## Strengthening the postcrash response in Bangladesh

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Bangladesh



- SDG 11.2: access to safe, affordable, accessible, and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety.
- UN General Assembly Resolution 74/299 declared a Decade of Action for Road Safety 2021-2030 with the target to reduce road traffic deaths & injuries by at least 50%.

#### Global Status Report 2018: Bangladesh -

- Reported road traffic fatality (2015): 2,376
- WHO estimated road traffic fatalities (2016): 24,954
- National emergency care access number: Yes
- Trauma registry: None
- Certification for prehospital providers: No
- National assessment of emergency care system: No

## Background

### Bangladesh Situation on Post-crash response

- Not addressed in Bangladesh Road Transport Act 2018
- No approved strategy, action plan, protocol or training manual
- No systematic initiative to strengthen post-crash response
  - On-site care
  - Transportation
  - Primary health care



### Background

#### Some initiatives by the private sector:

- Trauma Link- Service model
- The World Bank- Facility preparedness
- Center for Injury Prevention and Research, Bangladesh (CIPRB) - Research and injury survey
- Centre for the Rehabilitation of the Paralysed (CRP)



## UNRSF

- Supported the initiatives of "Strengthening Post-Crash Response".
- Period: Till March 2023

The project: objectives -

- Develop a strategy and a costed action plan through stakeholder consultations to strengthen the post-crash care for victims of road traffic injuries in alignment with National Road Safety Action Plan.
- Develop protocols and training manuals for facility managers, stakeholders, firstresponding volunteers, transporters and primary health care providers.
- A scalable model (Pilot project) on pre-hospital care for victims of road traffic injuries.
- Evaluation of pilot model to set the recommendations, action plans and identify priorities for future service expansion.

Expected outcomes ...

- A strategy and a costed action plan adopted by the Government
- Protocols and training manuals are made available
- A scalable model on pre-hospital care tested and evaluated
- Recommendations on strengthening post-crash response made

## **Progress:**

# Strategy and costed action plan has been developed. (CIPRB)



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## **Progress:**

## Protocols and training manual has been developed. (Traumalink)





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Protocols and Training Manual for Post-Crash Response for the Victims of Road Traffic Injury in Bangladesh (At the road crash site)

> Non Communicable Disease Control Program Directorate General of Health Services Health Services Division, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

> > February 2023

## **Progress:**

 Piloting a scalable model for postcrash response continuing at a 10 KM national highway (mPower Social Enterprise).









#### **Good Practices:**

The Government has formed a technical committee on postcrash response. Discussion and meetings among the members of the committee from different organizations/ministries will build a positive impact on strengthening post-crash response in Bangladesh.



## Challenges

- To bring consensus among wide range of stakeholders.
- Sustainability of the project.
- Lack of a program budget for post crash response within the NCD program.

The woods are lovely, dark, and deep, But I have promises to keep, And miles to go before I sleep, And miles to go before I sleep.

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