

Overview of Flood in Bangladesh, August 2017



2017 is the year of fallout, a series of fallout happened in this year, On 12 June 2017 heavy monsoon rain triggered a series of landslides and floods in Rangamati, Chittagong and Bandarban - three hilly districts of Bangladesh - and killed at least 152 people, The landslide was caused by an incessant downpour that began early morning of 12 June, dropping 343

millimeters (13.5 inches) of rain in 24 hours. The monsoon and depression over Bay of Bengal towards Bangladesh resulted in heavy rain over different parts, including Dhaka and Chittagong. The seasonal monsoon often causes floods and mudslides in the southern hills of Bangladesh.

A second factor was lack of land forcing poor people to live in marginal areas where rents are low. In Cox's Bazar, Government officials said that 300,000 people in the area live on landslide-prone hills. It's monsoon time in Bangladesh and the Brahmaputra, Testa and Jamuna rivers have burst their banks. Many villages are under



water and thousands of hectares of crops have been damaged. Rise of water levels in the various rivers in the northern part of the country due to heavy rainfalls as well as water flow from the upstream hills in India have led to the inundation of the river basin areas in the northern parts of Bangladesh.

After the devastating flood of July, second time monsoon flood started on 12 August affecting 31 districts named Dinajpur, Nilphamari, Lalmonirhat, Kurigram, Thakurgaon, Panchagarh, , Gaibandha, Bogra, Sirajganj, Jamalpur, Sunamganj, Netrokona, Rangamati, Brahmanbaria,

Faridpur, Rajbari, Jessore,
Mymensingh, Tangail, Sylhet,
Sherpur, Dhaka, Moulvibazar,
Naogaon, Comilla, Rangpur,
Manikganj, Madaripur, Joypurhat,
Shariatpur and Natore.

It disrupted people's normal life.



1200 union of 183 upazilas under 31 districts are affected and 8746 villages affected.

Total 238843 people fully and 6536509 people partially affected, 50042 households fully and 1305257 households partially affected, 71628 houses fully and 548175 houses partially



damaged. Total 121 people died. 15529 hectare fully and 562594 hectare partially agricultural land inundated, 34 fully and 3134 partially educational institution damaged, 403km of road fully and 4432.38 km of road partially damaged, 268 bridge and 96 km of embankment damaged.

According to Flood Forecasting and Warning Center as on August 22, 2017, of the 90 stations under monitoring, 37 stations are rising, 49 are falling and 4 stations are steady. At 26 points, rivers have been running above the danger level .

People from all communities are in this danger, Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist, and Christians. Many of our Isa-e church members are affected by this flood, they lost everything whatever they had. Now they have no pure water to drink, no food to eat and no sufficient cloths to wear. Mostly children and old people are suffering more. All these people are in poverty . As soon as possible they should get their basic needs otherwise they will fall in more danger.

We are praying for this affected people that God provides them their basic needs. We humbly request you all to pray for these affected people.