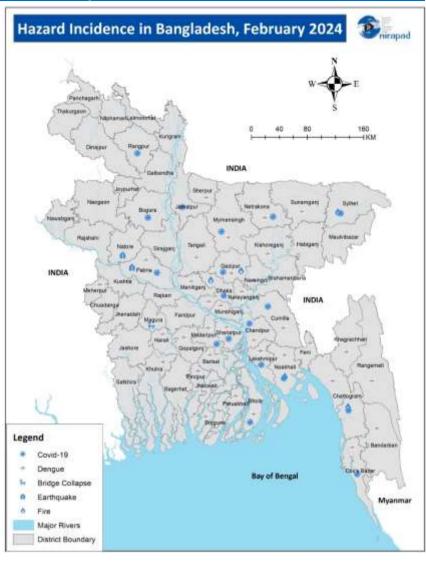
Hazard Incidences in Bangladesh, February 2024



Overview of Hazard Incidences in February 2024

A total of **Five** distinct hazard incidents occurred in Bangladesh during February 2024. These incidents included COVID-19, dengue, bridge collapse, fire incidents, earthquakes. A total of 873 fire occurrences were reported, citing the daily hazard situation report from **MoDMR** (863)and the daily newspapers **(10)**. Tragically, people were killed and 64 people were injured along with significant property damage as a result of these tragedies. According to the DGHS situation report, COVID-19 affected a total number of 1314 people in at least 18 districts throughout February 2024. It caused the death of 8 people and 1306 people recovered. As stated in the daily situation report of dengue provided by the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), the outbreak had an effect on at least 34 districts among 64 districts in Bangladesh, with a total of 339 confirmed cases and 3 deaths reported during February. In February, 1 bridge collapse incident



occurred in Magura district of the Khulna division, on Jessore-Magura Road, resulting in the injuries of **2** individuals in the district (<u>Dhaka Tribune</u>). In addition to that, on February 14, a mild earthquake, measuring **3.6** on the Richter scale fell in Pabna and Nator districts. There were no immediate reports of injuries or damage according to Bangladesh Meteorological Department (<u>The Daily Star</u>).

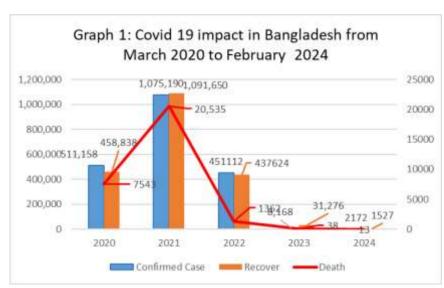
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Description of Hazard Incidences in February 2024

Covid-19

In February, 1314 patients were newly identified with Covid-19. During this period, there have been 8 reported deaths and 1031 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 **2,048,465** as of the end of February.



By the end of February, the total number of deaths in Bangladesh was **29490**, and the total number of cases that were recovered was **2,018975** (<u>DGHS</u>). To obtain a more comprehensive analysis, kindly refer to Annex-1.

Dengue

Based on <u>DGHS</u> daily situation report, there was a decrease in confirmed cases and deaths of dengue compared to the previous month. In February, **34** districts among **64** districts of Bangladesh were affected by dengue, and **Dhaka** as usual recorded the highest number of confirmed cases (**123**) and deaths (**2**). In January, where the number of confirmed cases was **1053** while in February it went down to **339** confirmed cases and the death toll decreased from **17** to **3** people. The map shows the spatial distribution of dengue-confirmed cases in February. For a more in-depth analysis, please refer to <u>Annex 2</u>.

Fire

According to the <u>NDRCC</u> daily hazard situation reports, a total of **863** fire incidents took place across the country in February 2024. Dhaka division reported the highest number of fire incidents (**234**), followed by Khulna division (**125**), Chattogram division (**106**), Mymensingh division (**68**), Rajshahi division (**94**), Sylhet division (**65**), Barisal Division (**36**), and Rangpur division (**133**). Out of the **863** recorded fire incidents, **11** fatalities and **28** injuries were reported, along with significant property damage (NDRCC). For detailed information, please refer to Annex-3.1.

According to the daily newspaper, a total of **10** fire incidents took place in five districts (Dhaka, Chattogram, Sylhet, Gazipur, Noakhali) in Bangladesh. A total of **52** people died, **33** were injured and **20** houses were burnt in those fire incidents. There have been four fire incidents in Dhaka district alone. For detailed information, please refer to Annex-3.2. On 24 February, a fire broke out at Bhasan Char in Hatiya, Noakhali. Five rooms and the front porch caught fire within moments. **Nine** people, including **five** children, were burnt. According to the report, **five** children died at Chittagong Medical College Hospital (Prothom Alo). On 29 February, a massive fire broke out at the seven-storey Green Cozy Cottage Shopping Mall on Baily Road in Dhaka, At least **44** people, including **26** women and **three** children, were killed and **22** critically injured (The Daily Star).

Bridge Collapse

On Monday, February 13, the Shimakhali Bridge in Magura district on the Jessore-Magura Road collapsed leaving many vehicles trapped on both ends and injuring two individuals (<u>Dhaka Tribune</u>).

Earthquake

On February 14, a mild earthquake measuring 3.6 on the Richter scale **was** felt in Pabna and Natore **districts**. The epicenter of the earthquake was located 111 kilometers northwest of the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BDM) Seismic Centre in Agargaon, Dhaka, near Atghoria upazila of Pabna district. There were no immediate reports of injuries or damage according to BMD (The Daily Star).

GoB Response in February 2024

There are no reported GoB responses in the month of February, 2024, all hazard incidences.

Conclusion

In February 2024, Bangladesh faced different types of hazards and adverse events, and the report underscored 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 February 2024

Date	Division	District	Impact		Source
			Confirm case	Death	
	Chattogram	Chattogram	14	0	
		Cox's Bazar	57	0	
		Noakhali	2	0	
		Lakshmipur	1	0	
		Chandpur	5	0	
		Cumilla	3	0	
		Dhaka	1,208	6	
	Dhaka	Gazipur	1	0	<u>DGHS</u>
1-29 Feb-24		Madaripur	1	0	
		Shariatpur	0	1	
	Mymenshingh	Mymenshingh	9	0	
		Netrakona	1	0	
		Jamalpur	2	0	
	Rajshahi	Pabna	2	0	
		Bogura	5	1	
	Rangpur	Rangpur	1	0	
	Sylhet	Sylhet	1	0	
	Barishal	Bhola	1	0	
Total	7 Divisions	18 Districts	1314 Confirmed cases	8 Deaths	

Annex-2: Dengue Impact in February 2024

Date	Division	District	Impact	Source	
			Confirm case	Death	
		Barisal	6	1	
	Barishal	Patuakhali	3	0	
		Bhola	3	0	
		Pirojpur	9	0	
		Barguna	29	0	
	Chattogram	Chattogram	25	0	
		Cox's Bazar	18	0	
		Bandarban	4	0	
		Rangamati	1	0	
		Khagrachari	3	0	
		Feni	4	0	
		Noakhali	7	0	
		Lakshmipur	8	0	
		Chandpur	22	0	
		Comilla	18	0	
	Dhaka	Dhaka	123	2	
1-29 Feb-24		Gazipur	6	0	<u>DGHS</u>
1-29 Feb-24		Gopalganj	1	0	<u>DGHS</u>
		Kishoreganj	4	0	
		Madaripur	10	0	
		Manikganj	1	0	
		Munshiganj	1	0	
		Narayanganj	2	0	
		Narsingdi	8	0	
		Shariatpur	6	0	
		Tangail	2	0	
	Khulna	Khulna	4	0	
		Meherpur	1	0	
		Narail	1	0	
	Mymensingh	Mymensingh	4	0	
		Netrakona	1	0	
		Sherpur	1	0	
	Rajshahi	Pabna	2	0	
	Sylhet	Sunamganj	1	0	
Total	7 Divisions	34 Districts	339	3	

Annex-3.1: Fire Impacts in February 2024

Date	Division	No. of Incidence	Impact	Sources
	Dhaka	236	6 people died and 7 people injured	
	Barishal	36	1 people injured	
	Sylhet	65	No casualties recorded	
1-29 Feb-24	Rajshahi	94	2 people died	
	Chattogram	106	2 people died and 17 people injured	<u>MoDMR</u>
	Khulna	125	1 people died and 2 people injured	
	Rangpur	133	No casualties reported	
	Mymensingh	68	1 people injured	
Total	Total 8 Divisions		11 Fatalities and 28 Injuries	
			were reported	

Annex-3.2: Fire Impacts in February 2024

Date	Division	District	Upazila	Impact	Sources
8-Feb-24	Chattogram	Chattogram	Sadar	No casualties were reported	Prothom Alo
11-Feb-24			Savar	1 people died	Prothom Alo
14-Feb-24	Dhaka	Dhaka	Rajbari	1 people died and 1 people injured	Prothom Alo
20-Feb-24	Sylhet	Sylhet	Sadar	1 people died	Prothom Alo
	Dhaka	Gazipur	Sadar	20 houses of a local house were burnt	Prothom Alo
24-Feb-24	Chattogram	Noakhali	Hatiya	5 children died and 4 people injured	Prothom Alo
27-Feb-24		Dhaka	Shahjahanpur	7 people injured	Prothom Alo
28-Feb-24	Dhaka	Gazipur	Sadar	1 people died and 6 others were injured	The Business Standard
29-Feb-24		Dhaka	Ramna	44 people died and 22 critically injured	The Daily Star
Total	5 Divisions	5 Districts	8 Upazilas	52 people died and 33 others injured	