Dhaka City : The Present and the Future Focusing on Eastern Dhaka

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- More people living in urban areas
- Expansion of urban areas
- More people and assets venerable to urban flood

Urban population will increase to 73 million by 2025, and 136 million by 2050. Major migration to Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna & other cities

Water supply, sanitation and drainage problems will be major issues





Evolution of Dhaka City

Moghul period British period Pakistan period Bangladesh period 1990





Natural drains-60 years back

Natural drains intervened

Cio-economic changes Large-scale Urbanization

> Dhaka Drainage System



Total area: 160 km²

West Dhaka : 136 km² Eastern Dhaka: 124 km²

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Both protected and unprotected part



Floods in Dhaka City

Urban Flood River Flood



Water Logging & Drainage Congestion in Dhaka City

14 locations in western Dhaka experience water logging



Flood water near Palashi



Mood water near Bijoy sharani



Nood water near Sheraton Hotel



Flood water infront of Air force officers me.







River Flood 2004 (July 21 – August 10)



Flood water near Iducation Board



Mood water near University area



Flood water near Azimpur area



Mood water near New Market area





Population Projection of Dhaka



Landuse change trends in Dhaka city 1991 – 2008







22 low density 23 medium density 24 high density



Urban Growth Modelling



	Low priced land	Medium priced land	High priced land
Ave. Land price million Tk./sq m	0.009	0.02	0.04
Ave. main road width, m	16	23	31
Ave. access road width, m	2	3	5
Ave. Duration of water logging, hr	17	6	3



BUET Study, 2005

Land price hike trend in Dhaka city 1990 – 2010



Source: Statistical Yearbook, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS)

		Price of land (Taka/Katha)			% Increase in price over the past two decades		
		Year			Between	Between	
Area		1975	1990	2000	2010	1990- 2000	2000- 2010
	Baridhara	25,000	600,000	5,000,000	40,000,000	733%	700%
	Gulshan	25,000	600,000	2,200,000	25,000,000	267%	1036%
	Banani	25,000	600,000	2,000,000	15,000,000	233%	650%
	Mahakhali	25,000	600,000	1,800,000	12,000,000	200%	567%
	Dhanmondi	25,000	600,000	2,200,000	20,000,000	267%	809%
	Lalmatia	20,000	600,000	1,800,000	15,000,000	200%	733%
	Azimpur	175,000	600,000	1,600,000	5,500,000	167%	244%
	Mohammadpur	25,000	500,000	1,200,000	7,000,000	140%	483%
	Shantinagar	20,000	500,000	1,500,000	10,000,000	200%	567%
	Shamoli	17,500	300,000	1,000,000	4,500,000	233%	350%
	Uttara	20,000	300,000	1,000,000	7,500,000	233%	650%
	Cantonment	20,000	400,000	1,000,000	7,500,000	150%	650%
	Komlapur	17,500	400,000	800,000	4,000,000	100%	400%
	Gendaria	10,000	400,000	700,000	3,500,000	75%	400%
	Basabo	2,000	300,000	800,000	3,500,000	167%	338%
	Kollanpur	17,500	300,000	800,000	3,200,000	167%	300%
	Mirpur	10,000	200,000	700,000	4,000,000	250%	471%
	Badda	4,000	200,000	600,000	3,000,000	200%	400%
	Goran	4,000	200,000	600,000	2,600,000	200%	333%
	Demra	4,000	200,000	600,000	18,000,000	200%	2900%
	Motijheel	50,000	1,200,000	3,500,000	20,000,000	192%	471%
	Kawran Bazar	41,500	1,000,000	2,500,000	15,000,000	150%	500%







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Conceptual Structure Plan of RDP - RAJUK



Strategic Transport Plan by DTCA | MoR&B





Dhaka Eastern Bypass Project BWDB|RHD|BR

24 km Flood Embankment, Four Lane Highway, flyover & Elevated Railway

83 km Khal & Drainage Channel Improvement



Very Uneven Population Density



The densely populated and more western urbanized area is protected from river flood. Unprotected eastern area is frequently flooded by adjacent river. There is lack of proper maintenance in the protected area. Histircal data shows the extreme events are more frequent in recent times





30-yr rainfall event without CC will be equivalent to 10-yr event under B1 scenario

Which is a scenario of less CC impact and ecologically friendly.

Impact of A1FI is much more pronounced



Resilience measures

For extreme rainfall event, the drainage system of protected part of the city has to use pumps and proper maintenance also plays an important role. Several structural measures are required for flood mitigation in the unprotected part, land-use zoning and enforcement is also required to make it resilient.

Constrained High Growth 2050

- No flood Embankment
- Land filling for real estate development allowed under certain conditions

Total Cost of Structural Measures: Tk. 12,000,000,000 ~ USD 1.5 billion

Cost of Adaptation: USD 75 million

Conclusion

- The western Dhaka was developed in an unplanned manner with short-term objectives
- This type of development has created long-term irreversible negative impact on natural system and society. Impacts include major water logging, traffic congestion, loss of ecosystem and water bodies
- Major Industrialization within the Dhaka watershed; industries not caring for wastewater treatment; consequence is major pollution of water bodies and rivers. Impact on public health and ecosystem are significant
- Major migration from the countryside to Dhaka increased the population density tremendously but the city planning authority were more focused on developing areas for the top 3-4% of the high income segment of the population ignoring lower income segments.
- We see the same pattern of development in the eastern Dhaka; we foresee similar fate like west Dhaka in the eastern part

Conclusion

- We see at least ten agencies with their own fragmented plans investing in multi-million dollar projects in eastern Dhaka. There is very little coordination or harmonization of these plans and projects. These projects will only serve 4-5% of the high income segment of the society
- There are gaps in the mandates and ordinances of these agencies which does not clearly say about the authority which will be responsible for overall coordination. Therefore there are overlapping or duplicating of the efforts.
- To our view the City Corporations which are headed by the Mayors being public representatives and accountable to the people - should do the coordination and harmonization
- The role of the government should be more of provididng the basic needs like safe water, sanitation, energy, communication, disaster management measures
- Let the people of the areas together with the mayor's office determine how they wish to see the area develop