An adolescent girl expresses her thoughts through painting inside a Women Friendly Space (WFS) in the Rohingya camp as part of the psychosocial care. UNFPA Bangladesh/Fahima Tajrin
UNFPA is the lead UN agency for delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled. UNFPA has been working in partnership with the Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh since 1974, providing technical and advisory services and support. Our main partners are various Government Ministries, the Parliament, United Nations Agencies, academic institutions, and civil society organizations.

Currently our Humanitarian response in Cox Bazar is providing services to affected Bangladeshi communities and Rohingya refugees in Cox’s Bazar and Bhasan Char. Under the 2022 Joint Response Plan, 1.46 million people including 919,000 Rohingya refugees, are targeted for humanitarian assistance.

RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS

SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS [SRHR]

- UNFPA continues to support 22 health facilities providing lifesaving SRHR services for Bangladeshi host and Rohingya refugee communities.
- 20,597 Antenatal Care [ANC] visits.
- 2,377 Facility Based Deliveries attended by Skilled Birth Attendants.
- 6,147 Postnatal Care [PNC] visits.
- 32,861 Family Planning visits.
- UNFPA supports two international midwife mentors and three national midwifery coordinators who conducted 151 midwifery mentoring visits at 26 different health facilities [including at the Cox’s Bazar Sadar District Hospital, Ramu Field Hospital and selected SRH Working Group partner facilities].
- 1,554 emergency obstetric referrals were managed through UNFPA’s Emergency Response and Transport System. ERTS is a 24/7 network of eight ambulances providing referral services for emergency obstetric and SRHR patients across all 34 camps.
- 17,437 women and girls have benefited from integrated GBV/SRH services provision provided by trained midwives operating through UNFPA supported women friendly spaces.
- 52 UNFPA-supported midwives received theoretical and clinical training on SRHR services. These midwives will be supporting UNFPA services in Cox Bazar and Bhasan Char.
- UNFPA continues to provide leadership and technical guidance to the 66 member SRH Working Group under purvey of the WHO led health sector.

**GENDER BASED VIOLENCE IN EMERGENCIES [GBViE] - PREVENTION AND RESPONSE**

- A total of 35 Women Friendly Spaces (26 in camps and 8 in Host communities in Cox’s Bazar, and 1 on Bhasan Char Island) were operational and providing comprehensive survivor-centered GBV case management services, psychosocial support and lifesaving emergency referrals. Moreover, integrated SRHR services - including family planning and clinical management of rape for survivors were provided by midwives.
- A total of 10 Women-Led Community Centers (WLCC) (7 in Camps, 3 in Host communities) support women, girls, men, and boys with skill development and self-reliance activities and receive life skills training along with GBV awareness information such as GBV prevention tips and reporting mechanisms. In addition to the activities, they also participate in COVID-19 awareness sessions.
- A total of 115,933 (81,689 females and 34,244 male) participated in GBV prevention and mitigation sessions through the SASA! Together approach, conducted by the UNFPA Social Mobilization team.
- 4,630 (3,614 females and 1,030 male) participants received training on the topics of GBV, MHPSS, women’s leadership, and GBV social mobilization.

**GBV SUB SECTOR (GBVSS)**

- UNFPA continues to provide leadership and technical guidance to the 71 partners of the GBVSS.
- The GBV Camp Referral pathways (interactive dashboard) is regularly updated and maintained through GBVSS leadership. Updates on Camp Focal points for GBV are also provided here.
- GBV service locations are maintained through an interactive dashboard. Out of 103 facilities, 102 are supporting female survivors, 22 support male survivors and 38 support LGBTQI survivors.
- GBVSS capacitated 108 (82 F, 26M) participants from 25 different GBVSS partner’s organizations through training. Training topics were “Mental Health & Psychosocial Support Age-appropriate for GBV Child Survivors”, “Psychological First Aid (PFA) for field workers”, TOT on communication skills/basic Psychosocial Support, referral pathways, group facilitation, stigma & discrimination, self-care, “Basic GBV and PSEA”.
- A service facility mapping on GBVIMS and GBVIMS+ was conducted to identify service facilities that are using GBVIMS and GBVIMS+ and assess the readiness of Data Gathering Organizations on the upgrade from GBVIMS to GBVIMS+ system. It is found that 100% of reporting partners have shown an interest in fully moving to the GBVIMS+/Primero system.
- GBVSS also collaborated and tested UNICEF’s e-Referral Pathway (ERPW) initiative and planning for upcoming training for service providers, in order to have an open resource digital platform to enable remote updating of referral pathways.
- GBVSS National Field Coordinators conducted Community-based meetings and consultations.
engaging 45 government stakeholders including Camps in Charge (13 Female, 32 Male) and 218 other stakeholders (29 Female, 189 Male) across 20 camps. GBVSS National field coordinators participated in 9 Protection Coordination meetings and Camp coordination meetings. GBVSS National Field Coordinators also facilitated GBV Risk Mitigation and Safety Audit Tool workshop.

**ADOLESCENTS AND YOUTH**

- A total of **1,410 adolescent girls** (1,152 Rohingya, 258 host community) aged 10-19 years have been reached through the Girl Shine programme in this quarter, and **6,027** since 2020.
- **1,900 adolescent boys** have been reached through Champions of Change (CoC), UNFPA’s flagship programs for adolescent boys. CoC is committed to reducing gender-based violence supporting peace building and strengthening social cohesion through youth empowerment.
- **828 caregivers** (658 Host communities, 150 Rohingya) successfully completed UNFPA’s Girl Shine caregiver curriculum. A total of 3,484 have completed Girl Shine caregiver curriculum since implementation.
- UNFPA’s Theater for development offered 368 sessions engaging 3,542 community members on diverse issues such as gender-based violence, child marriage, trafficking, COVID-19, sexual reproductive health rights and menstrual hygiene.
- **1,900 micro-gardening** were distributed to each of the **1,900 adolescents completing UNFPA’s life skills and life enhancement curriculum**.
- As a co-chair of the Youth Working Group, UNFPA continues to support inclusive, cohesive and impactful interventions for affected youth.
- **639 individuals** (593 females and 46 male) accessed the Alapon helpline service. This service is dedicated to providing remote psychosocial counseling to Bangladeshi hosts and Rohingya community members.
- UNFPA distributed **1,055 menstrual Health Management kits** to Rohingya adolescent girls living in Bhasan Char. UNFPA remains committed to the promise of supporting healthy menstrual health management needs of all adolescent girls.
- With support from the Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) UNFPA, will be opening 8 youth centers. The youth centers will provide harbor for Rohingya youth (boys and girls) to strengthen their resilience, understanding and knowledge on the issues they face.

**COMMUNICATION: DONORS’ VISITS, EVENTS AND ADVOCACY**

- On April 6th, 2022 **Sports initiative** spearheaded by the Adolescent and Youth unit, funded by FCDO, on Facebook and Twitter; story on International Day of Sports for Development and Peace, [here](#)
- On 7th April, 2022, a **midwife** from the refugee camps of Cox’s Bazar was featured by UNFPA Head Quarter on World Health Day, [website](#), Facebook
- On 5th May 2022, **International Day of Midwife** story published, [here](#)
- On 28th May 2022 **Menstrual Hygiene Day** was celebrated with **adolescents** from 8 schools from Ukhiya and Teknaf counties to end stigma and raise awareness among peers
On June 20th, 2022 UNFPA celebrated World Refugee Day (WRD) with the theme of “Whoever, Wherever, Whenever, everyone has the right to seek safety.” Storytelling web, Facebook and Twitter

UNFPA’s implementing partners celebrated WRD in 8 camps with 160 participants which included beneficiaries, community volunteers, women’s support groups, community watch group members, local activists, community leaders, and camp authorities, Facebook

Donor Visits

- **April 21st, 2022:** The US Ambassador at large for International Religious Freedom visited the SASA! Together Social innovative mobilization approach, Facebook and Twitter
- **April 25th 2022:** Excellency Anniken Huitfeldt, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway visit Facebook and Twitter
- **May 26th 2022:** World Bank delegation led by Robin Mearns, Practice Manager, Social Sustainability and Inclusion in South Asia visited the WFS and WLCC, Facebook, Twitter
- **June 27th, 2022:** Executive Board of UNFPA/UNDP/UNOPS visited the Rohingya camps in Cox’s Bazar; Facebook and Twitter
- **June 22nd 2022:** A delegation from UNFPA’s Sub-Office in Cox’s Bazar paid a visit to Bhasan Char where UNFPA has kicked off its operations by providing Sexual and Reproductive Health Services (SRHR) and to combat gender based violence established a Women Friendly Space (WFS), Facebook

UN Film Festival - 23, 24, 25 June, organized by National Communications Working Group in Cox’s Bazar, of the UN agencies, INGO’s and NGO’s with the aim of promoting social cohesion, positive peace, harmony, positive vibes and understanding between the Rohingya Refugees and the Bangladeshi host community.

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