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## Situation update

- **Flooding worsened in Moulvibazar and Habiganj**, while easing in Sylhet and Sunamganj
- **Water level of Kushiara river rising rapidly**, flooding Habiganj and adjoining northeastern districts
- Approximately 150,000 people in Lalmonirhat are living on roads and embankments as **only 13 open shelters in the district**
- **Central regions are expected to experience flooding**, as water from the northeastern region starts receding through the Jamuna river. Low-lying areas in central Bangladesh already inundated

“My daughter went into labour while we were stranded. We managed to get her to a nearby clinic with the help of a BRAC staff. There granddaughter was born. We named her Bonna, which means flood.”

**Bahar Begum**  
Kandigaon, Sylhet Sadar



“After nearly five days of starving, my 60-year old father, brother with a disability, my children and I finally had food to eat”

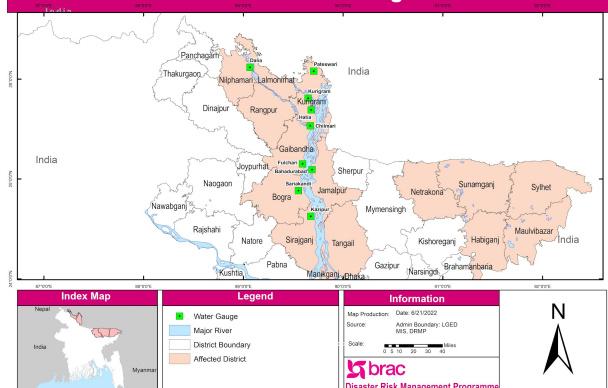
**Faima Akhter**  
Kotowali, Sunamganj

## Flood forecast

As of 21 June, in the next 24 hours:

- Flooding in Sylhet, Habiganj, Moulvibazar, Sunamganj and Netrokona expected to reduce, while deteriorating in Kishoreganj
  - Flooding in Kurigram, Gaibandha and Jamalpur expected to remain unchanged, while slightly deteriorating in Bogra, Sirajganj and Tangail
  - Possibility of flooding in low-lying areas of Faridpur, Shariatpur and Rajbari
- (Source: Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre)

### Flash Flood Affected Region



# Response: BRAC



## Impact on BRAC's establishments

- 130 offices inundated
- 1,361 schools inundated
- 2 maternity centres inundated
- 1 BRAC Institute of Skills Development Centre inundated

## BRAC's relief packages contain

- Dry food (flattened rice, puffed rice, jaggery, biscuits)
- Drinking water
- Candle
- Lighter

## Response: Government of Bangladesh

- 2,200 metric tonnes rice, BDT 38.6 million (USD 415,420) and 71,000 dry food packages allocated in Sylhet, Sunamganj, Netrokona, Moulvibazar and Habiganj
- Additional 15,000 dry food packages and BDT 2.05 million (USD 22,062) allocated for people in the northern regions
- 65 medical teams formed in Kurigram
- Bangabandhu Satellite-1 to restore emergency telecommunication services in Sylhet, Sunamganj, Natrekona and other affected districts

## Key decisions: BRAC

- Approximately 8,000 households will be supported with immediate livestock fodder of 25kg each
- Focus will shift to northern regions after completing the first phase of humanitarian response in the northeast
- BRAC will preposition relief packages and arrange boats in advance to respond immediately in case of worsening situation in Kurigram and adjoining northern districts



Emergency relief packages distributed to 38,000 families in Sunamganj, Sylhet and Netrokona



First phase of humanitarian response expected to be complete by 23 June, reaching 52,500 families



Awareness messages on safety disseminated through community radios in northern regions at risk of being flooded



Response in Kurigram will begin 22 June, starting with 350 families



85 tonnes of high-protein biscuits to be distributed to 34,000 families in the northeastern regions, through donation from World Food Programme



## Other responses

- Save the Children, World Central Kitchen, Bangladesh Red Crescent Society, OXFAM, Islamic Relief Bangladesh, CARE Bangladesh, Norwegian Refugee Council, Action Aid Bangladesh and World Vision have supported the flood-hit people in northeastern region with dry food packages, cooked food, hygiene kits and water and hygiene support
- UNICEF has dispatched 400,000 water purification tablets, that can support 80,000 households with clean water for a week
- World Health Organisation distributed water purification tablets and other medicines as emergency support

## Emerging challenges

- Shortage of dry food
- Access to safe water disrupted
- Livestock feed shortage
- Sanitation facilities disrupted
- Emergency health care facilities, especially antenatal and postnatal care.



## Immediate needs

- Dry food and oral rehydration
- Nutritious biscuits for children and pregnant women
- Pure drinking water and water purification tablets
- Feed and fodder for livestock
- Emergency health care facilities
- Personal hygiene kits, dignity kits for girls and women
- Installation/upgrade of sanitation facilities in shelter centres

**USD 2.2 million is needed to support 80,000 worst-affected families, with food, water, and other essential needs. Stand beside us, as we stand beside Bangladesh.**

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