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SITUATION REPORT
ROHINGYA HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE PROGRAMME COX’S BAZAR
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SITUATION OVERVIEW

• Since August 2017, more than 745,000 Rohingya refugees have fled into Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh, after decades of systematic discrimination, statelessness and targeted violence in Rakhine State, Myanmar.

• Around 1,245,000 people are in need and targeted, where 55% are children (0 - 17 years) 41% are adults (18 - 59 years) and 4% are elderly people (>59 years). Most refugees are women and girls (52%) with 304,398 women and girls of reproductive age and 29,819 pregnant women.

UNFPA RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS (February – March 2019)

• UNFPA inaugurated 10 Women Led Community Centers in collaboration with WFP to train and support both women and girls, boys and men from refugee and host communities.

• UNFPA organized four fairs to celebrate International Women’s Day with INGOs, Local NGOs, and UN agencies and other partners.

• UNFPA financially contributed to the procurement of one low cost test ambulance using locally available materials to fit small roads and improve the referral pathway for camp facilities.

SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS

• 5,976 pregnant women have received supplementary food vouchers. The number of Ante Natal Care visits and facility based deliveries increased by an average of 40%.

• A total of 104 adolescent pregnant girls are receiving Sexual Reproductive Health life skills training. A puppet show documentary has been developed to capture the importance of facility delivery and negative consequences of delays seeking medical care.

• 8 referral hubs have been constructed to improve referral mechanisms and allow emergency cases to be referred to a higher secondary and tertiary level facilities in a timely and efficient manner.

• The first batch of Cervical Cancer screening training was completed and a total 13 midwives and 2 medical officers trained. More than 1,000 women of reproductive age have been screened.

GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN EMERGENCIES (GBVie) - PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

• UNFPA and partner Mukti distributed 16,289 Dignity Kits in four camps.

• 2,000 women and girls completed tailoring training course in WLCCs. 2,000 women and girls have been identified for enrollment in the second batch of tailoring training.

• Capacity building trainings on different GBVie issues were conducted for a total of 355 staff and volunteers.
GBV Sub sector updates

- 37,600 dignity kits have been prepositioned in partners’ warehouses in Cox’s Bazar city, Ukhia district, and Chittagong, by the GBV Sub Sector, as part of ongoing cyclone emergency preparedness, including revising the cyclone emergency preparedness and response plan (EPRP). The sub sector has identified 48 field GBV staff to be first line responders during emergency, as part of the Protection Emergency Response Unit.

ADOLESCENTS AND YOUTH

- The Champions of Change curriculum for 8,000 adolescent boys, focusing on gender, life skills, protection, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights, was finalized and field tested and project staff trained on the curriculum. The project will reach 8,000 boys and young men from April to August, 2019.

- Girl Shine sessions were conducted for 1,319 adolescent girls in UNFPA supported Women Friendly Spaces addressing child marriage, safety mapping, pubertal changes, comfortable and uncomfortable touch and safety (adolescent girls), power at home (caregivers).

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

Donors inside the reporting period:
Japan, DANIDA Denmark, European Civil Protection & Humanitarian Aid Operations – ECHO, CERF, DFID-UK Department for International Development, Sweden, World Bank, Australian High Commission, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Canada, Friends of UNFPA.

The total funding requirement for SRH and GBV sector is USD 19,557,000.

Sector wise funding requirements
SRHR: 13,500,000 USD, GBV: 6,500,000 USD