Corona Virus COVID-19
Situation Report 3
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Bangladesh Red Crescent Society

COVID-19 Situation Overview

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<td>Confirmed Cases</td>
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<td># Quarantine / # Released</td>
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Source of Info.

IEDCR, DGHS, CSSE at John Hopkins University

WHO, CSSE at John Hopkins University

Actions Taken from Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS)

Emergency coordination meetings on COVID-19 response take place at BDRCS National Headquarters every day.

Important updates from BDRCS response to COVID-19 so far:

1221
RCY volunteers (965 male and 256 female) supporting the initiatives of disinfection spray at selected hospitals and important public places as well as hygiene kit & leaflet distribution throughout the country.

69
National Headquarters along with all 68 branch offices working on COVID-19 Response. All 69 offices carrying out awareness raising activities while 49 includes disinfection spraying.

100,000+
People received life-saving awareness messages through social media (i.e. Facebook live, TVC etc.)

500+
Approximately 400 staff and volunteers along with midwives from all 56 MCH centers got official orientation on COVID-19.

Figure 1: Daily Identified COVID-19 Cases in Bangladesh (March 8-28, 2020).
BDRCS will allocate necessary funds for ongoing disinfectant activities as needed to carry out through branch offices. For timely fund transfer, appropriate medium will be utilized.

Standard isolation/quarantine policy must be followed for RCY volunteers at branch offices and NHQ who participates in disinfectant spraying. To better serve the emergency plan of actions, different groups are formed to work on rotation basis to reduce workload and stress.

BDRCS decided to provide 75000 food parcels (7.5 kg rice, 1 kg pulse, 1ltr edible oil, 0.5 kg sugar, 0.5 kg salt, 0.5kg Suiji) through NHQ and 68 branch offices.

Cyclone Preparedness Program (CPP) has undertaken several initiatives to utilize its volunteers and staff to cooperate with local government in all 13 coastal districts. Particular actions taken through CPP in Cox’s Bazar:

- **1761** CPP volunteers (camp & host working in camps) are oriented on handwashing and COVID 19 key messages (total target 3400);
- **80,576pcs** IEC Materials on hand washing in the form of poster and leaflet have been distributed in camp settlements and **40500pcs** among host community;
- **8720** pieces of Surgical masks and 400 hand sanitizers provided to PMO-BDRCS, Government and CPP staff working on COVID-19 in Cox’s Bazar.

A number of initiatives has been undertaken in Cox’s Bazar through Population Movement Operation (PMO) to reduce the risk of coronavirus. Medical staff, Community Health Mobilizers, and Community Volunteers are oriented on COVID-19. They are engaged in disseminating messages on COVID 19. In addition, orientation and training were provided to WASH personnel and staff of PNSs.

- Photo 3: Awareness Raising Activities by RCY Volunteers
- Photo 4: Disinfectant spraying at hospitals by RCY volunteers
- Photo 5: RCY volunteers assisting local government’s food distribution activities in Gopalganj district.

**Response from Government of Bangladesh (GoB)**

- Hotline Number for COVID-19 Services: **16263 / 333**.

**Response from Non-government Organizations**

Major activities from UN agencies, NGOs and INGOs mainly covering the following activities so far (source: Needs Assessment Working Group SitRep of 25 March 2020):

- Raising awareness through miking, leaflet distribution and awareness session at communities, door to door campaign;
- Providing Personal Protective Equipments;
- Providing food supplies and increasing WASH facilities.

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