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**Blue Gold Trends Watcher**  
Issue 1, December 2016

This is the first Blue Gold Trends Watcher, a seasonal project bulletin which aims at summarising the latest results. This bulletin gives an at-a-glance summary of where we are on our journey to improving livelihoods.

The next Trends Watcher is expected to be issued in April 2017. Suggestions for improving the layout and content of this seasonal bulletin are very welcome and can be sent to: [bluegold\\_mrfteams@bluegoldbdi.com](mailto:bluegold_mrfteams@bluegoldbdi.com)



**Water Resource Management**  
**Households Supported on Improving Safety and Water Management**

According to the original program target, Blue Gold aims at delivering more secure livelihoods to 150,000 households in polders in Khuina, Sakkhira, Patasakhai and Barguna. Up to now BGP supported an estimated 102,409 (agricultural) households in improving the safety (flood protection) in their polder and management of their water resources (participatory water management and O&M) which is a 68% achievement against the original program target of 150,000.

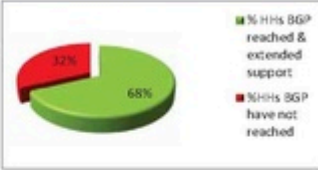


Figure 1: HHs supported on improving safety and water management

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**Table 1: HHs with more secure livelihood**

Polder	District	HHs with more secure livelihoods	Details	Remarks
22	Khuina	1,824	Infrastructure needs to be further strengthened	Source of data: These are estimates and calculations of the TA team.
29	Khuina	10,568	Infrastructure needs to be further strengthened	More work needs to be done in polders for sustainability of protection. Polders 22, 29, 432A and 432B need specific attention, in polders 432A and 432B, 4-5 villages are unprotected.
30	Khuina	7,039		
31 Part	Khuina	3,988		
20	Khuina	3,388		
2	Sakkhira	21,441		
432D	Patasakhai	9,082		
432F	Patasakhai	5,078		
432A	Patasakhai	est. 0,211 (of 7,211)	2 villages are not yet protected	BGP, in close collaboration with local communities, is currently mapping the areas that will directly benefit from the constructed and improved infrastructure.
432B	Patasakhai	est. 0,597 (of 7,597)	2/3 villages are not yet protected	
432E	Patasakhai	1,081		
431A	Patasakhai	4,385		
552A	Patasakhai	11,841		
552C	Patasakhai	8,898		



**Area Covered by Project Interventions to Improve Safety and Water Management**

Up to now, Blue Gold covered 74,472 ha with its Water Resource Management interventions, which is a 47% achievement against the original program target (160,000 ha) and a 65% achievement against the proposed, revised program target (115,000 ha). This area (74,472 ha) has a basic level of flood protection and benefited from participatory water management interventions, but further infrastructural interventions are required to sustain this protection.

Up to now an estimated 14,894 ha benefited from improved water management infrastructure for agriculture (e.g. drainage and irrigation)



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The wiki version of the Lessons Learnt Report of the Blue Gold program, documents the experiences of a technical assistance (TA) team working in a development project implemented by the Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) and the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) over an eight+ year period from March 2013 to December 2021. The wiki lessons learnt report (LLR) is intended to complement the BWDB and DAE project completion reports (PCRs), with the aim of recording lessons learnt for use in the design and implementation of future interventions in the coastal zone.

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