



# WFP Bangladesh

## Influx of Rohingya Situation Report #3

17 September 2017

### In Numbers

**412,000** people have arrived in Bangladesh

**136,470** people received high-energy biscuits

**163,500** people received hot meals

**3,850** pregnant women, new mothers and children reached with special, high-nutrient porridge

### Highlights

- WFP is distributing fortnightly rations of 25 kg of rice to newly arrived families. To date, almost 126,000 people (22,926 households) have received rice.
- WFP continues to provide high-energy biscuits to people as they cross the border.
- The UN is rapidly revising the response plan to support the growing number of people in need.

### Situation Update

- To date, it is estimated that 412,000 people have crossed the border into Bangladesh. The actual number of arrivals is unverified and based on reports from the agencies working in Cox's Bazar.
- New arrivals have reported that there are many thousands of people on the Myanmar side of the border waiting to cross, but lack the means to do so.
- There have been unverified reports from new arrivals that people on the Myanmar side of the border are being prevented from crossing to Cox's Bazar. The UN reiterates that those people fleeing violence must be allowed to seek safety in Bangladesh.
- Six new spontaneous settlements are expanding quickly with 229,000 people having already moved there.
- The Government of Bangladesh has approved a 2,000 acre site where 14,000 shelters will be built to accommodate 400,000 people. The Ministry of Disaster and Relief Management will coordinate with humanitarian partners including WFP, UNHCR, and IOM to install basic facilities.

### WFP Response

- Since 27 August, WFP has distributed high-energy biscuits in Kutupalong registered camp, Kutupalong makeshift camp, Nayapara registered camp and three new settlements to 136,470 people. A further 2,421 newly arrived women have received high-energy biscuits in women-friendly spaces supported by UNFPA in Shamlapur.
- ACF, in partnership with WFP, is providing hot meals of *kichuri* (rice and lentil porridge) reaching 163,500 people to date. Community kitchens and mobile teams have been feeding 12,900 people daily.

- On 9 September, WFP began distributing fortnightly rations of 25 kg of rice per household. As of 16 September, 126,000 people (22,926 households) have received rice.
- WFP is working with the non-governmental organizations, SHED and MUKTI, as well as Action Contre la Faim (ACF), to distribute food in the camps.

### Food and Nutrition Assistance

- WFP plans to continue providing high-energy biscuits to families as they arrive.
- WFP will continue to provide 25 kg of rice every two weeks until February 2018. Future distributions will also include lentils and vegetable oil. WFP will continue supplying ACF with rice for hot meals. ACF is providing hot meals to 13,000 people daily through mobile distribution teams and community kitchens.

### Supply Chain

- Since the high-energy biscuits are produced locally they are being distributed quickly to the people who need them. The Ministry of Primary and Mass Education has loaned WFP 60 mt of biscuits from its national School Feeding Programme.
- WFP has received over 6,000 mt of rice from the Ministry of Food Affairs under its existing emergency arrangements and is planning to borrow an additional 10,000 mt of rice.
- Lentils, oil and other commodities need to be imported with lead times to be determined.

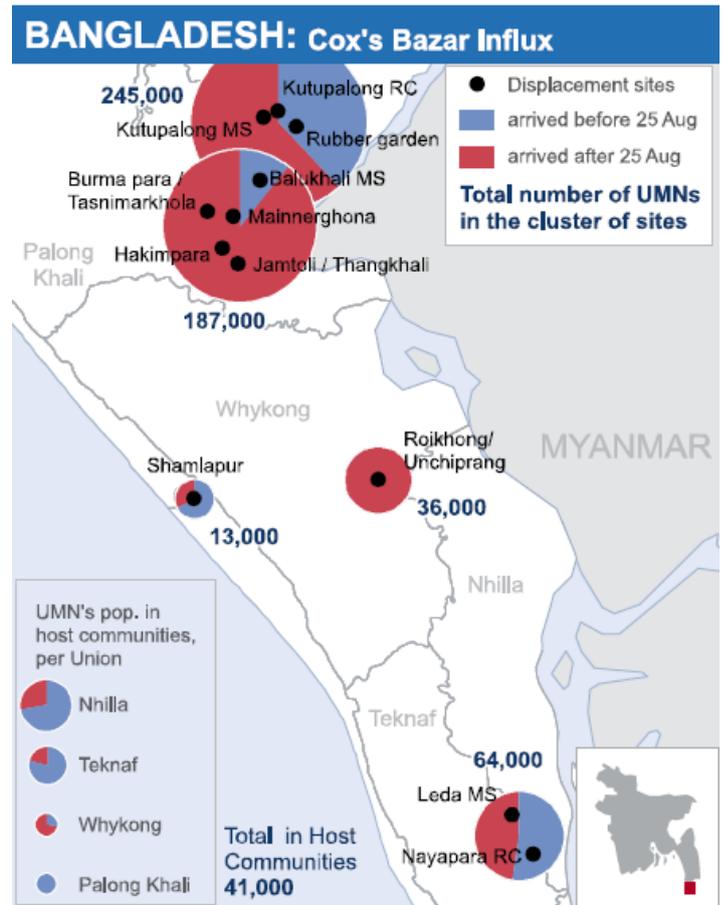
## Resourcing Update

- On 7 September the UN and its partners released a Response Plan requesting USD 77 million to support 300,000 new arrivals. Since the plan was released the number of new arrivals has continued to grow and now far surpasses the original planning figure. Consequently the plan is being revised to support the increasing number of people in need.
- WFP will continue to revise its planning figures to align with the UN response. It is expected that WFP's resource requirements will significantly increase from the initial USD 14.8 million targeting 300,000 people.
- WFP has confirmed the following contributions:
  - USD 3.2 million from Denmark
  - USD 2 million from Australia (of which USD 400,000 is for the flood response)
- Through the United Nations Resident Coordinator's Office, WFP participated in a joint Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) application and has received USD 1.9 million.

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## Cox's Bazar Influx Locations



Data Source: Inter Sector Coordination Group as of 16 September 2017