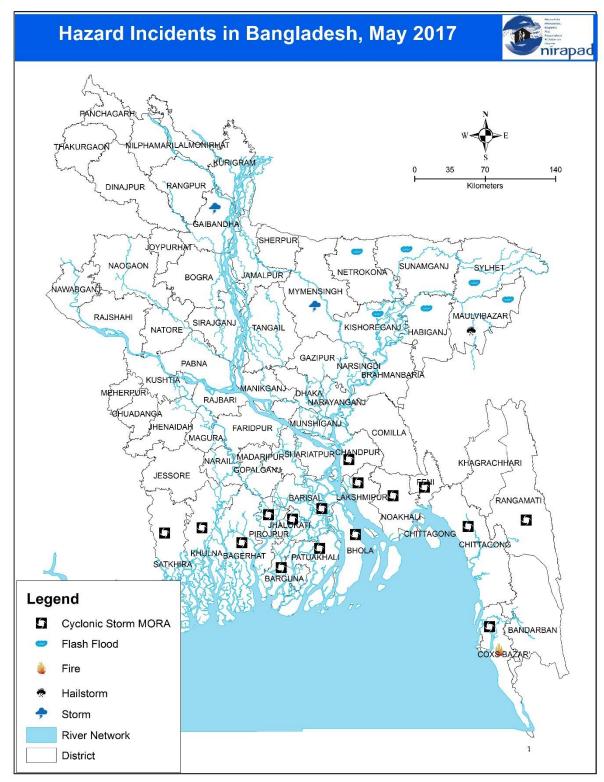
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# Hazard Incidents in Bangladesh, May 2017

#### **Overview of Hazard Incidents in May 2017**

May 2017 was a hazardous month with flash flood, hailstorm, fire, storm and cyclonic storm occurring throughout the country. Although the flash flood, which started in March 28, had most severe impacts; on May 28, Cyclonic Storm MORA took place and cause unadorned distress to the people of 16 affected districts. Total 477,669 people were evacuated to 2,998 shelters in 16 affected districts namely, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong, Noakhali, Laxmipur, Chandpur, Feni, Barisal, Pirojpur, Patuakhali, Bhola, Jhalkati, Barguna, Khulna, Shatkhira, Bagerhat and Rangamati. Another severe incident was flash flood which continued in this month destroyed standing boro crop in the fields, livestock and fisheries in the six hoar districts, namely, Sylhet, Sunamganj, Netrokona, Moulvibazar, Kishoreganj and Habiganj.

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Prepared in: 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2017 Sources: NDRCC Reports and National Dailies, 2017

# Description of the Incidents in May 2017

# **Flash Flood**

Heavy rainfalls as well as onrush of water from the upstream Meghalaya hills in India have led to the inundation of a vast areas of croplands of Haors and low-lying areas. Flood started on

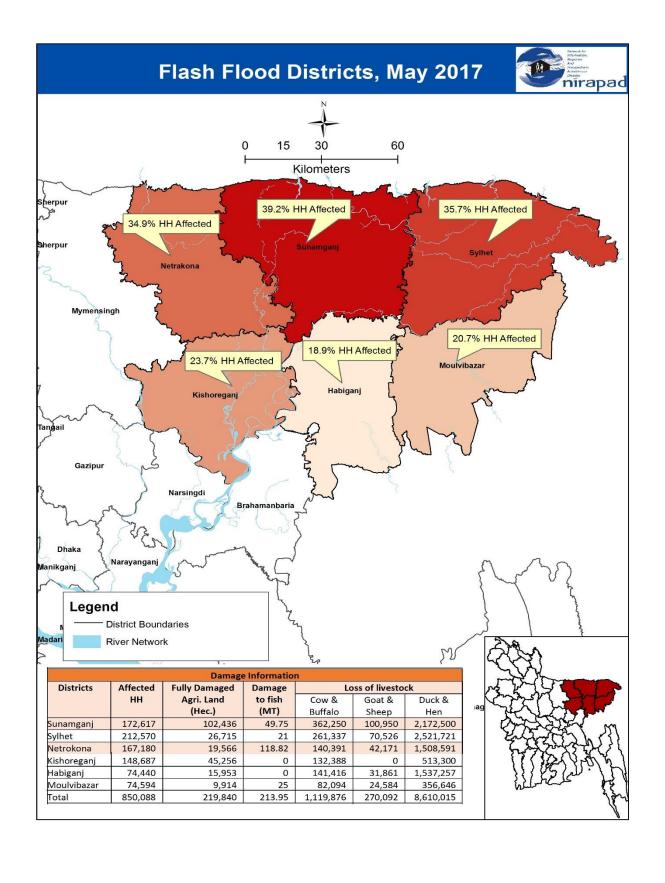
28<sup>th</sup> March affecting six districts (Sylhet, Moulvibazar, Sunamganj, Habiganj, Netrokona and Kishoreganj) in the north east region and extended to May. Rising water overflow and breeched embankment in many places and inundated vast areas of croplands. It destroyed nearly-ready-for-harvesting boro rice in about 404,713 hectors areas. Detailed impact Scenario of flash flood in May is given below tables:

Table 01: Brief	damage info	ormation of	six districts at	ffected by flash flood (up to	o April 28, 2017	<b>'</b> )
Districts	Affected	Affected	Affected	Fully Damaged	Damaged Hou	ıse
	Upazilas	Unions	НН	Agricultural Land (Hec.)	Fully	Partially
Sunamganj	11	88	172,617	102,436	2,600	15,000
Sylhet	13	105	212,570	26,715	20	10
Netrokona	10	86	167,180	19,566	0	0
Kishoreganj	13	56	148,687	45,256	0	0
Habiganj	08	64	74,440	15,953	46	51
Moulvibazar	07	60	74,594	9,914	194	284
Total	62	518	850,088	219,840	2,860	15,345
Source: DDM R	Report on Da	mage Inforn	nation and Re	elief Distribution on Flash F	lood, May 01, 2	2017

Districts	Affected Upazilas	s as received from Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock  Damage to water bodies and fish production							
	·	No. of Water bodies	Fish (MT)						
Sunamganj	11	23	49.75						
Sylhet	3	8	21						
Netrokona	3	14	118.82						
Kishoreganj	0	0	0						
Habiganj	0	0	0						
Moulvibazar	3	1	25						
Total	20	46	213.95						

Table 03: Infor	mation on o	damage to li	vestock as re	ceived fron	n Ministry (	of Fisherie	s and Livesto	ck		
Districts	Affected	Affected			Loss of	livestock				
	Upazilas	Unions	Cow	Cow Buffalo Goat Sheep Duck						
Sunamganj	11	97	361,000	1,250	68,500	32,450	1,210,500	962,000		
Sylhet	4	21	249,574	11,763	28,797	41,729	2,120,621	401,100		
Netrokona	10	69	139,858	533	40,118	2,053	1,017,495	491,096		
Kishoreganj	8	48	132,388	0	0	0	513,300	0		
Habiganj	6	34	140,324	1,092	22,640	9,221	1,019,903	517,354		
Moulvibazar	3	50	67,022	15,072	21,865	2,719	89,756	266,890		
Total	42	284	1,090,166	29,710	181,920	88,172	597,175	2,638,440		
Source: DDM R	Report on Da	amage Infor	mation and F	Relief Distri	bution on F	lash Floo	d, May 28, 20	17		

Flash flood occurred in nearly all unions under the six haor districts and affected about one third of the households of the districts. It destroyed the potential boro crop fully. Also the affected households suffered due to loss of fisheries and domestic animals and birds. Moreover, some households have lost their houses (fully or partially).



#### Fire:

In Teknaf of Chittagong district, 23 houses were burnt injuring 3 people due to a fire incident on May 08.

	Table 04: Loss and impacts of Fire in May 2017										
	Location										
Date	District	Upazila/	Impact	Source	Remark						
		Thana									
Mari	Cox's	Teknaf	23 houses were burned	The Daily	Fire service trying 2 hour with their 2						
May 08	Bazar		and 3 peoples were	Samakal	units to control the fire. The injured						
08			injured.	May 09,2017	admitted in Teknaf Health Complex.						

#### Hailstorm:

In Kulaura and Kamalganj upazila of Maulvibazar district, 300 houses were damaged, Boro rice damaged and other losses reported due to hailstorm in May 08, according to Daily Star, May 07, 2017.

		Tab	le 05: Loss and impacts of Hailsto	rm in May 2017	
	Location				
Date	District	Upazila/	Impact	Source	Remark
		Thana			
May	Maulvibazar	Kulaura,	300 houses were damaged.	The Daily Star	Palli Bidyut Samity reinstalled
06		Kamalganj	Also Boro rice damaged and a	May 07, 2017	the electric polls and restored
		,	good number of trees and	• ,	power supply in Kamalganj
			electric poles were uprooted.		and Kulaura yesterday noon.

#### Storm

On May 08, a madrasa building were blown away due to storm in Phulbaria upazila of Mymensing. Gobindaganj of Gaibandha also affected by storm on May 10.

			Table 06: Loss and impact	ts of storm in May	y 2017
	Loca	ation			
Date	District	Upazila/ Thana	Impact	Source	Remark
May 08	Mymensing	Phulbaria	Madrasa Building was blown away. 4 rooms and 25 benches were damaged.	The Daily Star May 09, 2017	40 students of Achhim Talimul Millat Dakhil Madrasa in Phulbaria upazila sat for their half-yearly examinations under the open sky while the storm took place.
May 10	Gaibandha	Gobindaganj	Damaging a number of houses and uprooting trees and electric poles.	The Daily Star 11 May,2017	A roadside big tree was uprooted and fell across the highway disrupting road communication between Gobindaganj-Dinajpur roads.

#### **Cyclonic Storm MORA**

Depression on the 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017 over southeast and adjoining central region of the Bay of Bengal strengthen into severe Cyclonic Storm Mora. It moved northwards and crossed Cox's Bazar – Chittagong coast near Kutubdia during 06 am to 12 pm on 30 may, 2017. Then it became weaken gradually and remained over Rangamati region and adjoining area as a land deep depression. At the time of landfall, it has a sustained wind speed of 117 kmph rising to 146 kmph in gust.

From NDRCC report of May 31, 2017, overall impact scenario of Cyclonic Storm Mora is given in the following table. Although detailed information are not collected yet as the information collection process is not completed yet.

		Table 07	7: Loss and	impacts of Cy	clonic Sto	rm MORA	in May 2	017		
Districts	No. of Affected Upazilas	No. of Affected Unions	No. of Affected families	Affected Affected households of No. of No. of Shelte		No. of Shelter	No. of Evacuated People			
Chittagong	13	106		14250	2756	2596			538	125820
Cox's Bazar	8	100	52539	262695	17023	35516	4	60	296	159600
Noakhali	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	312	35000
Laxmipur	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	102	8924
Feni	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	88	250
Bhola	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73	20000
Barisal	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-		
Barguna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	335	20000
Patuakhali	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	331	20205
Khulna	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	193	10000
Bagerhat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	234	34000
Shatkhira	-	-	450	1800		450	-	-	159	16700
Chandpur	-	•	-	-	-	•	•	•	99	8730
Pirojpur	-	-	1500	7500	-	10	-	-	193	16740
Rangamati	20	-	-	-	150	1027	2	1	-	-
Total	31	106	54489	286245	19929	39599	6	61	2998	477669
Source: Impa	act and Allo	cation on C	yclonic Stor	m Mora of M	ay 30, 20	17, NDRCC	Report,	May 31, 20	017	

### **GOB Responses in May**

<u>Response in Flash Flood:</u> The Government of Bangladesh has targeted 330,000 (of the total 850,088) households to provide assistance. The support include mainly GR (rice and cash), VGF, cash through Employment Generation Program for Poorest scheme and C. I. sheet and cash for housing. In addition, the government assistance included special cash grant under VGF. Details of the assistance is are in the table below:

		Table 08	: GoB allocati	ion for th	e affected peop	le in Flash Floo	d, May 2017		
Districts	No of		GR		VGF EGPP		PP	C. I.	Cash for
	families (till July)	Rice (MT)	Cash (BDT)	Rice (MT)	Cash as special grant (BDT)	No of beneficiaries	Cash (BDT)	Sheet (Bundle)	housing (BDT)
Sunamganj	150,000	1,450	8,500,000	14,700	225,000,000	13,925	124,927,436	200	600,000
Sylhet	50,000	428	2,437,000	4,900	75,000,000	19,787	177,407,937	-	-
Netrokona	50,000	648	4,240,000	4,900	75,000,000	16,108	144,860,128	-	-
Kishoreganj	50,000	652	3,870,000	4,900	75,000,000	17,387	156,243,338	-	-
Habiganj	29,000	403	1,400,000	2,842	42,500,000	12,670	113,534,043	100	300,000
Moulvibazar	1,000	343	1,450,000	98	1,500,000	11,570	103,727,807	-	-
Total	330,000	3,924	21,897,000	32,340	495,000,000	91,447	820,700,689	300	900,000
Source: DDM	Report on	Damage	Information a	and Relief	Distribution or	n Flash Flood, N	Лау 28, 2017		

<u>Response in Cyclonic Storm MORA:</u> The Government allocated assistance immediately to the Cyclonic Storm Mora affected people that include cash grant and food aid. DDM report on Government response is given below:

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3,700,000	1,420,000	1,700	-	300	900,000
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#### Conclusion

Flash flood which continued to this month and Cyclonic Storm Mora developed rapidly and stuck Chittagong – Cox's Bazar districts severely in the month of May. In both these disasters, people of the affected areas suffered due to loss of crops, fisheries and live stocks, damage of trees and houses and inundation of crop field in the low lying areas. Response and preparedness activities by the Government are quite adequate and quick in the case of cyclonic storm. Along with flash flood and cyclonic storm hailstorm, storm and fire incidents were occurred in May which made notable impacts on human lives along with few injuries.