

PROJECT BRIEF

Malanchara Union, Tozumuddin Upazila, Bhola

ACTION

Comprehensive Disaster Management Programme (CDMP II) in partnership with Malanchara UDMC implemented a comprehensive DRR and CCA project that has the following components:

1. Livelihood support

By examining the vulnerability of fishing communities and households to disasters and climate risks CDMP came up with a solution to improve their livelihood options.

50 fishermen from the most disadvantaged population of Malanchara Union received solar lantern, life jacket and 60 kgs of fishing net each.

Life jacket and solar lantern is to secure their life and fishing at sea where fishing net is to reinstall their livelihoods.

It is evident that sustainable livelihood option reduces disaster vulnerabilities at large.

2. Construction of community latrines

Open defecation due to inadequate sanitation facilities results severe health and environmental crisis in the coastal areas. Poor sanitation contributes hundreds of child deaths from diarrhea each year in Bangladesh.

CDMP in association with local UDMC constructed 20 latrines to ensure safer sanitary practices.

These latrines are typically built in raised platform above the flood/storm surge level to ensure the uses during emergency period.



HIGHLIGHTS OF MALANCHARA UNION

- Area: 15 sq km
- Population: 8,500 (as per birth registration).
- Literacy rate: 20 % (male literacy is 15 % and female 5 %).
- Livelihoods: fishing, agriculture, day labour, business.
- Elevation – varies from 1.5 to 1.6 m above the mean Sea Level.

(these statistics are of 2011)



Distribution of life jacket