










## Overview of Hazard Incidences in December, 2016

Hazards that occurred in December was only Building collapse, Boat capsized and Fire incidents in several places like Dhaka and Sylhet.

December, 2016						
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	31
Note	 Fire incident		 Building Collapse		 Boat Capsized	

## Description of the Hazard Incidences in December 2016

### Fire:

In December, there are reported several fire incidences – two in Mohakhali and the others are in Jatrabari and Sylhet districts which caused material losses. The fire incidence in Mohakhali Korail slum was severe and caused major casualties.

Table 1: Loss and damage by Fire hazard in December 2016

Date	Location		Impact	Source	Remark
	District	Upazila/ Thana			
December 04	Dhaka	Gulshan	500 shanties are completely destroyed in Korail Slum at Mohakhali.	<i>NDRCC Report</i> , December 4, 2016	Deputy assistant director of fire brigade Masudur Rahman Akhanda said that the fire might have originated from an electric short circuit or a burning cigarette at a cotton shop of the slum at Boubazar area of Mohakhali.
December 07	Dhaka	Demra	Construction materials are damaged at Jatrabari flyover.	<i>The Dhaka Tribune</i> , December 07, 2016	Fire broke out around 9:45pm Wednesday at Jatrabari flyover site and damaged the construction materials.

December 10	Sylhet	Sylhet Sadar	10 printing machine burnt to ashes. Fire caused damage worth about BDT 4 crore at Zindabazar.	<i>The Dhaka Tribune</i> , December 12, 2016	Preliminary suspect is that, electric short-circuit might have triggered the fire around 8am. Four firefighting units battled the blaze for about an hour and a half before successfully extinguishing it.
December 12	Dhaka	Gulshan	More than 100 shanties have been gutted at Saat Tola slum of Mohakhali. Property loss of nearby BDT. 8 lac	<i>NDRCC Report</i> , December, 12, 2016	Reason behind fire is not clearly found.
Total			More than 600 shanties, more than BDT 4 crore, 10 printing machines and construction materials are damaged		

### **Building Collapse:**

A building is collapsed in Ashulia at Gazipur.

Table 2: Loss and damage by building collapse in December 2016

Date	Location		Impact	Source	Remark
	District	Upazila/Thana			
December 29	Gazipur	Ashulia, Zirabo	3 people were killed	<i>Bdnews24.com</i> December 29, 2016	-
Total			3 people killed		

### **Boat Capsize:**

A report on boat capsized at Gazipur is reported in *The Prothom Alo*, December 30, 2016.

Table3: Loss and damage by Boat capsized in December 2016

Date	Location		Impact	Source	Remark
	District	Upazila/Thana			
December 30	Gazipur	Kapashia	2 people died and 5 more were missing	<i>The Prothom Alo</i> , December 30, 2016	-
Total			2 people died and 5 more were missing		

## **GOB Responses in December**

**Response in Fire:** Visiting the Korail Slum,, Dhaka North City Corporation Mayor Anisul Huq assured assistance for the affected people (*The Daily Star*, December 5, 2016).

## **Conclusion**

Disaster frequency was very low in the month of December. Although there were low intensity disasters in different parts of the country e.g. boat capsized, building collapse, the Korail slum fire incidence was detrimental one.

# Hazard Incidences in Bangladesh, December 2016



## Legend

- District Boundaries
- Building Collapse
- Fire
- Boat capsizing
- River Network

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Source: NDRCC reports and national dailies