

HUMANITARIAN CRISIS MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

COX'S BAZAR

MONTHLY UPDATE AUGUST 2018

BRAC has been implementing a holistic, multi-sector response since the influx began in August 2017, in close coordination with the government and other partners through the Inter Sector Coordination Group. We have been working in Cox's Bazar for the last 35 years, including specifically with the Rohingya population from previous influxes, and are pursuing an adaptive, phase-wise strategy that sequences our interventions to provide integrated services to everyone affected by the crisis.

SITUATION UPDATE

No significant rain occurred in the reporting period. Dry weather allowed for increased work on shelter upgrading and relocation in the camps. Bamboo drains are being constructed to limit the effects of water logging. Temporary latrines being established in strategic positions in response to damaged latrines. Hygiene sessions being conducted to raise awareness.

A fire broke out at Balukhali Camp 8W on August 6, affecting three households. Families were moved to the nearest learning centre for emergency shelter. BRAC team distributed shelter kits among the affected families. No injuries occurred. A gas cooker was identified to have caused the fire.

Thousands of Rohingyas gathered in the camps on August 25 to commemorate one year of Myanmar's crackdown on the Rohingya population. Protestors held peaceful marches with banners and attended rallies.

KEY BRAC ACTIVITIES TO DATE



44,791

children provided with a safe space to play



428,671

consultations made through primary healthcare centres



147,665

people provided with safe shelters to live in*

*Total number of shelters built x average family size reported in the camps

SECTOR-WISE SNAPSHOT

	THIS MONTH	TO DATE	
 Disaster risk reduction	1,480 sandbags placed to protect landslide-prone areas	6,536 vulnerable shelters upgraded	30,439 tie-down kits distributed
 Shelter & non-food	19,696 padlocks distributed	29,533 solar lamps distributed	57,468 shelter grade tarpaulins distributed
 WASH	8,123 hygiene top-up kits distributed	18,542 latrines constructed	34,740 sanitary napkins distributed
 Health & nutrition	44,827 long-lasting insecticide treated nets distributed to prevent malaria	1.13M consultations/references made through community health outlets	61,544 pregnant and lactating women received calcium supplements
 Protection	4,502 people made aware of relevant legal information and rights	68,005 questions answered by our information point staff	44,722 children reached for recreational support
 Communication 4 Development	59,649 people attended one-to-one communication sessions	800 community mobilisation volunteers on the ground	40,000 households regularly receive life-saving messages
 Education	79.3% attendance at learning centres	365 learning centres in camps and host community	30,954 children and adolescents registered in learning centres
 Agriculture & environment	(No significant activity reported for this month)	103,735 households received vegetable (bottle gourd and bitter gourd) seeds	1.62M vetiver grass slips transplanted to mitigate soil erosion
 Site management	108 co-ordination meetings took place	229 gaps and needs solved for dysfunctional tube wells	2,850 gaps and needs solved for vulnerable shelters
 Livelihood	144 interest-free loans and partial grants provided	659 productive assets distributed	1,025 households benefitted from hands-on coaching

SECTOR ACTIVITY

Snapshot of key initiatives on the ground

EDUCATION

265 learning centres in camps

100 learning centres in host communities

630 teachers

30,954 children registered



KEY ACTIVITIES

16 UNICEF learning centres constructed last month | Comprehensive teacher's guides developed | Parenting sessions conducted across all camps | 50 new teachers received basic training last month | All teachers in camps received monthly refresher training | Proposal submitted about education curriculum called Learning Competency Framework and Approach

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Staff and teachers received disaster risk reduction training and rain gear | 400 tarpaulins distributed to protect the learning centres from extreme rain last month | 3 more learning centres rebuilt and 5 repaired last month | Centres critically strengthened with sandbags and bamboo to provide slope protection

SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS

57,468 tarpaulins distributed

39,102 solar lights distributed

222,453 normal clothes distributed

5,891 shelter tool kits distributed

27,483 padlocks distributed



KEY ACTIVITIES

29,524 shelters built | Newly-designed stilt houses being built in Camp-4 Extension | Households receiving padlocks, flashlights and solar lamps to ensure safety and security at night | 160 families now using 4 liquefied petroleum gas equipped community kitchens

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

30,439 tie-down kits distributed to strengthen vulnerable shelters | 2,001 shelters relocated | 6,536 shelters upgraded | Shelter kits and tool kits distributed to 755 individuals in Camp KRC last month | Construction of bridges, stairs, drains and retaining walls ongoing

SECTOR ACTIVITY

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WASH

18,542 latrines built

5,263 bathing cubicles built

4,310 hand washing stations built

94,313 hygiene sessions provided

33,918 hygiene top-up kits distributed



KEY ACTIVITIES

1,617 tube wells built | 1,586 water contamination tests conducted in BRAC laboratories | 72,272 water purification tablets distributed to households | Bio gas plants functioning on sustainable fuel supply | 94,313 group-based hygiene promotion sessions conducted

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

2,533 latrines decommissioned to prevent water contamination | 7,118 latrines desludged | 802 deep tube wells maintained to ensure continuous drinking water supply | 5,293 latrines retrofitted



HEALTH & NUTRITION

11 primary healthcare centres

30 community health outlets

428,671 outpatient consultations

57,432 malaria tests completed

104,171 households visited by nutrition workers



KEY ACTIVITIES

Preventive and curative primary health care, reproductive and maternal health care, nutritional support, and child health care provided | Vaccination under expanded programme on immunisation provided | Treatment of malaria and tuberculosis provided

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Ambulance ready for 24/7 patient referral services in camps | Oral Rehydration Therapy corners active, preventing and treating dehydration due to diarrhoea | Outbreak preparedness and active response planning continued

SECTOR ACTIVITY

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PROTECTION

2,525 dignity kits distributed

37,421 people given legal/rights information

10,281 skilled psychological support sessions provided through women friendly spaces

68,279 queries responded to at information points



KEY ACTIVITIES

Awareness raising discussions conducted with girls, adolescent boys, women, men | Case management service for GBV survivors | Community group consisting of 15 men placed sand bags to create staircases in camps this month | 67 adolescent boys groups formed to raise awareness to prevent gender-based violence | 2,440 tailoring sessions conducted for women

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Awareness raising on landslides | Evacuation and survival techniques discussed with the community | Protection Emergency Response Unit actively reporting incidents | Women Friendly Spaces and Community Centres used as emergency shelters when heavy rains destroy houses



CHILD PROTECTION

234 child friendly spaces in camps and host communities

475 unaccompanied/separated children identified with child friendly spaces in camps

44,722 children reached with recreational support



KEY ACTIVITIES

Case management services | Training on child protection in emergencies conducted for child friendly space managers | Program Organizers recruited to administer CFS activities and develop quality

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Workshop on disaster risk reduction conducted for 212 community-based child protection committee members last month | Discussion on monsoon preparedness conducted in meetings with parents

SECTOR ACTIVITY

Snapshot of key initiatives on the ground



COMMUNICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

40,000 households regularly receive life-saving messages

800 majority-female community mobilisation volunteers delivering life-saving messages to doorsteps every day

1,322 advocacy meeting with community leaders

KEY ACTIVITIES

200,000 people reached with information on child protection | 68,000 child bracelets distributed across 30 camps | Cascade training conducted with volunteers who regularly deliver life-saving messages on health, hygiene, protection, nutrition, sanitation, shelter, and disaster response



MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Volunteers reported incidents 24/7 to branch managers and disaster risk reduction teams | Mobilised people to evacuate high-risk areas | Raised awareness on disaster response preparedness | 800 vests, caps, mp3 speakers and umbrellas provided to volunteers



AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

41,829 trees planted in camps and host communities

103,735 households in camps received vegetable seeds

541,780 square feet of area covered by vetiver grass

KEY ACTIVITIES

Fast-growing trees (neem, arjun and acacia) planted | Vegetable seeds (bottle gourd and bitter melon) distributed | Four nutri-gardens established in camps and host communities | 395 vegetable seedlings (chilli, brinjal and papaya) distributed | 2000 women received targeted basic agriculture training on homestead gardening last month



MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Regular reporting and referrals for damaged trees | Continued planting of vetiver grass to stabilise soil and protect against erosion | General planting of trees across camps

SECTOR ACTIVITY

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SITE MANAGEMENT

516 co-ordination meetings took place

586 volunteers engaged

1,086 gaps and needs solved for shelters requiring plinth, wall, and roof repairs



KEY ACTIVITIES

Site improvement work began in Block A, C and F in Kutupalong registered camp | Community awareness raising sessions conducted | Gaps and needs identified and solved for facilities and infrastructure | Capacity of staff and volunteers built through training

MONSOON RESPONSE INITIATIVES

Awareness sessions conducted on monsoon preparedness, response mechanisms, problems regarding cyclone, landslide, waterlogging and heavy rainfall | Safety unit volunteers collected information about rain affected causalities from households | Cyclone Preparedness Programme training sessions conducted on basic first aid



LIVELIHOOD

659 productive assets transferred in host communities

228 interest-free loans provided in host communities

60 learners in host communities placed in jobs



KEY ACTIVITIES

Skill development activities for Rohingya people and host communities | Livelihood activities for ultra-poor people in host communities | Classroom training on enterprise conducted | Increased access to microfinance to support entrepreneurship



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PROFILE ON THE GROUND

2,212+

BRAC staff providing critical services in camps and host communities

1,580+

staff from host communities working in camps and host communities

1,887

volunteers from camps supporting BRAC's work in camps

68,472

days completed through cash for work initiatives*

*cash for work is a short-term intervention to provide temporary employment in public projects.

PEOPLE URGENTLY NEED YOUR HELP

TOTAL REQUIRED (PHASE 2): USD 56.4 MILLION

USD 23.5 million

committed

USD 32.9 million

still needed



"We have seen innocent human beings were raped, murdered and burnt alive for no other reason than their religious and ethnic identity. Fully one fifth of all Rohingya survived witnessed more than a hundred victims being killed or injured. The whole world is watching what we will do next and if we will act."

Nikki Haley, United States Ambassador to the United Nations

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