

Mobilizing and Organizing Humanitarian Operations for disaster Resilient coastal Areas (MOHORA)

Rayenda Union CPP initiative on Cyclone MORA

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On 27-30 May 2017, a depression Cyclone MORA was created in deep Bay of Bengal. Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) announced different early warning signals for the four sea ports of the country. This report is prepared mainly focused on Mongla Sea port and its catchment areas. Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) announced signal No. 04 on 28 May 2017 at mid night, Circulated danger signal No. 05 in the morning on 29 May 2017 and circulated danger signal No, 08 at afternoon on 29 may 2017. On 30 May 2017 Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) announced signal No. 03 at noon for Mongla Sea port. The BMD circulated total 17 weather bulletins on cyclone MORA. Different types of preparedness activities were taken from Government organizations, Cyclone Preparedness Program (CPP), UDMC & Shelter management Committee, NGOs and local people considering the Cyclone MORA and it's destroy. The preparedness activities of Rayenda Union CPP are remarkable.



Rayenda Union CPP Team prepared for signal distribution

The working activity of CPP was started in Rayenda Union in 1992. Rayenda Union has 15 CPP units and 45 CPP in Sharankhola Upazila. JJS-MOHORA project reorganized and updated 15 CPP Units in Rayenda Union in November 2016 including 39 new members (male 34 and female 05). At present members of 15 Units are 225. Each of the CPP team has 15 members and they divided in 05 small groups with 03 members. JJS-MOHORA project staff made discussion session with Rayenda Union CPP units for raising their DRR activities. During Cyclone MORA Rayenda Union CPP Units were actively played their role and responsibility from Upazila to Union and village level. The highlights activity of Rayenda Union CPP units were given bellow-

- 24 hours control Room opened at Rayenda Upazila CPP office and communication with Upazila Cotrol Room.
- Received Cyclone MORA up date news from CPP Dhaka office and disseminated to CPP Union team leaders and PIO office Sharankhola.
- Internal coordination and communication between 15 team leaders in Rayenda Union and Upazila team leader.
- Communication with Union Disaster Management Committee and Cyclone Shelter Management Committee and opened the cyclone shelter.
- 15 CPP units rising signal flag in 15 different places of Rayenda Union for people awareness on Cyclone MORA.
- Disseminated cyclone MORA danger signal 08 in all places of Rayenda Union and help people to go to shelter.



People taking Shelter at Rayenda primary School

People in Rayenda Union was good responded to Cyclone MORA preparedness. A large number of People in Rayenda Union took shelter with drinking water, dry food, livestock and essential papers etc. Md. Habibur Rahman, Upazila Team leader, Sharankhola Upazila said we response actively in cyclone MORA. We respect JJS-MOHORA project assistant for better activity of all 45 CPP units in Sharankhola Upazila.

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