Food Security & Livelihoods Coordination Meeting

9 February 2021

Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh

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Agenda

- FSS updates
- Operational coordination of camp gardening
- Standardization of livelihood and self-reliance activities
- Partners’ updates on planned and ongoing activities
- AOB
ACTION POINTS

• Partners experiencing challenges due to fencing in the camps to fill in this [template](#) and share with FSS
• Partners with remaining cloth masks to contact Health Sector focal point - Md Arif Uzzaman [mbhuiyan@who.int](mailto:mbhuiyan@who.int) - to handover for Health Sector contingency stock
• **Partners to complete Country Cluster Performance Monitoring survey** [HERE](#) to evaluate the performance of FSS and inform FSS workplan for 2021. Please submit 1 response per organization and select “Bangladesh – COX’S BAZAR” under Country, and select “Sub-National” under level of coordination structure select Bangladesh.
• Partners to provide inputs on strategy, activity, technical specifications and guidance on [FSS 2021 Activity Matrix](#)
ACTION POINTS

- Partners to fill in revised template for NID deduplication exercise and submit to FSS – see HERE more information on this exercise
- Partners with planned gardening activities in 2021 to refer to EETWG/FSS guidance note

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**FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS UPDATES**

**General**
- Relocation from Shamlapur (Camp 23) – approx. 3000 individuals. WFP providing HEB and hot meals to relocated HHs and BDRCS providing morning snacks.

- Relocation to Bashan Char - total of 6,736 individuals in 3 batches (last 28/29 Jan).

- Health Sector Seroprevalence study – study completed, quality assurance testing is ongoing, results likely postponed.

- Fencing – completed in Ukhiya, ongoing in Teknaf – see [maps and challenges](#) by SMSD. Partners to share with FSS issues with fencing.

- Refresher Gender training for FSS partners on 14-15 February.
Food Assistance

- General food assistance is ongoing with 99% e-voucher modality (20 food items) and 1% in-kind modality in Balukhali 2 - Camp 9 with FFC assistance – see February food basket

- 31,971 most vulnerable HHs are targeted with fresh food corner assistance (16 food items) in February, Farmers’ Market reopening postponed to March

- Building Blocks was scaled up to all e-voucher outlets from start of February, covering 99% of refugee households.

- SCOPECARD distribution ongoing in Camp 14, 15, 21, 22, 23 - see messages and schedule
Mask distribution

• Round 1 – 3.2 million reusable masks has been distributed to 34 Camp and 8 Upazilas throughout Cox’s Bazar
• Round 2 - 1.6 million reusable masks has been distributed to all households in 34 different Camp in Ukhiya & Teknaf
• More than 400,000 masks to be handed over to Health Sector as contingency stock
• Partners are requested to deliver remaining masks to WHO warehouse as Health Sector’s contingency stock.

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WHO focal point: Md Arif Uzzaman mbhuiyan@who.int
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Information Management

• **Refugee Emergency Vulnerability Assessment (REVA) round 4** preliminary findings are now available [online] – full report with more analysis forthcoming

• Revised **deduplication exercise** template to analyze who receives what – please fill in the [new template] with 2021 target beneficiaries’ NID and submit to FSS team

• **CCPM** deadline has been extended to **16 February** due to low response rate (17% progress). Kindly fill in [this survey] to evaluate the performance of FSS and inform FSS workplan for 2021 (**only 1 response per organization**)

• **FSS mailing list** – Google Groups is no longer used due to some emails going to junk mailbox. Kindly inform us to subscribe to/unsubscribe from our mailing list.
Operational coordination of camp gardening
## PROJECTED COVERAGE – SUMMER VEGETABLES

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- **20** camps have 0 planned coverage
- **6** camps have 1-28% planned coverage, **7** camps have 29-84% planned coverage, and **1** camp has 85% or higher planned coverage

Click [HERE](#) to see winter distribution plans and planned coverage by camp block
SEEDS & TOOLS DISTRIBUTION – SUMMER VEGETABLES

Planned seed distribution by 4 partners
10 types of seeds per partner on average

Planned tool distribution by 4 partners
4 types of tools per partner on average
OPEN DISCUSSION

• Gardening methods and land availability (e.g. vertical, micro, homestead)

• Amount and type of seeds

• Seed quality and procurement

• Output/outcome (production and utilization) monitoring

• Messaging (land allocation, seasonality, vertical modality)

• Continued operational coordination (see planting tracker here)

• OTHER
See FSS/EETWG guideline, FAO guidance on micro-farms, and FAO seasonal calendar by Upazila and vegetable preference list by UNHCR HERE
Standardization of activities
# FSS 2021 Activity Matrix – SO2: Self-reliance

## Food Security Sector Objectives Matrix, JRP 2021

**SO2: Support self-reliance of women, girls, men and boys among the Rohingya refugees through development of portable skills**

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<td>• FSL will continue to serve as a platform for operational coordination, supporting partners in streamlining initiatives, identifying gaps and overlaps, and knowledge sharing across partners and connecting supply with demand where/when possible</td>
<td>E.g. workshops, information products</td>
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| ENVIRONMENT | • Reduce the amount of waste introduced into the camp by utilizing non-plastic containers/packaging/items. Repairing equipment and materials where possible (phones, tomlooms, etc.).  
• Upscale recycling/environmental related initiatives, ensure products are connected to demand (effective/sustainable self-reliance programming should link closely with supply/demand)  
• Support in diverting organic waste from landfills for use as compost. | N/A |

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| INTER-SECTOR COORDINATION | - Strengthen training programmes to ensure technically strong – further collaborate with Skills Development Technical Working Group to evaluate feasibility of ‘standardized’ graduation programme to support in strengthening portable skills within the camps.  
- Ensure programmatic/operational bridges between ongoing DRR and cash for work programmes across sectors and organizations to link trainings with cash-for-work opportunities i.e. beneficiaries that are trained or graduated through carpentry, masonry, etc. can then be linked with opportunities to utilize those skills through relevant and ongoing DRR related camp activities. | N/A |
| SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT | - Linkages with WASH and SMsd - behaviour change component/trainings to see value in components of waste management/reuse opportunities within the scope of livelihoods  
- Utilizing unrecyclable materials (such as aluminum in school feeding biscuits) to upcycle products | N/A |

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| GARDENING           | Nutritious vegetable production through Vertical gardening technology | Gardening/Seed inputs: 
  - Suitable crops: Bitter gourd, Sweet gourd, country bean, long yeared bean, cucumber, indian spinach, bottle gourd leaf 
  - Seeds: Hybrid seeds @10gms/HH/year 
  - Production: Year round (@ 40-50 kgs/HH/year) 
  - Harvesting time: 40-50 days (avg) 
  - Height of the vertical frame/trellis: 8-10 ft 
  - Intercultural cultural operation: Mulching, thinning/pruning, watering 
  - Fertilizer application: Vermicompost: @ 10 kgs/HH/year, (in addition-self-made compost fertilizer) |

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| Reinforce efforts to support vulnerable Bangladeshis impacted as a result of influx through supporting food and unconditional cash assistance in response to shocks and to support GoB social safety nets | - Provide unconditional food and cash to vulnerable households impacted by COVID-19, natural disasters and other shocks in coordination with local government  
- As appropriate, piggyback on existing GoB safety net and support horizontal and vertical expansion of the safety net programme  
- Coordinate with other partners through deduplication exercise conducted by FSS to avoid overlap of same type of assistance and improve targeting | - Monitor markets and change in prices  
- Refer to latest MEB (8,681 BDT/month/HH as of August 2019) and CVA guidelines to inform transfer value (BDT 3,000-5,500)  
- Refer to mapping of Mobile FSP document by TWG to adopt contactless transfers  
- To conduct PDMs to monitor outcomes, preferences, challenges faced by beneficiaries and feasibility of CVA |

| **MARKET LINKAGES** |                  | Pending |
| Create and strengthen market linkages between supply and demand for all livelihoods initiatives in the Host Community | - Potential agricultural group selection  
- Provide training on crop cultivation and agro- business planning  
- Workshops and market linkage meetings with market actors (input and output markets)  
- Contract/MoU establishment between traders and farmer groups  
- Engage in Farmers market and link with WFP led market outlets  
- Understand the supply/demand in camps and HC and aim to localize supply as much as possible | |

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|  | • Detail Farmers’ household profiling  
  • Farmer database (MIS)  
  • Use of printed muster-roll/sign-up sheet with all information for each interventions.  
  • Sharing farmer database with partners to avoid duplication  
  • Deduplicate partners’ beneficiary lists through cross-checking of NIDs | |
| **DIGITAL SOLUTIONS** | Digital solutions and technology to support in reach/scope of initiatives | Pending |
|  | • ICT Training for the farmer leaders  
  • Installation of agricultural apps (AIS) in the mobiles  
  • Training on e-commerce platforms | |
| **NUTRITION-SENSITIVE APPROACH** | Nutrition trainings, awareness and capacity building to support in improving diet diversity | Pending |
|  | • Nutrition training for the farmer groups  
  • Training on High Value Crop for the farmer groups  
  • Awareness raising on nutrition through visual materials (posters, leaflets, festoons, day observations) | |
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• Joint exposure/learning visits  
• Harmonization workshops | Pending |
| **SERVICE PROVISION** | • Development of  
  o Local Service Provider (Aggregator)  
  o Local Service Provider (Mechanic)  
  o Local Service Provider (Vaccinator)  
• Input support - vaccination kits, mechanic toolbox, transport, weight machine, crate  
• Linkage with other service providers including government agencies | Pending |

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| Livestock production | • Technical training for the potential livestock farmers on beef fattening, milk-cow rearing, goat rearing (including technical standards)  
                        • Fodder production  
                        • Input support (Feed, vaccination kits)  
                        • Market promotion  
                        • Transboundary diseases management and health management and vaccination campaign  
                        • Vaccination services | Pending |
| Poultry farming      | • Technical training for the potential poultry farmers on small and medium poultry farming (including technical standards)  
                        • Input support (Feed, farm materials, poultry-shed, vaccination kits)  
                        • Market promotion (egg, meat)  
                        • Common disease management and vaccination campaign | Pending |

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<td>• Input support – Agro-Machineries, seeds, tools, water pump</td>
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<td>• Market linkage and development- Farmer</td>
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<td><strong>AGGREGATION CENTERS</strong></td>
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| Fish pond culture   | • Technical training on fish culture for the potential farmer groups  
                      • Input support – fish feed, fingerlings, equipment/tools  
                      • Link to market  
                      • “Fish week” and “Fishing ban” campaign | Pending |
| Dry fish production | • Training on safe dry fish production for dry fish producers  
                        • Input support – elevated macha (locally made safety drier)  
                        • Link to market | Pending |
| Supporting marine fisher-folk | • Safety-at-Sea training for the fisher folk  
                                 • Safety gears support- Life jacket, flashlight | Pending |
| **Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)** | • Community Risk and Vulnerability Analysis  
                                            • DRR Action plan development  
                                            • Training on DRR  
                                            • Climate adaptive technology promotion | Pending |

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Partners’ update on planned and ongoing activities
AOB