Food Security Sector
Emergency Response Plan

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Food Security Sector (FSS) Rapid Response Plan comprises of three types of interventions in collaboration with its partners and relevant Site Management (SM) agencies at the camp level.

1. Immediate food response with one-week ration of high energy biscuits (HEB) within 6 to 12 hours

2. Depending on beneficiary access to cooking or storage, dry or wet food ration for a duration of two weeks within 2 days of displacement or relocation

3. Integration of households into regular food assistance, from the nearest distribution points, after beneficiary verification within two weeks of relocation or displacement
TARGETING CRITERIA

Households who meet any one of the below criteria will receive rapid food assistance within the first 24 hours:

- Household is in the communal shelter
- Original shelter is completely collapsed
- Roof is blown away
- Shelter is flooded

In case of Category 2 and 3 disaster, WFP food assistance team will be reprogrammed to support rapid response to provide both dry and wet ration
STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

Response plan for Rohingya communities

1. **0 hour**: SM agency informs WFP and CP with total number of displaced or new arrival families, or protection cases.

2. **Before 2 hours**: WFP releases high-energy biscuits for its CP within 2 hours of request submitted by the SM Agency.

3. **6 to 24 hours**: WFP CP deliver 1 carton (100 packets) of HEBs, a ration for 6 days, per family to the SM agency for rapid distribution. If no road access for vehicles, WFP CP will mobilize porters for this last mile delivery.

4. **24 hours**: SM agency will distribute HEBs to up to 50 households and share the beneficiary list to WFP and its CP at the camp level within 24 hours of distribution. WFP CP will distribute HEBs to more than 50 households, with support from SM Agency, and share a beneficiary list within next 24 hours.
5. **Before 2 days:** WFP will use the beneficiary list from HEB distribution to plan its general food assistance within 2 days of displacement or relocation. Depending on beneficiary access to cooking or storage, dry or cooked food ration will be distributed for maximum of two weeks feeding cycle.

- **One-off General Food Distribution:** If beneficiaries have access to cooking facilities and food storage, they will receive a 15-day dry food ration within a week of relocation. WFP’s CP will employ their mobile food distribution team to support this one-off intervention. WFP food card will be used to record food distribution when available, but not a pre-requisite to receive this assistance.
- **Cooked Meals:** If relocated families do not have access to cooking, WFP will coordinate with its cooperating partners or ACF for distribution of hot meals. For larger scale, sudden onset disaster response, additional partners will assist distribution.
6. **Day 3-15:** WFP field monitors and CP will coordinate with SM Agency at the camp level to verify the eligibility of affected households, collect full household data, replace lost WFP Food or SCOPE cards.
   - Families with UNHCR FCN and MOHA card, who are not enrolled in WFP database will receive a new Food Card and be integrated into regular food distribution cycle from nearby distribution point.

7. **Day 15 and onwards:** Households with WFP Food Cards will be transitioned from rapid food response to regular food assistance from their nearby distribution point.

**Response plan for host communities:** In case host communities are affected, WFP will check with the DC office whether they require support in all 8 Cox’s Bazar sub-districts.
STOCKS AND PREPOSITIONING

• **High energy biscuits**: 446 mt have been pre-positioned in storage facilities in and around the camps to be distributed to the affected population within identified catchment areas to provide 2,100 kcal per day to 96,960 households (446,000 individuals) for a week or 228,930 households (1,053,100 people for 3 days. Additional 656 mt (402 mt in Cox’s Bazar and 254 mt in Chittagong) can be made available.

• **In-kind food ration**: 2,089 mt of lentils, rice and oil is available for one-off distribution to 48,000 households per year.

• **Cooked meals**: up to 7,000 cooked meals can be provided per day by WFP (5,000 meals) and ACF (2,000 meals)
Partners will provide rapid food assistance from 20 e-voucher outlets, 2 general distribution points, and 9 community kitchens.

Partners and operational areas:
- Catchment A: ACF, WFP (Save the Children)
- Catchment B: ACF, WFP (World Vision)
- Catchment C: ACF, WFP (RIC)
- Catchment D: ACF, WFP (BRAC)