

AGE & DISABILITY JRP 2025

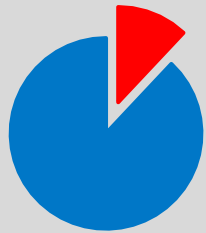
INTER-SECTOR COORDINATION GROUP (ISCG) FOR THE ROHINGYA REFUGEE RESPONSE



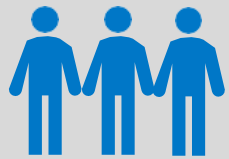
Background



Humanitarian Context



Overall, the prevalence of persons with disabilities (aged 2 and above) was **12%**.



More at risk of social exclusion than persons without disabilities.



Face multiple **barriers** including attitudinal, environmental, and institutional that prevent them from accessing essential services.

Identified Needs

Data gap

Require strategic and targeted intervention

Lack of targeting, specific policy or strategic documents, and intervention

Strengthening sector and other humanitarian actor response to ensure inclusive humanitarian services.

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Demographic data

ISNA 2024 – Washington Group of Questionnaire (short set)

12% responded to have at least one disability

Breakdown per category

- **4.58%** has difficulty seeing even after wearing glasses
- **2.85%** has difficulty hearing even after wearing hearing aid
- **7.19%** has difficulty walking and climbing steps
- **3.9%** has difficulty remembering or concentrating
- **4.49%** has difficulty with self-care
- **2.14%** has difficulty understanding or being understood


REACH 2021 survey

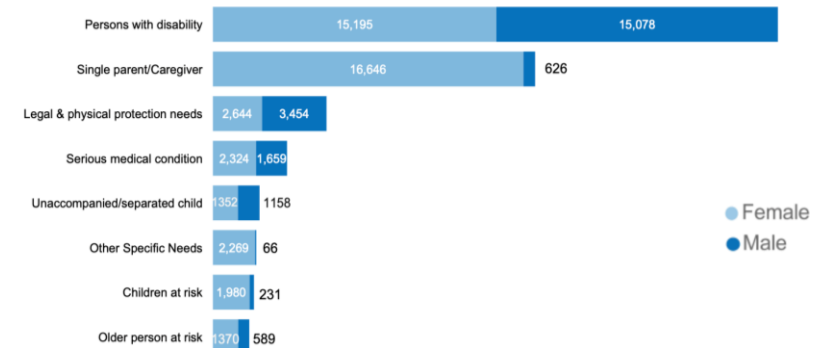
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UNHCR-GoB factsheet - Sep 2024

- **3.02%** persons with disabilities
- **4%** older persons
- **Rigorous steps towards data improvement by July 2025 - Age and Disability TWG (HI and UNHCR, funded by DFAT)**

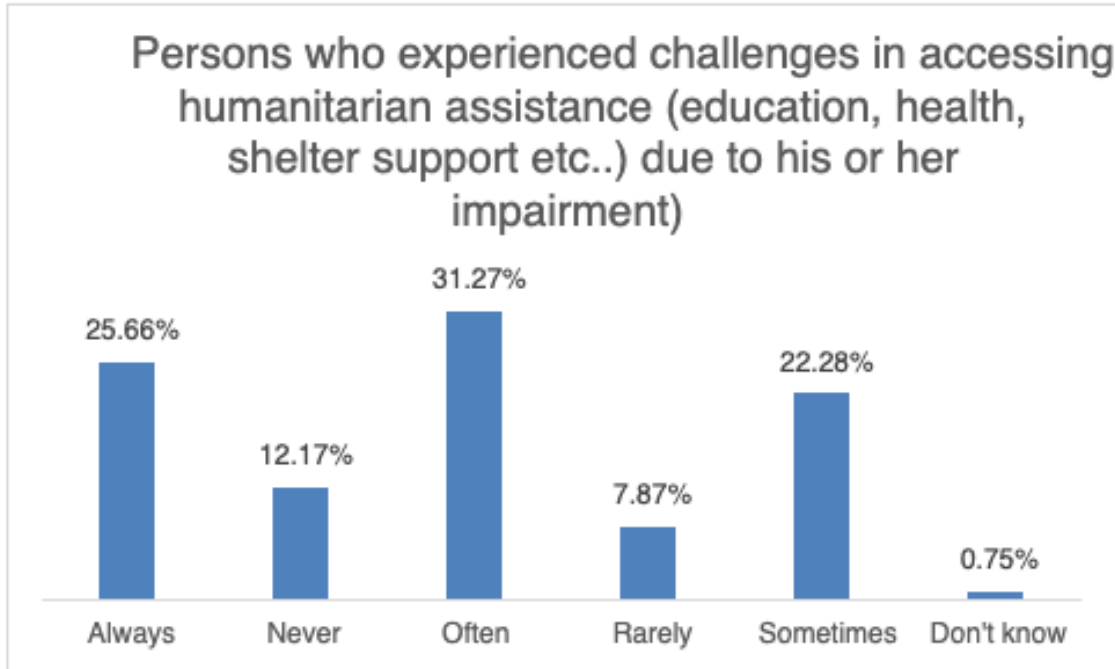
Specific needs²

6.18% of total individuals have been identified with at least one specific need, **3.02%** being Persons with Disability 



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Key gaps



- **79.21%** Persons with Disabilities **experience challenges** in accessing humanitarian assistance due to physical & Communication barriers.
- **Targeting** and **mainstreaming** across all Sectors
- **Accessibility** of camps and facilities
- **Accessibility** of information
- Voice and **leadership**

Key recommendations

- **Inclusive projects – mandatory targeting** of person with disabilities as part of every JRP project. At least 3%
- **Capacity building and empowerment** of Persons with disabilities and their led community groups,
- **Inclusion in decision-making** significant platforms and committees
- **Accessible** facilities and **Consider disability** when carrying out any **assessment/survey**.
- Active **consultations** with Persons with disabilities at all project phases
- **Accessible information materials and communication strategies** (audio, visuals, strategic locations, disability-focused partners, etc.)
- **Capacity building** of staff and volunteers on inclusive programming and implementation
- Sectoral **gap analysis** on inclusion and periodic assessment based on recommendations



Guidance for Incorporating Age & Disability in Projects-JRP 2025

Partners in the response are required to adhere to the Humanitarian inclusion standards for older people and people with disabilities and IASC Guidelines on Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities in Humanitarian Action, and implement programmes accordingly:

- Provide life skills training and income-generating activities for adolescent boys/girls (18+ under the Livelihoods & Skills Development Sector (LSDS)), men and women with disabilities, and caregivers.



Recommended actions

- Adapt livelihood and skills development assessment and monitoring tools and processes to collect information on the capacities and needs of people with disabilities.
- Design facilities and services for livelihoods so that they are safe and accessible for older people and people with disabilities.
- Sensitize the community, staff and partners on the right of persons with disabilities and Inform them about the rights and capacities of persons with disabilities
- Recruit person with disabilities as staffs/volunteers.
- Support person with disabilities and their group to participate in decision-making process.
- Ensure that livelihood targeting criteria adequately address the need of person with disabilities.



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- Capacity building training for humanitarian actors and volunteers on DI and how to interact with them.
- Assign a dedicated person and should assist sector partners to mainstream inclusion and support referrals across relevant sectors.
- Ensure that beneficiary feedback mechanisms are accessible and include persons with various types of disability.
- Identify good practices and initiatives that have successfully promoted the inclusion of persons with disabilities. Document and disseminate these



Good Practices







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