












































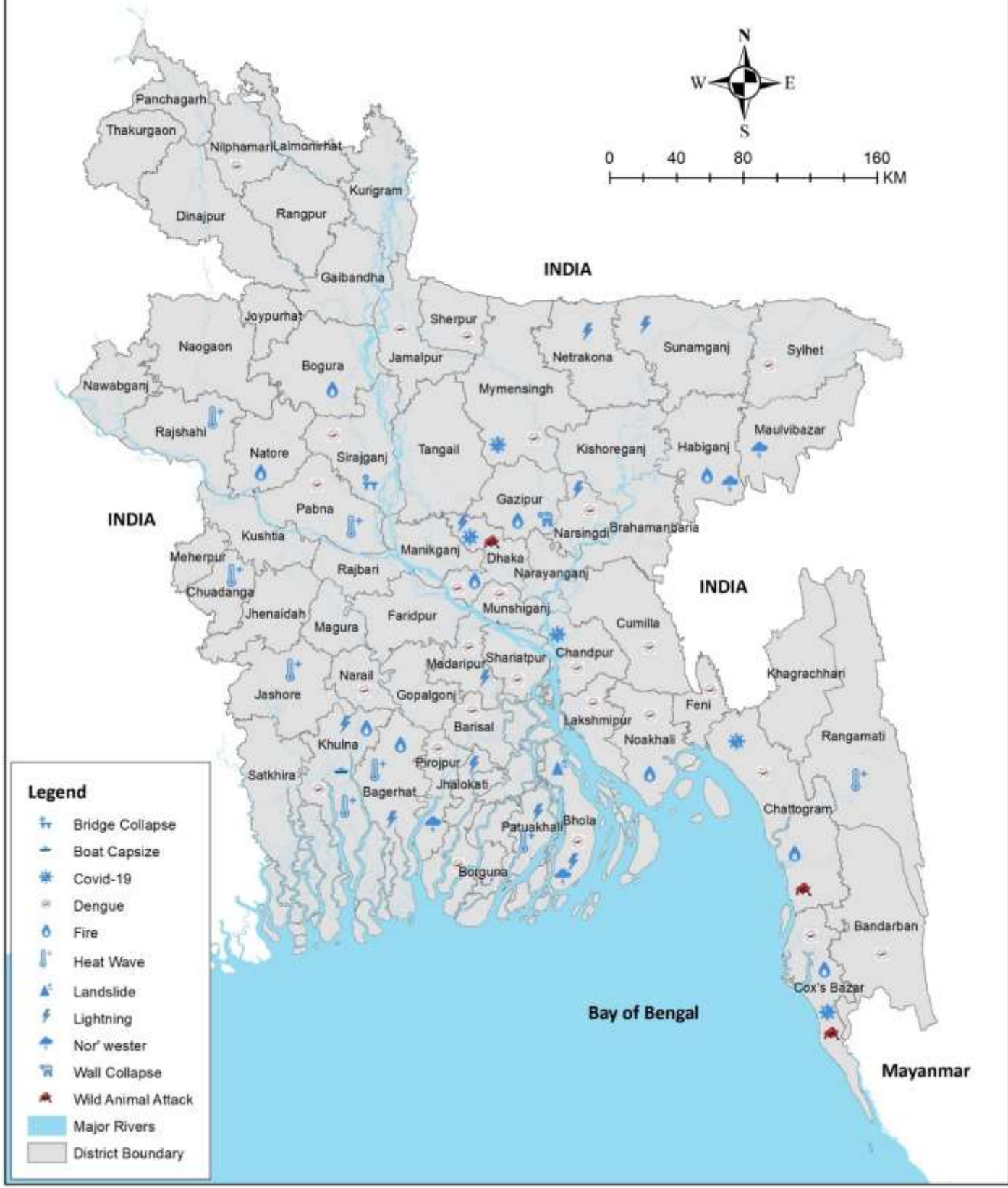
Overview of Hazard Incidences in April 2024

A total of **11** distinct hazard incidents occurred in Bangladesh during April 2024. These incidents included **COVID-19, dengue, bridge collapse, fire incidents, wall collapse, boat capsizes, landslide, nor'wester, heat wave, lightning, and wild animal attacks**. In contrast to March, there was a substantial rise in the number of confirmed cases of dengue cases that occurred during April. As stated in the daily situation report provided by the Directorate General of Health Services ([DGHS](#)), the outbreak affected approximately all of the districts in Bangladesh, with a total of **504** confirmed cases and **2** deaths reported during April. There was a total of **675** fire incidents that were recorded, and tragically, these fire incidents resulted in **6** fatalities and **47** injuries, as stated in the daily hazard situation report published by the Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief ([MoDMR](#)) and the Daily Newspaper. **Six** incidents of **nor 'wester** took place on the **7th, 28th, and 30th** of April in Bhola, Pirojpur, Moulvibazar, and Hobiganj districts respectively. As a result of these incidences, **three** people killed and other **four** people were injured along with significant property damage. During April, a total of **14** lightning incidents were recorded in **10** districts which resulted in the cause of death toll of **14** people. **Three** Wild Animal Attack events took place on several dates in April which resulted in **three** deaths in different districts. Moreover, there was a wall collapse that was witnessed, which resulted in the recording of **one** unfortunate death and **two** injuries. In April, a boat capsizes incident occurred in Khulna, resulting in the missing of **two** individuals. In April, **one** landslide incident occurred in Bhola, resulting in damage to Water Development Board's CC block embankment. In addition to that, **one** bridge collapse incident occurred in Sirajganj, resulting in the injuries of **two** individuals and the death of **one** individual. Moreover, there was **one** death reported during the month of April, there were **479** newly confirmed cases of COVID-19, according to [DGHS](#). Additionally, during the same month, **478** people recovered from the virus.

Monthly Hazard Incidence Calendar: April 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	 1	 2	 3	 4	 5	 6
 7	 8	 9	 10	 11	 12	 13
 14	 15	 16	 17	 18	 19	 20
 21	 22	 23	 24	 25	 26	 27
 28	 29	 30				
Index	 Boat Capsize	 Bridge Collapse	 Covid-19	 Dengue	 Fire	 Heat Wave
 Landslide	 Lightning	 Nor 'wester	 Wall Collapse	 Wild Animal Attack		

Hazard Incidence in Bangladesh, April 2024



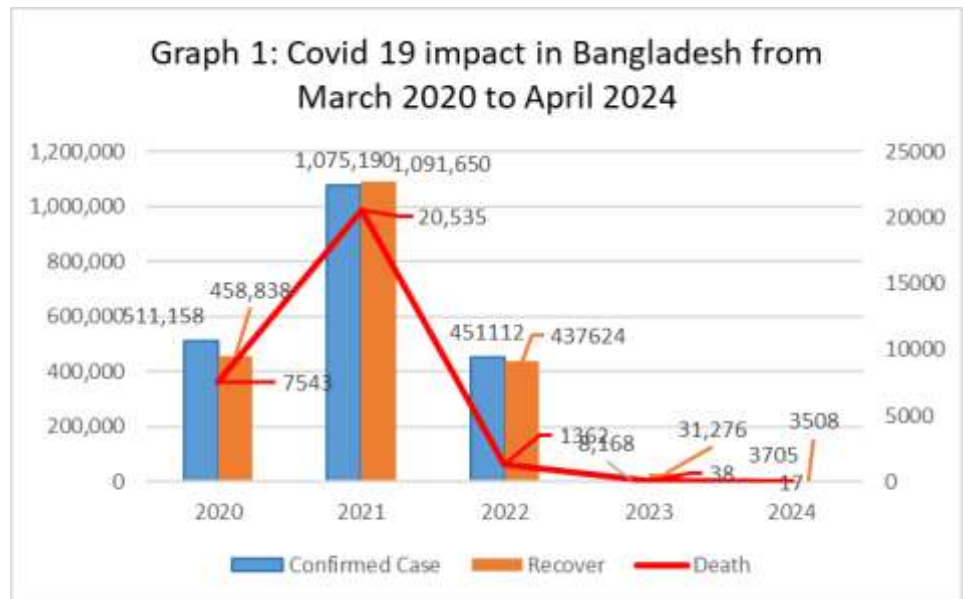
Description of Hazard Incidences in April 2024

Covid-19

In April, **486** patients were newly identified with Covid-19. During this period, there have been **1** reported death and **478** people have made a full recovery. This indicates that there has been a decrease in the number of confirmed cases as well as the number of deaths when compared to the previous month.

Since the initial identification of COVID-19, the total number of

confirmed cases has reached 20,49997 as of the end of February. By the end of February, the total number of deaths in Bangladesh was 29494, and the total number of cases that were recovered was **20,20503** ([DGHS](#)). To obtain a more comprehensive analysis, kindly refer to Annex 1.



Dengue

Based on [DGHS](#) daily situation report, there was an increase in confirmed cases of dengue compared to the previous month. In April, all **26** districts of Bangladesh were affected by dengue, and **Dhaka**, as usual, recorded the highest number of confirmed cases (**178**) and deaths (**1**). There were **504** confirmed cases and **2** reported deaths in total throughout April. The map shows the spatial distribution of dengue-confirmed cases in April. For a more in-depth analysis, please refer to Annex 2.

Fire

According to the Disaster Situation Report of the Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief ([MoDMR](#)), **658** fire incidents took place across the country in April 2024. Dhaka division reported the highest number of fire incidents (**257**), followed by Khulna division (**188**), Chattogram division (**30**), Mymensingh division (**41**), Rajshahi division (**42**), Sylhet division (**11**), Barisal Division (**20**), Rangpur division (**69**). Out of the **658** recorded incidents, **3** fatalities and **30** injuries were reported, along with significant property damage. For a more in-depth analysis, please refer to [Annex-3.1](#).

According to daily newspaper, a total of **17** fire incidents took place in **ten** districts (Dhaka, Khulna, Bagerhat, Bogura, Chattogram, Hobiganj, Barguna, Gazipur, Noakhali, and Natore) in **Bangladesh**. A total of **3** people killed, **17** were injured along with significant property damages. On April 1, a fire broke out in a garage in the capital's Demra area as a result 14 Volvo buses were burnt ([Prothom Alo](#)). On April 3, a fire broke out at a jute mill in Rupsa upazila in Khulna district. According to the owner's claim, there has been a loss of around Tk100 crore ([Dhaka Tribune](#)). On April 7, 17 shops were gutted in a fire at Shapla Market on Railway Station Road in Bogura Sadar upazila. As a result, the traders had suffered a loss of at least Tk 5 crore ([Prothom Alo](#)). On April 10, a fire broke out at PRAN-RFL Industrial Park in Olipur of Habiganj Sadar Upazila as a result a female worker killed after jumping from the sixth floor of the factory during the fire. Besides, 8 to 10 workers were injured while rushing out of panicking ([Prothom Alo](#)). On April 11, In Barguna, a girl was killed and her parents were burnt in a fire in Amtali upazila of Borguna district. The incident took place at a house in Uttar Tarikata village of the upazila ([Prothom](#)

[Alo](#)). On April 12, a fire broke out in a house in Vasantek upazila of Dhaka district causing the death of a woman, and 5 other people of the same family got severely injured ([Prothom Alo](#)). For a more in-depth analysis, please refer to [Annex-3.2](#).

Wall Collapse

During a storm on Sunday, a section of the wall from the under-construction Sultan Hasina Tower, an eight-story building in the South Chayabithi Madhobbari area of Gazipur city, **collapsed** onto the roof of a tin house below. The incident resulted in one person's death and injuries of two people([The Business Standard](#)).

Bridge Collapse

On April 3, 2024, three girders of an under-construction bridge collapsed as a result a 20-year-old worker lost his life and two others were injured at the Sirajganj Economic Zone in the Soydabad Union of Sirajganj Sadar upazila. ([The Daily Star](#)).

Heat Wave

This month, there were seven heat wave events, two extreme severe heat wave events occurred on 7th April and between 21 to 30 April, one severe heat wave event occurred between 17 to 20 April, three mild to moderate heat wave events occurred from 3 to 7 April, 15 to 16 April, and 21 to 30 April and two mild heat wave events occurred from 1 to 2 April and 9 to 11 April throughout the country. The first one was a mild heat wave that occurred in eight districts namely Rajshahi, Pabna, Nilphamari, Dinajpur, Dhaka, Khulna, Rajshahi, and Barishal, respectively and the heat wave in different categories was continuous in districts. Besides, Rajshahi, Chuadanga, Jessore, Khulna districts have experienced an extreme heat wave this month. The maximum temperature was recorded at 43.8 degrees Celsius at Jashore during heat wave situations, on 30 April 2024 ([MoDMR](#)). The daily maximum temperature showed a negative trend in April compared to March 2024. For more detailed information, please refer to [Annex-4](#).

Boat Capsize

On April 7, 2024, a cargo ship loaded with fertilizer capsized after colliding with a pillar of the railway bridge over the Rupsha River in Khulna. The ship was going to Nawapara with 1,140 tons of TSP fertilizer from Herbaria in Mongla port. There were 13 people on board. Although **11** were able to swim ashore two people were missing ([Dhaka Tribune](#)).

Lightning

During April, a total **14** lightning incidents were recorded which resulted in the cause of death toll of **14** people. There were **10** districts namely Patuakhali, Jhalokathi, Bhola, Bagerhat, Khulna, Netrokona, Madaripur, Dhaka, Narsingdi, and Sunamganj where lightning events were recorded. For more details, please refer to [Annex-5](#).

Nor'wester

Six incidents of nor'wester took place on the **7th**, **28th**, and **30th** of April in Bhola, Pirojpur, Moulovibazar, and Hobiganj districts respectively. As a result of these incidences, **3** people killed and other **4** people were injured along with significant property damage. **30** cows went missing after falling into a river, and three villages were devastated ([Jugantor](#)). Many households were destroyed, and at least 20 electric poles were knocked down ([Dhakapost](#)). At least 220 hectares of boro rice fields were affected ([Bangla Tribune](#)). For more detailed information, please refer to [Annex-6](#).

Wild Animal Attack

Three Wild Animal Attack events took place on several dates in April which resulted in three deaths in different districts. On April 11, 2024, a 17-year-old boy was fatally attacked by an elephant at the National Zoo in Mirpur, Dhaka district ([Prothom Alo](#)). On 15 April 2024, a farmer lost his life in a tragic encounter with a wild elephant in Chandanaish, Chattogram. Another individual was wounded during the incident, which occurred at approximately 7:00 am on Monday in the Madhyam Bainjuri locality of ward number 5 within the Borma union of the upazila ([Prothom Alo](#)). On April 23, 2024, a tragic incident unfolded in Cox's Bazar's Chakaria upazila, as a woman lost her life following an encounter with a wild elephant while gathering wood within the Fansiaxhali Wildlife Sanctuary, situated under the jurisdiction of the Cox's Bazar North Forest Division ([Daily Observer](#)). For more detailed information, please refer to [Annex-7](#).

Landslide

On April 25, 2024, a severe landslide occurred once again in the Elisha Launch Ghat area of Bhola. Around 50 meters of the Water Development Board's CC block embankment gave way due to the strong currents and waves of the Meghna River. The collapse caused damage to the launch ghat, five businesses, and a fish market, instilling fear of further erosion among residents. Last year, a similar incident in the Ilisha area led to the collapse of a blocked dam, resulting in one fatality. Allegations have surfaced that these landslides are due to the unplanned construction of launch ghats in the area ([Bangladesh Protidin](#)).

GoB Response in April 2024

Response to Wild Animal Attack

In Chattogram, Chandanaish Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) went to the house of the deceased farmer. At that time, a grant of Tk 20,000 was given to the family of the deceased. A compensation of Rs 10,000 has also been given to the family of the injured person ([Prothom Alo](#)).

Response to Lightning

In Dhaka district, Dhamrai upazila, there had been incidents of lightning deaths. Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) provided financial assistance of Tk 25,000 for the affected family ([Dhaka Tribune](#)).

Conclusion

In April 2024, Bangladesh faced different types of hazards and adverse events, and the report underscores the critical need for a robust disaster management strategy to mitigate the impact of adverse events. This underscores the need for an integrated and proactive approach to disaster risk reduction.

Annex-1: Covid-19 Impacts in April 2024

Date	Division	District	Impact		Source
			Confirm case	Death	
1-30 Apr-24	Chattogram	Chattogram	3	0	DGHS
		Cox's Bazar	19	0	
		Chandpur	1	1	
	Dhaka	Dhaka	455	0	
	Mymensingh	Mymensingh	1	0	
Total	3 Divisions	5 Districts	A total of 479 confirmed cases	1 Death	

Annex-2: Dengue Impact in April 2024

Date	Division	District	Impact		Source	
			Confirm case	Death		
1-Apr 30-24	Barishal	Barishal	22	1	DGHS	
		Bhola	8	0		
		Pirojpur	10	0		
		Barguna	22	0		
	Chattogram	Chattogram	13	0		
		Cox's Bazar	24	0		
		Bandarban	1	0		
		Feni	4	0		
		Noakhali	5	0		
		Comilla	35	0		
		Chandpur	73	0		
		Lakshmipur	10	0		
		Dhaka	Dhaka	178		1
			Madaripur	11		0
	Munshiganj		3	0		
	Narsingdi		25	0		
	Shariatpur		23	0		
	Khulna	Khulna	3	0		
		Narail	12	0		
	Mymensingh	Mymensingh	12	0		
		Jamalpur	2	0		
		Sherpur	1	0		
	Rajshahi	Sirajganj	2	0		
		Pabna	1	0		
	Rangpur	Nilphamari	3	0		
	Sylhet	Sylhet	1	0		
Total	8 Divisions	26 Districts	504 Confirmed cases	2 Deaths		

Annex-3.1: Fire Impacts in April 2024 According to MoDMR Report

Date	Division	No. of Incidence	Impact	Sources
1-Apr 30-24	Dhaka	257	1 people killed and 22 people injured	MoDMR
	Barishal	20	No casualties reported	
	Sylhet	11	2 people killed	
	Rajshahi	42	No casualties reported	
	Chattogram	30	1 people injured	
	Khulna	188	4 people injured	
	Rangpur	69	3 people injured	
	Mymensingh	41	No casualties reported	
Total	8 Divisions	658 Incidences	3 Fatalities and 30 Injuries were reported	

Annex-3.2: Fire Impacts in April 2024 According to Daily Newspaper Report

Date	Division	District	Upazila	Impact	Sources
01-Apr-24	Dhaka	Dhaka	Demra	A total of 14 volvo buses brunt down	Prothom Alo
03-Apr-24	Khulna	Khulna	Rupsa	Around TK.100 crore damages	Dhaka Tribune
04-Apr-24		Bagerhat	Fokirhat	No impact recorded	Kalerkantho
07-Apr-24	Rajshahi	Bogura	Sadar	A total of 17 shops brunt down	Prothom Alo
09-Apr-24	Chattogram	Chattogram	Halishohor	No impact recorded	Prothom Alo
10-Apr-24	Sylhet	Hobiganj	Sadar	One woman killed and 8 to 10 people got injured	Prothom Alo
11-Apr-24	Barishal	Barguna	Amtoli	One girl killed and two people got injured	Prothom Alo
12-Apr-24	Dhaka	Dhaka	Vasantek	One people killed and 5 people got injured	Prothom Alo
		Dhaka	Hajaribagh	No impact recorded	Prothom Alo
15-Apr-24	Chattogram	Chattogram	Firingibazar	No impact recorded	Prothom Alo
17-Apr-24	Dhaka	Gazipur	Tongi	A total of 6 shops brunt down	Prothom Alo
19-Apr-24		Dhaka	Agargaon	No impact recorded	Prothom Alo
20-Apr-24		Dhaka	Savar	No impact recorded	Dhaka Tribune
22-Apr-24	Chattogram	Noakhali	Begumganj	A total of 25 Shops brunt down	Prothom Alo
23-Apr-24	Dhaka	Dhaka	Badamtoli	A ship brunt and no major impact recorded	Prothom Alo
24-Apr-24		Dhaka	Notunbazar	Approximately TK. 5 lakh damages	Prothom Alo
29-Apr-24	Rajshahi	Natore	Lalpur	A house burnt down along with TK.30 thousand cash	Prothom Alo
Total	6 Divisions	10 Districts	17 Upazilas	3 people killed and 17 injured along with significant property damage	

Annex-4: Heat Wave Impacts in April 2024

Date	Location	Category	Source
1-2 April	Rajshahi, Pabna, Nilphamari, Dinajpur, Dhaka, Khulna, Rajshahi, Barishal	Mild	DGHS
3-7 April	Rajshahi, Dhaka, Khulna, Tangail, Kushtia, Chuadanga, Rangamati, Bagerhat, Kushtia, Chuadanga, Barishal, Patuakhali, Rangamati, and other parts of Rajshahi division, Dhaka division, Rangpur division, and Khulna division	Mild to Moderate	
7th April	Pabna, and Chuadanga	Extreme Severe	
9-11 April	Cox Bazar, Bandarban, Rangamati, Patuakhali, Pabna, and Chattogram	Mild	
15-16 April	Rangpur, Nilphamari, Rajshahi, Dhaka, Mymensingh, Khulna, Barishal, Chattogram, Sylhet and other parts of Dhaka division, Khulna division, Barishal division, Chattogram division, and Sylhet division	Mild to Moderate	
17-20 April	Chuadanga, Bagerhat, Rajshahi, Pabna, Jashore, Kushtia, and Tangail, Rajshahi, Dhaka, Mymensingh, Chattogram, Sylhet, Moulavibazar, Rangpur, Dinajpur, Rangamati, Chandpur, Khulna, Satkhira, Barishal, Patuakhali, and other parts of Barishal division	Severe and Mild to Moderate	
21-30 April	Pabna, Jashore, Chuadanga, Rajshahi, Tangail, Kushtia, Khulna, Bagerhat, Patuakhali, Dinajpur, Nilphamari, Faridpur, Gopalganj, Bogura, Manikganj, Dinajpur, Sirajganj, Naogaon, and other parts of Khulna division, Rajshahi division, and Dhaka division, Mymensingh, Moulavibazar, Feni, Cox's bazar, Chandpur, Rangamati, Srimongol, Dhaka, Rangpur, Bandarban, Noakhali, Madaripur, Kishoreganj, Narsindi, Bogura, Naogaon, Sirajganj, Kurigram, Panchagarh, Dinajpur,	Extreme Severe, Mild to Moderate	

Annex-5: Lightning Impacts in April 2024

Date	Division	District	Upazila	Union	Impact	Sources
7-Apr-24	Barishal	Patuakhali	Bauful	Char Algi, Das Para	A 13-year-old boy killed	Prothom Alo
		Jhalokathi	Kathalia	Uttor Talgachia	One 40-year-old farmer killed while working in the field.	Prothom Alo
		Jhalokathi	Sadar	Mirzapur	One 35-year-old farmer killed while working in the field.	Prothom Alo
		Jhalokathi	Sadar	Ichalia	One 11-year-old boy killed while working in the field.	Prothom Alo
		Bhola	Lalmohon	Chor Lengutia	A 35-year-old man killed while bringing cattle from a field	Prothom Alo
	Khulna	Bagerhat	Kachua	Char Sonapukur	A 35-year-old man killed while bringing cattle from field	Prothom Alo
		Khulna	Dumuria	Komolpur	A 35-year-old man killed while cutting grasses for cattle	Prothom Alo
Mymensingh	Netrokona	Khaliajuri	Jagannathpur	One 52-year-old farmer killed while working in the field.	Prothom Alo	

Date	Division	District	Upazila	Union	Impact	Sources
17-Apr-24	Dhaka	Madaripur	Shibchar	Sotarpar	A 35 years old woman killed in her house	Dhaka Tribune
		Madaripur	Shibchar	Sheikhpur	A 25 years old man killed while working in the field	Dhaka Tribune
		Dhaka	Dhamrai	Balikka, Northpara	One 45 years old fisherman killed while catching fish.	Dhaka Tribune
		Narsingdi	Raipur	Marjal	One 40 years pick-up driver killed	Dhaka Tribune
	Sylhet	Sunamganj	Dirai	Madhurapur, Bhatipara	A 45 years old man killed while working in the field	Dhaka Tribune
		Sunamganj	Dirai	Rasulpur, Kulanja	A 40 years old man killed while returning home from haor	Dhaka Tribune
Total	5 Divisions	10 Districts	11 Upazilas	14 Unions	A total of 14 people killed	

Annex-6: Nor'wester Impacts in April 2024

Date	Division	District	Upazila	Impact	Sources
07-Apr-24	Barishal	Bhola	Lalmohon	A man lost his life after falling under a tree, and numerous homes were ruined	Jugantor
		Pirojpur	Sadar	A woman killed and a girl got injured	The Daily Star
		Bhola	Monpura	Three individuals were injured, 30 cows went missing after falling into a river, and three villages were devastated	Jugantor
		Pirojpur	Sadar	A man killed after falling into a canal.	The Daily Star
28-Apr-24	Sylhet	Moulvibazar	Srimongol	Many households were destroyed, and at least 20 electric poles were knocked down	Dhakapost
30-Apr-24		Hobiganj	Nobiganj	At least 220 hectares of boro rice fields were affected	Bangla Tribune
Total	2 Divisions	4 Districts	5 upazilas	3 people killed and 4 people injured along with significant property damage	

Annex-7: Wild Animal Attack Impacts in April 2024

Date	Division	District	Upazila	Impact	Sources
11-Apr-24	Dhaka	Dhaka	Mirpur	The son of a mahout was killed in an elephant attack at the national zoo.	Prothom Alo
15-Apr-24	Chattogram	Chattogram	Chandshail	An elephant attack left one farmer dead and another person injured.	Prothom Alo
23-Apr-24		Cox's Bazar	Chokoria	A woman was killed in an elephant attack.	Daily Observer
Total	2 Divisions	3 Districts	3 Upazilas	A total of 3 fatalities and 1 injured	