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ACRONYMS

BCC-Behavior Change Communication
CCBO-Community Based Organization
CEE-Community Engagement Event
CHRDF-Cox's Bazar Human Resource Development Foundation
CHS- Core Humanitarian Standard
CIC-Camp in Charge
CMC-Camp Management Committee
CMC- Center Management Committee
CRM- Complaints Response Mechanism
CYM-Courtyard Meeting
CSM-Civil Society Member
DC-Deputy Commissioner
DSS-Department of Social Services
DRR- Disaster Risk Reduction
EC-Executive Committee
GB-Governing Body
GBV-Gender-Based Violence
GO-Government Organization
GoB-Government of Bangladesh
FPAB-Family Planning Association of Bangladesh
FDMN- Forcibly Displaced Myanmar Nationals
ED-Executive Director
IEC-Information Education and Communication
IOM-International Organization for Migration
ISCG-Inter Sector Coordination Group
LGO-Local Government Organization NGO-Non-Government Organizations
NGOAB-Ngo Affairs Bureau
NGOP- NGO Platform
PCCR-Plain Compassion Crisis Response
PSEA- Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.
PWD-Person with Disability
RRRC- Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commissioner
SEA-Sexual Exploitation and Abuse
SMC-School Management Committee
SRHR-Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
UNHCR-United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNDP-United Nations Development Programme
UNICEF-United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund
WFP-World Food Programme
UDHR- Universal Declaration of Human Rights

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

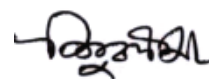


Since 1992, PHALS has been dedicated to implementing development activities using a participatory, bottom-up, and rights-based approach. They focus on sustainable development for marginalized groups, enabling them to participate in decision-making and mobilization efforts to secure their rights. PHALS's vision to empower disadvantaged individuals—men, women, boys, and girls—to unite and contribute their skills toward achieving human rights as per declared by the UDHR and other National & International Treaties, Conventions & Legislations. They strive for people-centered democracy and good governance, fostering solidarity and empowerment at the local level over resources like land, water, and forests. This vision guides their daily work and performance among both beneficiaries and staff.

I am pleased to know the evidence-based successes through this reporting year 2023, by achieving such a challenging issue to ensure its activities on education with comprehensive residential facilities, basic literacy, technical knowledge for adults and young as well as, for social cohesion, livelihood development, gender mainstreaming and disability inclusion, disaster risk reduction including emergency cash support for FDMN and host community people under the project area - Teknaf, Ukhiya, Ramu, Pekua and Cox's Bazar Sadar Upazilas in Cox's Bazar District. Our services are to deal with the policy issues through the collective initiatives from the local, national, and global level which is much needed at this moment.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the members of PHALS General Board and Executive Committee, the contribution of Donors, Government officials, Members of Parliament, Ministers, most importantly the leadership and active participation of community people as well as the staff members, co-actors including all the friends of PHALS for their significant cooperation, effective support and diligence to move forward to achieve its aims and objectives in a real sense.

Sincerely



Shirin Noor Chowdhury
Chairperson, PHALS

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



I am contented & honored to share the annual report of PHALS for the year 2023.

Year 2023 was an exciting year for PHALS, in terms of humanitarian response to various Cyclone affected people of Cox'sBazar District by our efficient response team with limited resources. Apart from our ongoing activities there was another desired outcome of PHALS that of mainstreaming/ self-reliance initiatives for a number of Climate displaced vulnerable women residing in Govt. specialized shelter project call "Asroyon Prokolpa" and also revival of indigenous livelihood to Sea depended Ethnic community living in coastal belt of Cox'sBazar Sadar. Which focuses on our resilience as an organization and how we have apprehended opportunities and inclusion to response despite being amidst of various humanitarian crisis.

Cox'sBazar District is one of the major disaster prone district of Bangladesh It is mentionable here that due to climate change internal displacement from costal to urban area became one of the foremost hazard. With a total Bangladeshi population of district just over 2.9 million (Male Female ratio almost 50% -50%) is one of the country's least developed district so far. Approximately 33% of the population of this region are living below poverty line compared to national average of 31.5% (WB 11/2016 & CARE 2018). On the other hand the situation of District also has been compounded by almost one million FDMN (Rohinghya) which created multidimensional adverse effect to the local community.

We are so proud of the work that we have accomplished last year and are thrilled to share this healthy report with you all. None of this work would be possible without each and every one of our dedicated staff and generous supporters, Partners, different Government agencies and our Board members as well. We hope that as you read this report, you see the impact that you have had on the lives of so many affected people.

At the end I would like to convey my gratitude to all Project partners, Donors, Stakeholders, Project participants ,EC members and PHALS team for last year outcome through collective effort for an effective humanitarian response. We have tried our best for improving social & economic condition with quality life of the people in need. I do believe in upcoming year we'll also work together for a prosperous humanitarian Bangladesh through whole of society approach.

Sincerely



Abu Murshed Chowdhury

Executive Director (Honorary), PHALS

**WE STARTED
OUR JOURNEY
WITH AN OPEN
AIRED
PRE-SCHOOL,
IN 1992**



PHALS **(Program for Helpless And Lagged Society)**

ORGANIZATION'S BRIEF

PHALS- (Program for Helpless And Lagged Society) is a non-government organization (NGO) based in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh started its journey in 1992. It is formally registered with Ministry of Social welfare in 1996 and NGO Affairs Bureau in 1999. All activities of the organization are in line with the guidance provided by the Ministry of Social Welfare (MOSW) and NGO Affairs Bureau (NGOAB) of the Government of Bangladesh. The principles, activities and approaches of PHALS correspond to national priorities for development and directly linked with current National Strategic Plan. PHALS activities have significantly contributed to attaining Millennium Development Goals (MDG) by the government, particularly Goals 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8. PHALS has developed its 2nd Strategic Plan (2022-2026) to ensure that its program interventions on education, protection, disaster risk reduction, livelihood and legal aid support implemented in Cox's Bazar district partnering with donor, development partner and government of Bangladesh that add significant values to national response for achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) particularly 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 13 and 17. PHALS has vibrant presence and strong footprint in emergency response program since the influx in 2017 with several interventions aligning with sectors and RRRC office as well as government of Bangladesh. Over the last 32 years PHALS has expanded its work in the area of education, protection, disaster risk reduction and livelihood including the cross-cutting issues which complementing and contributing to the national response in these areas which are under government focus.

LEGAL STATUS

PHALS has been following the constitution as approved by the Directorate of Social Services

- 1) Registered under Ministry of Social Welfare, Bangladesh vide Reg.# cox 94/96 dated 18/12
 - 2) NGO Affairs Bureau of Bangladesh vide Reg.# 1428 dated 20/09/1999
 - 3) Ministry of Youth and Development, Bangladesh vide Reg.# Ju/Cox-70/2001- dated 05/11/2001
- Registered in (Name of District): Cox's Bazar



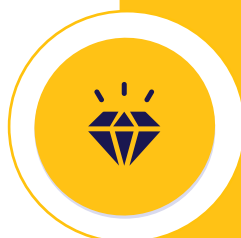
OUR VISION

A country without poverty and discrimination in which every person can exercise her/his rights to a life with dignity and proper livelihood through comprehensive sustainable development.



OUR MISSION

To work together with GO/NGO and INGO for the less privileged and marginalized people to improve their livelihood standard up to reasonable percentage in terms of poverty, education, gender, environment, health care, basic human right, disability, and children's right to concern.



CORE VALUE

Simplicity	Honesty	Accountability	Transparency
Effectiveness	Belongingness	Inclusion	Attainable

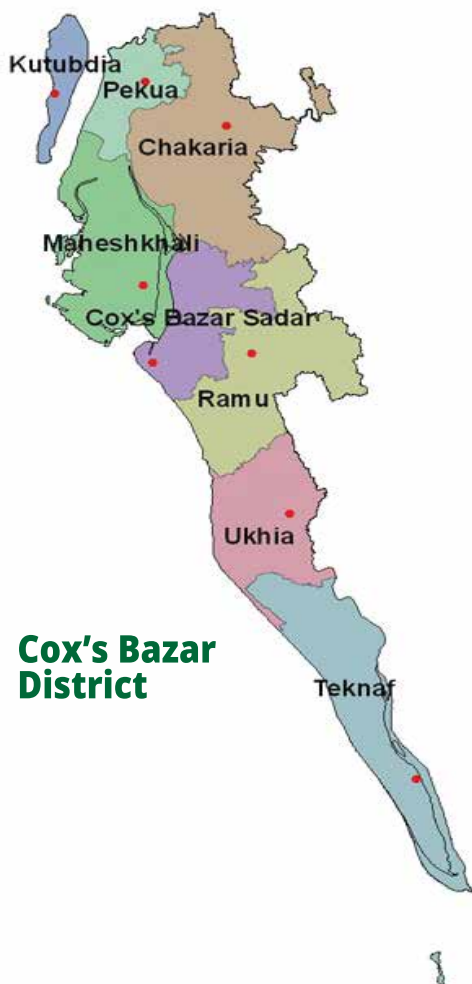
OBJECTIVES

- o To improve the Socioeconomic & livelihood conditions of the underprivileged, People with disabilities, and marginalized vulnerable people of the societies.
- o To create capacity/skill of the poor and vulnerable women belonged to lagged societies for economic emancipation.
- o To ensure child rights irrespective of race, religion, culture, and identity.
- o To end violence against women to promote gender equality and facilitate social justice.
- o To protect the environment and Ecosystem.
- o Empower people with Human rights and Good governance.
- o Create opportunities for education & health care for the less privileged children and women.
- o To educate less privileged poor children and create interest towards education.
- o To create awareness and sensitize people and service providers against exploitation, injustice, and corruption.
- o Work to prevent human trafficking & Encourage Safe Migration.
- o Ensure Climate resilience development and adaptation.
- o Humanitarian Response to Disaster prone Area/Community/Refugee.
- o Initiatives to prevent Gender-based violence and women empowerment.
- o Climate Change and resilience
- o Advocacy for Social Cohesion among Different Community to attain peace
- o Work together with Local, National, International, UN as well as GoB agencies for community development, its dignity.

OUR WORKING AREAS

Cox's Bazar District

WORKING MAP



Cox's Bazar District

Cox's Bazar District Intro

Cox's Bazar district is situated in the southeastern coastal area of Bangladesh. The coastal zone of Cox's Bazar has had great significance since pre-historic times for its wide diversity and abundance of natural flora and fauna. On the other hand, Cox's Bazar is also famous for its immense natural beauty with 120 km-long natural sandy beach, one of the longest in the world with population of over 2.65 million people. The economy of the coastal dwellers in Cox's Bazar combines salt production, fish and dried fish, aquaculture, agriculture, local tourism, trade and handicrafts. Sandy, sandy loamy and muddy tidal flats, mangrove vegetation, salt beds, coral reefs, salt marsh, seagrass and algal beds characterize the coastline of Cox's Bazar. These ecosystems play a principal role in supporting local communities, serving as sources of food, cash and energy. A rapid increase in population, climate change displacement and the haphazard destruction of natural habitats have resulted in the loss of coastal and terrestrial biodiversity in Cox's Bazar. Multidimensional environmental and economic adverse effect also increasing due to presence of about one million forcibly displaced Myanmar nationals (Rohingya).

Division-Chittagong Division

Establishment Date-1 March 1984

Administrative areas

The total area of Cox's Bazar district is 2491.86 square kilometers (962.11 sq mi).

Cox's Bazar district consists of 9 upazilas, 8 police stations, 4 municipalities, 71 unions, 188 mauzas, 992 villages and 4 parliamentary constituencies.

Population

According to the statistics of 2022, the total population of Cox's Bazar district is 28,23,265 people. Among them 14,32,864 males and 13,88,086 females. The population density is about 920 people per square kilometer (2,400/sq mi).

Literacy Rate-Total 71.45%

(Source: Shampan, Annual Publication of District Administration, Cox's Bazar)

EXECUTIVE BOARD 2023-2024



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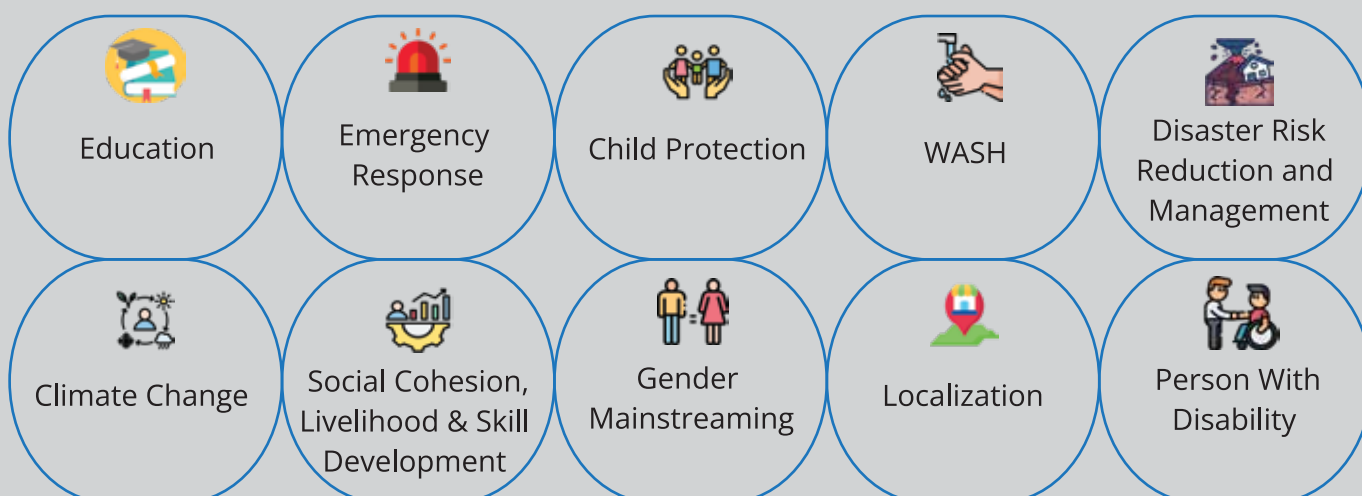
ORGANIZATION COMMITTEES

- ▶ PHALS General Committee
- ▶ Executive Committee
- ▶ Internal Audit Team
- ▶ Senior Management Team
- ▶ Procurement Committee
- ▶ Recruitment Committee
- ▶ School Management Committee
- ▶ Law and Order Affairs Committee

FOCAL PERSON

- ▶ Gender, PSEA & Safeguarding Focal
- ▶ CFRM Focal
- ▶ Investigating Focal

OUR FOCUSING AREAS



ORGANIZATIONAL DOCUMENTATION

POLICIES

- ▶ Administrative Policy
- ▶ Human Resource Policy
- ▶ Financial Management Policy
- ▶ Safeguarding Policy
- ▶ Gender Policy
- ▶ Gender Strategy paper
- ▶ PSEA Policy
- ▶ Child Policy
- ▶ Procurement and storage Policy
- ▶ Conflict of Interest policy
- ▶ MEAL Policy
- ▶ 360 degree performance Appraisal
- ▶ Antifraud, Bribery and Corruption policy
- ▶ PHALS Code of Conduct
- ▶ Risk Management Policy o CRM Policy
- ▶ Data Protection & Privacy Policy
- ▶ Fund Raising Policy
- ▶ Partnership Policy

- ▶ PHALS Anti Discrimination Policy
- ▶ PHALS Anti-harassment Policy
- ▶ PHALS Anti-Terrorism Policy
- ▶ Social Media and Communication Policy
- ▶ Logistics Policy – Warehouse & Asset Management

PLAN & GUIDELINES

- ▶▶ PHALS Contingency plan
- ▶▶ PHALS Strategic Plan
- ▶▶ Succession Planning of PHALS
- ▶▶ Procurement Policy and Storage Management Guideline
- ▶▶ Resource Mobilization Guideline
- ▶▶ Cost Sharing Principle and Policy Guideline
- ▶▶ Communication strategy
- ▶▶ Brand Guideline

ONGOING PROJECT

PRE PRIMARY EDUCATION

Project Location

Cox's Bazar district both rural and urban areas.

Partners/Donor

Hope network and PHALS members.

Project Duration

1992 to Continuing

Background:

Education is the key component to creating a better nation to increase the literacy rate to reasonable percentages. Considering the universal truth, PHALS has been running the pre-primary school since 1992 in Cox's Bazar. This pre-education program is especially for those children whose ages are below 6 and lack of access to education system. They become ready to enroll in school upon having the necessary preparation with their eligibility for this school. Under the supervision of 10 quality teachers the program is ongoing successfully. An average 35 students are enrolled in each school.

Outcome

In the year 2023 maintaining through all necessary measures, 329 students (boys 133 and girls



Pre-Formal Schooling Session

196) are continue pre-primary education through ten (10) preschool Centers at various location of Khuruskul, Tetuiya of Cox Bazar Sadar upazila, Chaindha, Kawarkhup and Monir-jhil of Ramu Upazila. In each class there were 35 students given direct education, coaching and psychosocial support in order to assist children's development in the area of cognitive and psycho-social development. PHALS supported these students with learning materials, stationery items and management's salaries for teachers. In 2023, the passing rate is 96% and enrollment in primary school rate 95%. The students enrolled in different Govt and non-government schools and institution after the completion of the pre-primary school examination.

Challenges

Pre-primary education is an ongoing process. Maintaining the continuous presence and reducing the drop out rate including crises of fund, natural calamities and parent's lack of awareness.

Mitigation Strategies

PHALS attempts have been made to conduct regular parents-teacher's meeting and communication with communities for increasing/securing fund availability.



Representative from Hiroshima Foundation Japan visited PHALS Pre-School and discussed with children and teachers.

PHALS TAYAMA PRIMARY EDUCATION



Students Attended is the Examination

Project Location

Bypass Road.Jhilongja, Cox's Bazar Sadar.

Partners/Donor

Own Funded

Background:

To decrease the dropout, rate up to a reasonable percentage as far as primary education is concern. The main target group is vulnerable poor children. They are supported with all kinds of educational materials and school dress to overcome their obstacle in the field of education. The education support is given the free cost for the children. The experienced teachers are providing education to the students.



Preparation for participation in Victory Day parade

Main Activities:

PHALS provides all necessary educational materials for poor students. Six teachers are continuing this school with utmost dedication. Commitment and excellent education quality.

They teach through "learning with fun" methodology and teaching techniques. This school provides a joyful environment for children.

Outcome

From December to January 2022, 150 Students have been admitted to the school. 90 male students and 60 female students. Primary to High School Enrollment 22 Students including 8 boys & 14 girls.



Cultural performance

Challenge

Parents mentality to earn by children due to the poverty and lack of awareness on education resulted in declining students enrollment.

Overcome

PHALS visited children's house to house to highlight the importance of education to the parents to increase their awareness level which resulting the number of students was increased and the relationships between teacher's and parents has been developed more.

PHALS BANI ACADEMY

Project Location

Cox's Bazar Sadar

Partners/Donor

BANI STREET, FRANCE

Project Duration

July 2020 to June 2023 & New Extended July 2023- June 2026

Project Manpower

16 staff.

Total Children

32 (Girls-20, Boys-09)

Project Goal:

The project has the potential and impact-full of mainstreaming orphans and street children. Their basic needs are met & they will get new life through gaining knowledge, vocational skills, and life skills. They will get love and affection like parents. It will boost their confidence. They will become good assets to the community. They are developed physically & psychologically & made as a good & protective citizen. By being observed in philanthropy and social activities they will also be like that in the longer future.

Project Objective:

- To provide orphan/semi orphan/street children, a childhood that they never experienced and help them to become useful members of society.
- To encourage orphan/semi orphan/street children to kind their potential by providing creative opportunities.
- To make available a secure place where orphan/semi orphan/street children can play and enjoy their childhood.
- To provide basic education to orphan/semi orphan/street children.
- To provide such welfare services as free lodging, boarding, health, and recreation.

- To provide basic literacy and facilities for those who wish to study further.
- To select and prepare for a vacation to live on their legs.
- To accomplish physical, intellectual, and aesthetic development of the children.

Main Activities

BANI STREET has expertise in the accompaniment and support of minors in a situation of precariousness in Cox's Bazar. The goal is not to provide one-time emergency assistance but rather to offer personalized assistance that is global and sustainable.

With the opening of this structure, BANI STREET and PHALS aim to reduce the number of abuses on Bangladeshi children at risk by contributing to the change in mentality and establishing a structure ensuring their protection. The structure is expected to accommodate up to 48 Bangladeshi children under optimal conditions ensuring their development in a safe environment. Children will be admitted between the age of 6 and 14, and they could be taken care of until the age of 23.

Outcome

29 children (20 girls and 9 boys), staying at PHALS-BANI Academy shelter home are being provided with all facilities including food and shelter through the activities of the project. All children are studying in different grades from 1st to 12th grades. All children have made good results in the annual exam this year. Shahina of grade 10 has obtained 2nd position in her class. Riya Moni of grade 9 has obtained A+ in the exam and Shahed of the same grade has stood first in boys' section. Sumaiya has stood first in the annual of exam. Three children, Josna, Riya and Rekha have passed HSC this year and they are getting prepared for higher education. Nureja has passed SSC this year and got admitted to college. Among the children staying at PHALS Bani Academy, three children have participated in the 2nd Sheikh Kamal Jubo Games and

Taniya was selected for national level competition. Taniya won 2nd prize in national level competition held on 26 February 2023. Five children (Riya-1, Rekha, Rajiya, Taniya & Sadia) have achieved black belts & three children (Josna, Nureja & Shahina) have achieved red belts in Taekwondo this year. In January 2023, the team of PHALS BANI Academy became champion in Inter School Badminton tournament-2023. In Annual Sports events of Cox's Bazar International School, Rajiya and Shahina have got three prizes. Maliya, Alvi, Reshmi and Jihad have got two prizes each. Taniya, Sadia, Riya, Shahed, Fazilatunnesa, Adiba, Sumaiya and Rishat have got one prize each.

Education

At present there are 29 children in PHALS-BANI Academy. Most of them study in Cox's Bazar International school & PHALS Tayama Primary School. They get a good and standard education there. They also take part in extra-curricular activities there.

There are two residential assistants and three tutors in PHALS-BANI Academy. The English teacher and the science teacher teach children 6 hours a day, 6 days a week, according to class



PHALS-BANI Academy Children studying in Cox's Bazar International School.

routine. Special classes of Spoken English are also conducted by the English teacher. Religion teacher teaches religious topics.

Three students, Josna, Riya Moni and Rekha Moni have recently passed higher secondary

exam. They are now taking preparation for admission to higher education. Nuraja is a student of HSC first year in Cox's Bazar City College. She is studying in Business Management group. Rajia is an SSC examinee this year. She studies in science group. There are three students in class 10 now. They were in class 9 last year. Among them, Shahina and Tania got 2nd and 4th positions respectively in last annual exam. The other student, Sadia also made a good result.

Riya Moni was in class 8 last year. She is studying in class 9 now. She secured the highest grade, A+ in last annual exam. Shahed too was in class 8 last year. In last annual exam, he stood first in boys' section. He is in class 9 now. Maliya was in class 7 last year. She is now in class 8. Three students have been promoted from class 6 to class 7. They are Tanha, Mobina and Arman.

Three other students named Shamsunnahar, Sumaiya and Munni are now in class 6. Among them, Sumaiya stood first in last Annual exam. Shahin & Akila are in class 5 now. Adiba, Rishat, Fazilatunnesa, Reshmi, Alvi, Jihad, Yahidu & Sami are in class four now. Their results in last annual exam are good. Tasfia is in class three now. He made a good result in last annual exam.

The youngest student of PHALS-BANI Academy is Labib. He is in class 2 now. He has learnt to read and write quite well after coming to PHALS-BANI Academy. After all, all the students of PHALS-BANI Academy are gradually improving in studies as well as extra-curricular activities.

Children's Achievement on Annual Sports and Cultural Events

The children of PHALS-BANI Academy are very good at sports and cultural programs. In sports & cultural ceremony of Cox's Bazar International School held on January 2023, Rajiya obtained 1st position in balance race and 2nd position in poem recitation. Taniya obtained 1st position in musical chair game. Shahina obtained 2nd position in musical chair game and 3rd position



Children who won the school's annual sports competition

in balance race. In Quran recitation, Sadia obtained 2nd position and Shahed obtained 3rd position. Riya Moni obtained 1st position in balance race and Maliya 2nd position. In primary section, Sumaiya obtained 1st position in balance race, Reshmi 2nd position and Fazilatunnesa 3rd position. In race, Jihad became first and Rishat became 2nd. In rope jump, Reshmi became 1st and Adiba 2nd. In Islamic song competition, Jihad became 1st, Alvi became 2nd and Sumaiya 3rd. Alvi also obtained 1st position in Quran recitation. Thus, the children of PHALS-BANI Academy are doing well in extra-curricular activities.

Food

Children residing in PHALS - BANI Academy homes are provided with healthy and nutritious food. A separate food timetable is prepared based on the liking of the children and also



PHALS-BANI Academy Dining.

considering the health of the children. Once a week beef is cooked for the children. Moreover, in the evening the children are given seasonal fruits which give them good health. Every day the children are provided snacks as per the food timetable in the evening.

Beautiful kitchen and dining setup on 4th floor of PHALS-BANI Academy from February 2023. Before this, the kitchen of PHALS Training Center was used.

Medical Support

PHALS-BANI Academy provides medical assistance in addition to other support. The two resident assistants took constant care. If any of the children fell sick, we immediately consulted the doctor on duty at the FPAB clinic nearest to the academy. And take medicines as advised. Facilitators make sure they are followed up in the coming days. In special cases, have been referred to a specialized adjacent doctor. The facilitators are always ready to extend their support for any medication they need with the expert.



Children of PHALS-Bani Academy are checking up by MBBS doctors of FPAB Hospital.

So far almost all the children of the center have been checked by the doctor with their physical problems. And the necessary treatment has been provided.

Taekwondo Training

The children of Pulse-Bani Academy were trained in Taekwondo for three days on February 9-11 2023 under the supervision of Korean



Korean coach Lee Joo Sang imparts taekwondo training to the children of PHALS-BANI Academy.

coach Lee Joo Sang of Bangladesh Taekwondo Federation. 32 children of Pulse-Bani Academy participated in it. At the end of the training, the belt test was conducted. Among the children participating in category wise belt test five children Riya Moni, Tanya Akhtar, Razia Akhtar, Umme Sadia and Rekha Moni got black belt, 3 got red belt Sahina Aktwer, Nuraja, Josna Akter and rest got yellow belt

At the end of the training day, all those who passed the belt test were given belts according to their respective categories by the guests. The taekwondo training finale and belt distribution ceremony was attended by PHALS's honorary ED Abu Morshed Chowdhury, BANI Street Chairman Moussa Ibn Yaqoob, Korean coach Lee Joo Sang and Bani Street volunteers from France.

Badminton Tournament`2023

PHALS-BANI Academy badminton team became champion in Inter-school Badminton Tournament held in 09-12 January 2023. Four teams participated in the tournament. PHALS-BANI Academy and Cox's Bazar International School played in final match and PHALS-BANI Academy became champion. The players of the winning team were Riya Moni, Shahed, Rajiya and Mobina. Among them, Riya Moni and Shahed played against the opposite team. Riya Moni was awarded the player of the match.

The Executive Director of PHALS, Abu Morshed Chowdhury and Chairman of BANI Street, Moussa Bin Yakub handed over the trophy to the winning team.



Players of participating teams with guests at prize distribution ceremony of badminton tournament.

Challenges

1. The project had to face many problems during the year due to non-arrival of project funds on time.
2. Due to the re-signing of two resident facilitators, there was a delay in the regular activities of the project due to the lack of resident facilitators at the center for several months. Donor cautioned for not sending regular financial reports to donor.

TOGETHER (Towards Greater Effectiveness and Timeliness in Humanitarian Emergency Response)



Donor:

Malteser International.

Project Staff

1. M&E Associate-1 (Jan-June 2023)
2. Finance Associate-1 (Jan-Dec 2023).
3. Chief Programme Coordinator (July – Dec 2023)

Project Duration

January 2021 to December 2023, extend up to April 2024

About Project

Since January 2021 PHALS has been implementing the ToGETHER project technical guided by Malteser International funded. With the financial support of the German Foreign Office, Welthungerhilfe and its consortium partners Caritas Germany, Diakonie Katastrophenhilfe and Malteser International are implementing the ToGETHER program (Towards Greater Effectiveness and Timeliness in Humanitarian Emergency Response) which supports localized humanitarian action in eight countries, including Bangladesh. The three-year program aims

to offer an opportunity to forty local or national organizations in 8 participating countries to jointly develop and undertake capacity strengthening and exchange measures to reinforce their institutional and operational capacity to effectively respond to humanitarian crises.

Objective of the project:

The overall objective of the project is to contribute to the reduction of effects of disasters on local communities, the three-year program aims at strengthening local humanitarian preparedness & response capacities and promoting local leadership in humanitarian action through capacity development and exchange, joint learning, and advocacy for better access to humanitarian coordination and funding.

The project Main Activities

- Under the ToGETHER project PHALS has organized five days long a residential training in Cox'sbazar technical supported by Malteser International from 22-26 January 2023. 21 participants from various national, International and Local NGOs viz. CDD, GK, COAST

Foundation, ASD, NOBOLOK, WHH and PHALS organization were present in the training.

- PHALS organized three days long a workshop from 17-19 Aug 2023 on MEAL Exchange Sharing by AFAD from Kurigram, Mukti Foundation from Satkhira-Khulna, CDD from Shavar, Dhaka & PHALS from Cox'sbazar Technical and funded by Malteser International (MI) successfully at VENUS resort in Bandarban.

- To increase awareness session on DRR there has been developed IEC materials (500 Pocket Cards) and distributed.

- To increase awareness session on DRR and Climate Anticipation there has been set up two Bill Boards in Sahpureer Dweep and Saint Martin Island.



MEAL Exchange Workshop

- To increase awareness session on DRR and Climate Anticipation there has organized Drawing competition and prize giving ceremony among 50 primary students in Saint Martin Island.

- To increase awareness session on DRR and Climate Anticipation there has been organized sessions among 200 students of high school in Sahpureer Dweep and Saint Martin Island.

- To increase awareness session on DRR and Climate Anticipation there has been organized present speech competition and prize giving ceremony among 25 students of high school in Sahpureer Dweep, Teknaf.

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- To increase awareness session on DRR and Climate Anticipation there has been organized two workshops among 50 fishermen in Sahpureer Dweep and Saint Martin Island, Teknaf.

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- PHALS distributed cash through Bkash mobile banking agent among 170 family members those who are affected Mocha Cyclone in Sahpureer Dweep and Saint Martin Island, Teknaf, Cox'sbazar.

- PHALS distributed house hold utensils (per family two plates, one bowl, one jug, two water pots, a pitcher, two pots-rice and curry, a lock-key, and an iron truck) among 350 family members those who are affected Mocha Cyclone in Sahpureer Dweep and Saint Martin Island, Teknaf, Cox'sbazar.

- PHALS distributed Hazard Kits (Life Jacket, a set of rain coat and high energy torch light) among 100 fishermen those who are affected Mocha Cyclone in Sahpureer Dweep and Saint Martin Island, Teknaf, Cox'sbazar

- PHALS training room has been renovated under ToGETHER project.



Training on P-FIM Method



Training on Innovation, at Thailand

PHALS have given cooperation and facilitation in organizing joined programme viz. Peer Review Workshop, National P-FIM conference, and South South Exchange Workshop which was conducted in Thailand as well as attended in Innovation Training in Thailand. Furthermore, PHALS has downloaded the update event in TOGETHER project webmo.



Household Utensils Distribution

or disaster/humanitarian crisis responses.

- The HOIFA activities has launched or implemented the communication as well as law enforcement challenging area, Saint Martin, to operate the activities it always required to receive assistance from Local Administration and Local UP leaders.
- Communication as well as transportation challenges faced during the implementation period.

Learnings

Timely response in any humanitarian crisis is very important and proper coordination as well, on the other hand follow up. Or impact analysis in important.



Awareness Raising on Climate Change Program

The Challenges:

- Due to EU rate increased and had to review the project budget several times, so to get approval from the NGOAB and project activities implementation taken time.
- To implement the HOIFA activities under TOGETHER, it was required to prepare a separate project along with staff for HOIFA, so to complete all the process, it was taken time, moreover it was depended on natural calamity

CYCLONE “MOCHA” RESPONSE IN COX’S BAZAR, BANGLADESH

Project Area

Palongkhali (Ukhiya) and Whykong (Teknaf)

Duration

Oct 2023 - Mar 2024

Partners/Donor

Funded by - DFAT (Australian Aid)

Supported by - BRAC

Background

Cox's Bazar district is globally recognized for several reasons, including its distinction as one of the world's longest sea beaches, a lengthy coastline, and its vulnerability to various hazards. Notably, the district has gained international attention for hosting over one million forcibly displaced Myanmar nationals, specifically the

Rohingya community, who have sought refuge since 2017. Recently, on May 14, 2023, Cyclone Mocha made landfall in Cox's Bazar, resulting in significant damage and casualties. Reference by Bangla Live News date on 15May 2023: The news says that Cox's Bazar District Commissioner Muhammad Shaheen Imran said, Cyclone Mocha has damaged 12,000 houses in Cox's Bazar district. Of these, 10,000 were partially damaged and 2,000 were completely damaged. In response to this humanitarian crisis, the local humanitarian actor, PHALS, has expressed a keen interest in providing assistance to the affected community in collaboration with BRAC. The proposed project aims to offer a range of humanitarian services to approximately 155 affected households from Whyong and Palongkhali union of Cox's Bazar district, who experienced



New built house handed over to the selected beneficiaries under Cyclone MOCHA Response Project

the adverse impacts of the MOCHA cyclone. These services include house repairs, improvement of water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) facilities, infrastructure development, livelihood support.

Objective

To recover the losses and damages of the Mocha affected people in Whykong area under Teknaf and Thankhali area under Ukhai Upazila of Cox's Bazar district, technical supported by brac Programme for Helpless And Lagged Societies (PHALS) will take project activities after completion the project preparatory work. Beginning of the project activities staff will be oriented on project modalities, will be conducted Final Inclusive Assessment for Beneficiaries selection and Baseline data by surveyors, will be conducted 2 Inception Meetings at Whykong and Palongkhali Unions, Organize one day training for staff PSEA, Safeguarding and CRM and 1 day training on Gender Mainstreaming and Person with Disability inclusion.

To meet the project

outcome-1: Households actively practicing in their new livelihoods' activities.

Output-1.1: Households received Livelihood losses items (poultry, chicken, duck, fisheries, sampling, crops etc.) following activities will be implemented;

Activity-1.1.1: Provide poultry (Hen and duckling) engaging with community people. The women, especially women headed family members and affected by the mocha cyclone will get this support, in total 30 women from different family will receive Poultry (Hen and Duckling) support.

Activity-1.1.2: Provide Livestock (Goat) engaging with community people. The women especially who are widow or separated and have person with disability family members and affected by mocha cyclone will get this support. In total, 20 women will receive Livestock (Goat/Calf) support.

Immediate Outcome-3. Households have access to improve disaster resilient WASH systems and infrastructure development

Output-3.1: Households Repaired and reconstructed of damaged houses, sanitary latrine and tube-wells with raised platform. Following activities will be implemented;



New house Construction

Activity-3.1.1: Construct a new house for Mocha affected people. Women headed and persons with disability family members and most vulnerable who still did not repair and built the broken house, in total 15 families will receive the support.



New house

Activity-3.1.2: Repair Mocha affected broken house. Women headed and persons with disability family members and most vulnerable who still did not repair and built the broken house or repaired but not completely, in total 25 families will receive the support.

Activity-3.1.5: Repair out of order tubewell with platform construction. In total 10 tubewells which are required to renovate the platform as well as required for repair and uses by many family members will be repaired.

Activity-3.1.6: Renovate the pathway to move for sanitary latrine or water collection from tube-well. The road/path if it is difficult to fetch water from tube-well or use sanitary latrine in total 10 paths will be renovated or constructed.

Activity-3.1.7: Setup signboard after completion of infrastructure. After the completion of the newly setup, renovated, repaired of new house House-15, repairing-25, new toilet -20, Repairing toilet-20, Renovated Tubewell -10, In total 90 Signboards will be fixed or hanged.

Moreover, to ensure quality of project activities and Accountability there will be invited to conduct Field monitoring by Local Administration/Senior Management and will be conducted post distribution monitoring by surveyors.



New Latrine

Activity, Target and Achievement

ACTIVITIES	TARGETS	ACHIEVEMENT
Access to improve disaster resilient WASH System at Household level	55	21
Access to use improve infrastructure at Household level	45	16
Houses Repair	30	16
Houses Reconstruction	15	15
Sanitary latrine Reconstruction	25	
Sanitary latrine repair	30	21

Population Coverage

LOCATION / ACTIVITY / OBJECTIVE (WHERE RELEVANT) *						
UNIT OF MEASUREMENT: INDIVIDUAL						
Age Group	Male		Female		Total	
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
0-18	131	46%	152	54%	283	100%
19-49	112	44%	140	56%	252	100%
50 and >	24	51%	23	49%	47	100%
Total	267	46%	315	54%	582	100%
Persons with Disabilities and EVI	17	53%	15	47%	32	100%
Planned	266	47%	302	53%	568	-- %

Challenges, Lessons Learned

Challenges Faced: During the implementation phase PHALS team faced a few challenges and solved with innovative ideas and approaches which helped a lot to implement the project activities successfully. Exemplify-

- **Legal Documentation Changes:** Changes in legal requirements for new house eligibility posed a challenge, requiring adjustments to the project plan.

- **Solution:** Strengthen communication channels with local authorities for real-time updates on legal criteria changes, ensuring swift adjustments to project plans.

- **Unforeseen Beneficiary Changes:** The sudden death of a beneficiary led to the need for plan adjustments, impacting the original design.

- **Solution:** Regular monitoring and engagement with the community to identify changes promptly. Develop contingency plans for unforeseen events affecting beneficiaries.

Lessons Learned

Through the journey of implementation PHALS team learned a lot about which factors can impact the implementation effectively at the whole life of project. Out of these a few learnings are as follows

- Flexibility and Adaptability
- Stakeholder Communication
- Comprehensive Risk Management.

RESILIENCE STRENGTHENING OF VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN NORTHERN, WESTERN AND EASTERN BANGLADESH THROUGH A NETWORK APPROACH OF 5 PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

Project Location

Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi Union of Cox's Bazar Sadar Upazila, Cox's Bazar District.

Supported by

Malteser International.

Financed by

BMZ PT; German Cooperation.

Overall objective of the Project

Vulnerability of vulnerable, marginalized, rural riverine and coastal communities is reduced through improved socioeconomic conditions and emergency preparedness.

Project objective

Vulnerable households are more resilient to climate change impacts through community organizing, advocacy, alternative livelihood

development, localization, and emergency preparedness.

Project Outputs

Output 1: Partner organizations establish linkages with universities, colleges, organizations, government agencies, and other relevant information sources to develop a cohesive, coherent development approach based on factual information about climate resilience and adaptive technologies.

Output 2: The economic situation of vulnerable people is improved through the development of inclusive, sustainable and risk-appropriate livelihoods and the development of new markets.

Output 3: Vulnerable persons are empowered to advocate for their own economic and social needs.

Output 4: Vulnerable people and their communities are equipped and strengthened in their DiDDR and climate change adaptation skills.

Output 1: Partner organizations establish linkages with universities, colleges, organizations, government agencies, and other relevant information sources to develop a cohesive, coherent development approach based on factual information about climate resilience and adaptive technologies.

Activity-1.1: Partner organizations cooperate with universities, colleges and agricultural offices and train personnel

Through establishing collaboration with the institute of Disaster Management and Vulnerability Studies (IDMVS), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh conducted “A Study on Climate Change and Livelihood Adaptation for coastal based community people especially climate refugee and ethnic minority and local surrounding vulnerable communities in Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi areas of Cox’s Bazar Sadar”.

We also build up strong network, linkage and collaboration with Union Parishad, UZ and District administration, Government Officials from department of DRR, Agriculture, Livestock, Social Welfare, Fisheries, Women Affairs, Forest, Fire Service Station, Education, Cooperative, Women Entrepreneurs, different NGO, private and public representatives, Local stakeholders for smooth operation of the project activities.

Activity-1.2: Conducting studies, pilot studies, tests or practical investigations

Conducted A Study on Climate Change and Livelihood Adaptation for coastal based community people especially focusing on climate refugee and ethnic minority and local surrounding vulnerable communities in Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi areas of Cox’s Bazar Sadar. The study conducted by the institute of Disaster Management and Vulnerability Studies (IDMVS), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh leaded by Mohammed Moniruzzaman Khan, Ph.D in May 2023.

The recommendations of the study are based on the opinions of the community people and key informant interviewers. They are as followings –

- Government and non-government organizations should invest more in climate adaptation

and mitigation strategies in the area and adopt an “innovative approach” catered towards the most vulnerable communities.

- A range of training programs with a special focus on women and other socially excluded groups i.e., ethnic minority, persons with disability should be carried out. The training programs may include following trainings –

- Training on preparing handicraft (for women)
- Training on boutique (for women)
- Training on parlour skills (for women)
- Training on tourism and hospitality management (for both men and women).
- Training on tailoring (for women)
- Training on ICT i.e., mobile repair (for both women and men)
- Training on livestock rearing (for both women and men)

- Interventions such as small business support or monitored cash grant for predefined support (buying autorickshaw/CNG) will also be helpful.

- The interventions must work on all fronts of resilient livelihood. Specific actions include –

- Livelihood Protection – Establishing dams/polders to protect against the sudden surge of water in selected places.
- Livelihood Promotion – Cutting the middle man off by linking the producer with the distribution directly or helping them open their own distribution house.
- Livelihood Diversification – Diversifying livelihood opportunities through training.
- Livelihood Transformation – Transforming the livelihood practices of certain communities through imparting skills and training.

- There is an unexplored possibility of private sector engagement in climate change adaption where the big corporations of this area support the most vulnerable groups through their CSR and undertaking training programs to employ people from the poorer community.

- All the anti-environment activities i.e., deforestation and hill cutting must be stopped through executing legal and regulatory frameworks and a continuous attempt of advocacy with the policy makers must be carried out to obtain political commitment.
- All the relevant stakeholders must be sensitized about the climate crisis and equitable climate responsive measures for including this agenda of climate change in their routine and special interventions.

Activity-1.3: Disseminate results at the local level and incorporate results into livelihood development support.

Study finding sharing workshop on "Climate change adaptation for coastal community" at Cox's Bazar held with the cooperation of Malteser international on the 10th June'23 at Cox's Bazar Sadar Upazila Conference Room. A total of 35 participants attend in the workshop. Study team from Institute of Disaster Management & Vulnerability studies of Dhaka University conducted the study in Cox's Bazar Sadar Upazila, specially at Khurushkul and Chowfaldandi Unions working area of PHALS BMZ project. Concern Union Parishad Chairman, Government Officials from department of Agriculture, Livestock, Social Welfare, Fisheries, Women Affairs, Forest, MI representative, Women Entrepreneurs, different NGO representatives, Local stakeholders provided their valuable feedback on study.

On 13th Nov'23 Honorary Executive Director Mr. Abu Murshed Chowdhury handed over the research /study report to the Deputy Commissioner of Cox's Bazar Mr. Md. Shaheen Imran on climate change & livelihood adaptation for coastal based community people which specially focused on climate displaced people living in Govt. Shelter project of Khuruskul and Ethnic minority of Chowfaldandi living in coastal riverine of Cox's Bazar supported by Malteser International.

Based on the study findings PHALS incorporated the following activities in change proposal-

- Day observation for community

awareness-International Women day,

- Skill development training: Organize disaster Pre-preparedness and doings during disaster awareness session with UDMC members
- Provide training SRG members on Gender Mainstreaming & Disability Inclusion
- Taken initiative for Message delivery regarding awareness raising of the community people through Courtyard meeting and SRGs meeting on
- Cultivation/promotion of homestead vegetable
- Promotion of IGA through Poultry/Livestock rearing
- Network/Liasion with other GO/NGO/Private sector for involvement of vulnerable youth in catering, mobile repair/mechanical training, tourism and hospitality management training.

Output 2: The economic situation of climate change vulnerable people is improved through the development of inclusive, sustainable and risk-appropriate livelihoods and the development of new markets.

Activity-2.1: Self-Reliant Group (SRG) formation, community consultation, and ongoing coaching, business development support, problem solving.

- Formed 7 SRGs consisting 185 Project Participants. All 185 participants are Female. For this we conducted 3 Community Consultation Meeting and 7 group formation meeting.
- Ongoing Coaching/Counseling and Business development initiatives:

- Arrange SRG meeting regularly at least one per month by themselves with meeting resulations
- SRGs norms/group bi-laws setting
- Define role/responsibilities of Group Laeder, Secretary and Treasurer
- Start group savings
- Network/Liasion with Social Service, Youth Development Department, Women Affairs, SRG accounts maintain
- Bulid network with different market channel for product selling

Activity-2.2: Form and Organize by monthly Apex Body Meeting (ABM) of the SRG leaders

On the 7th September'23 Apex Body formation meeting held at Chowfaldandi Southpara, and on the 18th October'23 and 10th December'23 Bi-Monthly Apex Body Meeting held at Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi resource center respectively. 5 leaders from each SRG are the members of this Apex Body. A total of 87 Female participants attend in the 3 meeting. In the meeting they introduced themselves, formed an Executive Committee of the Apex Body consisting 7 members (One from each SRG) through open discussion.



Apex Body Formation meeting

Committees President, Secretary and Treasurer also selected through large group discussion and Discussed their probable roles & responsibilities like- Coordinate, network, collaboration with different stakeholders including SRGs, Arrange regular meeting, Savings account maintain, Bank account opening and operation, Products necessary materials purchase, Profit/dividend Organize SRGs meeting, arrange day observation, display products, Product selling/marketing, SRGs bi-laws setting SRG Meeting, Meeting Resulation, Start group savings, DRR training, Groups Product selling/marketing, Govt. safety net program and advocacy with UP for involvement, Start group savings, Savings register maintain, Network/Liasion with Social Service, Youth Development Department, Women Affairs. Bulid network with different market channel etc.

Activity-2.3: Support given to SHG members to ensure quality product for 6 months including training by 5 Instructor/Expert.

To ensure quality production of SRG members PHALS recruited 3 Instructors a) Instructor-Tailoring, b) Instructor-Block/Batick and c) Instructor-Embroidery following Instructor recruitment related circular on the 20th September'23. 2 resource person assist us through the whole process of written test, practical and voce test. They have been providing support to the SRG members to becomes trend on the respective trade for quality production. 2 instructor on Handicraft and Handloom will be recruited in 2024. The 3 instructors started trade wise training from November 2023 with 132 SRG members (Tailoring-44, Embroidery-45 and Block-Batik-43). In 2023 they provided training for 2 months (November and December) only.

Activity-2.4: Provide training on Block, Batik, Hand Painting for 35 (5X7) of Climate Refugee, Ethnic Minority, and Vulnerable host community Training on Block-Batik, Hand Painting for the Climate Refugee, Ethnic Minority and Vulnerable host community of Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi started on November'23. 43 Female participants have been receiving the training in 3 Resorce Center.



Block-Batik Training

Activity-2.5: Provide training on Embroidery/Sewing Stich (Naksikatha) for 35 (5X7) of Climate Refugee, Ethnic Minority, and Vulnerable host community

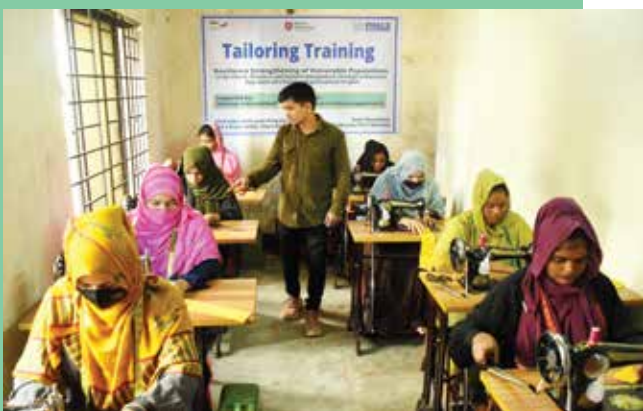
Training on Embroidery/Sewing Stich for the Climate Refugee, Ethnic Minority and Vulnerable host community of Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi started on November'23. 45 Female participants have been receiving the training in 3 Resorce Center.



Embroidery Training

Activity-2.6: Provide training on Tailoring for 35 (5X7) of Climate Refugee, Ethnic Minority, and Vulnerable host community

Training on Tailoring for the Climate Refugee, Ethnic Minority and Vulnerable host community of Khuruskul and Chowfaldandi started on November'23. 44 Female participants have been receiving the training in 3 Resorce Center.



Tailoring Training

Activity-2.7: Organize a Kick-Off meeting on project activities with Local administration, stakeholders, PHALS EC members, staff.

On the 26th September 2023 Projects Kick Off Meeting held at Cox's Bazar Sadar UZ conference Room. UNO Mr. Mohammed Jakaria was the Chief guest of the meeting. Chairman of Chowfaldandi Union Parishad, UZ Livestock Officer, UZ Agriculture Officer, UZ Cooperative Officer, Assistant Land Officer, UP Members Ward#1,2 & 3 of Chowfaldandi Union, 3 Leaders of Ashrayon Prokolpo, UZ Youth development Department & Women Affairs Department representative, Staffs from Project & Organization present in the meeting. On behalf of Malteser International Project Coordinator Mr. Md. Shaheedul Islam and Sr. A&FO Mr. Mostafa Ehsan were also present in the meeting. A total of 35 (M-33 & F-2) participants were present in the meeting.



Kick Off Meeting

After project activities briefing meeting participants provided some recommendations in their open discussion session regarding Nappy and Dry Fish processing, Hotel management/catering training for the youths of both the community as Cox's Bazar is the biggest tourist area, producing crops or vegetables in fellow land as kitchen /homestead vegetable gardening. As per meeting recommendation following non budgetary activities have started through Court-yard and SRGs meeting for awareness raising of the community people-

- Cultivation/promotion of homestead vegetable
- Promotion of IGA through Poultry/Livestock rearing
- Network/Liasion with other GO/NGO/Private sector for involvement of vulnerable youth in catering, mobile repair/mechanical training, tourism and hospitality management training

Activity-2.8: Equipment, raw materials purchase, setup and capital support for 7 SRGs

Resource Center Equipment's we provided are Ceiling Fan, LED Bulb, Water Filter, White Board and on the 24th December 2023 Kind Support provided to 132 participants against target 105 of 7 SRGs in 3 trade of them 44 participants for Tailoring, 45 participants for Embroidery-45 and 43 participants for Block-Batik production. Kinds support provided to the SRGs in group in presence of honourable Executive Director of PHALS and UP representative. Trade wise following materials provided to the SRGs:



Kind Support to SRG members by ED

Tailoring

Clothes-7 Bundle, Scissor-3, Chalk-3 Box, Measuring tape-1 Dozen, Table-1, Chair-5, Thread-14 Dozen, Shafe Cart-5, Marker-6, Oil-2 Lt, Elastic (.5inch)-4 Dozen, Elastic (1.5inch)-3 Roll, Bocrom-Bangla TC-7 yds, Short Pesting-2 yds, Paper Pesting-6 Yrds, Hard Pesting-2 yds, Plate pesting-1 Roll, Thread Bin-2, Button Box-2, Hand Needle-4 Page, Machine Needle-7 Pack, Botam (Gents)-1

Pack, Botam-Ladies-1 Pack, Jeepor (Male)-1 Doz, Jeepor (Female)-4 Doz, Iron-1 Piece, Hook (Blouse)-2 Pack, Hook (Heep)-2 Box, Hook (Gents)-1 Box, Tip Botam-2 Box, Ring Botam-100, Candle-1 Pack, Iron Stand-1, PP-2 Pound, Jents Pant Botam-1 Pack, Show Botam Burqa-100 Pcs, Niar Rope-2 bundle, Ladies Bangla Botam-100 Pcs, Iron Cloth-1 Pcs, Belko Tape-1 Yrds, Moshari Lace-7 Yrds.

Embroidery

Cloth (Vexi Voil-80 yds, Robi Voil-40 yds, Cloth-250 yds, Orbit-15 yds, Cloth (twoil)-12.5 yds, Half Silk Shari-5 pcs, Khadi Panjabi-10 pcs, Thread Cutter-5 pcs, DMC Suta-150 pcs, Lachhi Suta-515 pcs, Reshmi Suta-50 pcs, Measuring Tape-5 pcs, Scale (3 Fit)-2 nos, Scale (1 Fit)-2 nos, Pencil-1 dozen, Color Pen-2 dozens, Candle Pencil-1 dozen, Thread-2 dozens, Wooden Frame 5 inch-1 pcs, Plastic Frame 8 inch-2 pcs, Wooden Frame 14 inch-1 pcs, Scissor-1 pcs, Carbon (white)-3 pcs, Carbon (Black)-3 pcs, Dolar Plastic-100 gm, Chumki-100 gm, Dolar Meru (Glass)-100 pcs, Kuchi Kata-10 pcs, Uler Suta-10 pcs, Glue Gum-3 pcs, Hand Needle-5 pcs, Eraser-2 pcs, PP (Packet)-2 pound, Sharpener-2 pcs, Box for Botam-1 pcs, Wooden Botam-100 pcs, Detergent Powder-1 kg, Puthi (White)-100 gm.

Block-Batik

Wooden Dice-20 pcs, Color (Red, Blue, Green, Orange, Yellow, Black, White Pest, Purple)-6 Kg, Binder-3.75 Kg, NK-2.5 Kg, Apiton-2.5 Kg, Newtex-2.5 Kg, Glitter-0.6 Kg, Brush-5 Pcs, Tuli-2 Set, Plastic Bowl-10 Pcs, Table Spoon-5 Pcs, Table-2, Chair-5, Cloth-14 Bundle x 30 Yrds, Sharpner-5 Pcs, Vat Color (Green, Blue, Black, Yellow, Red)-40 Tola, Costik-40 Tola, Hi-dose-40 Tola, Gutti Suta-10 Box, Indian Needle-5, Scale-5 Pcs, Pencil-5 Pcs, Gloves-5 Pair, Detergent Poeder-1 Kg, Anti Cutter-1 Pcs, Dexi-1 Pcs, Rexin-0.5 Yrds, Blanket-1 Pcs, Electric Ketlie-1 Pcs.

Activity-2.9: Set up 3 self help resilience resource centers at community level

In this reporting period 3 Resource Center set up completed in November 2023 with necessary equipments. 2 Resource Center at Chowfaldandi for 4 SRGS and 1 at Khuruskul Ashrayon Prokaipo for 3 SRGs. At present Tailoring group have been producing Selowar, Kamiz, Frock, Maxi, Blouse, Petty court, Flazu, Half Phant. Embroidery group have been producing Baby kantha, Hoop Art, Wall mat and Block-Batik group have been producing Kamiz, Orna, Baby Frock, Fatua.

Output 3: Vulnerable, marginalized people who do not yet have access to government services improve their economic and social needs with NGO support and advocacy work

Activity-3.1: Develop Calendar/IEC/BCC materials on Human Rights, Disability Inclusion, Gender Mainstreaming, DRR, Green House Effect

Calendar for 2023 in February'23 and for 2024 in Decembe'23 and IEC/BCC materials developed and printed. Calendar distribution completed and IEC/BCC materials are distributing in different event as and when necessary.

Activity-3.2: Conduct court yard meeting at community level for awareness on Health, Early Marriage, Dowry, Social Harmony, Human Rights, Disability Inclusion, Gender Mainstreaming, DRR, Green House Impact and Climate Change



Courtyard Meeting

In this reporting period from 27th September'23 to the 4th December'23 conducted 12 courtyard meeting in Chowfaldandi and Khuruskul. Before conducting the meeting an orientation session for each topics arranged at PHALS Sub Office/Resource Center for the Community Volunteers. A total of 303 female participants attend in the meeting.

After the session meeting participants is requested to share the important learnings with their family members. Through the session community level awareness is being increasing about the subject matter.

Activity-3.3: Observe two World Environment Day 5 June.

On the 5th June'23 PHALS celebrated World Environment Day in a befitting manner in Chowfaldandi Union under Cox's Bazar Sadar upazila followed by Rally, Saplings distribution and dialogue with local stakeholders with the theme of the year "Solutions to Plastic Pollution" with the cooperation of Malteser International. UP representative, School Teachers, Social Leader, School Students were present in the program. Chairman of the Union Mr. Mujibur Rhaman graced the event as chief guest. MI Project Coordinator was attend the program.



Rally of World Environmental Day

From the event they became aware about the importance of Environment especially plastic pollution, its effect, impact and solution to recover the pollution. Total 213 participants ((M-88, F-125) attend the program.

Activity-3.4: Observe two International Day of Climate Action, 24 Oct

For this day observation 2 program arranged in 2 union in the reporting period where 152 participants (M-57, F-95) were present- On the 22nd October'23 International Day of Climate Action 2023 observed at Khuruskul Ashrayon Prokalpo. A post rally discussion was also held in govt. Ashroyon prokolpo premises . Wherein Mr. Aktar Kamal 1#Ward Councillor of Cox's Bazar Powrashava graced the event as Chief Guest.



Intl Climate Action Day Observe Rally Lead by UP Chairman

On the 23rd October'23 observed the program followed by rally and awareness meeting in it's working area Chowfuldandi Union of Sadar Upazila, Cox's Bazar. Wherein Chairman Chowfal-dandi graced the event as Chief Guest. Council-lors, Union Disaster Mangement Committee members, School Teachers, Ansar- VDP mem-bers and CPP volunteers participate in the event along with community people. From the meeting they became aware and share about Climate change, its impact and coupling mechanism.

Output 4: Vulnerable people and their communities are equipped and strengthened in their DiDDR and climate change adaptation skills.

Activity-4.1: Form two DRR Responsive community Volunteer groups/14 volunteers from SHG members

DRR Responsive community Volunteer group's formation held at Chowfal-dandi-2 Resource Center on the 16th October'23. Each group

members selected 2 volunteers from each group as per their consent. Total volunteers 14 for 7 SRGs. They are organized in 2 groups in 2 union. They are committed to work for their communities DRR.

Activity-4.2: Provide 3days training(with refreshment) on Disaster Risk Reduction (Cyclone, Flood, Firing, Earthquake) to DRR responsive community volunteer/14 volunteers

3 days Disaster Risk Reduction training for DRR responsive community volunteers held on 26.12.23 to 28.12.23 at Hotel UNI RESORT, Kalatoli, Cox's Bazar followed by Mock drill as practical demonstration. 14 Female volunteers from 7 SRGs of Chowfal-dandi and Khuruskul attend in the training. PHALS management is grateful to DRRO, PIO-Cox's Bazar Sadar, PIO-Moheshkhali, PIO-Ukhiya, DAD-Fire Service Station, Cox's Bazar, Fire Service Station Officer-Cox's Bazar Sadar, Station Officer-Ramu, Project Coordinator- MI for their cordial support and cooperation and facilitation.



DRR Training Facilitation by Sr. Station Officer



Activity-4.3: Provide materials/tools for DRR to SRGs/DMC; establish seed and food bank within SRG

Following DRR materials/tools were purchased-Torch Light, Gum Boot, Hand Mike, Rain Coat, Helmet, First Aid Box, Life Jacket-7 items for Community DRR responsive Community Volunteers.

Activity-4.4: Community development projects / tree plantations

400 saplings have been distributed among 200 people on the 5th June'23 in World Environment Day observation program. They planted the saplings. Its survival rate so far we came to know its around 30% due to draught and Salinity.

Activity-4.5: Presentation of awards for outstanding actions by climate resilience pioneers

For selecting the outstanding performer we announced the criteria for selection as follows:-

- Those working on climate change and disaster risk reduction
- Takes a leading role in preventing environmental disasters - planting trees himself and encouraging others
- Participates in disaster/environment/climate change awareness meetings, rallies, meetings and encourages/motivates others including local residents.
- Maintains regular contact with the people of vulnerable areas, Union Parishad, Disaster Management Committee, CPP, Upazila during disaster.
- Came forward to benefit the local people during the calamity.
- Requested to provide name of the candidates participation details of the person involved in such activities and photographs (if possible) of the participation in the activities should be sent to the Project Coordinator-BMZ PT Project, PHALS. The champion will be declared after scrutinizing by the organization (Involving UP Chairman, ED) and the champion will be awarded with crest and prize at Union Disaster management committee meeting.

Based on that we selected 3 Champions in

Climate Resilience considering their involvement in WDMC, UDMC, CPP, different Day observation, Disaster response in their community, networking/collaboration with different DMC's, UP, UZ representatives, Local administration, tree plantation. UP Chairman, Counselor, UP members act as selection members with organization's ED. Finally, 2 champions have been selected from Chowfaldandi and 1 Champion selected from Khuruskul. On the 26th December'23 they have been awarded with crest and prize in PHALS Head Office.



Award Receiving by Climate Action Champion

Project support measures, coordination and monitoring

- Procured office stationary, Furniture: Table-2, Chair-2, File Cabinet-1, Shelf-1, Motorbike-2, Laptop-3, Printer-1, Resource center and training equipments have been purchased as per procurement policy of the organization guided by MI.
- MI representatives, PHALS Executive Director, Sr, staff's pay visit in project area, talked with the participants, provided required feedback to ensure the quality of the work.
- Arranged 9 monthly staff meeting for project activity planning, progress review, sharing challenges and way of overcome for proper planning and implementation of the project activity.

- Build strong network collaboration with UP representative, UZ administration, related Nation Building Departments of UZ and district. Also develop network with University of Dhaka for Coastal Based Community People's Climate Change and Livelihood Adaptation Study and Daffodil International University, Dhaka for Base-line survey
- A baseline study on "Resilience Strengthening of Vulnerable Population in Northern, Western And Eastern Bangladesh Through a Network Approach of 5 Partner Organizations" of PHALS conducted by Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS), Daffodil International University (DIU) in July 2023 with the leadership of the study Prof. Dr. Md Kabirul Islam, Professor & Dean, FGS, DIU; Expertise: Interdisciplinary research, Collaboration, Data Science and Management, Research System.
- Arranged project activity and organizational policy orientation for the staffs.

SUPPORT TO FDMN IN COX'S BAZAR IN EDUCATION AND WASH SECTOR

Project focusing area

Community Based Learning Facilities.(CBLF)

Partners/Donor

GAC and DFEAT

Project duration

September 2023-August 2024

Project Coverage Area

Camp 4 Ext

About Project

Cox's Bazar is a district located in the south-eastern part of Bangladesh. The area of Cox's Bazar especially Ukhia and Teknaf upazila has been experienced a large influx of Rohingya refugees since August 2017, due to persecution upon Rohingya Community in Myanmar. Now the refugee camp in Cox's Bazar is the largest camp

in the world, hosting over 1100,000 refugees. The influx of refugees has been put a strain on the resources of the host community and disrupted the education system in the area. Many Rohingya children have lack of access to quality education, with limited learning spaces, resources, and qualified teachers. Continuing the education of Rohingya children is now very essential following Myanmar curriculum with their own language from their children's early childhood development. Funded by Pooled Fund, technical supported BRAC the PHALS intended education support project with Community Based Learning Facilities in Camp -10 in Palongkhali union of Ukhia Upazila under Cox's Bazar district.

Under the project, 168 students (Girl-92 and 76 Boys) whose age 3-5 years will be enrolled with quality education by 10 teachers (7 Rohingya and 3 host teachers.) To give support and

•monitoring the project activities along with project staff, Community Based Learning Facility Management Committees will be involved. The project duration is one year but extendable upon implementing partner and donor agreement as education is living project.

This project aims to improve quality education for FDMN children in camp -10, Ukhiya Cox's Bazar district which is stood by five expected result viz.

1. Quality education for 168 Forcibly Displaced Myanmar Nationals children in camp-4 Ext, Cox's Bazar Enrolled,
2. Learning Centre 10 teachers' skill and capacity enhanced,
3. Awareness on Social psychology of 168 Forcibly Displaced Myanmar Nationals Students increased,
4. Community engagement and participation for quality education of 168 Forcibly Displaced Myanmar Nationals students ensured, and 5. Coordination and correlation with other actors, GoB as well increased.

Goal

To support the FDMN children in achieving universal education through accessibility, quality assurance, community engagement and system strengthening.

Objectives

- i. Expanding and strengthening immediate access to equitable learning opportunities in a safe and protective environment for crisis-affected refugee girls and boys aged 3-5 years old;
- ii. Providing quality inclusive education to refugee.
- iii. Ensuring refugee ownership and active participation and engagement;

Beneficiaries information:

Total learners: 168, Girls-92, boys-76

Monthly parents meeting

Parents meeting are held every three months. Children's parents attend the meeting. In the meeting various agenda such as Learners attendance, Learning progress, Safeguarding, PSEA, Gender violence, PSS, Environment, Cleanliness were discussed.



Quarterly Parents meeting

Monthly staff and teachers meeting

Teachers meeting is held once every month. ECD center's previous month's negative feedback and next month's target are discussed. Various curriculum and lesson methods were discussed in the meeting.



Monthly Teachers meeting

Training

There are various training programs to improve the skills of the teachers. Pedagogy training is one of them. The teachers have been already been given this training. CIC Madam inspected the training session.



CIC Most. Nikhat Ara visited Pedagogy training session at camp 4 Ext.

Teachers & staff orientation

An orientation was done with staff and national teachers. Orientation is done with organization's policies and project activities.



Host teachers & staff orientation

Achievement

improve quality of Education for the children of Forcibly Displaced Myanmar Nationals in Cox's Bazar.



Early Childhood Development center

Challenge

- Lack of qualified female teachers.
- Lack of spaces to establish CBLF.
- Coping up with the unpredictable situation/incidents

Learnings

The learning of education project, through play young children can easily develop their physical, mental and cognitive development. Children can learn easily in a child friendly environment. Therefore the more children can be entertained through play, children interested in education increase.

Conclusion

Al though there are some challenges in the initial stage of project implementation. By taking appropriate steps it has been able to move towards successful project implementation. Hopeful we will be able to fully achieve the goals and objective of the project.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE FOR FDMN AND HOST COMMUNITIES IN COX'S BAZAR DISTRICT, BANGLADESH

Donor

Malteser International

Project Areas

Cox's Bazar District and Rohingya Camp in project locations of PHALS if invited into a collaborative response to pool resources.

Project Indicators

- o Nr of days within which assistance was provided to the affected population following government approval/sector coordination planning. Target: 3 days
- o Nr of contingency plans developed/revised with Partners. Target: 4
- o Nr of people reached through emergency response with NFI, vouchers or cash assistance

Project Achievements

- 6 families who affected by house burned under PM Khali union, Sadar Upazila in Cox's Bazar received BDT 10,000/- each. The affected house burned family head received the money through UNO of Sadar Upazila, at his officer on 16 Feb 2023.
- FDMN 100 family members who were affected by makeshift fire in Camp-11, Palongkhali, Ukhia, received NFI kits (For Adult Male: 2 Lungi, 2 T-Shirt, 1 Plastic/Rubber Slipper; Adult Female: 2 Thami, 2 Blouse, 1 Orna/Scarf,

1 Plastic/Rubber Slipper; Adolescent Boy & Girl: 1 Lungi, 1 Thami, 2 T-Shirt, 1 Plastic/Rubber Slipper; Boy & Girl (6-11): 2 Elastic Trouser, 2 T-Shirt, 1 Plastic/Rubber Slipper; Infant & Toddlers (1-5): 2 Elastic Pants, 2 T-Shirt, 1 Plastic/Rubber Slipper) from PHALS under Emergency Preparedness and Response for FDMN and Host Community Project in Bangladesh on 22 March 2023.

- 200 Pieces of Rechargeable Energy Torchlights to use at night during the cyclone distributed in Ramu, Sadar and Pakua Upazila among Disaster Management of Committee members and community volunteers by local administration on 13 May 2023.

- To response cyclone Mocha PHALS distributed 200 pieces of LED rechargeable energy torch among Disaster Management Committee members and Community Volunteers (100 pieces for Cox's Bazar Sadar Upzila, 50 pieces for Ramu Upazila and another 50 pieces for Pakua Upazila) by Local Administration on 13 May 2023.

- On 14 May 2023 collaborated with Local Administration Dry Food Support for 500 HH in Cox's Bazar Sadar Upazila (Per Package Flatter Rice/chira 1kg, sugar 500g, Liquid milk 200ml, lexis biscuit 8 packets (Mini), candle 3pieces, gas lighter 1) those who were took shelter in cyclone centers Cox's Bazar Sadar during the flood emerged.

- On 9-10 August 2023, during flood flash in Cox's Bazar, PHALS collaborated with local administration distributed dried food among 1000 families (per family Flatter rice 250gr, Puppated rice 250gr, Water 1.50 litre, Biscuit 250gr, Sugarcane molasses 250gr) in Pakua and Chakaria Upazila.

- On 3 Oct 2023 post distribution monitoring conducted headed by Mr Akhyai Mong Marma (A MonG) at Konakhali union under Chakaria Upazila, Cox's Bazar.



Clothing kit support for FDMN

During the monitoring visit, there were conducted three Focus Group Discussions. 1. Female Group, 2. Male Group and 3. Mix Group. Usually PDM conducts organization contingency plan and SoP after distribution of any kits/kind support among the community. The objective of the PDM was to know the relief receiver information, distribution process, about the flood situation, utilization of the support and feedback/complain/opinion/suggestions.

- On 7 December 2023, 60 affected families in Kudubdia Para, Samitee Para under Cox's Bazar Purasabha who were affected by cyclone Hamoon received household utensils as pitchers-1, mug-1, rice pot-1, curry pot-1, jug-1, water pot (Bodna)-1 from PHALS. During the distribution Pourasava ward commissioner 1,2,3, Shahe-
na Akter Pakhi Pakhi and PHALS EC Board Member A K M Mahtabul Islam were present.



Emergency Food support for Flood affected people



PHALS Emergency response team in action during flood

PHALS BENEFICIARIES VOICE



Sami's smile

Saidul Islam Sami

Saidul Islam Sami (10) is physically handicapped by birth. His left leg is missing below the knee since birth. Sami is the first child of daily laborer Nasir Uddin and Shakila, a resident of Larpara, bus terminal of Cox's Bazar city. Nasir Uddin could not afford Sami's education and expensive medical expenses due to his low income. PHALS-BANI Academy received Samir's information, after the Academy's due process, Sami was admitted to PHALS-BANI Academy Shelter Home, where he is receiving Food, Shelter, education, treatment and everything else. Following the application, "Shriners Hospital for Children" located in the city of Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, took responsibility for the treatment of Sami's feet along with all the expenses. Saidul Islam Sami and PHALS-BANI Academy Project Manager Rasadul Islam Shohel left for America on December 10 with Singapore Airlines. On December 26, 2023, Dr. Anu and his expert team at Shriners' Hospital for Children, Hawaii completed Sami's successful leg and hand

surgery. It will take 1.5 to 2 months for him to fully recover. Later, he will have a prosthetic leg attached to his left leg to allow him to walk and play sports normally.

He is in class Three in the PHALS- Taiyama Primary School.

He Says,

"After my treatment, I will be able to walk and play sports like everyone else, so I am very happy. I will be grateful to PHALS-BANI Academy for providing such good treatment for me. I want to study and become a doctor to treat children like me."

Rozina dreams to be a Successful Entrepreneur

Rozina Akhter age 36 years, her father's name is Dudu Mia and mother's name is Laila Begum, lives in Khurushkul Ashryon Prokalpo. After marriage her married life was happy. After 7 years of marriage Rozina gave birth to a beautiful daughter. Husband Shah Alam could not



Rozina is on her way to fulfilling her dream

accept her to give birth to a daughter. Husband Shah Alam wanted to be the father of a son. So husband Shah Alam developed a love relationship with another girl. Her husband Shah Alam had an almost daily quarrel with Rozina Akhtar for telling her that he was in love with another girl and at one point her husband Shah Alam beat up Rozina Akhtar. Unable to bear the violence, Rozina moved to her father Dudu Mia's house at times of her 6 month's old daughter. After Rozina moved to her father's house, husband Shah Alam entered into a second marriage and sent divorce papers to Rozina Akhtar.

After divorcing, Rozina Akhtar filed a case in the name of her husband Shah Alam. But Rozina Akhtar did not get any benefit from filing the case, because the case was defeated by Shah Alam Tucker. In a cruel twist of fate, Rozina took refuge from her father Dudu Mia with her daughter. At present, Rozina Akhtar with her 7 years old daughter is living in Sampan building Room-505 in Khurushkul Ashrayon Prokalpo near her father Dudu Mia.

In this situation, under Resilience Strengthening of Vulnerable Populations in northern, western and eastern Bangladesh through a Network Approach of 5 Partner Organizations project implemented by the non-governmental development organization PHALS supported by Malteser International, implementation of various development works in Khurushkul Union and Chowfaldandi Union of Cox's Bazar district with poor families, ultra-poor families, widows and abandoned families. In 2023, beneficiary survey for the project was started, at one stage of the survey Rozina Akhtar's name was included. Non-governmental development organization PHALS established tailoring, embroidery block-batik training in Khurushkul Ashrayon Prokalpo Resource Center and begin technical and financial support for the helpless unemployed family members in the society. Rozina Akhtar is taking training on tailoring in the said training center.

Rozina Akhtar said that she has been feeling

comfort by receiving training on tailoring from PHALS supported by Malteser International's training center close to her house with no cost. Among the participants she is the best performer. Her sewing quality is very good. From the SRG members group savings they will buy required equipment & produce quality products and sell it to the market for better livelihood. She also wants to take rent a shop at their Ashrayon Prokalpo for maintaining her household expenses independently.

She expressed her thoughts to be a successful entrepreneur, her cute girl child will be educated and she hopes to establish in the society. She thanked the non-governmental development organization PHALS for standing beside the climate migrated people and their unemployed family members to become financially independent in the society.

Thanks for standing beside the Persons with Disability family



Jesmin Akter

Jesmin Akter lives in Chowfaldandi Bazarpara, Ward#2 of Chowfaldandi Union. She is 22 years of old. Her father's name is Muhammad Nabi and mother late Sabe Meraj. She is the youngest among three brothers and sisters. Jasmin Akhtar has two brothers.

The elder brother is mentally disabled, second brother works as a day laborer. When Jesmin Akter was one and a half years old Jasmine Akhter's mother Sabe Meraj died. A year after her mother's death father Mohammad Nabi remarried and left the children. After Jasmine Akhter's father Mohammad Nabi married her another three brothers and sisters became orphans. Then Jesmin Akter Akhter and two brothers were brought up in the house of their grandparents.

Jesmin Akter is currently living in different relatives and neighbor's houses. Jasmin Akhter's elder brother is a disabled person who wanders on the streets, Meij's brother is married and living separately. She becomes helpless with her younger brother and sister along with person with her disable elder brother.

At that time, with the support of Malteser International non-governmental organization PHALS conducted a survey for "Resilience Strengthening of Vulnerable Populations in Northern, Western and Eastern Bangladesh through a Network Approach of 5 Partner Organization" project's beneficiary selection in April-May 2023 at Chowfaldandi Union of Cox's Bazar Sadar UZ, Cox's Bazar district. The name of orphan Jesmin Akter of Bazarpara, Chowfaldandi Union was included in the survey on behalf of her elder brother as the family member of Persons with Disability. And finally she was selected for Block-Batik training considering her family's vulnerability. After that Jasmin Akhtar started Block-Batik training at Chowfaldandi-1 Resource Center for three months from November 2023.

Jasmin Akhtar regularly comes to the training center, carefully receives the training both practical and theoretical. Her training performance is better than others. Besides the Trainer she was found to help others for their better understanding. She can tie the knot properly and color combination/mixing performance is very good. Now, Jesmin Akter can complete the Block-Batik work very well and hope that if everything is okay then she will be able to maintain her living with her persons with disable elder brother &

other family members in a better way by producing different types and designs Block-Batik product as per market demand of Cox's Bazar. Regarding this initially she seeks support from Self Resilience Group (SRG) leader and Project Marketing Officer. She thanked PHALS and Malteser International for standing beside the persons with disability family for creating the options and dreaming for a better livelihood.

"My dream is no far away" **-Hadisa Mukarrama**

Mukarrama is the second girl in the family of four brothers and sisters. She is 24 Years old. Her father's name is late Samsul Alam, mother's name is Mortuza Begum. Once she lived in Samitipara, Dalam Kutubdiapara, Ward No. 1, Cox's Bazar Municipality.



Hadisa Mukarrama

Due to poverty, parents gave her in marriage while she was adolescent of 15 years. Hadisa has 2 children, a 7 years old boy named Habibur Rahman Raihan and a 3 years girl named Hadisa Yasmin Riya. Before Hadisa Yasmin Riya's birth the carpenter husband, died of strangulation in 2019. Father Shamsul Alam died 15 days after her husband's death. After that, Hadisa Mukarrama started living in her mother's house with her 2 small children. Her elder brother Md. Ashek used to work in a shop and support the family but after his marriage the elder brother got separated. Later, younger brother Md. Shaheen took over the family by running a small tea shop in Asharyan Prokalpo. There was another younger sister in the family Mubarka Akhter who married her sister with difficulty. Hadisa Mukarrama's family currently has 5 members and residing in Probal building Room# 408 of Khurushkul Ashrayon Prokalpo

In this situation, with the support of Malteser International under the BMZ-PT project implemented by the non-governmental organization PHALS started beneficiary selection survey at Khurushkul Ashrayon Prokalpo of Khurushkul Union of Cox's Bazar Sadar UZ for the project to find out landless families, abandoned husbands, person with disabilities, widows and poor family members etc in April 2023. Hadisa Mukarrama enlisted as a beneficiary in Embroidery trade. PHALS established a Resource Center in Khurushkul Ashrayon Prokalpo and started training in November 2023 in Tailoring, Embroidery and Block-Batik trade. She started the training activity in embroidery trade at the said training center. From the beginning she attentively attend the training, follows the instruction of the Instructor. She is an advance trainee. Quality of her work is the best among the group.

Seeing her embroidery products her family members, training participants, instructor are very happy. Besides her self-training she helps other participants to know the ins and out of the training for their improvement. Now, she has been enjoying the training, increased her confident for better livelihood and started planning for her



Hadisa Mukarrama

future. Hadisa Mukarrama says—"my dream is no far away" and hoped to establish a shop in the local market beside her SRG. She thanked PHALS for implementing the project and Malteser International for providing financial support to the helpless unemployed family members in the society and hope that PHALS will continue its activities in the future.

Rebuilding Hope after Cyclone Mocha

Name: Chaimyaraung Chakma

Occupation: Day Labour

Location: Telkhola area, Ward 06, Palangkhali Union, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

Background: In the aftermath of Cyclone MOCHA, the Telkhola area in Palangkhali Ward No. 6 faced severe damages. Door-to-door assessments were conducted by PHALS field staff,

in collaboration with local Community-Based Organization (CBO) members, to identify the affected families. Subsequently, the Cyclone Mocha Response project, funded by Australian Aid and facilitated by BRAC, was initiated to address the housing needs of the cyclone-affected population.

Challenges Faced: Upon identifying Chaimyaraung Chakma's family as eligible beneficiaries, several challenges arose during the project implementation.



Chaimyaraung Chakma's family

Accessibility: The lack of proper roads made it challenging to transport construction materials to the beneficiary's house.

Fence Issue: Initially, there was confusion regarding the repair plan, specifically concerning the house's balcony and adjoining fence.

Overcoming Challenges

Community Support: CBO members played a crucial role in overcoming accessibility issues by assisting in transporting construction materials to Chaimyaraung Chakma's house.

Customized Solutions: The project team collaborated with the family to address specific needs, including modifying the repair plan to focus on the balcony and adjoining fence, ensuring the family's comfort.

Project Success: With collaborative efforts and creative problem-solving, Chaimyaraung Chakma's house was beautifully reconstructed. The family, previously facing challenges during

adverse weather conditions, now has a safe and secure place to call home. The bamboo fence added an aesthetic touch to their surroundings, showcasing the community's resilience and determination.



*Chaimyaraung Chakma's
Repaired house*

Expression of Gratitude: Chaimyaraung Chakma and his family express deep gratitude to Australian Aid, BRAC, and PHALS for their support. The project not only provided physical shelter but also restored hope and security to a family that had endured significant hardships. The success story of Chaimyaraung Chakma stands as a testament to the positive impact of collaborative efforts in post-disaster reconstruction, demonstrating the transformative power of community-driven projects.

Rebuilding Lives - Kalabda Chakma's Journey

Name: Kalabda Chakma

Occupation: Day Labour

Location: Ward 06, Palangkhali Union, Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

Background: In the aftermath of Cyclone MOCHA, Palangkhali Ward No. 6 Telkhola area faced extensive damage. PHALS field staff, alongside local Community-Based Organization (CBO) members, conducted door-to-door assessments to identify affected families. Subsequently, the Cyclone Mocha Response project, funded by Australian Aid and facilitated by BRAC,

was initiated to address the housing needs of the cyclone-affected population.

Challenges Faced: Upon identifying Kalabda Chakma's family as eligible beneficiaries, challenges emerged during the project implementation:

Accessibility: Kalabda Chakma's house lacked a road for vehicles, posing a challenge in transporting construction materials.

Overcoming Challenges:

Community Support: CBO members played a pivotal role in overcoming the accessibility challenge, providing assistance in transporting construction materials to Kalabda Chakma's house.

Challenges Faced: Upon identifying Kalabda Chakma's family as eligible beneficiaries, challenges emerged during the project implementation:



Kalabda Chakma's family

Accessibility: Kalabda Chakma's house lacked a road for vehicles, posing a challenge in transporting construction materials.

Overcoming Challenges:

Community Support: CBO members played a pivotal role in overcoming the accessibility challenge, providing assistance in transporting construction materials to Kalabda Chakma's house.

Project Success: With collaborative efforts and strategic solutions, Kalabda Chakma's house was beautifully reconstructed. The family, previously vulnerable to the elements due to the cyclone's destruction, now has a secure and



Kalabda Chakma's Repaired House

weather-resistant shelter.

Expression of Gratitude: Kalabda Chakma and his family express deep gratitude to Australian Aid, BRAC, and Pulse for their support. The reconstructed house brings not only physical protection but also relief from the uncertainties of rain and adverse weather conditions. The success story of Kalabda Chakma exemplifies the positive impact of community-driven projects in rebuilding lives and fostering resilience in the face of natural disasters. The family is now equipped with a safe haven, and their gratitude echoes the transformative power of collaborative initiatives in post-disaster recovery.

AT A GLANCE OF OUTCOME



PHALS Pre-Primary Education

10 School have total 329 Students including 133 Boys and 196 Girls. Passing Rate 97%. Pre-Primary to Primary Enrollment Rate 95%.



PHALS Tyama Primary Education

A total of 150 Students including 60 Boys and 90 Girls were admitted. Passing Rate 100%. Primary to High School Enrollment 22 Students including 8 boys & 14 girls.



PHALS BANI Academy Center

29 vulnerable Children including 09 Boys and 20 Girls under the age of 06 to 14 were taken care with basic needs and other facilities to make their life bright.



TOGETHER Project

Under this project PHALS increase their organizational capacity in different areas. Besides capacity development PHALS doing advocacy in Localization field under this project.



Cyclone "Mocha" Response Project

A total of 568 people including 266 male and 302 female of Ukhiya and Teknaf Upazila received House reconstruction, latrine reconstruction, and new latrines set up support



PHALS BMZ-PT Project

Under this project 210 vulnerable and climate refugee female participants gradually improve their socioeconomic condition through engage different activities like tailoring, block batik, hand painting ect.



SUPPORT TO FDMN IN COX'S BAZAR IN EDUCATION AND WASH

Under the project, 168 students (Girl-92 & 76 Boys) whose age 3-5 years has been enrolled. Provided quality education by 10 teachers (7 Rohingya and 3 host teachers.)

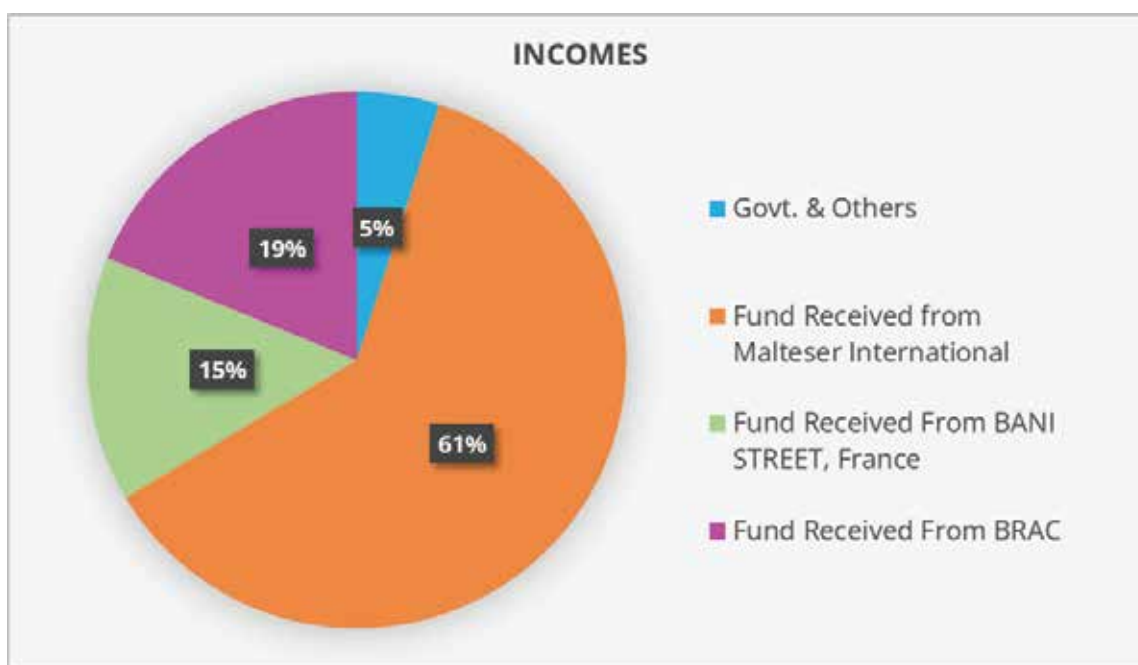


EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE Project

Cash support of 10,000 BDT each was provided to six households in the host community, and NFI kits were distributed to 100 Rohingya households in the fair incident

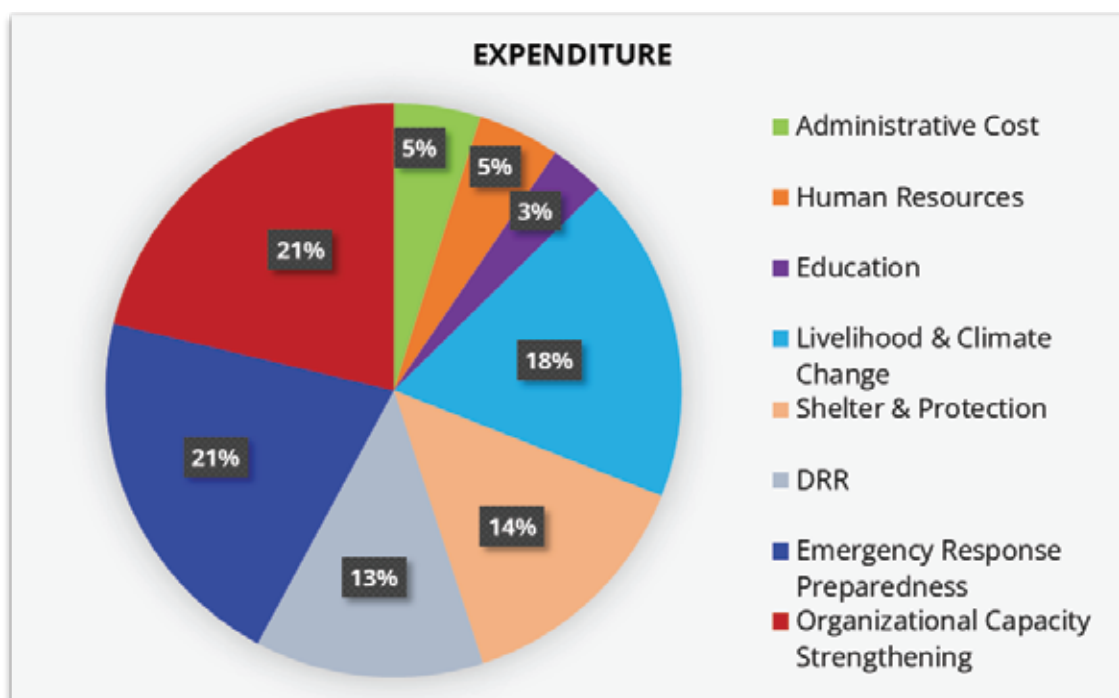
PHALS INCOME 2023

INCOMES		
Particulars	Amount	Total
Donation From Youth Development	40,000	39,395,223
Bank Interest	26,755	
Foreign Donation	37,370,675	
Income From Training Center	56,370	
Members Subscription Fee	250,000	
Overhead Received	852,251	
Rent for Land	630,000	
Sub Office Rent Received From Different Project	169,172	



PHALS EXPENDITURE 2023

EXPENDITURE		
Particulars	Amount	Total
Administrative Cost	1,899,120	38,950,389
Human Resources	1,796,000	
Program Cost		
1. Education	1,217,342	
2. Livelihood & Climate Change	7,161,584	
3. Shelter & Protection	5,447,579	
4. DRR	5,006,813	
5. Emergency Response Preparedness	8,139,057	
6. Organizational Capacity Strengthening	8,282,894	
Excess of Income over Expenditure :		444,834



ORGANIZATIONAL GOVERN

PHALS has been operating by a legal constitution which has been approved by the general body of PHALS. The general body comprises twenty-one members while the Executive Committee have 7 members. The Executive Committee is indeed the supreme authority and its members are elected by the General body members through direct votes for 2 years duration. The majority of the members of the Executive Committee (EC) are social workers under a mandatory provision. Management of PHALS governed by the EC. In the EC, members are different professionals. President may Act as Honorary Chief Executive of the Organization. Executive Committee is also approved by the Directorate of Social welfare.

HUMAN RESOURCE

A total of Sixty five 65 staff including partime teachers . Male 39 & Female 26.
Voluteer 6. male 3 & Female 3.

HUMBLE SUPPORT FORM DIFFERENT PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS IN 2023



HUMBLE SUPPORT FROM DIFFERENT PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS



MEMBER WITH DIFFERENT NETWORK AND FORUM

- **Amnesty International**
- **APPRN Asia Pacific Refugee Rights Network**
- **ADAB**
- **Anti-Human Trafficking Committee, Cox's Bazar**
- **Cox's Bazar Civil Society NGO Forum (CCNF)**
- **Civics**
- **District Child Protection Network, Cox's Bazar**
- **District Disaster Management Committee, Cox's Bazar**
- **District Legal Aid Committee, Cox's Bazar**
- **FNB (Federation of NGO's In Bangladesh)**
- **Human Rights Education Association, Switzerland**
- **National Protibondi Foundation of Bangladesh Women and Child protection Network Cox's Bazar**
- **NGO Platform**



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