



**687,000**

New Rohingya arrivals  
since 25 August 2017 in Cox's Bazar

**898,300**

Rohingya Population in Cox's Bazar

**1.3 Million**

People in Need in Cox's Bazar



Over 100 culverts have been received and will be installed on Army road in the coming months. © IOM 2018/Fanny Renard

### Key Features

- ◆ 100 households (HH) were relocated from Camp 9 (8 HH) and 10 (71 HH) and from WFP canal extension area (21 HH from Camps 10/11) to Camp 20 due to flood and landslide risk.
- ◆ IOM distributed 9,000 dignity kits to women and girls identified as extremely vulnerable in Kutupalong-Balukhali Expansion Site, Leda and Shamlapur.
- ◆ This week, IOM provided training on Shelter Upgrade and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) for 18 staff of partner organisations, bringing the total partner staff trained by IOM to 77.
- ◆ In preparation for the monsoon season, IOM is finalizing the prepositioning of medical supplies for Ukhaia and Teknaf for the next three months.

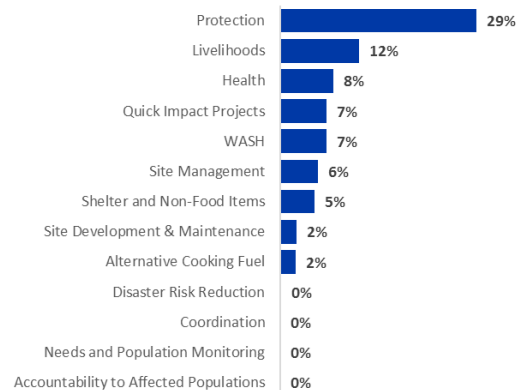
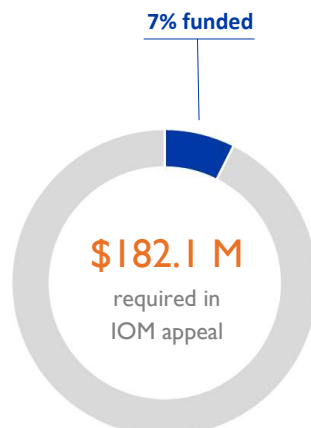
### Situation Overview

Since 25 August 2017, an estimated 687,000 Rohingya have crossed into Bangladesh fleeing violence in Myanmar's Rakhine State, increasing the total Rohingya population in Cox's Bazar to over 898,300. New arrivals are living in spontaneous settlements with an increasing need of humanitarian assistance—including shelter, food, clean water, and sanitation.

Additionally, with the rainy season fast approaching, there is an urgent need to continue strengthening preparedness measures and raise awareness among the refugee population regarding potential landslide and flood risks.

In order to respond to these risks collectively and comprehensively, IOM continues to work closely with the Government of Bangladesh and the humanitarian community. IOM and its partners continue to scale up operations to respond to the needs of new arrivals, existing Rohingya, and affected host communities.

### Funding received for March - December 2018



## Voices of Refugees

In the past six months more than 687,000 Rohingya refugees escaped violence in Myanmar by fleeing into Bangladesh. IOM, other agencies and the Bangladesh authorities support them on the ground.

However it is the refugees' own resilience that shines through when they share their stories of life in the world's biggest refugee camp.

### Tasmin Fatima

It might be a "man's job", but for a single parent like Tasmin Fatima (pictured right), labouring to improve the refugee camp where she lives brings new opportunities... Discover Tasmin Fatima's story [here](#).



## IOM Response



### Monsoon Preparation

As Bangladesh's annual wet season approaches, IOM is also working to secure infrastructure and strengthen preparedness measures.

To mitigate risks to shelters and individuals and be ready for the worst conditions :

**26,000** families have received Upgrade Shelter Kits (USKs)

**37,032** households have received community training on shelter upgrade and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)

**9,600** refugees have provided feedback that is being analysed to prepare messages for the monsoon season

**1,400** community mobilisers are conducting a door to door awareness campaign on preparedness measures for the monsoon season

**30** field staff trained on cyclone season message delivery

**650** refugees and local community members are being trained in first aid as well as search and rescue in emergency situations

**5** mobile medical teams are being trained to provide primary lifesaving health care services to displaced populations during the monsoon season

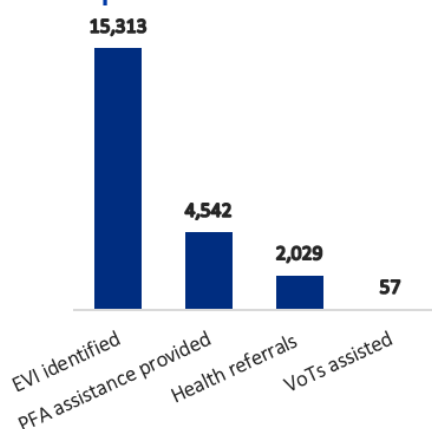
Key machinery is being purchased to be placed across Cox's Bazar district for emergency works

### "Living on the Edge"

Click [here](#) to watch IOM short video on the monsoon preparation.

## Protection

### Individuals assisted by protection activities



In Cox’s Bazar, IOM is responding to Gender Based Violence (GBV), Child Protection (CP), Counter Trafficking (CT), and general protection issues.

This week, 12 people received Psychological First Aid (PFA) by trained case workers and 13 health referrals were made. In regards to CT activities, two new Victims of trafficking (VoTs) were identified and assisted as well as four VoTs that received assistance through follow-ups.

Additionally, IOM distributed 9,000 dignity kits to women and girls identified as extremely vulnerable in Kutupalong-Balukhali Expansion (KBE) Site, Leda and Shamlapur.

IOM also engaged in informal sensitization activities on Counter-Trafficking with 40 Mahjis, Para Development Committee (PDC) and community members over the past week.

Finally, the protection team continues to provide support to site management relocations and new arrivals via identification of Extremely Vulnerable Persons (EVIs).

## Resilience and Environment Management

The recently established Resilience and Environment Management (REM) Unit oversees longer-term programming to complement the humanitarian response.

The REM Unit is currently working on a livelihoods project jointly with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) that aims to improve food and nutrition security for host community and refugee populations in Cox’s Bazar. This week, 3,441 Rohingya refugees received micro gardening kits and food storage drums. The kits include vegetable seeds, spade, watering can, ropes, vermicomposting and silos to help the beneficiaries increase food security for their households. In total, 25,000 refugee households were selected to receive micro-gardening kits and another 25,000 kit recipients have been identified in the host community through Community Agriculture Rehabilitation and Implementation Committees, using level of vulnerability as a criteria for the final selection.

Additionally, an agreement was formed with the Bangladesh Tropical Forest Conservation Foundation also known as the Arannayk Foundation in an attempt to start reforestation. Nine nurseries were established in Cox’s Bazar district; with the grass and shrubs to be planted in June.

Finally, IOM completed community consultations and a needs assessment for emergency preparedness prior to the monsoon season in Teknaf Upazila. The assessment has started this week in Ukhia.

**15,241** beneficiaries have received micro-gardening kits since March 2018 (8,441 Rohingya refugees and 6,800 host community members)



To date, 15,241 beneficiaries have received micro-gardening kits to improve food security in their households.

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## Health

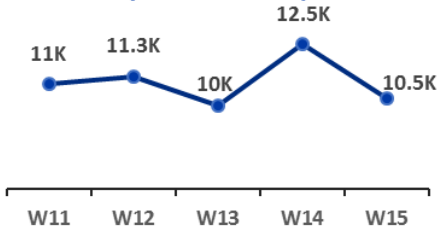
**319,562** consultations held since August 2017

This week, 10,443 consultations took place in IOM health centers and IOM supported Government facilities. In terms of Mental Health and Psychosocial Services (MHPSS), IOM provided specialised psychological support (individual consultations) to 72 people and case management to 47 beneficiaries this week.

**5,967** patients have been triaged for suspected diphtheria since December 2017

This week, over 1,300 Antenatal Care (ANC) sessions were conducted within IOM and IOM supported government facilities, in addition to over 50 deliveries and 230 Post-Natal Care (PNC) sessions.

### Outpatient consultations (Last 5 weeks)



During the reporting period, over 300 patients were triaged, out of which seven were referred for Diphtheria antitoxins. Contact tracing - tracing of people who might have been in contact with diphtheria patients - has been done for a total of 340 contacts this week.

Community surveillance and referral has been intensified and Oral Rehydration Points (ORP) have been set up to assist in the control of Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD). Standardized triage and isolation has become operational at Kutupalong D4 PHCC.

In preparation for the monsoon season, IOM is finalizing the prepositioning of medical supplies for in Ukhia and Teknaf for the next three months. More supplies are expected for another three months.



## Shelter/Non Food Items (NFIs)

IOM is coordinating the Shelter/NFI Sector

**26,000** households have received Upgrade Shelter Kits (USKs) since February 2018

During the reporting period, IOM distributed 1,883 Upgrade Shelter Kits (USKs) in Camps 8E, 8W and 9 of Kutupalong-Balukhali Expansion (KBE) Site as well as Unchirang.

**37,032** households reached through shelter upgrade and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) orientation since February 2018

This week, IOM also provided shelter upgrade and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) orientation sessions to 1,797 households in Camps 8E, 8W, 9, 10 of KBE and Leda Makeshift Settlement. During those "Learn-by-Doing" hands-on sessions, IOM shelter trainers explain how to make stronger bamboo connections and foundations.

During the reporting period, 667 Rohingya refugees were engaged in Cash-for-Work (CfW) activities to transport USKs and construct shelter for 339 extremely vulnerable Rohingya households.

**1,816** extremely vulnerable households supported with material transportation and shelter construction since February 2018, engaging **6,381** Cash-for-Work labourers

In addition, IOM provided training on Shelter Upgrade and DRR for 18 staff of partner organisations, bringing the total partner staff trained by IOM to 77.

Finally, as the managing agency of the Shelter/NFI common pipeline, IOM continues to sign agreements with distributing partners. In addition to providing economies of scale, a single pipeline provides uniformity of items provided to all beneficiaries and assists in gap identification of humanitarian assistance provision and response coordination.



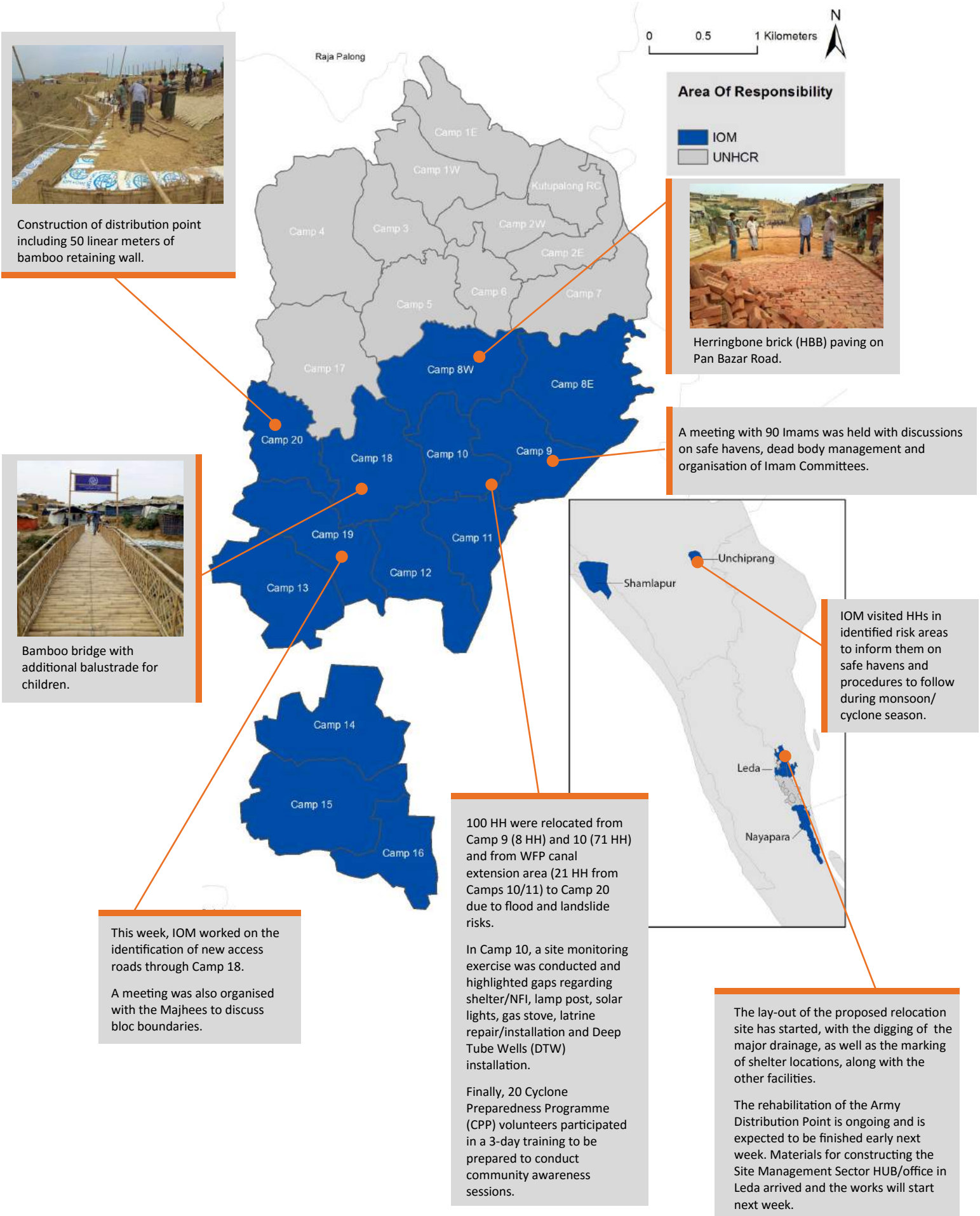
To date, over 37,000 households were reached through shelter upgrade and DRR orientation sessions.

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## Site Management & Site Development

IOM is coordinating the Site Management and Site Development Sector



## Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

**141** Deep Tube Wells (DTWs) completed since August 2017

**2,282** emergency latrines & mobile toilets constructed since August 2017

**137** wash rooms constructed since August 2017

**37,980** hygiene kits distributed since August 2017

IOM has established a WASH common pipeline with supplies including 180,000 top up hygiene kits and 73,000 Aquatabs. Each hygiene top up kit includes bathing soaps, laundry soaps, pairs of sandals for adults and children, and toothpaste as well as toothbrushes for adults and children. IOM continues to reach out for more partners to sign up for the WASH common pipeline and encourage the existing partners to request, collect and distribute the hygiene top-up kits to beneficiaries.

The construction and installation of 136 Deep Tube Wells DTWs is ongoing in Balukhali-Kutupalong Extension Site (KBE) and in host villages Chapotkhali, Dhakkin Pannasia, and Tolatoli. The DTWs completed are currently serving 141,000 individuals.

Current plans include the construction of 9 blocks of communal latrines in Shapotkhali (3-chamber, 6 blocks), Panneysia (3-chamber, 1 block) and Tulatuli (3-chamber, 2 blocks). Additionally, the construction of 90 wash room is ongoing in Camps 2W, 17, 18 and 20.

IOM's water project supply in collaboration with the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and Bangladesh Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) is ongoing. The borehole drilling went to a the depth of over 300 meters this week.

The water supply system in Camp 20 is now functional; two 5000-liter capacity bladders were installed with six taps each.



Borehole drilling as part of the joint IOM, JICA, DPHE project in Camp 12.

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## Inter-Sector Coordination Group (ISCG)

IOM is hosting the sector based coordination structure for the Rohingya

The Inter Sector Coordination Group (ISCG), hosted by IOM, is coordinating the overall Rohingya Humanitarian Crisis Response. ISCG facilitates timely, coordinated, needs-based, and evidence-driven Humanitarian assistance for efficient use of resources and to avoid duplication, while producing regular Situation [Reports](#) and [4W maps and data](#).



## IOM in the news



### Refugees and Locals Work Together to Prepare for Monsoon in Cox's Bazar Camps

IOM (18 April 2018)

Bangladesh - Rohingya refugees and local people in Teknaf, a southern sub-district of Cox's Bazar, are racing to prepare for monsoon rains forecast to start as early as this week. IOM, the UN Migration Agency, has been supporting efforts to prepare the camps, which although smaller than the giant Ukhaia sub-district settlements of Kutupalong and Balukali, still house thousands of people, who face similar threats of flooding and landslides.

Click [here](#) to read the full article.

## Resources

### Needs and Population Monitoring (NPM) Round 9 information Package

IOM Bangladesh NPM released this week its latest [Site Assessment Round 9 information package](#). The information package includes:

- ◆ [Site Profiles](#): infographics presenting key multisectoral indicators on a site level
- ◆ [Updated Majhee blocks shapefiles](#): updated shapefiles of NPM Majhee mapping exercise (for the full methodology please click [here](#))
- ◆ [ACAPS & NPM Analysis Hub Situation Overview & Summary Indicators](#): the analysis is based on NPM SA 9 and aims to provide a general situation overview by sector. The exercise has been conducted through consultations with each Sector (methodology available at this [link](#))
- ◆ [Thematic maps](#): population distribution and multisectoral indicators presented on a majhee block level

### NPM and ACAPS Analysis Hub recent reports

- ◆ [Pre-Monsoon Review](#)
- ◆ [Cyclone Background](#)
- ◆ [Lessons Learned about the Impact of Cyclones](#)

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