

Bangladesh: Cyclone Roanu

Humanitarian Coordination Task Team (HCTT) Situation Report No. 3
(The SITREP covers the period 8-15 June 2016)



Humanitarian Response



Food Security

- To date, 19 organizations have started their response, mainly INGOs (13 INGOs: Islamic Relief, Muslim Aid, Christian Aid, Concern World Wide, ACF, Save the Children International, CRS, BRAC, Oxfam, DanChurchAid, Solidarites International and ADRA), five (5) local NGOs (Coast Trust, Mukti, YPSA, RIC and Shushilan), the Red Cross-Red Crescent (IFRC/BDRC) and one (1) UN agency (WFP);
- The estimated amount delivered (or in process) is 1,000,033 USD (29% of the amount requested);
- 164,610 people or 32,922 households are in process to receive or have already received assistance from the above mentioned organizations; About 45% of the households targeted received food assistance in kind;
- Laxmipur district is the less covered district (28% of the HRP target), then Barguna with 70% coverage (vs. HRP target);
- WFP has provided food aid for have completed the distribution of rice to all planned 11,150 HHs in Cox's bazar, Bhola, Patuakhali and Barguna;
- Same challenges as the ones reported last week. Some areas are not easily accessible. Some areas are still under water as embankments are damaged.



Shelter

- To date, seven (7) organizations have started their response for shelter, mainly Bangladesh Red Crescent Society/IFRC and INGOs (Oxfam, World Vision, Concern Worldwide, Islamic Relief and Handicap International) and Plan International BD have provided NFI assistance;
- Government has allocated 3459 bundles of CGI sheets and 129 713 USD;
- 44 295 people or 8,859 households have received assistance, or are planned to receive assistance, covering 27 % of the JRP target for the emergency phase;
- Cox's Bazar district is the least covered in comparison with JRP target followed by Chittagong;
- Funding mainly from Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement, Plan Int BD and Sida;
- Lack of funding for shelter interventions and consequent gap in-between JRP target and response and difficulties in provision of transition and permanent shelter support to landless families.



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

- UNICEF and the Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) have distributed hygiene kits to 500 households in Chittagong and Noakhali. In addition, 1,000 hygiene kits have been delivered to Bhola and 1500 hygiene kits to Chittagong for distribution to households in the affected areas. 1,000 sanitary napkins are being delivered to Bhola for distribution with hygiene kits for menstrual hygiene management by women and adolescent girls in affected areas;
- The repairs of damaged latrines/construction of new latrines for 1,100 households and disinfection of 1950 water points by UNICEF and DPHE are ongoing.
- International NGOs: Solidarites International, ACF, Concern Worldwide, Christian Aid, Save the Children, Muslim Aid, CRS, Oxfam and PLAN are distributing hygiene kits to about 12,850 households in affected areas of Cox's Bazar, Chittagong and Bhola. Christian Aid has completed the distribution of hygiene kits to 1,000 households in Pekua and Mohenskhali Upazila of Cox's Bazar;
- Oxfam distributed Hygiene kit to another 500 households in Anware and Bashkhali of Chittagong.



Health – Sexual and Reproductive Health

- The Health Cluster has continued to keep close coordination and communications with Directorate-General of Health Services (DGHS) and Directorate-General of Family Planning (DGFP) of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, for humanitarian response to Cyclone Roanu;
- The identification of the midwives to be recruited for the worst-hit Upazillas of Chittagong, Cox's Bazar and Patuakhali Districts has been completed. The selection of the union-level sites to which these midwives will be deployed, has also been finalized. They will play a critical role in preventing excess maternal and new-born mortality and morbidity. An orientation programme for these midwives to be newly deployed to the worst-affected Upazillas, has already been prepared;
- The Reproductive Health Kits including clean delivery kits, as well as midwife kits, have been ordered. The sites for distributing these kits have also been already chosen, both at the Upazilla and Union levels;
- The selection process has been completed to identify the target communities in the most cut-off areas where the cluster will undertake a cash voucher system for communication and transport for the pregnant women.



Sexual and Gender Based Violence

- UNFPA has procured additional 400 Dignity Kits, ready for distributing in three worst-hit Upazillas of Bhola District;
- Women Affairs Officers of the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs (MoWCA) are mobilizing local level Violence Against Women (VAW) Committee at the Union level, to act as 'community watch groups' to prevent and mitigate SGBV;
- Police has strengthened their patrolling in Cox's Bazar and Patuakhali Districts and also been conducting community dialogues to prevent GBV.



Nutrition

- Nutrition assessments are ongoing in two (2) affected districts; A nutrition survey in Barguna district undertaken by TDH; A dietary assessment undertaken by Concern Worldwide ongoing in Kutubdia Upazila of Cox Bazaar district.
- A nutrition response has been initiated by UNICEF in Chittagong and Bhola districts and is currently reaching over 6,000 children under five years with screening for malnutrition and 266 of them with treatment of Severe Acute Malnutrition.
- A district nutrition cluster meeting has been held in Noakhali district where SCI has agreed to apply nutrition vulnerability criteria in their disaster response cash transfer intervention.

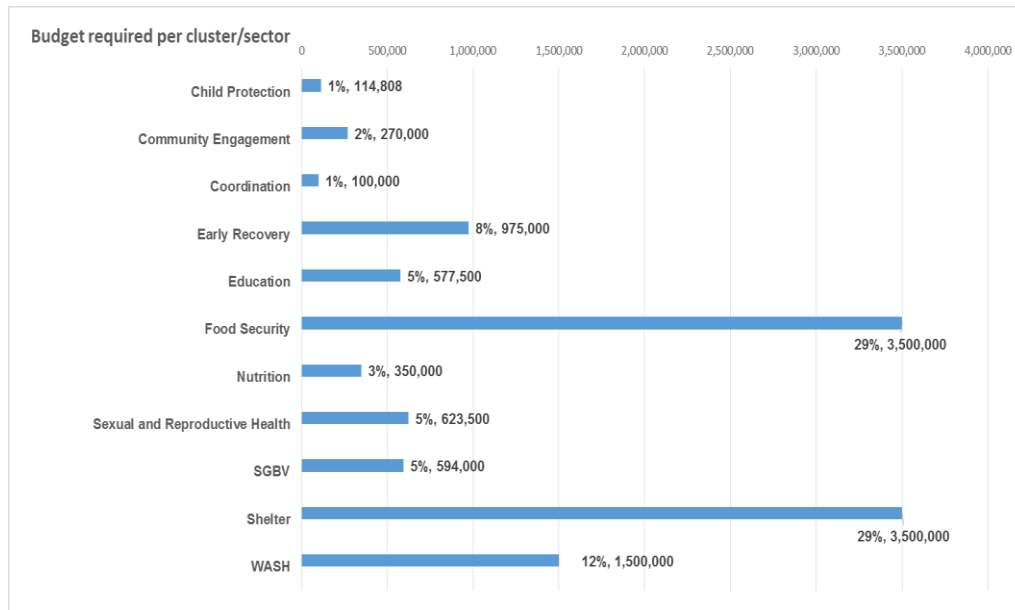


Community Engagement

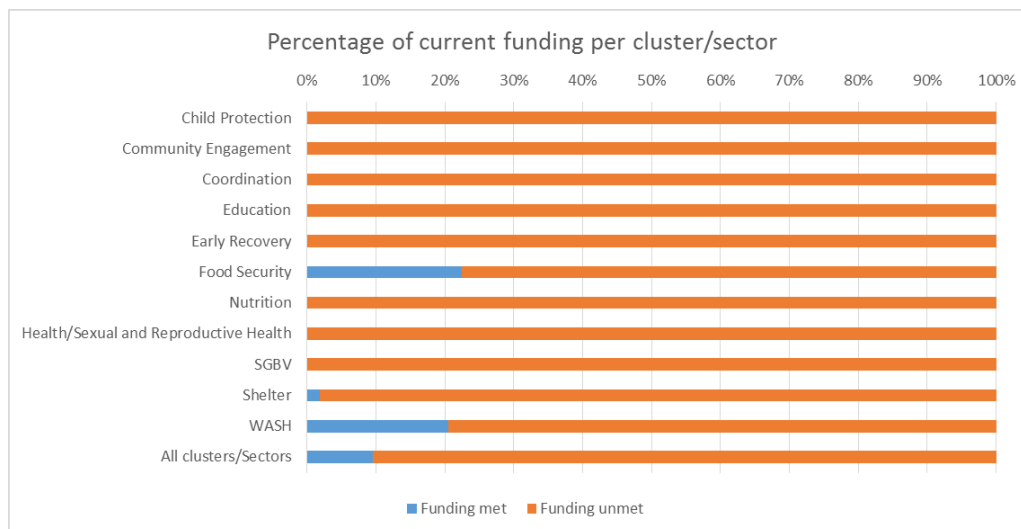
- Some partners delivering cash response have used CwC tools and techniques to ensure better community understanding of entitlements and distribution mechanisms;
- In particular, BBC Media Action, Concern Worldwide and two local NGO partners are facilitating community outreach events in one of the most remote and badly-affected areas (Kutubdia). These activities are using communications tools to provide self-help information about best practice in repairing/building resilient shelters, latrines and tube-wells; and are also providing a mechanism to collect community feedback;
- Feedback from community engagement activities to date suggests that affected communities are frustrated due to perceived insufficient support as many affected people are yet to be reached and needs yet to be met;
- The Shongjog platform for communication with disaster-affected communities continues to coordinate community engagement aspects of the response.

Funding

US\$ 12 million requested



Funding level: 11%



Main sources of funds are:

DFID/UK-START Network, Canadian Humanitarian Assistance Fund (CHAF) and Irish Aid.

Most organizations are advancing their own funds in order to respond to the most urgent needs.

The budget of ECHO's 2016 Humanitarian Implementation Plan (HIP) is about to be modified by EUR2M in support of the Cyclone Roanu response (Bangladesh and Sri-Lanka). The priority sectors will include a focus on humanitarian food assistance, shelter and WASH support in the affected locations.

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