



Supporting Rohingya Refugees in Cox's Bazar camps through the provision of Community Based Protection (CBP)

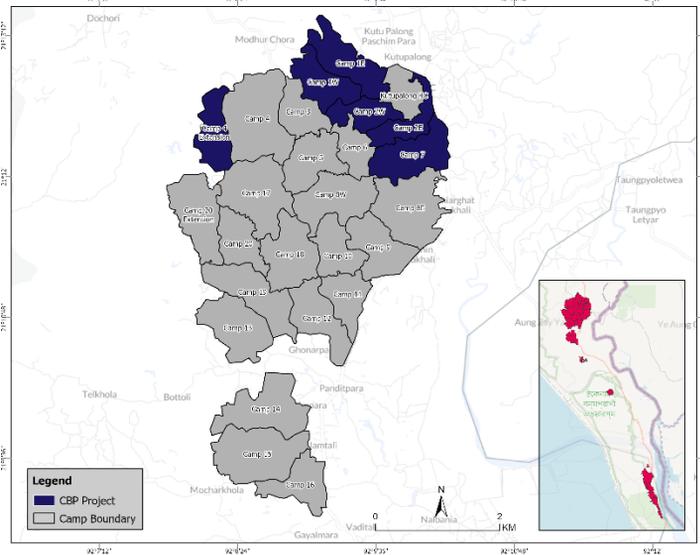


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Background

Acted began operations in Bangladesh in 2018, responding to the needs of Rohingya populations who fled Myanmar's Rakhine State due to persecution. Our teams implement IM, WASH, Protection, Emergency and SCCCM intervention projects in the country to support the most vulnerable populations.

Acted, in collaboration with UNHCR, has been implementing a 12-month Community-Based Protection (CBP) project from January 2025, across multiple camps in Cox's Bazar camp settlement. This project focuses on enhancing community engagement, building capacity, and strengthening protection systems. The project supports Community Groups (CG), Religious Groups (RE), manages the Community Outreach Member (COM) network, and Complaint Feedback Response Mechanisms (CFRMs), and organizes Community Center (CC) activities to promote inclusivity and foster social cohesion.



Map 1: Acted's Community-Based Protection (CBP) sites

Key numbers on the project



279,539 individuals reached through awareness-raising sessions



101,467 Individuals participated in Community Center activities



139 Community Outreach Members (COMs)



36,925 feedback/requests received through CFRM



3,020 people with specific needs identified



241 Community-led projects



13,446 Beneficiaries of community-led projects



104 Peaceful coexistence and social cohesion initiatives

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Community-led Initiatives

Acted's CBP project in Cox's Bazar has implemented **241** Saturday Solidarity projects and community-led initiatives, empowering local communities through conflict resolution, protection awareness, skill-building, and social cohesion. These initiatives were driven by volunteers, fostering ownership and strengthening local protection systems under Acted's monitoring. By involving the community in decision-making, the project enhances resilience and promotes local ownership in the camps.



Social Cohesion

Social cohesion in Acted's CBP project has initiatives aimed at strengthening relationships within and between refugee and host communities. Through trust-building, conflict resolution, and joint community activities, the project fosters mutual understanding and peaceful coexistence. These efforts contribute to a more inclusive, resilient, and supportive environment, where communities work together to address shared challenges and build a stronger future.



Community Participation

Community participation in Acted's CBP project is promoted through awareness sessions led by ISC staff, with Community Outreach Members (COMs) organizing outdoor games, including Chinlone and LUDO competitions, art contests, and cultural and religious events. These activities foster community engagement and strengthen protection systems with participation from various types of beneficiaries. These are always with the participation of the Camp-in-Charge and other local authorities of Bangladesh.

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This **Community-Based Protection** project aligns with Acted's **3ZERO** mandate by ensuring **Zero Exclusion** through inclusive activities like the Community Outreach Member network, promoting **social cohesion** via community-led initiatives, and supporting **Zero Poverty** through livelihood opportunities and skills-building for the Rohingya refugees.

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