



Food Security & Livelihoods Coordination Meeting

15 July 2020

Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh



**COX'S BAZAR
FOOD SECURITY
SECTOR**

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ACTION POINTS

- Partners to peruse newly published [COVID-19 Addendum to the JRP](#) and its [Annexes](#)
- Partners to peruse and share inputs on [draft guidelines on agriculture inputs distribution in Rohingya refugee camps](#) by **Wednesday 22 July COB**
- Partners to review [draft Child Protection tip sheet for food distribution](#) for inputs by **Wednesday 22 July COB**
- Partners to peruse [guidance for CiCs on critical activities in context of COVID-19](#), FSS to update partners on progress
- Partners to view [SMSD Sector SOP for sector focal points](#) and [SMSD dashboard](#) on COVID-19, incidents, community dynamics, household relocations, and CFM & referrals
- Reminder to partners to kindly update [5Ws](#), [mask distribution](#) and provide any [challenges faced/lessons learned](#) regularly on respective trackers
- Reminder to partners to report COVID-19 cases within organization to ISCG by every Sunday CoB – see [guidance](#) – and access-related issues to NGO Platform focal point - Iphita Sengupta (rohingyaresponse.ngo3@gmail.com)

18 Organizations (44 individuals) in attendance;		
World Vision	FAO	Solidarites Int'l
UNICEF	Caritas Bangladesh	BRAC
Oxfam	Site Management & Site Development Sector	Save the Children International
UNHCR	ACDI/VOCA	Transfers Working Group
WFP	ICCO	UN Women
GUK	RIC	United Purpose

Agenda

- Situational COVID-19 updates
- FSS/LHWG updates
- Sector focal point SOPs and service monitoring presentation by SMSD Sector
- Draft guidelines on seeds and inputs distribution in camps
- Discussion on revision of critical activities in camps
- Plastic upcycling project presentation by WFP/ICCO
- AOB

Situational COVID-19 Updates

Situational COVID-19 Update

- Decrease in testing in host community due to fee
- Increase in testing in the camps – new strategy by Health Sector and CwC
- **Referral Pathways** - see [here](#)
- **Access incidents** after new circular on zoning – please report to NGO Platform focal point - Ipshita Sengupta (rohingyaresponse.ngo3@gmail.com)
- Reporting of COVID-19 in Humanitarian Workers – each agency by every Sunday CoB – see [guidance](#)

Updated as of 13 July 2020

COVID-19 update among Host Population and FDMN/Rohingya Refugee[~] in Cox's Bazar



		Host Population	FDMN/Rohingya Refugee
Number of test conducted (in last 24 hours)*:	18,674 (225)		
Number of confirmed case (in last 24 hours)**:	3,050 (20)		
Number of test conducted (total)		17,653 [^]	1,021
Number of test conducted (in last 24 hours)		185	40
Number of confirmed case (total)		2,993	57
Number of confirmed case (in last 24 hours)		20	0

Source: [WHO COVID-19 update | 13 July 2020](#)

Situational COVID-19 Update



- Lockdown eased
- Meeting of Heads of UN Agencies with DC
- Meeting of Sector Coordinators with RRRC

JRP 2020 – mid-year Review

- COVID-19 response plan revision finalized – Addendum to JRP 2020 [at this link](#). – 181 million to respond to COVID-19 – USD 50 million for FSS
- Mid year review JRP 2020 in August – light process
- Review of achievements against plans and funding – based on Sector Monitoring Framework
- Multi-Sectoral Needs Assessment (MSNA) – remote data collection and request to partners to share contacts/phone-numbers of host community households in Ukhiya and Teknaf

FSS Update

A [webinar on the Joint Monitoring Framework](#) conducted by global Food Security Cluster was held on Thursday, 9 July. The monitoring framework uses a combination of a contextualized baseline evaluation of pre-COVID-19 food insecurity and vulnerability to COVID-19; along with regular monitoring of indicators perceived to be linked to the impact of COVID-19 - including additional shocks - on food insecurity. Webinar recording is available [here](#).

- A follow-up meeting will be held on Thursday 16 July to finalise monitoring indicators, including contextualization, review of information source, and to finalise analysis areas (upazila, camp, catchment, etc.) for Rohingya and host population

WFP General Food Assistance: see [July food basket messaging](#)

- The addition of dried fish to the monthly e-voucher food basket
- High-energy biscuits will be distributed to households, along with Supercereal, at food distribution points. Each household will receive 25 packets of biscuits. These biscuits used to be provided at the learning centres as part of our School Feeding programme and they contain important micronutrients.

FSS June Achievements



Rohingya refugees

Food assistance

- **188,342** households (HH) received food assistance in 34 camps and Konopara “No Man’s Land”
- **32,973** HH received **complementary food voucher** assistance to purchase fresh food items
- **86%** of all refugees are receiving **14** food items through e-voucher modality (increase of **6,360** HH in June), and **38%** of all refugees are receiving food using Building Blocks
- Pilot for **protecting older persons** through door-to-door delivery of food reached **365** HH, scaling to 2 more location in July
- **Rapid response** - in-kind food rations (**95** HH), high energy biscuits (**1,282** HH), and cooked meals (**7,449** meals) were provided to households displaced by COVID-19, monsoon, conflicts, and EVI referrals from Protection Sector
- **Agriculture** – **3,402** HH received vegetable seeds for micro gardening
- **Cash for work** – **426** HH were engaged in mask production

FSS June Achievements

Bangladeshi host community

- **Food distribution** – coverage was expanded to all upazilas of Cox's Bazar District
 - Ramu – 5,699 households
 - Pekua – 5,236 households
 - Maheshkhali – 18,420 households
 - Kutubdia – 787 households
 - Sadar – 4,099 households
 - Chakaria – 15,982 households
- **Agriculture** – **37,756** HH received inputs and **12,506** HH received training
- **Livelihoods** – **1,225** HH received conditional cash for income-generating activities, and **1,515** HH received training
- **Unconditional cash grant** – **24,046** HH in Ukhiya and Teknaf received cash
- **Cash for work** – **605** HH were engaged in mask and soap production

Partners' Challenges (Camps)

Organization	Activity	Challenges
Christian Aid (CWW, DSK)	Cash and Voucher Assistance	More coverage needed
World Vision	Food Assistance	Delayed distribution due to heavy rainfall
Faith in Action	Food Assistance	Delayed distribution due to heavy rainfall , traffic, reluctance of BNFs to leave their child at home
WFP (BRAC, ActionAid Bangladesh, ICCO Cooperation)	Mask production	Quality control of the masks produced
UN Women (BRAC)	Mask production	Quality control and hygiene maintenance

Partners' Challenges (Host Community)



Organization	Activity	Challenges
World Vision	Agriculture	Restriction on organizing big groups made the process slower, Distribution disrupted by heavy rain
World Vision	Cash and Voucher Assistance	Crowd control , maintaining social distance
Christian Aid (CWW, DSK)	Cash and Voucher Assistance	More coverage needed
IOM	Cash and Voucher Assistance	Movement restrictions, maintaining social distance during distribution, difficulties regarding banking process due to govt. restrictions
Faith in Action	Food Assistance	Delayed distribution due to heavy rainfall , traffic, reluctance of beneficiaries to leave their child at home
WFP (RIC)	Cash and Voucher Assistance	Controlling quality of produced mask
IOM	Formation of Self-Help Groups	Restriction on organizing big groups made the process slower

Partners' Lessons Learned



Organization	Lesson Learned
Christian Aid (CWW, DSK)	No visible identification of pregnancy before 5 months
UN Women (BRAC)	Regular monitoring of hygiene maintenance while producing masks is needed.
World Vision	Orientation on key messages done by the DD, DAE, from CXB supplemented planned training that could not be done due to Covid19
World Vision	Presence of different stakeholders (UNO Representative, UP Chairman, UP members, Project Implementation Committee members) at the site helps to resolve issues like beneficiary identification also builds a strong relationship among the partner
World Vision	Collaboration with Govt. Dept for training contributes to joint support of the activities.
Faith in Action	Good practice: arranging smaller groups for daily distribution, monitoring to maintain proper hygiene practices with vendors and beneficiaries, separate rows for male and female beneficiaries, putting up help desk to assist beneficiaries
IOM	A consolidated list of beneficiaries so that agencies can check their beneficiaries before any intervention to eliminate duplications
IOM	Discuss with local administration beforehand (e.g. when the livelihood activities can be resumed in the filed level) so that activities can be planned accordingly

LHWG Update

- **Ongoing discussions with RRRC:** As part of an ISCG effort to re-assess approved activities in the camps – at a meeting with RRRC yesterday, discussed importance of programmes such as seed distributions in the camps to be able to start back up again ensuring covid-19 prevention and risk mitigation efforts are in place.
- **Menstrual Hygiene Material:** Based on partner's interest, LHWG presented on hygiene material production and potential linkages at WASH Sector coordination meeting on 22nd June, see the slides [here](#).
 - WASH sector to send email on to partners in a cross sectoral effort to connect production (LHWG partners) with distribution (WASH partners)
- **Mask Making Initiative:** Updated outputs for mask making initiatives are now available in [English](#) and [Bengali](#).
- Partners are encouraged to update the online tracker regularly in order to further support on coordination. For questions regarding the tracker contact Leah Beaulac – LHWG Chair (leah.beaulac@wfp.org) Nitol Dewan – IM focal point (nitol.dewan@wfp.org).
 - Plans to cover over 135,000 school children with child sized masks in the host community through LHWG partner initiative. Children ages 5-11 in the camps will receive masks through Relief Singapore donation.
- There are 28 camps with proposed **full coverage** for 18-59 year olds.
 - Partners are encouraged to distribute masks as soon as possible – if facing any issues please contact LHWG chair for support.

SMSD Sector Presentation

[Click here to access the SMSD Sector presentation slides](#)

[Click here to access SMSD Sector SOP for sector focal points](#)

[Click here to access the SMSD Sector dashboard](#)

Draft Guidelines on seeds and inputs distribution

[Click here to access the draft guidelines](#)

Revision of Critical Activities in Camps

[Click here to access the guidance for CiCs on critical activities in context of COVID-19](#)

WFP/ICCO Presentation

[Click here to view introductory video](#)

Ensuring Food Security and Clean Environment through self reliance activities for the Rohingya Communities

1st January – 31st December 2020

The project at a glance

Working area:

Recycling centre at Camp 15, Jamtoli, Ukhyia, Cox's Bazar

Total beneficiaries: Different participants from Rohingya community will be mobilized to provide their skills in the several phase of the recycling process:

- Men and youth >> collectors and machine operators
- Eladerly and Persons Wit hDisabilities >> waste sorters and cleaners
- Women >> tailors

Technical Partners:

- Garbageman: working on the development of the
- UNDP: connecting with the local Association of Scrap Dealers in Ukhyia

The recycling centre



The recycling process



The first result of the recycling process



Human centered approach

Promote the participation and leadership of women and girls, men and boys, elderly and Persons with disabilities in identifying improvements to the recycling project and uses for the aluminum sheet



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