



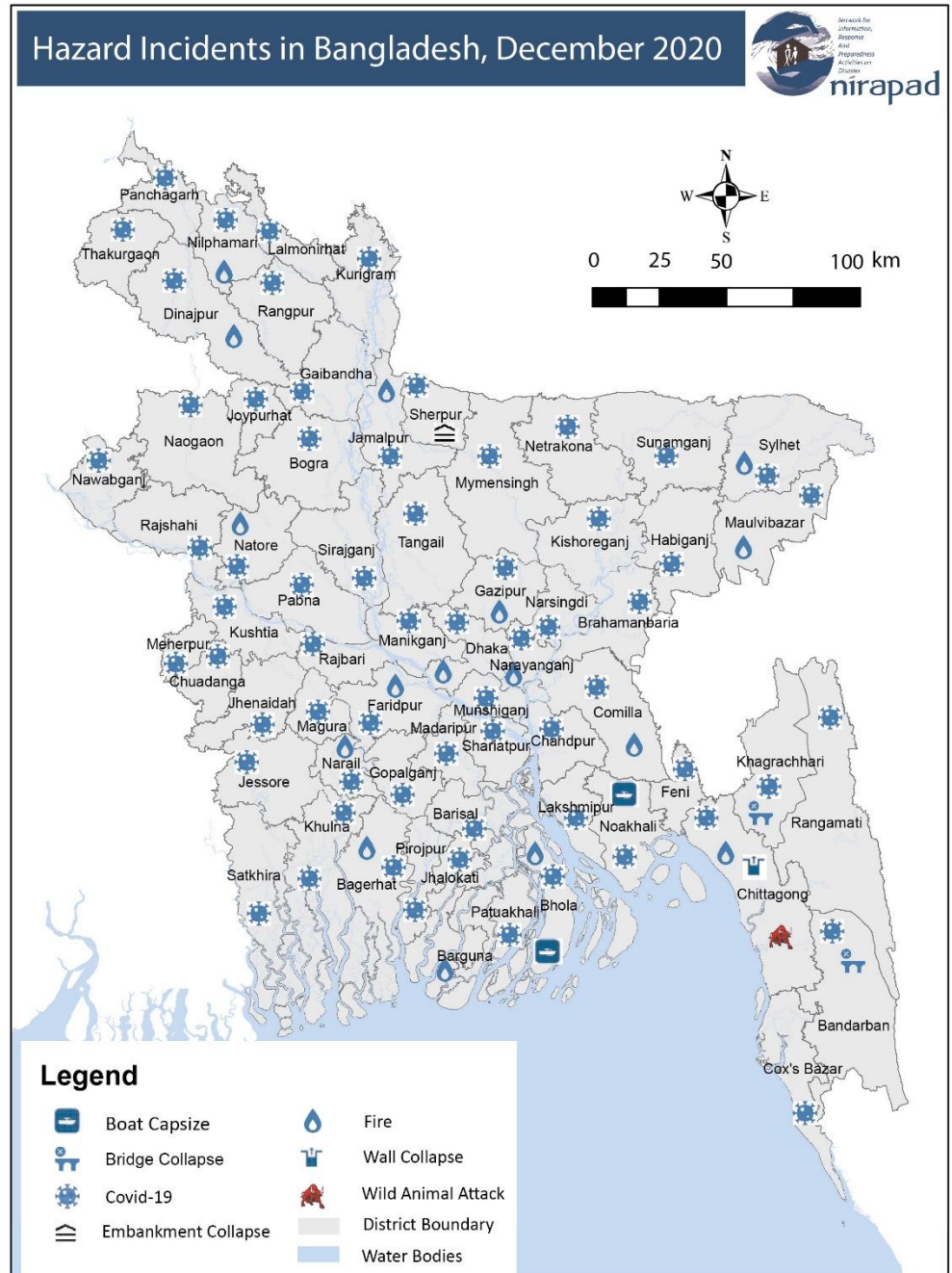
Overview of Hazard Incidents in December 2020

In December 2020, seven devastating hazards took place across Bangladesh i.e. covid-19 pandemic, fire, boat capsized, bridge collapse, wall collapse, wild animal attack and embankment collapse.

Covid-19 affected a total of 48,578 persons across the country among which 914 persons died and 76,748 persons recovered in December 2020. From March 08, 2020 to December 31, 2020, the total number of Covid-19 patient is 513,510 among which 7,559 persons died and 457,459 persons recovered.

In December 2020, a total of 23 incidents of fire reported throughout Bangladesh in which 7 persons killed along with loss of properties. However, NDRCC reported 619 incidents in 8 divisions where Dhaka division faced 211 incidents and Chattogram division faced 87 incidents.

Bridge Collapsed took place in 2 districts with 2 incidents in which 8 persons were injured.



Source: NDRCC Report and National Dailies, December 2020

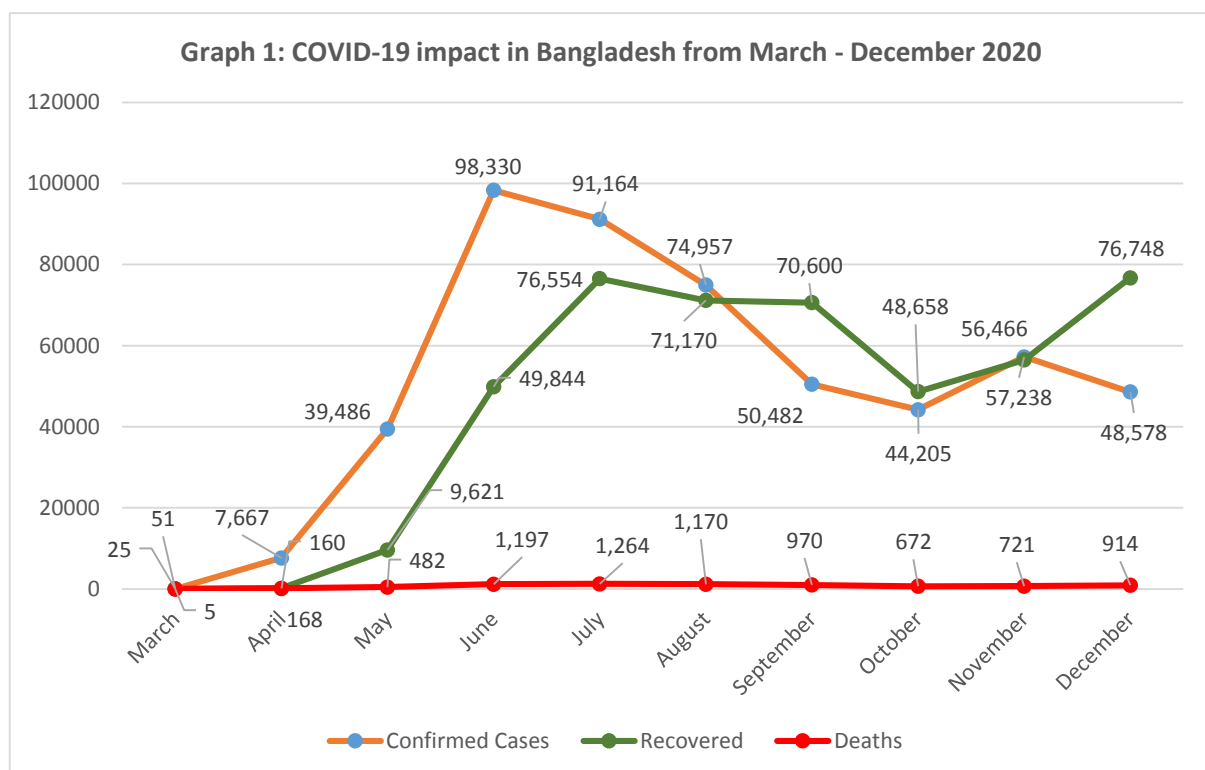
Only one incident of wall collapse happened in which two persons killed Boat Capsized took place in 2 districts with 2 incidents in which 12 persons were killed. One incident of embankment collapse took place where no impact reported. Only one incident of wild animal attack happened in which 10 acres of Aman rice land were damaged.

| December 2020 | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|---------------|---------------------|----------|
| 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 | | |
| Index | COVID 19 | Boat capsized | | Fire | Wild Animal Attack | |
| | | Bridge Collapse | | Wall Collapse | Embankment Collapse | |

Description of Hazard Incidents in December 2020

Covid-19 Pandemic in Bangladesh

The Covid-19 pandemic had affected with high impacts throughout this month in all the 64 districts across Bangladesh. In December, 2020, the number of identified patients with Covid-19 is 48,578 persons among which 76,748 persons recovered and 914 persons died. From the very first case identified in March 2020, the total number of Covid-19 patient is 513,510 among which 7,559 persons died and 457,459 persons recovered up to December 31, 2020. Though government has taken steps to minimize movement of people but the situation may become worsen if health guidelines by the Director General of Health Services (DGHS) are not maintained properly.



| Table 1: Impact of COVID 19 in Bangladesh in December 2020 | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------|--------|-----------------------|
| Date | Confirmed Cases | Recovered | Deaths | Source |
| December 01 | 2293 | 2513 | 31 | https://corona.gov.bd |
| December 02 | 2198 | 2562 | 38 | |
| December 03 | 2316 | 2593 | 35 | |
| December 04 | 2252 | 2572 | 24 | |
| December 05 | 1888 | 2457 | 35 | |
| December 06 | 1666 | 2552 | 31 | |
| December 07 | 2198 | 2663 | 36 | |
| December 08 | 2202 | 2571 | 31 | |
| December 09 | 2159 | 4772 | 24 | |
| December 10 | 1861 | 4486 | 37 | |
| December 11 | 1884 | 3866 | 19 | |
| December 12 | 1329 | 3185 | 34 | |
| December 13 | 1355 | 3393 | 32 | |
| December 14 | 1799 | 2949 | 37 | |
| December 15 | 1877 | 2884 | 40 | |
| December 16 | 1632 | 2622 | 27 | |
| December 17 | 1134 | 2239 | 36 | |
| December 18 | 1318 | 2024 | 25 | |
| December 19 | 1267 | 1987 | 25 | |
| December 20 | 1153 | 1926 | 38 | |
| December 21 | 1470 | 2167 | 32 | |
| December 22 | 1318 | 2235 | 17 | |
| December 23 | 1367 | 2416 | 30 | |
| December 24 | 1234 | 2345 | 19 | |
| December 25 | 1163 | 2113 | 20 | |
| December 26 | 834 | 1685 | 30 | |
| December 27 | 1049 | 1473 | 24 | |
| December 28 | 932 | 1357 | 27 | |
| December 29 | 1181 | 1245 | 30 | |
| December 30 | 1235 | 1507 | 22 | |
| December 31 | 1014 | 1389 | 28 | |
| Total in December 2020 | 48,578 | 76,748 | 914 | |
| Total in November 2020 | 57,238 | 56,466 | 721 | |
| Total in October 2020 | 44,205 | 48,658 | 672 | |
| Total in September 2020 | 50,482 | 70,600 | 970 | |
| Total in August 2020 | 74,957 | 71,170 | 1,170 | |
| Total in July 2020 | 91,164 | 76,554 | 1,264 | |
| Total in June 2020 | 98,330 | 49,844 | 1,197 | |
| Total in May 2020 | 39,486 | 9,621 | 482 | |
| Total in April 2020 | 7,667 | 160 | 168 | |
| Total in March 2020 | 51 | 25 | 5 | |
| Grand Total as of December 2020 | 513,510 | 457,459 | 7,559 | |

Fire

23 incidents of fire reported in December 2020 which killed 7 persons. However NDRCC reported 619 incidents of in 8 divisions. Dhaka division faced 211 incidents and Chattogram division faced 87 incidents of fire in december 2020. In Bhola Sadar, Bhola under Barisal district, on december 23, 2020, 24 shops and 21 household burnt. The damages cost BDT 3 crores 55 lakhs.

Table 2: Impact of Fire in Bangladesh in December 2020

| Date | Location | | | Impact | Source |
|--------------|--|-------------|---------------|--|---|
| | Division | District | Upazila/Thana | | |
| December 01 | Dhaka | Gazipur | Kaliakoir | ▪ 1 household burnt | https://bangla.bdnews24.com December 02, 2020 |
| | Chattogram | Chattogram | Baklia | ▪ Warehouse burnt ▪ Damages cost BDT 5 lakhs | www.banglanews24.com , December 01, 2020 |
| December 03 | Dhaka | Narayanganj | Fatulla | ▪ 1 household burnt ▪ 3 persons burnt | www.prothomalo.com , December 03, 2020 |
| | Khulna | Bagerhat | Shoronkhola | ▪ 1 household burnt ▪ Damage costs BDT 3 lakhs | www.dailyswadhinbangla.com , December 04, 2020 |
| December 04 | Dhaka | Faridpur | Madhukhali | ▪ 10 shops burnt ▪ Damages cost 2 crore BDT | www.jagonews24.com , December 04, 2020 |
| | Mymensingh | Jamalpur | Sarishabari | ▪ 1 jute warehouse burnt ▪ Damages cost 50 lakhs BDT | www.prothomalo.com , December 04, 2020 |
| December 05 | Rangpur | Nilphamari | - | ▪ Some old furniture and accessories burnt costs approximately BDT 1.5 lakhs | m.bdnews24.com, December 05, 2020 |
| December 06 | Dhaka | Faridpur | Madhukhali | ▪ 3 Household burnt ▪ Damage cost BDT 10.5 lakhs | www.prothomalo.com , December 06, 2020 |
| December 07 | Rangpur | Dinajpur | Parbatipur | ▪ 1 person died | www.prothomalo.com , December 07, 2020 |
| December 10 | Dhaka | Dhaka | Chawakbazar | ▪ 25-30 plastic factory burnt | www.jagonews24.com , December 11, 2020 |
| | Khulna | Narail | Kalia | ▪ 1 child died ▪ 1 household burnt | www.jugantor.com , December 11, 2020 |
| December 11 | Barishal | Bhola | Tazumuddin | ▪ 1 child died | www.prothomalo.com , December 12, 2020 |
| December 12 | Sylhet | Moulvibazar | Juri | ▪ 1 cotton factory burnt ▪ Loss of BDT 50 lakhs | www.jagonews24.com , December 12, 2020 |
| December 13 | Dhaka | Dhaka | Shyampur | ▪ 1 person died ▪ 21 household burnt | www.jugantor.com , December 14, 2020 |
| | Sylhet | Sylhet | Sylhet Sadar | ▪ Disruption in gas service ▪ Disruption in transportation for 5 hours | www.jagonews24.com , December 13, 2020 |
| December 15 | Chattogram | Comilla | Laksam | ▪ 1 adolescent boy killed | www.prothomalo.com , December 15, 2020 |
| December 17 | Chattogram | Chattogram | Satkania | ▪ 1 pharmacy shop burnt | www.jugantor.com , December 17, 2020 |
| December 18 | Rajshahi | Natore | Natore Sadar | ▪ 1 person died ▪ 1 household burnt | www.prothomalo.com , December 18, 2020 |
| December 21 | Dhaka | Dhaka | Mirpur | ▪ 1 slum burnt | https://www.prothomalo.com December 21, 2020 |
| December 23 | Dhaka | Gazipur | Tongi | ▪ 12 household burnt | https://www.prothomalo.com December 23, 2020 |
| | Barisal | Bhola | Bhola Sadar | ▪ 24 shops burnt ▪ 21 household burnt ▪ Total loss BDT 3 crores 55 lakhs | https://www.prothomalo.com December 23, 2020 |
| December 27 | Barishal | Barguna | Taltoli | ▪ 1 child killed | www.bdnews24us.com , December 27, 2020 |
| December 30 | Dhaka | Dhaka | Mohammadpur | ▪ 1 slum burnt | www.jugantor.com , December 31, 2020 |
| Total | Total 23 incidents reported throughout the month. 7 persons killed; 1 cotton factory, 25-30 plastic factory, 2 warehouse, 62 household, 35 shops and 2 slums burnt. | | | | |

Bridge Collapse

Only 2 incidents happened in 2 districts, i.e. Khagrachhari and Bandarban. On 26 December 8 persons injured by bailey bridge collapse in Dighinala upazila under Khagrachhari district (*Source: Prothom Alo, December 26, 2020*). On the other hand, communication was disrupted for several hours due to bailey bridge collapse in Naikhangchari upazila under Bandarban district on 22 December. (*Source: Prothom Alo, December 20, 2020*)

Wall Collapse

The only incident happened in Chattogram district on 26 December in which two persons killed. (*Source: Prothom Alo, December 26, 2020*)

Boat Capsize

2 incidents of Boat Capsize took place in 2 districts, i.e. Bhola and Noakhali. In Tazumuddin upazila under Bhola district, 1 person killed on 6 December (*Source: Prothom Alo, December 20, 2020*). In Hatiya upazila under Noakhali district 11 persons were killed on 16 December. (*Source: Prothom Alo, December 16, 2020*)

Embankment Collapse

Only one incident recorded in Nalitabari upazila under Sherpur district on 14 December in which no impact reported. (*Source: Prothom Alo, December 14, 2020*)

Wild Animal Attack

One incident of wild animal attack happened on 2 December in Roumari upazila under Kurigram district in which 10 acres of aron rice land damaged. (*Source: Jugantor, December 02, 2020*)

GOB response in December, 2020

Response to Covid-19 up to December 31, 2020: The mass people have been guided to maintain social distance in workplaces, public transports, and religious institutions and avoid any kind of public gatherings. DGHS has prepared guidelines for the organizations (both public and private) to be maintained during working hours. DGHS and IEDCR have undertaken necessary steps to test Covid-19 suspected patients in the test labs across the country which have already tested 3,227,598 samples as of December 31, 2020. A total of 10,495 general beds, 602 Intensive care unit (ICU) beds, 12,795 Oxygen cylinders, 714 high flow nasal cannula, and 621 oxygen concentrator are available in the hospitals across the country. DGHS and IEDCR have opened up hotline number (i.e. 16263, 333, 10655, 01927711784, 01927711785, 01937000011, 01937110011) for consultation with doctors through phone calls which already have attended to 2,32,82,295 phone calls. Screening have been conducted of 14,27,648 persons in airports, railway stations, sea port and land ports. People (especially poor and ultra-poor) who are in need of foods, GoB arranged to provide food at their doorsteps by the local administrations (*Source: DGHS Health Bulletin, December 31, 2020*).

Conclusion

A total of seven hazards took place in this month with several incidents across the country. These incidents caused a huge loss of lives and properties and disrupted daily activities of people. GoB took initiatives to minimize the losses and also undertook necessary actions to provide support to the distressed people.