

BANGLADESH PREPAREDNESS PARTNERSHIP

Strengthening emergency
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in Bangladesh through
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The Bangladesh Preparedness Partnership (BPP) is a strategic partnership that strives to improve disaster preparedness coordination from the national to sub-national levels through a 'Whole of Society' approach. The partnership is led by the Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MoDMR) with technical support from the Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) and is supported by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The BPP promotes development of multi-stakeholder partnership, strengthening of emergency operation centers, and South-South learning as part of the Asian Preparedness Partnership (APP) Plus.

THE INCEPTION

Bangladesh is advancing a holistic approach to disaster risk reduction and management (DRRM) through the Standing Orders on Disaster (SOD) 2019 and the National Preparedness and Response Plan (NPRP). These guidelines emphasize the unified efforts of stakeholders including relevant government departments, agencies, and other key non-government players including non-governmental organizations (NGOs), academia, technical institutions, the private sector, and development partners to build strategic and scientific partnerships in order to strengthen disaster preparedness. This practice was further prioritized as the localization process at the World Humanitarian Summit 2016.

The BPP's efforts to promote and strengthen locally-led action for disaster preparedness and response are synergistic with Bangladesh's aim to become a self-reliant nation by graduating from the United Nations 'Least Developed Countries (LDC)' list to a 'developing country' in 2026.



PROGRAM FRAMEWORK



ESTABLISHING MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIP

- Form Program Advisory Committee
- Endorse BPP Roadmap
- Develop Policy Brief on SOD 2019



DEVELOPING MULTI-STAKEHOLDER CAPACITY

- Update priority guidelines
- Participate in government-led joint assessments
- Train multi-stakeholder partners on priority training needs

EXPANSION

The APP was founded under the program 'Strengthening the Emergency Response Capacity of Local Humanitarian Actors in Asia' being implemented by the ADPC with support from the BMGF and the United States Agency for International Development Bureau of Humanitarian Assistance (USAID BHA). The program seeks to improve the preparedness and emergency response of local actors to disasters by strengthening the humanitarian leadership and technical capacity of national governments, local humanitarian organizations, and the private sector so that they can lead and better engage in the humanitarian framework.

The APP program countries include Cambodia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, the Philippines, and Sri Lanka. The BPP is based on the experiences, implementing concepts, and the vision of the APP. It has established a collaborative partnership for the effective implementation of the SOD 2019 in line with the 'Whole of Society' approach. The partnership supports the active participation of local actors at the national and sub-national levels in government-led disaster preparedness coordination.

PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY AND FRAMEWORK

Active engagement among the government, local humanitarian organizations, the private sector, and other stakeholders is essential in effectively preparing for disaster and establishing a well-coordinated response system. The BPP employs a four-pronged strategy to support locally-led actions. The program's framework is designed following four key strategic themes-developing multi-stakeholder partnerships, strengthening emergency operation centers, capacity development, and South-South learning and knowledge exchange within and beyond Bangladesh.



STRENGTHENING NATIONAL AND SUB-NATIONAL EOC

- Identify vertical and horizontal linkages in coordination
- Participate in simulation exercises
- Provide technical assistance on identified priority areas



ENHANCING LEARNING, KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND EXCHANGE

- Organize learning and sharing events
- Develop knowledge products
- Participate in regional and global exchange events

BPP MULTI STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIP



GOVERNMENT

- Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MoDMR)
- Department of Disaster Management (DDM)
- Cyclone Preparedness Programme (CPP)
- Fire Service and Civil Defense (FSCD)



PRIVATE SECTOR

- Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industries (FBCCI)
- Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA)



NGO & CIVIL SOCIETY NETWORKS

- National Alliance of Humanitarian Actors in Bangladesh (NAHAB)
- Center for Disability in Development (CDD)
- Network for Information Response and Preparedness Activities on Disaster (NIRAPAD)
- Foundation for Disaster Forum (DF)
- BRAC Humanitarian Programme (BHP)
- Development Research Network (Dnet)
- Bangladesh Scouts



ACADEMIA

- Institute of Disaster Management and Vulnerability Studies (IDMVS) Dhaka University
- Department of Architecture and Postgraduate Programs in Disaster Management (PPDM) BRAC University

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