



# Food Security & Livelihoods Coordination Meeting

21 March 2023

Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh



**COX'S BAZAR  
FOOD SECURITY  
SECTOR**

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# Agenda

## Meeting agenda

- Introductions & welcome
- FSS Updates
- Overview: Cluster Coordination Performance Monitoring (CCPM) 2022 – Report and Preliminary Results (FSS-Cox's Bazar)
- Partner Updates
- AOB

# Last meeting minutes review (7 March 2023)

Who	Action	Status
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## FOOD SECURITY SECTOR

FSS	To avoid duplication or gaps, ensure minimum standards, and rationalize the use of available resources, FSS referred partners to RRRC issued letter (December 2022) on approval of FSS activities in the Camps. As per the directive, CiCs will get sector endorsements before partner activities are implemented.	
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## IMPACT ON FSS DUE TO RATION CUTS

Partners	FSS requests partners for inputs regarding the impact of the food ration cuts on partners programming (where, when, # of beneficiaries, what activity etc.) by 9 March 2023	Done
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## FSS GARDENING TRACKER (WINTER AND SUMMER SEASONS)

FSS	Partners will share gardening tracker information to FSS who did not share yet by 9 March 2023	Ongoing
	FSS will produce Homestead Gardening Tracker by Mid-March	Ongoing
	FSS will organize homestead gardening meeting with partners on 29 March 2023	Upcoming

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<b>FSS INFORMATION MANAGEMENT</b>		
Partners	<p>For FSS 5W response tracker (<a href="#">5W Guidance Note</a>) <a href="#">FSS 5W response tracker</a> (google sheets): The online FSS 5W response tracker in the February 2023 Tab only – (please note that this is a LIVE document, therefore DO NOT delete fields/rows or apply filters). Or the attached offline 5W template. <i>If using the offline template, it may be convenient for you to download the above response tracker and keep your specific organization's rows only and update the monthly tab each month with your activities' beneficiary figures.</i></p>	Done
Partners	For Rohingya CfW/Volunteer Stipend information: attached Excel template.	Done

# FSS Updates

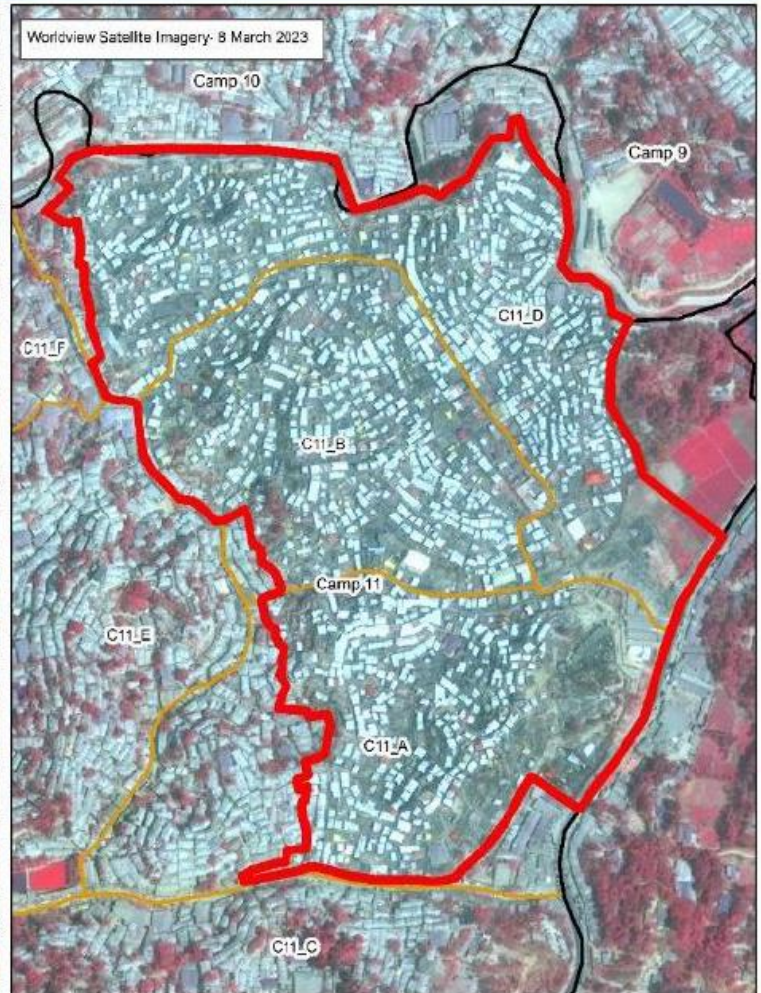
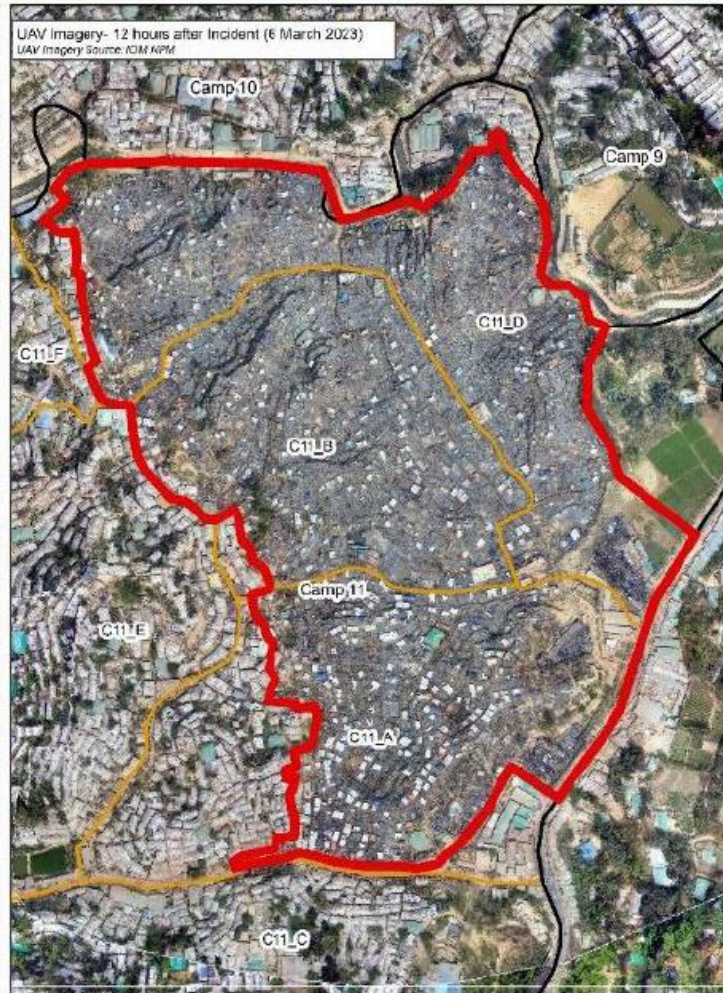
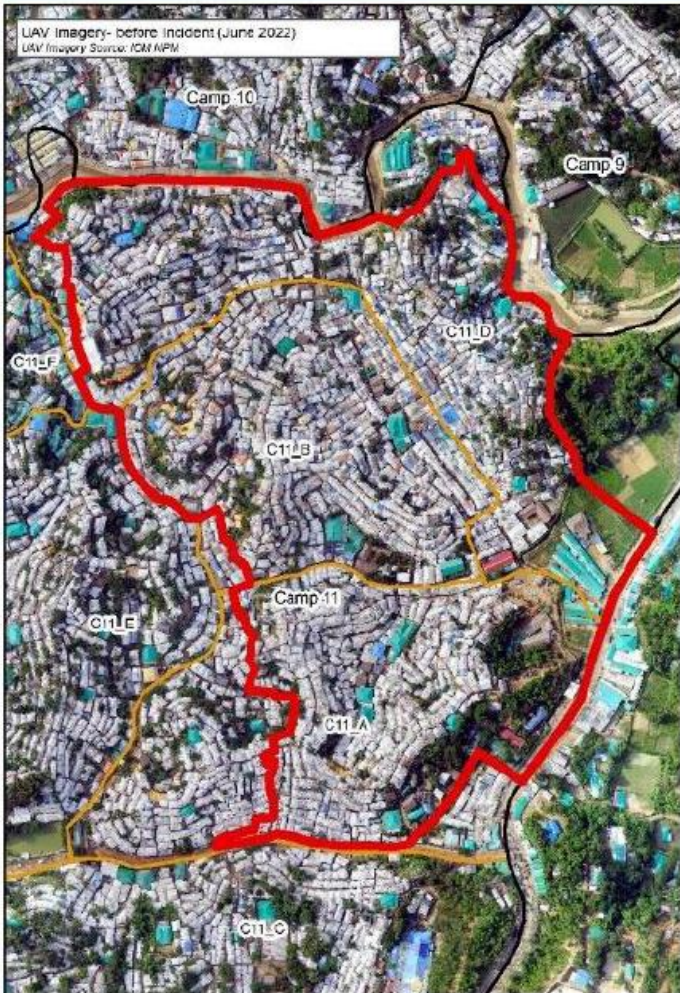


# Fire Response SitRep – March 15

## CAMP 11 FIRE AFFECTED AREA TIMELINE COMPARISON KUTUPALONG, COX'S BAZAR



Map navigation and metadata including a north arrow, a scale bar (0, 40, 80 meters), and logos for IOM, NPM, and UN Migration Agency. The map shows the location of Camp 11 in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.





# Fire Response SitRep – March 15



**15,926**  
Individuals  
affected



**5,274**  
Individuals  
displaced



**2,805**  
Shelters  
damaged or  
destroyed



**155**  
Facilities  
damaged or  
destroyed

# Fire Response SitRep – March 15

## *Impact and Immediate Needs:*

- Rapid Food Assistance needs are determined by WFP based on Site Development determined figures.

## *Response:*

- WFP and implementing partners led emergency rapid food assistance | FSS coordinated response across all agencies, in close coordination with Camp 11 CiC.
- Affected populations provided with:
  - **HEBs - 2,518 packets**
  - **hot meals (lunch & dinner) - 112,604 hot meals** (additional 1,300 hot meals distributed to CfW labourers)
  - **dry food packages – 5,011 packages**
- Hot meal distributions stopped once affected households integrated into regular provisions (shelter, cooking equipment, LPGs, and e-voucher etc.)



# Fire Response SitRep – March 15

## Fire Response Actors

- *WFP and implementing partners: WVI, RIC, YPSA, CODEC, BRAC*
- FSS coordinated agencies: AMAN, BASMAH, ASEAB, IFRC, JAKLEN, SDI, SBSKS, MSI

**FSS thanks all involved agencies!**

# Fire Response SitRep – March 15

## Lessons Learned

- *Guidance Note on Emergency Food Distribution*
- Need for concrete Standard Operating Procedure
  - Approval and coordination process:
    - CiC and Sector Focals work closely together to coordinate distribution
  - Camp or Block wise targeting needed (accountability)
  - SOP needed – to ensure quality, quantity, and timing of distribution
  - Archive of past actors for future emergency events (standby partners) – for blast communication with SOP
  - Menu (hot meals) and Food Basket (dry food packages)



# Ramadan 2023 – Coordination of Food Distribution

**With the month of Ramadan is approaching, several agencies will be distributing food items during the observance.**

Purpose of the Guidance Note for Ramadan Food Distribution:

- Ensure coordinated and harmonized approach in distribution in the camps
- Complement regular monthly E-voucher food assistance, not overlap

Final Guidance:

- **RRRC endorsed**
- Endorsed guidance will be shared with CiCs and Sector Focals – Partners and all agencies are requested to follow guidance and food basket

This will allow for faster approval process and smoother operation of distributions.

# Key Guidance Note Points

1. **Cover Entire Camps where possible** – if not, cover entire Camp Blocks (**UNHCR Population Data**)
2. **Quality over quantity** – it's better to target smaller populations with good quality of food items
3. **Choose food items that are Complementary to what is available through regular food assistance**
4. **Ensure food safety** – hygienic preparation, packaging, transport and distribution
5. **Reduce waste production** – Plastics are not to be allowed in camps (RRRC Directive), no water distribution needed, use reusable/recyclable/compostable materials (Waste Avoidance in Emergency Food Distribution)
6. **Ensure equal access to food distribution** – arrange porter service (volunteers) to distribute food items to vulnerable households, organize distribution with Majhees etc.



# Final Ramadan Food Basket

As endorsed by FSS and RRRC:

SL	Item	Amount
1	Chickpeas	2kg
2	Puffed Rice (muri)	1kg
3	Dates	1kg
4	Soyabean Oil	1 litre
5	Sugar	1 kg
6	Juice powder (for Shorbot)	500grams
7	Kheshari lentils	2kg
8	Flattened rice (chira)	1kg
9	Bangla Shemai	1kg
10	Lacha Shemai	1kg
11	Onion	1kg
12	Hot Masala	100grams
13	Garlic	1kg
14	Mustard Oil	1 litre
15	Noodles	1kg

# Ramadan Distribution Planning

All partners planning to distribute food baskets during Ramadan are requested to provide their information in the Ramadan Planning Matrix

RAMADAN FORECAST MATRIX								
Donor (free text)	Programme Partner (free text)	Implementing Partner (free text)	Beneficiary Type (dropdown)	Upazila (dropdown)	Union (dropdown)	Camp [only for refugee] (dropdown)	Type of Activity (dropdown)	Modality (dropdown)

Purpose:

- Catch overlapping plans and direct to populations in need
- FSS can communicate partners' plans with respective CiCs through Sector Focals – speedier approval process



# FSS Upcoming

- **ISCG - Financial Analysis Overview for FSS (pending finalization)**
- **FSS SoP for Emergency Rapid Food Distribution**
- **Final JRP 2023**
- **Final Key Messages on Ration Cuts - ISCG**

## Ad-Hoc Meetings

- **FSS 5W Orientation Session (Hybrid) – 9:30am to 12pm – 28 March**
- **Homestead Gardening Coordination Meeting – 29 March 10-12pm**
- **Market Linkage Strategy/Coordination Meeting – 5 April 10-12pm**

# General Food Assistance (GFA)

## General Food Assistance Updates (March 2023)

### Food assistance

- General Food Assistance (GFA) and Fresh Food Corner (FFC) support is continuing through 19 e-voucher outlets and 18 FFC in the camps respectively. Ration Cut : BNFs will receive \$10.00 = BDT 1030.00 in March 2023.

### Total Reached in February 2023 (FA and SF)

Activity	Upazila	Reached Households	Reached Individuals
Food Assistance	Teknaf	31566	154898
	Ukhiya	154785	753112
Food Assistance		186351	<b>908,010</b>
School Feeding	Kutubdia		18800
	Teknaf		63593
	Ukhiya		233579
School Feeding			<b>315, 972</b>

### January 2023

Food Basket –

**10** Fixed Items and **16** flexible item

FFC support = 21 food items

#	Fixed Items	#	Flexible Items (16)
1	Atap Fine Rice	1	Wheat Flour
2	Red Lentil	2	Mung Bean (Large grain)
3	Soyabean Oil	3	Belt Fish
4	Sugar	4	Fish- Anchovy Dry
5	Garlic	5	Chickpeas
6	Chilli	6	Chilli Powder (3)
7	Turmeric	7	Turmeric Powder (3)
8	Egg	8	Lacchah Shemai
9	Fortified Salt	9	Vermicelli
10	Lemon	10	Mustard Oil
		11	Flatten Rice
		12	Puffed Rice

# General Food Assistance Updates (March 2023)

- All transaction will end by 27th March, one day for absentee follow-up support 28th and 29th March, 30 March will be no-transaction day as usual.

## WFP GFA RAMADAN ITEMS

1. Chickpeas
2. Lacca-semmai
3. Vermicelli
4. Mustard Oil
5. Flatten Rice
6. Puffed Rice



## ■ General Food Assistance Updates (March 2023)

Organization	GFA Outlet name	# of HHs	# of individuals
CODEC (4 outlets)	8W-EV, C7TV-EV, MC2-EV, MC4-EV	44,276	212,003
RIC (4 outlets)	BRMP-EV, C20E-EV, HKMP-EV, JMTL-EV	41,314	204,246
WVB (3 outlets)	BMS-EV, C17-EV, MNRG-EV	37,929	186,150
YPSA (3 outlets)	D5-EV, LMB-EV, KRC-EV	34,081	166,151
BRAC (5 outlets)	CHKM-EV, JDMR-EV, LMS-EV, UCPR-EV, NRC-EV	32,426	158,956

- Total 19 Functional E voucher Outlets
- Two outlets don't have FFC (NRC and KRC)
- 8W outlet has two FFC

# IM Update

# INFORMATION MANAGEMENT UPDATE

## 2023 FSS IM

- Thanks to FSS partners for timely submitting their Monthly report to FSS.

Upcoming.....

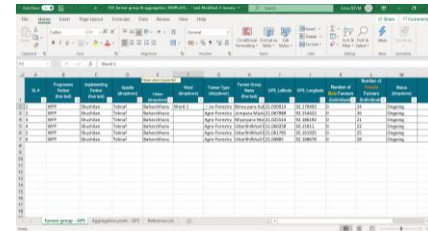
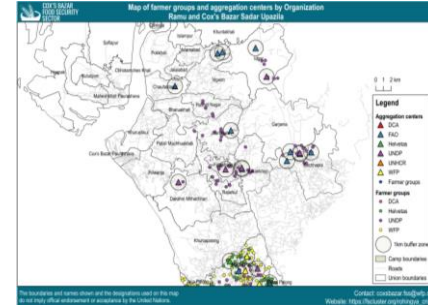
- **Dashboard Gardening tracker** (Both summer and Winter seasons)

\*\*\* CWW, DRC, FAO, Helvetas, PRANTIC, Prottyashi, WVI\*\*\*

- **Mapping of Aggregation Centers**

\*\*\* DCA, FAO, Helvetas, UNDP, UNHCR, WFP\*\*\*

- **FSS interactive Dashboard (5W)**



Screenshot of a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet showing data for the Gardening Tracker. The spreadsheet has columns for various categories and rows of data. The data includes information about different types of gardens and their status.

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# FSS - Country Cluster Performance Monitoring (CCPM)



# CCPM Noteable Comments

To avoid duplication of service delivery FSS needs more action and coordination among the partners. FSS can also communicate and coordinate with local administration for distributing areas of service for the NGOs/INGOs. Partners should share the information before starting any project in same area.

More clarity needed in distinguishing areas of interventions by FSS and LSDS.

Increase cross learning visits, trainings, and advocacy initiatives.

Need more sector strategic plan.

Annual Workshop on gap analysis needed.

Advocacy related initiatives need to improve. (Tends to focus more on SEG/Donors/Senior Officials)

# Partner Updates

AOB

Thank you

Next FSS coordination meeting

4 April 2023, 11:00-12:30

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