UNFPA has joined with 15 other UN agencies and NGOs to finalise an information sharing mechanism for data on gender-based violence.

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The Rohingya Crisis, Repatriation

This month attention was focused on the Rohingya crisis as the Governments of Myanmar and Bangladesh agreed on a repatriation plan. While the repatriation of around 2,200 listed Rohingya people did not proceed, the fear it caused may have impacted on services in the two camps where the Government took action. Measures are now in place to ensure refugees have access to information they need on their rights.

- 1.3 million people affected
- 325,000 women of reproductive age (15-49)
- 29,762 (2.4%) pregnant and lactating women
- 1,210 may experience obstetric complication in the next 3 months
- All women and adolescent girls at increased risk of gender-based violence
Fast Facts

- > 901,350 new arrivals since August 2017
- 621,000 arrivals in Kutupalong - Balukhali Expansion Site
- 274,000 arrivals in other settlements and camps
- 7,000 arrivals in host communities
- 1.3 million people in need of health assistance
- Estimated > 310,795 people in need of protection

Key Health Challenges

- The difficulty of transporting patients for safe facility-based births continues to be a challenge, especially for night-time deliveries.
- High staff attrition, inadequate skills and expertise amongst the health care providers who are newly recruited constitutes a challenge.
- Lack of significant data available on adolescent SRHR needs and services impacts negatively on the implementation of programs.
- Creating an environment with adequate space to maintain confidentiality and raising GBV awareness in SRH facilities requires further efforts.
- The SRH needs for high-risk and special needs populations are yet to be addressed systematically and need to be integrated into the overall reproductive health care response.

Key Protection Challenges

- Community outreach work with women and girls is very challenging as there is no private space available to have sessions.
- There has been an increase in harassment towards case workers and volunteers working at WFS.
- Midwives deployed in WFS are unable to offer comprehensive services in the spaces, due to procurement delays from IPs.
- GBV Focal Points in Health Facilities are struggling to find a private and confidential space inside these facilities.

REFUGEE SITES BY POPULATION AND LOCATION TYPE

Source: ISCG Situation Update. The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.
Highlights of the Month

Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

November 2018 Highlights

- UNFPA deployed 20 Women and Girls Support Officers in 20 UNFPA SRH facilities, as well as 19 midwives in 19 UNFPA Women Friendly Spaces. This integration will improve the accessibility of both GBV and SRH services.
- UNFPA has started working in two ASRH centres and formed seven adolescent girls (10-14 years) groups and one adolescent boys (10-14 years) group.
- UNFPA offered CMR training to 50 midwives and cross-trained all camp, Union and Upazila-level Hope and RTMI midwives on identification and stabilization of severe pre-eclampsia and eclampsia.
- UNFPA has added an international midwifery specialist (total four) for continued mentoring of the national midwives in health facilities.

UNFPA continues to rapidly mobilize and expand Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) services through both static and mobile facilities. Services include: emergency obstetric and newborn care, antenatal care, postnatal care, family planning, clinical management of rape, menstrual regulation and post abortion care. UNFPA also leads the SRH Working Group in Cox’s Bazar.
Gender-Based Violence

- Dignity Kits
- Psychosocial support
- Women Friendly Spaces
- Protection and awareness messaging

GBV November 2018 Highlights

- The GBV Sub-Sector has conducted an induction session for 58 GBV focal points from all the refugee camps, to ensure safe and timely referrals for GBV survivors.
- Comprehensive GBV service referral pathways have been established in 28 refugee sites in Ukhia and Teknaf upazilas.
- 43% of the GBV service coverage target has been achieved for life-saving GBV case management and psychosocial support.
- On 29th October, Heads of Offices and Country Directors joined to sign the GBVIMS Information Sharing Protocol (ISP).
- From August to November, 202 GBV case workers have been trained on GBVIMS tools and 146 case workers from 11 different organizations have received training on GBV case management.

Advocacy

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD

"As much as the world wants to see Rohingya girls as victims, they will never see themselves in that way." Asa Torkelsson, UNFPA Bangladesh Country Representative.

USING DATA TO HELP ELIMINATE GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

"When we see the trends in the data it means we can build better quality programmes and do more to help women and girls in the refugee camps," Aliou Maiga, GBV Information Management Specialist.
UNFPA Rohingha Humanitarian Response
Monthly Situation Report: November 2018

UNFPA Response Highlights
August 2017 – November 2018

- > 550,326 women screened by midwives
- > 143,863 women provided with antenatal care
- > 17,068 women provided with postnatal care
- > 5,619 babies safely delivered at facilities
- > 1,209 obstetric emergencies referred to higher-level facilities
- > 19,511 Clean Delivery Kits distributed
- > 20,165 GBV incidents reported, of which > 14,261 were referred to medical care
- > 126,916 visits to Women Friendly Spaces (first time)
- > 114,149 Dignity Kits distributed
- 256,413 women attended information sessions on GBV/SRHR at WFS
- 271,814 women attended SRHR/GBV information sessions outside WFS

UNFPA Funding Status

16.24 million needed
(March to December 2018)
16.71 million funded

DONORS:
March to December 2018 (in USD)

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