

IOM Bangladesh: Rohingya Humanitarian Crisis Response

EXTERNAL UPDATE

24 - 30 August 2018

706,000

New Rohingya Arrivals since 25 August 2017 to Cox's Bazar*

919,000

Total Rohingya Population in Cox's Bazar*

1.3 Million

People in Need in Cox's Bazar

* Needs and Population Monitoring Baseline Round 11

KEY FEATURES

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- The installation of 77 street lights has been completed. A total 131 additional locations were identified this week in Camps 9, 13 and 23.
- ♦ IOM Protection team is supporting the development of the Women's Income Generation Support (WINGS) livelihoods intervention project that will be implemented in Leda.



CUMULATIVE CATEGORY 1 INCIDENTS

50,472 affected persons

11,212 affected households

Over 39,000 individuals are located in the most at risk areas

591 reported incidents (landslide/ erosion, water logging, extreme wind, lightning and flooding)

Source: Site Management Sector, Category 1 Incident Reports (Since 11 May 2018)

FUNDING GAP IMPACTING SERVICE DELIVERY



IOM medical staff have worked tirelessly to support tens of thousands of people. The medical response critically underfunded is putting health services and potentially lives at risk, especially at peak times during emergencies.



Budget constraints continue to reduce the number Cash-for-Work laborers in the camps which have hindered Site Development works in the camps but also the access to cash for refugees.



Maintenance of some WASH facilities has been compromised, putting hundreds of thousands of refugees at risk of waterborne diseases and has limited the construction of additional facilities in newly acquired land and relocation areas.



Without additional funding, families will not receive new material to construct durable upgraded shelter including treated bamboo. Funding is also necessary for contingency stockpiling for post-monsoon/cyclone season.



Rohingya Humanitarian Crisis:

One Year On

Over the past year the resilience of the Rohingya refugees, the generosity of Bangladesh and donors and the immense hard work of the humanitarian response has been remarkable. But the crisis isn't over. Almost one million refugees urgently need more support.



Click <u>here</u> to see the One year Anniversary video.

NPM in the news

Have you ever wonder how big are the camps where over 900,000 Rohingya refugees have settled in Cox's Bazar?

The Guardian used NPM maps on top of New York City and Central London. The camps are, per example, one third of Manhattan.



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NEEDS AND POPULATION MONITORING (NPM)

Based on the Site Assessment Round 11, NPM released its latest georeferenced drone imagery, maps and updated GIS tools. These GIS tools include camp-tailored packages specifically designed for operational use in cooperation with SM actors on the ground.

NPM started its regular exercise Baseline Assessment Round 12 prior to Site Assessment Round 12. This round relies on a newly revised broaden scope methodology which switched from a quantitative to a mixed methods approach. NPM reached out to Site Management and protection actors to better identify and engage with female Key Informants. Pilot interviews and Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) are being conducted. The baseline survey covers all locations hosting Rohingya population in Cox's Bazar District in Bangladesh and records the number of Rohingya population by location.

NPM continued supporting Ground Truth Solutions through data revision and validation of their exercise conducted during the months of July and August in Cox's Bazar, and by conducting FGDs to further integrate their findings.

NPM continues to support the Site Management Sector in the redefinition of camps blocks and sub-blocks boundaries, as the first step into the establishment of a new governance system. NPM team visited Camp 10 and 13 to redraw and verify block boundaries, hence providing technical support to IOM Site Management team and partners who are leading the exercise in cooperation with Camp in Charge (CiCs).

NPM team conducted a Site Management Category 1 and Joint Needs Assessment training workshop for 12 new site management staffs from partner agencies and provided technical assistance to 30 Site Management partner's focal point regarding the use of the incident reporting tool. NPM is supporting the Site Management sector to simplify the work flow of the incident reporting. NPM Site Management sector's Incident Assessment mechanism is continuously supported by NPM. For an overview of incidents reported daily, link here.

INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED THROUGH PROTECTION **ACTIVITIES** 15,394 4,754 2,229 82 PFA assistance Provided Health referrals VoTs assisted

8 Women and Girls Safe Spaces (WGSS)



2 additional WGSS under construction

1 Safe Shelter



During the reporting period, Protection team supported the relocation of 102 households from Camps- 10, 11 and UNHCR Transit Center to Camp 20 extension and Camp 4 extension which includes 195 individuals in total. A number of 26 EVIs were identified during the relocations.

IOM Protection team is supporting the development through consultations and planning meetings of the Women's Income Generation Support (WINGS) livelihoods intervention project that will be implemented in Leda in coordination with IOM Livelihoods and Site Management teams.

Gender Based Violence (GBV) safe identification and referral training was conducted this

week at the in Camp 8W for all protection actors and Camp in Charge (CiC).

The construction of an additional Safe Space in Camp 19 is completed and construction another one is underway for Camp 20 Extension.

The Protection team participated in the



first GBV Information Management System Task Force (TF) Meeting to agree on the Terms of Reference of the TF as part of the information sharing protocol development.

A total of 39 people were sensitized on Trafficking in Persons (TiP) issues through three awareness raising sessions. Finally, IOM Counter Trafficking team attended a training on Case Management this week.



43,841 households have received Upgrade Shelter Kits (USKs) since February 2018

38,841 households have received Tie Down Kits (TDKs) since May 2018

42,158 households reached through shelter upgrade and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) orientation since February 2018

4,575 extremely vulnerable households supported with material transportation and shelter construction since February 2018, engaging 45,107 cash-for-work laborers

40 community shelters upgraded



SHELTER/NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFIs)

IOM is coordinating the Shelter/NFI Sector

IOM continues the NFI gap assessments in all IOM camps to identify households that did not receive NFIs during previous distributions. This month, 979 sleep mats, 764 kitchen sets and 1,098 solar lights have been distributed. For host community families, IOM is currently conducting preparatory work for NFI distributions.

In Unchiprang, IOM is also constructing 150 Robust Emergency Shelters through Cash-for-Work programme, hiring over 250 workers per day from Bangladeshi host communities. As of today, 110 shelters have been completed for relocation from landslide risk areas.

To date, IOM completed upgrade and reinforcement works for 40 community facilities, creating temporary shelter space for 2,762 individuals, in eight camps. By March 2019, IOM plans to complete upgrade works for 170 community buildings, creating temporary community shelter space for approximate 10,000 individuals.

Since the beginning of the monsoon season, 2,180 households have had their shelters affected by the monsoon rains and received emergency shelter items.



IOM is hiring over 250 Bangladeshi workers per day, and constructing 150 Robust Emergency Shelters to relocate the most atrisk families in Unchiprang ©IOM 2018

STORY OF OSNAN, IOM BENEFICIARY

"My concern is not only about my shelter but also the other 100 shelters of this block. As a Majhee (Community Leader), I go door to door to ensure community members use Tie Down Kits (DTKs), neighborhood tool kits and household tool kits properly. By disseminating information and messages through community mobilization activities, the shelters are now almost all equipped with TDKs and will reduce the risk of damage shelter in case of strong winds."









\$62,710 outpatient consultations held since August 2017



139,691 <5 years old outpatient consultations conducted



■ 805 people assisted through emergency Mobile Medical Teams



Average of 154,320 people reached monthly with health education



8,523 people reached with Mental Health and Psychosocial support



2,283 deliveries conducted in IOM facilities by skilled birth attendants



12 IOM facilities operated independently



Government primary healthcare facilities being supported by IOM with supplies, human resources and training opportunities

HEALTH

IOM, together with the Ministry of Health (MoH) and other UN Agencies hosted the World Bank in Ukhiya and Teknaf during a camp visit to jointly identify the health gaps in the camps. The World Bank is planning to fund the MoH to mitigate the health gaps and other health events within the camps.

To build the capacity of IOM's outbreak and response team, IOM provided vector-borne disease training to over 40 Medical Officers to improve on early detection (surveillance). It is anticipated that more cases will be reported during monsoon season.

Diphtheria contact tracing has been conducted for a total of seven cases (81 contacts) this week. Contact tracing has been conducted for a total of 1,115 cases since inception of the contact tracing activity. A total of 7,673 contacts have been traced and provided with chemoprophylaxis.

A joint field investigation has been conducted by a team of IOM and Health Sector staff in Camp 10 and camp 19 to identify the underlying cause of rising of dysentery and Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD) cases in the camps in past two weeks.

Triage on communicable disease and isolations are operational at five IOM facilities (Kutupalong Primary Heath Care Center (PHCC), Leda PHCC, Balukhali MS, Jamtoli Health Post and AA Health Post). In the past two weeks, the centres have triaged 403 cases, including diagnosed and isolated nine suspected tuberculosis (TB), suspected one Diphtheria case, 38 mumps and two chicken pox cases.

In week 34, a total of 7,196 consultations took place in IOM health centers and IOM supported Government facilities. This week's consultations were significantly reduced from week 33 (a 54.9% drop) due to closure of some facilities during Eid celebration. Consultations rates are expected to normalise during week 35.

A total of 74 deliveries were conducted in the last two weeks with 168 Post Natal care and 1,357 Antenatal care sessions provided. Since 25th August 2017, IOM has conducted 2,283 deliveries by skilled birth attendants.



Health education session being conducted by an IOM Community Health Worker in Shamlapur camp. ©IOM 2018

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SERVICES (MHPSS)

In the last two weeks, 310 people were assisted in, Ukhiya and Teknaf, as part of the direct services provided. A total of two group sessions were conducted in Camp 13 and Camp 9 with the objective of identifying conflict and anger management issues. The MHPSS team in Leda is currently focusing on support to pregnant mothers with the aim to promote care and positive bonding during pregnancy. A total 70 pregnant women have been supported through these groups over the past two weeks.





ACCOUNTABILITY TO AFFECTED POPULATIONS

75 IOM staff and volunteers trained on the utilisation of radios for the further distribution of 60,000 pieces

Radio distribution continues in several IOM-managed camps. Training of trainers – to demonstrate operation of the radio, how to tune into local radio, and to emphasise the importance of sharing access with neighbours – was completed.

Radio listener groups are ongoing in Teknaf camps; 176 sessions took place, involving 3,176 participants. Topics included nutrition, water safety



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and oral rehydration and care for pregnant women.

A move to introduce Feedback & Information Centres is underway, which will reinforce and standardize elements of 'information hubs' and CFM desks. New signs and banners have been produced and work is ongoing to upgrade spaces where community members come for information or to give feedback.

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RESILIENCE & ENVIRONMENT, DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (DRR)

The installation of an Emergency Operating Centre (EOC) with required equipment at Cox's Bazar DC Office is ongoing.

IOM participated in a meeting hosted by the Inter-Sector Coordination Group (ISCG) on Cyclone Shelters meant for sharing data and GPS coordinates.

IOM and the International Centre for Climate Change & Development (ICCCAD) are currently conducting environmental monitoring activities in Ukhiya and Teknaf Upazila. The programme aims at identifying predicted and unanticipated changes to the environment due to the concentration of the Rohingya camps in the area, and thereby contribute to building evidence based options to prevent further degradation and if possible restore environmental quality.

580 beneficiaries have received cooking kit and LPG cylinder since August 2018

50,500 beneficiaries have received microgardening kits and food storage since March 2018 (25,000 Rohingya refugees and 25,500 host community members)

LAUNCH OF SAFE ACCESS TO FUEL AND ENERGY (SAFE+) PROJECT

A major environmental project to provide around 250,000 families with liquid petroleum gas (LPG) stoves and gas cylinders has been launched by UN agencies and the Government in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, to help prevent further deforestation linked to the Rohingya refugee crisis.

At the official launch of phase one of the project on 16 August, over 600 local villagers identified by local officials as extremely vulnerable and in need of support were the first to receive stove and gas sets. Thousands more will be distributed to Rohingya refugees and other host community families over the coming months.



The launch was attended by senior Bangladeshi officials including Commissioner for Refugee Repatriation and Relief Mohammad Abul Kalam, Divisional Commissioner for Chittagong Mohammad Abdul Mannan, Upazila Nirbahi Officer in Ukhiya Md. Nikaruzzaman, and Deputy Commissioner for Cox's Bazar Mohammad Kamal Hossain.



SITE MANAGEMENT AND SITE DEVELOPMENT

IOM is coordinating the Site Management Sector

WEEKLY UPDATES

The installation of 77 street lights has been completed. A total 131 additional locations were identified this week in Camps 9, 13 and 23. Further GPS marking of identified location for solar lights installation

Community meetings regarding animal sacrifice during the Eid days, and consequent waste management were held in all camps.

During the reporting period 4,373 more HHs were identified as at risk of flood and landslide, amounting to a total of 43,385 HHs across all camps

Out of the identified HHs at risk, a total of 4,509 HHs were relocated to Camp 4 and Camp 20 Extensions by IOM and partners.

A total of 1,776 Cash for Work (CfW) laborers were engaged across all camps throughout the week for maintenance, repair and site improvement works in all camps. Out of these, 103 laborers were engaged from the host communities.

A total of 178 Radio Listening sessions were held across all camps

Site Development activities completed include the finalization of four stairs; the construction of 897m of drainage, steps, pathways and handrails; the repair or construction of 24 bamboo bridges as well as the repair of 24m of road.

Outreach activities were carried out across all camps, including 162 Sensitization Campaigns, 34 Focus Group Discussions/Key Informant Informants and 8,261 door-to-door visits

Construction of Site Management offices and info hubs ongoing in all the sites. A total of 28 information hubs have been completed.

CHALLENGES

Underfunding poses a serious challenge as CfW operations keep downsizing, along with delayed delivery of construction and repair materials from some vendors, resulting in slow completion of Site Development activities.

Conflicts arising in the communities between family members/neighbors, between members of different blocks and between refugees and members of the host communities.

Para Development Communities (PDCs) established in sites where host community and refugees are living together (Teknaf sites) are proving to be less effective than initially expected. Further steps may be required to ensure that PDCs receive proper recognition from all major stakeholders in the field, including the Bangladeshi Army, the CiCs and RRRC

Eco friendly stairs in Bamboo, stones and sand

1. Women engage in CfW collect stones



Breaking stones



3. Stairs filling with stones and sand



4. Compacting











Relocations have started for the families from the most at-risk areas in Unchiprang.

Women involved in CfW watering grass planted for slope stabilisation





🛼 WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WaSH)

372 Deep Tube Wells (DTWs) completed since August 2017

2,780 emergency latrines & mobile toilets constructed since August 2017

> 526 wash rooms constructed since August 2017

123,554 hygiene kits distributed since August 2017

Two different trainings were organised by IOM in Camp 9. Both trainings targeted the agencies focal points working directly and indirectly on Accurate Diarrhea Diseases (AWD) and hygiene promotion in the area. A total of 65 participants from the partner organisations participated in the training.

In Camp 12, in collaboration with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and the Bangladesh Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE), IOM's water supply project will be offering a safer and more reliable water access to 30,000 people. The construction of the new retaining wall, perimeter fencing, gates, and office/chemical building at the borehole site is on-going. The design and preparation of the Bill of Quantities (BOQ) for the water supply pipeline is now on-going. The topographical survey of the pipe alignment conducted by both IOM WaSH and Site Development/Site Management staff has also been completed last week. The hydraulic analysis of the water supply network was performed once the ground elevation was determined and known from the calculation of the survey data. After the land was cleared, IOM WaSH staff also surveyed the location of the water reservoir to determine the available space. Drawings, plans and BOQ will be prepared once the survey has been completed.

Through the established WaSH sector common pipeline, IOM continues to reach for more partners to sign up the agreement while encouraging existing partners to plan and distribute top up hygiene kits and aquatabs to beneficiaries. So far, 12 agencies have signed the pipeline agreement and a total of 123,554 hygiene top up kits have been distributed by 10 agencies including IOM WaSH team, reaching 617,770 beneficiaries.

In Camp 24 (Leda MS and expansion), IOM is managing the comprehensive WaSH activities through water treatment system providing approximately 260,000 liters per day for 18,000 individuals as well as maintenance of sanitation facilities and hygiene promotion.

A total of 372 Deep Tube Well (DTW), 526 wash rooms and 2,780 emergency latrines & mobile toilets have been constructed in Kutupalong-Balukhali Expansion (KBE) site and Shamlapur since august 2017. Currently, 85 DTW, 128 wash rooms and 178 latrines installations are ongoing in the KBE site, Shamlapur and Monkhali.





INTER-SECTOR COORDINATION GROUP (ISCG)
IOM is hosting the sector based coordination structure for the Rohingya

The overall humanitarian response for the Rohingya refugee crisis is facilitated by a sector-based coordination mechanism, the Inter-Sectoral Coordination Group (ISCG), established for refugee response in Cox's Bazar. The ISCG is guided by Strategic Executive Group (SEG) that is designed to be an inclusive decision-making forum consisting of heads of international humanitarian organizations to ensure effective humanitarian response to the Rohingya refugee crisis.

ISCG facilitates timely, coordinated, needs-based, and evidence-driven humanitarian assistance for efficient use of resources and to avoid duplication, while producing regular Situation Reports and 4W maps and data.

IOM IN THE NEWS













IOM (17 August 2018)

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ROHINGYA CRISIS: ONE YEAR ON

IOM (24 August 2018)

Cox's Bazar – One year into a crisis that has seen over 700,000 refugees escape violence in Myanmar by fleeing into Bangladesh, the Rohingya once more stand on the verge of another disaster if more funding for the humanitarian response cannot be secured.

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ROHINGYA REFUGEES 'STAND ON THE PRECIPICE OF MORE TRAGEDY' ONE YEAR AFTER BRUTAL CRACKDOWN

Time (24 August 2018)

Saturday marks the first anniversary of one of the darkest events in Myanmar's recent history: Aug. 25, the beginning of a military campaign of extrajudicial killings, sexual violence, and arson that drove more than 700,000 Rohingya Muslims from the country's western Rakhine state.

Click here to read the full story.

ONE YEAR LATER, ROHINGYA REFUGEES WANT STATEHOOD AND JUSTICE

PBS (24 August 2018)

A year ago, a bloody counterinsurgency campaign drove hundreds of thousands of ethnic Rohingya people from northern Myanmar into neighboring Bangladesh.

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