Nutrition Sector Host Community Plans and Activities

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JRP Objectives and Plans

Number Beneficiaries Targeted 68,500

The objectives of the nutrition sector which is co-led by Government under the ministry of health and family welfare (MoHFW) is to prevent malnutrition related mortality and morbidity in the host community thorough working with government counterparts to ensure the continued provision of services to treat acute malnutrition thorough government health facilities including hospitals and host community clinics in coordination with the civil surgeon office.

In addition support the delivery malnutrition prevention interventions which includes micronutrient Supplementation to prevent micronutrient deficiencies, promotion of appropriate infant and young child feeding practices. Besides long term interventions to support system strengthening and improve nutrition service delivery in the host community have also been prioritized and this include human resource support as well as development to improve quality of nutrition services delivered in the host community.

Nutrition surveillance activities are also being supported to monitor the nutrition situation of children under five and other vulnerable population in most impacted Upazila of Teknaf and Ukhia.

Work completed and ongoing status in March 2018 Number of Partners (7)

- ❖ 20,482 children under five screened out of which 52 children presenting acute malnutrition have been treated through stabilisation centers integrated in government health facilities.
- ❖ 524 Children under five presenting moderate acute and detected through passive and active nutrition screening were treated for moderate acute malnutrition in March. As well, 241 PLWs were admitted in supplementary feeding programs to treat moderate acute malnutrition.
- 623 PLWs were provided with micronutrient supplementation to prevent micronutrient deficiencies.
- 7123 PLWs received infant and young child feeding counselling to improve their skills in child nutrition and care.
- ❖ 3 children presenting rickets have been treated to correct complications related to vitamin D deficiency
- ❖ One nutrition survey has been carried out in Ukhiya and Teknaf in March 2018 to monitor the nutrition status of children in the Upazilas that have been most impacted by the displacement. Currently data analysis is ongoing by ACF under the technical guidance of centers for disease control (CDC).

Challenges:

- ❖ Management of acute malnutrition with use of ready to use therapeutic products (RUFT) remains sensitive issue in the host community. Thus Children with severe acute malnutrition without medical complications continue to be treated in stabilization centers.
- As a result of the current influx the availability of skilled volunteers and staff for hire to work in the host community has become a constraint since most of them have been hired to provide services in the emergency response programs.

Support to Bangladesh Host Communities and Institutions in the Rohingya Refugee Response

Accessibility is a challenge in different islands during monsoon periods (Kutubdia, Moheshkhali, Shah-Porir dip, and Saint-Martin).

Other ongoing projects in the sector by sector partners

(if sector partners have been operating programs in the sector prior to the august influx, and are still ongoing, please mention them here)

UNICEF was supporting host community through MoH&FW through the provision of technical and financial assistance to implement nutrition activities aimed at reducing the risk of excess mortality and morbidity among boys and girls under 5 years and other vulnerable groups.

WFP and Action Contre la Faim | Action Against Hunger (ACF) supporting MoH&FW to implement (CMAM) program in partnership with two local implementing partners (SHED & SARPV) in Cox's Bazar district since 2012. ACF is also extending technical support to 97 community clinics to manage acute malnutrition and 5 Stabilization Centres (SCs).

SPRV continues to implement on the prevention of Rickets in cox Bazar

Upazilla	Community Clinics supported	SCs	Partnership	Program Launching Timeline
Teknaf	28	1	ACF, SHED, WFP, MoH&FW	
Ukhiya	22	1	ACF, SHED, WFP, MoH&FW	2012
Mohehskhali	36	1	ACF, SARPV, WFP, MoH&FW	2014
Pekua	0	1	ACF, MoH&FW	
Kutubdia	11	1	ACF, MoH&FW	2017
Total	97	5		