

# DISASTER RESILIENCE PROGRAMME

A social venture by Footsteps Bangladesh





## Problem Analysis

According to Global Climate Index, Bangladesh is considered to be among the most vulnerable to disasters influenced by Climate Change

# 10 million6 million

People Impacted by one or more natural disasters annually

People already displaced due to disasters and hazards presented by Climate Change

2nd

most vulnerable to cylcone disasters

80%

of the population at risk from flood disasters



## Building Resilience across Climate Vulnerable Communities

**The Disaster Resilience Programme (DRP)** is a holistic program designed to build adaptation and mitigation capacity of marginalized communities vulnerable to natural and social disasters.

### **DRP's Key Goals**

Data and Digital Empowerment

Mobilize Data for Effective Disaster Warning and Efficiency of Primary Emergency Response 2

Capacity Empowerment

Introduce resilient and cost effective products, infrastructure, and resources to mitigate impact of disasters

3

Financial Empowerment

Boost income and savings of vulnerable households to be mobilized during and after disasters

## Cluster Intervention



At Footsteps, we have divided our areas of intervention into 9 clusters across Bangladesh to make our interventions more efficient and localized.

### Footsteps General Intervention Cluster Map

Cluster	Districts
1	Dhaka, Mymensingh, Tangail, Manikganj, Munshiganj, Narshingdi, Gazipur
2	Chittagong, Rangamati, Khagrachari, Cox's Bazar, Bandarban
3	Sylhet, Shunamgonj, Moulovibazar, Habiganj, Brahmanbaria, Netrokona, Kishoreganj
4	Comilla, Laxmipur, Feni, Noakhali, Chandpur
5	Madaripur, Satkhira, Jessore, Khulna, Narail, Bagerhat, Gopalganj, Faridpur
6	Sirajganj, Kushtia, Pabna, Meherpur, Rajbari, Chuadanga, Jhenaidah, Magura
7	Sherpur, Jamalpur, Bogra, Naogan, Nawabganj, Rajshahi, Natore
8	Barishal, Pirojpur, Jhalokathi, Borguna, Bhola, Patuakhali, Shariatpur
9	Panchagor, Thakurgaon, Nilphamari, Rangpur, Joypurhat, Kurigram, Dinajpur, Lalmonirhat, Gaibandha





## Action Plan

The holistic approach of DRP ensures vulnerable communities are ready to take disasters head on with improved resilience

#### **Data and Digital Empowerment**

- Design a 48-72 hour warning system using Artificial Intelligence studying past disaster data
- Create database on need based beneficieries in order to ensure emergency aid reaches those with the most urgency
- Awareness among vulnerable communities on disaster preparedness
- Utilizing multimedia for action call in order to mobilize resources towards disaster hit zones

#### **Capacity Empowerment**

- Dreamwater Portable Water Filter
- Climate Resilient Housing and Sanitation
- Resilient Farmers Program (Resistant Crops, Organic Fertilizers, etc)
- Stone based coastal barricade to influence and reduce impact of tidal surges

#### **Financial Empowerment**

- Improve Income and Savings with Livelihood Resilience through Financial Stability Model (LRFS)
- Skill-based training for job and entrepreneurial development



#### **Dreamwater PF**

- Dreamwater Portable Water Filter has been designed and implemented by DRP which can convert flood water into drinking water
- Rural women in climate vulnerable communities are trained to use Dreamwater PF
- Disaster Respondents during flood seasons; Water Entrepreneurs during off-flood seasons
- First Deployment in Ulipur Kurigram where 9 women have recieved Dreamwater PF training



#### **Domestic GreenTank (DGTank)**

- The domestic GreenTank is provided to households owning 2 or more cattle- manure is used to produce high-quality biogas for cooking and organic fertilizer to be sold.
- Flood resistant, easy to install (takes approximately 3 hours)
- Reduces household carbon footprint and promotes income generation
- The business model includes a combination of subsidy from donor agencies, the contribution from purchasing household and profit sharing for selling of organic fertilizers
- Introduce to high profit market to boost income





#### **Climate Resilient Housing and Sanitation**

- Design affordable housing and sanitation resistant to wind and easily portable during floods for households in climate vulnerable communities
- Either rebuild destroyed homes or completely new ones

#### **Resilient Farmers Programme**

- Provide support in seeds, fertilizers and introduce drought, salt and flood-tolerant breeds for cultivation to community farmers
- Consult on resources, skills and connection to markets to boost income and motivate increased savings



#### **Livestock Business for Resilience**

- Low-income households in climate-vulnerable communities are provided livestock to take care of for a certain period of time
- Connect with high-profit markets to generate high profit; profit sharing model mobilized

#### **Skill Development for Resilience**

- Provide training and machinery on rent basis to empower women to create products
- Introduce products in high paying markets to garner high profits and boost income

## IMPACT TILLDATE 17,3/

9 WOMEN

empowered to be disaster respondents using Dreamwater PF

FARMERS

currenty benefitting from DRP's resilient farmers program

62 HOMES rebuilt after cylcone

4225 **FAMILIES**  supported with critical emergency aid after cyclone and flood disasters



## Testimonial

The people of Anantapur (Kurigram) faced a drinking water crisis during the recent flood.

The Dreamwater portable filter worked wonderfully throughout our difficult time. For almost 7-8 days I provided safe drinking water to 10-12 houses regularly using the Dreamwater portable filter

-Shrimati Bulbuli Rani

Ulipur, Kurigram



# VISION 2022\_

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#### **Research and Development**

R&D for LRFS Model, Climate Resilient Housing and Sanitation, Resilient Farmers Program Deployment

2

#### **Deployment**

- Deploy 240 Dreamwater PF on ground
- Deploy 131 Domestic BioTank on ground
- Create 50 entrepreneurs for Livestock Business for Resilience
- Involve 100 women for skill development for resilience

Estimated Impact: 10,769

## TEAM



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