MONSOON RESPONSE IN ROHINGYA REFUGEE CAMPS
WEEKLY UPDATE | 11 to 18 July 2019
Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh

I - SITUATION OVERVIEW

• During the reporting period, from 11 July (18:00) to 18 July (18:00), monsoon-related events affected\(^1\) over 2,700 refugees. Damage to facilities was reported across sectors, including to health facilities, water points, latrines, nutrition and learning centres.

• The monsoon season in Bangladesh officially started on 17 June. However, weather-related incidents have been recorded in the Rohingya refugee camps since April\(^2\). Cumulatively, since 21 April, at least 49,400 refugees have been affected by soil erosions, wind, storm and rain.

II - KEY FIGURES

Incidents\(^3\) reported in Camps this week

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<td><strong>2,730</strong> Refugees Affected</td>
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<td><strong>0</strong> Refugees Fatalities(^4)</td>
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| 802 Refugees affected by 19 soil erosions |
| 1,928 Refugees affected by 30 events of wind/storms/rain |
| 0 Refugees affected by floods |
| 0 Refugees affected by lightning |

Cumulative incidents reported in Camps since April

CUMULATIVE CASUALTIES: Since 21 April, 10 fatalities have been reported as a result of tracked incidents in the Camps. Some 42 refugees have been injured.

1. Households and/or individuals directly affected by a specific incident, including people injured, relocated, displaced and with damaged shelters. These estimates do not include people who are indirectly affected, for instance by not being able to access affected facilities.

2. The Site Management Sector Daily Incident Reports started tracking the impact of monsoon and other weather related events on 21 of April.

3. All numbers are indicative only, as reported to the Site Management Sectors following rapid assessments carried out on the day of the incident. The numbers are not verified.

4. On the evening of 11 July, two boys, one 4-year-old and another 7-year-old, drowned following heavy rain, just after 19:00. This occurred outside the formal reporting cut-off of 18:00 on 11 July, but was reported in last week’s update.
III - WEATHER IMPACT ANALYSIS

Cumulative precipitation compared to number and type of incidents reported by rain gauge (GSB/UNDP)

Site Management Sector Daily Incident Reporting

IV - NEEDS AND RESPONSE TO WEATHER-RELATED INCIDENTS

SHELTER

During the reporting period, SMS partners reported 504 shelters as partly or fully damaged. All reported shelters were verified as damaged. In addition, several other shelters were found damaged, bringing the total to 690 shelters verified as damaged or destroyed.

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Assistance has been provided to 531 households affected, and assistance to the other households is in process. Since 1 July, assistance has been provided to 5,430 households with damaged shelters.

HEALTH

- Some 2 health facilities were temporary closed in the early part of the week, due to inaccessibility or damage related to rains and floodwater.
- A total of 8 dedicated mobile medical teams remained on standby, however no requests for ambulance dispatch or mobile medical team support were made to the dispatch and referral unit during this week.
- No diseases of outbreak importance alerts requiring investigation were reported during the reporting period.

PROTECTION

- Protection Emergency Response Units (PERUs) supported Site Management Sector and Shelter actors by conducting vulnerability assessments and identification of Extremely Vulnerable Individuals (EVIs) in need of extra support during relocation from damaged shelters and areas at risk of soil erosion. PERUs were temporarily deactivated in camps 6 and 10 towards the end of the reporting period based...
on significantly improved weather conditions. In total, Protection actors made 123 referrals of EVIs and affected households to access Shelter, Healthcare and GBV services.

- Community Outreach Member teams conducted 760 awareness sessions reaching 8,251 female and male refugees. 23 service projects were implemented by community groups across 13 camps with a focus on emergency preparedness and repairing/maintenance of community infrastructures.

**Child Protection Sub-Sector (CPSS)**

- During the reporting period, 9 children affected by monsoon incidents were identified and supported. This includes one 10-year-old boy rescued from drowning in a flooded "lake" in between Camp 18, 12 and 11, who was referred to a medical facility. Two children were injured due to soil erisions and referred by case workers to health clinics. One lost child was identified and reunified with their caregiver.

- Child Protection partners continued with the renovation of Child Protection Facilities affected by rainfall and erisions in previous weeks.

**Gender-Based Violence Sub-Sector (GBV)**

GBV partners continued with the renovation of Women Friendly Spaces which have been affected by heavy rains during previous reporting periods. Umbrellas and raincoats were distributed to affected populations as well as 2,000 dignity kits in camp 13 and 16 from the dignity kits contingency stocks.

**EDUCATION**

Some 86 learning facilities were damaged by monsoon incidents. Although all remain functioning, 7,379 children attending these facilities were affected by the small and moderate damage to infrastructure. Repairs have started for about half of the facilities.

**NUTRITION**

One Outpatient Therapeutic Programme in Camp 21 was severely damaged and no longer operating. The staff and services will operate in an existing TSFP/BSFP\(^5\) facility in the camp making it another integrated nutrition sector facility managed by two different nutrition sector partners. Some other nutrition sector facilities were damaged, but could be repaired and nutrition services continue to be provided. Outreach activities provided by Community Nutrition Volunteers were limited during the heavy rains, but have resumed. The number of beneficiaries utilising nutrition sectors services had declined during the rains, but there are returning to normal and no impact is expected on the nutritional status of children under 5 years of age or pregnant and lactating women.

**WATER, SANITATION and HYGIENE**

Some 969 people from the different camps of Ukhiya area were affected by damaged WASH infrastructure during the reporting period. The highest number of people, 256, were affected in Camp 14. Some 24 water points and 41 number of latrines required small scale repairing works.

**COMMUNICATION WITH COMMUNITIES (CWC)**

- Some 7 Information and feedback centres (info hubs) were damaged by the monsoon but remain operational.

- Some 59,068 HH (approximately 271,678 people) were reached with monsoon related messages through door-to-door visits, while over 1,117 people participated in 59 community engagement activities. Some 900 religious leaders have been reached with AWD and monsoon related awareness messages. Live phone in programs, radio public service announcements and radio magazines have been recorded and broadcasted on AWD and monsoon through *Bangladesh Betar* and Community *Radio Naf*. In addition, 8,000 leaflets and 10,000 stickers on AWD have disseminated to sectors.

- Incessant rains at the beginning of the week hampered community engagement efforts, as people were confined to their shelters.

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\(^5\) Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme/Blanket Supplementary Feeding Program