

# Shelter Cluster Bangladesh

## Monthly Meeting Report

Date: 20 July 2025

Place: Online

The Shelter Cluster (SC) Bangladesh organized the monthly coordination meeting on 20 July 2025. At the outset, the SC Coordinator welcomed all participants and presented the meeting agenda. The discussion proceeded in alignment with the outlined agenda. The details are as follows:

SI	Discussion Points	Discussion
01	<p><b>Forecast Monitoring and Situation Update</b></p> <p>Presenter Abhishekh Barua, Manager- Anticipatory Action, BDRCS.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• According to the India Meteorological Department (IMD) and Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD), a low-pressure system may form over the Bay of Bengal. However, it is expected to remain a low-pressure system and not develop into a cyclone. This may cause heavy rainfall in coastal areas, likely continuing until 26 or 27 July 2025.</li> <li>• The Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre (FFWC) reports that water levels in the Jamuna Basin will remain below the danger level until 25 July. Additionally, the Global Flood Awareness System (GLOFAS) indicates no significant flood risk (5-year return period) through 01–02 August 2025.</li> <li>• In the Sylhet region, flooding is typically caused by upstream water flow from neighboring Indian states. However, global forecast models do not predict any severe rainfall in this region up to 25 July 2025.</li> <li>• There is a likelihood of heavy rainfall in Cox's Bazar and surrounding areas.</li> <li>• Moderate rainfall is expected across the country, but it is not anticipated to cause flooding.</li> </ul> <p>Presentation <a href="#">Link</a>.</p>

<p>02</p>	<p><b>Pre-crisis Data Dashboard</b></p> <p>Presenter A K M Zahirul Alam Coordinator, SC Bangladesh, IFRC.</p>	<p>The Government of Bangladesh conducted a national census in 2022 and subsequently released the district-level data. Based on this information, Shelter Cluster (SC) Bangladesh developed an interactive dashboard to highlight key shelter-related insights.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The dashboard comprises five main sections: Overview, Shelter Vulnerabilities, WASH Vulnerabilities, Exposure, and Resilience.</li> <li>• The Overview section presents key statistics, including total population, average household size by type, vulnerable population groups, household headship distribution, and employment by sector.</li> <li>• The Shelter Vulnerabilities section displays data on household structures, energy sources, ownership status, types of cooking fuel, and building materials.</li> <li>• The WASH Vulnerabilities section highlights household access to drinking water sources and types of toilet facilities.</li> <li>• The Exposure section identifies sub-districts at risk based on the 2022 Sub-National Risk Index. This data will be updated as new risk assessments become available.</li> <li>• A Shelter Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment was recently conducted by SC Bangladesh. Findings from this assessment will be integrated into the dashboard; this section is currently under development.</li> <li>• Definitions of key terms and indicators are provided within the dashboard for clarity.</li> <li>• Feedback received includes suggestions such as incorporating geo-codes into the Sub-National Index and clarifying certain terminologies (e.g., “cement wall”). Since SC Bangladesh has retained terminology from the original census, the SC Coordinator will engage with BBS for further understanding.</li> </ul>
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03	<p><b>Pre-positioning Stock of Shelter Items</b></p> <p>Presenter A K M Zahirul Alam Coordinator, SC Bangladesh, IFRC.</p>	<p>Shelter Cluster Bangladesh has compiled a report on partners' pre-positioned shelter and household non-food items (NFIs) for 2025 as part of preparedness efforts. During the recent meeting, this compiled report was shared with participants. The pre-positioned items include emergency shelter materials, household NFIs, and kitchen sets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A few partners were initially excluded from the report. It was agreed that they will be added before the report is shared more broadly. Therefore, SC Coordinator will send a mail to all partners again.</li> <li>• It was recommended to also include information on cash assistance, volunteer support, and dedicated shelter staff (particularly engineers) in the report.</li> </ul> <p>Shelter Pre-positioning Stock Report <a href="#">Link</a>.</p>
04	<p><b>AoB</b></p>	<p><b>Technical Working Group (TWG)</b></p> <p>As part of the 2025 strategic plan, Shelter Cluster Bangladesh (SC Bangladesh) is initiating a comprehensive review of the existing Shelter Standards and Guidelines. This effort aims to ensure that the standards remain relevant, contextually appropriate, and aligned with local needs.</p> <p>To facilitate this process, a Technical Working Group (TWG) is being formed. The TWG will be responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewing current shelter standards and guidelines.</li> <li>• Identifying gaps and areas for improvement.</li> <li>• Incorporating feedback from field experiences and partner organizations.</li> </ul> <p>An invitation email has already been sent to all SC partners, encouraging them to nominate representatives to join the TWG. However, the</p>

		<p>opportunity to join remains open, and SC Bangladesh warmly welcome any interested SC partners who wish to contribute to this important initiative.</p>
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There was no discussion during the meeting, and it concluded with a note of thanks to all participants.

#### Participants List:

1. Engineer Md. Abdullah Al Mamun, Technical Advisor (Shelter & Settlements), Disaster Management Sector (DM), Caritas Bangladesh.
2. Antara Das Tithi, Senior Officer- Humanitarian, Save the Children International.
3. Md. Mosheur Rahman, Head of Planning and DRR Unit, ESDO.
4. Tasnima Mukit, Officer- Start Fund Bangladesh.
5. Mottasim Billah, Programme Manager – Humanitarian, Muslim Aid-UK Bangladesh Country Office (MABCO).
6. Proteeti Joyeeta Jamil, Assistant Coordinator- External Affairs and Disaster Response Program, SAJIDA Foundation.
7. Ratan Kumar Podder, Independent Member, Shelter Cluster Bangladesh.
8. Sakibul Hasan Pavel, Humanitarian Action and Disaster Resilience Dept. Oxfam In Bangladesh.
9. Sadia, HOPE'87 Bangladesh.
10. Prosenjit Roy, Project Officer-DRR, Muslim Aid UK Bangladesh County Office
11. Golam Rabbani Emergency Response Programme Manager, NRC.
12. H. M. Shahid Hassan, UN resident coordinator office, coordinator IMWG
13. Golam Mahedi, Emergency Coordinator, NRC.
14. Md. Shalauddin Ahmad, Senior Executive-Programs, AMAN.
15. Abhishekh Barua, Manager-Anticipatory Action, BDRCS.
16. Md. Delowar Hussain, Focal, Emergency Response and DRR, FIVDB.
17. Rashadul Hasan, Program Manager, Habitat for Humanity International, Bangladesh
18. Md. Edi Amin Khan Fahad, Asst. Manager-Programs, SACD.
19. Umme Salma, Habitat for Humanity Bangladesh
20. A B M Hasanuzzaman, Resource Management Officer, Uttaran
21. Mohammad Mainul Hossain Rony, FSC Coordinator, FAO.
22. Broja Gopal Saha, Deputy Director, Centre for Disability in Development (CDD)
23. Saleha Khatun, Coordinator, WASH Cluster, UNICEF.
24. Chhanda Rani, Project Support Officer, Chirstian Aid
25. Iqbal Hossain, Islamic Relief Bangladesh
26. Md. Sharif Al Kamal, Sr. Programme Manager, Friendship.
27. Md. Rofiqul Islam, CEO, DIA.
28. Harunur Rashid, Founder & CEO, CDP.

29. Anas Ashraf Abulaban, Qatar Charity.
30. Tanvir Elahi, Relief Coordinator, Qatar Charity.
31. Md. Shahinur Rahman, AD, BDRCS.
32. Apurba Swatee Mahboob, Project Manager, UNDP.
33. Monwar Hossain, Muslim Aid Bangladesh Country Office.
34. Meherun Mili, UNFPA.
35. Shibu Prasad Baidya, Founder & Chairman, BGF.
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