

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REPORT

Construction of Roads and Drains (Subproject 1)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction: Pabna Pourashava is one the oldest municipalities in Bangladesh and is the main town of Pabna district which was established in 1828 during British Reign. In 1886, Pabna Town Committee was established before the establishment of Pabna Pourashava in 1876. Pabna Pourashava was upgraded to “A” category Pourashava in 1989. It is situated at 161 km north-west of the Capital City of Bangladesh and 110 km east of Rajshahi city. Pabna Pourashava is located between 23⁰53' and 24⁰05' north latitude and between 89⁰09' and 89⁰25' east longitude. The total area of the Pourashava is 15.66 sqkm and consists of 15 Wards and 23 Mauzas. The total population of the Pourashava is 144442 amongst which 74039 are male and 70403 are female. The total household of the Pourashava is 33217. The density of the population per square kilometer is 9223. (Source: Population and Housing Census 2011)

The Pabna Pourashava has implemented different development projects with the fund of Annual Development Programme allocated by the government and UGIIP. Recently, the Pourashava has prepared its Capital Investment Plan (CIP) for its infrastructural development following a participatory approach with the technical assistance from Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF) and identified the “Construction of roads and drains” as the highest priority for meeting the long pending demand of roads and drains for ensuring easy and water logged free movement of Paura citizen and local vehicles within the Pourashava areas. All the priority roads and drains of Pabna Pourashava have divided into three packages and brought under three separate subprojects. This subproject is named as “Construction of Roads and Drains (Subproject 1)” and includes roads of CIP # R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R88, R19, R22 and R59 along with drains of CIP # D1, D6, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11 and D17. The estimated cost of the subproject is BDT 226.8 million and the duration of construction is 15 months starting in October 2018 and to be ended in December 2019.

Justification of selecting the subproject: The proposed subproject has significant importance in internal and external communication of the citizen of the Pourashava as well as drainage of household and industrial waste water. The condition of the roads is very bad having wearing surface, damaged WBM, pot holes, depressions, undulation and rubbish mixed pavements which make the inhabitants and vehicles very difficult to move from one place to another. This damaged condition of the roads causes frequent accident to the people by breaking parts and turning over the vehicles. The water logged situation on the roads causes untold sufferings to the citizen particularly school going children and women, and hampers regular movement and transportation of official, drivers, traders and laborers. Thus, ultimately affect the regular income and livelihood of the citizens of the Pourshava. Therefore, the construction of proposed roads is crucially important for the Pourashava.

The drainage system of the Pourashava is very poor and there is limited number of storm drain within the Pourashava. The drains are severely damaged and mostly nonfunctional. Thus, causing

water logged almost all the year round, and inhabitants of the Pourashava have been suffering a lot through intrusion of water into households even at this dry season. Bad smell and reproduction of mosquito fueled the sufferings of the citizen in manyfolds. Therefore, the construction of drains within the Pourashava is highly important. The proposed drains will ensure the run-off of storm water and reduce the suffering of the people of the Pourashava.

Further, the subproject has significant social and economic benefits to the community people. After completion, the road subproject will provide smooth pavement for the safe movement of inhabitants and vehicles which will reduce the risk of accidents. By constructing smooth road surface and footpath over the drain, it will provide better, easy and safe movement facilities for the travelers. On the contrary, new drains will minimize the drainage congestion and water logged problem. In addition, the proposed subproject will significantly enhance the business facilities and hence increase the income of the people, businessmen and industrialists. It will also add the commercial and aesthetic value of the area. Therefore, considering these benefits, the subproject is selected for the implementation in Pabna Pourashava.

Location of the subproject: The proposed roads and drains are located at the different parts of 12 Wards (out of 15 Wards) of the Pabna Pourashava. The Wards are Ward # 1, Ward # 2, Ward # 3, Ward # 4, Ward # 7, Ward # 8, Ward # 9, Ward # 10, Ward # 11, Ward # 12, Ward # 13 and Ward # 14.

Objective of the study: The general objective of the study is to determine the major environmental impacts that might be happened due to the implementation of the subproject and to recommend possible mitigation measures to avoid or reduce identified adverse environmental impacts and to enhance positive impacts. The specific objectives include:

- Identifying existing environment condition at the sub-project areas for environmental components viz. air, noise, water, land, soil, biological and socio-economic aspects;
- Prediction and evaluation of positive and negative impacts that may result from the proposed sub-project;
- Undertaking public consultation and disclosure of project-related information;
- Formulation of an environmental management plan (EMP) to eliminate or minimize the adverse impacts of the project on the surrounding environment and affected communities;
- Preparing occupational health and safety to minimize any accident or emergency situation;
- Proposing plans for the post project monitoring, ongoing consultation and disclosure, EMP implementation, and institutional arrangement/organizational arrangement; and
- Suggestion and recommendation for abatement/mitigation/management measures to ensure environmental, biological, health and social compatibilities and also to comply with the National Environmental legal requirements and national Environmental Quality standards.

Methodology of the study: This is a qualitative study. However, both quantitative and qualitative data are collected and analyzed to achieve the objective of the study and show the baseline

information of the study areas. Quantitative data are collected from secondary sources and qualitative data are collected from primary sources using different qualitative approach and methods. The approach and methods those are applied during the assessment include: (i) Consultation with stakeholders and community people; (ii) Focus Group Discussion; and (iii) Field visit and observation.

Findings of environmental impact assessment: The key environmental and social impacts, and benefits those are found and anticipated during environmental screening, field observation and community consultation are given as below:

Land use: Existing land of right-of-way of the road and drains will be used. Hence, no loss of additional land will happen here. In addition, loss of community people use to land acquisition will be happened. However, the land value will be increased.

Site cleaning work: Widening of roads and drains requires cleaning of site. But, no tree or vegetation needs to be cut-off as the width of the roads and drains will be existing right-of-way of the roads and drains.

Noise level: Moderate adverse impact of noise level is anticipated to adjacent residential and commercial properties during construction works. However, change in noise levels will not exceed State regulatory thresholds at any location.

Air quality: No remarkable impact on air quality is anticipated.

Water quality: The constructed drains will carry storm water, household waste water and industrial waste water to outfall areas which have moderate impact on aquatic environment. However, the existing water quality of the outfall is badly polluted by the household waste and industrial effluents. Therefore, the impact of newly added waste water could have minor impact on it. In addition, dumping of solid wastes, household wastewater into the drain and illegal toilet connections may create pollution in the aquatic environment.

Threatened and Endangered Species: There is no threatened and endangered species in the subproject area. So, no impact is anticipated to threatened or endangered species habitat.

Drainage Congestion: Temporary drainage congestion may happen and its impact will be minor. However, construction debris and wastes should be collected and disposed properly.

Solid waste management: Improper collection and disposal of the generated wastes materials may degrade the quality of the surrounding environment of laborer shed and degrade the aesthetic value. Therefore, proper solid waste management system should be in place.

Water logging: Temporary water logging may happen during construction period. However, water removing system should be in place.

Tribal people: No minority or tribal populations exist on site or within the immediate area and, therefore, no impacts will fall on such populations. The subproject will not adversely impact the character of the community surrounding the roadway.

Despite the above mentioned negative impacts, the subproject will bring some positive impacts which are given as below:

Transportation and traffic Safety: Substandard and narrow roadway elements will be replaced by the newly constructed RCC and widened road which will ensure smooth movement of both light and heavy motorized vehicles and reduce traffic congestion and potential crashes. Additional roadway features such as lighting, and pavement drainage will contribute to the improvements in motorized vehicles and pedestrian safety.

Water logged: RCC drain will improve drainage facilities and prevent the accumulation of the stagnant water on the road surface. This will prevent formation of muddy and slippery surface on the road.

Employment and income generation: The road has a positive impact on the local and regional economy due to the generation of employment opportunity and will facilitate the trade and business of the commercial and industrial institutions and people living in the different parts of the Pourashava.

Conclusion and recommendations: It is concluded that the subproject is environmentally sound and sustainable. Significant improvement in quality of life and public welfare will result once the subproject is in operation. The potential environmental impacts seem very minimum and manageable, and it would be minimized by taking proposed mitigation measures. The adverse environmental impacts from the subproject will mostly take place during the construction stage. No endangered or protected species of flora or fauna are reported at the subproject site. The community people, businessmen and other stakeholders are highly towards the proposed RCC road and drain. However, some key recommendations are made for its smooth implementation and operation which are given as below:

- The condition of the roads and drains is very bad and public demand for this road is very high. The construction of the road should be started as soon as possible and should be completed within least possible time;
- Proposed environmental management plan should be implemented strictly both during operation and construction phase of the project;
- Suggestions and recommendation made by public for design and construction of road and drain, traffic management, solid waste management and waste water discharge should be taken into consideration;
- Proper training of maintaining environment, health and safety should be given to subproject management unit, contractor and workers in both construction and operation phase;

- Environmental monitoring should be conducted as proposed in environment management plan; and
- This plan could be updated at any stages of the construction and operation of the subproject in case of addressing the environmental issues those are not identified and raised at this stage.

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ABBREVIATION

AP	Affected People
BBS	Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics
BDT	Bangladesh Taka
BMDF	Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund
BOQ	Bill of Quantity
CIP	Capital Investment Plan
DOE	Department of Environment
ECA	Environmental Conservation Act
ECoP	Environmental Code of Practice
ECR	Environmental Conservation Rules
EMF	Environmental Management Framework
EMP	Environmental Management Plan
ES	Environmental Screening
FGD	Focus Group Discussion
GOB	Government of Bangladesh
GRC	Grievance Redress Committee
GRM	Grievance Redress Mechanism
GW	Ground Water
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
MD	Managing Director
MGSP	Municipal Governance and Services Project
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
OP	Operational Policy
PIU	Project Implementation Unit
PMU	Project Management Unit
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
RCC	Reinforced Concrete Cement
SPW	Supply Water
ULB	Urban Local Body
WB	World Bank

1. INTRODUCTION

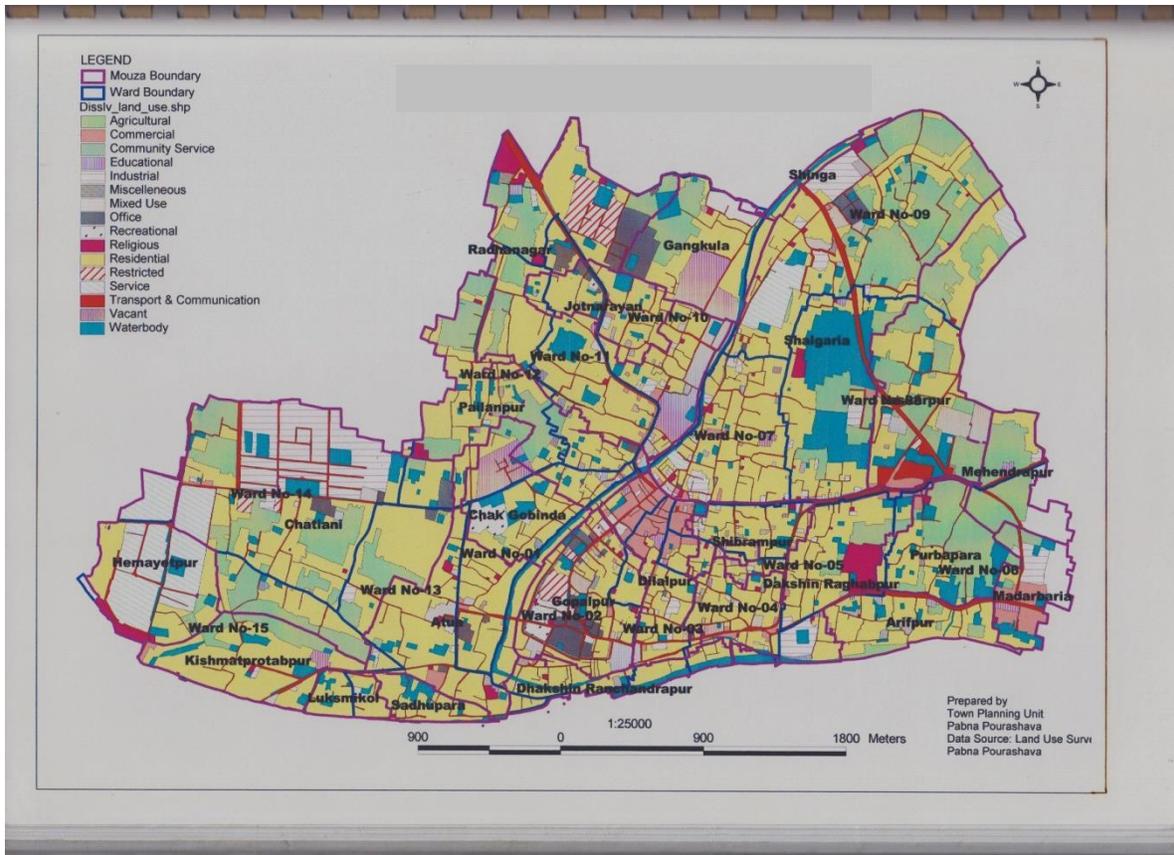
1.1 Background of the Pourashava and the Sub-project

Pabna Pourashava is one the oldest municipalities in Bangladesh and is the main town of Pabna district which was established in 1828 during British Reign. In 1886, Pabna Town Committee was established before the establishment of Pabna Pourashava in 1876. Pabna Pourashava was upgraded to “A” category Pourashava in 1989. It is situated at 161 km north-west of the Capital City of Bangladesh and 110 km east of Rajshahi city. Pabna Pourashava is located between 23°53' and 24°05' north latitude and between 89°09' and 89°25' east longitude.



Map 1: Location map of Pabna District

It is bounded by Shalgaria and Laskarpur beyond the river Ichhamoti on the north, Dakshin Ramchandrapur on the south, Arifpur-Mahendrapur-Madarbaria on the east and Hemayetpur and Pailanpur on the east part of the Pourashava. The Ichhamoti River has passed through the middle of the Pourashava. (Source: Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava 2008)



Map 2: Boundary map of Pabna Pourashava

The total area of the Pourashava is 15.66 sqkm and consists of 15 Wards and 23 Mauzas. The total population of the Pourashava is 144442 amongst which 74039 are male and 70403 are female. The total household of the Pourashava is 33217. The density of the population per square kilometer is 9223. (Source: Population and Housing Census 2011)

Urbanization is considered to be closely and positively associated process with complex and mutually reinforcing links of the economic growth. In attaining and sustaining economic growth, it is essential to develop urban areas. The urban centers are the places of accumulation of economic activities, and the important hubs of production, processing, innovation and employment. The importance of urbanization with available urban facilities and services is growing day by day to meet the demand of growing population. Moreover, in the Pabna Pourashava, traffic volume is increasing day by day with the increase in population and vehicles. But, the narrow, substandard and damaged infrastructures cannot cope with the growing demand. Hence, planned development of road network and drainage system becomes essential to meet the emergent demand. Therefore, this subproject will directly contribute to the economy, livelihood and social spheres of the citizen as well as to improve the overall environment of the Pourashava by constructing its infrastructures.

The Pabna Pourashava has implemented different development projects with the fund of Annual Development Programme allocated by the government and UGIIP. Recently, the Pourashava has

prepared its Capital Investment Plan (CIP) for its infrastructural development following a participatory approach with the technical assistance from Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF) and identified the “Construction of roads and drains” as the highest priority for meeting the long pending demand of roads and drains for ensuring easy and water logged free movement of Paura citizen and local vehicles within the Pourashava areas. All the priority roads and drains of Pabna Pourashava have divided into three packages and brought under three separate subprojects. This subproject is named as “Construction of Roads and Drains (Subproject 1)” and includes roads of CIP # R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, R7, R88, R19, R22 and R59 along with drains of CIP # D1, D6, D7, D8, D9, D10, D11 and D17.

The Pourashava has already submitted an application for sub-credit to BMDF in order to the “Construction of roads and drains (Subproject-1)”. The significant features of the subproject are given in **Table 1-1** as below:

Table 1-1: The significant features of the proposed sub-project

Name of the Sub-Project	Construction of roads and drains (Subproject 1)
Name of District	Pabna
Name of ULB	Pabna Pourashava
Location of the Subproject	The subproject is located at thirteen Wards such as Ward # 1, Ward # 2, Ward # 3, Ward # 4, Ward # 7, Ward # 8, Ward # 9, Ward # 10, Ward # 11, Ward # 12, Ward # 13, Ward # 14 and Ward # 15 of the Pourashava.
Service Areas	The subproject will ultimately serve all the areas under the Pourashava. More specifically, the people living at Ward # 1, Ward # 2, Ward # 3, Ward # 4, Ward # 7, Ward # 8, Ward # 9, Ward # 10, Ward # 11, Ward # 12, Ward # 13, Ward # 14 and Ward # 15 will frequently use the facilities.
Beneficiary Population	Primarily, all the people of the Pourashava will be benefitted. But, ultimately, all the people of the Pabna district will be benefitted.
Tribal People	No tribal people are living in the subproject influence areas.
Structural Design Option	Both RCC and BC road; and RCC drain at both sides and one side of the road based on the requirements.
Total length and width of road and drain	The total length of roads is 8575 meters (m). The width of the road ranges from 3m to 6m based on availability of land and requirements.

The total length of drains is 7280m. The width of the drains varies from 600 millimeters (mm) to 1500mm based on availability of land and requirements.

Land Acquisition	Pourashava is the legal owner of lands.
Estimated Cost	BDT 226.8 millions
Subproject Duration	15 months
Tentative Starting Date	October 2018
Tentative Completion Date	December 2019

1.2 Justification of Selecting the Subproject

The proposed subproject has significant importance in internal and external communication of the citizen of the Pourashava as well as drainage of household and industrial waste water. The proposed roads under this subproject are mostly link roads and by lanes which are connected with main roads of the Pourashava and hence, ultimately connected with Pabna-Iswardi, Pabna-Nagarbari and Pabna-Dhaka national highways. The proposed roads physically cover 11 Wards, out of 15 Wards, of the Pourashava but ultimately are being used by all inhabitants of all the Wards of the Pourashava. However, the condition of the roads is very bad having wearing surface, damaged WBM, pot holes, depressions, undulation and rubbish mixed pavements which make the inhabitants and vehicles very difficult to move from one place to another. This damaged condition of the roads causes frequent accident to the people by breaking parts and turning over the vehicles. The water logged situation on the roads during heavy rainfall at any season and especially during rainy season becomes ineffectual for the movement of vehicles and people and causes untold sufferings to the citizen particularly school going children and women, and hampers regular movement and transportation of official, drivers, traders and laborers. Thus, ultimately affect the regular income and livelihood of the citizens of the Pourashava. Therefore, the construction of proposed roads is crucially important for the Pourashava.

The drainage system of the Pourashava is very poor and there is limited number of storm drain within the Pourashava. The drains within the Pourashava, those are existing at present, are severely damaged and mostly nonfunctional. Thus, causing water logged in most of the areas of the Pourashava almost all the year round, and inhabitants of the Pourashava have been suffering a lot through intrusion of water into households even at this dry season. Bad smell and reproduction of mosquito fueled the sufferings of the citizen in manyfolds. Therefore, the construction of drains within the Pourashava is highly important. The proposed drains, beside the proposed roads, are connected or to be connected with households, offices and business establishments at one end and connected with main drains and ultimate different outfalls of the Pourashava at other end. Thus, ensure the run-off of storm water and reduce the suffering of the people of the Pourashava.

Further, the subproject has significant social and economic benefits to the community people. After completion, the road subproject will provide smooth pavement for the safe movement of inhabitants and vehicles which will reduce the risk of accidents. By constructing smooth road surface and footpath over the drain, it will provide better, easy and safe movement facilities for the travelers. On the contrary, new drains will minimize the drainage congestion and water logged problem. In addition, the proposed subproject will significantly enhance the business facilities and hence increase the income of the people, businessmen and industrialists. It will also add the commercial and aesthetic value of the area. Therefore, considering the benefits that will derive, the subproject is selected for the implementation in Pabna Pourashava.

1.3 Policy Legal and Administrative Framework

There are some environmental laws and regulations under the environmental legal framework of Bangladesh for environmental protection and natural resources conservation. In addition, there are also some safeguard policies of World Bank to prevent and mitigate undue harm to people and their environment in the development process. All the subprojects to be prepared and implemented under the BMDF should be in compliance with these environmental laws and policies of Bangladesh and World Bank. The proposed subproject will also be prepared and implemented in compliance with these laws and policies. The environmental laws and regulations of Bangladesh and the safeguard policies those are applicable to this subproject are given as below:

National Environmental Laws and Regulations:

- National Environmental Policy 1992
- Bangladesh Environmental Conservation Act (ECA) 1995 amended 2002
- Environmental Conservation Rules (ECR) 1997 amended 2003
- National Land-use Policy 2001
- Bangladesh Labor Action 2006
- Bangladesh National Building Code

World Bank Safeguard Policies:

- OP/BP 4.01 Environmental Assessment
- OP/BP 4.04 Natural Habitats
- OP/BP 4.11 Physical Cultural Resources

Now, as per the environmental management framework of BMDF, it is required to conduct an environmental assessment of the proposed reconstruction of road and drain subproject in accordance with the legal regulatory framework of the Government of Bangladesh and World Bank policies. Therefore, the Pabna Pourashava has deployed an individual consultant to carry out the environmental impact assessment of the proposed road and drain as a subproject.

2. OBJECTIVE AND METHODOLOGY

2.1. Objective of the Study

The general objective of the study is to determine the major environmental impacts that might be happened due to the implementation of the proposed subproject and to recommend possible mitigation measures to avoid or reduce identified adverse environmental impacts and to enhance positive impacts. The specific objectives include:

- Existing environmental condition at the sub-project areas for environmental components viz. air, noise, water, land, soil, biological and socio-economic aspects;
- Prediction and evaluation of positive and negative impacts that may result from the proposed sub-project;
- Consideration of alternatives;
- Undertaking public consultation and disclosure of project-related information;
- Grievance redress mechanism;
- Formulation of an environmental management plan (EMP) to eliminate or minimize the adverse impacts of the project on the surrounding environment and affected communities;
- Preparing occupational health and safety to minimize any accident or emergency situation;
- Proposing plans for the post project monitoring, ongoing consultation and disclosure, EMP implementation, and institutional arrangement/organizational arrangement; and
- Suggestion and recommendation for abatement/mitigation/management measures to ensure environmental, biological, health and social compatibilities and also to comply with the National Environmental legal requirements and national Environmental Quality standards.

2.2. Scope and Methodology of the Study

2.2.1. Scope of the study

This study includes different dimensions of environmental issues those need to be considered at different stages of selecting, implementing, and operating the subproject following the environmental policies of Government of Bangladesh and World Bank. The study was conducted on the basis of proposed engineering works, field investigations, stakeholder consultation, primary and secondary data collection, screening of all baseline environmental parameters, environmental quality baseline monitoring, and review of other similar project reports in Bangladesh. The study was conducted in the month of May of the year 2018. The study covers the general environmental profile of the subproject area including physical, ecological, environmental, social, cultural and economic resources. Baseline environmental monitoring (primary data) was carried out on water (surface), and noise quality measurements. The EA includes an overview of the potential environmental impacts and their severity, and proposes necessary mitigation measures and environmental management plan for each of the identified and anticipated impacts. Three numbers of public consultations were conducted as part of the EA.

Addressing the environmental issues in this subproject includes a series of tasks carried out by the study. The scope and methods of this Environmental Assessment includes:

- Baseline Survey data acquisition of the baseline both environmental and social to carry out the Environmental Assessment;
- Understanding the technical aspects of the proposed sub-project through gathering and analyzing primary and secondary data;
- Explore the present environment condition of subproject influence areas through reconnaissance survey and in consultation with community people;
- Identification of potential environmental impacts and evaluating the consequences through using given environmental screening format;
- Categorize the pollutions that may come out during pre-construction, construction and operation phases at subproject site and surrounding areas through key informant interview and field observation;
- Discuss with the people living in the sub-project area about the mitigation measures suggested to avert the negative environmental impacts and to enhance the positive environmental impacts through stakeholders' consultations and general public consultation; and
- Assess the institutional aspects, and develop Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan for the subproject in consultation with Mayor and other PIU members, and based on the findings of the study.

2.2.2. Methods of the study

The study is qualitative in nature and different qualitative methods are used to gather information. Both primary and secondary information are collected, analyzed and used to fulfill the requirements of the study. The primary information is collected following qualitative technique as given below:

- Consultation with stakeholders and community people;
- Focus Group Discussion; and
- Field visit and observation.

Consultation with stakeholders and community people: Consultative meeting with different stakeholders such as Ward Councilors, shop keepers, civil society members, representatives of business men, representative of association of bus, auto rickshaw and truck etc, community leaders and representative of community people is done to exercise the environmental screening using prescribed form of BMDF and filled in the screening form as per their information and opinion. Before starting the screening exercise, the participants are informed about the details of the project information and the way of implementing the subproject.

Focus group discussion: Two focus group discussion (FGD) sessions are organized separately with male community participants and female community participants, mainly the people who are residing and running business adjacent to the proposed subproject and using the roads and drains regularly to know their attitudes towards the proposed subproject, its potential impact and their feedback, and suggestions on mitigating the potential negative impacts and enhancing the positive impacts of the subproject.

Field visit and observation: Field visit and observation of different environmental features are done by the consultant to understand the overall environmental situation of the subproject areas and the potential impacts of the subproject on it during pre-construction, construction and operational stages.

In addition, some quantitative information is collected from secondary sources to complement the qualitative information. The secondary information is collected by reviewing national, district and Pourashava level documents and different websites.

3. SUBPROJECT DESCRIPTION

3.1. Name of the Subproject

The name of the subproject is “Construction of Roads and Drains (SP-1)”

3.2. Brief Description of the Subproject

The proposed subproject will be consisted of both RCC and BC roads and RCC drains. The subproject is consisted of 10 roads and nine drains. The total estimated length of the roads and drains are 8575m and 7280m respectively. The width of the roads will be varied from road to road based on the requirements and availability of the land and will be ranged from 3m to 6m. The width of the drain will also be varied based on requirements and will be ranged from 600mm to 1500mm. The drains will be constructed along both proposed and existing roads at one or both sides of the roads depending on site condition and to meet the design criteria. The drains will be covered by concrete slabs and it will be used as footpath. The concrete slab will also protect the drains from unwanted throwing of solid waste from households, commercial settings and administrative offices. Hence, will reduce the chance of being blocked and remain the drain functional to run off the storm water and grey water. The subgrade and base courses of the existing road will be rebuilt on some roads and as well as for the road widening work, whereas elsewhere new materials will be placed on top of the existing roadway and extension portions. The height of some roads and drains will also be raised to ensure the proper drainage system of the Pourashava.

The proposed roads and drains under this subproject are distributed among the Ward # 1, Ward # 2, Ward # 3, Ward # 4, Ward # 7, Ward # 8, Ward # 9, Ward # 10, Ward # 11, Ward # 12, Ward # 13, Ward # 14 and Ward # 15 of the Pourashava areas. These areas consist of mixed land use pattern of commercial, industrial, administrative and residential area of the Pourashava. Various commercial, industrial, social, administrative and residential areas are established at the both sides of the road. Hence, the proposed roads remain busy round the clock due to commercial, industrial, administrative and domestic purposes. In addition, the condition of the proposed drains is very poor. Due to the damaged condition of the drains, about 65% of the Poura area becomes water logged during rainy season and water logged situation persist at about 30%-40% of Poura area even in dry season. A short brief of proposed roads and drains is given in **Table 3-1** as below:

Table 3-1: Short brief of proposed roads and drains

ID #	Name of Scheme	Effective length (m)	Present width (m)	Proposed Clear width (m)	CIP #
A. Roads					
r1	Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road Ch.750-1540m (From Shalgaria Gorosthan morh to Textile College road)	740	3.0	4.5	R1
r2	Construction of Sardarpara to bypass road (From Sardarpara primary school to RW Station to Bypass road)	1200	3.0	4.5	R2
r3	Improvement of Tarique Paramanik road (From Bangladesh Eidgha morh to old Atimkhana to Amir Garhowan road connecting morh)	1270	3.0	4.5	R3
r4	Construction of Noynamoti Muktijoddha Moyan road & Link road (Wajed Ali road to Noynamoti road and Cherhar mill road)	1000	3.0	3.0	R4
r5	Improvement of Chatmohor Short Cut road (From Radhanager Gola to Bypass road)	1700	5.0	5.0	R5
r6	Improvement of Beltola road (From Dilalpur Mosque morh to Taltola Pond)	800	3.0	4.5	R7
r7	Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road (From PWD office morh to Bablatola morh)	511	3.0	5.0	R19
R8	Improvement of Eskender Ali biswas road (From Dagbangla Morh to Degree College morh)	850	4.0	6.0	R59
R9	Improvement of Nazim Uddin road (From Library Bazar to Poylanpur morh)	2300	5.0	5.0	R10
R10	Improvement of Munsef Babu road (Shishir's House to Babi Islam's house to Tuku Montry's house)	591	4.0m from Shishir's	5.0	R12

			house to HMM road and 3.0m from HMM road to Tuku Montry's house		
Total length of roads		10325m			
B. Drains					
d1	Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road side drain Ch.750-1540m	790	0.3	0.6	D6
d2	Construction of Sardarpara to bypass road side drain	700	No drain	0.9	D7
d3	Construction of Tarique Paramanik road side drain	650	0.45	0.6	D8
d4	Construction of Noynamoti Maktijoddha Moyan road side drain	920	No drain	0.6	D9
d5	Construction of Chatmohor Short Cut road side drain	900	No drain	0.9	D11
d6	Construction of Beltola road side drain	800	0.3	0.6	D10
d7	Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road side drain	511	0.3	0.6	D17
d 8	Construction of Tepu Shultan road & Shara road side drain (Chadmari morh to Library Bazar & Chadmari morh to Gobindha Bridge)	1420	1.2	1.5	D1
d 9	Construction of Shara road side drain(From Chadmari morh to BSCIC Gate)	750	0.6	1.2	D1
d10	Construction of Nazim Uddin road side drain	750	0.3	0.75	D12

d11	Construction of Munsef Babu road side drain	500	0.3	0.5	D13
Total length of drains		9030m			

The proposed roads and drains under this subproject will be constructed on the right-of-way of the existing roads and drains which are owned by the Pourashava. But, the proposed roads and drains will be wider than the existing width of the roads and drains. However, acquisition of land will not be required as there are required space for widening the roads and drains. Hence, there is no need of removing any structures and earth filling to prepare the site for the construction.

3.3. Location of the Subproject

The proposed roads and drains are located at the different parts of 13 Wards (out of 15 Wards) of the Pabna Pourashava. The Wards are Ward # 1, Ward # 2, Ward # 3, Ward # 4, Ward # 7, Ward # 8, Ward # 9, Ward # 10, Ward # 11, Ward # 12, Ward # 13, Ward # 14 and Ward # 15. The location of roads and drains among these Wards is given in **Table 3-2** for as below:

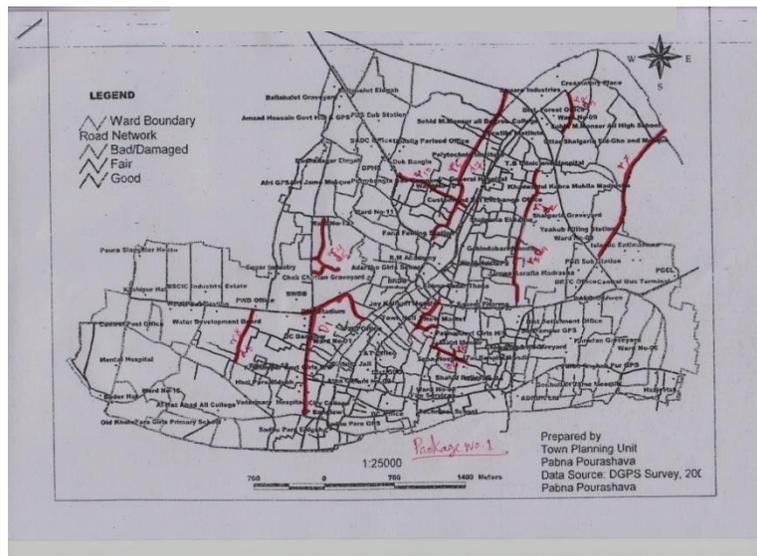
Table 3-2: Location of proposed roads and drains

ID #	Name of Scheme	Effective length (m)	Located under the Ward	CIP #
A. Roads				
r1	Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road Ch.750-1540m (From Shalgaria Gorosthan morh to Textile College road)	740	8 and 9	R1
r2	Construction of Sardarpara to bypass road (From Sardarpara primary school to RW Station to Bypass road)	1200	8 and 9	R2
r3	Improvement of Tarique Paramanik road (From Bangladesh Eidgha morh to old Atimkhana to Amir Garhowan road connecting morh)	1270	7 and 8	R3
r4	Construction of Noynamoti Muktijoddha Moyan road & Link road (Wajed Ali road to Noynamoti road and Cherhar mill road)	1000	12	R4
r5	Improvement of Chatmohor Short Cut road (From Radhanager Gola to Bypass road)	1700	10 and 11	R5

r6	Improvement of Beltola road (From Dilalpur Mosque morh to Taltola Pond)	800	3 and 4	R7
r7	Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road (From PWD office morh to Bablatola morh)	511	13 and 14	R19
r 8	Improvement of Eskender Ali biswas road (From Dagbangla Morh to Degree College morh)	850	10	R59
R9	Improvement of Nazim Uddin road (From Library Bazar to Poylanpur morh)	2300	1	R10
R10	Improvement of Munsef Babu road (Shishir's House to Babi Islam's house to Tuku Montry's house)	591	2 and 3	R12
Total length of roads		10962m		
C. Drains				
d1	Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road side drain Ch.750-1540m	790	8 and 9	D6
d2	Construction of Sardarpara to bypass road side drain	700	8 and 9	D7
d3	Construction of Tarique Paramanik road side drain	650	7 and 8	D8
d4	Construction of Noynamoti Maktijoddha Moyan road side drain	920	12	D9
d5	Construction of Chatmohor Short Cut road side drain	900	10 and 11	D11
d6	Construction of Beltola road side drain	800	2	D10
d7	Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road side drain	511	13 and 14	D17
D8	Construction of Tepu Shultan road & Shara road side drain (Chadmari morh to Library Bazar & Chadmari morh to Gobindha Bridge)	1420	1,13 and 12	D1

D9	Construction of Shara road side drain(From Chadmari morh to BSCIC Gate)	750	13 and 14	D1
d10	Construction of Nazim Uddin road side drain	750	1	D12
d11	Construction of Munsef Babu road side drain	500	2 and 3	D13
Total length of drains		8731m		

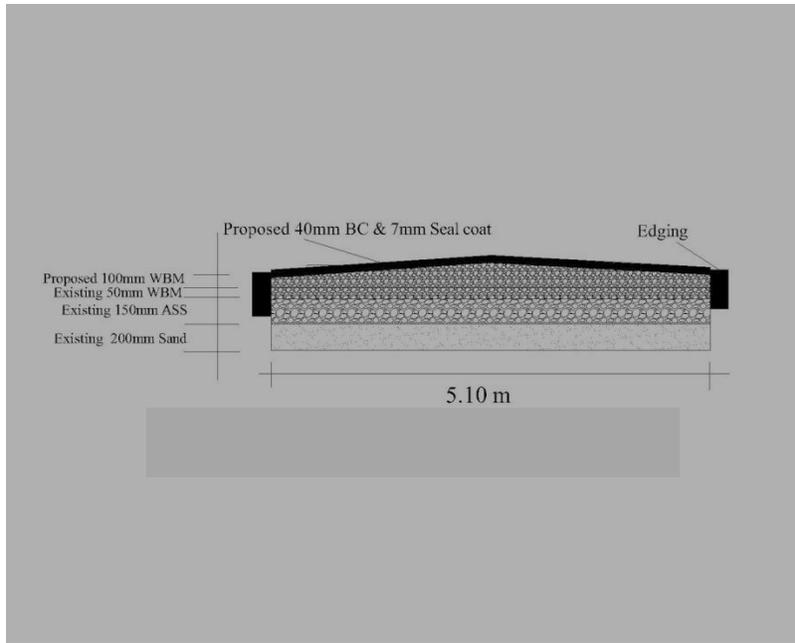
The location map of the proposed roads and drains is given as below:



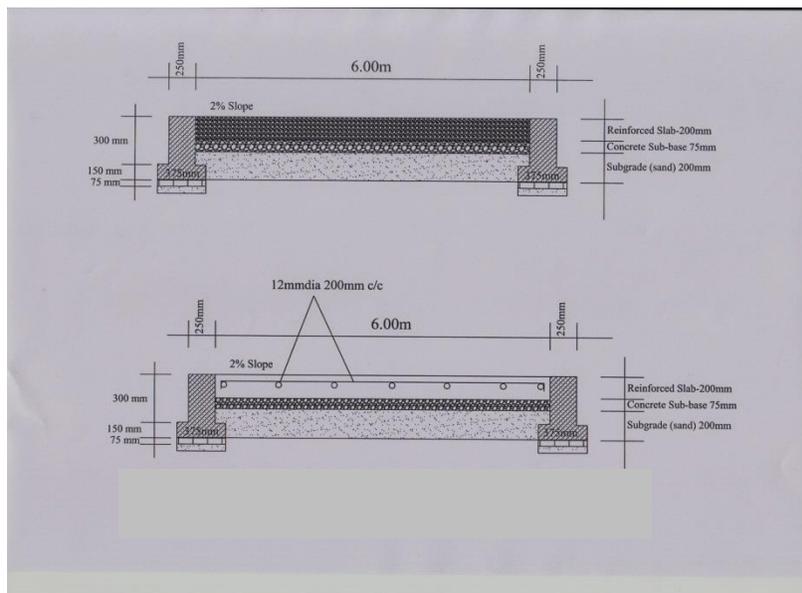
Map 3: Location map of proposed Roads and Drains under the subproject

3.4. Layout of the Subproject

The layout plan of proposed RCC road and drain is given as below:



Picture 1: Cross section of BC road



Picture 2: Cross section of RCC road

comparatively high river bed than the normal land area of the Pourashava. Thus it is causing low speed of water flow through the drains. Sometimes, back flow of water through the drains is also happening in these areas during the rainy season. The existing condition of specific drains is shown in **Table 3-3** which is given as below. In addition, **Picture 8**, **Picture 9**, **Picture 10** and **Picture 11** show the present condition of the drains and its outfalls.

Table 3-3: Existing condition of proposed roads and drains

ID #	Name of Scheme	Effective length (m)	Existing condition of roads and drains	CIP #
A. Roads				
r1	Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road Ch.750-1540m (From Shalgaria Gorosthan morh to Textile College road)	790	BC road having damaged BC, WBM, water logged, undulation and Katcha	R1
r2	Construction of Sardarpara to bypass road (From Sardarpara primary school to RW Station to Bypass road)	900	BC road having damaged BC, WBM, water logged, pot holes and Katcha	R2
r3	Improvement of Tarique Paramanik road (From Bangladesh Eidgha morh to old Atimkhana to Amir Garhowan road connecting morh)	650	BC road having damaged BC, low in height, WBM, water logged, pot holes and Katcha	R3
r4	Construction of Noynamoti Muktijoddha Moyan road & Link road (Wajed Ali road to Noynamoti road and Cherhar mill road)	850	BC road having damaged WBM, water logged, undulation and partly katcha road.	R4
r5	Improvement of Chatmohor Short Cut road (From Radhanager Gola to Bypass road)	1700	BC road having damaged BC, WBM and Pot holes.	R5
r6	Improvement of Beltola road (From Dilalpur Mosque morh to Taltola Pond)	700	BC road having damaged BC & WBM, water logged and undulation.	R7
r7	Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road (From PWD office morh to Bablatola morh)	455	BC road having damaged WBM, water logged and undulation.	R19

r8	Improvement of Sonapotty & Jhalipotty road by RCC.(From from A.Jeb road to Ataikula road)	500	BC road having damaged WBM, water logged, pot holes, depression and undulation.	R22
r9	Improvement of Eskender Ali biswas road (From Dagbangla Morh to Degree College morh)	680	BC road having damaged BC & WBM, Pot holes and depressions.	R59
r10	Improvement of Nazim Uddin road (From Library Bazar to Poylanpur morh)	2450	BC road having damaged BC, WBM, Pot hole and undulation	R10
r11	Improvement of Munsef Babu road (Shishir's House to Babi Islam's house to Tuku Montry's house)	650	BC road having damaged BC, WBM, Pot hole, water logged and undulation.	R12
Total length of roads		10962m		
B. Drains				
d1	Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road side drain Ch.750-1540m	790	Brick drain (ch. 750-850) and no drain : Katcha drain & water logged	D6
d2	Construction of Sardarpara to bypass road side drain	700	No drain: Katcha drain & water logged.	D7
d3	Construction of Tarique Paramanik road side drain	650	RCC road (Bangladesh Eidghah morh to Old Eatimkhana morh was RCC drain, now under the earth and not to be used) having damaged drain, blocked and water logged.	D8
d4	Construction of Noynamoti Maktijoddha Moyan road side drain	920	Katcha drain having blocked and water logged.	D9
d5	Construction of Chatmohor Short Cut road side drain	900	No drain: Katcha drain & water logged.	D11

d6	Construction of Beltola road side drain	700	Brick drain having damaged edge & Katcha drain, and water logged.	D10
d7	Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road side drain	450	Brick drain: damaged drain & Katcha drain, water logged; and now under the earth.	D17
d8	Construction of Sonapotty and Jhalipotty road side drain	500	Brick drain: Damased drain & Katcha drain, water logging; now under earth	D21
d9	Construction of Tepu Shultan road & Shara road side drain (Chadmari morh to Library Bazar & Chadmari morh to Gobindha Bridge)	1420	RCC drain (Chandmari to Library Bazar), Brick drain (Chandmari to Gabindha bridge): damaged drain and water logged.	D1
d10	Construction of Shara road side drain(From Chadmari morh to BSEC Gate)	850	Brick drain: damaged drain & Katcha drain, water logged; and now under the earth.	D1
d11	Construction of Nazim Uddin road side drain	750	Brick drain having damaged brick drain, blocked with garbage and debris, and water logged	D12
d12	Construction of Munsef Babu road side drain	500	Brick drain (400m) and Katcha drain (100m) having katcha drain, damaged brick drain, blocked with garbage and debris, and water logged.	D13
Total length of drains		8731m		

3.7. Key Activities of the Subproject and Implementation Process

3.7.1. The major activities to be carried out during preconstruction phase

General activities to be carried out during preconstruction phase include:

- Construction of semi-pucca site office;
- Construction of separate labor shed with latrine facilities for male and female;
- Construction of temporary fence around the labor shed and stockyard; and
- Construction of pucca platform for stocking construction materials

The major activities to be carried out during preconstruction phase of **BC roads** include:

- Site cleaning and grabbing works; and
- Alignment setting;

The major activities to be carried out during preconstruction phase of **RCC roads** include:

- Site cleaning and grabbing works; and
- Alignment setting;

The major activities to be carried out during preconstruction phase of **RCC drains** include:

- Site cleaning and grabbing works;
- Alignment setting; and
- Bollah palisading, if required.

3.7.2. The major activities to be carried out during construction phase

The major activities to be carried out during the construction phase of **BC roads** include:

- Box cutting, loosing, leveling and compacting;
- Sand filling on the existing road bed and on the extended portions at the both sides with compaction for improved subgrade;
- Brick end edging;
- Aggregate and sand filling with compaction;
- Water bound mechadam for base coarse;
- Spraying lime coat;
- Laying bituminous carpeting with compaction for surface wearing; and
- Spreading bituminous and coarse sand for seal coating.

The major activities to be carried out during the construction phase of **RCC roads** include:

- Box cutting, loosing, leveling and compacting;
- Sand filling on the existing road bed and on the extended portions at the both sides with compaction for improved subgrade;
- Laying polythene sheets;
- CC casting of concrete sub base; and

- RCC casting including brick wall of both sides.

The major activities to be carried out during the construction phase of **RCC drains** include:

- Earth cutting with proper slope;
- Sand filling with compaction;
- Brick flat soling;
- Laying cement concrete;
- Laying polythene sheet;
- Fabrication of reinforcement;
- Construction of RCC for base drain and compaction;
- Construction of vertical wall of drain with weep hole and compaction;
- Construction of cover slab to be used for footpath; and
- Side sand filling with compaction.

3.7.3. The major activities to be carried out during operational phase

The major activities to be carried out during operational phase of the **BC roads** include:

- Road cleaning;
- Pot hole and depression repairing; and
- Shoulder repairing, if any.

The major activities to be carried out during operational phase of the **RCC roads** include:

- Road cleaning;
- Pot hole and depression repairing; and
- Shoulder repairing, if any.

The major activities to be carried out during operational phase of the **RCC drains** include:

- Drain cleaning and maintenance.

3.8. Category of the Subproject

Environmental Screening (ES) for the BC roads and RCC drains has been conducted with the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of Government of Bangladesh (GOB) and the World Bank (WB). Environmental Screening ensures that environmental issues are properly identified in terms of extent of negative and positive impacts. Environmental Screening Checklist, as adopted in Appendix C of the Environmental Management Framework (EMF) of the MGSP, was administered for identifying the impacts and their extents.

- According to ECR 1997: Green Orange A **Orange B** Red Not Listed

➤ According to WB classification: **Category B** □ √ **Category C** □

Considering the potential environmental impacts, primarily RCC and RC roads and RCC drains can be considered as **Orange B** as per ECR-97. According to the WB classification, it is of **Category B**.

3.9. Analysis of Alternatives

The analysis of alternatives of the proposed subproject is done with respect to site, technology, design, and operation in terms of their potential environmental impacts, and the feasibility of mitigating these impacts. It also states the basis for selecting alternative options for the component. The analysis of alternatives for the subproject components was carried out as part of the feasibility study, and has been taken forward.

(a) Analysis of the alternative routes/ alignments/ location

(i) Analysis of alternative routes/alignments of BC and RCC roads

This is a reconstruction subproject where the existing BC road will be improved by BC pavement or replaced by the new RCC pavement using the same alignment. Therefore, analysis of alternatives routes/ alignment is not really applicable here.

(ii) Analysis of alternative routes/alignments of RCC drain

The following three alignments those are given in **Table 3-4** as below can primarily be considered for alternative analysis.

Table 3-4: Analysis of alternative routes/alignments of RCC drain

Route/Alignment	Advantages	Disadvantages
Alternative 1: Both sides of the road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Easier house connection ▪ Ease of construction without much disruption to traffic. ▪ Top of the drain can be used as footpath for pedestrians and hence, can reduce the risk of accidents and ensure safe movement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two drainage lines need to be constructed ▪ It is expensive. It needs more money, area and time.
Alternative 2: Median/center of the road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Single drain needs to be constructed along the median 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Difficult to make house connection
Alternative 3: One side of the road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Single drain needs to be constructed ▪ It is suitable for single lane road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Difficult to make house connections from other side of the road

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It is not suitable for more than single lane road.
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As per sites requirement and in consultation with ULB Engineers, the both **Alternative 1 and Alternative 2** are recommended.

(b) Analysis of Alternative Design

(i) Analysis of alternative design of roads

For this subproject, alternative designs may include BC, CC and RCC roads. Through a comparative study considering the advantages and disadvantages of the BC, CC and RCC road, the consultant may examine which one is feasible. The general advantage and disadvantage of the BC, CC and RCC roads are shown in following **Table 3-5**.

Table 3-5: Analysis of alternative design of road

Design Alternatives	Advantages	Disadvantages
Alternative 1: Bituminous Carpeting (BC) Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Low Construction cost ▪ Provide smooth surface ▪ Aesthetic value is high 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Frequency of maintenance is relatively high; ▪ Early damaged in heavy rainfall
Alternative 2: CC Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do not require frequent repairing like BC roads. ▪ Durability is more than BC road but less than RCC road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Concrete roads do not require frequent maintenance but if damaged the whole concrete slab needs to be replaced. ▪ Costly higher than BC road
Alternative 3: RCC Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capacity of passing heavy loaded vehicles ▪ RCC road is not damaged in heavy rainfall ▪ Frequency of maintenance is relatively low. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High construction cost ▪ Provide relatively less smooth surface

Bituminous Carpeting road provides comparatively smooth surfaces which have more aesthetic value than rough surface that provided by RCC and CC road. The provision of the further expansion of the utility services for instance water supply line, gas line etc is also easier for BC road. However, from environmental and capacity point of view, RCC and CC road is more feasible and less prone to damage and requires low frequency of maintenance. Therefore, based on the require of the sites and considering the environmental and capacity value of RCC road, chance of damage, frequency of maintenance and as a whole to meet the Pourashava demands as industrial

area, **Alternative 1: BC road** and **Alternative 3: RCC road** are recommended in consultation with the ULB Engineers.

(ii) Analysis of alternative design of RCC drain

For a RCC drain subproject, alternative designs may include RCC drain, earthen drain and pipe drain. The following **Table 3-6** discusses the general advantages and disadvantages of RCC drain, earthen drain and pipe drain.

Table 3-6: Analysis of alternative design of RCC drain

Design Alternatives	Advantages	Disadvantages
Alternative 1: RCC drain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not prone to encroachment ▪ Area above RCC drain could be used as a part of road/footpath ▪ Comparatively durable ▪ Easier to maintenance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Higher cost of construction
Alternative 2: Earthen drain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Less construction cost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Need more land for construction of open earthen drain ▪ Prone to encroachment, disposal of solid waste/ debris ▪ Comparatively less durable
Alternative 3: Pipe drain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Require less time to construction ▪ Comparatively durable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maintenance is difficult

Considering the durability, ease of maintenance and scope of using the top of RCC drain, **Alternative 1: RCC drain** is recommended in consultation with ULB Engineers.

(c) Analysis of Alternative Technologies/Methods of the Construction

The method of the construction should be selected based on the available technologies in Bangladesh and with the assistance of the consultant and the Pourashava Officials. However, to minimize occupational health and safety risks and for effective use of the human labors, it is highly recommended to adapt mechanical system where possible for instance concrete mixer machine for casting, mechanical vibrator machine, and other electro-mechanical equipment as per requirement. From the field investigation, it is revealed that, the existing road width is not enough to use the mechanical excavator. Hence, it is recommended to use manual trenching work for these sites.

3.10. Estimated Cost of the Subproject

The estimated cost of the proposed roads and drains is BDT 249.2 million.

3.11. Schedule of Implementation

The proposed subproject will be started on October 2018 and will be completed by the end of December 2019. Therefore, the subproject will be implemented within a period of 15 months.

4. BASELINE ANALYSIS OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION

4.1. Physicochemical Environment

4.1.1. Important environmental features

Important environmental features in influence areas (both sides of the proposed road and drain) were observed and documented through field investigation. The detail investigation and assessment were made on identified key environmental and infrastructural features at the both sides of the proposed road and drain and the investigation findings shows that there are trees, open lands, ditches, educational institutes, shops, industries, electric poles and markets. The land use pattern of the influence areas was also observed and found human settlement, offices, commercial establishments, industrial establishments, health care facilities, educational institutions, and water bodies as depicted in **Table 4-1** as below. As an essential ingredient, an engineering and topographical survey was done that may need to be adjusted minor during the construction phase.

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Road: Construction of Shalgaria Gorosthan road Ch.750m-1540m (From Shalgaria Gorosthan morh to Textile College road) ; Effective length: 790m; and Road #: r1			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Shalgaria Gorsthan road side drain Ch.750m-1540m; Effective length: 790m; and Drain #: d1.			
0-100	√		House: 26; Shop: 05; Tree: 15; and Electric Pole: 05.
		√	House: 32; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 07; and Tree: 11.
101-200	√		House: 20; Shop: 02; Tree: 06; and Electric Pole: 02.
		√	House: 16; Shop: 01; Electric Pole: 05; and Tree: 08.
201-300	√		House: 32; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 05; and Tree: 12.
		√	House: 26; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 07; and Tree: 15.
301-400	√		House : 30; Shop : 02; Electric Pole:04; Tree: 16; and Pond; 04
		√	House: 29; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 06; Tree: 10; and Pond: 02.
401-500	√		House: 40; Shop: 09; Electric Pole: 06; Tree: 22; Pond; 05; and Commercial Institution: 02.
		√	House: 44; Shop: 05; Electric Pole: 09; Tree: 25; and Pond: 02.
501-600	√		House: 50; Shop: 08; Electric Pole: 06; Tree: 30; and Pond; 02.

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
		√	House: 37; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 04; Tree: 32; and Pond: 01.
601-700	√		House: 30; Shop: 05; Electric Pole: 04; Tree: 22; and Pond: 02.
		√	House: 45; Shop: 05; Electric Pole: 06; and Tree: 24.
701-790	√		House: 35; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 02; Tree: 28; and Pond: 02.
		√	House: 28; Shop: 01; Electric Pole: 04; pond: 02; and School: 01.
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Road: Construction of Sardarpara to Bypass road (From Sardarpara primary school to RW Station to Bypass road); Effective length: 900m and Road #: r2.			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Sardarpara to Bypass road side drain; Effective length: 700m; and Drain #: d2			
0-100	√		House: 45; Shop: 07; Electric Pole: 08; Tree: 40; and Pond: 01.
		√	House: 35; Shop: 05; Electric Pole: 05; and Tree: 26.
101-200	√		House: 35; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 06; Tree: 25; and Pond: 01.
		√	House: 25; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 04; Tree: 20; and Pond: 01.
201-300	√		House: 20; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 04; and Tree: 09.
		√	House: 20; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 04; Tree: 09; and Pond: 01.
301-400	√		House: 18; Shop: 05; Electric Pole: 02; Tree: 07; and Pond: 01.
		√	House: 22; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 03; and Tree: 04.
401-500	√		House: 16; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 02; Tree: 06; and Commercial Institution: 01.
		√	House: 27; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 06; Tree: 08; and Pond: 02.
501-600	√		House: 22; Shop: 07; Electric Pole: 06; and Tree: 02.
		√	House: 19; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 05; Tree: 02; and Pond: 02.
601-700	√		House: 16; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 04; and Tree: 02.
		√	House: 22; Shop: 03; Electric Pole: 03; Tree: 02; and Business Institution: 01.
701-800	√		House: 05; Shop: 01; Electric Pole: 02; and Tree: 05.
		√	House: 09; Shop: 10; Electric Pole: 07; and Tree: 19.
801-900	√		House: 09; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 02; and Tree: 06.
		√	House: 08; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 02; and Tree: 05.
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Road: Improvement of Tarique Paramanik road (From Bangladesh Eidgha morh to old Atimkhana to Amir Garhowan road connecting morh); Effective length: 650m; and Road #: r3.			
(ii) Darin: Construction of Tarique Paramanik road side drain; Effective length: 650m; and Drain #: d3.			
0-100	√		House: 03; Shop: 04; Tree: 02; Electric Pole: 03, and Commercial Institution: 01.
		√	House: 3; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 04; and Tree: 04.
101-200	√		House : 07; Shop : 03; Tree: 04; Electric Pole: 03, School; 2

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
		√	House: 07; Shop: 05; Tree: 02; Electric Pole: 02; and Commercial Institution: 02.
201-300	√		House: 02; Shop: 05; Tree: 02; Electric Pole: 03; and Commercial Institution: 02.
		√	House: 12; Tree: 05; Shop: 03; and Electric Pole: 02.
301-400	√		House: 15; Tree: 01; Electric Pole: 05 and Commercial Institution: 02.
		√	House: 09; Shop: 03; Tree: 04; and Electric Pole: 02.
401-500	√		House: 20; Shop: 05; Tree: 10; and Electric Pole: 04.
		√	House: 22; Tree: 03; Electric Pole: 03; Tree: 09; and Commercial Institution: 01.
501-600	√		House: 16; Shop: 02; Tree: 12; and Electric Pole: 05.
		√	House: 25; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 02; Tree: 11; and Pond: 02.
601-650	√		House: 06; Shop: 01; Tree: 05; and Electric Pole: 02.
		√	House: 09; Shop: 02; Electric Pole: 02; Tree: 04; and Commercial Institution: 01.
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Road: Construction of Noynamoti Muktijoddha Moyan road & Link road (Wajed Ali road to Noynamoti road and Cherhar mill road): Effective length: 850m; and Road #: r4.			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Noynamoti Muktijoddha Moyan road side drain; Effective length: 920m; Drain #: d4			
0-100	√		House: 12; Electric pole: 04; Tree: 06; and Shop: 01.
		√	House: 09; Tree: 12; Electric pole: 02; and Shop: 03.
101-200	√		House: 09; Tree: 05; and Electric pole: 02.
		√	House: 10; Tree: 08; Electric pole: 02; Shop: 04; and Ditch: 01.
201-300	√		House: 12; Tree: 10; Electric pole: 04; Shop: 02; and Ditch:01.
		√	House: 12; Tree: 10; Electric pole: 03; and Shop: 01.
301-400	√		House: 06; Tree: 07; Electric pole: 04; and Shop: 02.
		√	House: 08; Tree: 10; Electric pole: 03; and Shop: 02.
401-500	√		House: 09; Tree: 08; Electric pole: 03; and Ditch: 02.
		√	House: 05; Tree: 07; and Shop: 01.
501-600	√		House: 11; Tree: 06; Electric pole: 05; and Ditch: 01.
		√	House: 04; and Tree: 06.
601-700	√		House: 14; Tree: 04; Shop: 01; and Electric pole: 04.
		√	House: 03; and Tree: 05.
701-800	√		House: 08; Tree: 06; and Electric pole: 04.
		√	House: 04; and Tree: 08.
801-920	√		House: 07; Tree: 05; Shop: 04; and Electric pole: 05.
		√	House: 04; Tree: 09; Electric pole: 03; and Shop: 03.
Name of Scheme:			

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
(i) Road: Improvement of Chatmohor Short Cut road (From Radhanager Gola to Bypass road); Effective length: 1700m; and Road #: r5.			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Chatmohor Short cut road side drain; Effective length: 900m; Drain #: d5			
0-100	√		House: 04; Tree: 09; Electric pole: 01; and Shop: 08.
		√	Electric pole: 04; and Pabna Edward College.
101-200	√		House: 06; Tree: 01; Electric pole: 01; and Shop: 01.
		√	Electric pole:03; and Pabna Edward College.
201-300	√		Workshop: 01; and Pabna Polytechnic Institute.
		√	Electric pole: 02; and Pabna Edward College.
301-400	√		Pabna Polytechnic Institute.
		√	Electric pole: 03; and Pabna Edward College.
401-500	√		Pabna Polytechnic Institute.
		√	Electric pole: 03; Shop: 18; House: 03; and Tree: 04.
501-600	√		Pabna Polytechnic Institute.
		√	House: 02; Electric pole: 06; Tree: 08; and Shop: 04.
601-700	√		House: 05; Tree: 15; Shop: 02; and Electric pole: 03.
		√	House: 05; Electric pole: 01; Tree: 03; Shop: 03; and Mosque: 01.
701-800	√		House: 04; Tree: 09; Electric pole: 03; and Garden: 01.
		√	House: 03; Electric pole: 03; Tree: 08; and Singa Government Primary School.
801-900	√		House: 04; Shop: 07; Tree: 04; Electric pole: 03, and Jagarani Chackro Foundation.
		√	House: 03; Electric pole: 01; Shop: 11; and Tree:07.
901-1000	√		House: 05; Tree: 29; and Temple.
		√	House: 04; Electric pole: 02; Shop: 01; Tree: 20; and Ichamoti River.
1001-1100	√		House: 03; Shop: 05; and Tree: 16.
		√	House: 04; Shop: 03; Electric pole: 04; Tree: 08; and Ichamoti River.
1101-1200	√		House: 05; Shop: 03; and Tree: 29.
		√	House: 04; Shop: 02; Tree: 05; Electric pole: 02 ; Tuhin Homio Health care and Kazi Office: 01
1201-1300	√		Shop: 06; Electric pole: 03; and Tree: 10.
		√	Shop: 03; Tree: 09; Electric pole: 03; and Ichamoti River.
1301-1400	√		Electrical pole: 03; Shop: 02; and Tree: 08.
		√	Shop: 01; Tree: 08; Electric pole: 02; and Ichamoti River.
1401-1500	√		House: 02; Tree: 10; Electric pole: 03; and Singa Bazar.
		√	House: 02; Electric pole: 05; Tree: 12; and Singa Bazar.
1501-1600	√		House: 04; Tree: 09; Electric pole: 04; and Singa Bazar.
		√	House: 03; Electric pole: 04; Tree: 09; and Singa Bazar.

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
1601-1700	√		House: 06; Tree: 12; and Electric pole: 04.
		√	House: 05; Electric pole: 05; Tree: 10; and Singa Bazar.
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Improvement of Beltola road (From Dilalpur Mosque morh to Taltola Pond); Effective length: 700m; and Road #: r6.			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Beltala road side drain; Effective length: 700m; Drain #: d6			
0-100	√		Shop: 03; Electric pole: 06; House: 03; Selim Najir Higher Secondary School; Temple: 01; Voluntary Organization.
		√	House: 03; Shop: 3; Electric Pole: 06, School: 01; and Temple: 01
101-200	√		House: 05; Shop: 02; and Electric pole: 03.
		√	House: 05; Shop: 2; and Electric Pole: 03.
201-300	√		House: 03; Electric pole: 04; By Lane: 01; Dustbin: 01; Shop: 02.
		√	House: 03; Shop: 2; Electric Pole: 04, By lane road: 01; and Dustbin: 01.
301-400	√		House: 05; Electric pole: 03; Culvert: 02; By Lane: 01; Shahid Ahmed Rafiq Girls School; and Dustbin: 02.
		√	House: 05; Electric Pole: 02; Culvert: 2; Dustbin: 02, School: 01; and By lane road: 01.
401-500	√		House: 05; Electric pole: 04; Workshop: 01; and Dustbin: 01.
		√	House: 05; Electric Pole: 04; Dustbin: 01, and Workshop: 01.
501-600	√		House: 02; Electric pole: 01; Open place: 02; Dustbin: 01; and Culvert: 01.
		√	House: 02; Electric Pole: 01; Free space: 02, Culvert: 1; and Dustbin: 01.
601-700	√		House: 06; Electric pole: 01; Culvert: 01; Open place: 01; Shop: 02; By Lane: 01; and Dustbin: 01.
		√	House: 07; Electric Pole: 01; Free space: 01, Culvert: 1; Dustbin: 01, and By lane road: 01.
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Road: Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road (From PWD office morh to Bablatola morh); Effective length: 455m; and Road #: r7.			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Chhatiyani Bablatola road side drain; Effective length: 450m; and Drain #: d7			
0-100	√		House: 06; Shop: 01; Tree: 02; and Electric Pole: 03.
		√	House: 1; Shop: 04; Electric Pole: 01; and Open Field: 01.
101-200	√		House: 05; Tree: 09; and Electric Pole: 04.
		√	House: 06; Shop: 01; and Tree: 07.
201-300	√		House: 07; Shop: 01; Tree: 07; and Electric Pole: 01.
		√	House: 09; Tree: 15; and Electric Pole: 04.
301-400	√		House: 08; Tree: 03; and Electric Pole: 01.
		√	House: 07; Shop: 01; Tree: 02; and Electric Pole: 05.

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
401-455	√		House: 8; and Tree: 10.
		√	House: 02; Tree: 04; Electric Pole: 02; Field: 01; and Mosque: 01.
Name of Scheme:			
(i) Road: Improvement of Sonapotty & Jhalipotty road by RCC (From A.Jeb road to Ataikula road); Effective length: 500m; and Road #: r8.			
(ii) Drain: Construction of Sonapotty & Jhalipotty road side drain; Effective length: 500m; and Drain #: d8			
0-100	√		House: 09; Shop: 24; and Electric Pole: 02.
		√	House: 08; Shop: 31; Tree: 04; and Electric Pole: 02.
101-200	√		Shop: 15.
		√	House: 08; Shop: 15; and Electric Pole: 01.
201-300	√		House: 03; Shop: 22; and Electric Pole: 01.
		√	House: 05; Shop: 21; and Electric Pole: 01.
301-400	√		House: 05; Shop: 12; and Electric Pole: 02.
		√	House: 04; and Shop: 32.
401-500	√		Shop: 06; and Electric Pole: 03.
		√	House: 06; and Shop: 10.
Name of Scheme: Improvement of Fakirpur road (Bypass Chetoner morh to Fakirpur Bridge); Effective length: 1350m; and Road #: r9.			
0-100	√		Tree: 03; Shop: 2; Electric Pole: 04; Culvert: 1; district Library: 01; and Vacant Space: 02.
		√	Tree: 03; Market: 01; Electric Pole: 03; Culvert: 1; and Free space: 03.
101-200	√		House: 03; Electric Pole: 01; Free space: 01, Tree: 4; Workshops: 01, and By lane road: 01.
		√	House: 03; Electric Pole: 03; shop: 03; Free space: 1; and Tree: 03.
201-300	√		House: 05; Shop: 02; Tree: 2; By lane road: 01; Mosque: 01, and Business Institute: 01.
		√	House: 03; Electric Pole: 03; shop: 02; Free space: 1; and Tree: 02.
301-400	√		Shop: 01; Electric Pole: 02; Station Area: 01; and Rail Crossing: 01.
		√	House: 01; Electric Pole: 04; Free space: 1; and Rail Crossing: 01.
401-500	√		House : 04; Vacant Space: 01, Tree: 5; and Workshop: 01
		√	Market: 02; Free space: 3; House: 02; Culvert: 1; and Shops: 02.
501-600	√		Market: 03, Shops: 02, House: 01; Free Space: 01, and Tree: 04.
		√	Market: 02; Free space: 2; By lane road: 02; Shops: 02, and Electric Pole: 05.
601-700	√		House: 03; Mosque: 01; Tree: 10; Free Space: 02, and By lane road: 01.
		√	Electric Pole: 03; Shops: 02; Tree: 03; and Vacant Space: 2.
701-800	√		House: 01; Market: 01; Tree: 10; and Free Space: 02.

Table 4-1: List of Key Environmental and Infrastructural Features at the both sides of proposed roads and drains

Chainage (m)	Left side	Right side	Key environmental and infrastructural features
		√	House: 03, Free space: 2; Electric Pole: 03; By lane: 01; and Tree:04.
801-900	√		House: 03; Tree: 11; Garden: 11; and Shop: 01.
		√	Market 01; House: 01; Electric Pole: 03; Tree: 03; Garden: 01; and Workshop: 01.
901-1000	√		House with garden: 01; Tree: 07; Free Space: 02, and Factory: 01.
		√	Pond: 03; Electric Pole: 03; and Tree: 05.
1001-1100	√		House: 01; Tree: 05; and Factory: 01.
		√	Pond: 01, and Electric Pole: 05.
1101-1200	√		House: 03; Tree: 04; Free Space: 01; Garden: 01; Poultry Farm: 01.
		√	Ichhamoti Project 01; Electric Pole:04; and Vacant Space: 1.
1201-1300	√		Factory: 01; Vacant Space: 01; Tree: 04; and Electric Pole: 02.
		√	Pond: 02; Free space: 2, Electric Pole: 02, and Tree: 01.
1301-1350	√		Vacant Space: 01; Tree: 01; Ichhamoti River: 01; and Bridge: 01.
		√	Free space: 2, Electric Pole: 02, and Tree: 02.
Name of Scheme: Improvement of Eskender Ali Biswas road (From Dakbanglo Morh to Degree College morh); Effective length: 680m; and Road #: r10.			
0-100	√		House: 05; Shop: 05; Tree: 09; and Electric pole: 02.
		√	House: 06; Shop: 05; Electric pole: 03; and Tree: 08.
101-200	√		House: 05; Shop: 01; Tree: 22; and Electric pole: 05.
		√	House: 06; Tree: 16; Grave: 01; and Clinic: 01.
201-300	√		House: 06, Shop: 05; Electric pole: 04; and Tree: 09.
		√	House: 06; Shop: 01; Industry: 01; Electric pole: 01; and Tree: 02.
301-400	√		Mosque: 01; Tree: 09; and Electric pole: 03.
		√	House: 06; Tree: 09; Electric pole: 01; and Shop: 01.
401-500	√		House: 05; Tree: 14; and Electric pole: 06.
		√	House: 03; Tree: 20; Electric pole: 02; and Shop: 02.
501-600	√		House: 02; Tree: 06; School: 01; and Electric pole: 04.
		√	House: 07; Shop: 01; Tree: 21; and Electric pole: 02.
601-680	√		Tree: 17; House: 01; Shop: 10; and Electric pole: 05.
		√	House: 02; Electric pole: 01; Tree: 05; and Shop: 04.
Name of Scheme: Construction of Tepu Shultan road & Shara road side drain (Chadmari morh to Library Bazarch.0-600m & Chadmari morh to Gobindha Bridgech.600-1420m.); Effective length: 1420m; and Drain #: d9			
0-100	√		Indoor Stadium; Stadium Gate; RAB-12 Office; and Electric pole: 03.
		√	Circuit house; Circuit house Gate; and Electric pole: 03.
101-200	√		Swimming Pule & RAB-12 office Wall; Link road: 01; and Electric pole: 03.
		√	Circuit house Wall; D.C. Bangla (House); and Electric pole: 03.
201-300	√		Link road: 01; Electric pole: 03; House: 03; and Electric pole: 03.

301-400	√	√	PWD. XEN House; House: 02; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		Shop: 10; Link road: 01; Club: 01; House: 06; and Electric pole: 03.
401-500	√	√	Shops: 05; Link road: 01; Kindergarten: 01; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		House: 05; Electric pole: 03; and Link road: 01.
501-600	√	√	House: 03; Electric pole: 02; and Link road: 01.
	√		Kitchen Market: 01; House: 02; Electric pole: 03; and Link road: 01.
601-700	√	√	Shop: 06; House: 02; Electric pole: 03; and Link road: 01.
	√		Market: 01; Krishi Khamar Boundary Wall; and Electric pole: 03.
701-800	√	√	Indoor Stadium; Ladies Club: 01; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		Krishe Khamar Boundary Wall; and Electric pole: 03.
801-900	√	√	Stadium wall; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		Krishe Khamar Boundary; and Electric pole: 03.
901-1000	√	√	Nerbachon Office; Government officer Quarter; Electric pole: 03.
	√		Dustbin: 01; Government officer Quarter; and Electric pole: 03.
1001-1100	√	√	Krishe Khamar Gate & Boundary; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		Morh: 01; Government Quarter; Electric pole: 01.
1101-1200	√	√	Water Tank: 01; Mosque: 01; School: 01; and Electric pole: 02.
	√		School: 01; and Electric pole: 01.
1201-1300	√	√	Pond: 01; Link road: 01; House: 05; and Electric pole: 02.
	√		House: 05; Shop: 02; Electric pole: 02; and Nazimuddin road.
1301-1420	√	√	House: 06; Shop: 01; and Nazimuddin road.
	√		House: 04.
	√	√	House: 03; Shop: 02; and Electric pole: 03.
Name of Scheme: Construction of Shara road side drain (From Chadmari morh to BACIC);			
Effective length: 800m; and Drain #: d10			
0-100	√	√	Circuit house Wall; Shop: 02; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		Shop: 06; and WDB office Gate.
101-200	√	√	Shop: 02; House: 03; and Electric pole: 02.
	√		WDB office boundary wall; WDB Rest house; and Electric pole: 02.
201-300	√	√	LGED Office; House: 03; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		Pond: 01; House: 03; and Electric pole: 02.
301-400	√	√	House: 03; Link road: 01; and Electric pole: 03.
	√		House: 03; and Electric pole: 03.
401-500	√	√	Shop: 04; House: 05; Electric pole: 03; and Link road: 01.
	√		Mosque: 01; Link road: 01; Shop: 03; House: 02; and Electric pole: 02.
501-600	√	√	Shop: 03; House: 03; Electric pole: 02; and Link road: 01.
	√		Market: 01; School: 01; PWD Office; and Electric pole: 03.
601-700	√	√	Shop: 06; House: 03; and Electric pole: 02.
	√		Passport Office Gate; Shop: 02; and Electric pole: 03.
701-800	√	√	Shop: 02; House: 05; and Electric pole: 02.

	√	Shop: 03; House: 02; Electric pole: 02; Open place: 01; and BACIC Area.
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There are no such infrastructures and environmental features such as trees and water bodies beside the roads and drains those need to be removed or cut down or filled with earth. Hence, the subproject will have no impact on the land use pattern of the Pourashava.

4.1.2. Transportation facilities, road network and traffic volume

The Pourashava data 2018 reveals that the Pabna Pourashava area is served by 190.75 km of road network. Among the total length of road network, 162 km is BC road, 20.1 km is CC road, 1.8 km is WBM road, 4.5 km is HBB road, 1.8 km is earthen road and only 0.65 km is footpath. This data also shows that the condition of the most of the road (69.41%) is bad while 37.2% is moderately good and only 11.13% is good. The condition of BC road is extremely bad and only 10.19% of BC road is in good condition leaving 73.46% BC road in bad condition and the rest of BC road is in moderately good condition. In addition, there are 9.5 km BC roads those are constructed and managed by R&H and LGED. However, the condition of 6.5 km road is very bad while only 1.5 km and the same length of road are in good and moderately good condition.

The Final Master Plan 2008 shows that non-motorized transport (rickshaw, van, bicycle, etc.) dominates the traffic scene in the Pabna Paurashava where percentage of rickshaws and bicycles varies between 70 to 91% of the traffic and where 90% of all retail and wholesale food stuff are moved by rickshaws and vans. This Master Plan also shows that 90% of daily trips in Pabna Paurahava are made by rickshaws/vans and bicycles, while another 7% are made on foot and rest of the 3% made by cars. Average journey time within Paurashava area is around 20 minutes and 69% of all trips are related to either home or work, leaving another 15% which are made to schools and college. No major traffic congestion is observed anywhere in city except in front of Abdul Hamid road (Indira patti to Air Corner), mostly due to lack of strict traffic rules enforcement. The community Traffic Policing controlled the traffic congestion. The traffic rash is observed from 8am to 10am before noon and 4pm to 7pm in after noon. Others congestion places are in front of Edward college, in front of Judge court, in front General Hospital, Masum Bazar on PN road, Library Bazar and in front of Bus Terminal. Paurashava sources revealed the existing condition of roads 60-70% are in bad condition. There is no foot path in Pabna Paurashava area.

.In addition, consultation with community people reveals that the movement of vehicles through the proposed road is less than the actual movement of vehicles at present. There are some roads through which no vehicle move and local people move through these roads only by foot. It is anticipated that five times more movement of vehicles will be happened after the construction of the road.

4.1.3. Climate

4.1.3.1. Temperature, rainfall and humidity

The Pabna district enjoys a tropical monsoon type of climate where average annual rainfall is 1603mm. The highest rainfall occurs in the month of June and it is 300mm. The minimum rainfall occurs in the month of December and it is only 3mm. The annual mean temperature is about 25.7⁰C. The mean monthly maximum temperature is observed during the month of April where it attains 36.8⁰C and monthly minimum temperature occurs in January when it is about 9.6⁰C. The annual average maximum temperate is 31⁰C and average minimum temperature is 20.5 ⁰C. Summer begins from April and continues till August.

The annual average relative humidity of Pabna district is 57%. The monthly average highest humidity is 76% that occur in the month of August. The **Table 4-3** which is given as below shows the detail of temperature, rainfall and relative humidity of the Pabna district.

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Average high °C (°F)	23.3 (73.9)	27.5 (81.5)	33.6 (92.5)	36.8 (98.2)	35.2 (95.4)	32.8 (91)	31.7 (89.1)	31.8 (89.2)	32.2 (90)	31.6 (88.9)	29.1 (84.4)	25.9 (78.6)	31 (87.7)
Daily mean °C (°F)	16.4 (61.5)	20.2 (68.4)	26.0 (78.8)	29.7 (85.5)	29.9 (85.8)	29.1 (84.4)	28.8 (83.8)	29.1 (84.4)	29.2 (84.6)	27.6 (81.7)	23.3 (73.9)	19.1 (66.4)	25.7 (78.3)
Average low °C (°F)	9.6 (49.3)	12.9 (55.2)	18.5 (65.3)	22.8 (73)	24.6 (76.3)	25.6 (78.1)	25.9 (78.6)	26.4 (79.5)	26.2 (79.2)	23.6 (74.5)	17.5 (63.5)	12.4 (54.3)	20.5 (68.9)
Average precipitation mm (inches)	19 (0.75)	18 (0.71)	34 (1.34)	56 (2.2)	159 (6.26)	300 (11.81)	260 (10.24)	294 (11.57)	242 (9.53)	201 (7.91)	17 (0.67)	3 (0.12)	1,603 (63.11)
Average relative humidity (%)	45	36	39	44	59	73	74	76	72	68	52	49	57

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pabna_District, Dated on 5 July 2018

4.1.3.2. Occurrence of flood and river erosion

External flood is not likely to occur in the Pourashava area of Pabna. Ichamoti River is blocked due to BWDB cross dam near Ataikula. The down-stream part of the river is silted up by encroachment during the long ages. During the peak monsoon period, only internal flow occurs at some specific areas within the Pourashava area and affect by the water logged.

Erosion is not occurred in the Pourashava areas. The Ichamoti River has already been lost her natural levy in many years ago. Other rivers like Padmarkul, Shib Ganga river and Arifpur river are dammed at different sections. So, erosion is absolutely absent in Pabna Pourashava area. (Source: Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava 2008)

4.1.4. Topography and drainage

Pabna Pourashava is a land of mixed topography. The elevation of the Pourashava area varies from 11m to 14m PWD. The Ichamoti River divides the Pabna Pourashava into two parts and joins the dead Padma River to the south. The ground level along the riverbanks and the core area along the middle of the Pourashava are higher than the other part of the Pourashava. There is no danger of river water intrusion into the Pourashava area because of dead condition of the Ichamoti River. But, some areas of the Pourashava are subjected to inundation during and after heavy rainfall.

The Ichamoti River serves as main drainage channel of the surface runoff for the Pourashava. At some of the places, the waterways namely secondary and tertiary drains are obstructed by solid wastes, encroachments etc., resulting in decreasing the discharge capacity of the drainage system and eventually creating inundation of water. Inundation of water in some places are causing environmental hazard. The Pourashava Data 2018 shows that the Pourashava has 191 km drainage network within the Pourahsva areas amongst which 86.8 km is brick drain, 48.8 km is RCC drain and 55.4 km is katcha drain.

It may be mentioned here that the Pabna Pourashava area has no such proper drainage system. In the core areas drains lies along the bank of the river Ichamoti. As the Ichamoti River is found to be a dead channel, there is no possibility of backflow from the river. There are some borrow pits namely bypass borrow pit, Radhanagar borrow pit along the PI road and police line-technical borrow pit, and Arifpur khal which outfall into Padmarkul river. (Source: Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava 2008)

4.1.5. Geology and soil

The Pabna Pourashava area forms a small part of the much larger Ganges and Jamuna River Basin (part of the Bengal Basin of tectonic origin), which is primarily a large flat alluvial basin made up of quarternary sediments having varied thickness ranging from a few hundred meters along the northern limit of the basin to 18 km at the deepest point in the south of the country. The physical characteristics of the basin under consideration are complex in that they have been the sites of sedimentary disposition by two of the world's mighty rivers to the braiding and meandering pattern of the recent flood plain further down-stream. The meandering streams of the Pleistocene surface (made up of cohesive material such as clay) between the Ganges and the Brahmaputra rivers show numerous cut-off and oxbow lakes indicating that the alluvial deposits (mainly the fine sand with silt) are less consolidated.

The soil characteristics of the area can be described as the geological succession consisting of a series of interbedded silt/clay and sandy layers. It is observed from the geological cross section that interbedded layers of very loose to loose and loose to medium dense non-plastic fine sandy silt and silty fine sand exist in the area. Interbedded layers of very loose to loose and very soft-to-soft silt or fine sand mixed with trace to little silt and traces of mica may be observed. Interbedded layers of medium dense silt and fine sand and having granular composition and plasticity

characteristics similar to the upper silt and fine sand layers then underline these layers. (Source: Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava, 2008)

4.1.6. Hydrology and water resources

Surface water

Arifpur khal and Padmar kul are resources for surface water but those are not used in drinking purposes. Surface water resources are also absent because Ichamoti River is dead now and some beels are dried in lean period. During the rainy season those beels are full to the brim. Some important beels in the Pourashava area are Shalgaria, Dakshin Ramchandrapur, Purbapara and Mahendrapur beel. (Source: The Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava, 2008)

Pabna Pourashava has no sewerage system. In many cases, people in the urban area give direct connection of the household sewer to the surface drains without using any septic tanks. All the drainage out falls of the pourashava are connected with river, beels and low lands and discharging directly without any sort of treatment. Thus, domestic water and raw human excreta are polluting surface water resources in and around the Pourashava area. (Source: The Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava, 2008)

Ground Water

Ground water is the main source of drinking water of Pabna Pourashava. There are 12 production tube wells are established in different wards in Pourashava area. One treatment plant is established in Raghampur area. On the other hand, 2 overhead tanks are situated in the different places which supply the water to the inhabitants. Besides, a large number of shallow and deep tube wells are established in Pourashava initiatives. But in the lean period the ground water level is going down and people suffered for ground water. (Source: The Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava, 2008; and Pourashava Data 2018)

4.1.7. Air quality and dust

The Final Master Plan of the Pourashava shows that air pollution is quite a serious environmental consideration having adverse impacts within many parts of the Pabna Pourashava. A few numbers of Rice mills and Textile mills and transport vehicles are the major source of air pollution in the Pourashava area. These mills and vehicles produced huge black smoke and dust, which enters into the atmosphere and pollute the local environment. Severe air pollution area is Bus terminal and Truck terminal area. In summer season, the huge amount of dust is spread in atmosphere. There are no dust preventive measures and technologies in Pourashava area. Moreover, to evaluate the existing condition of air quality contractor will perform the air quality test prior to construction. Following **Table 4-4** shows the Bangladesh National Ambient Air Quality Standard comparing the WHO Guideline standard.

Table 4-4: Bangladesh national ambient air quality standard comparing the WHO guideline standard

Parameter	Environmental Conservation Rules,1997				WHO
	microgram/m ³				
	Industrial	Commercial and Mix use	Residential and Rural area	Sensitive area	
SPM	500	400	200	100	-
PM 2.5	65				10
PM10	150				20
SO ₂	120	110	80	30	20
NO ₂	100	100	80	30	40
Pb	.5				

4.1.8. Noise level

There was no existing noise pollution data of Pabna Pourashava area. High noise pollution has been observed in Pabna bus Terminal and, Pabna-Nagarbari road, Abdul Hamid Road and Pabna bypass road area. (Source: The Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourasva, 2008)

The purpose of ambient noise level measurement is to determine sound intensity at the different locations along the road alignment.

However, for this study, noise level at different locations along the randomly selected road alignment is measured to determine sound intensity of the subproject areas of the Pourashava. The noise level measurement is performed during daytime with an Anroid-driven sound level meter. A five-minute continuous noise level measurement is carried out at the selected locations in 'A' weighting and slow response mode with 1 sec interval, and the minimum, the average and the maximum noise levels are determined. **Table 4-5** shows the summary of noise level measurements those are carried out in different locations. It also shows the Bangladesh noise level standard for mixed areas.

Table 4-5: Noise level measurements during day time at selected locations of the proposed roads and drains

Noise level measurement locations	GPS Co-ordinate	Day-time			Bangladesh standard for mixed area
		Minimum Noise level (dBA),L _{min}	Average Noise level (dBA) L _{ave}	Maximum Noise level (dBA),L _{max}	

					(dBA),L _{max} (GoB 2006)
Beltala Road (Starting point: Dilalpur Mosque morh)	24 ⁰⁰ /10.7 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁴ /17.9 ^{//} E	44	55	69	60
Beltala Road (Ending point: Taltola Pond)	24 ⁰⁰ /4.0 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁴ /13.5 ^{//} E	45	51	73	60
Eskander Ali Biswas Road (Starting point: Dakbanglow morh)	24 ⁰¹ /6.4 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁴ /8.2 ^{//} E	43	60	78	60
Eskander Ali Biswas Road (Ending point: Degree College morh)	24 ⁰⁰ /56.2 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁴ /27.3 ^{//} E	46	64	76	60
Shalgaria Gorsthan Road (Starting Point: Shagaria Gorsthan morh)	24 ⁰⁰ /52.9 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁴ /50.7 ^{//} E	37	42	59	60
Shalgaria Gorsthan Road (Ending Point: Textile morh)	24 ⁰¹ /12.2 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁴ /56.1 ^{//} E	45	57	72	60
Fokirpur Road (Starting Point: Bypass Chetoner morh)	24 ⁰⁰ /36.8 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁵ /24.3 ^{//} E	39	56	75	60
Fokirpur Road (Ending Point: Fakirpur Bridge)	24 ⁰¹ /10.2 ^{//} N 89 ⁰¹⁵ /48.1 ^{//} E	40	50	68	60

Source: Field Survey, June 2018

4.1.9. Water Quality

The field observation shows that there are some ponds and low lands at the surrounding areas of the subproject. All the ponds are man-made and used for fishing, water supply and domestic uses. In addition, there is a river named Ichhamoti River which flows through the Pourashava and divided it into two parts and this reiver is the main discharge point of the proposed drains. However, the water of the river is badly degraded due to disposing solid waste and industrial effluents as well as discharging black water from households and commercial establishments through the drainage netwrok. Hence, the anticipated impact on the aquatic environment from the discharge of the storm water of the proposed drain is minor. The present surface water condition at the Ichhamoti River is shown in the **Picture 9**. The test result of water quality parameters at different locations of the Pourashava is given as below:

The test result of different water quality parameters at different locations of the Pourashava (1):

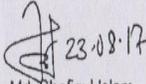
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Water Quality Test Report of Pabna Pourashava
District:-Pabna, Upazila:- Pabna Sadar Upazila Pabna

Water Quality Monitoring And Surveillance Phase-1, Month- August/2017

Source Type	Sl No	Location of User Point		Ward	Village	GPS Reading		Tested Parameters Results		
		Location/ Caretaker Name	Caretaker Husband/ Father's Name			Latitude	Longitude	Fecal Coliform (CFU/100ml) BDS: 0 CFU/100ml	pH BDS: 6.5-8.5	Turbidity (NTU) BDS: 10 NTU
Distribution Source/User Point	1	Md. Musa Khan	Late. Delu Khan	10	Radhanagar	24°02'40"	89°14'12"	06	7.0	0.46
	2	Md. Iqbal Hossen	Late. Abul Hossen	12	Chalkgobinda	24°00'33"	89°13'35"	00	7.0	1.1
	3	Md. Badsha	Late. Esken Ali	14	Chatiyani	24°00'17"	89°12'55"	00	7.2	0.35
	4	Md. Sofuddin	--	13	Chalk Chatiyani	24°00'08"	89°13'07"	04	7.3	0.65
	5	Beside of Diamond Industries	--	15	Paschim Sadhupara	23°59'51"	89°13'14"	00	7.0	0.74
	6	Beside the Mohal Mohor's House	--	01	Gobinda	24°00'22"	89°13'59"	00	7.0	0.33
	7	Pabna Jilla School	--	02	Dilalpur	24°00'08"	89°13'58"	95	7.4	1.0
	8	Anisuraman	Korhan Ali	03	Dilalpur Technical	23°59'55"	89°14'15"	00	7.2	1.5
	9	Bokeya Bani	Late. Gehej Hddin	04	Dakshin Raghobpur	23°59'57"	89°14'38"	28	7.4	0.75
	10	DPHE Office Campus	--	11	--	24°01'11"	89°14'03"	04	7.3	0.52
	11	Salgoia Talagan Jame Masjid	--	08	Salgoia	24°01'02"	89°15'02"	01	7.2	1.1
	12	Rabul Anwar	Tajul Haque	06	Atulpur	23°59'51"	89°15'40"	60	7.1	1.0
	13	Front of Simon Store	--	05	Raghobpur	24°00'12"	89°00'11"	00	7.0	0.4
	14	Salgoia Mathpara Chowasta mor	--	07	Salgoia	24°00'44"	89°14'48"	01	7.0	0.2

Note: BDS= Bangladesh Standard Value

<p><u>Test Performed by:</u></p> <p>2. Name : Md. Abdul Jabbar Designation: Sample Analyzer</p>	<p><u>Signature</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">  23.08.17 Md. Abdul Jabbar Sample Analyzer DPHE, Zonal Laboratory Rajshahi </p>	<p><u>Countersigned/Approved by:</u></p> <p>2. Name: Md. Shafiqul Islam Designation: Senior Chemist</p>	<p><u>Signature</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">  23.08.17 Md. Shafiqul Islam Senior Chemist DPHE Zonal Laboratory Rajshahi. </p>
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The test result of different water quality parameters at different locations of the Pourashava (2):

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Water Quality Test Report of Pabna Pourashava
 District:-Pabna, Upazila:- Pabna Sadar Upazila Pabna

Water Quality Monitoring And Surveillance Phase- 1, Month- August/2017

Source Type	Sl No	Location of Point Source	Ward	Village	GPS Reading		Tested Parameters Results		
					Latitude	Longitude	As (mg/L) BDS: 0.05	Fe (mg/L) BDS: 0.3-1.0	Mn (mg/L) BDS: 0.10
Production Tube well/Point Source	1	Vocational Pump	03	Ramchandrapur, Goshpara	23°59'55"	89°14'13"	0.001	0.1	0.75
	2	Shibrampur Pump	05	Shibrampur	24°00'16"	89°14'50"	0.020	0.9	0.67
	3	Truck Terminal Pump	08	Laxkarpur	24°00'26"	89°18'21"	0.003	0.1	1.3
	4	Arifpur Pump	06	Arifpur	24°00'04"	89°15'18"	0.002	0.1	0.73
	5	Talbagan Pump	09	Salgaria	24°01'05"	89°15'06"	0.003	0.1	0.75
	6	Bypass Pump	09	Golapbag(Salgaria)	24°01'23"	89°14'55"	0.002	0.1	0.61
	7	Sadhupara Pump	02	Sadhupara	23°59'47"	89°13'41"	0.002	0.1	0.59
	8	Kutipara Pump	15	Kutipara	23°59'52"	89°13'04"	0.003	0.1	0.50
	9	Officer's Kolony pump	01	Poilanpur	24°00'29"	89°13'47"	0.003	0.1	0.57
	10	Chalk Poilanpur Pump	12	Chalk Poilanpur	24°00'55"	89°13'41"	0.002	0.1	0.12
	11	Radhanagar Eastside Pump	11	Radhanagar	24°00'46"	89°14'18"	0.002	0.1	0.51
	12	Radhanagar Westside Pump	11	Radhanagar	24°00'46"	89°14'17"	0.001	0.1	0.78
	13	Narikel Bagan Pump	04	Dilalpur	24°00'15"	89°14'27"	0.010	0.2	0.86
	14	Zilapara Pump	02	Gopalpur	24°00'07"	89°14'03"	0.003	0.1	1.2

Note: BDS= Bangladesh Standard Value

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4.2. Biological Environment

No such document containing specific information of flora and fauna of the Pabna Pourashava is found during literature review of the study. However, District Statistics 2011 of Pabna district contains detail information of flora and fauna of the district as a whole. As Pabna Pourashava is a part of this district, the growing trees and plants in this Pourashava is obviously influenced by this district. Hence, relevant information from this document is used for fulfilling the requirement of this study.

4.2.1. Floral habitat and diversity (terrestrial and aquatic)

Depending on environmental conditions, a large number of natural vegetation grows in the district. Uncultivated areas are covered by abundant natural vegetation. Abandoned riverbeds, ponds and marshes as well as streams with a sluggish current have usually thick growth of herbaceous plants such as vallisneria (*Syala*), potamogeton, enhygra and utricularia etc. Areas subject to inundation have generally a covering of tamarix, a shrub that grows generally on river banks or beds of Northern part of the country variously known as jhau (*Casuarina equisetifolia*), ban-jhau, lal-jhau etc. and reedy grasses. Among other aquatic plants, the following are commonly found, two types of waterlily (*Nymphaea pubescens*), namely, Jati shaluk and Sindhu shaluk, helancha (*Tilanthera philoxcroidex*), bagha-helancha, checkra, deo-dhan, bhuradhan, shonda etc. Most of these plants are the source of various edible products of the local people. The shonda, however is used for making mats.

The mainland side is wooded with bamboo clumps (*Bambusa bambus*), banyan (*Ficus benghalensis*), papal (*Ficus religiosa*), babul (*Acacia arabica*), red cotton (*Salmalia malabarica*), jack-fruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*), bel (*Aegle marmelos*), tamarind (*Tamariandus indica*), coconut (*Cocos nucifera*) and dateplam (*Phoenix sylvestris*). The villages are generally surrounded by thickets and shrub berries of semispontaneous and more or less useful trees, while waste lands are, for the most part, covered with grasses such as ulu (*Imperate cylindrica*) and charakanta (*Chrysopogon aciculatus*). Besides these, plants locally known as mashna, black pea, spices such as vandhun, gua-mauri, etc. are grown abundantly in the district.

The main timber trees are the mango (*Mangifera indica*), jack-fruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*), jam or blackberry (*Syzygium cumini*), cotton tree (*Bombax ceiba*), neem (*Azadirachta indica*) and pitraj (*Aphanamixls polystachia*). Their wood is used for making doors, windows and household furniture. The wood of the babul is largely used for cart wheels. Bamboos (*Bambusa bambus*) are abundant and furnish the most common materials for house building. In addition to these, a jungle plant called jhau, extensively used as fuel grows in several parts of the district and is a source of income of some people. There is No forest but there are extensive patches of jungles in some parts of the district.

4.2.2. Faunal habitat and diversity (terrestrial and aquatic)

Mammals: In the 19th century deer (*Muntiacus muntjak*), buffalos (*Bubalus bubalis*), wild boars (*Sus scrofa*), leopards (*Panthera pardus*) and wild boars (*Sus scrofa*) were plentiful in the district. But along with the passage of time, deer (*Muntiacus muntjak*), wild buffaloes (*Bubalus bubalis*) have disappeared with the advancement of cultivation while leopards (*Panthera pardus*) and wild boars (*Sus scrofa*) have vanished into the village jungles. They are still found in the river chars. Jackals (*Canis aureas*), the jungle cats (*Felis chaus*), foxes (*Vulpes bengalensis*), hares (*Orvetolagus cuniculus*) and squirrels (*Callosciurus pygerythres*) are some of the common mammals.

Birds: There is an abundance of aquatic birds in the district. During the winter several kinds of geese and ducks (*Cairina sen tulata*) visit the district. Among them, the grey-leg goose, bare headed goose (*Anser indicus*), black-backed goose, the pintail (*Anas acuta*), sheldrake, shoveller, gad wall, pochard, mallard and spotted billed duck (*Cairina sen tulata*) and the familiar brahmini duck (*Fadorna firruginia*) are ordinarily seen in the chars of the Padma and the Jamuna. Teals of various types and snipes are also found. Other waterbirds like herons (*Nycticorax*), storks (*Ephippias hynchus*), coots, moorhens snippets, kingfishers (*Alcodoathis atthis*) dabchiks are numerous. Of other game birds, those that are found only on land are many in number, Plover and green pigeon (*Treron phoenicoptera*) are frequent and the common gray quail and button quail are occasionally shot. Black partridges are also seen. Besides these common birds, the different species of kites (*Milvus migrans*), vultures (*Gyps bengalensis*), eagles (*Accipiter badius*), buzzards, doves (*Emerald dove*), cuckoos (*Cuculus microplerus*) as well as mynas (*Gracula religiosa autra*), king-crows (*Dicrums adsimilis*), crows (*Corvus splendens*), fly-catchers including the paradise fly-catchers, shrikes, swallows (*Copsychus saularis*), swifts, bee-caters, flower-peckers and many other small resident and migratory birds are represented in the district.

Fishes: Fish abound in most of the rivers and beels and very large catches of hilsa (*Hilsa ilisa*) are made in the Padma in the rainy season. The hilsa (*Hilsa ilisa*) of Padma and especially those that are caught near Saraghat are very delicious and are in great demand. The hilsa caught in this portion of the Padma are sent to the whole of North Bengal as well as to the other parts of the country.

4.3. Socioeconomic Environment

4.3.1. Status of land use pattern, housing and built-up infrastructure

A land use survey was conducted under UGIIP in 2007 and the survey reveals that the major part (46.21%) of the Pabna Pourashava area is being used for residential purposes. Agricultural use is the second highest land use of the Pourashava containing 18.12% of land. A large part (7.93%) of the land is occupied by the water bodies including one river. The transportation and communication network use occupied 6.85% of land. The industrial and commercial use occupied 4.44% and 2.51 % of land respectively. The detail land use classification under broad category in Pabna Pourashava area is given in **Table 4-6** as below:

Table 4-6: Land use classification under Broad Category in Pabna Paurashava area

Sl #	Landuse	Area in acres	Percentages
1	Residential	1784.648	46.21%
2	Commercial	96.926	2.51%
3	Industrial	171.559	4.44%
4	Educational	171.877	4.45%
5	Religious	62.465	1.62%
6	Service	76.662	1.99%
7	Agricultural	699.626	18.12%
8	Recreational	18.669	0.48%
9	Mixed use	15.975	0.41%
10	Vacant	50.151	1.30%
11	Water bodies	306.281	7.93%
12	Offices	81.531	2.11%
13	Social Services	3.414	0.09%
14	Restricted	38.123	0.99%
15	Transport & communication	264.495	6.85%
16	Miscellaneous	19.786	0.51%
	Total	3862.188	100%

According to the Population and Housing Census 2011, the highest percentage of general households by type of structure of the Pourashava is pucca (41.3 percent). The percentages of other general household by the type of structure of the Pourashava are 31.8 percent semi-pucca, 26.4 percent katcha and only 0.4 percent jhupri households.

In addition, the average household size of the Pourashava is 4.2. The percentage of tenancy of households in the Pourashava area shows that 66.7 percent people live in own house, 27.5 percent people live in rented house and 5.8 percent people live in rent free house.

There are markets, shops, educational institutes, private and government offices, business establishments, industries etc in the surrounding areas of the subproject.

4.3.2. Beneficiary population

All the people living in Pabna Pourashava will be benefited by the proposed subproject. Therefore, a total of 144442 people of the Pourashava will be benefited just after the construction of the subproject.

Considering the current average growth rate of population in urban areas of the country as 3.2 percent per year and using the linear progression method of population projection formula, the

estimated number of the population of the Pourashava will be 209443 in 2030 and 301886 in 2040. All these people will be benefitted from the proposed road and drain. In addition, people coming from different parts of the Pabna Sadar Upazilla as well as Pabna district to the Pourashava will also be benefitted. (Source: Population and Housing Census 2011)

4.3.3. Educational status

According to the Population and Housing Census 2011, the literacy rate of the Pourashava is 76.2 percent among the both sex where the literacy rate among the male is 77.9 percent and the female is 74.4 percent, slightly below from the male counterpart.

The Pabna Pourashava has a large numbers of different educational institutions. The Pourashava data 2018 reveals that there are 77 primary schools of which 33 are government and 46 are non-government, 20 secondary schools of which 3 are government and 17 are non-government, one non-government school cum college, 7 colleges of which 3 are government and 4 are non-government, one government vocational or technical school, 2 government vocational or technical colleges, one medical college, one homeopathy medical college, one non-government nursing institute, one law college, ne primary teachers' training institute and 17 madrasas. Among the educational institutions, Eduard College, Pabna Medical College, Amin Uddin Law College, and Pabna Textile Engineering College are widely known.

4.3.4. Livelihood and economic situation

According to a survey that was conducted under UGIIP at 2007 shows that the subproject area is inhabited by the people of mixed occupation. Livelihood of the people of Pabna Pourashava is mainly dominated by trade and business. The service is also play significant role in maintaining the livelihood here. The Final Master Plan of Pabna Pourashava 2008 shows that 34% people are engaged in trade and businesses, 32% are service holders, 12% is day laborer, 11% are skilled workers, 3 % is hawkers, 1% is farmers and 7% are engaged in others.

The economy of the Pabna is predominantly commercial. However, service and agricultural activities also plays significant role in the economy of this area. The income from non-farm establishments mainly comes from factories, saw mills, rice mills, construction, wholesale and retail trade, hotel and restaurant, transport storage and communication, bank, insurance and financial institution, real estate and renting, public administration and defense, education, health and social work, and community, social and personal services. The prominent mills and factories include Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd, Square Toiletries Ltd, Edruc Pharmaceuticals Ltd, Universal Food Ltd, AR Cement Factory, AR Auto Rice Mills, Shyamoli Food Factory, Square Chemical Factory etc.

4.3.5. Water Supply and Sanitation

According to the Population and Household Census 2011, the most of the people (85.8%) of the Pourashava collect drinking water from tube well while 13.3% of the people collect drinking water from tap water supplied by the Pourashava and 0.9% of the people from other sources.

The Census also reveals that the sanitary condition of the Pourashava is no so good. Slightly more than half of the people (57.5%) use sanitary latrine with water seal which is environmentally hygienic while 31.5% people use sanitary latrine without water seal, 10.6% people use non-sanitary latrine 0.5% people have no latrine.

However, the Pourashava data 2018 reveals that there is no underground sewerage system in Pabna Pourashava area. High income people made their toilets with septic tank but there is no facility to clean the septic tank in Pourashava. Most of the households connect their septic tank with storm water drains to discharge with fecal sludge and pollute the environment. Community sanitation facility is also limited here. There are only two public toilets within Pourashava area which are installed by the Pourashava.

4.3.6. Land acquisition and resettlement

The subproject will be implemented along the right-of-way of existing roads and drains. And the land of all the subproject sites is owned by the Pourashava. Hence, there is no need to acquire land. There is no human settlement and business establishments on the land of proposed sites for the subproject. Thus, the issue of resettlement is absent here. In addition, the social expert will evaluate the anticipated social issues regarding the subproject intervention and measures will be given accordingly.

4.3.7. Tribal communities

There is no indigenous or tribal people settlement in the subproject area. Therefore, there is no need to take any kind of protective measures for indigenous peoples' safeguard. There are only 3 indigenous households comprising 10 people live in the Pourashava areas who will be benefited from the subproject.

4.3.8. Cultural heritage and protected areas

Pabna Pourashava is very rich in cultural, historical and religious heritage. There are a number of places of interest within Paurashava area that can become attractions for tourists from home and abroad. These may be broadly classified as heritages and recreational sites. Important heritages in and around the city include Jorg Bangla Temple (established in 17th Century), Mental Hospital (established in 1957), Sat Sanga Ashram (established in 1947), Tarash Bhavan (Rai Bahadur Residence) (established in 17th century) , Pabna Edward College (established in 1898), RM Academy (established in 1899), Gopal Chandra Institution (established in 1884), Pabna Zilla School (1853), Pabna Judge Court (established in 1884), Annanda Gobinda Public Library (established in 1890), Zilla Parishad (established in 1885), Pabna Shishu Academy (established in early 19th century), and Sitlai House (where Mohatma Gandhi came in 1925 and accept the hospitality of Jamidar Jogendra Nath Mitra). More interestingly, Pabna Pourashava itself a famous pourashava of the district, was established in 1828 during the British reign.

5. ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING

Environmental Screening (ES) for the subproject have been conducted with the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of GOB and WB. ES ensures that environmental issues are properly identified in terms of extent of the impacts. Environmental Screening Checklist, as adopted in Appendix C of the Environmental Management Framework of the MGSP, was administered for identifying the impacts and their extents. The screening data and information for the **RCC Road and Drain along with allied works** have been formulated and are shown as below.

5.1. Potential Environmental Impact during Construction Phase

(A) Ecological Impacts:

- Felling of trees : Significant Moderate **Minor**
Number of trees : N/A
- Clearing of vegetation : significant Moderate **Minor**
- Potential impact on aquatic species environment : Significant Moderate **Minor**

The proposed road and drain goes through developed mixed zone of residential and commercial areas along the existing right-of-way of the roads and drain. All the roads and drains are connecting roads and drains. There is no tree on the right-of-way of the roads and drains. Thus, there is no need to cut down any trees. Hence, the ecological impact of felling of trees is considered as minor.

There is no need to clean vegetation for the implementation of the subproject. So, the impact of subproject on vegetation is considered as minor.

There are some surface water bodies like ponds, low ditches, and dead Ichhamoti River nearby the subproject areas. Most of the drains are linked with dead Ichhamoti River as ultimate Outfall. The Ichhamoti River is already badly polluted by the industrial effluents. So, the impact of the subproject is considered as minor on it. However, the other surface water bodies may be polluted due to accidental leakage and spillage of oil, grease etc. or throwing of waste material into the road side water bodies, if it is not management properly. Therefore, the overall impact of the subproject on the water bodies and its aquatic environment is considered as minor.

(B) Physico-Chemical Impacts:

- Noise pollution : Significant **Moderate** Insignificant
- Air pollution : Significant **Moderate** Insignificant
- Drainage congestion : Very likely Likely **Unlikely**
- Water pollution : Significant Moderate **Insignificant**
- Solid waste pollution : Significant Moderate **Insignificant**
- Construction wastes : Significant **Moderate** Insignificant
- Water logged : Significant **Moderate** Insignificant

Most of the subproject will have negative impact on the physicochemical parameter (noise and air) due to use of hydraulic excavator, mechanical compaction machine, concrete mixer machine, vibrator machine, mobilization of the equipment and vehicles movement for the transportation of the materials. However, the potential impact on air and noise from these subproject activities is manageable because these impact are site specific and context of impact is limited. Moreover, the construction work will be performed section wise to minimize the impact. Therefore, anticipated impact on noise and air is considered as moderate.

The drains of the subproject areas are already damaged and congestion is prevailing on. Hence, the additional impact of construction work on the drainage system will be very less. Therefore, there is no such chance to create additional drainage congestion by the subproject activities.

All of the roads and drains will be constructed within the Pourashava area where there are very few ponds. Hence, the generated debris from dismantling and loosing soils may not get worse for water bodies. Therefore, it is anticipated that the level of impact on water pollution from the proposed subproject will be insignificant.

The minimum amount of solid waste to be generated from labor shed and its kitchen and will have insignificant impact on solid waste pollution.

The construction works of subproject will generate construction waste like loose soil and dismantling debris may disturbs the nearby community people if proper measures are not taken. Additionally, generated debris may also get worse condition for the road side water bodies if not properly collected and disposed. In addition, aesthetic landscape value and surrounding environment may be degraded from the improper collection and disposal of the generated wastes materials. Hence, the impact of construction waste is considered as moderate.

The roads and drains will be construction together under this subproject and the subproject activities include earth works for preparing the site for construction. Thus, the total drainage system of the construction areas will remain non-functional during construction period. This may cause water logging situation even in minimum rainfall. Hence, the impact of the subproject on surrounding environment due to water logging is considered as moderate. However, most of earth work will be performed in dry season to avoid water logging situation. Even, there will be a provision for submergible pump to drain off the water, if required.

.(C) Socio-Economic Impacts:

- Traffic congestion : **Likely** Unlikely
- Health and safety : Significant **Moderate** Insignificant
- Impact on archaeological : Significant Moderate **Insignificant**
- Impact on historical : Significant Moderate **Insignificant**
- Employment generation : **Significant** Moderate Insignificant

The proposed roads are distributed among the most of the Wards of the Pourashava. All of the roads are used for a significant number of both light and heavy motorized and non-motorized vehicles movements. No vehicles will be allowed to move through these roads during the construction period. Hence, the impact of the subproject on traffic congestion is considered as likely. However, there are some other roads in the Pourashava areas those will be used as alternatives during the construction of the proposed road to avoid the traffic congestion.

The proposed construction activities do not require the use of heavy equipment and construction work. It will follow simple procedure with commonly used equipment. Hence, anticipated impact on health and safety is moderate.

There are some archaeological and historical sites within the influence area. However, the proposed subproject will have no significant impact on these as the proposed roads and drains pass through these areas keeping a remarkable distance. Therefore, the impact of subproject on it is considered as insignificant.

The subproject has positive impact by generating huge work opportunities for the local labor during the construction period. Hence, the impact of the subproject on employment generation is considered as significant.

5.2. Potential Environmental Impact during Operational Phase

(A) Ecological Impacts:

- Potential impact on species of aquatic : Significant Moderate **Minor**

During operation of road, there will be no impact on ecology. On the other hand, the drains may have minor impact on the aquatic environment as it will carry the polluted industrial effluents to the outfall. The storm water that will flow through this drain will not be any impact on the aquatic environment if the drains are to be used properly. Thus, the impact of the subproject on aquatic species is considered as minor. However, the dumping of solid wastes and discharge of black water from household into the drains may create pollution in the aquatic environment of the outfall by the discharged water through these drains.

(B) Physico-Chemical Impacts:

- Potential air quality & noise level : **Improvement** No-improvement Deterioration
- Drainage congestion : **Improvement** Minor Improvement No Impact
- Risk of water pollution : Significant Moderate **Minor**
- Pollution from solid waste : **Improvement** No-improvement Deterioration

During operational phase, the improved and widened road will decrease the dust on road. Thus, it will minimize the blow of dust during vehicle movement on these roads. In addition, it will ensure smooth surface for the movement of vehicles and reduce the traffic congestion on the roads. Thereby, it will reduce the use of frequency of using hydraulic horn by drivers and emission of black smoke from the vehicles. Therefore, the potential air quality and noise level will be improved.

The new drain will minimize drainage congestion and water logged problem. The storm water and grey water to be discharged through the drain may have minor impact on the water quality of the outfall if black water from the households and other administrative and commercial settings is not discharged into these drains. Pollution from solid waste will be improved by restricting the throwing of the domestic waste materials on road and into the drain. In addition, proper solid waste management system within the Pourashava areas may also facilitate to improve the pollution from solid waste.

(C) Socio-Economic Impacts:

- Traffic : **Improvement** No-improvement Adverse
- Safety : **Improvement** No-improvement Adverse
- Employment generation : **Significant** Moderate Minor

After completion of the construction, the roads will improve the transportation facilities as well as movement of vehicles through smooth surface which will improve the overall traffic situation within the subproject influences areas by reducing the traffic congestion. By providing uniform pavement, it will also enhance traffic safety. New drain will improve drainage facilities and prevent the accumulation of the stagnant water on the road surface. This will prevent formation of muddy and slippery surface on the road. Consequently, it will enhance the safety of movement of community people. In addition, it will facilitate business opportunities, input supply facilities for industries and employment opportunities for local community people.

5.3. Summary of Possible Environmental Impacts of the Subproject

The ecological impact due to the implementation of subproject is minor. The possible disturbances of the aquatic environment may happen due to the discharge of the black water from households through storm drains after the construction of drains which should be restricted through the mobilization of community people and ensuring proper solid waste and fecal sludge management system by the Pourashava Authority.

The physico-chemical impact of the subproject is site specific. During construction phase, moderate level of air and noise pollution, pollution from construction waste and water logging situation may happen. However, it will be improved after the completion of the construction of the subproject. The contribution of this subproject on drainage congestion, water pollution and solid waste pollution is anticipated as insignificant. Moreover, it will be improved after the completion of the subproject.

Among the negative socio-economic impacts of the subproject, there is a possibility of traffic congestion and moderate level of impact on health and safety of worker and pedestrian due to the restriction of movement of vehicles through the roads under construction and the use of equipment and machineries for the construction works. However, the impact on archaeological and historical places will be insignificant. On the contrast, the employment opportunity of the local labor will increase significantly during the construction phase. Again, the subproject will have positive impact on traffic situation, safety and employment generation during the operational phase as because the smooth surface will facilitate quick movement of vehicles resulting less traffic congestion; reduce the risk of accident due to lack of muddy, depression and undulation free surface of roads; and engagement of young people in driving of vehicles, easy and quick transportation of inputs and products of trades and businesses respectively.

6. ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND ITS MITIGATION &

ENHANCEMENT MEASURES

6.1.Potential Significant Environmental Impacts and Its Mitigation & Enhancement Measures during Pre-Construction Phase

6.1.1. Loss and displacement from agricultural land

Cause of Impact

All the roads and drains go through the right-of-way of the existing roads and drains of the Pourashava. Thus, there will be no need to loss or displacement of agricultural land. Even, the widening of roads and drains need not to remove or demolishing any infrastructures and environmental features. Thus, there is no loss of agricultural land as well as agricultural product in the Pourashava areas.

Mitigation Measures

There is no negative impact of this subproject on agricultural land. Hence, no mitigation measure is required.

6.1.2. Disorder of earth surface

Cause of Impact

After site clearing work, to elevate the cleared land up to the existing road level, a part of land filling would be required to develop the site. This land filling will be from its original level which will not disrupt the natural surface of earth and obstruct the natural drainage system of the area.

Mitigation Measure

The subproject intervention will not create any water logged and drainage problem as the Pourashava authority collects the soil to develop the area by carried sand from different places. Cross drainage works should be constructed to bypass the surface water and other discharges if required.

6.1.3. Constuction of labour shed

Cause of Impact

To meet the subproject basic demand, two separate labor sheds, one for male and one for female, need to be constructed or renovated any structure which will have to be constructed or renovated prior to starting the construction works. The proposed locations for the labor sheds are at Pourashava owned vacant place near the construction site. Unhygienic condition at the labor sheds and generation of sewage and solid waste at the labor sheds may cause degradation of the surrounding environment.

Mitigation Measures

To meet the workers basic needs labor sheds will be constructed or renovated which will contains adequate ventilation facilities and standard living condition and it never be overcrowded. In addition, safe potable drinking water will be provided. Furthermore, contractor will construct two sanitary latrines considering 15 persons for one toilet at the labor shed (one for male and other for female). Proper health and safety of workers will be ensured through providing health and hygiene

training to the workers by the Pourashava and the contractor. Waste bins will be placed at the labor sheds, and the workers will be encouraged to dispose of all their garbage at the waste bins. All the waste will be collected daily and taken to the Pourashava garbage disposing sites.

6.1.4. Ecological impact due to felling of trees and clearing of vegetation

Cause of Impact

Due to site clearing work for the road widening, no tree will be cut down along the right-of-way of the subproject. The proposed roads and drains will be constructed within the areas of existing right-of-way of roads and drains. Even, no vegetation clearing will be needed to implement the subproject. Therefore, it will have no impact on ecological environment.

Enhancement Measures

Although there is no ecological impact of this subproject, the Pourashava Authority may plant trees at the road side for its beautification. It will also add additional value to the local ecological system and enhance the balance of ecological environment of the Pourashava.

6.2. Potential Significant Environmental Impacts during Construction Phase

6.2.1. Earth work and site clearing work

Cause of Impact

The subproject less requires site preparation. The preparation works for this road and drain will be done during construction stage that includes cutting and filling work, soil export or import work and demolition of the existing infrastructure and damaged BC road. The mentioned activities will cause huge noise, generation of dust, soil erosion, drainage congestion and safety concern.

Mitigation Measures

Cutting and filling operation should be kept minimal. During earth work, it will be tried to avoid loss of the topsoil. In addition, for backfilling work use of sand will be ensured. The subproject contractor should ensure construction of proper drainage facility. Regular water sprinkle should be ensured by the contractor to minimize elusive dust emission. Cover the exposed earth works with much fabric to minimize the dust. Moreover, proper care will be taken by the contractor during earth work and disposal work to avoid any undue disturbances to the nearby people. As a part of safe working procedures, contractor should ensure the use of PPEs as per requirement. Undertaking construction work during dry seasons will minimize the water logged. The heavy equipment should be operated at the day time. The generated waste from the dismantling work will be deposited regularly and quickly into the designated dump site of the Pourashava.

6.2.2. Pollution from transportation and storage of the construction materials

Cause of Impact

Lack of proper guideline for the construction material transportations, handling and storage may lead the occupational health and safety risk. On the contrary, dumping of the construction spoils, including accidental leakage of the oil, grease, and fuel in equipment yards is a significant hazard.

These substances can be washed-out by the storm water and can be discharged into the surface water. Even, the people to be engaged for the construction activities and local communities might endanger the physical and human habitats of the area.

Mitigation Measures

Safe transport, storage, and disposal of the construction materials, and the equipment have to be carried out in order to avoid the accidental spillage and loss and to minimize any health risk. Fuels, lubricants, and other hazardous materials should store over raised platforms and not directly on the ground. Place storage areas for fuels and lubricants away from any drainage leading to water bodies. Maintain adequate moisture content of sand during transportation, compaction and handling. Carry the materials especially loose soil and sand with adequate cover. Contractor will be responsible to avoid head loads for carrying soil, construction materials and construction equipment and disposal of the wastes at the designated dump site.

6.2.3. Air quality and dust

Cause of Impact

The air quality in the subproject area may slightly deteriorate for the time being during construction activities. The major construction activities from which air emission mostly dust emission may occur are; unpaved road width, transportation of construction materials (especially fine aggregate), opening-up of cement bags and emptying the cement in order to mix with other construction material; black smoke emission from the subproject vehicles and equipment, handling of sand, stone/brick chips may contain loose dust particles. These activities will temporally disturb the nearby resident and associates construction worker by creating eye irritation, skin irritation, respiratory difficulties and difficulties of breathing. However, emissions are temporary and not expected to contribute significantly to the ambient air quality and will be within prescribed limits.

Mitigation Measures

Regular sprinkling of water to be done on open surface and dust grounds until paving is done. Maintain adequate moisture content of soil and sand for transportation, compaction, bed preparation, backfilling and handling. Avoid use of dust generating equipment which produce significant amount of particulate matter far from the local residents. Contractor will be responsible to ensure that all subproject vehicles and equipment are in good operating condition. Even periodically air quality test near subproject vehicles will be performed. The Subproject Implementation Unit (PIU) and contractor to enforce strictly use of personal protective as per requirement especially face mask and proper clothing to minimize the skin irritation, respiratory difficulties and difficulties of breathing.

6.2.4. Noise and vibration

Cause of Impact

Noise and vibration caused by the equipment (concrete mixture machine, vibrator, asphalt plant, road cutter and excavator etc.) and movement of the construction vehicles may temporarily disturb

nearby residents and the sensitive areas. In the subproject, sensitive areas like roadsides houses, shops, and educational institutes are likely to be affected from the roadside noise, though the impacts are limited to the premises and very short-term.

Mitigation Measures

Transportation of the construction materials and noisy construction work have to be carried during the scheduled times, and mainly during the day. Even transportation of construction materials have to be carried with scheduled time. Where applicable and possible, exceptionally noisy machines to be fitted with noise abating gear such as mufflers for effective sound reduction. Providing suitable hearing protection to all workers exposed to noise levels where it is more than regulatory limit.

6.2.5. Water quality

Cause of Impact

The water quality may deteriorate if the construction materials, sand, construction wastes, effluent from the work camps, and food wastes are dumped or washed out in the roadside water bodies.

Mitigation Measure

Proper construction management including waste management as well as training of the operators and other workers should provide to avoid pollution of the water bodies. In addition, construction waste will carefully remove and taken to the municipal selected dumping place for organic waste and inorganic waste (not in the water bodies or lowland), for which contractor will be responsible.

6.2.6. Drainage and impact on surface water

Cause of Impact

The potential impacts on local hydrology are mainly those of altered patterns as a result of onside construction and earthwork activities. The proposed subproject will affect natural drainage, surface and ground water quality if not managed the construction works properly. There could be siltation of water system or drainage from uncovered piles of construction materials.

Mitigation Measure

To avoid the drainage, earthwork of the subproject will mostly cover in the dry season. Additionally, surface drainage shall be controlled to divert surface runoff away from the construction area. Even at construction sites, pumping provision will be ensured by the contractor. Stock piling of spoil soil shall be selected at a safe distance from the drainage system. Containment of sanitary waste from camp site should be adequately disposed off to avoid surface and ground water contamination.

6.2.7. Impact on host communities from out sides worker

Cause of Impact

The differences in the cultures of workers (in case hiring is required) and local community may create some problems. Therefore, the unknown identity of the hired labor to the host communities

has possibilities to create social crisis by involving with local politics, disturbing campsite communities by asking water entering into the house and other regularly required household goods, eve teasing or sexual abuse of the campsite female worker or campsite nearby neighboring people.

Mitigation measures

The subproject proponent and his organization have practice of working with the workers of different cultures. It is recommended to aware of the out sides workers about the social and cultural actability in the area so that they could maintain those when they will have touch with local community. In addition, emphasis should be given to hire local workers especially the female workers from poor households.

6.2.8. Occupational health and safety, and aesthetics

Cause of Impact

Construction activities lead to generation of dust, unpleasant view, obstruction in access of public properties due to excavation etc. which may have negative impact. Adequate waste management plan, air, soil, noise and water pollution controls are required to be adopted to prevent any impact on society. Also various health hazards are associated with construction activity which may significantly impact the workers if not taken care like as mechanical failure of the equipment, traffic collision or accidents during operation of the equipment such as hydraulic excavator, steel cutter, head loads for carrying soil, construction materials and construction equipment; the sudden bad weather working conditions such as storm, thunder storm and earth quake etc, hazardous substances and wastes pose risks of the infections and diseases.

Mitigation Measures

- Provision of proper training to all workers for handling the construction equipment;
- Provision of cautionary and guiding signage in local and English language indicating the hazard associated with the site;
- Provision of the adequate latrines and separate toilets for the female workers;
- Wastewater from the toilet should be disposed off in septic tanks and soak pits and should not be allowed to accumulate at labor camp site or construction site;
- Dustbins should be provided at labor camps for collection of waste and waste should be regularly disposed off through the concerned agency;
- Temporary storm water drainage system should also be provided at camp site so as to drain the storm water and prevent accumulation of storm water at site and thus breeding of mosquitoes/flies;
- Provision of personal protective equipment like safety jackets, helmets, gumboots, gloves, face mask, ear buds, goggles, safety shoes etc as per requirement and nature of job in which they are involved;
- Job rotation should be carried out for workers exposed to high noise and dust areas;
- Provision of First aid facility at the site and the labor camp;

- Labor camps should be located at neat and clean location with no water logged issues;
- Proper sanitation facility including toilets, bathing facility and washing facility should be provided at site and at labor camps for workers;
- Clean drinking water supply should be provided to laborers;
- Breast feeding facility should be provided for kids if breast-feeding female workers are employed;
- Regular inspection for hygiene and safety in labor camps should be done;
- Construction debris should not be allowed to enter into aquaculture ponds located along the road;
- Entrance to any road/structure should not be blocked for construction material;
- Contractors will bear medical treatment costs. If any severe accidents such as loss of hands, legs or loss of working ability or any case of death needs compensation-(the amount of the compensation should be fixed considering the type of accidents).

6.2.9. Impacts on social environment

The subproject has some positive impacts on the local community and stakeholders. The positive impacts from the subproject are from the engagement of local labor force during construction works. All the positive and adverse impacts and mitigation measures for the social environment have been described in the social impact assessment (SIA) report.

6.2.10. Traffic management

Cause of Impact

Generally, the construction of road interrupts the traffic movement and selects alternative routes or a side of the constructed road for vehicles movement. But, considering the width of the project road, it will not be feasible to construct one side of the road leaving another side for vehicle movement. Hence, the alternative routes of the Pourashava to be used in this case and no motorized or non-motorized vehicles will not be allowed to move through the proposed road during construction phase. Therefore, the Pourashava authority will inform the local people about subproject activities and inspire them to use the alternative roads.

Besides, the drain will be constructed simultaneously with the construction of the road. So, there is no separate impact of drain on the traffic movement as well as management.

Mitigation Measures

During construction phase, interruption of the traffic movement and impact on the local traffic system due to the subproject activities will be monitored closely. Then separate traffic management plan will be provided if required. However, the following safeguard measures are recommended to minimize the impacts associated to the traffic movement:

- Inform local people about the subproject activities;
- Inspire local people to use connecting and diversion roads;

- Ensure schedule deliveries of material/ equipment during off-peak hours;
- Place traffic sign/cautionary sign to avoid undue traffic congestion and associated traffic control measures to limit possible disruption;
- The place of construction works should be fenced off with fences if required and should be isolated from general public access and marked with signs to ensure safe movement;
- At the points where traffic is to deviate from its normal path (whether on temporary diversion or part of the width of the carriageway), the channel for traffic shall be clearly marked with the aid of pavement markings, painted drums, or a similar device to the directions of the vehicles;
- At night, the passage shall be delineated with lanterns or other suitable light source.
- For regulation of traffic, the flagmen shall be equipped with red and green flags especially near at intersection;
- For notification of construction activities, at least two signs shall be put up for each road, one close to the point of carriageway begins, and another will put on the end of the carriageway.

6.3. Potential Significant Environmental Impacts and Its Mitigation and Enhancement Measures during Operational Phase

6.3.1. Air quality degradation

Cause of Impact

Once in operation, the improved roadway will encourage the increased movement of different motorized and non-motorized vehicles. The emission of carbon dioxide as black smoke from the vehicles will degrade the air quality. This might affect the health of the local community people, young children passing through the road for schooling, businessmen and workers working within the area.

Mitigation Measures

The following mitigation and enhancement measures should be taken to minimize the air quality degradation:

- Vehicles those are emitting black smoke should not be allowed to move through this road; and
- Traffic police should be deployed in consultation with Traffic Control Authority at two sides of the entry points of Dhaka-Mymensingh highway to Answer road.

6.3.2. Noise pollution

Cause of Impact

Increased vehicular traffic and its use of hydraulic horns can create noise pollution. In addition, there is a chance of traffic congestion due to the movement of huge number of vehicles through

this busy road and unnecessary blowing of horns during traffic congestion. This might affect the health of the local community people, young children passing through the road for schooling, businessmen and workers working within the area.

Mitigation Measures

The following mitigation and enhancement measures should be taken to minimize the noise pollution:

- The traffic control authority should control the use of hydraulic horn in motorized vehicles and minimize the traffic congestion at peak-hours.

6.3.3. Solid wastes generation and disposal

Cause of Impact

Throwing of solid wastes such as leftover food, foils, bottle and plastic from food and drink, market wastes etc on road and drain can be happened. If these generated solid wastes are not disposed properly, it will create unpleasant environment and pedestrians will feel discomfort.

Mitigation Measures

The following mitigation and enhancement measures should be taken to ensure proper solid waste disposal and minimize its impact on environment:

- Sufficient numbers of waste bins should be in place at different market premises along the road sides.
- Solid wastes to be generated at the market along the road sides should be collected and disposed in selected landfill or dumping place by the Pourashava Authority.

6.3.4. Traffic congestion

Cause of Impact

There is a possibility of traffic congestion on this road due to the movement of motorized and non-motorized as well as small and large sized vehicles. Traffic congestion may also happen due to down loading and upload commercial materials and products stopping the carrying vehicles on any sites of the carriageway.

Mitigation Measures

The following mitigation and enhancement measures should be taken to minimize the impact of traffic congestions:

- Traffic police in consultation with Traffic Control Authority should be ensured at the cross-sections throughout the road to ensure proper traffic management and to reduce traffic congestion.
- Local transportation vehicles should not be allowed to stay long time at any diversion road and in front of the market.

- Direction/control sign for vehicle movement should be ensured at any diversion road and in front of the market.

6.3.5. Accident due to high speed of vehicles

Cause of Impact

There will be a tendency for increasing speed because of an improved driving surface that can result accidents. A huge number of garments workers, local people, shop keepers and school going children will pass through the road regularly. There are also some schools adjacent to the road. Hence, the issue of accident should be considered as an important.

Mitigation Measures

The following mitigation and enhancement measures should be taken to minimize the impact of accident:

- Speed breakers should be placed at certain interval of the road as well as in front schools and other important establishments; and
- Sign of speed limit should be placed at different places at the both side of the road.

6.3.6. Waste water disposal

Cause of Impact

The waste water to be generated from different households, markets and industries will be discharged into the constructed drain and finally will fall into the water bodies of outfall areas. The waste water particularly with industrial effluents can badly pollute the water of down fall water bodies, and subsequently decrease the water quality. It requires proper waste water collection, treatment and disposal facilities to minimize the water pollution.

Mitigation Measures

Following measures should be taken to minimize the impacts:

- Every industry should have an Industrial Waste Water Treatment Plants. Lime products can be used in industrial waste water treatment to adjust pH and alkalinity in coagulation, flocculation and biological treatment processes. Lime can also be used in industrial waste water treatment to soften process or boiler feed water, precipitate metals and non-metals and to adjust pH with membrane treatment.
- Finally, the treated water can be discharged into the constructed drain to run off to outfalls.

6.3.7. Impact on local community

In operation phase, the proposed subproject has a positive impact on the community people by easing accessibility and creating business and employment opportunity. The local economy will be highly influenced by the constructed road by easing the transportation facilities for business and daily household services, and enhancing the land value of the surrounding areas. The improved

road will encourage other industries to be installed by the industrialists which will create more employment opportunities. In addition, it will create more employment opportunity by engaging young people in transportation business and driving of motorized vehicles. The local people will be benefited by getting opportunity of easy and quick movement from one place to another place within the Pourashava as well as outside of the Pourashava.

By discharging the household waste water into the drain, the local community people will enjoy a pleasant environment without water logged and dirty condition in and around their house.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

The objective of the environmental management plan (EMP) is to record environmental impacts resulting from the sub-project activities and to ensure implementation of the identified “mitigation measures”, in order to reduce adverse impacts and enhance positive impacts. Besides, it would also address any unexpected or unforeseen environmental impacts that may arise during construction and operational phases of the sub-projects. The identified environmental impacts and its mitigation and enhancement measures are given in **Table 7-1** and in **Table 7-2** as below:

7.1.Environmental Management Plan (EMP) Matrix

The anticipated environmental impacts and corresponding mitigation and enhancement measures have been outlined in **Table 7-1** for preconstruction and construction phases **and in Table 7-7** for operational phase.

Table 7-1: Anticipated impacts during construction and corresponding mitigation measures with monitoring guide line

Activity/ Issues	Potential Impact	Proposed Mitigation & Enhancement Measure	Monitoring Method	Frequency of Monitoring	Responsible for Monitoring	
					Implement	Supervision
Pre-construction stage						
Construction and operation of labor shed for the workers (Workforce and labor shed management)	Generation of sewage and solid waste may cause water/ environmental pollution/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure construction of new labor sheds or renovate the selected houses and stockyard to be designated by the Pourashava. • Construction of sanitary latrine considering 15 persons for one toilet at the labor shed and separate toilet for male and female; • Erection of “no litter” sign, provision of waste bins (introduce separate waste bins for organic and inorganic wastes); • Ensure wastes (solid wastes and other forms of the wastes) disposal at the dumping yard to be selected by the Pourashava. • Ensure emptying and cleaning of the waste bins regularly; • Drum trucks are available in the Municipality. Hence, drum truck should be used for transportation of the wastes; • Cleanliness of premises and workers living places and at the Labor Shed; • Arrangement of the proper ventilation and temperature at the Labor Shed; • Protection against dust by using masks and covering of the head and body; • Proper disposal of the wastes and effluents; 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF

Health Hazard of Labor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct formal and unofficial discussion to increase awareness about hygiene practices among the workers; • Arrange for readily available first aid unit including an adequate supply of sterilized dressing materials and appliances • Ensure that all site personnel have a basic level of environmental awareness training. If necessary, the environmental management specialist and/or a translator shall be called to the sites to further explain aspects of environmental or social behavior that are unclear. • Comply with requirements of Government of Bangladesh Labor law of 2006 and all applicable laws and standards on worker's Health and Safety; • Provide construction workers and local people with basic information on infectious diseases including HIV/AIDS • Mark and provide sign boards for hazardous areas such as energized electrical devices and lines, service rooms housing high voltage equipment, and areas for storage and disposal 	Visual Observation	Regularly and As per requirement	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
Possible development of labor camp into permanent settlement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor to remove labor camp at the completion of contract. 	Visual Observation	End of the Construction work	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF

	Outside labor force causing negative impact on health and social well-being of local people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that contractor employ local work force to provide work opportunity to the local people and conduct formal and unofficial awareness program for the health and social well-being of the local people. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
Construction Stage						
General construction works (Site Clearing, Earth work, Backfilling, fueling of subproject vehicles etc)	Drainage congestion and flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure provision for adequate drainage of storm water, if needed; • Ensure provision for pumping of congested water, if needed; • Ensure adequate monitoring of drainage effects, especially if construction works are carried out during the wet season. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Air pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check regularly and ensure that all the subproject vehicles are in good operating condition; • Ensure contractor spray water on dry surfaces regularly to reduce dust generation; • Maintain adequate moisture content of soil and sand for transportation, compaction, bed preparation, backfilling and handling; • Ensure contractor sprinkle and cover stockpiles of loose materials (e.g., fine aggregates); 	Visual Observation /Analytical	Regularly and Periodically	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Traffic congestion, effect on traffic and pedestrian safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure schedule deliveries of material/ equipment during off-peak hours; • Avoid road side storage of the construction materials; • Place cautionary sign for the pedestrian and safety traffic movement. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform the local people about subproject activities and inspire them use to alternative road to avoid traffic jam. • Ensure flag man especially at road crossing • Increase workforce in front of critical areas such as institutions, establishment, hospitals, and schools. 				B MDF
	Noise pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check and maintenance the equipment properly; • Avoid using of construction equipment producing excessive noise at night; • Avoid prolonged exposure to noise (produced by equipment) by the workers; • Regulate use of horns and avoid use of hydraulic horns in subproject vehicles. • Any noise generating equipment should be performed after office or school hour. • Arrange ear plugging or ear muff if noise level at the construction site is severe. 	Visual Observation /Analytical	Regularly and Periodically	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of B MDF
	Water and soil pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevent discharge of fuel, lubricants, chemicals, and wastes into adjacent water bodies and soil; • Vehicle maintenance and refueling should be confined to the designated areas with sealing to prevent the spillage of lubricants and fuels on the water bodies and soil; • Restrict disposal of any construction waste into the nearby water bodies. • Location of stockyards for construction materials shall be identified at a safe distance from watercourses. 	Visual Observation / Analytical	Regularly/ Periodically	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of B MDF

	Accidents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct formal and informal discussion for creating awareness about the accident; • Provides PPEs and ensure using of the personal protective equipment by the workers. • Maintain the register to record accidental events if occur; 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Spills and leaks of oil, toxic chemicals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper handling of lubricating oil and fuel so that it does not fall on the soil and adjacent water bodies; • Collection and disposal of spills; • Waste petro-chemicals must be properly collected, stored and not directly disposed on the ground. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
Dismantle work/ Excavation/Earth work/	Generation of solid and construction waste due to the dismantle works; Generation of loose soil due to the earth excavation work and earth work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cover expose construction wastes and loose dry soil with fabric; • Disposal of soil and construction wastes at Pourashava designated dumping site. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
IGS (improve sub grade) /sand filling	Air and dust pollution affecting nearby settlement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain adequate moisture content of the soil during construction transportation, compaction and handling; • Carry the materials especially loose soil and sand with adequate cover. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF

Setting up and operation of asphalt plant	Possible degradation of the air quality by the suspended particles and increase of the noise level from asphalt plant affecting nearby settlements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Locate plant away from residential settlements; • Consider use of emulsified bitumen. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Possible water pollution (surface and ground water) by bitumen and solvents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid spills and proper collection and disposal of the generated spills. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Possible preparation of the bitumen in open air and using of charcoal and wood as fuel.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strictly prohibit bitumen preparation in the open air and use of charcoal and wood as fuel. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
Dismantling work for site clearing and excavation work	Generation of loose and clay soil due to the earth excavation work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cover exposed loose dry soil and wastes materials before disposal; • Disposal of soil and construction wastes at Pourashava designated dumping site. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Accidents from careless use of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carefully handle of the hydraulic excavator and hammer if needed. 				

	hydraulic excavator and hammer if needed.					
	Possible damage of road side infrastructure due to earth excavation for drain construction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure drum sheet palisading work for shallow depth to stabilize the structure; • Ensure plunk palisading work for shallow depth to stabilize the structure; • Bolly drive for deep depth construction works. 				
	Air pollution due to black smoke emission from excavator.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular maintenance of the equipment. 				
Sand filling /Back filling work	Air and dust pollution affecting nearby settlement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain adequate moisture content of soil and sand during transportation, compaction and handling; • Carry the materials especially loose soil and sand with adequate cover. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
Cutting & welding of the reinforcement for RCC work	Noise pollution due to using of rod cutter and welding machine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid using of rod cutter and welding machine at night; • Avoid prolonged exposure to noise (produced by equipment) by workers. 	Visual Observation / Analytical	Regularly/Periodically	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF

	Potential health and safety risks from rod cutter and welding machine if any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure use of the personal protective equipment (helmet, goggles, gloves, safety boot); • Availability and access to first-aid equipment and medical supplies in case of any accidents. 	Visual Observation	Regularly	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
RCC (reinforce ment cement concrete) work	Air pollution due to black smoke emission from concrete mixer machine and vibrator machine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular maintenance of the concrete mixer and vibrator machine to avoid any black smoke emission. 	Visual Observation / Analytical	Regularly/Periodically	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF
	Noise nuisance from concrete mixer machine and vibrator machine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid operation of the concrete mixer and vibrator machine at night; • RCC work should be avoided at schooling time; • Inform local people about casting work and potential impacts. 	Visual Observation / Analytical	Regularly/Periodically	Contractor	Primarily by the PIU of the Pourashava and Secondarily by the PMU of BMDF

Table 7-2: Anticipated environmental impacts during operation phase and corresponding mitigation and enhancement measures

Activity / Issues	Potentials Impacts	Proposed Mitigation and Enhancement Measures	Responsible Parties
Operation of the RCC road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in traffic speed and accidents; • Increased traffic congestion due to movement of increased number of vehicles; • Damage to road by movement of heavy vehicles; 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better traffic management; • Control heavy traffic movement. 	By the Pourashava

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased air and noise pollution affecting surrounding areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic management, increased vehicle inspection 	
Operation of the RCC drain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pollution of downstream water body due to disposal of polluted water from the drain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure installation of septic tank by the household people in all establishment; Stop connecting sanitation facilities to storm drain directly. 	By the Pourashava
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blockage in the drain due to disposal of solid waste/debris 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creation of awareness, introduce SWM system and install and maintenance cover in open manholes; Regular maintenance / cleaning of the drain; Stop throwing of the wastes materials in to the drain by the community people. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible backflow of water due to blockage in the drain and at outfall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proper maintenance and cleaning of the drain and outfall on regular basis. 	

Most of the monitoring parameter evaluation will be done by visual observation except noise, air, and water quality parameter. These parameters will be monitored by analytically. Hence, analytical monitoring guideline is shown below in tabular form.

7.2.Environmental Monitoring Plan

The Environmental Monitoring is important to record environmental impacts resulting from the subproject activities and to ensure implementation of the mitigation measures identified earlier in order to reduce adverse impacts and enhance positive impacts from the subproject activities. The environmental monitoring should be done at both constructional and operational phases.

Environmental monitoring requires a set of indicators that could be conveniently measured, assessed and evaluated periodically to observe the trends of change in base line environmental quality.

The following environmental monitoring plan should be adopted to monitor the activities of both construction and operational phases mentioned in the environmental management plan.

7.2.1. Monitoring during construction phase

The mitigation or enhancement measures outlines in EMP should be monitoring during construction period with regular interval in order to ensure its effective implementation to avoid the adverse effect of subproject activities and to gain the positive impacts resulting for the activities. The environmental monitoring plan during the construction period is given in **Table 7-3** as below:

Table 7-3: Monitoring Plan (Analytical monitoring during construction phase)

Monitored Parameter/ Issues	Monitoring Method/Key Aspects	Location of Monitoring	Period & Monitoring Frequency
Noise level measurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through digital instruments 	• Sub-project site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two times at construction phase; • Reporting: Once in a month and immediately after measurement
Ambient air quality/ Stack Emission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visually-black smoke; • Sampling; • Analysis at laboratory; • Data analysis of merits determination by using quality standards; • Through digital instruments. 	• Sub-project site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two times at construction phase; • Reporting: Once in a month and immediately after measurement
Waste Water quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sampling; • Analysis at laboratory; • Data analysis of merits determination by using quality standards. 	• At intake and outfall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two times at construction phase; • Reporting: Once in a month and immediately after measurement

7.2.2. Monitoring during operational phase

Environmental monitoring during operational phase is limited to a number of impact parameters to see the actual performance of the subproject. Monitoring of some issues might be necessary during the operational period of the subproject those are given in **Table 7-4** as below.

Table 7-4: Monitoring plan (Visual observation during operation phase)

SL No	Issue	Key aspects	Monitoring frequency per year
1	Complaint from local people	Any significant complaint from local people and it's remedial procedure	4
2	Local drainage system	Maintaining proper drainage	4
3	Solid Waste Management	Proper management of solid wastes to be thrown on road	4

The environmental parameters to be monitored during operational phase are given in **Table 7-5** as below:

Table 7-5: Environmental parameters to be monitored (monitoring frequency)

Parameter	Location	Monitoring frequency per year
Air quality (SPM, PM ₁₀ , and PM _{2.5})	At different points of the road	2
Water quality (BOD, pH, DO, TDS, Turbidity, NH ₃)	At the nearby, surface water, ground water and drain water	2
Noise and Vibration	At different points of the road	2

7.3. Grievance Redress Mechanism

The project-specific Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) will be established by the PIU of Pabna Pourashava to receive, evaluate, and facilitate the solution of affected people's (APs) concerns, complaints and grievances concerning the social and environmental performance of the subproject. The GRM is aimed to provide a time-bound and transparent mechanism to voice and resolve social and environmental concerns linked to the subproject.

The grievance mechanism is related to resolve the risks and adverse impacts of the subproject. It addresses APs' concerns and complaints promptly, using an understandable and transparent process that is also gender responsive, and culturally appropriate. It is readily accessible to all segments of the affected people at no costs and without retribution. The mechanism should not impede access to the country's judicial or administrative remedies. The affected people will be appropriately informed about the mechanism.

BMDF has its own Grievance Redress Procedure (GRP) and they operate it to address any dissatisfaction and complaints by the local people regarding its activities. This procedure is being applied to address any complaints or grievances through negotiations with the community leaders and representatives of the APs during implementation of the MGSP.

7.3.1. Grievance redress committee (GRC)

Pabna Pourashava has formed a Grievance Redress Committee (GRC) headed by The Mayor. With the facilitation of Consultant, the Mayor nominated the GRC members and included representative from the Government Agencies, local NGO, and Civil Society. The GRC will nominate a focal person. Complaints will be received through drop box, by post, email and website of Pourashava. The grievance box will be set up at construction site to received complaints. The grievance response focal point will be available at the Pourashava for recording the complaints and necessary response to an aggrieved person. It will receive complaints or suggestions, and produce them to the GRC for hearing and resolution. If any complaint is not resolved at Pourashava level then the complaint will be produced to MD-BMDF. If it is not resolved by the MD-BMDF, then the subproject will be dropped.

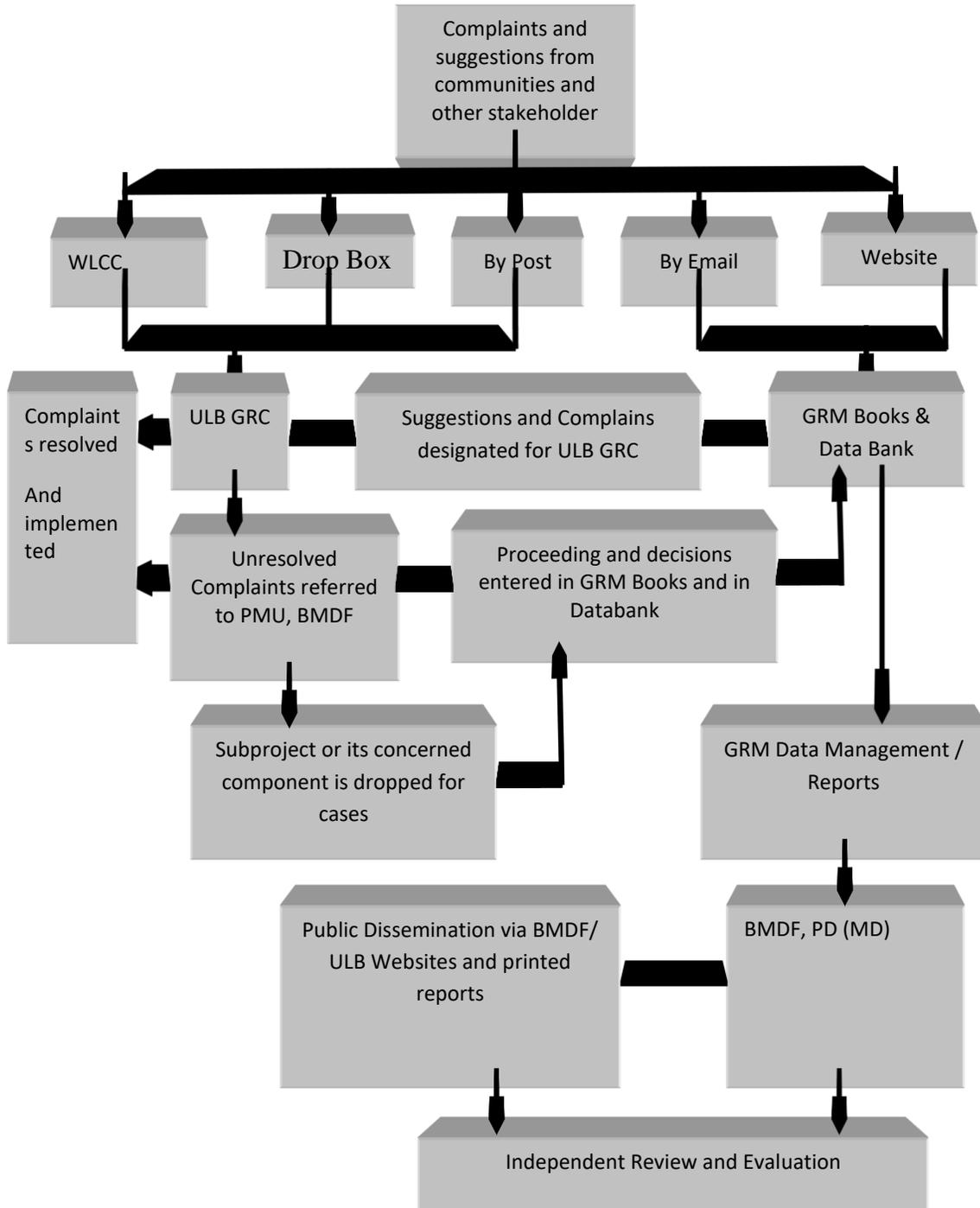
The structure of the GRC and membership are given as below:

Chairman	: ULB Mayor
Member-Secretary	: Head of the Engineering Section of ULB
Member	: Representative from local administration
	: Teacher from a local educational institution
	: Representative of a local NGO
	: Representative of civil society
	: Female ward councilor (of respective area)

The list of the GRC members along with office order of the Mayor is attached as **annexure 6**.

7.3.2. Grievance resolution process

Given flow chart will be followed for grievance resolution process of this subproject.



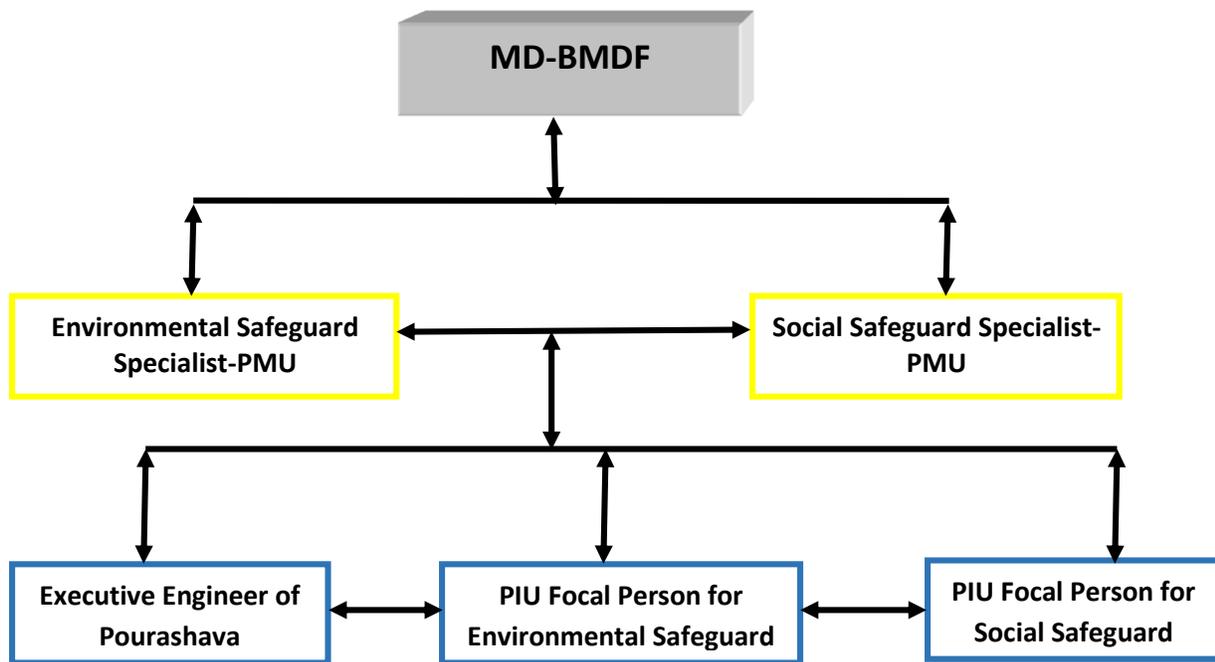
Flow diagram 7-1: Grievance resolution process

Note: If the appellant is still not satisfied, he or she has the right to take the case to the public courts. Pabna Pourashava should also publish the outcome of the cases on the public notice boards. All costs involved in resolving the complaints (meetings, consultations, communication, and information dissemination) will be borne by the Pabna Pourashava. The Pourashava authority will try to resolve the issues (in most of the cases, in amicable settlement) within shortest possible time. However, the public court system is always open to resolve the issues.

7.4. Institutional Arrangement for Implementation of EMP

The Environmental Safeguard Compliance issues are directly vested the Pourashava Officials especially the Executive Engineer will be responsible for supporting the construction supervision with the facilitation of BMDF. The civil works contractors will implement the environmental mitigation measures.

The BMDF, with the help of Environmental Safeguard Specialist will submit the monthly monitoring reports on Environmental Compliances to the World Bank.



Flow diagram 7-2: Institutional arrangement for implementation of EMP

7.5. Capacity Building

A two-day long training program in participation of PIU members of Pabna Pourashava was organized by the PMU of BMDF to build the capability of PIU of Pabna Pourashava. The Consultant, hired by the Pabna Pourashava also participated in the training program. The PMU of BMDF organized this training program in order to enhance their capacity to conduct

Environmental Assessment and Social Impact Assessment to be done for any proposed subproject. A series of sessions were conducted by the Specialists of the PMU of BMDF. The major sessions includes: (i) Environmental Screening, (ii) EMP Implementation, including environmental monitoring requirements related to mitigation measures; and (iii) taking immediate action to remedy unexpected adverse impacts or ineffective mitigation measures found during the course of the implementation. The PIU of Pabna Pourashava will organized an orientation of contractor, workers and other support staff on environmental issues to be considered and mitigation measures to be taken during pre-construction, construction and operational phases before deploying to the work sites in order to achieve the expected standards.

7.6. Estimation of Environmental Safeguard Cost of EMP

Considering the environmental impacts and their mitigation measures for the subproject, several items are included in the BOQ for the environmental management. **Table 7-6** presents the estimated cost during construction phase and **Table 7-7** presents the estimated cost during operation phase for the environmental management. Cost during construction phase will be included in BOQ but Cost during operation phase will be bearded by Pabna Pourashava.

Table 7-6: Environmental management budget during construction phase

Item No.	Description of the Items	Costs (BDT)
1	Establishment of labor camp (male shed - 15 ft x 30 ft and female shed 12 ft x 15 ft1) with living arrangement, drinking water facilities, cooking arrangement, mosquito net, waste bin etc.	200,000.00
2	Masonry pucca platform (at least 100 sft size), providing brick soling and net cement finishing for keeping fuel and lubricants for machineries.	15,000.00
3	Arrangement of temporary/ earthen drainage to drain out extra water logged due to rain and during construction works. All the temporary drains shall be filled up properly either at the end of event or at the end of works	50,000.00
4	Dust suppression measures by water spraying throughout the construction period in and around the subproject site, uncovered aggregates and loose materials such as stockpiles of the sands, excavated earth etc. (Lump sum)	90,000.00
5	Air quality (SPM, PM ₁₀ , and PM _{2.5}) measurement- it can be measured from the recognized environmental survey company, public institute/ university one time before starting construction, two times during construction phase and one time just after construction.	120,000.00

6	Noise level measurement- it can be measured from the recognized environmental survey company, public institute/ university two times during construction phase and one time just after construction.	30,000.00
7	Water quality (pH, DO, TDS, BOD, Turbidity, NH ₃) of both sides drain and underground water measurement- it can be measured from the recognized environmental survey company, public institute/ university one time before starting the construction, one time after the construction phase and two times during operation.	40,000
8	Wastes disposal facility during the construction period; collection, transportation, and dumping of the wastes at landfill site and providing sufficient bins; at least 6 bins (500 litre size) to be provided.	90,000.00
9	Water supply facilities (for the labor shed and work site):1 no. of tube well (depending on the site condition the contractor will select the option)	60,000.00
10	Sanitation facilities (at the labor shed): 2 nos. of the toilets preferably portable toilets (1 no. for women and 1 no. for men)	50,000.00
11	Providing PPE like hand gloves, spectacles for eye protection, helmets, masks, visible jacket, ear plug, safety boots for at least 30 person (25 for workers and 5 for visitor) and one first aid box with necessary medicine	100,000.00
12	Cautionary signs during construction: 8 nos.	15000.00
	Total	8,60,000.00

Table 7-7: Environmental management budget during operation phase (Annual)

Item No.	Description of the Items	Costs (BDT)
1	Air quality (SPM, PM ₁₀ , and PM _{2.5}) measurement- it can be measured from the recognized environmental survey company, public institute/ university two times per year at operation	60,000.00
2	Noise level measurement- it can be measured from the recognized environmental survey company, public institute/ university two times per year at operation	20000.00

3	Water quality (pH, DO, TDS, BOD, Turbidity, NH ₃) measurement. It can be measured from the pre-approved public institute/ university during operation period for waste water at underground water, drain and outfall @Tk. 10,000.00 per sample (2*3*5,000.00 Tk).	30000.00
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Note: The environmental safeguard compliance issues and cost (like solid waste management, water supply, traffic management, drain cleaning, test of environment parameter etc.) are to be done by Pabna Pourashava.

8. COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL CODE OF PRACTICES

The environmental code of practices (ECoPs) provides guidelines for environment management of the subprojects to be implemented in different urban local bodies (ULBs) under MGSP. The main objective of the ECoP is to manage construction operations in harmony with the environment in an effort to contribute to the well-being of the community and the environment by (i) minimizing pollution, (ii) sustaining eco-systems, (iii) conserving cultural heritage, and (iv) enhancing amenity. In compliance with ECoP, following issues associated with the proposed subproject are addressed during environmental assessment:

- Planning and design of the subproject;
- Site preparation;
- Construction camps;
- Waste management;
- Water bodies;
- Water quality;
- Drainage;
- Public health and safety;
- Material storage, transport and handling;

In this assessment, it is found that some of the issues are not relevant to this subproject. The issues those are found as relevant are addressed properly in this report.

9. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND ACCESS TO INFORMATION

9.1. Introduction

Public Consultation is an effective tool for maintaining communication among the Pourashava authority, BMDF as funding authority, different stakeholders of the subproject and community people where the subproject will be implemented. It helps to facilitate and streamline decision making as well as fosters an atmosphere of common understanding among individuals, group and organizations that could be affected or be affected by the subproject. It also ensures the transparency of the subproject at all levels of planning, design, construction and operation. It is a continuous process by which opinion from public is sought on matters affecting them. Hence, as a part of IEE/EIA, an effective public consultation and access to information is important.

9.2. Objectives

The main objectives of the public consultation and access to information under this subproject are: (i) to generate public awareness by providing information about the subproject to all stakeholders, particularly the subproject affected persons (PAPs) in a timely manner, and (ii) to provide opportunity to the stakeholders to raise their opinions and concerns on different aspects of the subproject.

9.3. Methodology

Public consultation about the planning, design, implementation and operation is done at different stages following different participatory methods. The methods followed in public consultation are: (1) consultative meeting with different stakeholders, (ii) Focus group discussion with community people through the participation of male participants, and (iii) Focus group discussion with community people through the participation of female participants, girls and boys, and disable people.

One consultative meeting was organized at community level through the participation of concern stakeholders including Councilors of Pabna Pourashava, traders, shopkeepers, local leaders, community elites and representatives of business men from different locations of the road influence area. The participants were informed about the detail design and activities of subproject going to be implemented. Environmental screening of the subproject was also done in this meeting using the prescribed form mentioned in EMF of BMDF. They were asked to share their opinion, feedback and suggestions on environmental and social impacts of the subprojects as well as the mitigation measures to avoid or reduce the potential impacts. The list of participants of this meeting is attached as **Annexure 5**.

One focus group discussion was organized with male community participants from different professions residing along the both sides of the proposed subproject site. The participants were informed about the detail design and activities of subproject going to be implemented and asked

about their opinion, feedback and suggestions on environmental and social impacts of the subprojects as well as the mitigation measures to avoid or reduce the potential impacts. They spontaneously discussed about the problems and economic losses that they have been facing for a long time as well as benefits and importance of the road and drain for the community and business of the areas. The list of participants of this FGD is attached as **Annexure 3**.

Another focus group discussion was organized with female community participants living along the both sides of the proposed subproject site. The participants were also informed about the detail design and activities of subproject going to be implemented and asked about their opinion, feedback and suggestions on environmental and social impacts of the subprojects as well as the mitigation measures to avoid or reduce the potential impacts on women's point of view. In this session, boys and girls, and disable people were also present. The list of participants of this FGD is attached as **Annexure 2**.

Special efforts were made to include the elderly, women, and vulnerable groups and to allow them to express their views regarding the subproject implementation and operation. In all cases, the impression of stakeholders and general mass regarding sub-project implementation was highly positive and also expressed that they have been suffering a lot due to the lack of repair, reconstruction or improvement of the road as it is the only road to travel at different parts of the Pourashava and out of Pourashava.

9.4. Issues Raised by the Participants

The stakeholders and community people are highly interested about the subproject. It is a long pending demand of them to the Pourashava to construct the roads and drains. Most of the participants described their sufferings in daily life due to the damaged roads and drains. They also assured that they will provide all sorts of required support from their side for constructing the roads and drains. They also raised their concerns those are related to construction and operation of roads and drains. The following issues were raised during community consultation:

- Water logging and unhealthy condition;
- Narrowness of roads and drains;
- Height of roads and drains;
- RCC drains instead of brick drains;
- Solid waste and fecal sludge management;
- Noise pollution due to the construction work;
- Protection against the spreading of construction materials during construction work;
- Starting and completion of works within least possible time;
- Maintenance of roads and drains;
- Footpath over the drain for pedestrians;
- Damage of roads during connecting utility service lines;
- Stop the movement of heavy vehicles in small roads; and

- Quality of construction work;

9.5. Feedback, Suggestions, and Recommendations of the Participants

Stakeholders and community people both male and female provided the feedback, suggestions and recommendations during the consultative meeting and FGDs those are given as below:

- The water logging condition should be removed and healthy environmental condition should be retrieved by constructing and improving all the roads and drains;
- Narrow roads should be widened and brick roads should be replaced by RCC road;
- The drains should be widened and the depth of the drains should be increased to ensure the functional water flow;
- The drain should be constructed in such a way that the household waste water can discharge easily to drain and no water can flow from one house to another house. It will help to avoid quarrels among the neighbor households;
- The height of roads and drains should be maintained in such a way that the storm water on road may discharge easily into the drain;
- The Pourashava should collect the household waste and remove the fecal sludge by introducing proper solid waste and fecal sludge management system. In addition, there should be provision of penalty, if any household throw solid waste into drains and connect septic tank with the drains;
- The slope of the drains should be maintained so that it may pass water to the ultimate outfall without any back flow;
- Noise and air pollution should be controlled so that its impact might be minimum on community people;
- Sufficient protective measures should be taken so that no accident of workers and community people occurs during the construction work;
- The construction of roads and drains should be completed within least possible time to reduce the transportation problem of the local people;
- The constructed roads and drains should be cleaned and regular maintenance of roads and drains should be ensured by the Pourashava;
- The footpath over the top of the drains should be ensured, where required and possible, for the pedestrians;
- In most of the cases, utility lines are given after the construction road and it damaged the road. Hence, the utility lines should be given whether before the construction of road or there should be adequate provision of road repair and maintenance during providing utility lines;
- In most of the cases, small roads and drains of the Pourashava are being damaged due to movement of heavy vehicles those are being used for carrying construction materials for building of individual household. It is not rational to damage the public property for individual purposes. Hence, the movement of these heavy vehicles should be restricted in

the constructed road by providing barrier at the entry point of each road so that limited height fleet can enter into the road only.

- Proper traffic control mechanism including sign of speed, sign of turning, community traffic police with flag at important points etc should be ensured;
- Community people and shop keepers should be mobilized through awareness campaign so that they can keep generated solid waste in own waste bin and no waste is thrown on the road and drain. The Pourashava should ensure the collect, treatment and disposal of solid waste properly; and
- Overall the quality of the work should be ensured through proper monitoring of works as well as involving community people in monitoring.

9.6. Access to Information

The environmental assessment report should be translated into Bengali and disseminated locally. The copies of the report (both in English and Bengali) will be sent to all the concerned personnel responsible for subproject implementation. It will also be made available to the public. The final assessment report (both English and Bangla) will also be uploaded in the Pabna Pourashava website, BMDF website and the World Bank website after approval.

10. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1. Conclusion

On the basis of the findings of the environmental assessment, it could be concluded that the subproject is environmentally sound and sustainable. It will also improve the environmental condition of the subproject areas and significant improvement in quality of life and public welfare will result once the subproject is in operation. The potential environmental impacts seem very minimum and manageable, and it would be minimized by taking proposed mitigation measures. The adverse environmental impacts from the subproject will mostly take place during the construction stage. No endangered or protected species of flora or fauna are reported at the subproject site. The benefits of the subproject will be significant by creating employment and business opportunities during the construction and operational phases. There is no significant cumulative adverse impact during operation that is identifiable at this stage. The proposed subproject activities have no significant adverse environmental impact so far as a time bound execution program with application of advanced construction technology is ensured. The mitigation measures are well within such codes and practices of construction and operation of the proposed subproject.

10.2. Recommendations

The attitude of the community people towards the proposed road and drain is highly positive as well as they have some recommendations to minimize some impacts of on the environmental and social environment during its construction and operation. The Government of Bangladesh and World Bank have some legal and social safeguard compliances issues those are applicable during constructing and operating the proposed subproject. Considering the above-mentioned issues and findings of the study, following key recommendations are made for smooth construction and successful operation of the road and drain:

- The condition of the roads and drains is very bad and public demand for this road is very high. The construction of the road should be started as soon as possible and should be completed within least possible time;
- Proposed environmental management plan should be implemented strictly both during operation and construction phase of the project;
- Suggestions and recommendation made by public for design and construction of road and drain, traffic management, solid waste management and waste water discharge should be taken into consideration;

- Proper training of maintaining environment, health and safety should be given to subproject management unit, contractor and workers in both construction and operation phase;
- Environmental monitoring should be conducted as proposed in environment management plan; and
- This plan could be updated at any stages of the construction and operation of the subproject in case of addressing the environmental issues those are not identified and raised at this stage.

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ANNEXURES

Annexure 1: Design of RCC road and Drain

