

## **Health and Nutrition**

# BANGLADESH 20 NOVEMBER 2017

34,727

Consultations in the camps

>800

Children admitted

10

Health care facilities

9

**Nutrition centers** 

26.7%\*

Resp. Tract Infections

38%\*

Acute Watery Diarrhea (AWD)

\* Source: MoHFW

16.4%\*

Skin infections

3%\*

Injuries

24.3%\*\*

Global acute malnutrition (GAM)

7.5%\*\*

Severe acute malnutrition (SAM)

\*\* Nutritional Survey

#### **General Information**

UNHCR, together with UN agencies and partners supports the Government of Bangladesh to provide access to lifesaving interventions aimed at the rapidly growing population of Rohingya refugees, and to ensure that major health risks are prevented, detected, and addressed.

UNHCR provides logistical, financial, and staffing support to the Bangladesh Ministries of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) and Disaster Management and Relief (MoDMR) to establish and operate health facilities in refugee-hosting areas.

#### **Current activities**

- Extending access to Primary Health Care Services
- Developing capacity to treat medical complications of severely malnourished children
- Training and expanding the coverage of community health workers in order to reach the most vulnerable populations (e.g., malnourished children, pregnant women, elderly, disabled, and other vulnerable persons)

#### **Nutrition**

UNHCR, together with ACF, CDC, UNICEF, WFP, and SCI conducted a joint nutrition survey in Kutupalong from 22 to 28 October. Preliminary findings point to an alarming level of malnutrition. UNHCR and ACF are establishing stabilization centers for the management of severe acute malnourished children.



UNHCR Primary Health Care center in Kutupalong camp where 55% of consultations during October 2017 were by newly arrived refugees, Nov. 2017. UNHCR/ M.M. Taimur

### **Underway**



Health facilities under construction 32 planned for 2018



Nutrition Centers under construction

#### Vaccinations

UNHCR actively participates in all MoHFW-led vaccination campaigns (OCV, measles, etc.) in the refugee-hosting areas.

**Partners** 

**Health** MoHFW, RRRC, RHU, WHO,

RTMI, UNFPA, GK, RI, MTI, MSF, IFRC

**Nutrition** ACF, BDRCS, SCI, TdH

Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commission (RRRC), Refugee Health Unit (RHU), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), UNHCR, WHO, UNFPA, Action Contre la Faim (ACF), Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS), Gonoshasthayakendra (GK), International Federation of the Red Cross (IFRC), Medical Teams International (MTI), Medecins Sans Frontières (MSF), Relief International (RI), Research Training and Management International (RTMI), Save the Children (SCI) and Terre des Hommes (TdH).

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