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Influx of Rohingya Situation Report #7

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In Numbers

582,000* people newly arrived in Bangladesh
566,100 newly arrived people have received rice
242,000 people have received micronutrient fortified biscuits
63,000 pregnant women, new mothers and children have received special, high-nutrient porridge

*As reported by the Inter Sector Coordination Group

Highlights

- WFP has activated a “Level 3” emergency response for the Rohingya crisis.
- WFP is distributing a fortnightly food basket of 25 kg of rice and non-cereal food items (supplied by other agencies) to newly arrived families. To date, 566,100 people (113,220 households) have received rice.
- WFP continues to provide micronutrient fortified biscuits to people as they cross the border.

Situation Update

- It is estimated that 582,000 people have crossed the border into Bangladesh since 25 August. Based on WFP observations of food distributions, WFP expects this number to be closer to 600,000.
- The Government of Bangladesh has begun work on the 3,000 acres expansion camp to accommodate the increasing number of people arriving. The Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief through its Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commissioner's Office will coordinate with humanitarian partners including WFP, UNHCR, and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) to install basic facilities.

WFP Response

- On 9 September, WFP began distributing fortnightly food baskets of 25 kg of rice per household. Three rounds have been completed, with 566,100 people receiving rice in the third round. WFP is operating in 12 distribution points across Cox's Bazar, providing food to approximately 1,500-2,400 people in each. The next round of distributions will begin on 24 October. WFP is pairing with NGOs to provide non-cereal food items in this round.
- WFP has distributed micronutrient fortified biscuits to 242,000 people (as of 17 October). WFP has staff based at Anjumanpara at the border, Moinarghona, and Shahporir Dwip where people continue to cross the border. New arrivals receive 6 packets of biscuits per person and registered with beneficiary cards.
- WFP provides rice to Action Contre la Faim (ACF), who provide hot meals of *khichuri* (rice and lentil porridge) to newly arrived families. This partnership fills the gap between distributions of fortified biscuits and rice. Community kitchens and mobile teams have been feeding 50,000 people daily.

- WFP has reached an agreement with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to provide food assistance to the people stranded at the border including 'no-mans land'.
- WFP is working with the non-governmental organizations SHED, MUKTI, RIC and YPSA, as well as ACF, to distribute food in the makeshift sites.
- Under the Inter Sector Coordination Group (ISCG) WFP is the lead of the Logistics Sector, the Emergency Telecommunications Sector, and lead of the Food Security Sector in Cox's Bazar. Through the sectors, WFP provides assistance to humanitarian partners to allow for efficient and effective provision of humanitarian services.



Food and Nutrition Assistance

- WFP plans to continue providing micronutrient fortified biscuits to families as they arrive.
- Households will continue to be provided with 25 kg of rice every two weeks until February 2018. The food basket includes monthly rations of 50 kg of rice, 9 kg of lentils and yellow split peas, and 4 litres of oil per household. WFP will also continue supplying ACF with rice for hot meals.
- In its pre-existing nutrition centres, WFP is absorbing the new influx of pregnant and breastfeeding women, and children under 5 reaching 63,000 people with SuperCereal and SuperCereal Plus to date.
- WFP is providing 30 mt of micronutrient fortified biscuits to UNICEF to distribute in the makeshift learning centres. WFP is providing biscuits to UNFPA Women Friendly Spaces, UNHCR Child Friendly Spaces, and BRAC Child Friendly Spaces.



Supply Chain

- A logistics hub is being set up to enhance storage capacity and support the delivery of humanitarian aid. So far, ten mobile storage units (MSUs) have been erected in the space allocated by the Government; the space is sufficient for 13 MSUs with a total capacity of 4,368 m³.
- An airlift of 98 mt of SuperCereal Plus from the UN Humanitarian Response Depot (UNHRD) in Brindisi, Italy, arrived on 9 October and is being distributed.
- WFP is in the process of procuring SuperCereal, SuperCereal Plus, rice, and vegetable oil from international suppliers, as well as locally sourcing lentils and vegetable oil.



Resourcing Update

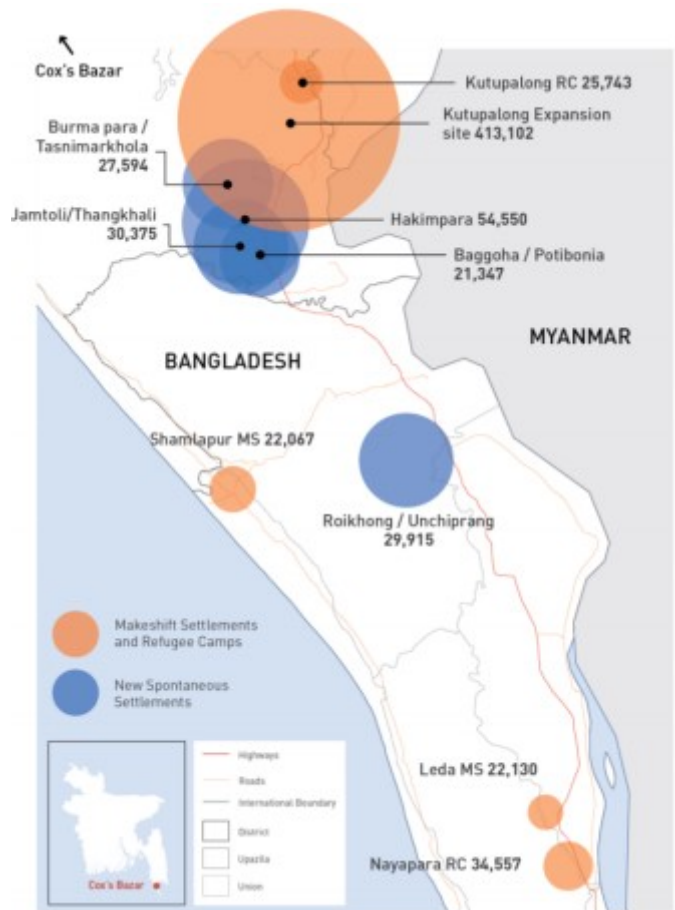
- The UN has released a revised response plan for USD 434 million to assist 1.2 million people until February 2018.
- WFP urgently needs at least US\$77 million to assist 1.009 million people: 700,000 new arrivals, 75,000 pre-August influx, 34,000 registered refugees, and 200,000 impacted host community members till February 2018.
- WFP requires a combined total of US\$3.7 million for the Logistics Sector (US\$3.03 million) and Emergency Telecommunications Sector (US\$0.65 million) for the next six months.
- WFP has secured US\$15.4 million to date, with a further US\$23 million pledged or at proposal stage. WFP has confirmed the following contributions:
 - US\$3.2 million from Denmark
 - US\$2 million from Australia
 - US\$1.1 million from Canada
 - US\$650,000 from Norway
 - US\$530,000 from Italy
 - US\$6 million from United States
 - US\$90,000 from a private donor
- Through the United Nations Resident Coordinator's Office, WFP participated in a joint Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) application and so far has received US\$1.9 million. Another US\$3 million has been confirmed.



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Cox's Bazar Influx Locations



Data Source: Inter Sector Coordination Group as of 17 October 2017



Photos: New influx of refugees receiving micronutrient fortified biscuits at the border in Anjumanpara. ©WFP/Saikat Mojumder