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<p><b>As a part of humanitarian assistance, COAST Foundation has been implementing the "Education Program" for Rohingya Children with the financial and technical support of UNICEF. The COAST Foundation has 84 Learning Centres in Camp-14. There are 4693 Learners taking basic and informal quality education with entertaining environment.</b></p>		



### A little care can change anyone life

Rozia Begum, aged 14, daughter of late Nur Hossain and Hamida Begum. She is living in camp14 at Cox's Bazar, which is the largest refugee camp in the world. Rozia's family lived in the village of Jhimon Khali in Maungdaw, at Rakhine State.



*Razia is taking special care by her Teacher Roma Akter in class room. Photo: Mizan-PO, date: 16.11.2021 at Duck LC, camp-14*

Her father, Nur Hossain, was brutally killed by Myanmar forces in August 2017. But it is a matter of regret that she lost her speech because she could not bear the pain of remembering that her father's murder had taken place in front of her. Most of the families of Rohingya Refugees are the witnesses and victims of the 2017 massacre in Rakhine State in Myanmar like Razia's where basic rights like human rights, children's rights, women's rights have been utterly violated. Her mother fell into an unknown fear with the speechless Rozia and this family entered Bangladesh in 2017 to save their life. When her mother left for Bangladesh with Rozia, she faced various problems. It was very difficult to cross the border due to her disability. After entering Bangladesh, her mother became more worried about her daughter as to how to treat or cure. Every human child is born with equal rights and dignity. Her mother (Hamida Begum) said "*she is not*

*used to behaving like other children. She didn't want to mingle with anyone, she was depressed, she didn't even want to talk in a good way and she can't forget the murder of her father in front of her".* After getting Razia's information, the host Teacher Roma Akter, BLI and Program Organizer communicated with her Mother frequently to enroll in the Duck Learning Centre (LC) which has run by the COAST Foundation with technical support from UNICEF.



*Razia is explaining her home task with other learners in the classroom. Photo: Mizan-PO, date: 23.11.2021, Duck LC, camp-14*

COAST Foundation is one of the other organizations working on education in the Rohingya camp. It is also an important objective of our activities to make a radical change in the life of every child by ensuring informal education. Both Teachers Roma Akter and Nur Ayesha tried hard to bring her back to normal. During the class at the center, Ruma Akter (HT) took more care of her. Rozia is no longer as depressed as before, playing with everyone, her mother Hamida Begum said. As a result, she now comes to the Learning Center regularly and she can talk properly. Finally, Rozia's mother thanked COAST for giving intensive care to her daughter.

As a part of disability mainstreaming COAST always tries to enroll the special needed children in different LCs. A total of 38 disabled learners are already included in the mainstream at camp-based education program. Dileep Bhowmik Senior Technical Officer (STO) and disability inclusion focal of COAST Education Program said, "In this way, we are committed to the proper implementation of the plan by bringing all other children like Rozia under our service".

**Let's go to the way of green.....**

**COAST Planted 1485 seedlings at camp-14.**

Trees are an essential part of our environment. There can be no doubt about the usefulness of trees. We need oxygen for living and trees to provide us with oxygen. Trees cause rainfall and thus prevent the spread of desert. Trees give shelter to many animals, insects and birds.



Learner's parents are planting seedlings beside their shelter, Photo: Razaul-PO, date-16.11.2021, camp-14.

The Tree Planting activity aims to raise awareness to the society in the importance of planting and saving trees, express our concern to the environment, and diminish the unfavorable effects of climate change. Before the government of Bangladesh gave shelter to Rohingya refugees in Ukha Upazila, this Upazila had 70% forest cover. The government allocated 600 acres for their location. Most of which were forests. Due to their location in the area, the area is currently facing environmental disasters. The COAST Foundation planted 1300 saplings in 10 camps in 2019. Of these, 62 out of 126 seedlings in Camp 14 are now much larger and provide shade. As an environmental responsibility in this year COAST Planted 1485 seedlings for 84 LCs at camp-14 with financial support from UNICEF.

Every LC has planted 15-20 different types of seedlings like Neem, Gamari, Chapaphula, Kathabadam, Akash Moni, Arjun, Mahogany, Krushnochura etc.



Teachers are planting seedlings, Photo: Md. Jaber-BLI, date: 16.11.2021, camp-14

The Camp Incharge (CIC) Mr. Monjur Ahmes sir said, "This is an effective initiative of COAST. He thanked COAST Foundation heart fully and also said every NGO should take such an environmental responsibility for the camp context"

**We will protect our children and women from SEA and GBV.....**

In the Rohingya camp context of Bangladesh the children and women are more vulnerable. To protect the children and women from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Gender Based Violence (GBV) COAST conducted 84 orientation with 560 LCMC members at camp-14 where 240 were female and 320 were male.



Figure 1 Conducting LCMC orientation in COAST Pegin LC at camp-14, Photo: Azhar-TO, date-24.11.2021

PSEA, GBV, child safeguarding, COAST Complaint Response Mechanism (CRM) process and LCs safety & security and staff expected behavior with program participants were discussed in the orientation. 60% of participants were able to say something about those issues after getting the orientation.

Upcoming activities	Ability based training for Teachers	LC reconstruction
	Learner's assessment	Project compilation report
	Parents and caregiver meeting	New project approval process