



Lived Experiences and the Impact of Shutdown of the People Living and Working in Dhaka Urban Slums during COVID-19

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The ARISE Bangladesh team is conducting a rapid appraisal with 80 case studies, documenting the lived experiences of slum dwellers in Dhaka city. Community people residing in seven selected slums across both Dhaka North and South City Corporations are being interviewed via a series of telephonic interviews for this purpose. NGO community health workers and frontline workers, who are also members of the respective community, providing services on the COVID-19

response in those selected slums are also being interviewed. The main focus of this research is to investigate health and wellbeing of the marginalized and vulnerable people residing in the urban informal settlements, understanding current practices, behaviors, local beliefs of COVID-19, and the impact on livelihoods and their coping mechanisms.

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