

UNHCR, in support of and in collaboration with the government, facilitated the registration and relocation of a more than 500 households (over 2,500 individuals) who were displaced from Konapara/Tombry to the camps. Initially, hot meals were provided to all individuals at the transit centre supported by UNHCR and its partner, while WFP provided hot meals in the second registration point in the camps. All the refugees received water and high energy biscuits. Following registration, families received support to settle in shelters or with relatives and received core relief items including LPG and gas refills.

Health and nutrition services were also provided during the relocation of the refugees, who underwent health screenings and vaccination for tuberculosis, pentavalent, tetanus diphtheria, polio, measles/rubella and COVID-19. More than 400 children aged 6-59 months of age also underwent nutritional screenings, which revealed that 39 suffered of acute malnutrition and 73 of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM). UNHCR partners-initiated treatment on-site and referred the cases with specific needs to the respective nutrition programmes in the camps.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

- As a measure to mitigate risks of fire incidents and in preparation of the dry season, UNHCR in close collaboration with the Camp in Charges (CiCs), IFRC, BDRCS and partners, launched a month-long fire awareness campaign. Teams performed mock drills using fire equipment such as water tanks, mobile firefighting units and portable pumps. To harmonize fire preparedness across all the 33 camps, UNHCR donated and handed over 29 mobile firefighting units (MFU/Three-wheelers) to IOM camps. Through an information campaign more than 130,000 refugees were reached through a variety of channels, including broadcast calls, door-to-door visits, audio and video sessions, and awareness meetings led by community leaders, religious leaders and volunteers.
- In February, around 15,600 registration updates were processed, including births, deaths, the Konapara caseload, and family composition changes. 2,100 Identity cards and 4,300 Family Attestation documents were issued.
- In February, some 2,000 refugees received legal services from UNHCR's partners BRAC and BLAST, including individual legal counselling, mediation and legal representation in courts. Additionally, 234 legal awareness group sessions were held, reaching some 4,000 Rohingya refugees.
- UNHCR jointly with IOM started the first round of training for 2023 of Armed Police Battalion (APBn) officers on protection, after a joint inauguration with the RRRCC and APBn Director General. The two-day training includes sessions covering security management in camps, roles and responsibilities in prevention and response mechanisms, security for different groups, gender-based violence prevention and response, human trafficking, and overcoming cultural barriers to improve communication with refugees. Some 100 officers will participate as part of this programme.
- As of 26 February 2023, UNHCR has started a large-scale distribution of 59,900 pressure cookers to increase the energy and cost efficiency of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) delivery. LPG is essential to ensure that families can cook their meals in a clean and healthy way, in shorter time, while the environment remains protected from the use of firewood. As a pre-requisite, household representatives also attended user trainings. Families receiving the pressure cookers are provided a comprehensive training on use of the item and a photo-based guideline and recipe booklet to ensure they have the knowledge and tools of how to use the item safely and effectively.
- The Health Sector appointed UNHCR and IOM as co-leads of the Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) Working Group, who presented the main areas of focus for 2023, which include: harmonizing the content of the training curriculum of the MHPSS volunteers (community para-counsellors and community psychosocial volunteers), reviewing the therapeutic techniques used by the psychologists, and creating a task team to best structure group activities for adolescents.
- UNHCR and partner CODEC started a pilot programme using MP4 in five learning centres to deliver supplementary Myanmar and English language materials. Following a piloting phase of six months, an impact study will be conducted to best inform the scale up of such technology to improve the quality of education.
- As part of the PSEA strategy, UNHCR continues to provide regular in presence training for partners and staff.

BHASAN CHAR: Government authorities relocated 232 individuals (75 households) to Bhasan Char from Cox's Bazar, on 27 January, in the 14th relocation since the signing of the MoU with the UN in October 2021. Meanwhile, 412 refugees left from Bhasan Char to Cox's Bazaar on the Government facilitated regular family visit.

The Ministry of Health with the support from UNHCR, WHO, and partners launched the "Oral Cholera Vaccination (OCV) campaign targeting children. UNHCR supported the coordination, the training for Community Health Workers (CHNWs), the communication with communities, and the monitoring of the campaign. Some 28,500 children were reached, including 27,300 Rohingya refugees, representing 96% of the targeted population.

Some 7,000 households received with 57,000 bath soaps, 28,600 laundry soaps, and some 900,000 Aqua Tabs. 95 received pressure cookers and stove accessories, bringing the total to 227, while 333 individuals participated in trainings on the safe use of pressure cookers and LPGs, bringing the total to 564.

202 service providers (51 NGOs staff and 151 refugee volunteers) were trained on PSEA policies and referral procedures.

More than 1,600 individuals (990 women) were supported through information service desk for information regarding questions related to LPG (21%), site management issues (18%), shelter and NFI (17%), food security (17%), and identity documents (16%). 40 individuals from 16 agencies participated in a three-day Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCM) training.

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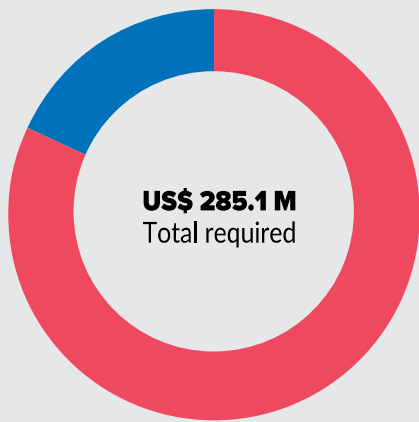
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FUNDING UPDATE

Financial requirements for Bangladesh: US\$ 285.1 million

Received to date
18%



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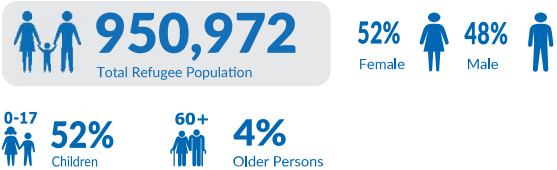
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Swedish SAFE+ video (https://twitter.com/UNHCR_BGD/status/1627282322063249408)

BhasanCharfootball tournament(<https://twitter.com/UNHCRBGD/status/1622079362496602112>)

POPULATION UPDATE



Rohingya population by location

