

Vacancy

The Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre is the expertise centre of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent in the field of climate change and climate disasters. The Climate Centre's mission is to help the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and its partners reduce the impacts of climate change and extreme-weather events on vulnerable people.

Due to a vacancy at the Climate Centre, we are immediately looking for a:

Intern, Flood and Cyclone Monitoring and Assessment, and Situation Reporting in Bangladesh

Start date: As soon as possible for a period of eight months (40 hrs per week)

Project title: Early Warning and Triggers for Anticipatory Action in Bangladesh

Project Details: A collaboration between RCCC and OCHA aiming to work together towards the co-development of impact-based forecast triggers for cyclones and floods in partnership with relevant government and non-government stakeholders. In addition, advisory support is provided for other hazards related to triggers.

Objectives of the Project:

To provide technical support towards the development and review of triggers in Bangladesh and build capacity of the Cyclone Preparedness Programme, Department of Disaster Management and Forecasting authorities like the Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre and Bangladesh Meteorological Department on trigger monitoring.

Partners: UN Agencies in FbA/AA, BMD, FFWC, DDM, CPP and BDRCS

Targeted area: Jamuna and Padman river basin and coastal area of Bangladesh

Timeline: April – December 2024 (8 months from the start date for 40 hours per week)

Learning Objective: The intern will gain experience with riverine flood and cyclone risk analysis. He/She will learn to work in a multi-stakeholder environment and communicate results to lay and technical audiences.

Responsibilities: The intern is expected to carry out the following responsibilities with regard to the flood and cyclone Anticipatory action in Bangladesh:

- Review from literature and existing materials, reported cases, and EAPs/AA framework on riverine floods and cyclones.
- Assess flood and cyclone exposure and vulnerability and underline factors impacting society.
- Develop flood and cyclone forecast monitoring template/format in consultation with BMD, FFWC, and others.
- Monitor the weather forecast for cyclones and floods forecasts and produce a situation report to activate the AA.
- Support the Technical advisor with technical analysis as needed

- Support the team with GIS analysis and database development for the trigger modeling and reporting.
- Conduct Field visit to collect data and information on impacts.
- Participate in the regular coordination calls with different team members and support the team based on the demand

Education:

The intern must be enrolled in a university programme for the entire duration of the placement (three months full time (40 hours/week) from start date) and have a background in Water resources engineering, Environment Science, Climate Science/Climate Risk Management, Disaster Risk Management, Geography or similar.

Skills and Abilities:

- Very good Analytical skills and GIS mapping.
- Good understanding of hydrology and weather science
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Excellent literature review, research, analytical and writing skills
- Command in Bangla and English is an added advantage
- Ability to coordinate with different stakeholders
- Ability to work well in an inter-cultural team
- Ability to work well independently with a primarily remote-based team
- Working experience in AA or EAP in Bangladesh is an added advantage

Location:

This position will be home-based and the student must be based in Dhaka. There will be frequent meetings at the UN RC / OCHA Dhaka office. They will work with the technical advisor of the project.

We offer:

The intern will receive compensation of 450 euros per month based on a 40-hour work week.

How to apply:

We would like to receive your application, CV and cover letter (in English) addressed to Olette Manhoudt, HR officer at the Climate Centre at application@climatecentre.org. Please use “Riverine – AA in the Hutterian sector, Bangladesh” in the subject line.

Application deadline:

10 April 2024 at 11:59 CET

Please note that due to the expected number of applications we will only contact you if you have been successful in your application.

If you have any questions about this vacancy, please contact us at hr@climatecentre.org.