



BANGLADESH RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

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CYCLONE FANI

1. Situation overview:

The cyclonic storm Fani over Faridpur-Dhaka region has weakened into a land deep depression owing to which cautionary signal at maritime ports have been lowered to 3. As the Met Department says, the storm is likely to move in a north-northeasterly direction further inland. Under its influence the sky remains overcast and rain/thunder showers with gusty/squally wind is continuing at many places over the country. Under its influence of the land deep depression gusty/squally wind with the speed of about 50-60 kph is likely at many places over the country and about 40-50 kph is likely over north bay.

Following the onslaught of the cyclonic storm, there have been incidents of sporadic damages and casualties in different districts. According to quick assessment by the Government there are information of damaged houses in Khulna, Satkhira, Pirojpur, Barguna, Barisal, Noakhali, Feni and Bhola districts.

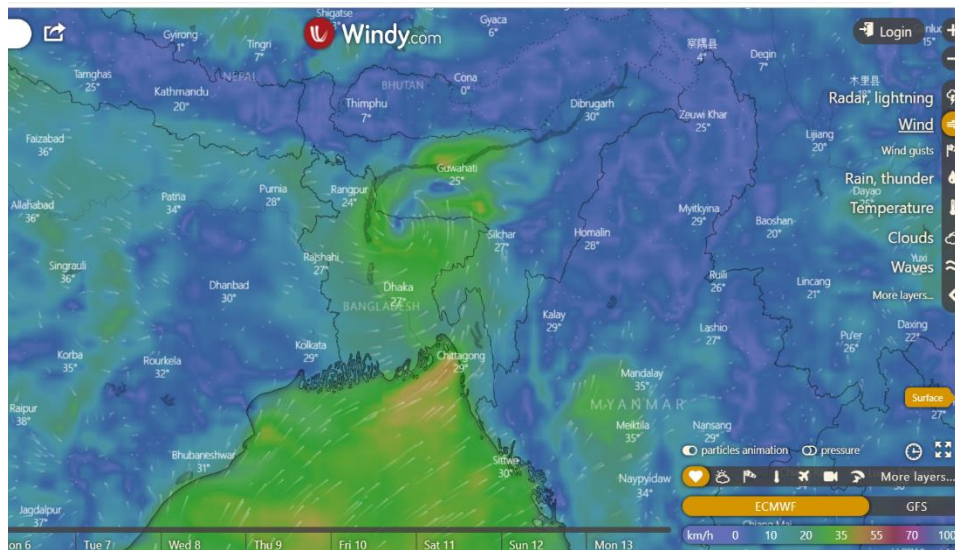


1. Red Cross Red Crescent Action:

Bangladesh Red Crescent Society's (BDRCS) Action:

BDRCS has been consistently monitoring the situation since the beginning of the depression formed in the Bay.

- ✧ All the Unit offices took necessary preparation to respond to the disaster.
- ✧ RCY volunteers together with CPP volunteers engaged in evacuation of vulnerable people to shelters.
- ✧ NDRT members are ready at NHQ to be deployed whenever needed.
- ✧ 4 needs assessment team of BDRCS and Movement partners are standby to be deployed to the most affected districts for initial/ rapid assessments on damage and needs.
- ✧ BDRCS Units distributed dry food in some of the shelters to support government arrangement
- ✧ An appreciation letter to be issued in favor of all Units worked hard to help the vulnerable people.
- ✧ BDRCS will keep collecting damage information until tomorrow the 5th May with the control room opened. And then it will decide the response/ early recovery option for the affected areas.



- ✎ The following disaster preparedness stock of BDRCS is ready to meet the immediate need of the affected people:

Items of DP stock	# of Stock
Blankets	29,000 pcs
Tarpaulins	60,000 pcs
CGI sheets	2,251 pcs
Mosquito Nets	40,000 pcs
Plastic Bucket -10L	25,000 pcs
Sleeping Mat	47,000 pcs
Rope	20,000 packs
Hygiene Parcel	5,000 pcs
Oral Saline	100,000 packs
Jerrycan (including PMO)	20,402 pcs
Water Purifying Tablets	47,000 pcs
Water Treatment Plant/Man Pack	27
Mobile medical teams-standby	3 teams
Dead body bags	50 pcs

International Federation of Red Cross & Red Crescent Societies

(IFRC) Action:

- ✎ IFRC Bangladesh country office is coordinating with in-country partners as well as regional offices on the developments
- ✎ Arranged 4 vehicles and 4 officials from different partners to join the BDRCS assessment team.
- ✎ DREF/ EPoA drafting is on-going and if there is a decision, it can be launched within quickest possible time.

ICRC Action:

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) Bangladesh Delegation is also closely monitoring the situation and coordinating with BDRCS and participating in the BDRCS meetings. ICRC allocated 50 dead body bags for in case it is needed.

PNSs Action:

In-country partnering national societies (PNSs) like AmCross, British Red Cross, Danish Red Cross, German Red Cross, Swedish Red Cross together with IFRC and ICRC are also closely coordinating with BDRCS. They are participating in external working group and humanitarian platform meeting for better coordination.

- ✎ **American RC** has allocated BDT 840,000 already which has been utilized for necessary pre activities in Patuakhali, Bagerhat, Khulna, Barisal, Cox's Bazar, Barguna. They have also assigned 1 staff and 1 vehicle to be part of the assessment team.
- ✎ **Danish RC** has a stock of 2500 food package to be distributed immediately.
- ✎ **German RC** has assigned 1 staff and 1 vehicle to be deployed.
- ✎ **BRC** has assigned 1 staff and 1 vehicle to be deployed for Barisal

2. Government of Bangladesh (GoB) Action:

The Government of Bangladesh through its Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief has taken all necessary measures to prepare for this on-coming cyclone.

- ✎ Evacuated about 1.6 million people in the coastal districts. Prepared necessary dry food for the sheltering people.
- ✎ Allocated BDT 500,000 each to all the affected districts for immediate response
- ✎ Coordination meeting held at District and Upazila level
- ✎ National Disaster Response Coordination Cell (NDRCC) at MoDMR will keep open for 24 hrs till the cyclone make landfall
- ✎ Emergency CPP implementation board meeting organized on a regular basis since the signal number 4 under coordination of Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief
- ✎ An Inter-Ministerial Coordination meeting held on 2nd May, 2019 at MoDMR with the participation of State Minister of MoDMR, Cabinet Secretary-Coordination, Principal Secretary, relevant Secretaries from different Ministries and Secretary General of BDRCS.

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