WFP News Video
Location: Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh
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SHOTLIST

:00-:17
Camp 10, Ukhiya, Cox’s Bazar
Shot: 27 April 2018
Children playing/walking in a flooded area.
This area became flooded after only a few hours of rain.

:17-:36
Camp 4, Kutupalong extension, Cox’s Bazar
Shot 28 April 2018
WFP pays Rohingya refugees to clear fields so, that those living in flood risk areas can be relocated.

:36-01:09
Shot 3 May 2018, Cox’s Bazar
SOT Peter Guest, Emergency Coordinator WFP Cox’s Bazar
“We need to ensure that our food distribution points are secure and the walkways to those food distribution points are accessible during that time. So there is work going on with slopes stabilization to make sure the beneficiaries can get to those food distribution points. There is also engineering work going on, where we are preparing land for those refugees who are currently located in high risk areas, which are high risk of flooding, will be relocated to those areas on the western side of the camp where the land is more secure.”

01:09-01:14
Shot 28 April 2018
WFP is building a logistics base near the camp to help respond to the upcoming heavy rains and storms.

01:14-01:29
Camp 4, Kutupalong Extension, Cox’Bazar
Shot: 24 April 2018
Rohingya workers preparing the camps for the rainy season.

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- As part of monsoon readiness efforts, WFP is working with refugees to improve food security and resilience in camps through the protection of food distribution points and e-voucher shops, rehabilitation of access roads, slope stabilization in high-risk areas and clearing drainage canals. Hundreds of Rohingya workers are involved every day in Food Assistance for Assets (FFA) activities in exchange for a cash transfer that also improves the food needs of their families.
- WFP urgently needs $213 million to feed more than 800,000 Rohingya refugees in Cox’s Bazar for the rest of 2018.

- Among the refugees, 623,000 are in the mega refugee camp, Kutupalong. Of these, 200,000 are at particular risk of flooding and mudslides during the upcoming monsoon season. The monsoon season in Bangladesh peaks in July and normally continues through September.

- 800 acres of land have been allocated by Government to relocate an estimated 30,000 refugees. This land includes hills, valleys and steep slopes; only a small portion is workable and can be turned in to useable land.

- Of this, WFP is overseeing the earth works for a tripartite project (including UNHCR/IOM/WFP) to prepare land to be used for shelter, out of which 60 acres in the northern part of the camp and 40 acres in the Southern part of the camp will be turned into safe and useable land before the end of May.

- WFP Engineers are building bridges, roads, preparing land for safer relocation, fortifying embankments and clearing drainage channels. We are working to reach all refugees if and when the refugee sites become inaccessible during the monsoon, including using porters and storing at least one month’s supply of food closer to the communities. New distribution points for food and non-food items are being set up to make sure we can reach everyone.

- WFP is also engaging 400 refugee and host community members each day in the works to improve the camp. This includes food for assets activities to improve drainage in the camp and keep roads open. New kitchen facilities have been added where refugees can prepare their own food rations and cooked meals are available for those unable to cook for themselves.

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