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# Flood in Eastern Bangladesh August, 2024





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## CRISIS OVERVIEW

Starting on 19 August 2024, Bangladesh has been hit by devastating floods, resulting from heavy rainfall and upstream water releases. These severe floods affected over 5.8 million people in districts such as Feni, Noakhali, Cumilla, and Lakshmipur, among others. The human cost has been immense, with 71 lives lost, including 19 children, and over 320,000 homes destroyed. Entire communities were displaced, struggling with limited access to essential resources. The floods severely impacted livelihoods, destroying 339,000 hectares of crops, and disrupting education, with 7,000 schools closed and over 1.75 million students affected.



Image: TBS News



The financial toll of the disaster has been staggering, with damages estimated at Tk. 14,421 crore (\$1.20 billion), according to the Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD).

The magnitude of this crisis demanded an urgent and coordinated response.

REPORTED  
**71**  
PEOPLE DIED

MORE THAN  
**4,780**  
PEOPLE INJURED

AROUND  
**5.8 MILLION**  
PEOPLE AFFECTED

ESTIMATED  
**\$1.20 BILLION**  
IN DAMAGES



## WHAT WE DID

In response to the devastating flood, our dedicated local team acted with urgency to assess the situation and address the critical needs of the affected communities. We collaborated with local authorities, partner organizations, and volunteers to carry out immediate rescues and ensure timely delivery of essential relief items, including food, clean water, clothing, medicines, and hygiene kits. Medical teams were swiftly deployed to provide emergency care, treating illnesses and injuries caused by the disaster, while offering much-needed support to those traumatized by the event. To further aid recovery, we provided prompt cash assistance to affected individuals and their families, helping them cover treatment costs, begin rehabilitation, and address their overall well-being.



Our collective efforts were focused on helping flood-affected communities recover from this tragedy and rebuild their lives with renewed hope and resilience.



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## WHERE WE DID

Our emergency operations were concentrated in **Feni, Cumilla, Noakhali, and Lakshmipur**, as these were the most severely impacted districts. Our team focused on saving lives, providing immediate relief, and supporting affected communities in their journey to rebuild and thrive

## WHEN WE DID

Our dedicated team responded immediately, beginning the rescue operations on **August 20, 2024**. Relief and healthcare support continued throughout August, with rehabilitation efforts initiated in early September and carried on until **November 30, 2024**.

## WHY WE DID

The August 2024 floods left a trail of heartbreak and devastation. Behind every submerged home and destroyed crop was a family struggling to survive. Behind every statistic was a story—a mother wondering how she'd feed her children, a child longing for their schoolbooks, a family mourning the loss of their loved ones. We couldn't ignore the pain in the eyes of displaced families or the cries of children without shelter or safety. These are the people we serve—the vulnerable, the grieving, the forgotten. Our response was driven by compassion, by the belief that no one should face such loss alone.

Our work is not just about delivering aid; it's about restoring dignity and giving people the tools they need to rebuild their lives. We acted because we couldn't stand by. We acted because hope is the most powerful thing we can give, and hope is what we strive to bring.

## EMERGENCY RESCUE

In response to the devastating floods, our emergency rescue team acted swiftly, collaborating with local authorities and partner organizations to bring stranded families to safety. Our volunteers tirelessly rescued 120 individuals from 30 families trapped in flooded homes, bringing them to safety. With limited communication and access, volunteers worked tirelessly to save lives in Feni, Cumilla, Noakhali and Lakshmipur districts.



## RELIEF DISTRIBUTION

In the aftermath of the floods, survival became a daily struggle for thousands of displaced families. With their homes reduced to ruins and belongings washed away, they faced hunger, thirst, and uncertainty. We distributed essential items such as clean drinking water, emergency food, hygiene kits, and other essential items to 7500 displaced individuals, helping them survive the immediate aftermath of the floods. We worked hand in hand with local shelters to ensure no one was left behind, bringing comfort and stability to those grappling with the chaos.



## EMERGENCY HEALTHCARE



In the aftermath of the devastating floods, our dedicated medical teams acted swiftly, becoming a lifeline for those in urgent need. They delivered critical care to over 200 flood-affected individuals, providing essential medicines like saline

Napa, and cough remedies, alongside first aid to treat injuries and illnesses caused by the disaster. Beyond physical healing, their presence brought comfort and reassurance to families grappling with fear and uncertainty, ensuring that no one was left without the care they needed during this challenging time.

## EDUCATION MATERIAL FOR CHILDREN

Countless children saw their education abruptly halted as schools closed and their books and supplies were swept away. Recognizing that education is not just a right but a beacon of hope, we stepped in to restore a sense of normalcy for 600 young minds.



## REHABILITATION WORKS

Our focus was on rehabilitating families devastated by the floods, many of whom lost not only their homes but also their means of livelihood. We have successfully rehabilitated 260 flood-affected families by constructing 16 new houses and repairing 64 damaged ones. Additionally, we have provided 48 sanitary latrines, 12 tube wells, 60 beds, 40 chairs, and 20 tables to support their recovery and improve living conditions.



## LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT

We rebuilt homes for families left homeless, ensuring they had a safe and stable place to restart their lives. To empower affected families economically, we facilitated livelihood support by providing 8 small business setups, 38 livestock like cows and goats, 12 rickshaws, and vans.. Additionally, some families were supported with tools to start small shops, enabling them to regain financial independence.



Our goal was not just to offer temporary relief but to create sustainable income opportunities that would allow these families to rebuild with dignity and hope for a brighter future. Every step of this rehabilitation process was guided by our commitment to restore stability and resilience to the affected communities.



From Crisis to Care,  
We are There!





## PARTNERSHIPS FOR GREATER IMPACT

In the wake of the devastating floods, we recognized that collaboration was essential to maximizing our impact and reaching those most in need. Our partnership with the **Bangladesh American Society of Greater Houston (BASGH)** was pivotal in enabling us to provide timely and comprehensive support to the affected communities. BASGH's generous resources, supports and unwavering commitment made a significant difference in delivering relief and rehabilitation efforts on the ground.

While BASGH stood as our cornerstone partner, we were also fortunate to collaborate with the **Amra92 Foundation** and other supporters whose contributions further strengthened our efforts. These collaborations were more than logistical; they symbolized unity and shared humanity. We extend our heartfelt gratitude all the individuals and organizations who stood by us during this critical time.



### TESTIMONIAL



"The floods took everything—our home, our livelihood, and even our hope. But Projects for Humanity brought us back from despair. They not only gave us shelter but also helped us start a small business."

— Resident, Feni



"We lost everything in the flood. My children had no books, no school, and no hope. Projects for Humanity build a house for us and provide educational supplies for my children"

— Resident, Noakhali

# Financial

## FUND RAISED

≈ \$ 103,000

## EXPENSES

≈ \$86,500

# Thank You

for supporting us in implementing these initiatives among the flood victims.

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We extended our support to over 9200 individuals

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Thank you for standing with us in this mission of compassion and recovery.