

# NEWSLETTER OF DRY FISH

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Photo: Siddique, Date: 15/10/2022

Global Handwashing Day is being celebrated all over the world including Bangladesh on Saturday to motivate and mobilize people to improve their handwashing habits. Until the outbreak of Covid-19, handwashing and its importance in helping prevent the spread of diseases is something that most of us probably never gave much thought to. But the global pandemic has shone a light on the importance of handwashing, meaning the day now carries an extra relevance, even though it has been around since 2008. The day is being celebrated to create awareness among the general people to prevent the spread of the disease by washing their hands with soap.

The theme of this year's Global Handwashing Day is *"Let's all be united in hand hygiene."*

These benefits would have been achieved if people had practiced the habit of washing their hands regularly during the pandemic of coronavirus but it did not happen.

Due to the lack of handwashing habits, many people in the country get infected with many diseases including diarrhea and respiratory infections. At least six children per 1,000 of the five years age group die in Bangladesh every year due to the disease, according to a research report. Effect of washing hands with soap on diarrhoea risk in the community: a systematic review report shows washing hands with soap can reduce the risk of diarrhoea diseases by 42-47 percent and interventions to promote handwashing might save a million lives. It also ensures 23 percent protection in case of respiratory diseases.

**COAST Foundation** SEP Project observed the World Handwashing Day with the active participation of Dry fish cluster owners, workers and outlet owners in Nazirartek, Cox'sBazar. A total of 60 People including 45 Male and 15 Female Dry fish cluster workers, Owners and Businessmen from Nazirartek participated in the Rally. Later COAST Foundation SEP Project distributed Soap, Sun Hats and Snacks among the attendees. SEP Project set up a Handwashing Point at Nazirartek Bazar.

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of  
Dry Fish  
Processing  
Industry  
through  
Innovation  
and  
Technological  
Intervention.

# Beneficiaries Feedback



Cyclone Sitrang slammed into densely populated, low-lying Bangladesh on 25 October, fearing heavy rain and storm surge rushed to move hundreds of thousands out of the system's path. Storm surge of up to three meters (10 feet) above normal tide levels with strong winds, which inundated areas of Nazirartek home to thousands of people. As a result, Many Fish drier and Macha of the dry fish cluster in Nazirartek got destructed.

Photo: Siddique, 26 October, 2022



The recent Cyclone that hit Bangladesh, particularly in the Nazirartek, has dealt a double blow to the daily workers due to unemployment of 5-6 days.

“The sufferings, caused by the cyclone, are even more for the daily worker people like us as we had no other extra income which causes that we’ve little or no food at home,” said Senowara Begum in his mid-50s.

Photo: Siddique, 29 October, 2022



COAST Foundation SEP Project organized a day long training featuring on “Borrower’s training on Safe dry fish Production and Management”. A total of 32 Borrowers and dry fish workers were participated in the training at Nazirartek. SEP Project staffs discussed in the training about how to produce safe dry fish and what processes need to be followed. Participants shared the experience about safe dry fish production and management.

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