



Avoidable Deaths Network (ADN)

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INTRODUCTION



The Avoidable Deaths Network (ADN) is a global and local membership network of over 1,000 practitioners, researchers, students, and policymakers, dedicated to developing theoretical and practical solutions to reduce avoidable disaster-related deaths and injuries.

ADN was launched on 12 March 2019 by **Professor Nibedita S. Ray Bennett** (University of Leicester, UK) and **Dr. Hideyuki Shiroshita** (Kansai University, Japan).

ADN BANGLADESH CHAPTER



The ADN Bangladesh Chapter was launched on 18 June 2023 by **Dr. Fatima Akter** (University of Dhaka) and **Mr. Maqbul Bhuiyan** (Data Management Aid, Bangladesh).

Operational activities are supported by two ADN Future Leaders: **Ms. Sadia Afrin Sayfa Negaban** and **Mr. Mohammad Fahimul Islam**.

OUR FOCUS

- Promoting a global community addressing avoidable disaster deaths.
- Advancing research, networking, and knowledge exchange.
- Leading public engagement through the global campaign.
- “**International Awareness Day for Avoidable Deaths (IAD4AD)**”, celebrated annually on **12 March**, with the slogan: “**Disaster Deaths Are Avoidable.**”
- Nurture the next generation of Future Leaders for avoidable deaths and sustainable development.

ADN BANGLADESH CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Celebrating IAD4AD



Since its launch in 2023, the ADN Bangladesh Chapter has actively celebrated IAD4AD.

Key activities include:

- Three seminars with participation from key stakeholders, including the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD), Department of Disaster Management (DDM), public health services, Fire Service and Civil Defense, NGOs, and University of Dhaka faculty and students
- Public awareness rallies to engage communities and promote the IAD4AD slogan: “**Disaster Deaths Are Avoidable**”

* Website: <https://www.avoidable-deaths.net/>

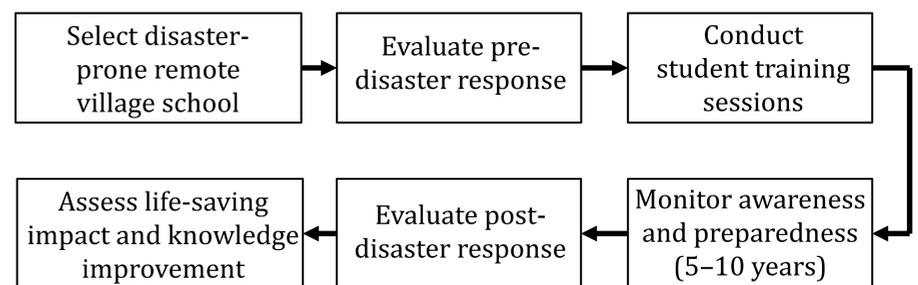
Flood Relief – 2024



- Severe flooding in August 2024 affected several low-lying districts of Bangladesh, including Feni. Rapid needs assessments were conducted, and relief funds were raised internationally by ADN members.
- The response was led by Dr. Fatima Akter, with support from teachers, students, and ADN Future Leader interns.

FUTURE AGENDA – Case Station for Avoidable Deaths (CaSA)

- Launch a community-focus social learning lab - Case Station for Avoidable Deaths (CaSA)
- Location: Dakshin Sreepur Union, Tahirpur Upazila, Sunamganj District



OPPORTUNITIES

Join ADN as:

- Organizational Partner** – Collaborate on IAD4AD and global knowledge exchange initiatives
- Volunteer** – Support ADN Bangladesh Chapter programmes, events, and field activities
- Future Leader Intern** – Participate in a structured remote internship focused on leadership development and avoidable disaster deaths (Calls for this are announced annually)

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