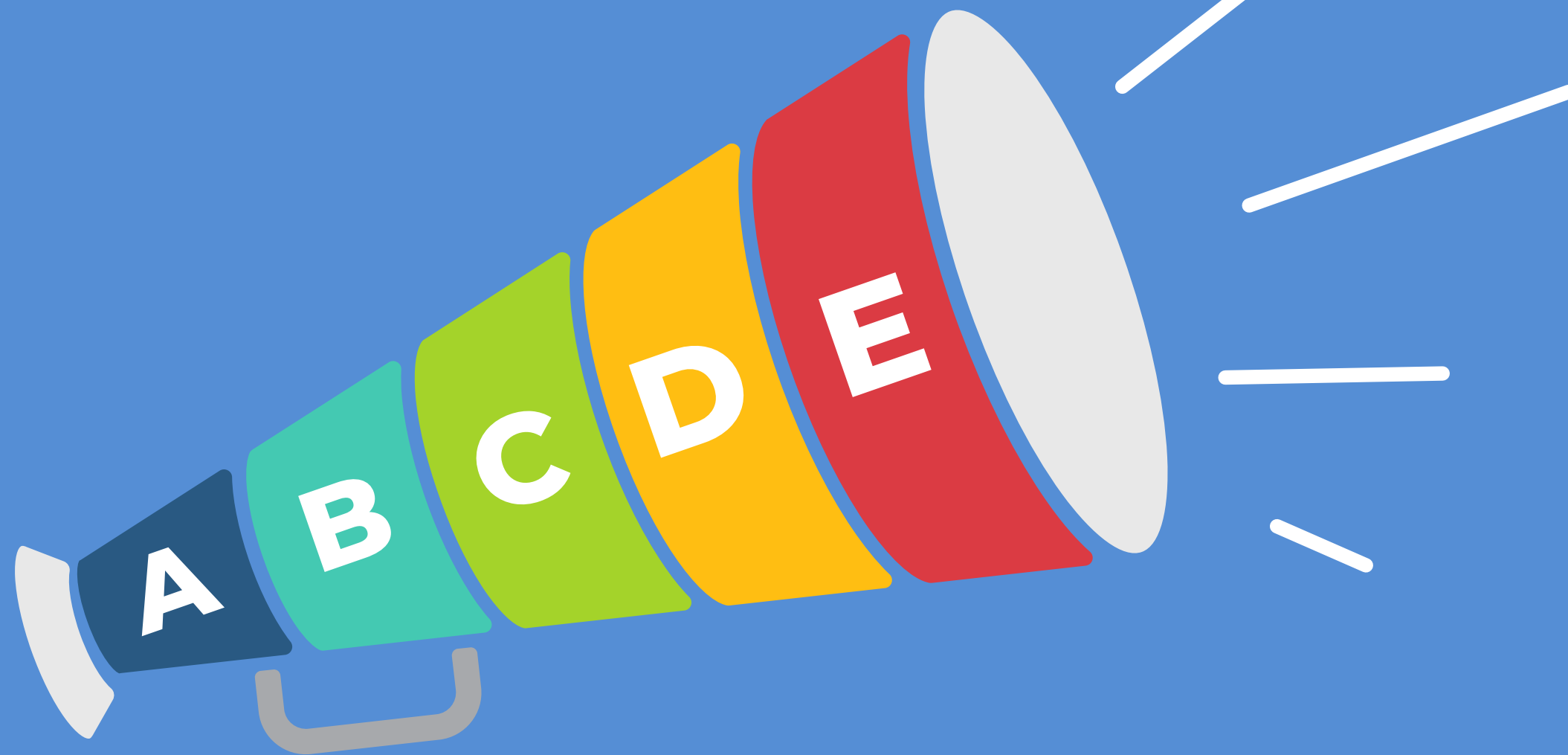


LSDS SAG meeting

ISCG Conference Room
14 July 2024

Agenda



a) Remarks from ISCG Principal Coordinator, Cox's Bazar Chamber of Commerce and Industries, President and UNHCR Representative

b) Presentation on Market Mapping in the camps (Concepts, methods, and tools), will be presented by UNHCR colleague.

c) Discussion on Host Community Technical Working Group, ToR finalization, will be presented by Sector Coordinator

d) Local Advocacy on operationalizing the Advocacy Note

e) Briefing on GAC funded ISEC project, implemented by ILO & BRAC

f) AoB

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- **Background:**
- **Host Community JRP Partner:** ACF, BRAC, IOM, NRC, Oxfam, Plan, SCI, UN Women and UNESCO.
- **Technical Partner:** ILO
- **Economic Challenges:**
- **Need for Skills Development:**
- **Purpose of the Technical Working Group:**



Objective 1: Data Collection and Review

- Support LSDS:
- Monthly 5W Tracker:
- Repository of Studies:
- Secondary Data Review:



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Objective 2: Access to Quality Skills Development

- **Quality Skills Development:**
- **Activities:**
- **Standardization:**
- **Promoting Skills and inclusive programming:**



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Objective 3: Innovative Approaches

- **Innovative Approaches:**
- **Labour Market Information:**
- **Action-Oriented Forum:**
- **Linkages and Collaboration:**



Conclusion

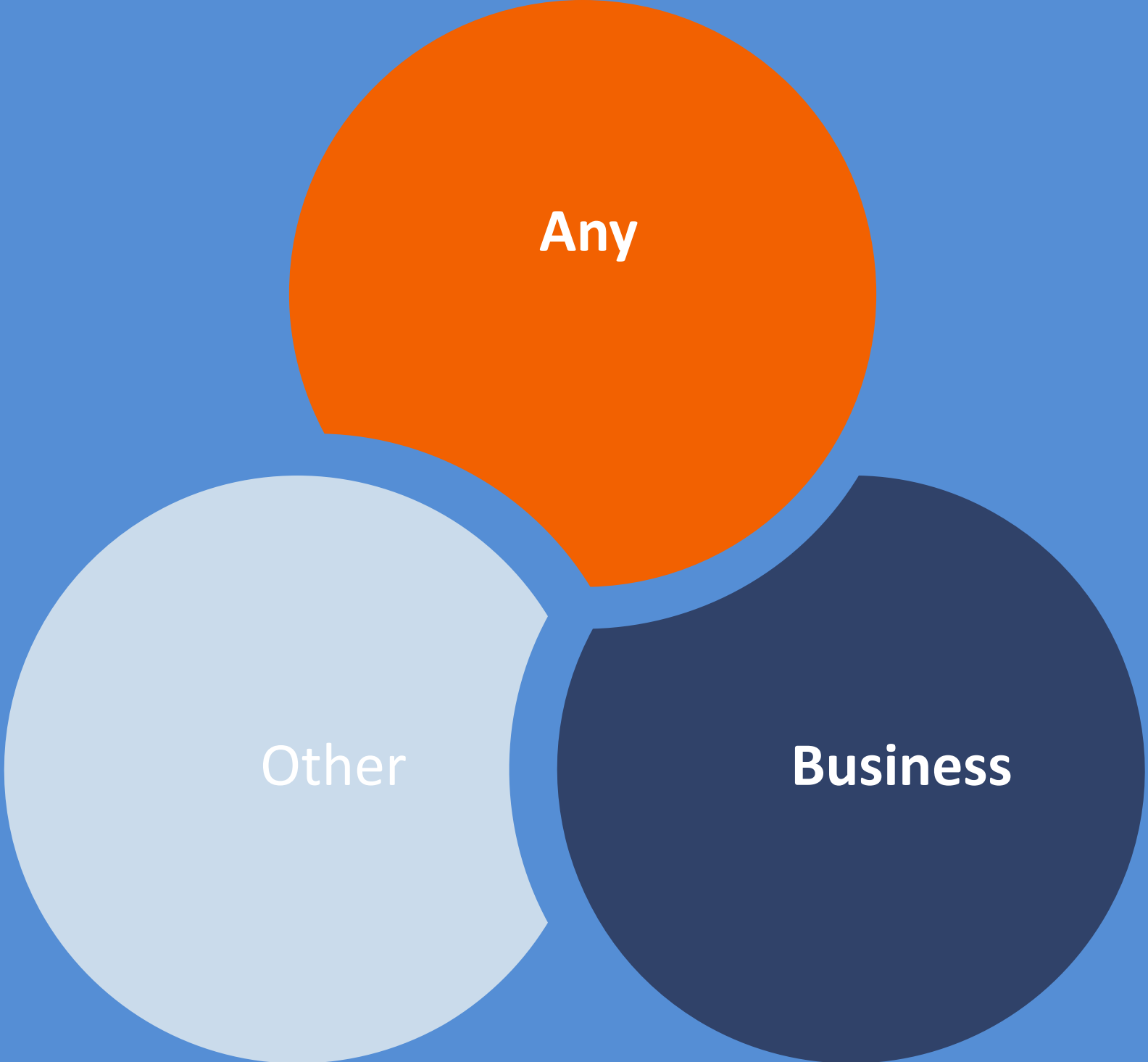
- **Strategic Opportunity:**
- **Technical Guidance:**
- **Focus on Vulnerable Groups:**
- **Collaborative Effort:**



e) Briefing on GAC funded ISEC project, implemented by ILO & BRAC



AoB



ISNA indicators

Indicator / Variable	Questionnaire Question	Instructions	Questionnaire Responses
% of HHs with members (of working age) (engaged in income generating activities) (Gender/Age disaggregated) Other indicators that can use this data: % of households who reported receiving at least one source of income % of households who reported receiving income, by source of income % of HH by sources of income Only for HH who are engaged in	Do the HH have any source of income?	Select one	Yes No
	Who are the members of the HH earning income?	Select multiple	Adult above 24 (Male/female) Youth age 18-24 (Male/female) Age 14-18 (Male/female) Below 14 (Male/female)
	What are their sources of income?	Select multiple	Select multiple - all that apply * No sources of income (at all) * Casual or daily labour * Self employment (Income from own small business or regular trade, Income from own production) * Cash for work * Volunteer engagement with camps * Any other form of employment (employee/employer relationship) * Other cash flow ** Government social benefits or assistance ** Income from rent ** Remittances ** Loans or support from family and friends ** Loans, support from community members ** Humanitarian assistance ** Charitable donations ** Selling relief items ** Other, please specify
% of households reporting barriers to income opportunities in the past 6 months	In the past 6 months what barriers, if any, did your household experience to prevent you from accessing income opportunities?	Select multiple	No barriers faced Movement restrictions No or limited income/livelihoods opportunity nearby; I have no skills Long waiting time for the opportunity; [for volunteer engagement in the camps or cash for work] Could not afford transportation to job location; Job location is too far away; Disability prevents access to income/livelihoods opportunity; No means of transport; Not safe/insecurity at job location; Not safe/insecurity while travelling to job location; Could not take time off from caring for children/household chores; Language barriers or issues Lack of female staff at facility Other gender related barriers (cultural barriers, social barriers) Other (specify) Don't know
	In recent situation, how would you rank your debt status?	Select one	We don't have debt Debt is increasing Debt is the same Debt is decreasing

ISNA indicators

% of HH with members who are able to access livelihoods skills training	Have you or any member of your HH are able to access livelihood skills training	Select one for each of the below	Yes No
	If A.7.7 is YES, what type of training:	Select multiple for each of the below	Non-formal technical training (120 hrs duration) Competency based/vocational training (360 hrs duration) Other, please specify
	If A.7.8 is NO, what is the reason for not attending training:	Select multiple for each of the below	No training facilities nearby Not interested in taking training in general Not interested in taking training in trades currently being offered Limited education opportunities for young people Quality of education doesn't meet my needs Insufficient literacy level hindering enrolment into vocational training Long waiting time for the opportunity Training takes too much time Training facility is too far away Disability prevents access to training opportunity Age-related constraints Not safe/insecurity at training location Not safe/insecurity while travelling to training location Could not take time off from caring for children/household chores Lack of female staff at facility Gender related constraints (social norms, cultural norms, etc.) Already engaged in the income generating activity Other (specify) Don't know Prefer not to answer
% HHs engaged in income generation activities as a result of any livelihood skills acquired while in the camp (AGD disaggregated)	If A.7.7 is YES, Have you engaged in any income generation activities as a result of the skills you acquired from the trainings	Select multiple for each of the below	Yes No
% of HHs who self-report positive changes in their income compared to previous year	Compared to this time last year, do you think you can now afford more goods and services, the same, or fewer goods and services?	Select one	More The same Fewer Don't know



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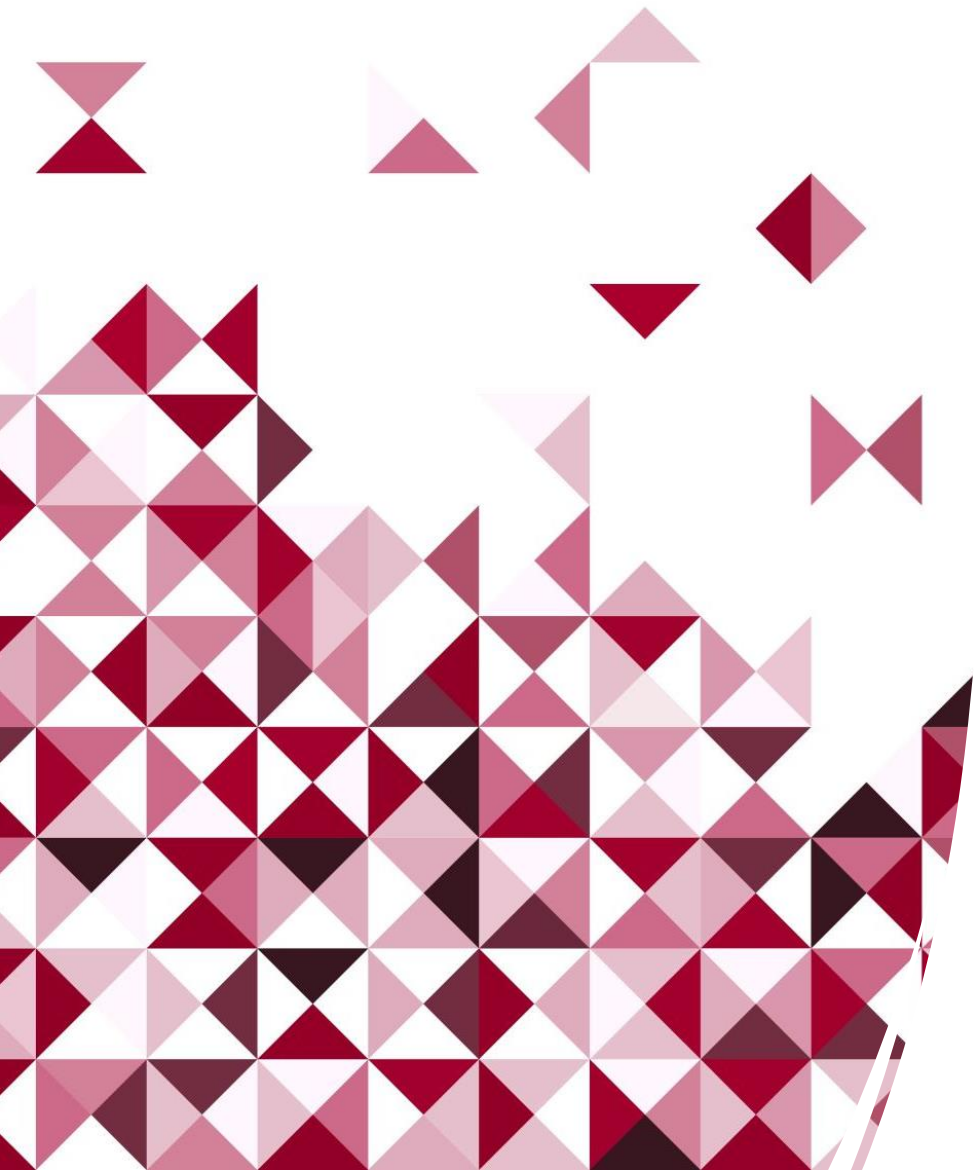
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Leaving No One Behind:

Improving Skills and Economic Opportunities for
Bangladeshi Community and Rohingya Women and
Youth in Cox's Bazar



Component 1: Rohingya Refugees

Improved resilience and self-reliance of
Rohingya refugees, including women, youth, and
people with disabilities in Bangladesh

Update on project activities June 2024

- Multi-year initiative 2022-2025
- Consortium modality (ILO, UNHCR, BRAC, IOM, UNDP)
- ILO is the Administrative Agency
- 2 Components : Refugees and Host Community
- Objective: To enhance skills development, economic and social empowerment, and the self-reliance of Rohingya refugees pending durable solutions by assisting them to acquire transferable and portable skills commensurate with the labour market needs in Myanmar.
- Competencies equal to those recognized under the Myanmar National Qualification Framework (MNQF) or ASEAN Qualification Reference Framework (AQRF).
- Vocational skills training, prevocational skills training, Higher Learning: Language, Images, and Analytical Thinking Program (LIT), Refugee High Education Access programme (RhEAP's)
- Outreach for Refugees:
 - 10 occupations
 - Vocational skills: 8,000
 - Prevocational skills:24,000
 - Higher learning: 400

Plan for 2024

Vocational/ livelihood

- Continue Vocational skilling trainings for remaining 4000 refugees, utilization of vocational skills - on job placement of 75% of skilled refugees.
- Agree on final applicable solutions for course certification (UNHCR and ILO).
- Ensure trained refugees get access to volunteer programmes and self-employment within the camps.
- BRAC under-expenditure to be used for adult learning, job placement in the camps for refugees to achieve 1 year of work experience.

Pre-vocational

- Continue implementing pre-vocational education for Rohingya adolescents age group 15-24 in the Rohingya camps covering total of 10,788 adolescents and youth.
- To ensure Quality of the adolescent program, UNHCR will provide Basic Pre-vocational Module printing for Training participants training on literacy, Numeracy, and soft skills for the Adolescent program.

High education

- Continue delivering the bridging program
- All learners will be provided with a Certificate of Completion and an official transcript from Bard College for the credit-bearing courses

Plan for 2024

Livelihoods and Skills Development Sector CXB

- Coordinate partner's activities to ensure complementarity, minimize duplication, identify gaps and ensure best use of available resources
- Prepare and share IEC materials, lessons learned and other relevant information through LSIDS website; Support dissemination of studies, assessments and reports conducted by partners; Provide guidance to partners on priority areas that could be covered in the analysis.
- Work closely with the Protection Sector, sub-sectors and WGs to ensure technical guidance for LSIDS partners to facilitate livelihood and skills development referrals due to socio-economic vulnerability.
- Sector currently has total of 18 partners and JRP 2024 budget is USD \$ 35,339,980

Plan for 2024

Emerging issues require collaboration:

- **To address low level of literacy and numeracy** - accelerated adult learning (literacy and numeracy) developed by UNESCO will be implemented through BRAC in CXB and on BC.
- **On job placement and refugees volunteering as part of preparation for complementary pathway-** One area which is required for eligibility to complementary pathways, is employment experience (volunteer experience counts). BRAC unspent funds could be utilized for job placement in the camps to ensure they have at least one year work experience to enable the refugees to be eligible for complementary pathways (Economic Mobility Pathways Pilot Canada stream) .
- **Finding adequate certification model for the trainings**– Work with ILO to confirm the possibility for issuance of joint ILO-UNHCR participation certificates. UNHCR LVH cooperating with UNHCR Durable Solutions (Canada, other potential complementary pathways interested countries).



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 - ▶ **BRAC's Part**



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Overview of the Host Community Component of ISEC Project

- **Geographic coverage:** All 9 subdistricts of Cox's Bazar
- **Direct beneficiaries:** 21,570
 - Demographic distributions:
 - Women: 40%
 - Persons with Disabilities: 3%
- **Indirect beneficiaries:** 109,350
- **Duration:** 01 Sep 2023 thru 31 Dec 2025
- **Major partners:** ILO, BRAC, A2i-UNDP

Major Interventions of BRAC and Their Progress

Interventions Areas	Target	Completed	Ongoing
Ultra-poor HHs graduation for enterprise development (with 80% enhanced livelihoods target)	2500	-	2500
Formal TVET (with 75% certification target)	500	53	120
Informal apprenticeship-based training (with 80% employment target)	4800	1380	993
New entrepreneur creation and existing entrepreneur development	1900	141	852
Employability services	1000	58	118

Enterprise Options and Occupations

16 enterprise options for ultra-poor HHs

Combinations of the following:

- Bulls
- Heifer
- Doe Goat
- Billy Goat
- Non-farm
- Ewe
- Ram
- Birds
- Vermi Compost
- Mini Agriculture
- Agriculture
- Nursery

3 occupations for formal TVET

- Food & Beverage Service
- Housekeeping
- Retail Sales

15 occupations for informal apprenticeship

- Welding
- Metal Sheet Cutting
- Refrigeration and Air Conditioning
- Wood Furniture Making
- Wood Furniture Design
- Automotive Mechanics
- Motorcycle Service Mechanic
- Mobile Phone Servicing
- Aluminium Fabricators
- Graphics Design
- IT Support Technician
- Beauty Saloon
- Beauty Saloon
- Tailoring & Dress Making

Annex: Direct Beneficiaries in Host Community Component

Interventions Areas	Targeted Participants	Implementing Agencies
Entrepreneurship and business development services	1530	ILO, BRAC
Ultra-poor graduation for enterprise development and livelihood	2500	BRAC
Formal skills training aligned to Bangladesh National Qualifications Framework (BNQF), including recognition for prior learning (RPL)	3200	ILO, BRAC
Apprenticeship-based skills training for youth and adolescents	4800	BRAC
Qawmi Madrasah (QM): skills development training (technical and pre-vocational)	4500	A2i
Labour market platform and employment support service	2500	BRAC, A2i
Trainers (TVET and QMs), master craftspersons (MCPs) and partners' staff	2540	ILO, A2i, BRAC
Total direct beneficiaries	21570	

Market Mapping Data Collection Exercise

Rohingya Refugee Response
Date: July 14, 2024





Refugee situation in Bangladesh is **protracted** in nature



Globally, **aid resources** are shrinking due to competing crises



8.2% of the population of working age (18-59 years) are **volunteers**



976,506 refugees (20% of this refugee population are **women and men of working age** (18-59 years)



Refugees are not legally allowed to work (83% **dependency** on humanitarian assistance)



Frequency of **natural disasters** (*force majeure*) and impact of climate change hinders significant development progress.



Economy of 1 million people and its contribution to host community is largely undocumented (**evidence**)



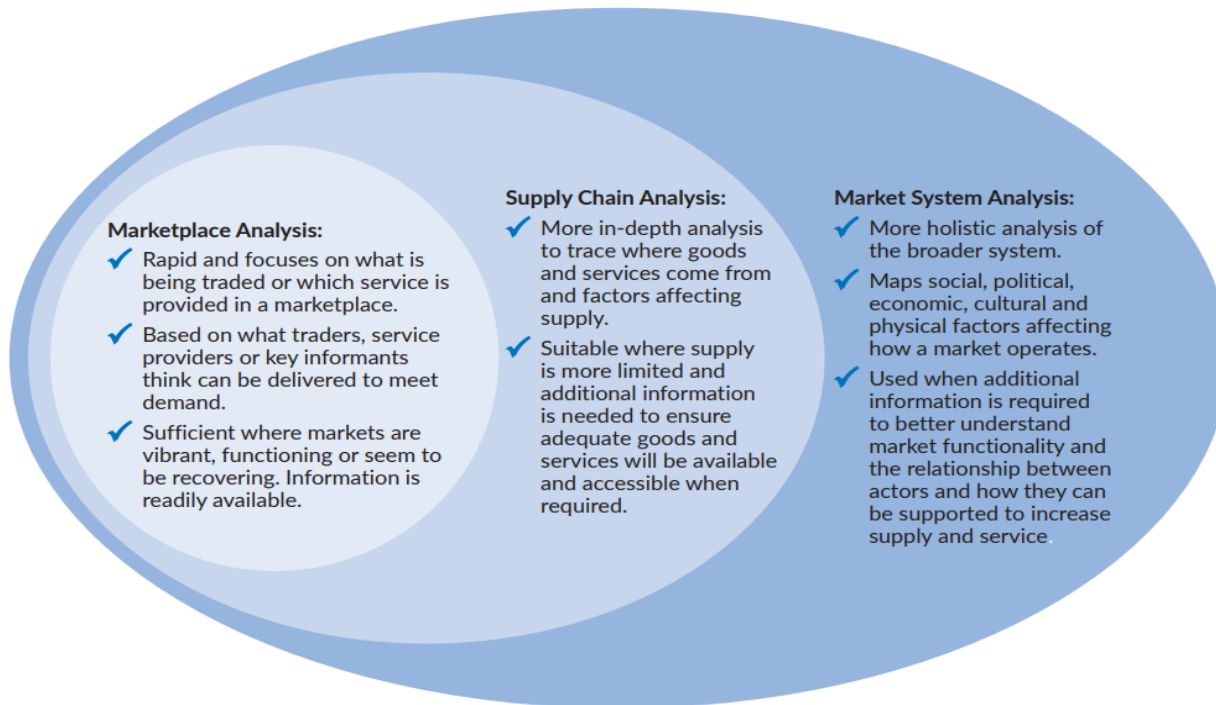
Deteriorating security situation in camps and in Myanmar and lack of opportunities (**negative coping mechanisms**)

Objective

- To conduct a mapping of markets in camps in terms of their **locations, sizes, dynamics** and **number of people engaged**

Outputs

- Markets in camps are identified and **geo-referenced**
- Markets in camps are classified by **size, types and people engaged** (Refugees and hosts)
- Existing **market governance structures** and their **supply chain dynamics (goods and services)** are well understood
- **Infrastructure and facilities** in camp markets are assessed and improvements that are needed identified



Steps

- Listing of markets (Consultations with CiCs/SMS colleagues)
- Permission from RRRC to conduct the mapping exercise
- Geo-referencing of markets (Spatial)
- Development of Questionnaires/Tools
- Orientation for Enumerators/Volunteers
- Dry run in the field to test efficacy (16 camps/FDGs?/80 KIIs)
- Adjustment of Questionnaires/Tools/Approaches
- Data collection/Kobo entry (37 markets/110 KIIs)
- Data analysis (CXB + Dhaka)

[Market mapping
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