

Flood in Bangladesh 2019: Situation Report 3, Dated 15 July, 2019

Overall situation: Heavy monsoon rainfall throughout the country since 9 July 2019 and onrush water from upstream have been causing a massive flood in low lying areas of Northern, North-eastern and South-eastern districts of Bangladesh.

Overall flood situation in the northern districts have been deteriorated as of today as the water levels of all major rivers marked rise inundating fresh areas, marooning thousands of people and disrupting road communications in four northern districts namely Kurigram, Nilphamari, Rangpur and Gaibandha. According to information of the District Relief and Rehabilitation Officers (DRRO), around 1.25 lakh families of 106 Unions in 20 Upazilas of the mentioned districts have been affected. The houses, tube-wells, latrines, roads in the affected areas went under the floodwater. People are also suffering from acute crisis of food, and drinking water. The flood water washed away many houses, livestock and crops in many areas in the last few days. The flood victims are going through an indescribable misery for the last three days due to lack of food and other essentials. The government has launched relief operation in the affected areas.

RDRS is closely monitoring the situation and assessing the damages, especially the crop damages. RDRS operated Community Radio Chilmari has been broadcasting the special program on flood situation and on airing the awareness message.



Affected areas:	Type of Impacts/damages:																																				
Rangpur, Nilphamari, Kurigram, Gaibandha and Lalmonirhat districts of Rangpur division	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People are marooned in their home and some places in the shelter. • Communication is disrupted and embankments at different points are weakened. • Livelihood of the flood affected communities is disrupted. • Schools in the few areas are declared closed due to inundation. • Thousands hectares of cropland have gone under water and seedbed of amon rice have been badly affected. 																																				
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District Disaster Management Committee (DDMC) and Upazilla Disaster Management Committee (UDMC) have called special meeting for analyzing flood situation and local response. Government has allocated general relief (GR) support and distributed total 852 MT rice, cash BDT 20, 25,000 and 7403 packets dry food among flood affected families of 4 northern districts.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RDRS is closely monitoring the flood/inundation situation and publishing flood situation reports. Will update every 24 hours. • RDRS already communicated with leader of affected Union Federation to share flood situation and impact of floods with us in order to compile and share updated situation with Govt and humanitarian communities. • RDRS closely assessing overall crop damage especially seed bed of amon rice with DAE. 																																		

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Detail Damage and Impact Information

District	Upazila	No. of Affected Union	No. of Affected Family	No. of Water logging Family	No. of Affected Houses	No. of Affected Families of River erosion	Relief Distribution from Government			Remarks
							GR-Rice (MT)	GR- Cash (TK)	Gr-Dry Food	
Kurigram	Bhurugnari	8	6750	27000	6750	0	280	675000	2000	Some amilies have taken shelter on high land, embankment , schools and thousands hectares of cropland have gone under water
	Nageswari	10	9740	38400	9740	140				
	Fulbari	4	2703	10800	2703	3				
	Sador	6	16453	65472	16453	85				
	Rajarhat	4	995	3840	995	35				
	Ulipur	8	14602	58408	14602	282				
	Chilmari	6	6965	27200	6965	165				
	Rowmari	6	7766	30400	7766	166				
Rajibpur	3	7255	28400	7255	155					
Total		55	73229	289920	73229	1031	280	675000	2000	
Lalmonirhat	Sador	4	4790	4790		16	0.4	160000	241	Around 40 educational institution have been closed and thousands hectares of cropland have gone under water
	Aditmari	3	4300	4300		22	0.25	35000	62	
	Kaligonj	3	2000	2000		0	0.2	30000	200	
	Hatibandha	8	5460	5460		0	1.4	200000	900	
	Patgram	2	266	266		0	0.2	25000	0	
Total		20	16816	16816		38	2.45	450000	1403	
Gaibandha	Sador	4	4437	4437	1000	0	100	125000	500	Around 170 educational institution have been closed
	Sundorgonj	5	2867	2867	1350	600	100	125000	500	
	Saghata	4	14300	14300	1300	55	100	150000	500	
	Fulchori	7	12789	12789	1250	120	100	250000	500	
Total		20	34393	34393		775	400	650000	2000	
Nilphamari	Dimla	7	0	26520	0	0	150	250000	2000	
	Jaldhaka	4	0	1000	0	0	20	0	2000	
Total		11	0	27520	0	0	170	250000	2000	
Grand Total		106	124438	368649	73229	1844	852.45	2025000	7403	

Sources: Report of DRRO Office, Kurigram, Lalmonirhat, Nilphamari and Gaibandha on 15 July 2019