

The LPRR Project for effective Conflict Prevention

When communities are affected by conflict, they are more vulnerable to a wide range of shocks and stresses, including natural hazards. The ability of a community to manage tensions can be seen as a key indicator of that community's resilience.

Poorly planned development or humanitarian interventions can also contribute to conflict. Preventing conflict must be a key component of any attempt that to build community resilience.

Christian Aid has been a key partner in the strengthening of community resilience in Bangladesh. It has fronted the 'Linking Preparedness, Resilience and Response' project (LPPR).

The project has six core principles:

1. Enable the community to co-run the response
2. Coordinate Interventions and work with the government
3. Support community cohesion and
4. Address underlying causes of vulnerability

5. Psycho-social support and mental health
6. Income generation, cash and savings

This may well be the first time ever that that such specific guidance has been developed.

I am often asked what difference our *Commitment for Life* support makes for communities in Bangladesh. The LPRR project is one of those in-the-background initiatives that make an enormous impact on the lives of communities. I encourage you to download and read the Handbook produced by Kings College on conflict prevention.

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/sites/default/files/2018-06/Conflict-Prevention-Handbook-June-2018.pdf>

