
the training workshop. On 19 June 2021 it was discussed
about the fire prevention as fire is the major issue at
Rangpur area. At that training session it was discussed about
what activities should do during and after fire hazard and



		how to reduce the loss and lives. At second day discussion
		topic was flood as rainy season is continuing so that flood
		can be occurred any time. So that discussion topics was
		focused on flood. On 21 June 2021 the third day it was
		discussed about the thunder storm. During rainy season it is
		one of the major issues. Because of unawareness many
		people died in the thunder storm. So discussion was focused
		on Thunderstorm. During that training workshops different
		session was done regarding thunderstorm. Before, during
		and after thunderstorm what activities should be done and
		what precaution can be taken for protecting thunderstorms.
3-1 b) Local NGO Emergency	(Outcome 3-1 b) Emergency Health Providers	
Health providers training	Network for Emergency Health Response are built	
	in 7 divisions	
	Indicators to Measure Results:	
	More than 25 Health Providers each in 7 divisions	
	who take the training are registered as Network	
	Member for Emergency Health Response	
	Target beneficiaries: 25 pers/time x 7 divisions =	
	175 persons	
3-2 Seminar for Developing	(Outcome 3-2) CIS will hold public-private	
public-private	partnership innovation seminar 14 times (2 times x	
partnership innovation	7 division), more than 3 public-private partnership	
success models	cases are confirmed.	
	Target beneficiaries: 50 persons x 7 divisions x 2	
	times = 700 participants	
	Indicators to Measure Results:	



	Required Document: Seminar Report	
3-3 Update website contents	(Outcome 3-3) Disaster-related information and	A-PAD Bangladesh team doing activities in 7 divisions which
as E-resources for	emergency response activity records are	has been published to the local newspaper. These activities
Disaster Management	accumulated as an archive.	also updated to the website for dissemination. Different types
_	Indicators to Measure Results:	of disasters like manmade and natural disaster occurred in
	Number of website Disaster Situation Report and	Bangladesh. A-PAD Bangladesh updated that situation report
	Emergency Response Activity Report	to the website for the sharing the disaster scenario to
		everyone.
		https://cis-bd.org/apad/cyclone-yaas-relatively-strong-and-
		very-damaging-cyclone-that-
		https://cis-bd.org/apad/moghbazar-explosion-an-emergency-
		https://cis-bd.org/apad/may-2021-monthly-report/
		https://cis-bd.org/apad/print-media/

Please write 4 to 7, if any.

4. Challenges

The whole world is going through the pandemic situation. Sometimes it is tough to maintain social distancing during training and community meeting because people are still unaware about COVID-19.

The project was not approved from the NGO Bureau, but CIS communicate with the GOVT. offices and explained all the documents had been submitted to the NGO Bureau and it is a continuation project of previous year so that had started the training program.

- 5. Relationship with Bangladesh Government and Japanese Embassy Meeting with Government officials
- 6. Contribution to/from Network Partners Good practice
- 7. Funds Received and Grants Applied / Planned and Implemented Projects Applying/ongoing projects name and its fund resources





Strategic Planning Network Meeting_Dhaka



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Networking Partner DRR Training_Habiganj



Workshop on Disaster Management and Emergency Health program_Galachipa



Networking Partner DRR Training_Habiganj



Workshop on Disaster Management and Emergency Health program_Galachipa





Workshop on Disaster Management and Emergency Health program_Rangpur



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