

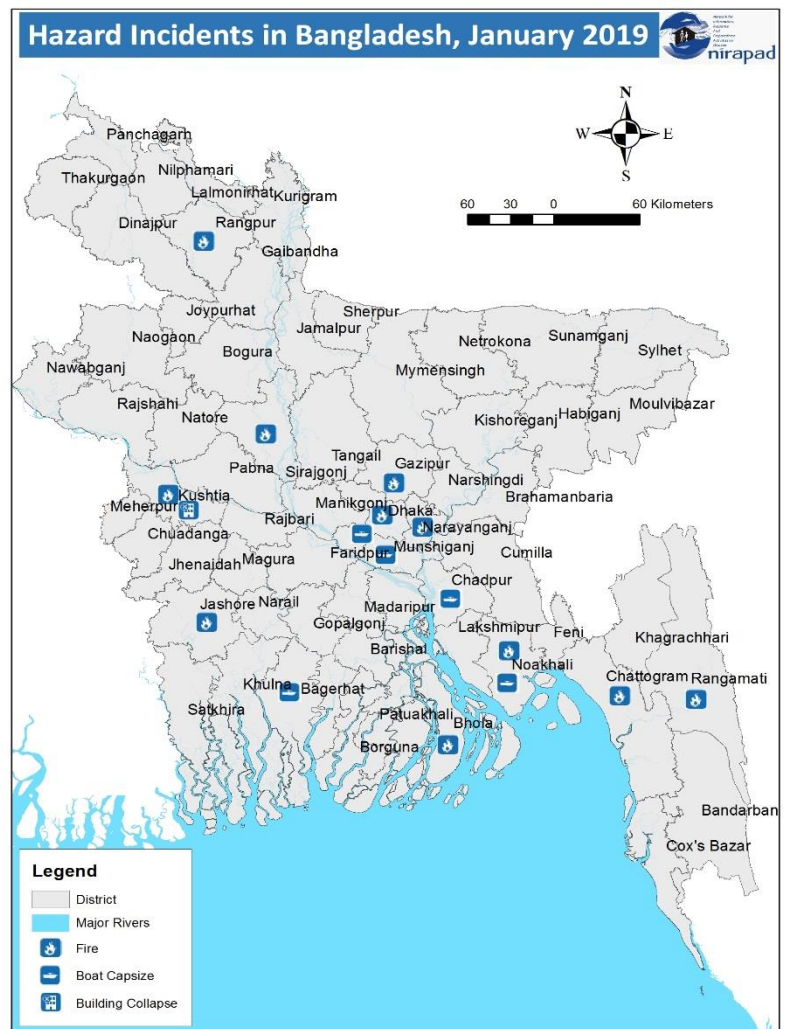
Overview of Hazard Incidents in January, 2019

January was a month of three devastating man-made hazards, i.e. fire, boat-capsize and building collapse with a total of 13, five and two incidents respectively.

Fire was the mostly occurred hazard which took place in 11 districts correspondingly Dhaka, Gazipur, Kushtia, Bhola, Rangamati, Jashore, Noakhali, Chattogram, Narayanganj, Sirajganj and Rangpur. The 13 incidents of fire injured five persons and caused monetary loss of approximately BDT 17 crore.

With five incidents in five districts, i.e. Munshiganj, Bagerhat, Noakhali, Dhaka and Chandpur; boat capsizes was the most devastating hazard of the month in terms of loss and damage to human lives. The incidents caused death of three persons and 22 persons were missing.

Along with these, two incidents of building collapse took place in Kushtia. The incidents caused death of three persons and injured five persons.



Source: NDRCC Reports and National Dailies, January 2019

January 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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Description of the Hazard Incidents in January, 2019

Fire

Fire took place in 11 districts across the country in 10 days of the month of January. Dhaka and Gazipur have faced two incidents each in the first week of January. Among these two incidents of Gazipur on 4th January, one cotton go-down was burnt at Kaliakoir and another fire incident took place at Tongi. In an incident on 5th January which took place in Kushtia injured five persons since they were burnt in a fire caused by cylinder leakage of the kitchen in a Madrasa. Another devastating incident caused loss of BDT two crore by burning 33 shops in Bhola on 12th January. In Rangamati, 103 houses were burnt on 13th January as per the Fire Service and Civil Defense (FSCD) officers were unable to access to the incident place quickly due to narrow roads. Later FSCD, Army, Police and BGB personnel worked together to control the fire. Another incident took place in Jashore on 17th January which burnt 3,000-4,000 maunds jute and 40 tons cotton causing approximate loss of BDT 15 crore. Also, in an incident which took place in Narayanganj on 21st January, 72 houses were burnt.

Date	Location		Impact	Source
	District	Upazila/ Thana		
January 03	Dhaka	Lalbag	• No impact reported	https://bangla.dhakatribune.com , January 03, 2019
January 04	Gazipur	Tongi	• No impact reported	https://bangla.bdnews24.com , January 04, 2019
		Kaliakoir	• 1 cotton go-down burnt	
January 05	Kushtia	Kushtia Sadar	• 5 persons injured	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 05, 2019
	Dhaka	Badda	• No impact reported	
January 12	Bhola	Bhola Sadar	• 33 shops burnt • Loss of BDT 2 crore	https://bangla.dhakatribune.com , January 13, 2019
January 13	Rangamati	Rangamati Sadar	• 103 houses burnt	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 13, 2019
January 17	Jashore	Abhaynagar	• 3,000-4,000 maunds jute & 40 tons cotton burnt • Loss of BDT 15 crore	https://bangla.bdnews24.com , January 17, 2019
	Noakhali	Noakhali Sadar	• 7 shops burnt	
January 18	Chattogram	Chattogram Sada	• No impact reported	https://bdnews24.com , January 18, 2019
January 21	Narayanganj	Fatullah	• 72 houses burnt	https://www.dhakatribune.com , January 21, 2019
January 23	Sirajganj	Sirajganj Sadar	• No impact reported	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 23, 2019
January 24	Rangpur	Rangpur Sadar	• No impact reported	https://bangla.bdnews24.com , January 24, 2019
Total	5 persons injured, 175 houses, 40 shops, 1 cotton go-down, 3,000-4,000 maunds jute & 40 tons cotton burnt with an approximate loss of BDT 17 crore			

Building Collapse

Building collapse occurred in Kushtia on 8th and 17th January with two separate incidents. Among the two incidents, two sisters died due to collapse of the sun-shed of an under-construction building on 8th January. The other incident caused death of one person and injured five persons on 17th January.

Date	Location		Impact	Source
	District	Upazila/ Thana		
January 08	Kushtia	Kushtia Sadar	• 2 persons killed	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 08, 2019
January 17	Kushtia	Kushtia Sadar	• 1 persons killed & 5 injured	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 17, 2019
Total	3 persons killed & 5 persons injured			

Boat Capsize

Boat capsizing took place in five districts with five incidents across the month of January. In Munshiganj, a soil-laden trawler collided with an oil-laden tanker and sank on 16th January. Due to the incident, 20 persons were missing among the all 34 members of the trawler. Two separate incidents took place in Chandpur on January 24th. In these two incidents, two lighter ships (one with 1,700 tons wheat & one with corns) sank in Meghna River. The most heart-touching incident occurred in Dhaka, which killed three persons of the same family along with missing of the dead parents' child on 25th January. Another incident in Chandpur caused a huge loss 800 tons fly-ash after a ship sank with a loss of BDT 85 lacs on 31st January.

Date	Location		Impact	Source
	District	Upazila/ Thana		
January 16	Munshiganj	Munshiganj Sadar	• 20 persons missing	https://www.daily-sun.com , January 16, 2019
January 22	Bagerhat	Mongla	• 1 bulkhead sank with 14,000 ft. red sand	https://www.banglanews24.com , January 23, 2019
January 24	Noakhali	Hatiya	• 1 person missing • 2 lighter ship sank	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 24, 2019
January 25	Dhaka	Kotwali	• 3 persons killed & 1 missing	https://www.prothomalo.com , January 26, 2019
January 31	Chandpur	Chandpur Sadar	• 1 ship with 8,000 tons fly-ash damaged • Loss of BDT 85 lacs	https://www.barta24.com , January 31, 2019
Total	3 persons killed, 22 persons missing; 1 bulkhead with 14,000 ft. red sand, 2 lighter ship (1 with 1700 tons wheat & 1 with corns), 1 ship with 8000 tons fly-ash sank and caused loss of BDT 85 lacs			

GoB Response in January 2019

Though the incidents were significant in terms of damage, disruption and distress, GoB response to the victims was not reported.

Conclusion

Fire, building collapse and boat capsizing took place in this month with several incidents across the country. These incidents caused a huge loss of lives and properties and disrupted daily activities of people. However, no response was reported.