

## Meeting Minutes, PSEA Network Cox's Bazar PSEA Network Monthly Meeting Annual PSEA Network Meeting (In Person) December 19, 2024



<b>Meeting Details</b>	
Date	19 December 2024
Time	09:00 am to 4:30 pm

#### Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. PSEA Network Updates
- 3. Group Discussion: Key Challenges and Priorities
- 4. Open Discussion: Network Action Plan-2025
- 5. PSEA Stall Visit
- 6. AoB

#### **Information Collection and relevant links**

- PSEA Network Website
- PSEA Network Newsletter, December 2024
- Updated PSEA Focal Point Contact List
- GBV Camp focal points (CFP) / entry points for Referral Pathways (Live update)
- ToR for the PSEA Network
- ToR for the PSEA Focal Points
- Foundations of SEAH Investigations (Tier 1)
- Investigator Qualification Training Scheme (IQTS) Tier 2
- Investigator Qualification Training Scheme (IQTS) Tier 3

<b>Total Participants</b>	56 Participants from 52 Organizations (List of the Organizations)
<b>Meeting Presentation</b>	Meeting Presentation

### Summary of discussions and agreements/action points

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PSEA Network Updates	In 2024, the PSEA network reaffirmed its commitment on protection against sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) through enhanced collaboration and accountability measures. The network continued its efforts to establish and maintain an environment that prevents SEA, ensuring that protection from SEA is integrated into the Joint Response Plan, and ensuring that a victim-centered reporting and assistance mechanism is operational. Consequently, PSEA has been incorporated into the JRP 2025, with relevant activities and indicators included. Additionally, two community consultation surveys were conducted in the Rohingya refugee camps to understand the effectiveness of the complaint mechanisms and the community's perception of PSEA. The network also focused on coordination with regional and global levels on PSEA.	PSEA Network Members



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In collaboration with the network Co-Chair, Terre Des Hommes, the PSEA Network translated the IASC 'Saying No to Sexual Misconduct' into Bengali, making it the second Asian language to be translated from English and recognized on the IASC website. Additionally, the UN OVRA 'Victims' Rights Statement' was translated into Bangla and is also recognized and available on the UN OVRA website.

The Network also disseminated information on PSEA funding opportunities to its members, including the 'UN Trust Fund in Support of Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse' and the 'Interagency Community Outreach and Communication Fund on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA)' from ICVA and UNHCR.

Furthermore, the Network collected feedback and inputs from members on the 'CALL FOR INPUTS on the UN Secretary-General's Bulletin on PSEA' and shared the consolidated feedback from Cox's Bazar and Bangladesh with the United Nations Office of the Special Coordinator for Improving the UN's Response to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OSCSEA).

The network continued its capacity-building initiatives with a heightened focus on prevention and response efforts. For instance, a three-day training on SEAH investigation was conducted for National and Local NGOs' SEAH investigators in collaboration with BRAC. Additionally, in collaboration with INTERPOL's SOTERIA Project, the network funded 13 participants from Cox's Bazar to receive training on SEAH investigation from CHS Alliance's Investigator Qualification Training Scheme. Furthermore, training on Responding to SEA Disclosure and Psychological First Aid was organized in collaboration with IOM. The network also provided training to non-GBV actors' PSEA Focal Points on GBV Basics and Referral Pathway in collaboration with the GBV Sub-Sector. A PSEA Policy review workshop was organized in collaboration with the Resource and Support Hub, Bangladesh. Additionally, three PSEA mainstreaming workshops were held in collaboration with WHO, UNICEF, and TDH with the WaSH, SCCM, and LSDS Sectors. PSEA training was also provided to the PERU team members in collaboration with the Protection Sector and UNHCR.

Moreover, in collaboration with the global Implementing Partners Protocol Working Group (IPP WG) and WFP, training was organized for UN PSEA Focal Points on IP assessment. The network also organized three PSEA ToTs and trained 99 PSEA FPs. Two workshops were held to develop the Annual PSEA Network Action Plan for 2025 with the UN and NGOs separately.

As of December 2024, the network updated its membership list, which now includes 164 members: 51 INGOs, 12 LNGOs, 77 NNGOs, 13 UN entities, and 11 others. The total number of PSEA Focal Points is 164, while the total number of Alternate PSEA Focal Points is 157.

# Group Discussion: Key Challenges and Priorities

Participants were divided into seven groups to discuss and present on the following issues:

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- 1. Innovation within PSEA Network Activities on communication with communities
- 2. Gaps in the availability or accessibility of PSEA Training for frontline workers
- 3. Engagement and collaboration with the PSEA Network
- 4. Child-friendly PSEA IEC materials



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	<ul><li>5. Government engagement</li><li>6. Senior Management engagement</li></ul>	
	7. SEAH investigation capacity	
	From these discussions, the following recommendations were made:	
	<ol> <li>Conduct an inter-agency SEA Risk Assessment</li> <li>Work with the government to nominate a PSEA Focal Point at the RRRC Office</li> </ol>	
	<ul> <li>3. Prepare an advocacy note to engage with the government</li> <li>4. Hold quarterly coordination meetings with the government</li> <li>5. Organize workshops with the government on the PSEA SOP</li> </ul>	
	6. Introduce an inter-agency PSEA hotline/email 7. Develop age-appropriate PSEA messages	
	8. Collaborate with CPSS and the Education sector to build the capacity of teachers and conduct awareness sessions with various camp-based CSOs and committees	
	9. Include PSEA/Safeguarding messages in the learning curriculum 10. Map SEAH investigators, train them, and create a pool of investigators 11. Build the capacity of community leaders and other trusted groups on how to	
	respond to an SEA disclosure and ensure safe referral  12. Enhance the capacity of vendors and third-party staff and support them in	
	strengthening their internal PSEA structures	
	13. Explore new methods of awareness-raising, such as storytelling, art competitions, and puppet shows	
	14. Add PSEA indicators to the monitoring logframe	
	15. Contextualize the training module	
	16. Develop an annual PSEA Activity Plan for organizations and ensure budget allocation for PSEA activities	
	17. Collaborate more with AAP TWG and ensure community consultation on	
	preferred complaint channels	
Open Discussion: Network Action Plan-2025	Dhaka PSEA Network Coordinator Benedetta Cocco presented the draft Annual PSEA Network Action Plan for 2025. She noted that Cox's Bazar and Dhaka PSEA Networks collaboratively prepared the plan, incorporating active participation and feedback from members. As recommended by the UNRC, the integrated action plan will be implemented across Bangladesh, including the Rohingya Refugee response. The final document will be shared once it is endorsed by the ROCT and the UNCT in February 2025.	PSEA Network
PSEA Stall Visit	At the end of the annual meeting, eight Network members showcased their PSEA IEC materials. Participants visited the stalls where organizations explained their materials.	PSEA Network Members
	CODEC, BRAC, Mukti Cox's Bazar, Concern Worldwide, SKUS, IFRC/BDRCS, BLAST, and CARE Bangladesh creatively presented their IEC materials and PSEA activities.	
	The annual meeting concluded with this showcase.	
AoB (Any other business)	The Next PSEA Network Meeting- January 15, 2025.	PSEA Network