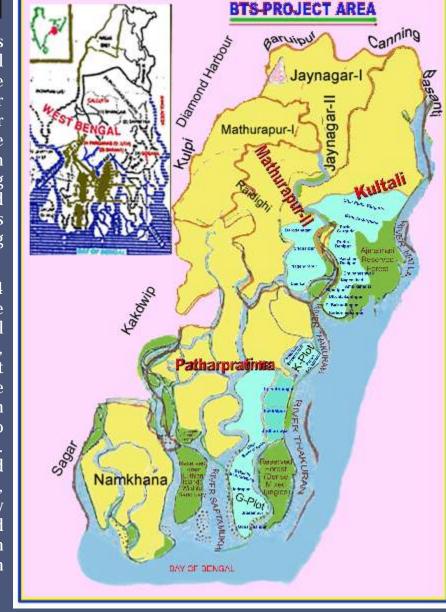
Sunderban: Islands of Joy...!!!

Since time immemorial, the majestic islands of Sunderbans have been subject to brutal attacks from nature, so much so, that the people have become used to the regular natural exigencies that create havoc in their lives. Hundreds of thousands of people are victimized year after year.... Property worth billions are lost every year... Many a young life has been lost.... Still, the tales of woe and anguish continue in those remote villages cornered by rampaging sea and throbbing rivers....!

The entire Sunderban delta, consisting of 54 big islands, numerous small ones and the landmass arouse a wild romanticism in all and sundry. The welcoming greenery, umpteen rivers and creeks, swaying boat rides, adventurous forest lives, delicate shrimps, mouth watering fish, tiger prawn and the Royal Bengal Tiger – what else do one require to lit fire to their imagination. Sunderbans makes poets out of duds and idiots. For the ordinary people from outside, it is the land of great adventure and leisurely boat rides to lay off from the busy world outside. UNESCO thus declares Sunderban as World Heritage Site...! So, Sunderban creats wonder...!

But for the estimated 4 million people residing today, Sunderbans is their habitat, the land of their birth, their toil and probably their death. For them, their land has been bestowing misery after misery on those hapless souls... never giving a respite from the dangers of natural disasters. Year after year, the story of tears and toils are repeated. Still, the people go on with their lives – for centuries now – with the eternal hope that one day, their miseries will come to an end and they will lead a happy peaceful life.

Moinith-Baikunthapur GP area: Kultali CD Block



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Village Name	No. of Households	Male	Population Female	Total	Children	Minorities	SC/ST
Baikunthapur (N)	604	1,451	1,328	2,779	782	24	830/16
Baikunthapur (S) Kishorimohanpur	475 975	2,042 3.050	1,890 2,839	3,932 5.889	592 1.081	40 25	628/24 1.812/4
Ambikanagar	213	530	520	1,050	265	10	101/3
Binodpur	748	1,723	1,034	2,757	1,056	212	923/22
Nagenabad	724	2,439	2,273	4,712	897	2,182	1,785/130
Project Area Total Kultali Block Total	3,739	11,235	9,984	21,119	4,673	2,493	6,079/199
Achintanagar GP area: Pathar Pratima CD Block							
Village Name	No. of		Population			Minorities	SC/ST
Ĭ	Households	Male	Female	Total	Children		
Sripatinagar (East)	599	1,826	1,761	3,587	732	1,500	622
Sripatinagar (West)	936	2,996	2,826	5,822	915	1 500	2,390
Project Area Total	1,535	4,822	4,587	9,409	1,647	1,500	3,012
G-Plot GP area: Patharpratima CD Block							
Village Name	No. of Households	Male	Population Female	Total	Children	Minorities	SC/ST
Gobardhanpur	213	821	661	1,482	291	_	91
Sitarampur	811	2,479	2,346	4,825	735	75	598
Indrapur Dakshin Surandragani	845 769	2,862 2,259	2,520 2,098	5,382	795 475	324 492	1,010 611
Dakshin Surendraganj Uttar Surendraganj	570	1,761	1,662	4,357 3,423	357	469	292
Buraburitat	531	1,783	1,759	3,542	625	-	493
Project Area Total	3,739	11,965	11,046	23,011	3,278	1,360	3,095
Patharpratima Total							

