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April 2026 - June 2026

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National Dialogue on Disaster, Climate Change and Urban Health Charts a Path Toward Resilient Cities

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15th Knowledge Sharing Virtual Seminar Session, "Leveraging Public-Private Partnerships for Equitable Urban Health Systems in Bangladesh"

15th Knowledge Sharing Virtual Session
Topic: Leveraging Public-Private Partnerships for Equitable Urban Health Systems in Bangladesh

Meet Resource Personnel

Welcome Speech
Dr. Margab Aref Jahangir
Health Specialist (Urban)
WHO Bangladesh

Session Chair
Dr. Dewan Md. Enayul Haque
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Chief Guest
Mr. Shahinur Ali Reza
Additional Secretary (Urban)
Ministry of Health, Government of Bangladesh

Panelists
Dr. Rakkar L. Masrurin
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Dr. Shamsul Hossain
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Dr. Asif Iqbal
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Ms. Shikha Purvis
Chief Executive Officer
UNICEF Bangladesh

Presenters
Masuda Begum
Health Specialist (Urban)
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Dr. Imran Ahmed Chowdhury
Health Specialist (Urban)
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Dr. Md. Shamsul Haque
Health Specialist (Urban)
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Closing Remarks
Dr. Shamsul Haque
Health Specialist (Urban)
WHO Bangladesh

Moderation
Ummy Farhin Subano
Health Specialist (Urban)
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15 April 2026
Time: 2:30 - 4:00 PM BD
Virtual Platform: Zoom

16th Knowledge Sharing Virtual Session
Topic: Building Resilient Urban Health Systems through Improved Medical Waste Practices

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Dr. Margab Aref Jahangir
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16th Knowledge Sharing Virtual Seminar Session, "Building Resilient Urban Health Systems through Improved Medical Waste Practices"

17th Knowledge Sharing Virtual Seminar Session, "From Awareness to Action: Scaling Up Mental Health Interventions in Urban Communities"

17th Knowledge Sharing Virtual Session
Topic: From Awareness to Action: Scaling Up Mental Health Interventions in Urban Communities

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Special Guest
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Presenter
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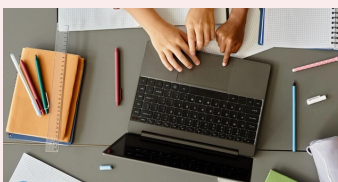
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29 June 2026
Time: 2:30 - 4:00 PM BD
Virtual Platform: Zoom

BUHN Newspaper Articles

- [আসন্ন বাজেটও জলবায়ু অর্থায়ন: নগর স্বাস্থ্যকে মূলধারায় আনার সময় এখনই](#)
- [মানসিক স্বাস্থ্যকেস্বাস্থ্য মন্ত্রণালয়ের প্রকল্পে অন্তর্ভুক্তি জরুরি: বাজেট আলোচনায় উপেক্ষিত এক খাত](#)
- [A health system that cannot see disease](#)
- [Buried Under Its Own Waste: Bangladesh's Deepening Crisis in Solid and Medical Waste Disposal](#)

Member and Partner Update



The AI skills divide in Europe and Central Asia: Who benefits and who gets left behind

Empowering South Asia with skills for a 'green jobs' future



Pacific emergency management teams build disaster readiness in Brisbane, Australia



A Warning Shot for Human Capital: Evidence of an AI Learning Penalty

Closing the skills gap: why industry must help lead the way



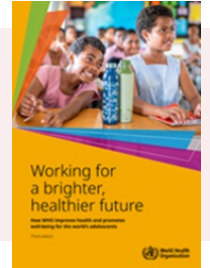
WFP scales up assistance for families hit by Venezuela earthquakes

Member and Partner Update



Pakistan strengthens anticipatory action to reduce the impact of climate-related disasters

Working for a brighter, healthier future: how WHO improves health and promotes well-being for the world's adolescents, 3rd ed.



Japan and WFP strengthen health and education in Somalia



World health statistics 2026: monitoring health for the SDGs, sustainable development goals



- Extreme poverty: hard-won gains, new risks ahead
- From Strategic Investment to Tangible Results: Notable examples from the Human Capital Trust Fund
- Harnessing AI and private innovation to close health gaps
- Extreme poverty: hard-won gains, new risks ahead
- Who is most at risk? A global vision indicator to measure climate vulnerability
- Resilience built to last: countries turning adaptation into everyday practice
- When disasters strike farms, what can protect farmers and lenders?
- Understanding Risk is Key to Growth and Jobs in Pacific Cities
- Natural Hazards Cost the World 90 Million Jobs Every Year
- Blueprint for strengthening responses to fungal disease and antifungal resistance
- Manual for respiratory virus vaccination coverage: monitoring and reporting seasonal influenza, COVID-19, and respiratory syncytial virus immunization
- Regional Consultation on advancing communicable disease surveillance and health information systems for multi-disease elimination in the South-East Asia Region
- Technical specifications for filovirus disease treatment centres
- National health workforce accounts: health workforce levels and trends 2026
- Health effects of air pollution: evidence and implications: technical brief

- 12th edition, Epidemiological Bulletin WHO Health Emergencies Programme WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia, 17 June 2026. Reporting period: 1-15 June 2026
- WHO guidelines for the clinical management of filovirus disease: executive summary
- World Cities Report 2026: The Global Housing Crisis: Pathways to Action
- Growing leadership and momentum on environmental action
- UNEP, partners ramp up efforts to address major methane leaks as UN chief urges rapid cuts
- The hidden environmental cost of your jeans – and what's being done about it
- Nine ways to stay cool during a heatwave
- Chemical safety: How national action is turning global goals into reality
- Four ways climate technologies are turning ambition into action
- UNEP and GEF kick off global initiative to strengthen monitoring of toxic chemicals and mercury
- As the planet swelters, World Environment Day 2026 focuses on urgent climate action
- Over thirty years of partnership, one shared mission: UNEP at the GEF Assembly
- 50 Cities for climate action: avoiding and adapting to a 50°C world
- GRAMMY-nominated Brazilian musician Alok named UNEP Global Goodwill Ambassador
- Behavioural insights glossary for public health practitioners

Key Stakeholder Voices



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- [The Relationship Between Urban Characteristics and Non-Communicable Diseases—Conceptual Framework of the HORUS Project](#)
- [Climate-induced vulnerability and health outcomes in urban Bangladesh: the mediating role of psychological stress](#)
- [Can cross-sector governance improve urban health resource supply? Evidence from China's Healthy City pilot policy](#)
- [Mortality and morbidity caused by pneumonia in children and adolescents are associated with socioeconomic and urban conditions in São Paulo, Brazil](#)
- [The Role of Public Health Services in Reducing Maternal and Newborn Health Inequalities in Urban India: A Survey Analysis of 200,000 Births Over Two Decades](#)
- [Study protocol for evaluating integrated urban development plans: impacts on health, social equity, and environmental sustainability in Germany](#)
- [Hybrid Governance: Negotiating justice for health services in informal urban settlements in Dhaka, Bangladesh](#)
- [Urban Waste Management, Air Quality, and Public Health: Assessing the Health Burden of Rapid Urbanization in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)
- [Influence of internal migration on antenatal care utilization in Bangladesh: Findings from a nationally representative cross-sectional survey](#)
- [Cultural capital and health literacy among urban communities in Malaysia: A cross-sectional study](#)
- [Socioeconomic and geographic inequalities in unmet healthcare needs in Cambodia: evidence from a national cross-sectional study](#)
- [Decomposing Wealth-Based Inequalities in Neonatal Mortality in India: Evidence from National Family Health Survey \(2019–2021\)](#)
- [Vaccination coverage and inequalities in childhood immunisation in Ethiopia: a secondary analysis of the PMA national longitudinal survey](#)
- [Trends and Associated Factors of Malnutrition Among Adolescents With Diarrhoea in Bangladesh: A Retrospective Cross-Sectional Surveillance Study Using Adaptive LASSO](#)
- [Reconfiguring Care Practices Through Technology-Supported Services: Pathways to Outpatient Satisfaction in Urban and Rural Public Hospitals](#)
- [Obesity prevention and sustainable food systems: rethinking the nexus through a health in all policies approach](#)
- [Hospital Closures Increase Emergency Care Travel Time: Rural-Urban Disparities](#)
- [Association of Park Size, Access and Neighbourhood Walkability with Physical Activity and Obesity: A Cross-Sectional Analysis](#)
- [Real-time impacts of air pollution on the health, well-being, and daily life of children and young people in Delhi and Dhaka](#)
- [Carbon emission governance and public health efficiency in transitional China: Regional differences and spatial aggregation](#)



WHO ARE WE?

Established in 2009, the **Bangladesh Urban Health Network (BUHN)** is a civil society network dedicated to advancing health equity in urban areas. Secretarial support for Social Development is provided by Eminence Associates, facilitating the network's operations. BUHN serves as a platform that unites diverse stakeholders in the urban health sector, fostering effective collaboration. Moreover, it collaborates with other organizations to host conferences aimed at addressing challenges within the urban health sector and seeking potential solutions.

Affiliated with the International Society for Urban Health (ISUH), BUHN has its well-developed website. The site serves as a comprehensive repository featuring resources, articles, and insights, facilitating information sharing within the community. Additionally, the website includes blogs and monthly e-newsletters to enhance communication and knowledge dissemination among its members.

BUHN Thematic Areas

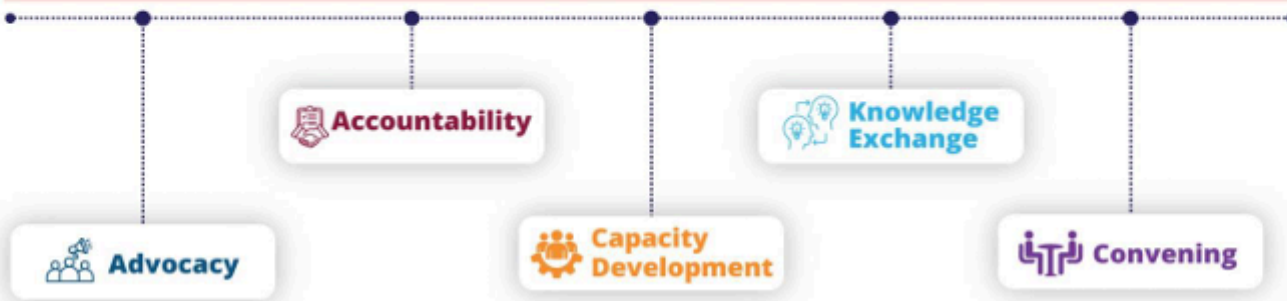
The following thematic focus areas are included for the activities of BUHN, but it will not be limited to these, and can extend beyond the following:



Why Urban Health?



What We Do?



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