

# September, 2021 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 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, 19

Host Community: Haldiapalong, Rajaplaong, &

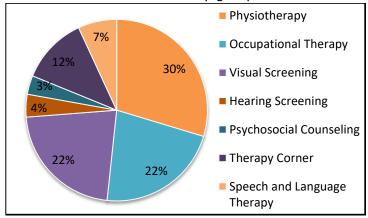
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### Service Provision at FDMN and Host Community

In September 2021, we covered 612 (54.58% female, 45.42%) people with rehabilitation services. Among them 75.33% were persons with disabilities and 23.20% were from elderly group (60 and above). A total of 2,850 service sessions were conducted which **Physiotherapy** (921 Occupational therapy (502 session), Speech & (243 session), language therapy Visual screening (664 session), Hearing screening (218 session), Psychosocial counseling (66 session) and 236 sessions in Therapy corner.

### **Service Provision at FDMN Community**

In September 2021, we covered 372 (48.66% female, 51.34% male) people with rehabilitation services. Among them 90.59% were persons with disabilities and 25.81% were from elderly group.



**Figure:** Service Provision at FDMN Community

### Service wise coverage at Host Community

In September 2021, we covered 240 (63.75% female, 36.25% male) people with rehabilitation services. Among them 51.67% were persons with disabilities and 19.17% were from elderly group (60 and above). A total of 875 service sessions were conducted which includes Physiotherapy (335 session), Occupational therapy (67 session), Speech & language therapy (107 session), Visual screening (228 session) and Hearing screening (138 session).

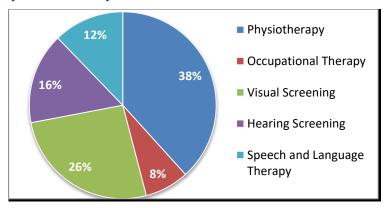


Figure: Service Provision at Host Community

# Case Story "A Ray of Hope"

Kawsara Bibi (2 yrs.) is a Rohingya child with cerebral palsy. Her mother Hafsa (45 yrs.) is a housewife and father Nur Islam (55 yrs.) is a day laborer. She was born at home in Bangladesh Rohingya camp-18 in an impoverished family. During birth her mother had prolonged labor with associated complications.



**Photo:** Kawsara receiving therapy from the therapy corner **Photo Credit**: Arif Hossain, Therapy assistant

Kawsara's mother observed that she wasn't growing as quickly as other children of her age when she was 8 months old. Similarly, she never makes eye contact, never looks at others, and never moves. Later they were informed by a local Majhi (community leader) regarding the Therapy Corner service of CDD-CBM Rehabilitation Centre at Camp-18 for children with

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severe disabilities. They visited there, and the Occupational Therapist assessed the child.

Later she started attending the therapy corner for therapeutic sessions. As she was attending the therapeutic and recreational activity sessions, day by day she started showing improvement.

After therapeutic management now she can eat properly, has become independent in playing. Now she can hold things in her hand in sitting position and engage in playing with other children.



**Photo:** Official from Department of social services meeting Kawsara's family for providing financial assistance

Photo Credit: Forkan, Volunteer

Her parents are overjoyed at her positive transformation. They conveyed their gratitude to CDD for therapeutic services and for assisting them in connecting with DSS, which provided financial assistance as well. "I wish for the success of CDD so that other children with disabilities can get benefit from it's services," the mother stated.

### **Community Awareness Session**

Community awareness session on Disability prevention was conducted in both Rohingya & Host community. 21 awareness sessions conducted where 223 persons participated including person with disabilities, caregivers, family members, Majhi's etc.

### **Observe World Physiotherapy Day 2021**



**Photo:** CDD staffs observing world Physiotherapy Day 2021 **Photo Credit:** Rashed, Community Mobilizer

### Referral and follow up

During the reporting month we have referred 190 (Male 65.26%, Female 34.74%) beneficiaries to other health service posts like Orbis eye clinic, CBBSH, Cox's bazar medical hospital, Ukhyia Health complex, DAM Hospital, CMH, PHD health post, FH hospital, MSF Hospital, BDRCS and RTMI health post for general medical services, medical investigation, psychiatric consultation & Cochlear implant with follow-up services.

### Distribution and follow up of assistive devices

A total of 246 different assistive devices like spectacle, hearing aid, toilet chair, bed pan, urine pot, and walking stick have been provided among 212 beneficiaries from camp and host community.

### Referred for Covid-19 vaccination

Total 149 individuals were referred by CDD for vaccination program from at camp 8w, 18, 11, 13 etc. Among 255, 47 were male and 102 female. 83.22% were older persons and only 16.78 people were adult.



**Photo:** Clients referred for Covid-19 Vaccination **Photo Credit:** Jakir Hossain, Therapy assistant

### **Outreach Rehabilitation Service Camp**



**Photo:** Outreach Rehabilitation camp for Caritas Bangladesh **Photo Credit:** Shamsul Arafin, Project Focal

In collaboration with other mainstreaming organizations CDD conducted two outreach rehabilitation camp for unserved population those who needs rehabilitation services. Under this support we have collaborated with Caritas Bangladesh & NONGOR organization and provided support to 230 people with disabilities (male: 116, female 114).

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### **Mainstreaming Activities**

- Provided Technical support to BDRCS on Disability Data Collection through WGSSQ at distribution center at Camp 13 and 14 and Field Hospital.
- Provided Technical support to World Food Program (WFP) on training on Disability Data collection through WGSSQ
- Organized and facilitated Refresher Capacity Building training (TOT) for Self Help Group members
- With collaboration of WASH sector, ADWG, CBM and CDD organized 02 batches training on Disability Inclusive WASH features and facilities with WASH sector actors
- CDD & CBM coordinated and co facilitated a training and field visit where lead facilitator was from Oxfam which was training on disability inclusive protection
- Organized two days long workshop on Advocacy and Influencing in partnership with the Age and Disability Working Group (ADWG) members
- Attended Inter Sectoral monthly coordination Meeting: WASH, Protection, ADWG
- Conducted accessibility assessment at camp 13 block-A7 Temporary Health Facilities Center
- Provided a technical support to Caritas Bangladesh through conducting accessibility assessment at the selected MCAC along with some colleagues from Caritas Bangladesh.

### **Observe International Day of Older Persons**

CDD staff observed international day of older persons 2021 at the Ukhiya office. This year's theme was "Digital Equity for All Ages



**Photo:** CDD staff observing international day of older persons; **Photo Credit**: Rashed, Community Mobilizer

# Self Help Group/ Disability Support Committee meeting

Organized 6 SHG meetings for 3 SHG & 4 DSC meetings for 4 DSC, where the discussion was on experience sharing on capacity building training, discuss exposure visit, advocacy planning for visiting UNO and social welfare office, getting ID card for a person with disabilities, update of COVID 19 vaccination & SWOT analysis for teams. 1 SHG meeting was organized with Cox's Bazar SHG members where SWOT analysis and discussion about goals and objectives of SHG was done.



**Photo:** DPO consultant facilitating a disability support committee meeting at Rohingya community **Photo Credit:** Rashed, Community Mobilizer



**Photo:** Session on Disability and Washington group short set questionnaire at BDRCS distribution center, Camp 13 **Photo credit:** Mr. Alamgir, PMO, BDRCS)

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