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## Emergency Response to Displaced Myanmar Nationals



### Intervention Areas

D-4, D-4 New, D4-11, E4-11, Gulshan Pahar -5,7,8,12, Modurchara Hatimara- Block 7, Modurchara Hatimara Estimate/ Kutupalong Makeshift Extension Camp

### Scenario as of 29 October 2017

- An estimated **607,000** Myanmar nationals have arrived in Bangladesh since August 2017;
- Continuous new influx of Rohingya people is overburdening existing WASH facilities.
- Risks of a public health crisis run high given the surging population and limited space.

### WaterAid's Response

Since 28 September, we have provided:



**56 shallow tubewells** serving 16,800 people. 20 new tubewells have been built in the last week.  
**6,880 jerry cans** serving 29,700 people.



**185 latrines** serving 9,250 people. 64 have been built in the last week.  
**1 tonne bleach** sprayed, serving 5,000 people.



**15 safe shower places** for girls and women.  
**4,940 hygiene kits** serving 24,700 people.

**32 deep tubewells** sites are under construction with 12 new sites added last week.

**47 shallow tubewells** are ready for platform construction.

**133 latrines** are under construction.

**26 safe shower places** for girls and women are under construction, and 10 added in last week.

**7 latrines** completed in 7 health camps established by DG-Health.

**5 shallow tubewells** installed in 5 health camps established by DG-Health



## Key Challenges

Lack of space around the settlements for safely managed excreta.

Public health hazard remains a concern with rising population and lack of sludge management facilities resulting in open disposal of excreta.

A sense of insecurity is surfacing around the working areas due to some recent involvement of Rohingya people in some criminal activities.

## What is needed?

Most of the constructed latrines are getting filled with heavy use, immediate action needed towards Faecal sludge management to avoid outbreak of diseases.

## WaterAid's Engagement

Given our history in the area and our expertise in water, sanitation and hygiene provision, WaterAid is responding to the humanitarian crisis of displaced Myanmar nationals in selected camps in coordination with government and aid agencies.

We are aiming to reach over 75,000 people over the coming weeks and months through our intervention. These interventions are supported by WaterAid ground staff tirelessly working within the camps at this difficult time.

### Partners & Coordination

Government of Bangladesh, Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) and UNICEF.

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## Story from the ground



Md. Selim came to this camp in early September from Rymur Bill, Myanmar. Around 450 people from his village were killed, many of his relatives among them. Selim and the rest of his family escaped,

and seven of them are currently living in another camp. Chased by the fear of death, Selim considers Kutupalong to be a shelter from the horrors he has witnessed. He has built a makeshift home from aid supplies, but there are still no arrangements for toilets and water where he lives, and he has to walk long distances to collect water and access latrines. WaterAid's work in the Kutupalong camp will be essential to Selim and others like him, looking to rebuild their lives in the face of momentous challenges.

**WaterAid has launched an emergency appeal for its work with the displaced Myanmar nationals in Bangladesh. To donate, go to [www.wateraid.org/se/Rohingya](http://www.wateraid.org/se/Rohingya)**