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BANGLADESH: FISHING VILLAGE DEVASTATED BY CLIMATE CHANGE

VIDEO

VAR. SHOTS OF FISHING
VILLAGE , PATERGHATTA,
SOUTHERN BANGLADESH

SHOTS OF DESTROYED HOUSE
SHOTS OF PEOPLE IN VILLAGE
2 SHOTS

PEOPLE SITTING AROUND
OUTSIDE SHOP
VAR.SHOTS EMPTY BOATS

W/S SHIRAZ MUNSHI, INJURED
FISHERMAN
CU OF SHIRAZ

AUDIO

NARRATION

The fishing industry in southern Bangladesh was badly affected when cyclone Sidr hit in November 2007. (6.5")

Winds of up to 250 kilometers per hour lashed the coastline and beyond. It's one of the worst disasters the country has ever witnessed. Experts say climate change is making the weather pattern here worse. It's having a devastating effect on communities in one of the poorest nations in the world. (18.75")

In the southern Borguna district at least 2,500 people suffered when the cyclone struck, according to the Bangladeshi Red Crescent Society. (9")

A few months on and boats stand idle, many damaged or without owners because they died in the disaster. Around 1,500 trawlers were affected. (10")

SHIRAZ'S SON WALKS OUT OF
HUT TO STAND NEXT TO
MOTHER COOKING
CU MOTHER'S FACE

Shiraz Munshi and his family are struggling to cope. He lost his boat and was hit by a tree when trying to get to safe land in the stormy weather. He has a hip fracture and remains injured. The family, like many others here, are now dependant on aid. (16")

SHIRAZ MUNSHI ON CAMERA

SHIRAZ MUNSHI: (Bangladeshi) M
"We cannot afford three meals a day. What more can I do? Our income is very little. I cannot work." (4.6")

VAR. SHOTS SHIRAZ LYING
DOWN AND BEING GIVEN
WATER TO DRINK

NARRATION

Shiraz can barely move his body because he's in so much pain. He spends most of his days in the tiny shack which houses his wife and three children. (8.2")

SHIRAZ MUNSHI ON CAMERA

SHIRAZ MUNSHI: (Bangladeshi)
"Thank God I'm still alive and I pray to God every day. I'm in pain but I'm surviving off this medicine." (8")

SHIRAZ'S SONS COLLECTING
WOOD
MOTHER WITH BABY
BOYS COLLECTING WOOD

NARRATION

The eldest two sons have taken on their father's financial burden. They're sent out for daily labour to help repay the 20,000 Bangladeshi taka loan he took for his treatment. It'll take a lifetime to pay back he says. (13.8")

SHIRAZ MUNSHI ON CAMERA

SHIRAZ MUNSHI: (Bangladeshi)
"I cannot send the boys to school... If I do we will starve." (3")

VAR. SHOTS BOATS

NARRATION

Shiraz says fishing was his life. He would spend two weeks a month on the waters, like many others in this village, earning around \$30 a month. (8.75")

SHIRAZ MUNSHI ON CAMERA

SHIRAZ MUNSHI: (Bangladeshi)

"There were heavy losses here for fishermen. My brother lost his trawler too. They are also living in terrible conditions." (7")

PEOPLE MAKING FISHING NETS

NARRATION

In the village, there are some signs of hope as people try and keep their age-old industry alive. It's a slow start but better than nothing as many do their best they can to survive. (12")

SHIRAZ WALKING AND IN PAIN

For Shiraz getting back on his feet is going to take time – but it's time he simply can't afford to lose. (7.25")

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