
Welcome
To My Talk

How to deal with your research team being kidnapped

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- ❑ Social Science Research – Interviews involving human participants in the context of disaster and conflict in developing countries
 - ❑ Individual household interviews – questionnaires, story telling and micro-narratives
 - ❑ Focus group discussion and participatory methods (PRA)
 - ❑ Key informant interviews
 - ❑ The **personal safety of researchers and their teams** may be at risk – **interaction with local people or community**
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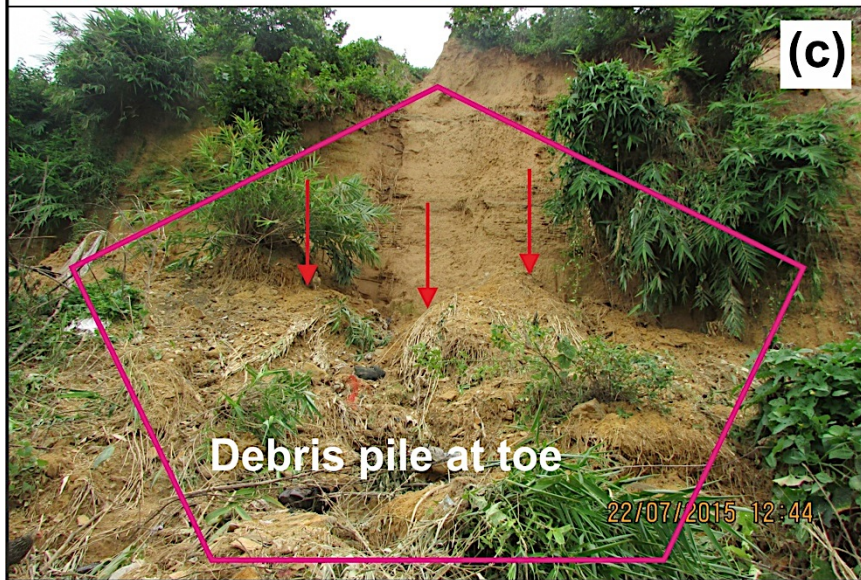
Conventional Fieldwork Procedures

- 1) Funding Secured – contract signing with local partners
 - 2) Data protection registration – consent form & information sheet
 - 3) Risk assessment – hazards (traffic accident, slippery surfaces, building sites, fire safety: hotel, lone working, insects and animals, lightning strike, welfare arrangement: facilities), and control measures
 - 4) Ethics approval – questionnaires, methodology, participants
 - 5) Health insurance
 - 6) Local authority permissions
 - 7) Translators & local partners/team members
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Landslide Work



Landslides



Hill Cutting



Hill Cutting – Chittagong



Hill Cutting – Khagrachari



Turtuk Village, Ladakh – India



Turtuk – Ladakh



2017 Rohingya Exodus – Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh



- i. Violent and aggressive behavior – local people
- ii. Visa or entry permissions – legal authority
[culture, religion, ethnicity, historical background]
- iii. Unexpected circumstances

Thumb Rules

- 1) Personal **health and safety** should be the top priority, it includes other team members and members of local community
 - 2) Don't be extremely adventurous and **heroic**
 - 3) Anything can happen, **take preparations** for the worst – abandon/adjust fieldwork or reschedule (for the next season)
 - 4) Ensure **strong local network** (local politicians, influential professors, and community leaders) – oral permissions
 - 5) Be friendly and **polite**
 - 6) Consider **local norms and culture**, being professional and being respectful are not always the same
 - 7) Specific requirements for women – safeguarding and sexual violence
 - 8) Research is important, but you can apply for another funding!
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4–5 July 2019

International Conference on the **Rohingya Crisis** in Comparative Perspective



**“A HOME IS WHERE I HAD
SLEPT CLOSE TO MY
MOTHER” – ROHINGYA**

We aim to understand the root causes of Rohingya crisis in Myanmar, the drivers of Rohingya influx into Bangladesh, Rohingya diaspora and their adaptation strategies in host countries, and the overall implications for security and peace in the region. We are also keen to compare the Rohingya crisis with other examples of serious crimes against humanity, genocide and war crimes that occurred globally.

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