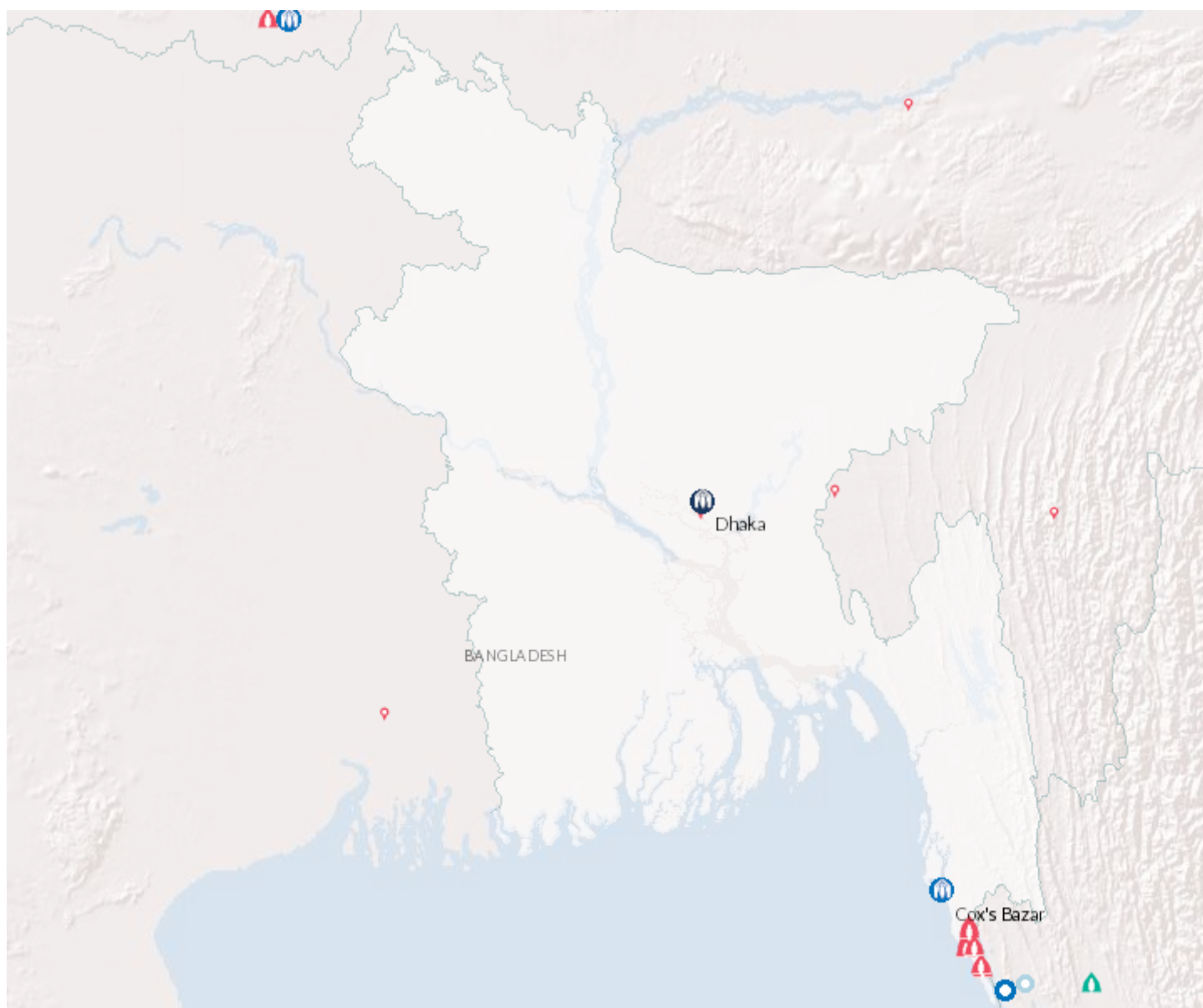


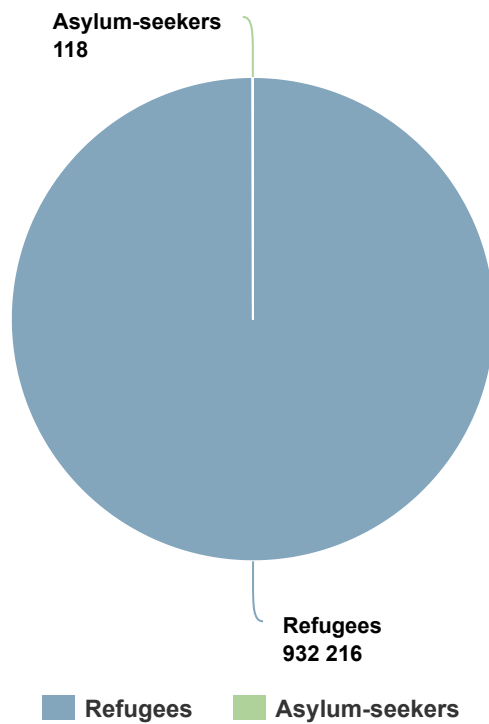
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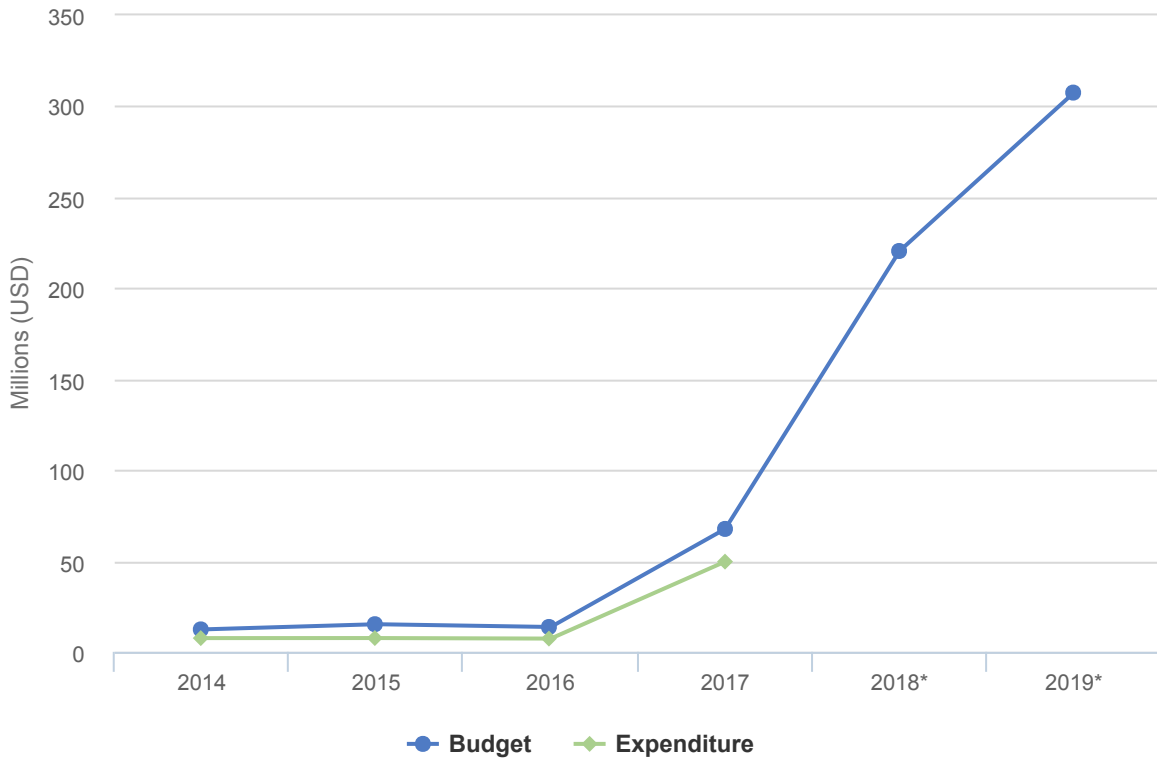
People of Concern

INCREASE IN
238% 2017

2017	932,334
2016	276,208
2015	231,958



Budgets and Expenditure for Bangladesh



Working environment

Bangladesh is not a party to the 1951 Refugee Convention and it does not have domestic refugee legislation that regulates the reception and protection of refugees, however the Government and people of Bangladesh have demonstrated remarkable international solidarity by keeping their border open to those fleeing violence in the Rakhine state. Bangladesh welcomed approximately 725,000 stateless Rohingya refugees from Myanmar who fled an eruption of violence in late August 2017. UNHCR projects that there will be some 900,000 stateless Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh in 2019, including an estimated 200,000 who fled Rakhine State in previous waves of displacement.

The Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MDMR) and its Office of the Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commissioner (RRRC) have been assigned to oversee the refugee response. A bilateral agreement signed by the Governments of Bangladesh and Myanmar on 23 November 2017 envisages voluntary, safe and sustainable refugee returns to Myanmar. The agreement between the two States also contemplates the engagement of UNHCR to ensure that international standards are met. On 13 April 2018, the Government of Bangladesh and UNHCR signed a complementary MoU on voluntary repatriation, which reinforces this commitment to international standards and establishes a framework for enhanced operational engagement when the conditions for return are ripe.

In addition to keeping its borders open, the Government is providing land, sharing its natural resources, expending health services and investing in preparedness through a national cyclone preparedness programme. Military and civilian authorities have played a key role in organizing relief distribution, logistics and construction, closely collaborating with UNHCR and partners involved the emergency response.

UNHCR will continue to advocate for the protection of refugees regardless of their legal status and location through active participation in, and staffing support to, the existing inter-agency coordination mechanism. UNHCR will engage with different humanitarian actors focusing on local partnerships and will enhance strategic collaboration with line ministries to enhance protection space for refugees. UNHCR will continue to play a catalytic role in engaging development stakeholders, including the World Bank, UNDP, IFIs, the private sector and civil society.

Any returns of refugees should be based on a free and informed choice. Potential returns must be in line with international standards of voluntariness, safety, and dignity, and must be sustainable. The timing and pace of returns should be determined by the refugees themselves. UNHCR will provide assistance wherever refugees have voluntarily chosen to settle, in places of origin or other places, with a condition that UNHCR has full access to the areas allowing robust protection monitoring by UNHCR.

Key priorities

In 2019, UNHCR will focus on:

- Securing the legal identity of Rohingya refugees which has been systematically denied in Myanmar;
- Strengthening the protective environment for refugees and ensuring their enjoyment of basic human rights;
- Improving the living conditions for refugees in settlements, while bolstering peaceful-coexistence with, and support for, host communities
- Empowering refugees and supporting the establishment of systems of governance that support resilience
- Establishing the foundation for solutions, including voluntary repatriation and alternative solutions, while establishing interim measures for refugees to live a safe and dignified existence.

2019 Revised Budget for Bangladesh | USD

The following table presents the revised budget for this operation broken down at the objective level. Resource allocation at the objective level is subject to change during the course of the year as the operational situation evolves and priorities shift. The current budget by pillar, reflected in the bottom line of this table, is updated on a monthly basis and is replaced by the final budget at year-end.

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Total
Favourable Protection Environment		
Administrative Institutions and Practice	659,633	659,633
Legal remedies and legal assistance	2,259,267	2,259,267
Access to territory	1,309,267	1,309,267
Public attitudes towards persons of concern	730,233	730,233
Subtotal	4,958,400	4,958,400
Fair Protection Processes and Documentation		
Reception conditions	4,879,267	4,879,267
Registration and profiling	2,979,267	2,979,267
Civil status documentation	764,633	764,633
Subtotal	8,623,167	8,623,167
Security from Violence and Exploitation		
SGBV prevention and response	12,118,900	12,118,900
Non-arbitrary detention	1,469,267	1,469,267
Child protection	9,549,267	9,549,267
Subtotal	23,137,433	23,137,433
Basic Needs and Essential Services		
Health	15,829,267	15,829,267
Nutrition	8,179,267	8,179,267
Water	30,339,633	30,339,633
Sanitation and hygiene	21,839,633	21,839,633
Shelter and infrastructure	59,458,900	59,458,900
Energy	16,839,633	16,839,633
Basic and domestic and hygiene Items	38,923,257	38,923,257
Services for persons with specific needs	5,139,267	5,139,267
Education	26,918,900	26,918,900
Subtotal	223,467,757	223,467,757
Community Empowerment and Self Reliance		
Community mobilization	6,379,267	6,379,267
Co-existence with local communities	10,639,633	10,639,633
Natural resources and shared environment	3,139,633	3,139,633
Subtotal	20,158,533	20,158,533

	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Total
Durable Solutions		
Solutions strategy	649,633	649,633
Voluntary return	845,567	845,567
Subtotal	1,495,201	1,495,201
Leadership, Coordination and Partnerships		
Camp management and coordination	16,139,633	16,139,633
Subtotal	16,139,633	16,139,633
Logistics and Operations Support		
Supply chain and logistics	4,779,267	4,779,267
Operations management, coordination and support	4,794,005	4,794,005
Subtotal	9,573,272	9,573,272
2019 Revised Budget	307,553,397	307,553,397
Increase / Decrease	0	0
2019 Current Budget	307,553,397	307,553,397