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The bulletin on the activities of the “Improving Social Cohesion Project”. The project is being implemented by the COAST Trust in collaboration with UNHCR to improve ‘Social Cohesion’ among Rohingya and Host communities at Rajapalong, Whykong, Hnila unions and 5 Rohingya camps in Ukhiya and Teknaf of Cox’s Bazar, Bangladesh

**Youth skill development training at host community
To make skillful youth and create job employment
opportunity COAST is providing skill development training
to local unemployed youths**



Participants are in the practical class of electrical house wiring, Photo Credit-Md. Shajahan

Under the project titled “Improving Social cohesion among Rohingya and host community people” COAST in collaboration with UNHCR is providing training on Driving, Microsoft office program and Electrical house wiring. From 3rd of October four batches have been started at Ukhiya and Whykong. Total of 93 unemployed youths from ukhiya and tekna upazilla are getting these training. In basic computer trade 40 youths, in electrical house wiring trade 40 youths and in driving 13 youths are taking the training. Partnership between COAST and Ait (Academy of Information Technology) the training is executing by Ait at their training centers in Ukhiya and Whykong. As a registered institution from Bangladesh Technical Board Ait will certify all trainee after the completion of the training. Earlier this month of October, 2021 Subrata Kumar Chakrabarty visited the AIT training centers and inaugurated the training program. During the visit he asked COAST to help these trainees to get jobs after the completion of the training. From 8th of November four batches YSDT training on three different trades will be started at camp 1W, 1E and 22. Total 60 Rohingya will get these training.



Under the social cohesion project COAST is providing driving training to local youths.

Rokeya Jahan Tabassum, a young woman lived at Mohoripara in Rajapalong, Ukhiya. The only earning member of her family is her father has been died few months ago. All her dreams gone in vain. She has to stopped her study as no financial support she has. Moreover, she is now responsible to take care of her family. But she completed only HSC and it is now a bit difficult to get a good job with such lower educational qualification. But still she dreamt to do something exceptional where no women could think of to become a professional driver in her locality. Fortunately, she came to know about ISC project’s YSDT for local youths through her UP member. In the month of September, she got enrolled for driving learning training and now she is learning.

Training on Leadership and conflict management

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Documentation and Communication officer Tanjir Roni facilitating the training at camp 1East. Photo Credit- Julfikar.

On 28th and 31st of October 2021, COAST in collaboration with UNHCR under the project titled “Improving Social Cohesion among Rohingya and Host community people” arranged two batch training on Leadership and Conflict Management at camp 22 and 1E. To develop a sense of positive leadership and conflict management strategies among Rohingya youths COAST arranged these daylong training. With the overwhelming participation of 40 Rohingya youths 20 participants in each batch, the training session was successfully organized and ended with good remarks from the CIC office. The training is facilitated in a participatory way and includes discussion sessions, PPT Presentation, Roleplay, Group Works and Closing remarks sessions. Considering the objectives of the project the training course has been designed with practical ideas with role play so that the participant can easily understand the session. The training course comprised the topic of, what is leadership, who is a leader, who is ruler, what qualities should have in a leader, what does a leader do, who is an excellent leader, what is conflict, why conflict arise, type of conflicts, conflict management strategies, who is a mediator and the law and obligations of camp management etc. In the discussion, session participants share their learning and sharing from the training. Twenty-five years old Rohingya community leader **Hamid Ali**, participated in the training. He said: “There is no alternative to know to become a good leader, to become a qualified leader and reduce the risk of conflict in the camp area this types of training will help more”. Serajul Islam, CMA, Camp 1 East was present in the training session and mentioned the law and obligations of camp management.

Activity target and achievement October, 2021

Activity Name	Target	Achievement
Friendly Meeting between Rohingya and host community youth	2	2
Leadership and conflict management training at Rohingya camps	2	2

Friendly meeting between Rohingya and host community youths

To ensure peaceful co-existence until reparation both Rohingya and host community youths should have common understanding about social cohesion.

COAST is working to engage multilevel program participants with social cohesion activities both in host and camp area through social cohesion project. To that end, In the month of October, 2021 COAST organized two friendly meeting between Rohingya and host community youths at camp 1E and 22. In the meeting both address the condition of social cohesion and challenges to ensure co-existence. Moreover, the participants share their thoughts about, how to work for the betterments of their fellow community people. More than 40 Rohingya and host community youths participated in the meetings.

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