

Monthly Bulletin CDD Cox's Bazar Operation





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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 a two-pronged approach by prioritizing rehabilitation service provision and disability mainstreaming.

The focus here is on the 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 the formation and capacity building of Self Help Groups (SHG) & Disability Support Committees (DSC).

Project Areas

Camp Name : 8w, 11, 13, 18, 19 Host Community: Haldiapalong, Rajaplaong, & Ratnapalong

Service Team engagement

During the month of November 2021, four Home Based Rehabilitation (HBR) teams, main camp staff & bus camp staff were onboard as per Government instruction.

Service Provision at FDMN and host Community

In November 2021, we covered 759 (51.91% female, 48.81% male) people with rehabilitation services at FDMN and the Host community. Among them, 80.63% were persons with disabilities and 27.27% were from elderly group (60 and above). A total of 3523 service sessions were conducted which includes physiotherapy (1280 sessions), occupational therapy (777 sessions), speech & language therapy (231 sessions), visual assessment (601 sessions), hearing assessment (378 sessions), psychosocial counseling (60 sessions) and 196 sessions in therapy corner.

Service Provision at FDMN Community

In November 2021, we covered 525 (54.47% female, 45.52% male) people with rehabilitation services. Among them, 89.90% were persons with disabilities and 32% were from the elderly.

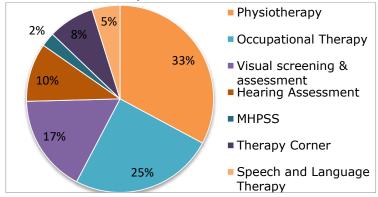


Figure: Service Provision at FDMN Community

Service wise coverage at Host Community

In November 2021, we covered 234 (66.23% female, 33.76% male) people with rehabilitation services. Among them, 59.82% were persons with disabilities and 16.66% were from elderly group (63 and above).

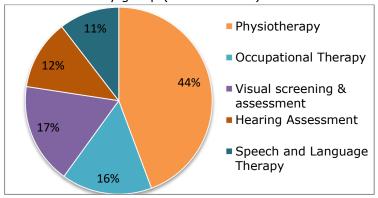


Figure: Service Provision at Host Community

Case Study:

Pushing the obstacle away: One more step on the way of possibility

"Previously, my daughter had an issue with understanding anything and I have been worried about her that how she will manage her life. But now after taking therapy she has improved her understanding and become responsible about her" said Ola Mia (Father of Tahera).

Tahera is a 10 years old child with Intellectual Disability who is living in a Rohingya camp with her family. She wasn't able to communicate with others, also had difficulty in performing self-care activities like eating, brushing, dressing, bathing, toileting etc, and couldn't follow instructions.



Photo: Tahera showing the stich design that she made **Photo Credit:** Ayesha Siddiqua, Volunteer, CDD

Tahera has been registered in the therapy corner of the CDD-CBM rehabilitation camp for receiving therapeutic services like Cognitive Therapy, Art Therapy, Music Therapy, play therapy, Social skill practice, behavioral

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modification therapy, inclusive education, memory training etc. Her father shared that once she was lost on her way back home while she went out to play but luckily they found her and back home. After taking therapy services now she can follow instructions, her IQ level has improved than before, and she has become independent in eating, dressing, toileting & bathing activities. Also, she can tell her name, her parent's name, and shelter address. Moreover, now she can perform stich design with color combination in pillow cover or bed sheets. She has become independent in her daily living activities and her parents are very happy for her.

With her functional improvement, the parents of the child became hopeful about her. They said we are happy to get the services of Therapy Corner as my daughter is gradually growing up and learning the necessary skills of life.

Distribution and follow up of assistive devices

A total of 1,387 different assistive devices like spectacle, toilet chair, bedpan, urine pot, and walking stick, etc. have been provided among 698 female and 649 male beneficiaries from camp and host communities.



Photo: Therapy assistant adjusting a special chair for a child with disabilities at Rohingya community **Photo Credit:** Shampa Akter, Rehabilitation Officer, CDD

Referral and follow up

In this reporting month, we have referred 28 (host community:7 and camp:21) and (Male 60.71%, Female 39.28%) patients to other health service posts like Orbis

Eye Clinic ENT Specialist, Cox's Bazar Sadar Hospital, Ukhyia Health Complex, CBBSH, DAM Hospital, FH, MSF, BDRCS and RTMI for Ear infection, Neuro medicine, Medical service, Cataract surgery.



Photo: A Rohingya beneficiary named Muktar Hossain being referred to PHD health post for basic medical service **Photo Credit:** Shaiful Islam Riad, CM, CDD

Community Awareness and Self Help Group meeting

Community awareness session was conducted in FDMN and host community. A total of 40 awareness sessions were conducted where 166 persons participated including person with disabilities, caregivers, family members, Majhi's etc. In case of Self-Help group and Disability support committee meeting the team organized 11 meetings (7 SHG & 4 DSC meetings) where the discussion was on experience sharing on exposure visit, discussion on the observation of International Day of persons with disabilities, advocacy planning for visiting different government offices, and update of COVID 19 vaccination.



Photo: Community Awareness session at host community **Photo Credit:** Salauddin, CM, CDD

Caregiver Training

During the reporting period, 100 caregivers were provided skill based training to ensure home care for respective beneficiaries. Among them 69 were female and 31 were male.

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Mainstreaming activities

- 1. Organized 2 day long training sessions on Disability Inclusive Food Security and Livelihood on 15 and 16 November 2021.
- 2. Provided technical support on training sessions on Disability Orientation and Disability Data Collection through Washington Group Short Questionnaire with the enumerators of GTS at camp 9, IOM shelter point on 9 November 2021.
- 3. Provided technical support on training on Disability inclusive GBV at Caritas Bangladesh office on 23 November 2021
- 4. In this month, the team conducted two accessibility assessments in host community one at Baitush shorof Ebtedaye Madrasha, Jaforpollanpara, Ratnapalong and another one is at Valukiya palong high school, Ratnapalong.
- 5. A monthly in-person Disability Inclusion Working Group meeting was organized on 14 November, 2021 by DITU team. And Attended AHP working group workshop which was organized by CMU on 14th November.
- 6. DITU has conducted TOT module 3 training on Putting Disability Inclusion into Practice among the consortium partners' staff where the participants were Disability Focal Persons and field staff (Health, WASH, Livelihood and Education).
- 7. DITU facilitated AHP Bangladesh Module 1 & 2 Humanitarian Action and Minimum Standards for Ratna palong. DIHA.



Photo: Session conduction by Ms Charity Mvere. Photo credit: Md. Jubel, CDD



Refreshers on Introduction to Disability-Inclusive Photo: Accessibility audit conducted at Host community,

Photo Credit: Md. Salauddin, CM, CDD

- 8. Conducted field visit to observe care WASH activity at Camp 15 on November 15th, 2021, awareness session on GBV and Protection activities at camp-16.
- 9. On 16th November, Care incentive Cash for work (CFW) activity at camp-16 on 18th November, observe the WV ECCD centers regarding the center accessibility issues at Host community on 24th November and observe the constructed WASH activity of NGO Forum (Partners of Oxfam) on 18th November.
- 10. Provided training on Capacity Development of SHG Members in Disability Inclusion and COVID-19 from AHP program on 7 November 2021.

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