Food Security & Livelihoods Coordination Meeting

15 July 2020

Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh

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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 - Ipshita Sengupta (rohingyaresponse.ngo3@gmail.com)
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](mailto:rohingyaresponse.ngo3@gmail.com))
- Reporting of COVID-19 in Humanitarian Workers – each agency by every Sunday CoB – see [guidance](#)

![COVID-19 update among Host Population and FDMN/Rohingya Refugee in Cox’s Bazar](#)

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<td>17,653^</td>
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<td>185</td>
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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
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<td>Orientation on key messages done by the DD, DAE, from CXB supplemented planned training that could not be done due to Covid19</td>
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<td>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</td>
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LHWG Update
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• **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](mailto:leah.beaulac@wfp.org)) Nitol Dewan – IM focal point ([nitol.dewan@wfp.org](mailto: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
Ensuring Food Security and Clean Environment through self reliance activities for the Rohingya Communities

1\textsuperscript{st} January – 31\textsuperscript{st} December 2020

We Help Farmers and Small Businesses Grow.
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
- Elderly and Persons with Disabilities >> 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
AOB
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