

Monthly Bulletin

Inclusive Rohingya Response Program

January, 2022



Background

CDD in Partnership with CBM started its health and rehabilitation services for both FDMN camp and Host communities in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. The projects have two-pronged approach by prioritizing rehabilitation service provision and disability mainstreaming.

The focus here is on provision of rehabilitation services that includes physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech & language therapy, eye screening, hearing screening, psychosocial counseling and provision of assistive devices as well as the strengthening referral system.

The mainstreaming activities are to promote the inclusion of people with disabilities along with strengthening the Age and Disability Working Group and the rights of persons with disabilities through formation and capacity building of Self Help groups (SHG) & Disability Support Committees (DSC).

Project Areas

Camp Name : 8w, 11, 13, 18
Host Community: Rajaplaong, Ratnapalong

Mainstreaming activities

1. Training on Disability Specific Data Collection Tools

Training on Disability Specific Data Collection Tools was organized by CDD and CBM in two batches to orient participants on the basic concept of disability, tools, and methods for disability-specific data collection at Hotel Long Beach, Kalatoli, Cox's Bazar. The training of the first batch was held on 18th January 2022 with 18 participants and the training of the second batch was held on 19th January 2022 with 16 participants from different backgrounds WASH actors like WASH managers, WASH Coordinators, Sr. Officers, etc.



Photo: Training sessions being conducted on disability-specific data collection for WASH actors

2. SHG Meeting

Self-help groups Odhikar and Oikko organized their group meetings respectively. In the SHG meetings, they discussed the present situation and the challenges they are facing during the pandemic.

The group members organized the meeting with their own initiative and the Inclusion Team of CDD provided mentoring support in organizing the meeting.

3. DITU team field visit

- In January, Disability Inclusion Technical Unit (DITU) team of CDD & CBM conducted 4 field visits to various locations. The first field visit was at livelihood activities, Plan International Ward number 2, Puran Pollan Parra, Teknaf. The second visit was at people's corner, World Vision Block B-9, B-3, Camp-19. The third visit was at WASH facilities of World Vision, Camp-10. The fourth visit was on Community Led NGO Forum, Ward number 3, Whykong, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar.
- The Inclusion team of CDD attended two sectorial meeting of WASH and Protection Sector
- The Inclusion team attended PWG IT training in January.
- The Inclusion team facilitated Refresher Training on Disability Orientation and Data Collection for enumerators of Bhasan Char survey.



Photo: Community watch group taking capacity building training session on Child Protection and Disability Inclusion.

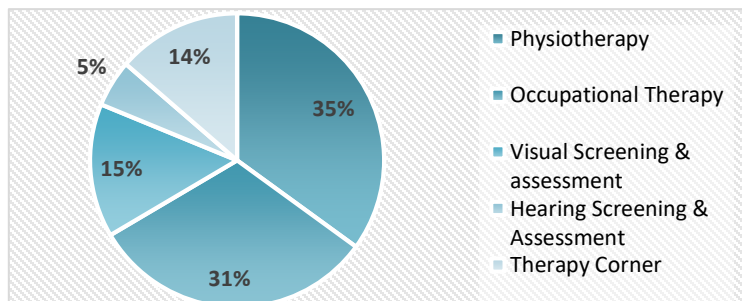
Service Provision at FDMN and Host Community

In January 2022, we registered 65 (43.08% female, 56.92% male) new people for providing rehabilitation services at FDMN and Host community. Among them 95.38% were persons with disabilities and 30.77% were from the elderly group (60 and above). A total of 1,049 service sessions were conducted which included **physiotherapy (377 sessions), occupational therapy (361 sessions), visual screening & assessment (97 session), hearing screening & assessment (34 sessions), and 90 sessions in the therapy corner** for children with severe disability.

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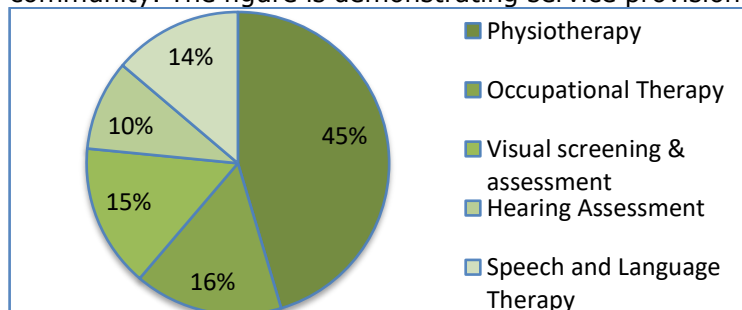
Service wise coverage at FDMN Community

In January 2022 we covered 65 (43.08% female, 56.92% male) people with rehabilitation services. Among them 95.38% were persons with disabilities and 30.77% were from elderly. The figure represents the service provision.



Service wise coverage at Host Community

In this month, we provided rehabilitation services only to our previously registered clients as per the need where all of them were person with disabilities at the host community. The figure is demonstrating service provision.



Initial needs analysis at Bhasan Char

During the month of January, a team of 12 member including 8 local trained enumerator, 1 team leader and 3 staff of CDD visited Bhasan Char for an initial need analysis. The objective of the need analysis was to identify the specific needs of persons with disabilities and older people, highlight the gaps and needs, along with recommendations, to promote inclusive response.



Figure: Enumerator conducting interview of person with disabilities using customized RNA tool at Bhasan Char

The INA was conducted using Washington Group Short Set Enhanced, Washington Group-UNICEF child functioning tools, and customized FGD and RNA tools.

A total of 108 (male:56, female:52) persons with disabilities were interviewed as well as 7 FGD with different age and gender specific group and 5 KIIs were conducted involving people who were at the advocacy and implementation level in Bhasan Char.

Caregiver Training

During the reporting period, 20 caregivers were provided with skill-based training to ensure home care for respective beneficiaries. Among them 15 were female and 5 were male.

Case Study: A golden hope

Md. Islam is 75 years old Rohingya male living in the Rohingya camp with his daughter, son in law and granddaughter since 2017. He came to Bangladesh during the Rohingya influx, leaving behind his other relatives in Myanmar. As a person with visual impairment along with associated geriatric complications, he was facing severe challenges in performing daily living activities like walking, toileting, dressing, etc.



Figure: Md. Islam walking down stairs to use toilet while using support of his granddaughter before the adaptation.



Figure: After receiving therapy & home modification, Md. Islam going downstairs to use toilet independently

He needed support from his granddaughter in performing all the daily activities. The CDD & CBM home based rehabilitation team provided him with therapeutic support, taught him some home exercises, and conducted shelter adaptations to improve his functional ability and to promote independence.

"Now it is easier for me to move to the toilet and I need less support from my daughter to perform my daily activities," said Md. Islam with a smile during a therapy session.

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