











Overview of Hazard Incidences in January, 2017

Hazards that occurred in January were fire incidents in several places like Dhaka, Comilla, Barguna, Gazipur and Sylhet, earthquake felt in Dhaka, Sylhet, Comilla, Chittagong and other adjacent districts and landslide in Companignj upazila under Sylhet district.

January, 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	 21	 22		24
 25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Note	 Fire Hazard	 Landslide		 Earthquake		

Description of the Hazard Incidences in January 2017

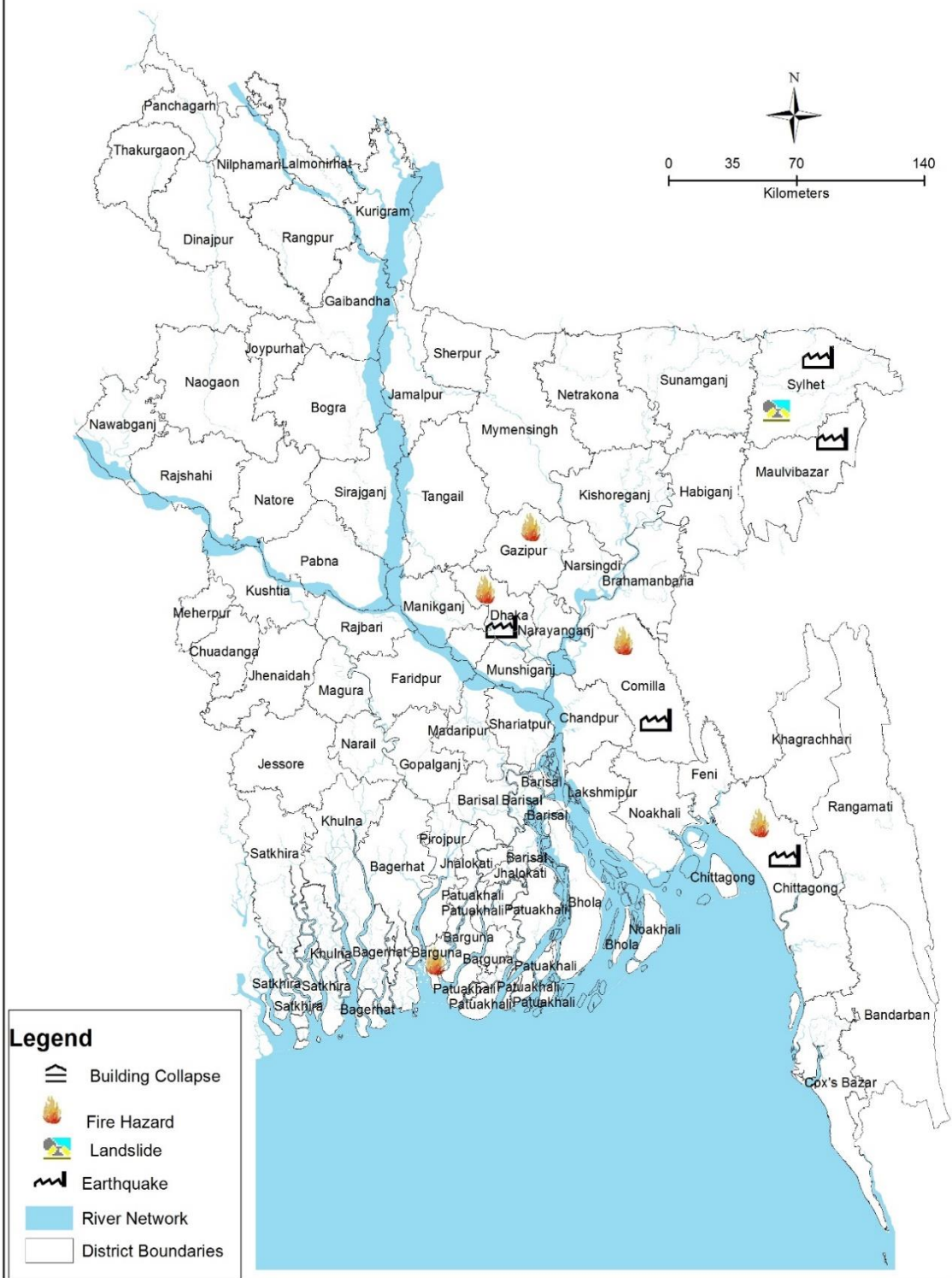
Earthquake:

An earthquake occurred in January 30. Epicenter of this earthquake was Tripura, 5.5 at Richter scale. The shake occurred at 3.09 pm.

Table 01: Loss and damage by earthquake in January 2017

Date	Location		Impact	Source	Remark
	District	Upazila/ Thana			
January 03	Dhaka, Sylhet, Comilla, Chittagong and other adjacent districts	-	Earthquake impacted on Moulovibazar district. More than hundred houses in Komolganj upazila were cracked, some other buildings such as hotel, market were also cracked in Sadar upazila and Srimangal.	<i>Bdnews24.com</i> <i>January 3, 2017</i> <i>Banglatribune.com</i> <i>January 04, 2017</i>	Epicenter of this earthquake was Tripura, 5.5 at Richter scale. The shake occurred at 3.09 pm.
Total			2 people died and 5 more not traced		

Hazard Incidences in Bangladesh, January 2017



Date of Creation: February 01, 2017

Source: NDRCC reports and national dailies

Fire:

In January, there are reported several fire incidences – Chittagong, Dhaka, Comilla, Barguna which causes noteworthy impacts. The fire incidences and impacts in January 2017 are noted below:

Table 02: Loss and damage by Fire hazard in January 2017

Date	Location		Impact	Source	Remark
	District	Upazila/ Thana			
January 03	Dhaka	Gulshan 1	Most of the 328 shops of Gulshan-1 DCC market had been damaged in the fire causing a loss of over BDT 4,000 crore.	<i>The Dhaka Tribune</i> , January 3, 2017	The fire started at Gulshan-1 DCC market and collapsed the kitchen market and spread to the adjacent Gulshan Shopping Centre. Reason behind the fire is yet to be known, but the traders alleged that the authorities of Dhaka North City Corporation and Metro Group had torched the market to evict the traders
January 21	Comilla	Laksam	Almost 150 shops are burnt in three markets at Daulatganj due to a furious fire. Estimated loss worth about BDT 200 crore.	<i>www.bd24live.com</i> , January 21, 2017	Fire first spread on cloth store section of the market. Then eventually, to the grocery and ornamental section. In preliminary investigation, it is said that, the source of the fire is electrical turbulence.
	Dhaka	Kafrul	Fire gutted the furniture on the fourth floor of the multi-storied building at Shewapara.	<i>www.bdnews24.com</i> , January 22, 2017	The Fire was doused the blaze within 45 minutes of the incident although ongoing repair work on the road delayed the arrival of the fire service vehicles
	Dhaka	Tongi	Fire destroy 35 jute warehouse & 152 adjacent shanties. Estimated loss worth about BDT 50 lacs.	<i>The Daily Ittefaq</i> , January 22, 2017	The Fire was initiated from Abdur Rahim's Jute Ware house at Milgate, Namabazar and spread all over to adjacent slum at Saturday noon.
January 22	Barguna	Patharghata	At least 11 shops were gutted and 6 others partially burnt in fire. As per the shop owners claimed that the loss may surpass BDT 50 lakh.	<i>The Dhaka Tribune</i> , January 12, 2016	The fire broke out at Charduani Bazar under Patharghata upazila yesterday morning. According to fire service sources, the fire originated from an electric short circuit at a shop and soon engulfed the adjacent shops. Being informed, fire fighters rushed to the spot and extinguished the blaze after two hours of frantic effort.
January 24	Dhaka	Hajaribagh	Several Electronic store including showroom of Best Electronics at 2nd floor were complete destroyed.	<i>The Daily Star</i> , January 25, 2017	Fire broke out at an electronics showroom near Jigatola bus stand at Dhanmondi. The cause of the fire and its casualty could not be known immediately, but it is said that, may be source of the fire is electrical short circuit.
	Gazipur	Sreepur	Huge amount of Yarn and other important material was destroyed in the fire	<i>The Daily Kaler Kantho</i> , January 25, 2017	The fire broke out at 11 am in the Econo Cotton Mill limited situated at Gorgoria Master Bari area of Sreepur upazila. The fire was initiated from ground floor of

			at the cotton mill.		building situated at west corner of the factory and immediately spread entire floor. Source of the fire may be from electrical short circuit as per Fire service.
	Gazipur	Sreepur	8 store and 6 houses were gutted in the incident.	<i>The Daily Bangladesh Protidin,</i> January 25, 2017	The fire broke out at 11 am in the Imam Molla Market situated at Maona Bazar of Sreepur upazila. From electrical short circuit it caught fire in the market and spreads immediately and cause the devastation.
January 25	Dhaka	Bangshal	3 people were injured in fire at the shoe factory in the city.	<i>www.prothomalo.com</i> January 26, 2017	Fire broke out at shoe factory situated in Alu bazar area at 1.30 am. All the 3 injured worker was admitted in DMC burn unit. Actual cause could not be identified till now.
	Gazipur	Gazipur Sadar	7 stores are completely destroyed in the incident.	<i>The Daily Bangladesh Protidin,</i> January 26, 2017	The fire broke early morning yesterday in a mechanical store of Kadda bazar area and spread to the adjacent 6 stores immediately.
	Chittagong	Chandgaon	1 LP gas store, 1 poultry store & 1 electronic store were gutted completely in fire.	<i>The Daily Kaler Kantho</i> January 26, 2017	The fire broke out at Tuesday midnight at 12 am in Kader market situated in Chandgaon Thana. From electrical short circuit it caught fire in the market and cause the devastation.
Total			504 shops, 35 jute warehouse, 1 LP gas store, 1 poultry store & 1 electronic store, 6 houses were destroyed, 3 people were injured, approximate loss of total BDT 4200 crore and 50 lac.		

Landslide:

In January 23, a landslide took place in Companiganj upazila of Sylhet district.

Table 03: Loss and damage by landslide in January 2017					
Date	Location		Impact	Source	Remark
	District	Upazila/Thana			
January 23	Sylhet	Companiganj	At least 2 killed and several others injured in landslide.	The Daily Star, January 24, 2017	The incident occurred due to illegal hill cutting at Matiar Tila, a part of Shah Arefin Tila in Bholaganj area of the upazila around 6 am yesterday.
Total			2 people dead and other injured.		

GOB Responses in January

Response in Fire: There is no response by Government of Bangladesh reported in January 2017.

Conclusion

Disaster frequency was low in the month of January. But the frequency of fire hazard throughout the month was quite high which causes detrimental effects in some areas.