

BUHN Selects Executive Committee Members for Two-Year Term



The executive committee of the Bangladesh Urban Health Network (BUHN) held a meeting at the UNICEF office of Bangladesh to select its 15-member committee, who will serve for the next two years. Md. Abul Kalam Azad, former Principal Secretary has been elected as the president of the committee, Dr. Khairul Islam, Regional Director, WaterAid and Mohammad Zahirul Islam, Health Advisor, Embassy of Sweden have been selected as vice presidents.

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Members and Partners Update



ADB

World Bank provides US\$450 million to improve urban education and sustainable housing in Argentina

The World Bank Board of Directors approved two new loans for Argentina today: one for US\$300 million to reduce dropout rates in secondary and higher education and the other for US\$150 million to support planned urban growth to enable more inclusive housing access.

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ADB Invests \$25 Million in Quadria Capital Fund III for Health Care Investments in Developing Asia

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed a \$25 million equity investment with Quadria Capital Fund III LP (Quadria III) to enhance the quality, accessibility, and affordability of health care in Southeast Asia and South Asia by supporting the growth of health care companies in these regions.

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International Update



Slamming 'big formula milk companies', WHO scientist calls for swift clampdown

This new research highlights the vast economic and political power of the big formula milk companies, as well as serious public policy failures that prevent millions of women from breastfeeding their children," said Nigel Rollins, one of the authors of a series on the \$55 billion-a-year industry and their marketing "playbooks".

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Over 1 billion in 43 nations at risk amid cholera outbreaks

Right now, 22 countries across the world are fighting outbreaks of the acute diarrhoeal infection caused by eating or drinking contaminated food or water. Cholera cases climbed in 2022, following years of falling numbers of cases, and the trend is expected to continue into this year

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Key Stakeholder Message



The story of Abdul Karim

My name is Abdul Karim. I turned 50 this year. I work for a tiny company. Every day I take the bus to and from work and home. I've been following this regimen for a while now. But I was unaware of how my everyday drive was deteriorating my health over time. The city of Dhaka has high levels of air pollution. Dust, smog, and vehicle exhaust are to blame for the air's toxicity.

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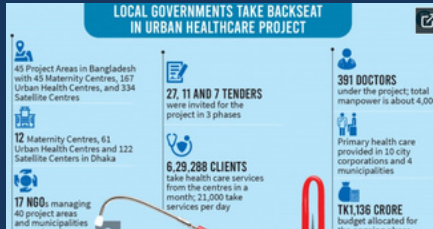
Upcoming Events and Conferences



ACC.23 Together with the World Congress of Cardiology

The 2023 World Congress of Cardiology will be held at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans in partnership with the American College of Cardiology. Join us in New Orleans and online to discover the latest in cardiovascular care!

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How fragile is our urban primary health care system (The Business Standard)?

Since its beginning in 1998, the urban health care centres have been operated by multiple stakeholders: local governments, ADB, and NGOs. In these 25 years, the local governments have not been able to take sole responsibility of these clinics

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Mental Health of Urban Residents (Ajker Patrika).

If you have a fever, you may quickly take paracetamol to feel better without going to a doctor. But have you ever checked on your mental health? Before the 2019 pandemic, it was estimated that one out of every eight people worldwide was affected by mental illness.

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Virtual Meeting of the Urban Health Working Group (BUHN)

The second meeting of the Urban Health Working Group (UbHWG) took place virtually on January 29, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Mustakim Billah Faruqui, Additional Secretary (Urban Development), Local Government Division (UGD) of the Ministry of Local Government.....

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