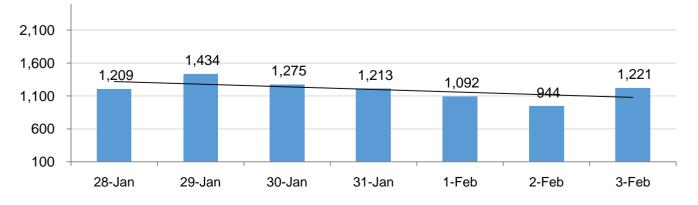
# brac



#### What you need to know today

- A total of 688,000 forcibly-displaced Myanmar nationals have entered Bangladesh since 25 August (Source: ISCG report, 27 January 2018)
- BRAC's total coverage (based on sanitation) is 564,200 people with installation of 14,105 latrines. BRAC ensures access to safe water for 434,128 people through 1,313 shallow tube wells, 194 deep tube wells and two functional ring wells. 4,555 bathing cubicles were set up, especially for women and adolescent girls. A total of 12,601 latrines have been de-sludged (166 today) and made functional for reusing. 1,229 latrines have been decommissioned (8 today). A total of 58,773 hygiene sessions have been conducted (232 today).
- 917,628 patients (7,245 today) were provided with primary health care services through BRAC's 10 primary health care centres and 50 satellite clinics. BRAC has identified 9,010 pregnant women and helped to deliver 676 babies so far (11 today). 123,915 cases of acute respiratory infections (1,221 today) have been diagnosed and treated. BRAC has provided 41,749 sachets of micronutrient powder (202 today) and 1,225,310 calcium tablets (10,380 today) to help improve nutrition intake among children.
- BRAC assisted the government in immunising **166,247 children** during the campaign against diphtheria. BRAC's Health workers helped identify 526 potential diphtheria cases and referred for further evaluation and management. Also, the health workers undertook the task of contact tracing for the diphtheria cases and chemoprophylaxis for more than 263 FDMN patients. 279 health workers and 1,129 program staff have been trained to handle diphtheria cases, and accordingly educated **129,073 people** in the settlements on diphtheria (1,652 today).
- 214,407 blankets and 260,591 sets of clothes have been distributed; especially for the protection of children and elderly people against cold weather.
- Some 42,454 children received recreational support (17,941 today) through 215 child friendly spaces (CFS).
- 21,000 children have access (18,769 today) to 200 learning centres and 400 teachers have been assigned to guide them.
- Community mobilisation volunteers have visited **98,329 households** (19,390 today) to disseminate lifesaving messages on WaSH, health, nutrition and protection. 800 volunteers and 107 staff are involved in this awareness initiative.



#### Cases of acute respiratory infections (ARI) treated, daily



# **KEY CHALLENGES**

## Landmines:

Landmine explosions pose a serious threat to human life and wildlife (especially elephants). An explosion took yet another life on Saturday of a Bangladeshi man along the Myanmar-Bangladesh border.

### WHAT DO PEOPLE NEED MOST?

Shelter materials, such as high-quality tarpaulins; cold weather items, including blankets, floor mats, clothes for new born baby; fuel for stoves; water storage containers; and solar/flash lights.



WORKING WITH OTHERS: Mr Md Reaz Uddin Khan (Senior Policy Advisor, Water Management) from The Embassy of The Kingdom of Netherlands has visited BRAC's activities in Ukhia upazila's makeshift settlements. He also visited Netherland government funded BRAC projects in the host community

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# PEOPLE URGENTLY NEED YOUR HELP, TODAY.

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While we have already reached over 600,000 new arrivals with at least one critical service, we need your support to keep going.



#### **\$ 19.8 ESTIMATED TOTAL** PARTNERS REQUIREMENT million for six months Government of Bangladesh \$ 2.6 International Organization for Million Migration (IOM) Remaining assistance World Food Programme (WFP) required \$17.2 Million committed so far Australian BILL& MELINDA GATES foundation Aid 🌙

Many thanks to friends from around the world for their individual donations.

BRAC has also dedicated some of its own funds to contribute to this response.





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