

OUR HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMS

Recognizing the need to structure disaster response mechanisms in Bangladesh, ASARR has put into place a Disaster Response agenda that strives to carry out timely interventions in the wake of major disasters, humanitarian crises, and other national or local emergencies. The Disaster Response agenda not only seeks to provide immediate relief and rehabilitation support to the victims, but also seeks to help victims tackle the long-term effects of such events including psychological issues and traumas.

Humanitarian programme for forcibly displaced Myanmar nationals (Rohingya)

From the beginning of the Rohingya crisis in August 2017, ASARR is working in the camps in Kutupalong and Nayapara and providing non-food items to the Refugee Camps in Ukhiya and Teknaf areas. We have quite a large number of volunteers to work with us. ASARR is working in camps to deliver different non-food items. The



organization also delivering comprehensive primary health care services including community health, and secondary referrals to the populations living in the Refugee Camps in Ukhiya and Teknaf areas. ASARR also supporting children at Refugee Camps in Ukhiya and Teknaf areas. Some recreational activities included in the programme so that Rohingya children can overcome the trauma situation. Biscuits and chocolate packets also are distributed.

Floods and Cyclones



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Bangladesh is highly susceptible to the effects of climate change and natural disasters, resulting in increased occurrences of cyclones, floods, and droughts. As such, ASARR's Disaster Response agenda strives to provide a timely and effective response to natural disasters. Under the agenda, relief and rehabilitation support have been provided to the victims of cyclone SIDR in 2007 and those affected by floods in 1998 and 2004. ASARR provided humanitarian aid (health service, food and non-food items) to the cyclone affected people at Bagerhat, Barguna,

Rana Plaza Disaster

Similar rehabilitation and support facilities were extended to the victims of the devastating Rana Plaza disaster. A team of health professionals from ASARR, including doctors, nurses, paramedics and psychosocial counselors, equipped with medical supplies, attended to the victims of the tragedy. The organization also provided rehabilitation and livelihood support to the survivors.

Floods and River Erosions

In partnership with other local organizations and GOs ASARR has also undertaken an initiative to support the people affected by frequent floods and river erosion caused by fluxes in the rivers. This initiative works to ease access to safe drinking water and propagate the need for sanitation and safe water practices. Interventions include disseminating information on these issues and locally installing deep tube wells and sanitary latrines. It also undertakes work to elevate courtyards and homesteads to minimise damage to homes during floods.