



Blue Gold Program

Blue Gold Program Orientation for Kalapara Upazila Parishad

Place: Patuakhali WD Division, BWDB, Kalapara

Date: Nov 09, 2017

To Brief the Upazila Parishad, Upazila level officials of the line departments about the Blue Gold program; its implementing agencies, objectives, targets, activities, areas, stakeholders and implementation procedures, a half day Orientation program was successfully organized at Kalapara Water Development Board Office on 09 November 2017. Upazila



Chairman, UNO of Kalapara, other officials from the concerned department, concerned four UP Chairmen covered by 2 Polder (47/3 and 47/4), Executive Engineer and other staff of Patuakhali Water Development Division, Kalapara attend in this Orientation Program.

Due to an emergency meeting of Kalapara Upazila Parishad in the morning on the same date Upazila Nirbahi Officer and Chairman requested to shift the program after lunch as all the Upazila level officers and UP Chairmen had to present in that Upazila meeting. The Office of Executive Engineer, Patuakhali WD Division built a well decorated stage for the orientation program at the premises of the Patuakhali WD Division, Kalapara but unfortunately we have to conduct this meeting in the office room of Executive Engineer. Though the meeting started around 2 PM very informally followed by a self-introduction to each other, the discussion was very interactive and prolific.

BGP Introduction

At the very beginning of the discussion, the Blue Gold objectives, activities, executing process and participatory water management approach- Functional WMOs was presented through a power point presentation by T&C Leader Mr. Abul Kashem. In this session Mr. Shorab Hossain explained the process of WMOs formation, its activities and legal entity i.e. registration process to the participants and Mr. Delower Hossain informed the audience about the rehabilitation plan and progress till now of infrastructure of polder 47/3 and 47/4 while Mr. Shamim Ahmed



contributed about agricultural activities of Blue Gold Program (TA Part) of these two new polders.

It is noted that Agriculture Officer, DAE Kalapara also updated to the house about agricultural activities under BGP-DAE part in these two new polders. After that Mr. Aowlad Hossain briefed the roles and involvement of local Govt. Institutions (Upazila parishad, UP and other organizations) with Blue Gold Program and importance of strong linkage between LGIs and WMOs.



Open Discussion

Mr. Mosiur Rahman AO, DAE-Kalapara requested to BWDB to informed them before planning any rehabilitation works in the polder so that they (DAE) can assist BWDB to select the right one as all these are for agricultural production. And he also opined that BWDB and Blue Gold program should plan on how to preserve or store water in the polder area during rabi/dry season for irrigation as in this polder area more or less all the cultivable land remain fallow in dry season because of salinity.

The chairman of Balitali Union expressed his gratitude to BG Program Authority and BWDB to select these polders as the rehabilitations works will start after very long period.

Mr. Tanvir Rahman, UNO Kalapara acknowledged to BWDB for arranging this meeting where he got the glimpse of Blue Gold Program for the very first time since its inception in Kalapara Upazila. He appreciated the participatory approach in water management i.e. involvement of local people and wished its success. A request was made by the UNO to provide the rehabilitation plan of structure of the two polders (47/3 and 47/4) to his office so that he can share with the concerned line department to avoid any overlapping of development activities in this polder area. Right

Motion: The Executive Engineers, Patuakhali WB Division, BWDB agreed and committed to provide the **rehabilitation plan** of polder 47/3 and 47/4 and **the resolutions** of consultation meeting (with UP where the plan was prioritized) to the concerned departments immediately.



away the Upazila Chairman and other officers clinched the proposal.

The Chairman, Kalapara Upazila Parishad Mr. Abdul Motaleb Talukder firstly thanked the authority for the invitation and hosting the meeting. He expect that one representative from BWDB should be ensured in every coordination meeting so that they can get the update of development activities on regular basis. He also shouted for removing the illegal cross dam in the cannels and Blue Gold



Program can work on this matter specially sluice operation by involving correct people as in earlier all the sluice are used only for catching fish. He recognized the kind of work of Blue Gold Program especially the community involvement and gave his commitment and full support from Upazila Parishad to implement the Blue Gold Program.

Conclusion

In the concluding remarks, the Executive Engineer, Patuakhali WD Division briefly described the background of including two polders of Kalapara Upazila under Blue Gold Program and the budget limitation for implementing all the planned rehabilitation works. He thanked the distinguished participants specially the Upazila Chairman, UNO and other Upazila level officers of line department and also expressed his gratitude to Blue Gold TA Team for organizing the meeting very effectively.

November 10, 2017



Annex-1

BGP Orientation for Upazila Parishad List of Registered Participants and Observers

Sl.no	Name	Designation	Mob.no
1	Abdul Motaleb Talukder	Upazila Chairman, Kolapara	01716-538157
2	Md. Tanvir Rahman	UNO, Kalapara	01733334155
3	Ahmed Fazley Rabbi	SO, BFRI, RSS, Kalapara	01722901294
4	Md. Tipu Sultan	SO, BJRI, Kalapara	01756566798
5	Abdus Salam Sikder	Chairman, Dalbugong UP	01715097407
6	Md. Mostofa	Vice-Chairman, Dalbugong UP	01718640775
7	A.B.M Humayun Kabir	Chairman, Baliatoli UP	01728195300
8	Md. Abdul Zahid	Chairman, Dulashar UP	01740916166
9	Kazi Hemayet Uddin Herion	Chairman, Mithagong UP	01712765230
10	Md. Mahabubur Rahman	Junior officer, BRDB	01716-068031
11	Md. Mosiur Rahman	Upazila Agriculture Officer	01740894828
12	Sharif Mizanur Rahman	XO, BWDB	01714444228
13	Md. Mizanur Rahman	SO, BWDB	01713674104
14	Md. Shafiqul Islam	SAE/SO, Kalapara UZ	01731490015
15	MD. Rafiqul Islam	SAE/SO, Kalapara UZ	01718133054
16	MD. Delower Hossain	CE, BGP	01712069908
17	MD. Shamim A. Yousuf	Agri. Expert, BGP	01795117043
18	Rabin Kumar Das	AE, BWDB, Kolapara	01725156073
19	Md. Aowlad Hossain	Institutional Advisor, BGP	01727184076
20	Shorab Hossain	COE/CAWM, BGP	01711355707
21	Md. Abul Khaer	XEN, Kalapara	01713425476
22	Md. Kamrul Islam	SUFO	01716537730
23	Shipon Ghosh	AEO, Kalapara	01760105054
24	Md. Gias Al Hasan	TC, BGP	01781078877
25	Md. Mamun or Rashid	XO, BWDB	01713531560
26	Md. Atikur Rahman	TC, BGP	01717-449956
27	Abul Kashem	T&C Leader, BGP	01711-733719
28	Shuvanker Dey	Jr. Master Trainer, PC P47/3	01732-543117
29	Md. Nazrul Islam	Jr. socio-Economist, PC P47/4	01718-618997
30	Md. Shahjahan Mia	Co-Co CDF, P47/4	01760-329300
31	Lipy Akter	Co-Co CDF, P47/3	01736-141919



Annex-2

Blue Gold Program
Bangladesh Water Development Board
 Program Orientation for Kalapara Upazilla, Patuakhali

Venue: Office of the XEN, Kalapara, Patuakhali

Date: Nov 09, 2017

Agenda for the program

Time	Activities	Methodology	Facilitators
10:00 -10:30 am	Registration	Participatory	Blue Gold
10:30 – 11:15 am	Inaugural Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome address • Introduction of the participants • Address by the Chief Guest • Objectives of the Orientation and Agenda • Address by the Chairperson and opening of the Orientation 	Introduction, information and, Deliberation	PCD, BGP, BWDB XEN, BWDB, Upazila Chairman Upazila Nirbahi Officer Training Coordinator BGP
11:15- 11:30 am	Tea Break		TC, Blue Gold
11:30- 11:45 am	Video Show: “Unnunayne Pani Babesthapona”	Video show	TC
11:45- 12:15 am	Introduction Blue gold Program, target, functions, achievements as to date	Presentation and discussion	XEN, BWDB and BGP Officials
12:15- 12:45 am	Role of Local Government Institutions- Upazila Parishad in Participatory Water Management and probable areas of assistance	Presentation and discussion	DCEO, BWDB BGP Engineer & ZC
12:45- 01:00 pm	Open discussion and Question Answer session	Explanation and clarity	XEN, BWDB, Upazila Chairman Upazila Nirbahi Officer Zonal Coordinator, BGP
01:00- 01:30 pm	Closing and Lunch		