

Novel Molecular Approaches for Advancing Prediction and Mitigation of Disease Outbreaks in Aquaculture for Small Scale Farmers

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About ARBAN

- □ A non-government **volunteer** organization since 2002
- Active in Netrokona, Mymensingh, Jamalpur, Khulna, Bagerhat, Satkhira and Sylhet districts of Bangladesh.
- □ Acts merely as the poor people's partner and combating the embedded inequalities that stand as roadblock to the formation of a just and democratic social order.
- Strongly trusts on "Holistic Approach" for indisputable development of the community people through active participatory process in planning, decision making and implementation phase of interventions.
- Become a pioneer in ICT based interventions in the communities in different thematic areas like Education, Health, Women Empowerment, Agriculture, Research, Youth Development, Skills Development, and entrepreneurship development.

Goal, Mission, Vision

- □ GOAL: To contribute in establishing a self-reliant, informed and knowledge-based society.
- MISSION: Based on comprehensive development of back-ward, deprived, underprivileged and marginalized people (especially women, children, disable and indigenous community) towards establishing a society with respect of full democracy, liberty, equality, justice, peace and solidarity by implementing service delivery and rights based activities through a participatory and multidimensional partnership approach.
- □ VISION: An educated Bangladesh with democratic society which is free from poverty and exploitation with equal rights and respects for all in an equitable, justifiable and healthy environment.





ARBAN Information Tech.



The Project

UK's Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (the "BBSRC") funded a project "Novel Molecular Approaches for Advancing Prediction and Mitigation of Disease Outbreaks in Aquaculture for Small Scale Farmers." UK ased partner- University of Exeter, St. Andrews and CEFAS. Bangladeshi partner BAU, WorldFish and ARBAN.



- Central theme is the alignment of the efforts of farmers, Aquatic Health Professionals, researchers and national Competent Authorities to help avert disease outbreaks.
- Addresses the GRP Aquaculture Call priority areas of Healthy and nutritious aquaculture, seeking to understand, manage and mitigate for some of the most important diseases in aquaculture, in turn increasing productivity for the health and well being of poor small scale farmers.











Our Activities

- □ **Field visit** with Exeter University, Cefas, Bangladesh Agricultural University, WorldFish team to see the culture pattern at farmer's level.
- Engaged to develop questioner for Mobile App partner Organizations.
- Developed final Bangla version questioner consultation with Bangladesh Agricultural University and WorldFish.
- Arranged **workshop** at Bangladesh Agricultural University with Government fisheries officer, University teacher (BAU), WorldFish people, Key farmers, stakeholders and IT people to take feedback on App content.
- ARBAN App developer team developed first version of Mobile App.
- ARBAN arrange formal training for data animator team (Infopeddler) to operate App and conduct survey.
- Conduct field test to see the performance of App functionality.
- Arrange meeting at field level with Exeter University, Cefas, Bangladesh Agricultural University, WorldFish, ARBAN and key farmers on Mobile App.







Our Activities

- Questioner finalized for App considering field findings, farmers opinion, feedback from app user, data animator and other stakeholders.
- ARBAN team selects the survey area consultation with BAU for Mynensingh area.
- ARBAN people arranged meeting with Government fisheries officer at Upazila level.
- Info-peddler team prepared a farmer who are involved with Tilapia and Pangasius traditional farming.
- ARBAN Info-peddler team create farmers profile for survey.
- Info-peddler team conducts 302 pond survey, (Total farmer-238, Pangasius-187, Tilapia-115) surveys from 73 locations through Mobile Application.
- ARBAN App developer team develop another app for Malawi WorldFish.
- Spread sheet for data analysis is ongoing.

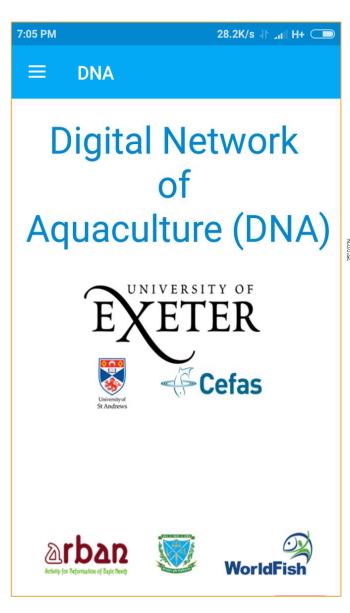


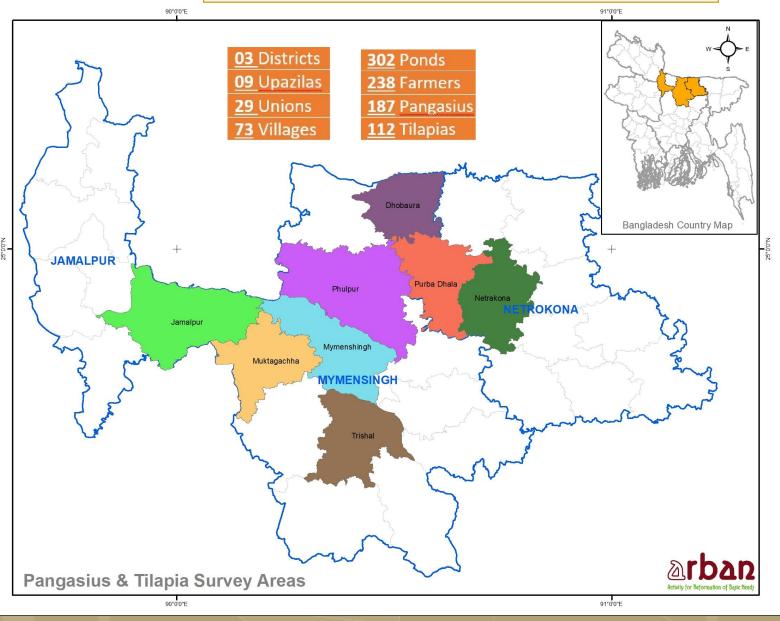




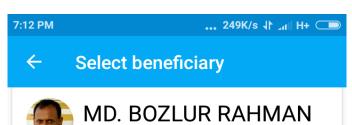


Pangasius, Tilapia Survey





DNA Android App



Age: 34 Tilapia

RAJU



MD. MUZIBUR RAHMAN

Age: 65 Pangasius



MD. ABDUL GONI

Age: 70 Pangasius



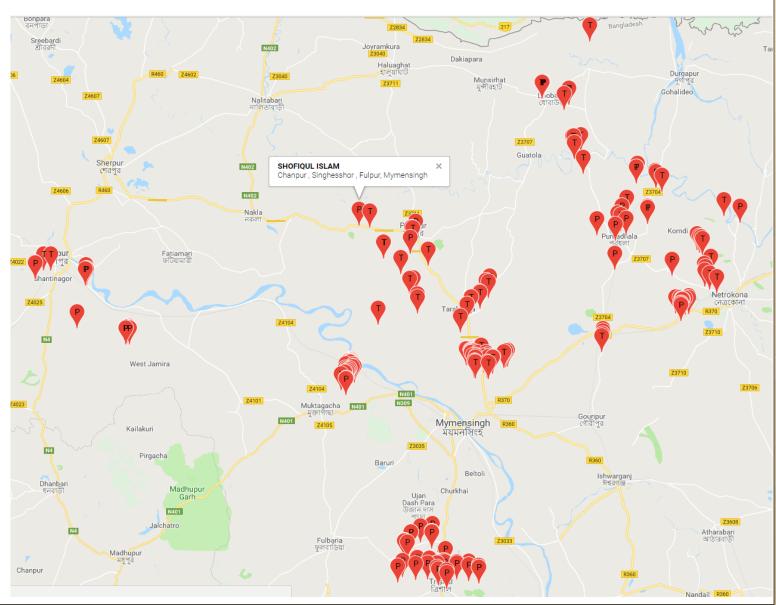
MD. MUKHLECHUR RAHMAN

Age: 45 Tilapia



MD. MASUD RANA KHAN

Age: 48 Tilapia



Challenges

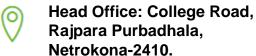
- Missed data at the time of sync due to technical problem.
- □ Some time farmers were heisted to provide data.
- □ Farmer's record keeping system is not very good at farm level.
- □ Farmers seek technical, Information support from project.

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THANKS

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Questions & Answer

Entrepreneurship Development



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Agriculture







Education

Skills Development



Health



Youth Development