

Preparedness Planning and Management: A Literature Review Emergency Fire

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ABSTRACT

Global policies on fire disaster management have highlighted individual and community responsibilities and roles in managing risk and promoting coping capacity. Establishment of local preparedness technique is viewed as a vital element in real response and rescue. The main purpose of the paper is review. This review paper represents a synthesis of available literature on emergency fire disaster preparedness published between 2000 and 2020, based on eligibility criteria. We performed a systematic search using electronic as well as manual methods for published articles. After that, we identified fire preparedness planning and management strategies suitable for developing countries like Bangladesh context. However, people require sufficient knowledge, motivation and resources to engage in preparedness management activities. Public involvement has now been acknowledged as one of the main factors in reducing fire disaster risk. Fire disaster management from probable reaction, comprehensive risk reduction culture, and the capability of disaster management system in refining the response and recovery management can help to mitigate the challenges in Bangladesh. So, the target is to build resilience through improved disaster risk reduction policies and practices, and similarly maintain and improve capacity fire services. Furthermore, studies are needed to analyze the conditional cash transfer interventions to prevent fire disaster in Bangladesh and other countries would provide better evidence.



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1. INTRODUCTION

Disaster is a horrendous occurrence that causes destruction, decline, production degradation, and human life loss [1], [2]. Disasters impede economic growth, contribute to poverty, waste of time, money diverted, delay in progress, severe financial losses, human misery, and death [3], [4]. The effect of a natural or a risk caused by man may lead to disasters. Natural hazards include earthquakes, seismic eruptions, hillsides, tsunamis, storm surges, tornadoes, etc. [5]. Human-made disasters include illicit oils or accidental

spills of toxic or chemical or nuclear disaster and finally, fire, which is typically a frequent, eye-catching catastrophe everywhere in the world [6] that cannot be expected or tracked and because of its rapid expansion leads to massive loss of life and property [7], [8].

Fire is the fourth leading global cause of accidental injury, with more than 150,000 deaths per year [9]. More than 95 percent of fire deaths or burn injuries occur, where deaths are almost six times greater than in high-income countries [10], [11]. The correlation of residential fire frequency and social and economic characteristics of residents and the living and neighborhood conditions has been demonstrated over many years [12], [13]. The related cost of property damage and livelihoods in low and middle-income countries is possibly essential but is often not reported. The occurrence, effects, and causes of urban fires are not unknown, they are poorly captured officially and vary between countries and cities [12], [14]. Urban housing which are reasonable to bear cost, accessible has not reserved pace globally at the rising time of population [15]. Thus, people are bound to live in low-slung housing or within informal settlements. Urban fires are examples of a global problem which the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction calls "an extensive risk," i.e., a broad-based risk [16] "of repetitive or persistent low or modest hazard conditions, often very localized in nature, leading to weakening cumulative effects"[17]. This issue is mostly ignored as a policy issue, partly because of a lack of accurate information on the national and local incidence and effects, coupled with insufficient financial, technical, and manual capacity to act in a way that reduces the fire risk [14], [18]. However, the essence and the complexity of the problem can be demonstrated by several examples. Bangladesh Fire Service and Civil Defense (BFCD) reported over 150,000 fire incidents causing 1587 deaths from 2006 to 2016 in Dhaka. In November 2012, 112 people were killed and several hundred wounded by a fire at a Dhaka garment factory [19]. The fire ravaged South Africa's informal settlement, some 3,600 homes being burned [20]. On 16 July 2004, 93 children were killed and 21 injured by fire at a government-assisted school in Kumbakonam, India [21]. 7 million people in India have burnt annually, of which 0.7 million need hospital admission, 0.24 million disabled [22], and some 0.14 million die every year from burn injuries. So burns lead to a death every four minutes [22], [23]. In Nepal, between 1990 and 1996, fires destroyed 38,924 houses. Over 700 people died, and around 40000 houses were destroyed in a fire disaster in Myanmar between 2011-2019 [24]. In April 2014, about 2900 homes in Valparaiso, Chile, were destroyed by fire, and 12500 people been displaced [25].

Studies have been carried out to find effective strategies for managing different forms of disasters and are being suggested and addressed. As the informal settlements are illegitimate or impermanent and not planned or legalized by the state, it means informal settlements can be planned and formed by inhabitants in different ways [16]. This review focuses on accidental fires which is caused by naturally and unnaturally within the informal settlements or low quality building. The accidental fire that triggered the major tragedy in many situations, there is still a lack of fire safety, and focus on the emergency preparedness response. Innovation, policy analysis, technology development, tests, and reviews of various techniques will aid many people's lives before they wait for fire brigades or other moving vehicle fire- extinguishing. Therefore, the main aim of this paper is to review literature on emergency fire disaster preparedness published over the past 20 years and summarize the programs, strategy against fire to minimize the disaster.

2. Materials and methods

This review paper with the objectives of collect information relating to fire preparedness management. We searched published articles in four scientific databases included PubMed, Web of Science, Google Scholar and Scopus from 2000 to October, 2020. A broad search was performed using the keywords alone or in combination and title search included "Emergency", "Disaster," "Fire," "Preparedness," "Planning," "Management", with Boolean operators, and "Emergency fire disaster preparedness planning and



management in developing/developed countries". A manual search of all referenced articles followed the unique searches. English language article, quantitative, cross sectional, qualitative, pilot study, survey, retrospective case study, quasi experimental study related articles during the time period of 2000–2020 were selected for this review after searching from the four databases.

2.1 Eligibility criteria

For selecting articles following inclusion criteria was considered: (a) articles which were published in English language, (b) articles that published with main focus on fire preparedness, and (c) this review included only original research and peer-reviewed journal articles. Exclusion criteria included studies published in languages other than English. In addition, editorials, commentaries, expert opinions, study protocol and reports were excluded. Furthermore, the full text article which was not available excluded.

At the initial search stage, 252 relevant articles identified and added in the rayyan.qcri.org. Then, 185 duplicate and irrelevant articles were removed by review of the tittle and abstract. Three authors have reviewed the title and abstract of the relevant articles in the rayyan.qcri.org by following the protocol. 67 relevant articles were identified for full texts screening. 32 articles were excluded for irrelevant subject and included 35 articles after full text screening with relevant to the objectives of the study. Again, 11 articles were excluded for irrelevant study design. Finally, 24 articles were selected and evaluated by two authors to final review. The review procedure was charted in Figure 1.

2.2 Data analysis

A thematic synthesis approach was used to analysis collected information and identify all themes [26, 27]. Two authors extracted the data and coding of findings for each study from the included studies into an extraction datasheet. The following were included for the data extraction of the included studies: first author, publication of year, study area/country, subject/samples, aim/objective, type of study, and summary findings. The correctness and comprehensiveness of the extracted data were checked by one author. Sorting of the relevant literature is shown in figure 1 below.

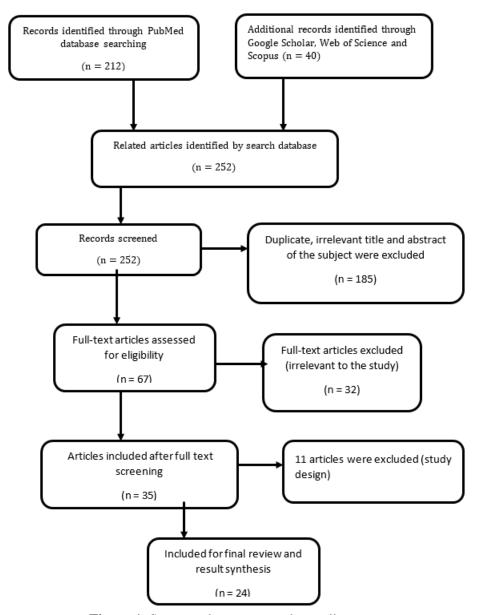


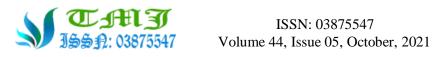
Figure 1. Steps used to sort out relevant literature.

3. Results and Discussion

This review described the findings based on: (1) Methodology, (2) Fire preparedness planning, and (3) Fire disaster management. The preliminary synthesis of literature was showed independently to each of the included article layouts (Table 1).

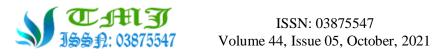
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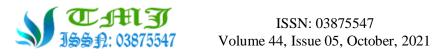
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	rg, 2016		ls	emergency	Study	remains outside preparedness planning,
				preparedness		for instance, military, industry, voluntary
				network Supply		and unclear regulations. The
				Chain to		establishment of the SC network indicates
				understand the		that military, commercial and voluntary
				needs of the		sectors need to be targeted, and they can
				Supply Chain		improve the networks in terms of initial
				Network		planning. In a reformed framework, the
						civil defense must be reinforced in an all-
						hazards approach that involves the full
						scale of the threat, and demonstrating
						essential functions.
[31]	Ove	Norwa	2 fire	To show how	Worksh	The safety concern of tunnel fire which is
	Njå,	у	event	representatives	op on	related to the Norwegian emergency
	2018		cases and	from fire and	focus	response personnel's state of efficiency
			a	rescue service	group	both in pre- and post-accidental phase.
			workshop	deal with the	study.	The tunnel fire safety condition is so
			with 26	uncertainties and		unclear and fragmented. In the future, it
			experienc	expectations of		will make road tunnels, subsea crossing
			ed	road tunnel fire		more complex. It will be very challenging
						for all parties, including road owners, road
			participa	and rescue		users, vehicle producers, emergency
			nts	system		responders, and authorities.



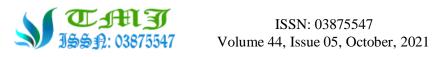
[32]	Wend	South	12	To recognize	Qualitat	This research provides insights into the
	y	Africa	communi ties	threats and	ive	complex factors that obstruct
	Harte		ties	factors impeding	Study	development and infrastructure
	,			disaster risk		development, and risk reduction
	2015			management		strategies and shows a gap in policy and
				policies and		practice on disaster risk management of
				strategies of		Dontse Yanke.
				Dontse Yakhe.		
[33]	Nazia	Bangl	15 heads	To explore the	Qualitat	This research stated that inadequate
	Naos	a desh	of the family	situation, risk,	ive	preparedness existed among slum people.
	hi n,		laminy	and		Almost 95% of people do not take any
	2020			vulnerabilities of		mitigation approach for reducing the risk
				fire hazards and		of fire. In the Kurmitola Bihari Camp,
				investigate		this is a matter of concern that most of
				Bihari camp's		the people were ignorant about fire safety
				fire		mechanisms and management systems.
				preparedness.		
[34]	Alber	South	204	To evaluate the	Qualitat	Most of the people had minimal
	to P.	Africa	residents	awareness and	ive study	knowledge about emergency procedures,
	Franc			crisis		and few did their best to educate
	io li,			management of		themselves. Much of the better-educated
	2016			Ward 23,cape		citizens appeared to live nearer to the
				town residents in		nuclear power station. The lack of
				an emergency.		understanding of the availability of
						information, myths about a nuclear threat
						and a general emergency, or a lack of
						incentives to educate oneself, due to a
						high sense of security and the unlikely
						occurrence, is attributable to the low
						levels
						of knowledge and preparedness.

[35]	Ahmad	Malay	120	To stimulate the	particip	Concerning the perspective of results, it
	Firdaus	sia	participa	integration of	ation	indicates that south-south, ASEAN
	Ahmad		nts	sustainable	observa	regional and triangular cooperation and
	Shabud			concerns into a	tions,	higher education in DRM-SD are
	in, 2017			more extensive	surveys	meaningful impacts from this project,
				planning	, and	which can contract several advantages and
				framework for	docume	be advanced as an approach. This project
				disaster risk	nt	received positives outcomes and valuable
				management.	analysis	information from the respondents for
						future development.
[36]	Helene	USA	128	To identify the	quasi-	The study results, carried out in Seattle,
	Joffe,	and	individua	approaches	experi	show that while fix-it intervention is
	2016	Turke	ls	developed based	mental,	sufficient, the mere act of entering
		y		on the	face-to-	people's homes to monitor their readiness
				psychological	face	level, together with self-reported
				literature on	interve	prevention and socio-psychological
				adequate	ntion	orientation towards extreme events, will
				preparations for	study	increase multi-hazard preparation on a
				natural hazards		longer-term basis.
				and health		
				behavior		
				improvements.		
[37]	Matthew	Peru	230	Aimed to test	Cross-	The selected communities understand the
	Stewart		people	preparedness for	section	high effects of disaster and infections but
	, 2017		aged 18-	disasters and	al study	are not sufficiently prepared for possible
			85 years.	understanding of		disasters in the future. 20% of the
				risk in the		participants had food supply in an
				Trujillo, Peru		emergency, 24% had a water emergency
						plan, 24% held an emergency aid kit, and
						only 20% had the family evacuation plan
						in place for the study participants.



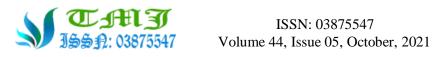
[38]	Chao	China	3541	To evaluate	Quantit	9.9% of family units were well cognizant
	Yi		househol	household	ative	of crises: 53.6% did not have the foggiest
	Chen,		ds	preparedness for		idea of what to do, and 31.6% would not
	2019			emergency		like to consider the big picture. A more
				events and its		elevated level of readiness was set up in
				determinants in		the members who have performed
				China.		advanced education (changed OR=0.826
						contrasted and the more significant level),
						partook in crisis preparing exercises
						(changed OR=2.299), would be wise to
						crisis information (changed OR=2.043),
						revealed less destiny accommodation
						(changed OR=1.385) and more
						independence (changed OR=1.349),
						earlier openness to crisis occasions
						(changed OR=1.280) and held more
						positive perspectives towards readiness
						(changed OR=1.286).
[39]	Eunmi	South	300	To explore and	Quantit	An insignificant (assuming any)
	Lee,	Korea	college	identify disaster	ative	relationship exists between perceived
	2019		students,	influence on		danger and readiness among the
				stress, anxiety,		individuals who revealed low degrees of
				and depression		self-adequacy. Results propose that self-
				among students		viability and saw danger work together to
				and how they		encourage people with physical
				cope with it.		incapacities to find a precautionary way to
						diminish the consequential unfriendly
						health impacts of natural and human-made
						catastrophes.
[40]	B.	South	49 adult	To assess the	Cross-	The injury has occurred mainly in the
	Daffue,	Africa	patients	causes of burn	section	household (77.6%). Three quarters
	2018			injuries between		(77.6%), of which 68.4% were associated
				adults admitted	Study	with domestic activities, have been

				to the Burn		considered accidental. 39.5% of patients
				Wound Unit at		used alcohol at the time of this accident.
				Bloemfontein.		Eleven incidents (22.4%) were
						intentional, with an attack attributable to
						63.6% of the incidents. Flames (59.2
						percent) and hot liquids were the primary
						reasons for burn injuries (22.5 percent),
						and the left front thigh was the most
						common area of injury.
[41]	Jennife r	USA	294	To identify	Cross-	Inimically affected by the disaster
	E. Marcer		responde	a	section	(4.9%), and 82.0% had been taught on
	on, 2018		nts	comprehensive	al	reaction methodologies to fiascos. The
				theoretical	Study	apparent danger of common calamities
				framework for		(1-10) had an average score of 4.89, and
				people		that of social catastrophes (1-10) had an
				with		average score of 6.41. Calamity
				physical		dependability (1-5) had an average score
				disabilities		of 3.02, level of calamity reaction
				that		procedures (1-4) had 2.77, the measure of
				moderates		data about disasters (1-5) had 2.06, and
				the		the degree of fiasco reaction abilities
				interaction		(1-5) had an average score of
				between		2.23. Stress (1-5) had an average score of
				perceived danger		2.91, uneasiness (0-3) 0.58, and misery
				and emergency		(1-5)
				response		
				behavior.		
	Lu Chen,	China	31 areas	To Assess the	Quantit	The catastrophe hazard consequences of
	2017			significant	ative	China's 31 regions are summed up as
				intention of the		follows: Firstly, the space dissemination
				danger of natural		design for catastrophe hazard is that
				disaster in China		west- focal is weighty; also, east is light;
				and		besides, comparable zones have huge,



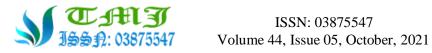
				study the		diverse danger level; thirdly, provincial
				principle		weakness file breaks the wonder "the
				highlights		further developed the economy, the bring
				between various		
				districts.		down the weakness"; fourthly, hazard list
						results affirm again the significance to
						diminish local weakness.
[43]	Isabela	Tanza	110	To analyze the	A pilot	44% of Mchikichini ward occupants
	Wilfred	nia	Househol	unique fire	study	utilize perilous electric works, draw in
	Mtani,		ds	chances in		unregistered electrical experts for
	2018			informal		establishments, what is more, fixes in
				settlement		opposition to makers' determinations and
				settings and the		utilize non-normalized electrical
				network's ability		apparatuses with no legitimate support.
				to decrease these		This incorporates risky electric practices
				dangers through		by occupants, the helpless limit of
				arranging. also,		inhabitants to battle fires when begun,
				execution of		restricted admittance to structures by
				metropolitan fire		firefighting gear because of spurning of
				chances control.		arranging guidelines, and insufficient
						attention to neighborhood government
						heads of the extent of fire chances.

[44]	Emily	China	64 Dong	To Analyze the Cro	oss-	The related elements of fire hazard
	Ying		clan	viability of an sect	ction	insight, counteraction, and reaction
	Yang		family	up-close and al		mindfulness/ information at benchmark
	Chan,		responde	personal network surv	rvey	were assessed. Subjects showed a better
	2018		nts in the	put together		agreement that fire covers could battle a
			first	wellbeing		blast if utilized suitably, and that
			interventi	schooling		information was supported for 17 months.
			on in	mediation		The meditations were compelling in
			2015, 58	concerning		improving fire counteraction and reaction
			responde	chance insights,		information. Directed mediations ought to
			nts joined	explicitly the		be coordinated by networks' culture, the
			in the	Health-EDRM		advancement of financial flourishing, and
			second in	information of		way of life rehearses.
			2016.	fire risks among		
				high-hazard		
				ethnic minorities		
				in rustic China		



[45]	Greta	Hong	sample	To analyze the	cross-	Total respondents interviewed was 1020,
3	Tam,	Kong	size 1020	residents'	section	and the reaction rate was 45.9%
	2018			readiness level in		(1020/2223). (59.2%) had excellent
	2010			the occasion of a	ar scaay	family unit readiness, a total family
				general disaster		readiness unit (3.4%). Albeit just 46.6%
				or episode		of all-inclusive communities had long
				of		haul medicine, 157/206 (76.2%) with
				irresistible		constant infections had long haul
						1
				distinguish		advanced education and higher family
				appropriate channels for		unit pay were connected with excellent
						family unit readiness. TV and phone were
				network illness		the favored channels to get and report
				surveillance and		irresistible illness data, individually.
				danger		
F.4.63		G1 :	1000	correspondence.		
[46]		China	1000	To examine the	a cross-	87% use public transportation daily.
	L		individua	relationship	section	After a metro fire crash, the self-reported
	Emily		ls	between the	al	trust in metro safety was 85.6%. Females
	Ying			social-	telepho	were more likely to be worried about
	Yang			demographic	ne	transport protection if they had lower
	Chan,			condition and	survey	incomes and single people. Roughly
	2019			risk perception	study	46.1–63.2% of respondents had the right
				of transportation		fire-related awareness of health response.
				safety.		Earlier initial assistance training (32%) is
						related to fire response awareness in a
						mixed
						pattern.

[47]	Jacob	Tanza	250	To determine the	A pilot	60% of the firefighting facilities were
	M.	nia	individua	level of	study/	not maintained regularly, 50% had stored
	Kihila,		ls	preparedness for	Questio	some harmful materials, 70% had
	2017			fire disasters	nnaire	insufficient firefighting water storage.
				management	Intervie	Furthermore, 51% of respondents have
				expertise among	ws	not had firefighting facility installed;
				the selected ten	study	80.7% have never had firefighting and
				higher education		preventative training; have never
				institutions.		participated in a fire fighting installation
						(95.6%), and have been unaware of the
						contacts of their firefighters (81.5%).
						Prevailing circumstances have shown that
						higher education institutions are not well
						equipped to handle fire incidents,
						suggesting that preparations for solutions
						are essential.



[48]	Sofia	Swede	144	To investigate	Retrosp	The modelling of emerging tools was an
	Karlsso	n	papers	the collective	_	integral part of the process to increase the
	n,			learning	Case	capacity for collaboration. The devices
	2020				study	were reviewed and tested, and
				rescue		implemented in full-scale exercises during
				organizers,		collaborative meetings. This process led to
				mining		organizational development and a better
				companies,		comprehension of the other organizations'
				emergency		perspectives. A tentative model has thus
				medical services,		been developed for the development of the
				training firms,		practice organizers' learning process.
				and academia		Process organization and process.
[49]	M. J.	Austra	Unclear	To analyze the	Unclear	Given the problems of geographical
[.,]	Beltran	lia		Commonwealth		isolation and resource constraints on the
	, 2011			and the State's		Island, the existence of the unique natural
				complicated		environment and the criticality of early
				policies in an		fire detection and quick suppression, it is
				emergency		crucial to focus and robust fire plan
				management		initiatives and to ensure the potential for
				sense, current		climate change is included in the risk
				and future fire		analysis. Cooperation between
				risk management		governments, administrations and
				factors, and the		agencies are critical in addressing
				problems faced		emergency management challenges,
				by a small,		fiscal and administrative insights,
				isolated		including information sharing and joint
				population		research arrangements and refinement of
				with fresh,		rapid response systems.
				different,		
				radical		
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				contentious		
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				concepts.		
[50]	Ebenez er Owusu - Sekyer e, 2017	Ghana	20 individua ls	±	A Pilot Study	The findings highlighted the low systemic structures to prevent, plan and mitigate disasters perceived in disaster management as cross-cutting themes. The loss scale caused by this catastrophe illustrates how failure to minimize risk can lead a whole country to the mercy of disaster events.

3.1 Methodology

Several studies (n=3) were conducted in the United States of America (USA); [28], [29], [41], USA and Turkey; [36], studies (n=4) were conducted in China; [38], [42], [44], [46], (n=3) in South Africa; [32], [34], [40], (n=2) in Tanzania; [43], [47], the residue initiated from Australia; [49], Ghana; [50], Sweden; [48], Hong Kong; [45], South Korea; [39], Peru; [37], Malaysia; [35], Bangladesh; [33], Norway; [31], Sweden; [30]. One study is conducted in more than two countries including New Delhi, Cape town, Lebanon; [16].

All of the studies reviewed qualitative study, quantitative study, pilot study, retrospective case study, cross-sectional survey approach, observational study, quasi experimental study, case study. The study participants varied widely in standings of the country settings.

3.2 Fire preparedness planning

Fire preparedness planning refers to the combination of planning, training, and drilling to ensure optimum



response performance in emergencies at the social community level. Planning for community-based fire preparedness in emergencies plays a critical role in safety. The fire emergency preparedness plan begins with a written plan listing the descriptions of critical components and the protocols that should be followed when a fire occurs [51]. The emergency preparedness plan should address all anticipated future emergencies as well as recovery plans. Fire preparedness planning can be categorized into three significant sections [52], [53].

3.2.1 Information Dissemination

This includes convening meetings for the exchange of knowledge, the procurement, positioning, and management of material resources, and the thought and communication of information on potential dangers and fire risks [35], [53], [54].

3.2.2 Education

This section covers developing techniques for training, knowledge transfer and assessments; educating the public and others involved in the planning process; undertaking public educational activities [29], [44].

3.2.3 Practices

This segment involves holding disaster drills, rehearsals and simulations of fire hazards; establishing informal linkages between active groups; formulating memoranda of understanding and mutual aid agreements; drawing up organizational disaster plans and integrating them with overall community-mass-emergency plans [55].

Moreover, Emergency response education plays a vital role in saving people and reduce fire disaster damage. Each person should be trained to respond to the fire risk and fire safety mechanism instantaneously [34], [39]. Everyone must be involved in this activity voluntarily. The absence of understanding and plans improves the possibility of difficulties. More campaigns are required to inform people of the various consequences and fire safety issues inclusively.

3.3 Fire Disaster Management

This review paper collates actions and good practices within fire disaster management based on the reviewed material. The approaches used to arrive at the inputs i.e. starting from the reviewed material, secondary literature has been used to develop the content. Disaster management can be described as the coordination and management of resources and obligations for all humanitarian problems, including planning, response and reconstruction, to mitigate the effect of catastrophes [34], [55]. Comprehensive fire disaster management is based upon four distinct components:

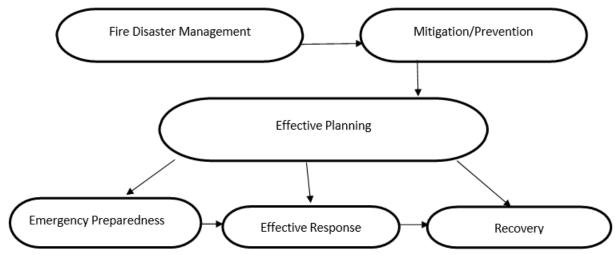


Figure 2. Proposed conceptual model for fire disaster management

3.3.1 Mitigation/ Prevention

Most significant, but so frequently ignored, is mitigation and prevention. The proactive measures possibly will reduce the chance of a fire threat to nearly zero [56]. These are: Avoid deactivating alarms of smoke or Carbon-monoxide detectors. These are life-saving gadgets that alert early of an incident that risks human life. It can reduce the impact of a fire systems which are in place to deal with it for mitigation. Carbon monoxide, CO, is the most plentiful lethal byproduct of combustion, odorless, colorless and tasteless gas called the Silent Killer. Also, tampering, sealing, removing fire alarm equipment is a criminal offence; Do not let the cooking go unattended. The number one reason for fire incidents is cooking. Unattended cooking can raise the likelihood of a full fire flame. Never overheats cooking oils. In a pot, glide the cover carefully over the pot to smother the fire when a flash fire is present. Never move it into the sink or use water. Otherwise, this will lead to a blaze of oil splashing and a fire spread to nearby areas.; In critical places, where inflammable material is highly present, smoking should be prohibited. Do not permit propane tank into the building. The vapors are heavier than air, and any gas leak can pass into a fire source, such as the pilot light or electric arc, to cause a fatal explosion inside the building. Maintaining these preventive measures may act pro-actively for mitigation to handle the fire risk & hazardous situation [11], [28], [50], [57].

3.3.2 Preparedness

Installation and understanding of how fire alarms and extinguishers are worked. There are appropriate technologies for different occupancies e.g. fire alarms that work well in the UK domestic situations are not appropriate for how people use their homes (or the sizes of homes) in the informal settlements of cape town. Prepare an emergency fire escape plan with the most necessary resources; Fire Safety Experts agree that evacuation of 2 minutes' exercise should be practiced regularly for all participants and make sure that the fire compartments are much larger. Use of the worst cases to be extra secure and prepared; and Training is aimed at developing and verifying the ability to avoid fires and respond effectively to fire events. The following training considerations must include: fire action, portable fire extinguishers, experience, equipment operation and repair, alarms, handling flammable fluids; as a minimum, everyone should undergo fire protection and first aid training in the following areas. After that, they should assist or participate in the retained fire and rescue department in the neighborhood [38], [46].

3.3.3 Response

Get everybody out as soon as possible, do not panic, do not gather goods or belongings, and take the



emergency kit bag quickly instead; Close the fireplace door, close behind all the doors as going, if possible; Use the back of the hand to touch it before opening a closed door – if it feels hot, do not open it – on the other side could be the flames. Smoke rises, so stay low, which helps in easier breathing; If there is no way to get outside through the entrance, open the window to get attention and for air to breathe. Stay by the window to be seen and rescued; Drop blankets or bedding onto the ground in imminent danger at the first-floor level and to break the fall from the window. Get the feet out before falling, and lower the body to the entire length of arms. Using first aid immediately and request assistance and also to request assistance, call emergency lines and clearly state the fire address [14], [50], [53].

3.3.4 Recovery

Identify community risks, vulnerabilities and effects of disasters. Identify ways of mitigating community risks and vulnerabilities to minimize the effects of future disasters.

- i. Regulations on zoning reform;
- ii. plan inspections of infrastructure and urban spaces are enforced;
- iii. equipment and supplies for the planning and prevention of future disasters.

Creation and execution of the plan under local rules by:

- i. Reinforcement relationships between organizations;
- ii. support for legislative attempts to carry out the initiative;
- iii. lace together sources of financing to meet the goals of the strategy.

Track the activities and performance of the plan and review them. Apart from these, measures which should be taken to ensure successful management of fire disasters are [43], [57], [58]

- i. Strong links to the rescue authorities concerning the presence, the ideal route, and open area assessment at the most vulnerable areas are coordinated and established;
- ii. different agencies, organizations and individuals should be assigned appropriate tasks to provide an efficient response;
- iii. coordination of all firefighting teams should be created;
- iv. fireplaces in appropriate areas with a view over traffic and dangerous areas in the city should be placed;
- v. urbanizations should be handled at all levels in a significant problem and;
- vi. develop a more proactive strategy for preventing panic and chaos in the event of an emergency.

All of these actions are long term and will be more or less able to be delivered due to the impacts of short-term immediate recovery needs. So, in case of an informal settlement fire, people will rapidly rebuild and start reacquiring assets within 1-2 days. Thus, this will inhibit and change any longer-term recovery plans.

This review was conducted from developed and developing countries and that developing countries are now progressively understanding the importance of effective fire disaster emergency planning and management, a safe and well approach to lessen the fire disaster risk [59]. Public involvement has now been acknowledged as one of the main factors in reducing fire disaster risk.

4. Policy analysis in context of Bangladesh

Our developing country related study reviewed that emergency fire risk management, response to fire and mitigation is the only way to save our people from unexpected deaths. Community involvement is vital to ensure that any potential intervention is appropriate, achievable, and sustainable within the local context of fire services and roles in both risk management and response to fires, and their active engagement in

developing new strategies and working methods for urban fires, if we are to reduce fire risks. Effective evidenced-based fire engineering strategies implemented post-fire will help increase communities' resilience to urban fire risk, and ultimately help to create sustainable cities [16]. In Bangladesh where lackof-development-led problems are persistent, there is a fundamental requirement to improve contextresponsive policies and action plans that should report the reasons and dynamic processes of fire disaster susceptibility and lack-of-development issues in an integrated manner. National Plan for Disaster Management (NPDM) 2016-2020 is prearranged to support the government of Bangladesh's objective to become a middle-income country by 2021 and a developed country in 2041. But to diminish vulnerability, poverty, natural, environmental and human-made disasters to a controllable and tolerable humanitarian level by: (a) Getting a paradigm shift in disaster management from probable reaction and aid training to a more comprehensive risk reduction culture; and (b) Strengthening the capability of the Bangladesh disaster management system in refining the response and recovery management at all levels. So, the target is to build resilience through improved disaster risk reduction policies and practices, and similarly maintain and improve capacity fire services. The plan has three basic objectives: Saving lives, Protecting investments, Current recovery and reconstruction [60], [61]. The challenges posed by urban fires got to be addressed under Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 11.

4.1 Barriers and challenges in Bangladesh

Lack of awareness and insufficiency of training are of an even greater magnitude in the developing world particularly in Bangladesh. The large gap between available data and practical information that could be improved to reduce the uncontrolled fire disaster situation in Bangladesh. Further research is needed to mitigate the challenged in context of Bangladesh.

4.2 Strength of the study

Our research shows the understanding of risk, knowledge of citizens, rescue service, and first aid training when the fire happens unexpectedly in any field. This review will enable us to clearly understand the danger of fire and provide us with a solution to cut occupancy and enforce policies and then recognize a planning void. In order to concentrate more on fire preparedness program at large Government and non-Government Organizations steps are needed properly.

4.3 Limitations

In literature review, only English papers are included. Data related to fire disaster in Bangladesh are often insufficient, suffer from statistical flaws, and are not readily available. Many articles were published in local, non-indexed journals, not available online, and difficult to gather.

5. Conclusions

As fire disaster is one of the biggest problems of our densely populated country Bangladesh, integrated action based on comprehensive policy and stepwise implementation should be adopted taking into consideration of local affected zones. Fire disaster management should focus on awareness build up, multidisciplinary and multilevel approach by the Government, NGOs and civil societies can create greater awareness for a technical training program to prevent the hazardous events. Fire disaster management from probable reaction, comprehensive risk reduction culture, and the capability of disaster management system in refining the response and recovery management can help to mitigate the challenges in Bangladesh. Further studies are needed to analyze the conditional cash transfer interventions to prevent fire disaster in Bangladesh and other developing countries would provide better evidence.

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