

## International Day for Disaster Reduction (IDDR) October 13, 2011

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করতে পারে দুর্ভোগ ঝুঁকি প্রশমন’

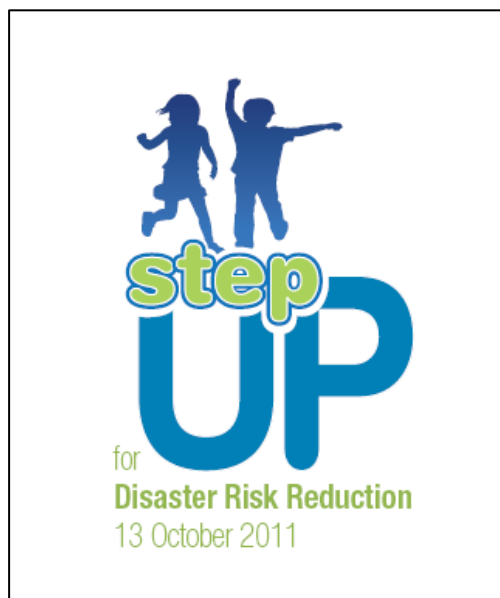
**DHAKA** – On October 13, 2011, The Comprehensive Disaster Management Programme is celebrating the International Day for Disaster Reduction by organizing several events to raise the awareness on disaster risk reduction and how to reduce risk. The 2011 observance takes place within the framework of the “Step Up for Disaster Risk Reduction” campaign, and the theme is “*Making Children & Young People Partners in Disaster Risk Reduction*”.

Globally, 6.5 million children are affected annually by disasters. In Bangladesh, children and youth under the age of 18 constitute 45% of our population and one of the most vulnerable sections to disasters. Disaster threatens the lives, the rights to basic needs, protection, education, and the very survival of children and youths.

On this day, Government of Bangladesh, is renewing its commitment to raise the awareness and to ensure the wider engagement towards youth and children as active participants, potential change agents, and leaders in disaster risk reduction (DRR) through. With the support of Comprehensive Disaster Management Programme (CDMP) and NGOs and civil societies, government planned various events throughout the months.

Leading to the day, Children and youth participated in art and essay writing competition around the country. On the Day, national rally and a seminar will be also organized in Dhaka.

### Join Us



“Disaster Risk Reduction  
and ensuring the safety of  
our youth is a priority”  
Honourable Minister of Food  
and Disaster Management

#### October 13, 2011 – IDDR National Programme

9:00am Rally from Central Shahid Minar

10:00am Seminar at Osmani Memorial Hall

**Chief Guest:** Honorable Minister, Dr. Muhammad Abdur Razzaque MP, Ministry of Food and Disaster Management

#### October 18, 2011 – Cyclone Early Warning Simulation

✓ Find out what to do during a Cyclone

🕒 3:00pm: Khoira Upazilla of Khulna

#### October 27, 2011 – National Workshop on Disaster Coordinated Assessment

✓ The Government of Bangladesh and stakeholders will have agreed tools for disaster coordinated assessment.

🕒 9:00am - 4:00pm: Spectra, Dhaka