

# LOOKING FORWARD

▶ The Engaging Youth in Climate Action Program has had a lasting impact on the individuals and communities involved, with participants continuing to share their climate knowledge and implement youth-led community initiatives.

*"Our youth volunteers remain active in the field, working hand in hand with local disaster management committees and volunteers, utilizing their skills to support their communities to address climate change impact." BDRCS representative.*



The program's success has inspired the integration of youth-focused components into new and existing BDRCS initiatives.

With additional funding, the program can be scaled and expanded to reach more communities and young people in Bangladesh, raising awareness and fostering a generation prepared to face and mitigate the environmental challenges ahead.



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For over 50 years, the BDRCS has been at the forefront of disaster and climate risk management, committed to alleviating human suffering, strengthening resilience, and promoting sustainable development in vulnerable, last-mile communities.



BDRCS, in partnership with local governments, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), and a range of local, regional, and global stakeholders, is relied upon for addressing immediate community needs whilst also promoting long-term adaptation efforts across Bangladesh.

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## RESILIENT FUTURES: YOUTH AT THE HEART OF CLIMATE ACTION



Addressing Climate Risks in  
Coastal Bangladesh



# YOUTH IN CLIMATE ACTION

Bangladesh faces mounting climate-related challenges, from extreme weather events to rising sea levels.

With climate-related funding and support, the Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS) is engaging and empowering young people to become agents of change in climate resilience and disaster risk reduction within their communities.



***“FOR THE FIRST TIME, I FEEL WE ARE NOT JUST WAITING FOR OTHERS TO TAKE ACTION — WE ARE MAKING CHANGES OURSELVES”***

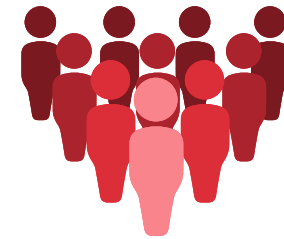
Sakib, a youth leader from Bagerhat, who championed a riverbank tree-planting project aimed at creating a vital buffer against flooding.

## ENGAGING YOUTH IN CLIMATE ACTION PROGRAM

Between November 2023 and June 2024, BDRCS, through its' Disaster & Climate Risk Management Department, launched the Engaging Youth in Climate Action Program in Khulna and Bagerhat.

A key aspect of the program was Y-Adapt, a Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre curriculum, which trained youth leaders and volunteers in 9 coastal Bangladesh communities, equipping them with knowledge and skills to design, lead and implement local climate initiatives.

## KNOWLEDGE + CONNECTION = ACTION



**10,000+**  
**COMMUNITY MEMBERS REACHED**

Through climate awareness events, youth-led forums, and public performances as part of the Engaging Youth in Climate Action Program.

**600+** Young people provided with knowledge and skills to implement local climate initiatives.

**70+** Youth Climate Forums and Project Design & Management sessions hosted in 2024.

**45** Youth-led climate initiatives successfully implemented, including tree planting, distributing climate-smart vegetable seeds, and rainwater harvesting.