



### **Special agro-meteorological advisories to possible flash floods for haor areas:**

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According to the Bangladesh Water Development Board's Flood Forecast and Warning Center (FFWC), flash floods are likely in few places of the northeastern haor areas of Bangladesh (Sylhet, Sunamganj, Habiganj, Moulvibazar, Kishoreganj, Brahmanbaria and Netrokona) due to heavy rainfall by the end of April/2021 month. With the approval of the Director General, Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE), the following advisories have been provided to protect standing crops from the harmful effects of flash floods in the haor areas:

- If the transplanted boro paddy is matured 80%, harvest immediately and keep it safe and dry place.
- Immediately harvest the matured vegetables.
- Clean the irrigation channel so that there should not be any standing water in the paddy field.
- Increase the height of bunds around the crop fields.
- Make suitable arrangements so that excess water can be drained out of the crop fields.
- Avoid application of fertilizer, pesticides, irrigation.
- Apply fertilizer and pesticides after rainfall if required.
- Provide mechanical support to the standing banana and other horticultural crops and also stacking of vegetables.
- Arrange boats for migration of essential food items and others from low to high land.
- Arrange for migration of livestock and poultry birds to high land.
- Maintain a good height of embankment around the pond. If possible, provide net or bamboo chatai around the pond to protect from flowing out with flash flood.