

# IOM Bangladesh Rohingya Crisis Response

External Update

26 October 2017

Rohingya Population in Cox's Bazar

817,000

**New Arrivals since** 

25 August 2017

604,000

**People in Need** 

1.2 Million



A child attends a shelter distribution in Balukhali . Shelter distributions are ongoing and Rohingya families are given the materials they need to protect them from adverse weather and to give privacy.

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## HIGHLIGHTS 26 October 2017

### Health



53,000 Rohingya reached with primary healthcare

### **WASH**



741,000 liters of water trucked and 33,000 people reached with latrines

### **Shelter & NFIs**



### **Protection**



37,000 individuals

benefit from Protection assistance

Funding Status: 22%



### SITUATION OVERVIEW

Since 25 August 2017, an estimated **604,000** Rohingya have crossed into Bangladesh fleeing violence in Myanmar's Rakhine State, increasing the total Rohingya population in Cox's Bazar to **817,000**. New arrivals are living in spontaneous settlements with increasing need of humanitarian assistance, including shelter, food, clean water, and sanitation. Poor road networks and insufficient drainage in the displacement sites make it difficult to reach new arrivals with urgent support. IOM is working closely with the Government of Bangladesh (GOB) and the humanitarian community to meet the needs of the displaced population. As displacement continues, the humanitarian and protection needs of the Rohingya also rise. IOM and the humanitarian community are scaling up operations to respond to the needs of new arrivals, existing Rohingya, and affected host communities.

### **IOM RESPONSE**



### **Site Management**

IOM works with key partners and the Government of Bangladesh to ensure appropriate access to displacement sites and to make sure that the refugee populations are able to receive services as quickly and effectively as possible. With increasing displacement this week, the Site Management team is working with current partners to respond to the needs of the most recent influx of Rohingya.

- IOM has begun community meetings with male and female community leaders in Kutupalong.
- IOM hosts service provider coordination meetings in Balukhali and Leda with 45 humanitarian partners.
- IOM is working with the NGO Reach to finish community leadership mapping in all sites.
- Household level data collection is planned in Balukhali and Kutupalong.
- IOM's Needs and Population Monitoring assessment has tracked the movement of new arrivals. Data collection for the round 6 report is complete and has been publicly <u>released</u>. Round 7 data collection is underway.

#### IOM is leading the site management and development Sector



IOM Site Management meet with community leaders in Leda for orientation. DPreux @ IOM2017

# **WASH**

Hygiene, and sanitation support is critically needed during the response. IOM continues to mobilize resources to support the Rohingya and affected host population receive WASH services. 741,000 litres of water have been trucked into spontaneous settlements with limited access to water. Over 35,000 individuals have received hygiene kit distributions. 660 emergency pit latrines have been constructed and mobile toilets have been installed to date which has supported 33,000 individuals. Twelve deep tube wells have been completed.



New arrivals in Leda receive a briefing from Site Management on the types of free services available to all. DPreux @ IOM 2017



# IOM works with the Health Sector and the Ministry of Health to strengthen primary health care services

IOM responds to the emergency and primary healthcare needs of the Rohingya and the affected host communities. IOM health teams have provided emergency and primary healthcare services to **53,000** patients. The team has set up child delivery facilities and a patient stabilization unit in Kutupalong. The Ministry of Health initiated the world's second-Cholera largest Oral Vaccination Campaign with the World Health Organization (WHO). IOM supported the campaign with 200 volunteers. More than 700,000 Rohingya and host communities were vaccinated through this campaign. IOM continues to conduct outreach and health education activities through 300 community health workers.



#### IOM leads the Shelter and NFI Sector in Cox's Bazar

Shelter supplies and non-food items provide populations with dignity, security, displaced and privacy. To meet the needs of the Rohingya, IOM is working with partners to ensure that basic needs are met. To date, IOM has distributed 89,000 tarpaulins which has benefitted 395,000 new arrivals. 120,000 Rohbenefitting from distributed ingya are umbrellas, 178,00 from blankets, 74,000 from sleeping mats and 29,000 from NFI kits. 130,000 Muli bamboo poles have been distributed. To facilitate the procurement, storage and distribution of shelter materials for the Rohingya Crisis Response, IOM has set up a new logistics base with over 400m<sup>2</sup> of available space with four more planned.



# IOM is leading the Communicating with Communities (CWC) Working Group

IOM's CwC team is ensuring that Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP) is at the forefront of the response. The team encourages new arrivals to get biometrically registered and ensures they have access to information and referral services. Approximately **500** new arrivals visit IOM's information hubs (established to provide critical information to the new arrivals) each day. Information Service Centres are currently located in **eight** locations.



### **Protection**

Protection issues are critical during the Rohingya Crisis Response and meeting these urgent needs is crucial to the well-being and safety of the most vulnerable in the population. Women and Children remain most at risk and require specialist care and attention. IOM is responding to Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Counter Trafficking (CT). The IOM team is working to construct and fully equip safe spaces in Leda, Balukali, Kutupalong, and Shamlapur. They are also ensuring that vulnerable Rohingya refugees have access to the protection services they require.

Since 25 August IOM is supporting over **9,000** vulnerable individuals. IOM has also provided over **2,000** people with psychological first aid (PFA). The protection team has referred **1,000** people to health services for specialist care services. Over **2,100** dignity kits and **3,000** solar lanterns have been distributed to vulnerable women, and more will be distributed.



Rohingya women wait in line for shelter kit distributions in Balukhali. Mohammed Muse @ IOM 2017



IOM is hosting the sector based coordination structure for the Rohingya Crisis Response

The Inter Sector Coordination Group (ISCG), hosted by IOM, is coordinating the Rohingya Refugee Crisis. Since 25 August, ISCG disseminates regular situation updates and key messages, organises coordination meetings, and developes and updates maps of the expansion areas and spontaneous settlements. The ISCG ensures timely, coordinated, needs-based, and evidence driven humanitarian assistance for efficient use of resources and to avoid duplication. ISCG produces regular Situation Reports and 4W maps and data of sectors' operations.

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