

CFTM (Climate Finance Transparency Mechanism) is an issue based project. It is funded by British Council targeting to build up a mechanism for the best utilization of the fund related to climate change in a transparent and accountable way. COAST Foundation is implementing this project in 12 Upazila under 3 coastal districts (Bhola, Cox's Bazar and Patuakhali) of Bangladesh.

**Disaster management committee Bhola to face cyclone "YAAS".**



*Md. Tawfiq-E-Lahi Chowdhury, Deputy Commissioner, Bhola is addressing the meeting of Disaster Management Committee. Date: 23 May 2021, Photo: Md. Hasan.*

On 23 May 2021 the Emergency meeting of district disaster management committee, Bhola was held to face cyclone Yaas. The meeting was presided by Mr. Toufiq- E-Elahi, DC, Bhola & there were also present all district level govt. officers, NGO representatives, red crescent members & other stakeholders. From COAST Foundation Rashida Begum, AD, CFTM Project attended that meeting as a member of Disaster management committee. At this meeting the DC Bhola decided all participants to work for facing Cyclone Yass and coordinate with district administration. From COAST Foundation it is said that Radio Meghna Bhola, Charfassion will forecast bulletin at this time. Our all colleagues will stay at the work station and will work during this time. Thus the volunteers of COAST Foundation will cooperate the activities of District Administration.

**Climate adaptive schemes are prioritized at UP five year plan & yearly budget**

**Bhola:** Veduria Union of Bhola Sadar is affected by Climate change and its impacts. During the time of natural disasters there happened river erosion, tidal surge, flood, etc. As a result there are lots of damages of crops & other resources. After natural disaster relief is distributed but no plan was prepared for facing this natural disasters & there was no allocation of budgets. So, for making Climate Adaptive five year plan & budget one day orientation was arranged by COAST Foundation, CFTM Project, Bhola. On a continuation of this every UP members made five year adaptive plan at their ward and took the schemes by opinion of all citizens. The draft Climate Adaptive five year plan & budget is created at Veduria Union on 23 May, 2021. The UP Chairman Md. Tazul Islam & secretary Md. Niaj Morshed opened the draft budget 2021-2022 to the general people & finalized.



*Md. Tajul Islam, Chairman, Bhaduria UP, Bhola Sadar is addressing the meeting. Date: 23 May 2021. Photo: Md. Mainul.*

**Patuakhali:** Climate Adaptive five year planning meeting is held at Jainkhati, Patuakhali on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021 by the initiatives of COAST Foundation, CFTM, Project, Patuakhali. There were present UP Chairman, Secretary, members, project staffs & other stakeholders. By taking opinion of all participants first time climate adaptive five year plan is prepared for Jainkhati Union, Patuakhali. Before this planning meeting assessment meeting is held at 09 wards of union & also shared the report to Chairman for correction. At this meeting all related UP members finalized their demands which they will provide for five year plan. At welcome speech the DTL, CFTM, Patuakhali said this is the first time this union is going to prepare five year Climate Adaptive plan. We hope this plan will help to take proper schemes for facing Climate Change at this Union. As this is taken form every ward it is correct & suitable for general people. Finally the respected chairman also saw this schemes. Today five year plan will be prepared & then schemes will be implemented priority based. The UP Chairman Md. Feroz Alam as a chief guest in his speech said we will prepare Climate Adaptive five year plan today by participating all members and stakeholders. You will provide your opinion at this meeting by giving the correction at your ward. Sector wise we will divide our schemes & then we will prepare a five year plan for this union. After preparing the five year plan we will try to accomplish the schemes by the priority based.



*Md. Feroz Alam, Chairman, Jainkhati UP, Patuakhali is speaking. Date: 24 May 2021, Photo: Sohail Mahmud .*

**Quarterly climate forum meeting was held to deal Cyclone "YASS".**



*Bhola Sadar Upazila Climate Forum Quarterly Meeting Date: 25 May 2021. Photo: Razib Gosh.*

The meeting was held on May 25, 2021 under the Chairmanship of Upazila Climate Forum Md. Mokammel Haque Millon. Meeting members gave cyclone updates on Facebook to raise public awareness on tackling Cyclone "YAS". He decided to work with the fishermen's leaders to bring the fishermen back to shore and coordinate with the administration. The COAST Foundation also discusses the rules for making complaints, prevention of coronary child marriage, diarrhea awareness, hygiene, etc. The meeting was attended by 5 women, 6 men, 2 workers and a total of 16 others.

**After listening to the hygiene rules from Radio Meghna, Khadija regularly went out wearing a mask.**



*Jaba Shrota Club, 9th Ward, Char Fashion. Date: 24 May 2021, Photo: Nishi, time: 9.30 am*

Khadija Begum was first met on 24 May 2021 while visiting Radio Meghna's "Jaba" listeners' club at Ramzan Ali's house in Ward 9 of Char Fashion Charnadraj Union. He took his grandson to a nearby village to be vaccinated. At first he saw a mask on his face and a ticker card in his hand. When asked, he said, "I have a listener's club called Radio Jaba in my house." We regularly listen to Radio Meghna. At present I have to go out wearing more listening masks. You have to come from Outside and wash your hands with soap. Not getting more people together. Hear more about how to deal with diarrhea. Girls should not be given child marriage, etc. Another member of the club (the house next to Khadija Begum) belongs to Rabia Begum When we went to listen to Rabia Begum with Radio Meghna, what kind of programs do they like, what do they like or have any opinion? Rabia Begum placed a bucket of water and a mug in front of the house and

Helped her husband to come home by washing his hands with soap. Rabia's husband said that this is how my wife (Rabia) kept water and soap in front of the house for the last six months. "We're all fine now. We haven't had anyone here," he said. The radio charger is broken and sometimes it cannot be heard. Asked to give a good radio.



*Khadija Begum is accustomed to wearing a mask after listening to the health rules of coronation on Radio Meghna. Date: 24 May 2021, Photo: Nishi*

**"We were being educated but could not be naive", Said Upazila PIO Officer.**



*Quarterly Meeting in Chakaria Climate Forum, PC: Maung Aye Then, Date 26-05-2021*

On May 25, 2021 Chakaria Climate Forum arranged their quarterly meeting in "Moddho chakaria primary school" at 11.00 am. The Chakaria climate forum successfully conducted their activities from 2017 with the help of COAST Foundation. The president of Chakaria Climate Forum was the chair of this meeting and The District Team Leader of COAST foundation moderated this program. The Upazila project Implementation Officer Md. Masudur Rahman was the special guest of this program. In this meeting; we discussed about projects which need to conduct social audit. Forum members decided that, everyone will be alert in the time of Cyclone "YASS", and if anybody found any news of damage then they inform the UNO office for rapid action. In the end of this program Upazila Project Implementation Officer appreciated all the activities of forum and said; we were being educated but could not be naive.

**implemented activities of May, 2021**

| S.L | Activities  | Target | Achievement |
|-----|---|--------|-------------|
| 01. | Quarterly Meeting of Upazila Climate Forum  | 2      | 2           |
| 02. | Quarterly Meeting of District Climate Forum   | 1      | 1           |
| 03. | Budget for finalize workshop on UP Adaption development Plan & draft UP budget 2021-2022. | 2      | 2           |
| 04. | Open Budget   | 2      | 1           |
| 05. | Mike about COVID-19   | 4      | 0           |
| 06  | Lobby Meeting   | 1      | 1           |

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