

# Monthly Bulletin May 2021 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 two-pronged approach by prioritizing rehabilitation service provision and disability mainstreaming.

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

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, 19

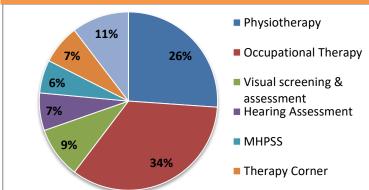
Host Community: Holudiapalong, Rajaplaong, &

Ratnapalong

## **Service Team engagement**

During the month of May 2021, Four Home Based Rehabilitation (HBR) teams, main camp staff & bus camp staff were on board as per Government instruction.

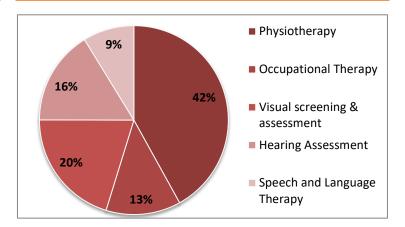
# Service Provision at FDMN Community



In May 2021, a total of 2,323 service sessions provided to the 676 beneficiaries with 47.46% female, 52.53% male. 82.34% service sessions were received by persons with disabilities. The services were - Physiotherapy 788, Occupational Therapy 606, Speech & Language Therapy 221, Visual Assessment 293, Hearing Assessment 221, Psychosocial Counseling 88 and therapy corner session 106.

During the reporting period, 139 caregivers were trained among them female caregivers were 106 and male caregivers were 33.

## Service wise coverage at Host Community



# Case Study: Bringing confidence and meaning to life

"I have got my life back with the mental support and Rehabilitation care received from Fattah Vai (Rehab Officer, CDD). It brings back my confidence at my 69 years of age. I get relief when I saw the smile on the face of my wife who had to struggle a lot for my care."

- Said Md. 69 years old Nurul Islam FDMNs, with sparkling eyes during a therapy session.



**Photo:** Md Nurul Islam; **Photo Credit**: Abu Fattah (Occupational Therapist)

Md Nurul Islam lives with his wife in camp since 2017. He came to Bangladesh during the influx, leaving behind his other relatives in Myanmar.

Our MFAT Rehabilitation Team visited his house in the and registered Camp 8W during February HBR-4-234) (Registration number him rehabilitation services. Previously he was struggling with difficulties in his daily living activities like using toilet, bathing, changing dress and mobility. Our HBR (Home based rehabilitation) Team provided physiotherapy, occupational therapy and ensured some adaptations like pathways.

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Besides, assistive devices like walking stick and toilet chair were provided to him. So far, 7 therapy sessions were conducted to bring some improvement in his mobility.

"Life is very challenging for an old aged man like me. We are the burden for a family. We couldn't work and earn for our livings. We had to depend on others. I always become upset to see the tired face of my beloved wife. I can feel both of her suffering and love for me. I was helpless during those days. But now, my joys know no bound. I am confident to live like others with hope and meaning to life."

There are many people like Md Nurul Islam among FDMNs (Forcibly displaced Myanmar Nationals) in the camp 8W as well as in other camps. We will hardly cover them all. But the reality is all like Md Nurul Islam need our support. We are working with different sector actors and the Government to expedite our support at our level best. However, there need an integrated plan and extensive efforts to stand side by side with people like Nurul Islam.

There are 125 beneficiaries (21%) identified with different types of disabilities under this age category (Above 59). Most of them 35% are with lower back pain.

## Service session provided in the community

Nationality	Age category	Male	Female	Total
Bangladeshi	Child	86	42	128
	Adult	212	251	463
	Old	100	81	181
FDMN	Child	190	157	347
	Adult	343	342	685
	Old	260	259	519
Total		1,191	1,132	2,323

## Distribution and follow up of assistive devices

A total of 131 different assistive devices like Spectacle, Spike Ball, Toilet chair, Bed Pan, Urine Pot, and Walking Stick have been distributed among 124 beneficiaries of Rohingya and the host community. The host beneficiaries were 116 and 08 beneficiaries were from FDMN camps.

## Referral and follow up

Beneficiaries were mainly referred for general medical services, medical investigation, higher level hearing management (Cochlear implant) and psychiatric consultation services.

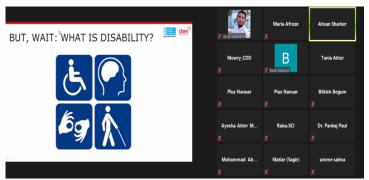
Referral Service	Male	Female	Total	Person with Disability
Individual	31	30	61	61
Sessions	31	30	61	61

# Community Awareness and Self Help Group meeting

Community awareness sessions were organized in both FDMN and host community. 15 awareness sessions conducted where 178 persons participated including person with disabilities, caregivers, family members, Majhi's etc. In the month of May 2021, 06 SHG/DSE meetings were conducted at host community and FDMN camp.

#### Mainstreaming activities

- Organized 2 days long "TOT on Introduction to Disability Inclusive Humanitarian Action (DIHA) under the AHP III project.
- Participate in sector coordination meeting: WASH, Protection & ADWG
- Attend conference with global inclusion online forum 2021.
- Review and Feedback share on: Hand wash Basin designed by World Vision, TOR for Training on



**Photo:** TOT on Introduction to Disability Inclusive Humanitarian Action (DIHA); **Photo Credit**: Maria Afroze (Inclusion Officer)



**Photo:** Accessibility inspection at camp 8w **Photo Credit:** Shamsul Arafin (Project Focal)

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Disability Inclusive WaSH with WASH sector partner, Protection Sector Cyclone preparedness and response plan document.

- Organize & attend 04 weekly Training Pool meeting
- Collaboration with SARPV on emergency relief activities for Rohingya camp fire victims
- Attend GiHA webinar on developing national action plan
- Develop accessibility checklist on Home Modification
- Meeting with site development (IOM) & WASH sector (VERC, Unicef) at camp 8W to ensure disability inclusion in the sector



**Photo:** Meeting with site development (IOM); **Photo Credit:** Shamsul Arafin (Project Focal)

Case Study

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Inclusive Humanitarian Actions for Rohingya Refugees and Host Community in Cox's Bazar Bangladesh

CASE STUDY: Back to my realization!

"I have lost everything I earned for my treatment for almost 2 years from 2016 but all in vain. If I didn't get treatment from this hospital (Rehab Camp), I wouldn't get back my physical mobility after my severe stroke." - Said 58 years old Mr. Monoronjan Borua, during his therapy session.

Mr Monoranjan Barua, age 58 lives with his 5 family members in Rumkhapalong village under Jaliapalong Union in Host communities. He worked in an automobile workshop. In the year 2017 he had a stroke. Our MOFA MC (Mobile Camp) Team visited his house in the year 2019 and registers (*Registration number MC-9710*) him under rehabilitation services.

Mr Monoronjan had two minor strokes earlier to the severe one in the year of 2017, He was totally bed ridden. His family took him to Government Hospital in Cox's bazar and Chittagong 180 Km away from his residence. His wife had to face difficulties with 2 children as they had to spend most of their savings for his treatment. Under our treatment for 3 months he regained his mobility. Then he came to our Mobile Camp alone for further check-up bi-weekly basis.



**Photo:** Mr Monoronjan during his exercise at Bus Camp **Photo Credit**: M Nayeemur Rahman (PM)

He has been struggling with difficulties in his daily living activities. Our HBR (Home based rehabilitation) Team provided physiotherapy, occupational therapy. Besides, assistive devices like walking stick and wheel chair, spectacles etc. were provided to him. After 3 months of intensive physiotherapy session (30 sessions) along with MPHSS and general health services, he gradually developed his mobility in full swing.

"I was fully cured and started my life with new hope. I used to perform exercise daily as per instructions and i was ok for the next 1 year. But, due to my negligence I become irregular in my exercise. Gradually, I started facing difficulties in my daily activities. I couldn't get up and move my hands and legs until messaging. Then I came back to my realization of my negligence. I was scared and didn't waste my time to visit mobile camp service again. Now I am quite relieved to see Rakib Bhai. I am following his instruction and committed to continue".

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