

SPOTLIGHT ON ROHINGYA CAMP, COX'S BAZAR

NEW ZEALAND NGO HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Cox's Bazar currently hosts the world's largest refugee population with approximately 730,000 people having crossed the border into Bangladesh since August 2017. With support from the New Zealand Government and public donors, New Zealand Humanitarian NGOs are key agencies in the response to the Rohingya refugee crisis in Cox's Bazar, working through their partners on the group. As a result of their efforts, hundreds of thousands of impacted Rohingya are receiving life-saving humanitarian assistance.

The military coup in Myanmar in February 2021 has made an already dire situation worse, and now prospects for return and repatriation are even more unlikely for Rohingya. A massive fire also broke out in the Rohingya refugee camps in March 2021.

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Aljazeera 'Rohingya crisis explained in maps - [Rohingya crisis explained in maps | Infographic News | Al Jazeera](#)

▼ Main Camps
 ▼ Sub Camps
 ▼ Location of fire

Operational challenges

Movement restricted within camp	Humanitarian access
Insecurity	Resources

UNHCR Operational Data Portal - [Situation Refugee Response in Bangladesh \(unhcr.org\)](#)

The situation in numbers

884,041*

Rohingya refugees

189,292

Families

456,409

Rohingya refugee children

50,000

People displaced by camp fire on 22nd March

10,000

Homes destroyed by fire

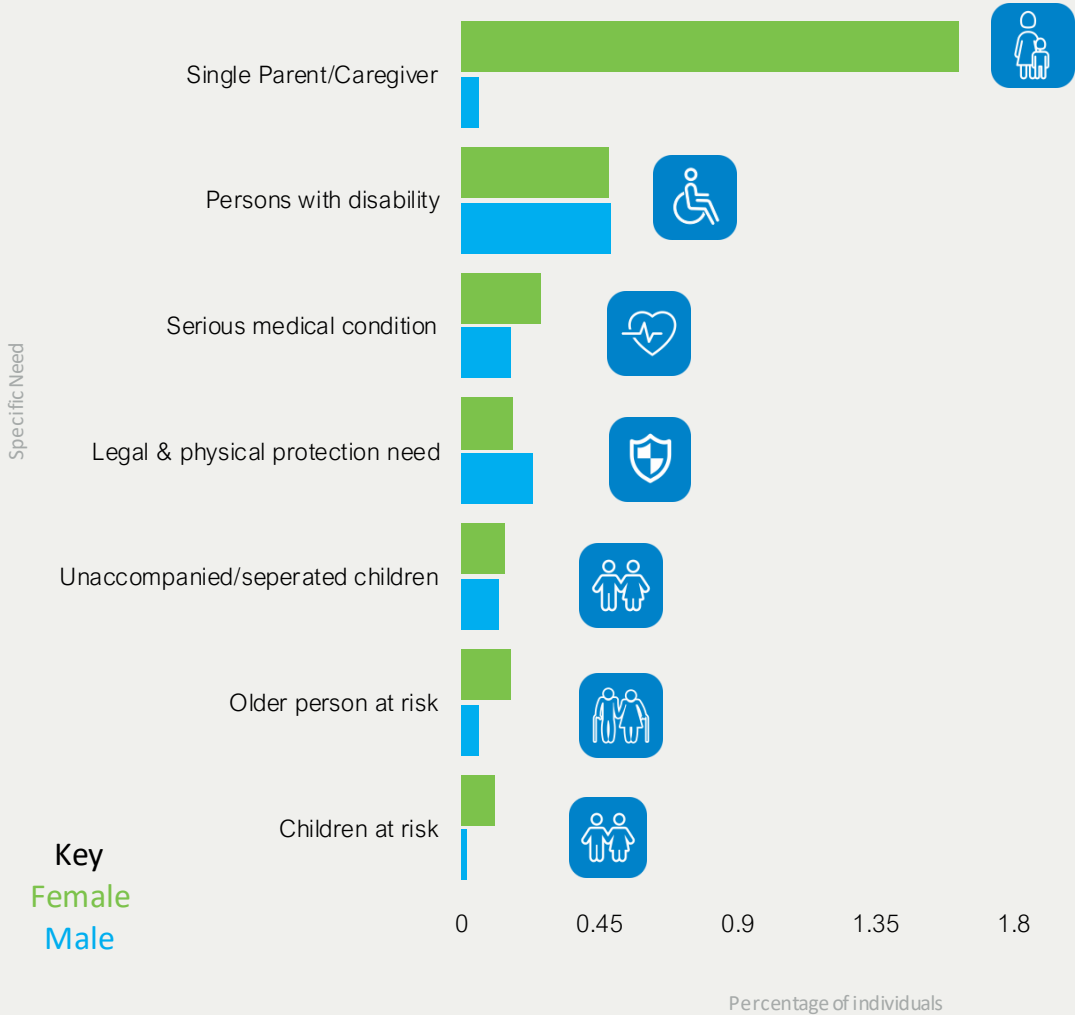
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People killed by camp fire

* Rohingya are not officially recognised as refugees in Bangladesh. This lack of recognition means that Rohingya living here have no official protection under international law.

Specific needs

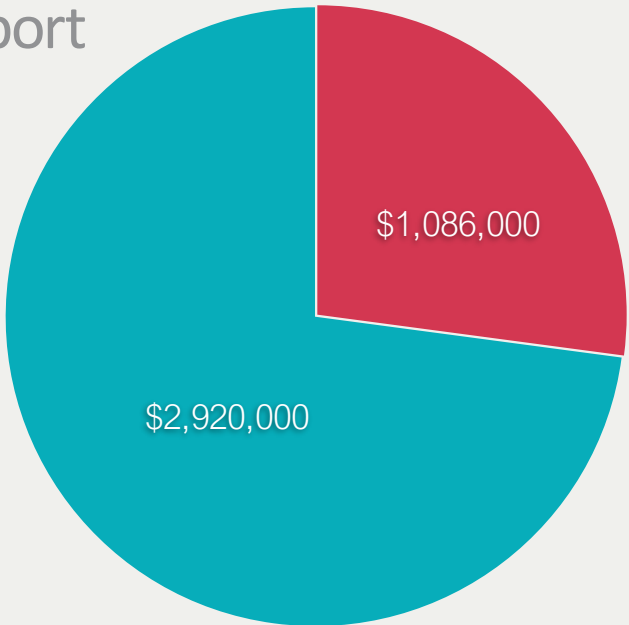
More than 4.35% of individuals have been identified with at least one specific need. Individuals may have more than one specific need.



Funding & Support

Donations received from NZ public

Funds received from NZ Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade



Impacts

New Zealand NGO support to Rohingya refugees in Cox’s Bazar has led to greater resilience in an increasingly challenging environment. With past and ongoing support from the public and MFAT, lives are being further improved:

- Provision of health and rehabilitation services (including disability inclusion), psychological support and mental health services, during Covid restrictions.
- Prevention and response to gender-based violence and sexual violence, and related child protection issues, and access to quality case management services.
- Food distribution and nutrition programmes for adolescents and young children.
- Provision of emergency shelter support, and water, sanitation and hygiene programmes.

New Zealand NGOs active in supporting Rohingya

