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Bangladesh faces significant challenges this year 2024 especially in July and August, exacerbated by severe floods predominately in southeast part of this country. The healthcare system, already under strain, is grappling with a surge in waterborne diseases like cholera, diarrhea and vector borne disease dengue, as well as the disruption of basic services in flood-hit areas. Malnutrition, lack of clean drinking water and inadequate sanitation has worsened the public health crisis. Politically, the government's response has been criticized for delayed relief efforts and limited resources reaching rural areas though public support were historically tremendous and huge. Tensions are further heightened by allegations of mismanagement, hindering effective distribution of aid collected from multiple sources. Additionally, there are concerns about equitable healthcare access, especially for women, children, and marginalized communities. As the country prepares for national reforms after elimination of a fascist regime, addressing these health and governance issues will be critical to ensure sustainable recovery and rebuilding trust among the affected population.

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