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Sundarbans: no time to heal between cyclones

Remal claims 138 animal lives, causes infrastructural damages, contaminates ponds

DIPANKAR ROY, Khulna

In 2007, Cyclone Sidr ripped through the Sundarbans, the world's largest mangrove forest. The forest took the brunt of the storm, saving human lives by slowing down its destructive force.

However, it paid a heavy price. One fourth of the forest area was damaged, with 8-10 percent completely destroyed and 15 percent partially damaged. Infrastructure within the Sundarbans was severely impacted, with offices, communication towers, and watercraft destroyed. Wildlife suffered immensely, with loss of habitat, displacement, and scarcity of food and water.



struck. Around 40 percent of the forest's vegetation was destroyed, and 30-35 percent of the mangrove cover was damaged. The impact on wildlife was devastating, with endangered species such as tigers facing habitat disruption and food scarcity. The Sundarbans continued to face the wrath of cyclones

like Bulbul and Amphan. Each time the forest began to recover, another cyclone hit.

Then came cyclone Remal. Trees were uprooted, and a 10-12 ft tidal surge submerged the forest for nearly two days.

As the water recedes, the full extent of the damage is becoming clear. Carcasses are being recovered while the forest floor is littered with uprooted trees. The Sundarbans is already grappling with the negative

impacts of climate change, including rising salinity and extreme weather events like cyclones.

Given the repeated battering by cyclones and the ongoing effects of climate change, experts wonder how long it will take for the Sundarbans to recover. The answer? Maybe decades.

And before it fully recovers, there might be another cyclone waiting to strike... maybe next year or the year after.

DAMAGE TO WILDLIFE

According to the Forest Department, a total of 138 animals were found dead, including 134 deer and 4 wild boars. Additionally, 18 deer and one python were rescued and released back into the forest.

Experts said the actual number of dead animals could be higher. Countless wildlife, particularly deer, boars, snakes, and monitor

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Over 200 fishing trawlers damaged

SOHRAB HOSSAIN, from Barguna

Tidal waves and strong winds under the influence of Cyclone Remal damaged more than 200 small and medium fishing trawlers in Barguna's Patharghata.

The trawlers sustained partial and complete damage despite taking shelters in different canals in the upazila during the cyclone. More than 400 fishermen are facing difficulties due to that.

Gulam Mostafa Chowdhury, president of district fishery trawler owners' association, and Dulal Hossain, general secretary of district fishing trawler workers' union, confirmed it.

During the cyclone, the big trawlers from the district, which go fishing in the Bay, were anchored at different wharves amid the ongoing 65 day ban on fishing since May 20.

The small and medium-sized trawlers were used in fishing in Bishkhali and Baleshwar rivers and sought shelter in canals during the cyclone, they said.

The tidal surge and strong winds over a 30-hour long span during and after the cyclone left more than 200 of those trawlers damaged.

"I was along with two others on our small trawler to catch fish near the coast. The trawler got completely damaged in the cyclone, leaving us destitute," said Faruq Hossain, a fisherman from Chhonbunia.

Patharghata UNO Roknuzzaman Khan said, "I will discuss with the higher authorities on how to help the affected fishermen."

FLOOD IN SYLHET Situation improves but many areas still waterlogged

MINTU DESHWARA, from Sylhet

While the rivers in Sylhet continue to flow above the danger level at different points, the flood situation in the district has shown signs of improvement, with water levels in the Surma and Kushiya gradually receding.

Visiting Gowainghat, Companiganj, Kanaighat and Zakiganj upazilas, the most affected areas in the flood caused by downhill runoff of water from the hills, it was seen that the floodwater was receding.

"Between May 27 and May 29, there was more rain than usual due to the influence of Cyclone Remal. Also, there was heavy rain in Cherrapunji of Meghalaya, India on May 30. This resulted in flashflood and a rise in the water levels of the rivers in the district," said Deepak Ranjan Dash, executive engineer of Water Development Board in Sylhet.

"However, since then the rains reduced significantly. Cherrapunji received no rainfall in last 24 hours, and 54mm rain the day before. So, the flood situation is gradually improving. If it



does not rain heavily, the situation will improve further in the next 3-5 days," he added.

According to BWDB sources, Surma river was flowing above 71cm in Kanaighat yesterday, down from 83cm on Saturday, while Kushiya was flowing about 129cm above Amalshid Point yesterday compared to 193cm on Saturday.


Meanwhile, erosion and potholes on different roads have been becoming visible as water receded in some areas, including Raigarh section of Darbast Kanaighat road and Kanaighat Surighat road in Kanaighat upazila, and Gowainghat-Salutika, Gowainghat Jallong and Radhanagar-Jallong roads in Gowainghat upazila.

Local representatives said numerous mud houses in many villages collapsed, fish got washed away from ponds, and the crops were damaged in inundated fields due to flood.

"Upazila level officials of different departments concerned are on the ground in flood affected and risky areas. Residents are being warned to safely evacuate their homes, markets and shops in flood-prone areas. A total of 56 shelters are ready in 13 unions of the upazila," said Md Towhidul Islam, UNO of Gowainghat upazila.

Meanwhile, the district administration said in a

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Agrani Bank PLC

Establishment & Engineering Division
Head Office
9/D, Diluksha C/A, Dhaka

Invitation for Tenders

1	Procuring entity name	Agrani Bank PLC, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Diluksha C/A, Dhaka-1000.	
2	Procuring entity district	Dhaka	
3	Invitation for	Supply, Installation and Upgradation of CCTV System, Agrani Bank PLC, 14 Branches of Khulna Circle.	
4	Invitation Ref No.	ABL/E&ED/Eng/Mecha-195/2024	
5	Date	30/05/2024	

KEY INFORMATION

6	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method.	
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FUNDING INFORMATION

7	Budget and source of funds	Own fund of Agrani Bank PLC.	
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

8	Tender publication date	30/05/2024	
9	Tender last selling date	23/06/2024	
10	Tender closing date and time	Date	Time
11	Tender opening date and time	24/06/2024	3.15pm
12	Name & address of the tender document selling office	Agrani Bank PLC, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Diluksha C/A, Dhaka-1000.	
13	Receiving tender document	Agrani Bank PLC, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Diluksha C/A, Dhaka-1000.	
14	Place of tender opening	Tender Opening will take place at the Primary Place	

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

15	Brief eligibility and qualification of tenderer	<p>Tenderers who have:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Not been prevented by order of any judicial court from entering into and/or signing contract with the procuring entity. Tenderers shall have at least 03 (three) years of overall business experience in similar works preceding the date of publication of IFT. Bidder must be the sole agent/commercial distributor of the proposed brand CC Camera or the contract and he/she must submit its all supporting documents. Certificate by the bidder stating that he/she had successfully completed CCTV installation, testing and commissioning works at gov't/semi-gov't autonomous organizations/ reputed limited company. e. No joint venture company is allowed. 	
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16	Tenderer to attach copies of the following documents	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Up-to-date valid trade license Up-to-date income tax paid certificate Valid VAT registration certificate TIN certificate Minimum amount of liquid asset i.e. working capital or line of credit certificate of the tenderer shall be Tk. 10.00 lac only. Catalogue/ brochure. The minimum specific experience as supplier in supply of similar goods of at least 2 contract(s) successfully completed within the last 3 years, each with a value of at least Tk. 7 lac. Tender Submission Letter (Form PG3-1) Bidder must be the sole agent/commercial distributor of the proposed brand CC Camera of the contract and he/she must submit its all supporting documents. International Standard Conformity Certificate and every other documents mentioned in TDS. 	
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17	Price of tender document (Tk)	1500/- (Tk one thousand and five hundred only) non-refundable Pay-Order from any branch of Agrani Bank PLC in favor of Agrani Bank PLC, Head Office, Dhaka.	
19	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Abdur Rahman.	
20	Designation of official inviting tender	Deputy General Manager.	
21	Address of official inviting tender	Agrani Bank PLC, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Diluksha C/A, Dhaka-1000.	
22	Contact details of official inviting tender	02223381674	dameed@agrani bank.org

23	a) The tenderer shall furnish registration certificate and evidence of being managed by Bangladeshi nationals in original and certificates of satisfactory completion of previous work for proposed brand CC Camera of above magnitude from the owner at the time of dropping the Tender documents. b) If communication is disrupted on the date of receiving and opening the Tender(s), the same will be received at the same time on the day after next working day. c) Furnishing of any false, misleading documents may result in rejection of tender and may lead to action under Reg. 127 of PPR 2008. d) The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever. No claims will be entertained in this regard.		
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Md. Abdur Rahman
Deputy General Manager

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Benazir must return home if found guilty

Says Quader

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Awami League General Secretary Obaidul Quader yesterday said former IGP Benazir Ahmed has to return home if found guilty of corruption, and the government will not compromise on the issue.

"Will there be no trial if he is not here [in Bangladesh]? Was a tax evasion case not filed against Tarique Rahman [BNP acting chairman] because he is abroad? Was the verdict not delivered?" said Quader.

He made the remarks at a press briefing held at the AL president's Dhamonondi political office.

In response to a journalist's query, Quader said it would not be appropriate to blame the government for the corruption committed by Benazir.

"Did any media write about Benazir's corruption before Kaler Kantha did it? No one [before] dared to do



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Two children die in road accidents

STAR REPORT

Two children were killed in road accidents in two districts yesterday.

In Rangpur, a four-year-old girl was killed and her grandmother injured as a truck ran them over at Hajirhat.

The deceased is Shefa Akter, 4, daughter of Saddam Hossain of Sadar upazila. The injured - Bilkis Begum - received treatment at a hospital.

The accident happened when Bilkis was taking Shefa to a grocery shop, said OC Rajib Bosoniya of Hajirhat Police Station.

In Thakurgaon, a four-year-old boy was killed as an easy bike hit him while he was crossing a road at Shingia village in Sadar upazila.

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মেমো নং ৮০৮(২)/প্রকৌঃ তারিখঃ ১৯ জ্যৈষ্ঠ ১৪৩০ বাংলা
২/৬/২০২৪ইং

ক্রঃ নং	কাজের নাম	টেন্ডার ডকুমেন্ট বিক্রির শেষ তারিখ	টেন্ডার বন্ধ হওয়ার তারিখ ও সময়	টেন্ডার খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	প্রয়োজনীয় তথ্য সংগ্রহের স্থান
১	ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ১০০০ ছাত্রের জন্য ১১-তলা বিশিষ্ট জাতিক জনক বন্দু শেখ মুজিবুর রহমান হলের ডাইনিং ও ক্যান্টিনের জন্য তৈজষপত্র সরবরাহ।	১২/০৬/২০২৪ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।	১৩/০৬/২০২৪ সময়ঃ ১.৩০টা	১৩/০৬/২৪ইং সময়ঃ ২.১৫টা	প্রধান প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তর, ঢাবিঃ।

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০১	সংস্থা/প্রকল্পের নাম	ইসলামিক ফাউন্ডেশন, সিরাজগঞ্জ জেলা কার্যালয়
০২	প্রকল্পের নাম	মসজিদ পাঠাগার সম্প্রসারণ ও শক্তিশালীকরণ প্রকল্প (৩য় পর্যায়)।
০৩	দরপত্রের বিবরণ	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি
০৪	মাালের বিবরণ	স্টীলের আলমারী
০৫	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের স্থান	হিসাব শাখা, ইসলামিক ফাউন্ডেশন সিরাজগঞ্জ
০৬	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১২/০৬/২০২৪ তারিখ, অফিস চলাকালীন সময়
০৭	দরপত্র গ্রহণের তারিখ ও সময়	১৩/০৬/২০২৪ তারিখ, বেলা ১২:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত
০৮	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	১৩/০৬/২০২৪ তারিখ, বেলা ১২:৩০ ঘটিকা, দরপত্রদাতাদের উপস্থিতিতে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন)
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১১	দরপত্রের মূল্য	১,০০০/- (এক হাজার) টাকা
১২	দরপত্রের জামানত	৩৫,০০০/- (পঁয়ত্রিশ হাজার) টাকা
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১৪	দরপত্রদাতার অংশগ্রহণের যোগ্যতা	দরপত্রের সঠিক দরপত্র দাখিলের সময় প্রতিষ্ঠানের হাসানাতা ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ভাট নিবন্ধন সনদ, টিআইএনসহ আয়কর পরিচয় সনদের সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি ও দরপত্র দাখিল অনুযায়ী অন্যান্য সকল যোগ্যতা।
১৫	দরপত্রের অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী এবং মালামালের বর্ণনা সিডিউলে উল্লিখিত থাকবে। প্রতিষ্ঠানের বার্ষিক কর্তৃপক্ষ মালামালের সংখ্যা কম/বেশি করতে পারবেন। দরপত্র পিপিআর-২০০৬ এবং ২০০৮ (সংশোধিত) অনুসৃত হবে। কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র অথবা সকল দরপত্র বা আংশিক দরপত্র গ্রহণ অথবা বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।	

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