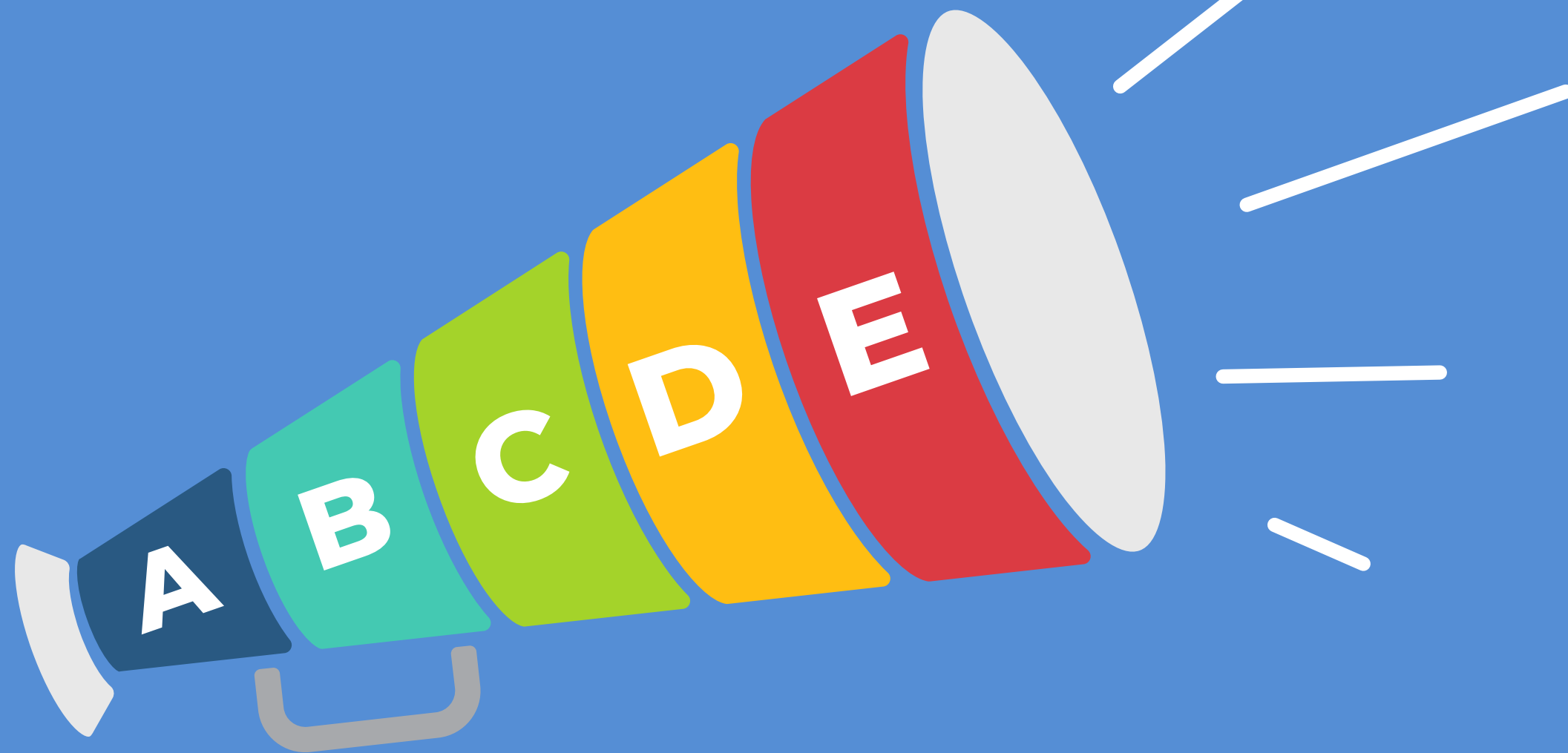


Livelihoods and Skills Development Sector Coordination Meeting

ISCG Conference Room
8 November 2023

Agenda



1. Introduction
2. LSDS 2024 JRP Response Plan
3. Inclusion of cross-cutting issues into 2024 JRP proposals
4. AoB

Introduction



LSDS highlights

- The Livelihoods and Skills Development Sector aims to operationalize the ‘Government of Bangladesh-United Nations Framework on Skills Development for Rohingya refugees/FDMNs and Host Communities’, endorsed by the Government in August 2022.
- The Sector will build the skills and capacities of Rohingya refugees commensurate with livelihood opportunities available in Rakhine State, to support voluntary and sustainable repatriation in Myanmar when conditions are conducive.
- Refugees will be supported to access to livelihood opportunities by enabling them to apply acquired skills and capacities through volunteer engagement either within the Sector or by fostering partnerships and collaborations with relevant sectors and implementing partners.
- The Sector will, in close coordination with the Government, complement the existing support for vulnerable Bangladeshi households in Ukhiya and Teknaf through vocational skills training. Institutional mechanisms and the skills of training providers will also be enhanced. Livelihood opportunities will include bolstering access to economic opportunities, localizing production, enhancing market linkages within the camps and sustainability.

LSDS needs overview for 2024

- Competency Based Training (Vocational Training) introduced and piloted in the Camps in 2023 (curriculum adapted from MNQF or AQRF). However, low level of literacy of the population age 18+ affects enrolment into the vocational training. The existing literacy programs are not suitable for those above the age of 18 (targeted age group of LSDS beneficiaries is 18+).
- As per MSNA conducted in 2023, 71% of refugee households reported facing barriers to income opportunities. However, out of the remaining 29%, only 5% reported volunteer engagement as their source of household income, and 14% reported income from small-business and own production.
- MSNA 2023 confirmed a high unemployment rate remaining among the workforce in the host communities (32%), particularly youth and women. The Sector will support activities focused on developing sustainable employment and entrepreneurship-oriented skills.

LSDS response

- A new Activity Group 'Accelerated Adult Learning (AAL)' has been introduced for Partners are encouraged to take up AAL, so that there could be increment in the numbers of eligible beneficiaries for Vocational Training in the Camps.
- 'Non-formal technical training' will be an Activity Group in 2024, under the Objective 1, and training packages will be of 120 hrs duration. The skills that are to be developed under non-formal technical training are those specified in the **Skills Development Framework** endorsed by the Government.
- As for the Host Community, the Sector will support activities focused on developing sustainable employment and entrepreneurship-oriented skills Research and Analysis related to LSDS is added as a new Activity Group for Host Community for planning market-driven sustainable employment and entrepreneurship opportunities.

Livelihoods and Skills Development Sector Objectives 2024

Objective 1. Support skills and capacity building of Rohingya refugees/FDMNs that can support their sustainable reintegration in Myanmar

Objective 2. Support Rohingya Refugees in utilization of gained transferable vocational skills within existing camps and humanitarian sector response needs/areas (e.g., Shelter, WASH, Health)

Objective 3. Support Host and Local communities in diversified vocational skills development and sustainable livelihood options

LSDS 2024 JRP Response Plan

Sector Objective	Activity Group	Population Type	Activity	Activity Details
Support skills and capacity building of Rohingya refugees/FDMNs that can support their sustainable reintegration in Myanmar	Accelerated adult learning	Refugee	Training package integrating basic literacy, functional literacy for English, Burmese, and numeracy with an introduction to concerned vocational and livelihood skills and vocabulary, as well as the integration of soft skills, life skills and awareness raising of cross-cutting issues for the adult learner group	Accelerated Adult Learning
	Vocational training in line with formally recognized curriculum/ certification programs	Refugee	Vocational skills training for RC, 360 hours	Sewing Machine Operation
				Plumber
				Concreter
				Small Engine Mechanic
				Electrician (building)
				Agricultural Crop Production
				Community Health Worker
				Aide to Midwifery and Nursing
				Solar (PV) System Installation and Maintenance
				Bakery and pastry staff
	Non-formal technical training	Refugee	Non-formal technical training of 120 hours	Electric maintenance
				Weaving, knitting, repairing household items (handy craft)
				Tailoring
				Hairdressing/Barbering/Beautification/Beauty Parlor Business
Jute products (handy craft)				
Carpenters (wooden/bamboo handy craft)				
Repairing of gas stoves and solar panels				
Production of liquid and solid soap, handwashing liquid etc.				
Production of toilet cleaning liquid (e.g., Harpic)				
Cross cutting: Waste/ Plastic recycling / waste management; DRR/DRM in coordination with EETWG, SMSD, WASH				

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Sector Objective	Activity Group	Population Type	Activity	Activity Details
Support Rohingya Refugees in utilization of gained transferable vocational skills within existing camps and humanitarian sector response needs/areas (e.g., SCCCM, WASH, Health)	Creating diversified livelihoods opportunities in the camps	Refugee	Equipment/in-kind support for formal and non-formal skill training graduates in camps for self-employment and volunteer engagement	Manufacturing (sewing/tailoring combine with operating with machines)
				Plumber
				Concreter
				Small Engine Mechanic
				Electrician (building)
				Solar (PV) System Installation and Maintenance
				Community Health Worker
				Midwifery and Nursing
				Small Business
				Bakery and pastry staff
				Hairdressing/Barbering/Beautification/Beauty Parlor Business
				Carpenters (wooden/bamboo handy craft)
				Cross cutting: Waste/ Plastic recycling / waste management; DRR/DRM in coordination with EETWG, SCCCM, WASH
			Off-farm activities - utilization of the skills within the camps through LSDS IPs response and daily volunteering allowance	Sewing Machine Operation for production
				Carpenters (wooden/bamboo handy craft)
				Solar (PV) System Installation and Maintenance
				Hairdressing/Barbering/Beautification/Beauty Parlor Business
				Production of liquid and solid soap, handwashing liquid etc.
				Production of toilet cleaning liquid (e.g., Harpic)
				Bakery and pastry staff
				Unskilled volunteers: i.e., cleaners, security/night guards, and similar
				Cross cutting: Waste/ Plastic recycling / waste management; DRR/DRM in coordination with EETWG, SCCCM, WASH
				Off-farm activities – referral of semi-skilled and skilled volunteers after the vocational training is provided by LSDS to other Sectors’ response (WASH, Health, Shelter/SCCCM, etc.)
			Plumber	
			Concreter	
			Small Engine Mechanic	
			Electrician (building)	
Agricultural Crop Production				
Community Health Worker				
Aide to Midwifery and Nursing				
Solar (PV) System Installation and Maintenance				
Bakery and pastry staff				
Cross-cutting: Waste/ Plastic recycling / waste management; DRR/DRM in coordination with EETWG, SCCCM, WASH				

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Support Host and Local communities in diversified vocational skills development and sustainable livelihood options	Vocational Skills Development for Host Communities	Host Community	Vocational skills training for HC	Implementation of vocational skills training following the National Technical and Vocational Qualifications (NTVQ), on quality assured and market-responsive trades and occupations
	Non-formal technical training for Host Communities	Host Community	Non-formal technical training	Non-formal training covering a wide range of trades (such as wood processing: carpentry; crafts making; baker/pastry baker; green skills) in combination with business and green business development training

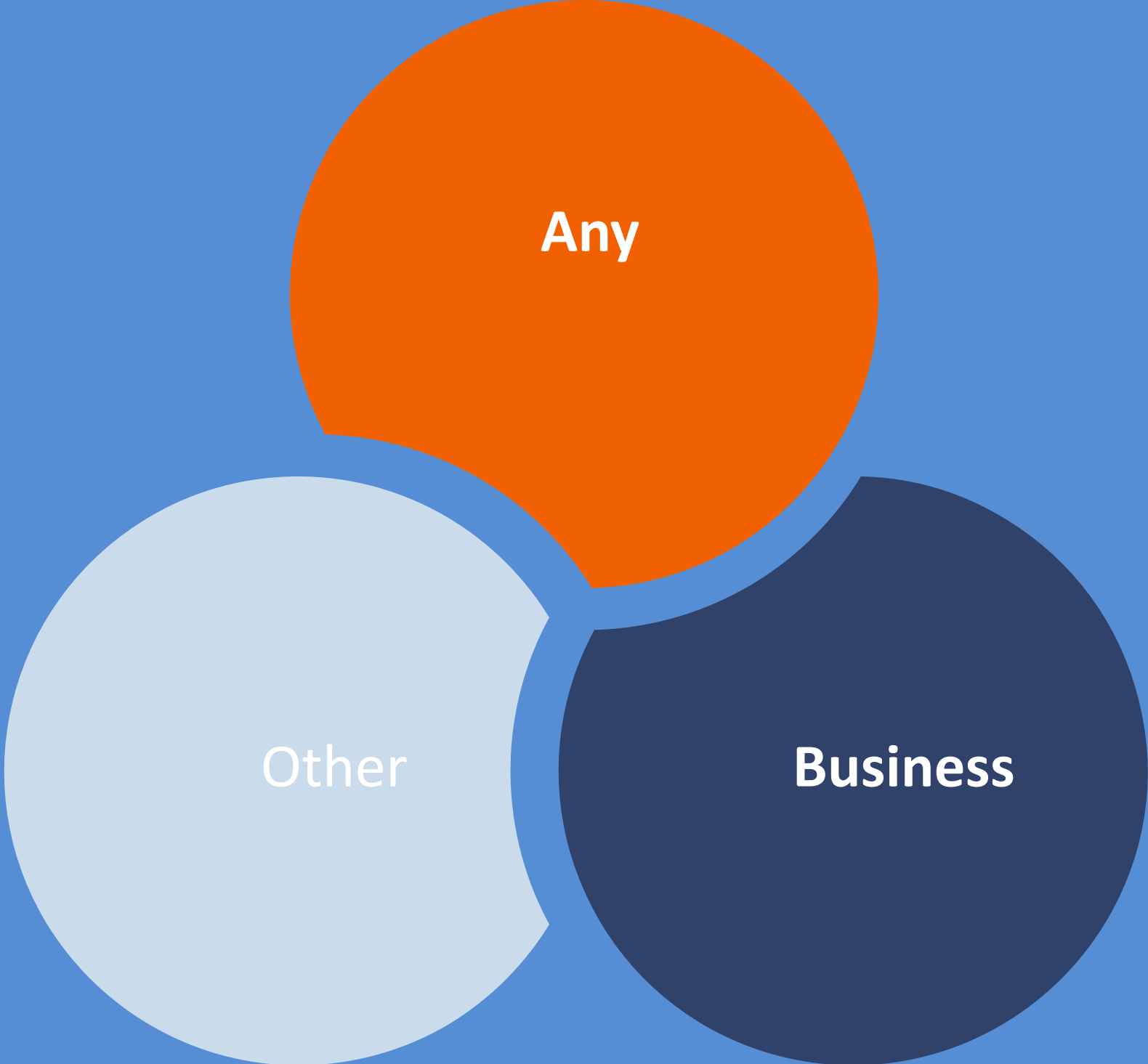
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Support Host and Local communities in diversified vocational skills development and sustainable livelihood options	Support livelihoods of host community based on gained skills	Host Community	Off-farm activities	Utilization of gained skills within HC
			Job referrals	Connecting the skills of beneficiaries looking for jobs with employment opportunities in a facilitated manner
			Creation/expansion of market linkages	Use of different market platforms, fairs, open markets, economic sectors (tourism, construction etc.)
			Soft skills development	With focus on digital and financial expertise, ICT, communication and networking skills, problem solving skills, personal development
			LSDS related research and analysis	Market, labor market and value chain analyses, etc.
			Awareness raising	Environmental Awareness – Waste/ Plastic recycling /waste management; DRR/DRM; Social Cohesion
			Unconditional Cash (off-farm)	MPCG, Income Generating Activity
			Conditional Cash (off-farm)	Investment Grant, Handicraft/ Off-farm, Cash Stipend

Summary of rationalization efforts

- Sector is promoting common approaches and common systems (volunteers' ToRs; guidelines for selection of beneficiaries; minimum standard packages...)
- Convergence of service packages is encouraged (if a partner is providing AAL, skills development programme, they should also ensure volunteer engagement or employment/self employment opportunities)
- Partners are constantly reminded on avoiding duplications of efforts in camp/block level, it is under continuous monitoring with 5W tracker
- Established referral pathways between the sectors in 2024

5. AoB



Thank you

