AD TWG Monthly Meeting – Minutes, Sunday 29th June 2025, 03:00pm – 04:00pm, ISCG Sector Conference Room, Cox's Bazar



Welcome and Opening Remarks:

The meeting commenced with a warm welcome from Prosenjit Baidya (Disability Specialist, ISCG), who expressed appreciation to all members for their ongoing efforts in mainstreaming age and disability inclusion across the Rohingya response. Members were thanked for their consistent engagement and contributions to the technical working group and were encouraged to continue collective efforts in strengthening inclusive practices at both sectoral and field levels.

Discussion on Topics:

1. Operational Update on Age and Disability

Under the operation update Prosenjit Baidya shared update on the following activities conducted by AD TWG during the month of June 2025.

Sr. No.	Agenda	Discussion	Action Point
01.	RAAL Lab to	Humanity & Inclusion (HI), in coordination	A two-day workshop with each
	review and	with ISCG, conducted preliminary meetings	sector will be conducted, and the
	adapt tools	with nominated sector partners. Workshops	tools will be reviewed for
		with individual sectors are planned to begin	adaptation to ensure disability
		in July. Participating sectors include FSS,	inclusion.
		Education, and LSDS.	
02.	Support to	AD TWG is supporting the GBV sub-sector in	Finalize and share the module in
	GBV Case	preparing a training plan to build capacity of	collaboration with the GBV sub-
	Management	staff on disability-inclusive GBV case	sector. Monitor the effectiveness
	Working Group	management.	of its rollout.
03.	Road Safety	Communication with Communities (CwC)	CwC to circulate finalized
	Campaign –	team is developing key messages for a road	campaign materials to all
	CwC Input	safety campaign. AD TWG contributed to	partners. AD TWG to support
		ensuring age and disability inclusion in the	dissemination.
		messaging.	
04.	Computer	SKUS, in partnership with DYD and support	Monitor training progress and
	Skills Training	from ILO-ISEC, is conducting a 4-month	collect feedback from
	for Persons	computer training (Level 2) for 20 persons	participants to assess skill
	with	with disabilities.	development and future support
	Disabilities		needs.
05.	Bi-Annual	A biannual newsletter on inclusive practices	Members to submit stories and
	Newsletter	will be prepared with contributions from AD	content by the agreed deadline.
	(Jan–June	TWG members. Support was requested to	
	2025)	provide the necessary information.	
06.	Focal Person	Members from UNHCR, WFP, IOM, UNFPA,	Members to submit updated
	List Update	WHO, HI, CBM Global, CDD, HelpAge	focal contact details.
		International, and SARPV were requested to	Consolidated list to be circulated.
		update the contact focal points list.	
07.	Sectoral	Members are encouraged to represent AD	AD TWG members will share any
	Representation	TWG in their respective sector coordination	updates regarding support needs
		meetings to mainstream inclusion.	raised during other sectoral
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08.	Technical	CARE Bangladesh requested technical	CDD to coordinate with CARE for
	Support	support for assistive device distribution	providing assistance during the
	Request –	from ADTWG.	assistive device distribution.

	CARE Bangladesh (AHP4 Project)		
09.	Discussion on Disability support groups	UNHCR colleague requested information regarding Self-Help Groups and Disability Support Committees. CDD responded that they have established some Disability Support Committee in FDMN Camp. UNHCR also shared that their CBP partner-ActionAid Bangladesh, operates several Self-Help Groups in the FDMN camps—these are mixed groups consisting of persons with disabilities, caregivers, and older people.	UNHCR will share the contact details of the focal persons from ActionAid who are managing these groups. CDD will further coordinate with ActionAid to ensure better collaboration in selected UNHCR operated camps.
10.	Update from IOM	Disability-inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) trainings are being implemented (Till December) in camps, targeting over 4,500 community members including women, youth, persons with disabilities, and Disaster Management Units (DMUs). HI is already coordinating with IOM to prevent an overlap in targeted participants. IOM is having Disability Inclusion and Support Committee in each IOM camps consisting of 15 members. They are expanding this to Maji block level.	To avoid duplication, all partners planning disability-inclusive DRR activities in IOM operated camps are requested to coordinate with the implementing team.
		IOM plans to conduct an accessibility audit in all IOM camps before December 2025. This follows a similar audit conducted in 2023 with support from the ADTWG. Collaboration from ADTWG technical members will be requested again for this year's audit.	IOM was suggested to share an email to AD TWG regarding technical support need during the access audit.
		IOM recently completed a follow-up impact assessment on previously audited facilities. The assessment revisited the same locations audited a year ago to evaluate how recommendations were implemented and what changes have taken place. The collected data is now under analysis, and findings will be shared with the Age and Disability Technical Working Group (ADTWG) once finalized.	It was suggested that IOM strengthen its advocacy efforts to ensure that accessibility recommendations are incorporated by the implementing agencies.
11.	AOB	Jahangir Bhai shared that CBM and HelpAge International are interested in meeting with the AD TWG members to learn about the progress of age and disability inclusion in the Rohingya camps.	He will share an email with AD TWG regarding the proposed activity, and bilateral discussions will be held to confirm the next steps.

Participants: UNHCR, IOM, HI, CDD, CBMG, Helpage Int., Age and Disability Unit- ISCG **Report Prepared by:** Prosenjit Baidya, Disability Specialist, Age and Disability, ISCG