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Cox's Bazar District under the Package of EMCRP/W-3**

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1. Background of the project:

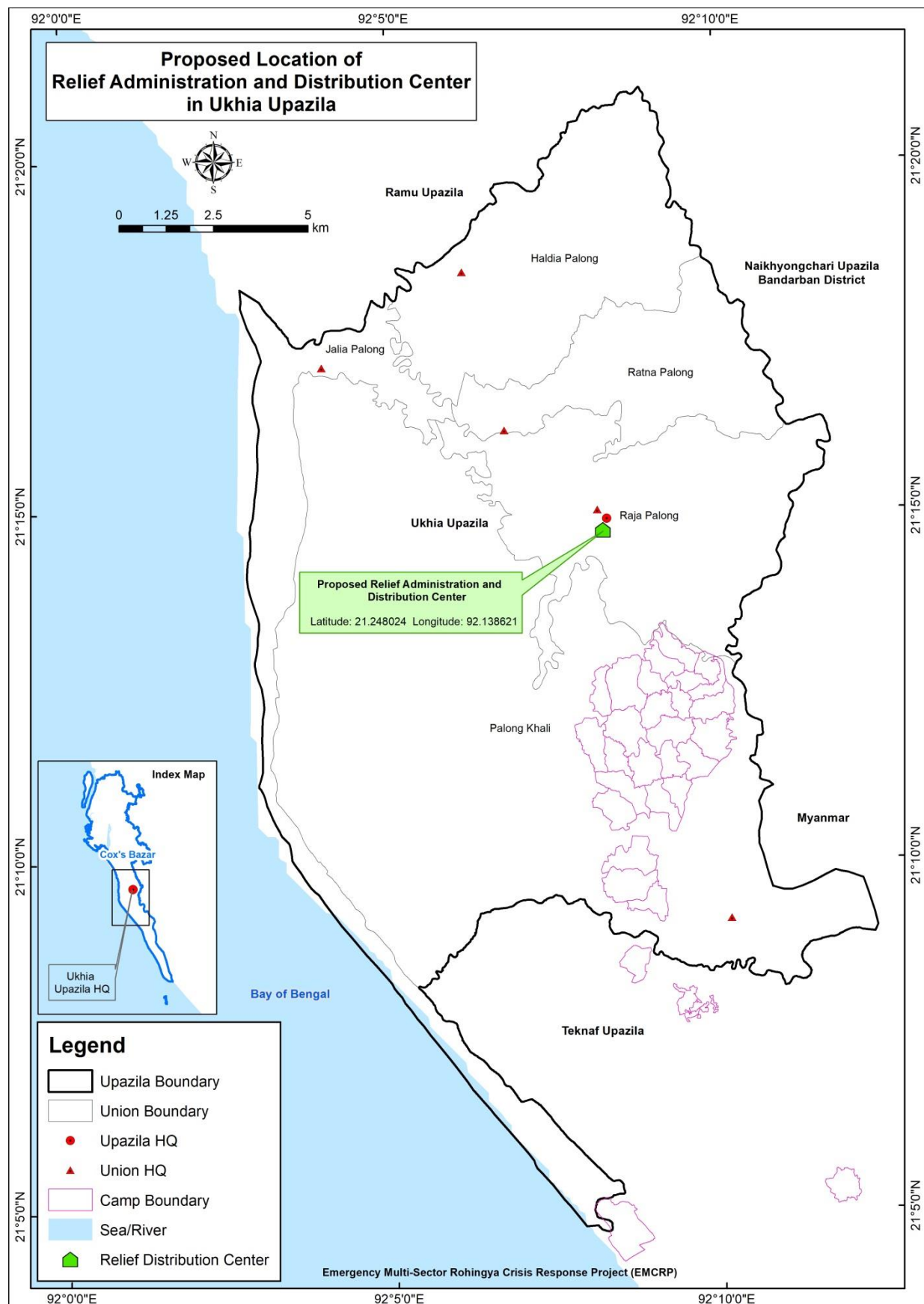
The Local Government Engineering department (LGED) under the ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives (MoLGRD&C) is going to implement Emergency Multi-Sector Rohingya Crisis Response Project (EMCRP) with a view to strengthen the Government of Bangladesh systems to improve access to basic services. The main aims of the Sub project is to establish Relief Administration and Distribution center at Upazila headquarter under Ukhyia Upazila of Cox's Bazar District for ensuring better service delivery system of relief operation and distribution among the targeted beneficiaries. It will also ensure effective coordination with the organization working in Ukhyia Upazila as well as smooth operation of relief distribution activities. As a part of project preparation LGED has adopted Environment and Social management Framework (ESMF) following world Banks operational policy (OP4.12), Resettlement policy framework and the ARIPA (2017).

2. Location of Sub-Projects and Targets

The Location of Sub-project situated in Upazila complex of Ukhyia Upazila under Cox's Bazar district. The sub-project situated at the north by some vacant government land, east by the residence of Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO), south by vacant Government land and west by Government offices. This is the main administrative and operational center of Ukhyia Upazila. The Sub Project picture of existing view and details location Map shows below;



3. Map of Sub-Project Location:



4. Objective of Social Screening:

The main objective of social screening is to identify potential social impact, its significance, and the level of assessment and management required to address them. The objective of screening of this sub-project is to identify potential safeguards compliance issues and social impacts associated with the rehabilitation and improvement works, in order to determine applicability of the World Bank policy such as; OP 4.12 and Bank procedures as well as the Law, rules & regulations of The Government of Bangladesh and the required social management plan.

5. Methodology:

PMU together with social safeguard team visited the sub-projects, conducted FGD, and social screening survey with relevant stakeholders including the local communities. A structured questionnaire were applied to obtain necessary primary data relating to population, Household, Land requirement & Resettlement, Land ownership, losses of land and others assets etc. Further information gathered through interviews of key informants and most importantly stakeholder consultation meeting through FGD approach to capture community opinions and feedback about the proposed sub-project.

6. Summary of Key Findings:

6.1 Scope of Work:

One (01) Relief Administration and Distribution Center will be constructed in Ukhyia Upazila of Cox's Bazar District under the package of EMCRP/W3. It will be constructed on existing Government land, thus project will not require any private land. The proposed location has well connectivity to enter and exit with this relief center, therefore, no additional connecting road will be required.

6.2 Sub Project Impact:

This sub-project will not cause any negative impacts on land, structures, trees, community properties and any other assets. No squatters, vulnerable HHs or any tribal people will be affected.

6.2.1 Land Requirement:

It has revealed that the proposed sub-project will implement on existing government land within the Upazila premises. Moreover, it has found that existing government land is enough to construct the Relief Administration and Distribution Center. So, this sub-project will not cause any negative impacts.

6.2.2 Impact on Structure:

Any structures like homestead, mosque, temple, historical and cultural establishments, business premises, or private infrastructure will not be affected partially or entirely for the sub-project implementation. Therefore, population displacement will not be required for implementation of sub project.

6.2.3 Effect of Squatters:

The proposed sub-project is implementing on existing vacant land, which ownership exclusively for Government. Therefore, informal settlers and squatters are not living within the premises.

6.2.4 Impact on Trees:

No trees will be affected for implementation of this sub-project.

6.2.5 Tribal People:

It has assessed through holding FGD that, no Tribal people (TP) in the catchment areas are found.

6.2.6 Construction Yard:

We have conducted necessary consultation with stakeholders regarding construction yard. It is confirm that the contractor will be used vacant government land as a construction yard during construction.

7. Consultation:

Consultation is a process to interact with relevant stakeholders to inform about the sub-project. Involvement of people's with process will create the feelings of ownership within stakeholders that will supports for smooth execution of the project.

Social safeguard team of EMCRP has conducted stakeholder consultation meeting at Upazila officer's club auditorium with an active participation of Upazila level Government officials, local Government, local people, and civil society's representative. Twenty (20) participants were attended the consultation meeting and provided their valuable opinions/suggestions/feedbacks regarding the sub-project implementation. The key outputs of stakeholder consultation meeting are;

- Effective coordination will require between the stakeholder's and Government about relief distribution.
- Ensure First-Aid Boxes at the proposed sub-project site
- To arrange training for concern stakeholders about social safety & security, traffic management, labor influx etc.
- Labors must maintain code of conducts to avoid any negative impacts on the neighborhood communities.
- Ensure people participation, which will enhance their sense of belonging of the proposed sub-projects.
- To identify unavoidable adverse impacts and ensure effective mitigation
- To ensure social conflicts and grievance management during construction and operational period;
- Should follow labor law strictly; (code of conduct for labor, Wages, avoid discrimination between male and female workers etc.)
- Child labors must not be engaged during construction
- To ensure equal wage for female labour.

8. Contractor and Labor Management:

Except little percentage of skilled workforces, most of the workforces are expecting to come from local community except technical workforce and they belong to same socio-economic, cultural, religious or demographic background. Based on consultation with local stakeholders, implementing contractors need to be hired skilled workforce from outside the project area. Therefore, due to small outsider possibility of clash in between local and outsider will not occur. Based on public consultation it also has revealed that, Women's participation in construction work is very limited, and GBV training at the work sites will ensure before construction.

9. Traffic Management:

Beside the proposed construction site, a paved road crosses and to connect with other connectivity. During construction work, traffic movement will not hamper due to sufficient corridor. Construction contractor will ensure traffic management providing a traffic man using traffic sing during construction work.

10. Monitoring System:

The LGED overall responsibility for the project implementation, through the Project Management Unit (PMU involving the Upazila Engineer, XEN, D&S Consultants and PMU safeguard team for collection, analysis and reporting. In addition, field level team also responsible to collect update information as well as any adverse impact during the construction. These stakeholders will be responsible for monitoring the progress of all aspects considering any significant impacts are raised and to suggest action to be taken against any adverse impact. The construction contractor will be deployed a Social safeguard Officer to monitor the field level safe guard activities and will be reported to the concern persons. Field level data will collect on regular basis to check the progress whether sub project activities on track or not.

The major objectives of monitoring are to: (i) ascertain whether activities are progressing as per schedule and the specified timelines are being met; (ii) assess if compensation, rehabilitation measures are sufficient; (iii) identify problems or potential issues; and (iv) identify methods to rapidly mitigate any problems. The above information's will be collected by EA through its PMU and respective Upazila Engineer and D&S Consultants. They are responsible for monitoring the day-to-day resettlement activities of the subproject.

11. Grievance Redress:

EMCRP have formally formed GRCs consisting of 07 members with the Upazila Engineer of the concerned Upazila. A Grievance Register will maintain at each Upazila office. Meanwhile, GRM leaflet has prepared to disclose within local community and stakeholders to resolve grievances.

Community members are encouraged to present any complaints to Upazila level GRC and women's are encourage to complaints at her convenient place, which are notice at GRC for resolve. In addition, PMU using contact details displayed on the Environmental and Social signboard and detail stated in GRC leaflet, which will disclose within project area very soon.

12. Social Management Plan (SMP):

Based on public consultation a Social Management Plan identifies the mitigation and management activities that need to be in place in order to eliminate the marginal social impacts or to reduce them to an acceptable level and the process will be continued subsequently.

13. Recommendations:

Disclosure of all relevant project construction information is continuous consultation processes with the concerned communities are recognized as extremely important. In particular, involvement of relevant stakeholders in the sub-project implementation process will help to build a sense of ownership within community. Further, establishing and maintaining an effective Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) would enable any affected parties to present their issues and equitable solutions of their problems by impartial hearing.

Most importantly, issues are social safety, during the construction period. Before starting construction work, the people to be engaged for construction of shelters should undergo a short orientation course (to be organized by the project-implementing agency) on necessary awareness, motivation and compliance of their assigned responsibilities perfectly.

14. Conclusions:

Implementation of Relief Administration and distribution center will implement in government land within Upazila premises. The existing land is sufficient for proposed sub project. A Management Plan has prepared for mitigation of problems if arise during construction work. Even, proposed sub project will not require any additional land /community/cultural/archeological properties that are going to be affected; the proposed sub-project intervention is not expected to pose any significant negative social impact. Therefore, implementations of the proposed sub-project are safe and highly recommended.