

LSDS Joint Field Visit Report 12 January 2026

Participants: Save the Children, DRC, SKUS, RDRS, Mukti, ILO, ESDO, Protyashi

Agenda

As part of LSDS's regular field monitoring visits to ongoing livelihoods and skills development activities in the camps and host communities of Cox's Bazar, LSDS, together with interested partner organizations, conducted field visits to the project sites implemented by Protyashi, Mukti, and ILO in the host communities, as well as DRC-supported activities within the refugee camps.

Site visited

1.



LSDS partners visited the Protyashi production hub in Ukhiya, where female beneficiaries were receiving orientation and introductory training on candle making. LSDS Partners had interacted with the beneficiaries and learned about their plan on income generation. The Sector plans to conduct a follow-up visit next month, during which the candle production activities are expected to be undertaken. The project is supported by FCDO RAF.

2.



Sector along with partners visited ESDO activities supported by ILO, to a training centre in PF Para, Ukhiya, where two batches of Basic Training are being conducted. On Day 3 of the eight-day training, participants received hands-on instruction in crochet making, and the visiting team was briefed on project progress and outputs, with positive interaction with the artisans. The project targets 400 artisans from both refugee and host communities, with a strong focus on women and youth from Ukhiya Upazila, prioritizing marginalized and vulnerable groups. The project is also under FCDO RAF.

3.



LSDS organized a learning visit with like-minded partners to the DRC-ESDO garment jhoot waste recycling and skills development centre in Camp 5. The initiative supports trained Rohingya women who, after completing a 24-day non-formal technical training aligned with the LSDS framework, are now engaged in regular production and income generation through the sale of doormats to host community buyers. The project is supported by DANIDA.

4.



Mukti Cox's Bazar, highlighted that beneficiaries were selected through a transparent process and completed a nine-day intensive training covering quality production, entrepreneurship, and digital literacy, followed by the development of one-year business plans and the provision of an initial cash grant of BDT 15,000 to 50 entrepreneurs with regular follow-up. During the visit, beneficiary Gol Bahar shared that, by combining the grant with her own savings, she launched a small handicraft and tailoring business, secured a trade license from Palongkhali Union Parishad, and generated BDT 13,000 in sales within 12 days, with plans to further expand her enterprise. The project is part of FCDO RAF.