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COAST Foundation is implementing a multi-dimensional project entitled "Enhancing Self Resilience and Protective Environment for Rohingya and Host Community Children, Adolescents and Youth in Cox's Bazar district (ESRPE) in 8 camps and 3 unions in Ukhia and Teknaf Upazila. The duration of the project is from 01 January to 31 December 2021. During the project children, adolescents and youth will be benefitted from child protection services and educational opportunities such as case management, psychosocial support & recreational activities, life skill-based education, literacy & numeracy, vocational educational training including social hub facilities through the multi-purpose center and adolescents club. This will strengthen self-resilience and ensure protective environment among the children, adolescents, and youth.

Capacity building training on social cohesion and resilience- a step towards peace building



Trainees are representing the idea of cohesion through hand-chain @Jahada Begum_COAST Foundation_UROC

Coast Foundation, one of the country's leading nongovernmental development organizations, is implementing the Child Protection Project with the support of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). Participants of Social Hub under Multipurpose Centre in host community have received a training course on "Staff Capacity Building Training on Social Cohesion and Resilience" at the Coast Foundation in September 2021. The training aims to help understanding the importance social cohesion in the emergency context and how to develop peace building through social cohesion. Total of 12 sessions were conducted in 3 consecutive days. A total of 9 trainees attended the training. The posttraining assessment reveals that participants have better understanding compared to their pre-training knowledge.

MPC activities have revived adolescents after a long closure

COVID-19 and continuous closer of schools and learning centers (LC) made students and adolescents of Rohingya camps to pass idle time at home.

This made them very depressed and dull for long time. As the second wave of COVID-19 transmission rate reduced below two digit level, the GOB and RRRC have decided to re-open the schools and LC. This allowed children and adolescents to back to their familiar place and meet friends. Opening of the multipurpose centers allowed adolescents and children to participate in MPC based learning sessions. Besides, they are spontaneously taking part in the extra-curricular events.



Adolescents are participating in learning sessions at MPC @Mohammad Alam_COAST Foundation_Camp 8E

The social distances and the hygiene practices are being maintained carefully. After a longtime break, structure based psychosocial support sessions are being conducted. These sessions are enabling them to recap the sense of normality, stability.

Jui is in good health now: support rendered by caseworker of COAST foundation

Jui (pseudonym) is the youngest child of her family. She lost her father at her very early age in Myanmar and came to Bangladesh with her mother and siblings during the massive influx in 2017. It is very difficult for her mother to take care of them alone. Jui, being the youngest member of her family does not know how to take care of herself. As a result, eczema has affected in

her right foot which was untreated by her mother due to lack of awareness. Once it was noticed by caseworker



Jui with her mother during doctor consultation in hospital @Taslima Akter_COAST Foundation_Camp 22

when Jui was crying with pain and itching. Immediately, she was brought to the nearby health post Ganosastho kendro (GSK) along with her mother to diagnose her disease. Upon diagnosing, she was given prescribed medicines for 15 days. Afterwards, she have been followed up and her disease is on the way of improving. The affected skin has gradually dried up and no more itching she is facing nowadays. Moreover, positive parenting tips like cleanliness, taking care of children have been provided to her mother for a better nurturing.

Social Change Agents and U-reporters are sparky: Social Hub made visible changes



Social Change Agents are participating in capacity building training @Kamal Hosen_COAST Foundation_Ratnapalong MPC

Social Change Agents and U-reporters are very important part of Social Hub intervention. Social hub is the key for enhancing the youth development in Host and Rohingya communities. They are voluntarily but actively working for the promotion of social cohesion and peace building within their communities. To accelerate their skills, the training and material development team has conducted different training such as Leadership and communication training, online safety and safe internet training, Child protection, PSEA and Social issue training, Innovation workshop etc. In September 2021, the training team has conducted 5 Leadership and communication training and 3 online safety and internet browsing training. The number of the participants were 119 where 104 girls and 15 boys. This training was held in three host community Social Hubs and facilitated by SCA facilitators.

Implemented activities during September 2021		
Activity Description	Target	Achievement
MPC quarterly sports	20	4
AC quarterly sports	24	5
Innovation Workshop	6	3
Day observation	1	1
Online safety and internet	5	3
browsing training		
Leadership and	4	3
communication		
development training		
Life skill based education	160	160
Case management service	60	60
Psychosocial Support	160	160
CBCPC meeting	40	31
RLM	15	13
PCC Meeting	30	29

To publish this newsletter all project staff have provided their continuous effort in providing information and photograph.

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