

SSPS Programme Team, UNDP along with UNV Bangladesh assisted in the mobilization of flood relief

Bangladesh, a nation that has long battled the relentless forces of nature, has once again faced the wrath of severe flooding. Recent days have seen torrential rains, with parts of Tripura and districts in eastern Bangladesh recording nearly 200 millimeters of rainfall.

The impact has been devastating. Homes have been submerged, leaving families stranded and vulnerable. Communication lines have been crippled, with almost all cellphone towers losing electricity, cutting off many from emergency services and loved ones. The suspension of rail services and damage to roads have further hampered the delivery of much-needed emergency aid, deepening the crisis.

In this time of unprecedented need, a beacon of hope has emerged in the form of coordinated relief efforts led by nationwide volunteers. Recognizing the severity of the situation, the UN volunteers quickly mobilized, joining forces with the Bangladesh Medical Students Society (BMSS) to respond to the unfolding humanitarian disaster.

Understanding the urgency, UN volunteers working for the SSPS team along with other volunteers have organized the collection of essential relief materials. Together they gathered dry food, emergency medicines, sanitary napkins, water bottles, water purifying tablets, oral saline, matchboxes, candles, and clothing—to help the flood-affected people. The relief materials provided by the UN volunteers will be distributed in the field by the field volunteers of BMSS.

This collaborative effort also represents a broader, more hopeful vision for the future of Bangladesh. The work of UN volunteers, and BMSS not only provided immediate relief but also sent a powerful message: that in Bangladesh, the spirit of community and resilience is stronger than any flood. This united response, driven by compassion and a shared commitment to protect and uplift one another, offers a glimpse of a brighter, more resilient future for all.



Photograph shows Ms. Arju. A. Kathy, Research Associate of SSPS team assisting the handover of relief goods to BMSS representative



SSPS and UNV teams with Bangladesh Medical Student Society Volunteers