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Multi-Sectoral Support for Vulnerable Mobile Populations in {OMISSIS}

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## I. Summary of Key Achievements during the Reporting Period

The project “Multi-Sectoral Support for Vulnerable Mobile Populations and Communities in OMISSIS” comprises of the following components:

- Direct Assistance (DA)
- Migrant Protection and Assistance (PXD)
- Migrant Health (MHD)
- Voluntary Humanitarian Return (VHR)
- Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM)
- Labour Mobility and Social Inclusion (LMI)
- Immigration and Border Governance (IBG)

Through the interlinkage of these components, the project aims to contribute towards strengthening the resilience and reducing vulnerabilities of migrants, Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), returnees and host communities in {OMISSIS}.

During the reporting period - 01 March - 31 August 2023 – IOM made significant progress in delivering essential services to migrants and vulnerable communities, contributing to enhancing the resilience of crisis-affected populations in {OMISSIS}.

### **Under the DA component:**

IOM conducted various pre-distribution needs assessments in 8 locations, in 7 different cities, namely {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS}.

Based on the findings of the needs assessments, IOM assisted 1204 persons (1195 Men and 9 Children), and distributed 1826 NFI items, including hygiene kits, mattresses, blankets, and clothes (Please see a detailed list of distributed items under Activity 1.1.1.).

Furthermore, IOM distributed NFIs to migrants in nine detention centers (DCs); four distributions in DCs were conducted as part of integrated, multisectoral anti-Scabies campaigns involving different components such as health and hygiene promotion.

### **Under the PXD component:**

During the reporting period, IOM Protection Unit carried out 41 monitoring visits to detention centers in {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, and {OMISSIS}. The protection team conducted 26 vulnerability assessments for 25 men and one woman. Additionally, 20 migrants (15 men, 5 women) were provided with timely referral for specialized internal or external services: One woman was referred externally to {OMISSIS}, and 19 beneficiaries (15 men, 4 women) were referred internally to IOM’s Voluntary Humanitarian Return programme. Furthermore, 16 migrants (2 men, 13 women and one boy) were hosted in the IOM host family program and were provided with a range of services on a need basis.

### **Under the MHD component:**

During the second quarter of the project, MHD continued conducting regular health risk assessment and provided medical assistance to migrants, and conflict-affected populations, including referrals to

hospitals for life-saving treatment and specialized care. A total of 13 public health risk assessments were conducted in detention centers and at migrant dense areas. Public health risk assessments guided IOM's health interventions: seven anti-scabies campaigns were carried out during which 2534 patients received scabies medications purchased under this project. During the reporting period, 7,688 migrants (5470 men, 1,184 women, 629 boys and 405 girls) underwent medical consultations. Out of the total number of beneficiaries who received medical consultations, 73 (20 men, 42 women, 7 boys and 4 girls) were referred health facilities for specialized medical services.

Furthermore, 973 (705 males and 268 females) beneficiaries were vaccinated against Covid-19 and 8767 individuals improved their knowledge on Covid-19 vaccines thanks to 322 awareness sessions organized by IOM prior to the vaccination campaign.

**Under the VHR component:**

IOM assisted 239 migrants (237 men and 2 women) to voluntarily return to their countries of origin of (Bangladesh and Chad). Out of the total number of VHR beneficiaries, 25 were medical cases. 237 beneficiaries were located at detention centers in {OMISSIS} ({OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS}) prior to their return to their countries of origin.

**Under the DTM component:**

IOM conducted data collection to assess migrants' situations and identify their needs. Updates were shared with relevant stakeholders on a weekly basis. Furthermore, IOM produced a briefing on the situation in migrant detention centres as well as a map of the location of detention centres in {OMISSIS} to inform programmatic activities and advocacy efforts.

**Under the LMI component:**

Between March and August 2023, IOM delivered an innovation training to IOM's YESS team to scale-up YESS activities, offered thorough individual career counselling sessions to 431 youths, continued to conduct community-wide outreach to migrants and youth to raise awareness on YESS, provided tailored vocational training to migrants and youth to improve their hard and soft skills, developed YESS database and prepared for rolling out labour migration governance (LMG) trainings.

**Under the IBG component:**

During the reporting period, IOM's IBG Unit strengthened the capacities of 240 officers from various border enforcement agencies operating in the {OMISSIS} region of {OMISSIS}. A total of 16 training courses have been completed, building the capacity of border and law enforcement personnel on a wide range of border management topics. These included search and rescue, passport examination, risk analysis, intelligence and data management. Furthermore, IOM completed the rehabilitation of the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} training center in {OMISSIS}, rehabilitating classrooms and training rooms to allow officers from several regions to attend training courses, and equipping the center with a laboratory that will serve for the detection of fraudulent documents.

Following discussions with the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}, access to the {OMISSIS}{OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} ({OMISSIS}) was granted. The {OMISSIS} highlighted the challenges faced by the {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} in identifying fraudulent travel and identity documents used by a large number of passengers. In an

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effort to support the {OMISSIS}{OMISSIS}, IOM {OMISSIS} will renovate a room adjacent to the first line of control and provide equipment to detect counterfeit travel documents.

The crisis in {OMISSIS} has called for a significant humanitarian effort from all actors operating in the country. During the reporting period, the Border Governance unit supported the {OMISSIS} government through the {OMISSIS}of {OMISSIS}, by providing first aid equipment, generators and water tanks. The equipment was subsequently transported to the {OMISSIS}region, where migrants in distress were located.

## II. Progress Made towards Realizing Outcomes and Outputs

### COMPONENT I: Direct Assistance

**Outcome 1: Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.**

**Output 1.1:** Migrants detained in {OMISSIS} and rescued at {OMISSIS} have improved access to life-saving support.

Activity 1.1.1: Provide NFIs and emergency food to migrants in detention centers (DCs) and at disembarkation points (DPs) after being rescued/intercepted at {OMISSIS}.

During the quarterly reporting, IOM conducted pre-distribution needs assessments in 8 detention centers across {OMISSIS}. Assessments' findings guided IOM's response: 1204 beneficiaries (1195 Men and 9 Children) received 1826 NFI items, including 410 hygiene Kits, 587 Mattresses, 415 Blankets, and 414 Clothes. Four distributions in DCs were conducted as part of holistic, integrated, multisectoral anti-Scabies campaigns involving different components such as health and hygiene promotion.

*Table 1- NFIs distribution per locations/beneficiaries/ items (Gender-disaggregated).*

Date of Distribution	Mantika of Distribution	Area Of Distribution	Males	Females	Children	Total	Hygiene Kits	Mattresses	Blankets	Clothing kits	Notes
6/11/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	260	0	0	260	260	.	.	.	.
7/9/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS}DC	148	0	3	151	.	75	100	151	.
7/26/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	41	0	0	41	.	.	.	41	.
7/27/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	35	0	0	35	.	.	.	35	.
7/27/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	42	0	0	42	.	.	.	42	.

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8/2/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	120	0	0	120	60	100	100	120	Anti-scabies
8/13/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	300	0	0	300		300			Anti-scabies
8/14/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	90	0	0	90	90	50	50		Anti-scabies
8/28/2023	{OMISSIS}	{OMISSIS} DC	159	0	6	165		62	165	25	Anti-scabies
Total			1195	0	9	1204	410	587	415	414	

Activity 1.1.5 Workshop and sensitization sessions to local authorities' staff and other stakeholders on IOM humanitarian interventions and the coordination mechanism.

IOM is holding discussions with {OMISSIS} management to agree on how to best proceed with the implementation of the Workshop. An initial agreement was reached with {OMISSIS}. Once the preliminary agreement was reached, an internal IOM coordination effort ensued to ensure an integrated humanitarian intervention and sensitization modality. AS {OMISSIS} continue to be engaged with multiple activities across {OMISSIS}, setting a date for the workshop remained challenging; Coordination with {OMISSIS} is still ongoing.

### **COMPONENT II: Migrant Protection and Assistance (PXD)**

**Outcome 1: Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.**

**Output 1.1:** *Migrants detained in {OMISSIS} and rescued at {OMISSIS} have improved access to life-saving support.*

Activity 1.1.2: Provide protection assistance to migrants in detention centers.

During the reporting period, IOM maintained a continuous provision of services to ensure that migrants requiring specialized support were able to access the needed assistance. 41 monitoring visits were carried out to detention centers in {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, and {OMISSIS}. IOM responded to the protection needs of migrants in different locations by providing specialized protection services. The protection team conducted 26 vulnerability assessments to 25 men and one woman. Additionally, 20 migrants (15 men, 5 women) were provided with timely referral for specialized internal or external

services: One woman was referred externally to {OMISSIS}, and 19 beneficiaries (15 men, 4 women) were referred internally to IOM's Voluntary Humanitarian Return programme.

Furthermore, 16 migrants (2 men, 13 women and boy) were hosted in the IOM host family program and were provided a range of services including full case management services, medical assistance, psycho-social support, food baskets, non-food items and family linking support, as well as referrals to needed services including education assistance, shelter, legal assistance and consular support.

**Delay foreseen in meeting the project's target within the agreed-upon timeline and remedial measure:**

IOM {OMISSIS} was informed by IOM {OMISSIS} that the political situation in the country might become challenging with the upcoming elections from November to January. Colleagues in {OMISSIS} anticipate pre/post-election violence which will most likely affect the timelines for migrants' return and reintegration in {OMISSIS} under the VHR Programme. IOM requested a 4-month no cost extension.

### **COMPONENT III: Migrant Health**

**Outcome 1: Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.**

**Output 1.1:** Migrants detained in {OMISSIS} and rescued at {OMISSIS} have improved access to life-saving support.

Activity 1.1.3: Provision of regular health risk assessment and medical assistance to migrants, and conflict-affected populations, including referrals to hospitals for life-saving treatment and specialized care.

During the second quarter of the project, IOM conducted 13 public health risk assessments. 10 assessments were done in migrants' community-based residence locations, 2 assessments were conducted in detention centers and 1 assessment was conducted at {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS}. Public health risk assessment tracker is attached.

Public health risk assessments at community settings highlighted the following findings: Inappropriate ventilation and sewerage system in old and poor housing infrastructure expose residents (migrants) to the risk of water borne diseases. Delay in seeking health care and difficulty in accessing public health facilities increases migrants' vulnerabilities to diseases.

Findings of public health risk assessments at detention centres show that over crowdedness and unhygienic living conditions resulted in the outbreak of scabies, respiratory infections, and diarrhoea. The prevalence of psychological problems is high because of prolonged detention.

Based on the epidemiological surveillance and public health risk assessments, seven anti-scabies campaigns were conducted: Six in detention centers ({OMISSIS} DC “Two campaigns”, {OMISSIS}DC, {OMISSIS} DC, {OMISSIS} DC, {OMISSIS}DC) and one in a community-based migrants’ residency at an alternative to detention center (ATD); {OMISSIS} host family. A total of 2534 beneficiaries benefited from scabies medications purchased under this project.

IOM is supporting the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} in providing health care services to migrants at various locations, such as in primary health care facilities, detention centers and through outreach in migrant dense areas. During the reporting period, 7,688 migrants (5470 men, 1,184 women, 629 boys and 405 girls) underwent medical consultations in 5 locations on a need basis: 4 detention centers ({OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}and {OMISSIS}) and {OMISSIS}mobile clinic. Out of the total number of beneficiaries who received medical consultations, 73 (20 men, 42 women, 7 boys and 4 girls) were referred to for specialized consultations, examinations, drug refilling or admission to public or IOM pre-assessed health facilities, free of charge.

**Output 1.2:** {OMISSIS} authorities have enhanced capacity to implement a COVID-19 vaccination campaign.

Activity 1.2.1: Provide support to {OMISSIS} in conducting a series of COVID-19 vaccination campaigns.

IOM supported {OMISSIS} in conducting COVID-19 vaccination in the following 8 municipalities:

1. {OMISSIS}; Three two-day campaigns: 26-27 April , 13-14 June, 25-26 June.
2. {OMISSIS}; Two two-day campaigns: 31 May-1 June and 9-10 August.
3. {OMISSIS}; Four campaigns: 17-18 July , 20 July , 27 July , 3 August.
4. {OMISSIS}; One two-day campaign: 6-8 March.
5. {OMISSIS}; One three-day campaign: 9- 11 May.
6. {OMISSIS}; Three campaigns: 11 July , 17 July and 31 July-1 August.
7. {OMISSIS}; Two one-day campaigns: 6 and 7 Aug.
8. {OMISSIS}; One two-day campaign on 8-9 Aug.

The logistic support provided to {OMISSIS} vaccination team comprised of two vaccinators, one staff for registration and one crowd management officer equipped with cold chain boxes and vaccines. {OMISSIS}team were facilitated by IOM field medical teams by conducting mapping of migrant dense locations and awareness campaigns about importance COVID vaccination. Total of 973 (705 males and 268 females) beneficiaries were vaccinated.



8767 people were reached with information on COVID-19 vaccines in targeted location by conducting 322 awareness sessions prior to vaccination campaign.

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*Left to right: Photo 1: A beneficiary receiving his vaccination card and Covid-19 Vaccine side-effect tip, IOM vaccination campaign, 11 July, {OMISSIS}. Photo 2: IOM-{OMISSIS} vaccination campaign: Vaccination, Covid-19 awareness raising, 125 beneficiaries (all adult men), 11 May.*

**Output 1.3:** Stranded and vulnerable migrants, primarily in the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} and in the {OMISSIS} region, have the opportunity to re-establish themselves in their home communities.

Activity 1.3.1: Provided Voluntary humanitarian return assistance to stranded and vulnerable migrants.

Pre-departure medical screenings (PDMS) were provided to 254 beneficiaries (246 men, 1 woman, 1 boy). Pre-embarkation checks PEC were provided to 239 beneficiaries (237 men, 2 women). Out of the total number of PEC beneficiaries, 79 were medical cases.

#### **COMPONENT IV: Voluntary Humanitarian Return**

**Outcome 1: Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.**

**Output 1.3:** Stranded and vulnerable migrants, primarily in the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} and in the {OMISSIS} region, have the opportunity to re-establish themselves in their home communities.

Activity 1.3.1: Provided Voluntary humanitarian return assistance to stranded and vulnerable migrants.

The IOM VHR assisted 239 beneficiaries (237 men, 2 women) to voluntarily return to their country of origin (Chad and Bangladesh) thanks to the generous funding of the {OMISSIS} Directorate General for {OMISSIS} Citizens Abroad and Migration Policies.

**VHR challenge and remedial measure:**

IOM {OMISSIS} was by informed IOM {OMISSIS} that the political situation in the country might become challenging with the upcoming elections from November to January. Colleagues in {OMISSIS} anticipate pre/post-election violence which will most likely affect the timelines for migrants' return and reintegration in {OMISSIS} under the VHR Programme. As a remedial measure, IOM requested a four-month No Cost Extension.

**Please see Annex 1-** RA.0119 NCE Letter VHR.

*VHR outreach and awareness-raising:*

During the reporting period, IOM conducted outreach activities in various locations to establish direct communication with migrants and to increase their awareness on voluntary humanitarian return (VHR). 102 information sessions on IOM's VHR and overall operations in {OMISSIS} were held, reaching 1,986 migrants (1,877 men, 109 women) in urban areas with considerable migrant populations as well as in detention centers.

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*Photo 3: Outreach information session for migrants from {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, 21 March 2023.*

Outreach efforts were supported and complemented through hotline service. The VHR Hotline is a direct communication tool between migrants in urban settings and IOM staff and it has proved effective. During the reporting period, a total of 447 incoming calls were registered; all calls/questions were successfully addressed. All queries were recorded and referred internally to relevant teams for follow-ups.

All outreach sessions endeavored to clarify the VHR process and unequivocally ascertained migrants' awareness of the voluntary nature of the programme. Furthermore, the outreach sessions highlighted that migrants incur no costs for services, including flights and medical fit-to-travel screenings. These measures were put in place to ensure migrants would voluntarily choose to return once a request for assistance was received through outreach activities (including direct visits to detention centers) and referrals from embassies, community leaders, the VHR hotline, and IOM social media pages.

*Counselling and vulnerability screenings:*

The VHR team identified and referred 20 persons of concern (PoCs), 13 unaccompanied minors and 63 migrants in need of medical attention to relevant IOM units for the necessary service provision. VHR related interviews as part of the initial screening and counselling process allows for identifying vulnerable migrants that may require urgent/additional assistance.

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*Photo 4: Predeparture Counseling session for {OMISSIS} migrant women at {OMISSIS} DC, {OMISSIS}, 05 June 2023.*

Identified POCs and Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASCs) are referred to the IOM Protection Team for in-depth vulnerability assessments and case management including family tracing and follow-up with the receiving missions in the countries of return to ensure safe and sustainable reintegration into their communities. Once migrants are cleared for return assistance, IOM facilitates the necessary travel documentation (preparing and submitting exit visa applications, coordinating with relevant embassies).

The VHR team assesses the vulnerability of migrants through the IOM Assistance to Vulnerable Migrants (AVM) standards and follows the guidance on vulnerability determination through the identification of the presence, absence and interaction of certain factors and circumstances that increase the potential risk of exposure to violence, abuse, exploitation and rights violations particularly in the below categories:

- Children and adolescents
- Pregnant women/lactating women
- Individuals living with disabilities (cognitive disabilities and/or physical disabilities)
- Single headed household (female-headed, male-headed or child-headed)
- Elderly people (unaccompanied or accompanied)
- Survivors of gender-based violence (GBV)
- Large households (more than the average number of children in the given community and ratio between breadwinners and dependents)
- Unaccompanied and separated children (UASC)
- Survivors of torture
- Survivors of trafficking in persons
- Individuals at risk due to their nationality, religious beliefs, political affiliation, sexual orientation, ethnicity or any other status
- Safety and security factors (forced recruitment into the conflict, physical abuse and abduction)

*Travel documents issuance and medical fit-to-travel screening:*

During the reporting period, the VHR team facilitated the issuance of consular travel documents for all 239 migrants (237 men and 2 women). Counselling, screening for vulnerability and travel document issuance took place in parallel to expedite the return procedure. This service is undertaken in conjunction with the various embassies and with community representatives that have been assigned by their respective migrant communities, particularly communities

that originate from countries that do not have diplomatic and consular representations in {OMISSIS}. IOM teams work hand in hand to support the process and as such it has enabled most Embassies who do not have representations in {OMISSIS} to issue travel documents within the week of registration.

This service is crucial for the many migrants who lack a proof of identity. Embarking in the arduous journey across the {OMISSIS} Route ({OMISSIS}) would often result in migrants' loss of possessions and personal belongings, including travel documents. Migrants participating in the VHR assistance programme are provided with a fit-to-travel medical examinations prior to final clearance to ensure migrants are medically safe to travel. This examination is vital to ensure migrants' safety during the flight as medically unfit travelers can pose a health risk to themselves and other passengers. As per standard pre-departure preparations within the VHR programme, IOM provided transportation and distributed NFIs consisting of clothes and footwear to all migrants assisted departing directly from detention centres prior to their return flights. Additionally, on the day of departure, all migrants were provided with IOM bags for easy recognition by the IOM airport assistants.

Activity 1.3.2: Provide reintegration support for eligible returnees in countries of origin.

During the reporting period, a total of 295 beneficiaries (Bangladesh [113], Chad [182]) were provided with reintegration assistance and their reintegration plan were implemented; All beneficiaries chose micro business set up as a socio-economic reintegration plan.

#### **COMPONENT V: Displacement Tracking Matrix**

**Outcome 1: Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.**

**Output 1.4:** Updates on the changing situation of migrants in {OMISSIS} is regularly shared with stakeholders.

Activity 1.4.1 Data collection for assessment to understand the situation of migrants is conducted.

During the reporting period, DTM continued to collect data pertaining to migrants in detention centres and coordinated with {OMISSIS} to produce updates on detention figures. An update on the situation in detention centres was produced and shared with the main stakeholders and partners on a weekly basis.

Activity 1.4.2 Analysis and report drafting of assessment data is completed.

IOM drafted an evidence-based brief analysis to shed light on migrants' detention trends since August 2018. The report highlights information on detention conditions, as well as on the demographics, age groups and vulnerabilities of migrants in detention. The brief also included timelines illustrating the number of migrants in each {OMISSIS}-controlled detention centres over time as well as a map of all detention centres in {OMISSIS}.

**Plases see Annex 2-** Migrants in Detention Centres in {OMISSIS} (June 2023).

## **COMPONENT VI: Labour Migration and Social Inclusion**

**Outcome 2:** {OMISSIS} and migrant youth are equipped with knowledge and skills required to pursue employment opportunities.

**Output 2.1:** {OMISSIS} and migrant youth have access to a one stop-shop where they can easily access a vast range of support services available.

Activity 2.1.1: Scale up YESS activities in {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS}

During the reporting quarterly, two service providers were selected to deliver various skill trainings for unemployed youths in {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS}. Furthermore, on 16-17 March 2023, a consultant (innovation expert) delivered an innovation training to YESS team in {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}. The training sought to strengthen YESS team's capacity to apply innovative, creative and co-creative approaches to scaling up YESS activities. The training touched upon several topics such as the concept of innovation and its relevance, the way of working to develop new solutions, scaling solutions and success.

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*Photo 5: YESS team innovation training, {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS}, 16-17 March 2023*

Activity 2.1.2: Provide information on employment and educational and vocational training opportunities.

During the reporting period, the YESS team in {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS} conducted thorough individual career counselling sessions to 431 youths (246 men and 185 women) prior to their enrolment in different courses. The career counselling interviews aimed at providing trainees with useful information on employment and the job market and the sets of skills that allow for pursuing certain career paths to enable youths make informed decisions. During the career counselling interview sessions, the YESS team advised the beneficiaries on the vocational skill training that best suits their interests, educational backgrounds, work experiences and future career ambitions.

Activity 2.1.3: Conduct community-wide outreach to migrants and youth to raise awareness on YESS.

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Between March and August 2023, the YESS team in collaboration with Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), community leaders, and the private sectors organized 37 one-on-one sessions and 27 group info session. A total of 622 (374 men, 248 women) beneficiaries gained awareness on available services and the registration and enrollment modality at the YESS centres in {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS}.

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*Photo 6: Youths attending YESS info session in {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}*

Activity 2.1.4: Employ a referral mechanism to different services provided by IOM and other partners.

This activity will be implemented during the next reporting period.

**Output 2.2:** {OMISSIS} and migrant youth have new or improved skills and thus better access to labour opportunities.

Activity 2.2.1: Provide tailored vocational training to migrants and youth to improve their hard skills.

During the reporting period 130 youths (78 men, 52 women) underwent vocational and soft skills trainings in {OMISSIS}and {OMISSIS}YESS centers. The training were preceded by thorough individual career counselling session aimed at advising youths to allow them to select the course that best suits their interests and future career ambition. The vocational (hard skill) component of the training consists of 70% of the entire course.

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*Photo 7: Graduates of Skill training at the YESS center in {OMISSIS}*

Activity 2.2.2: Organize thematic workshops and soft skills trainings at YESS.

At the YESS centres, tailored training packages were developed to strengthen youths' knowledge and skills and improve their employability and/or capacity to start their own business. Towards this end, during the reporting period, the YESS team in {OMISSIS}and {OMISSIS} delivered a Job Readiness Training to 122 (82 men, 40 women) skilled unemployed youths. Topics covered during the training includes communication, cover letter and Curriculum vitae writing and interview skills.

Activity 2.2.3: Develop YESS Database to capture all data and generate knowledge to better profile and match youth needs to available services within YESS and via referral pathways.

During the reporting period, YESS database was developed to capture a variety of data and store information on registration, career counselling, future sector interest, graduation status, educational background and beneficiaries' genders. The database allowed for the efficient management and retrieval of information related to youth skills training at the YESS centers.

**Output 2.3:** {OMISSIS} authorities have improved knowledge and skills to manage labour migration.

Activity 2.3.1: Roll out Training of Trainers (ToT) on Labour Migration Governance.

Preparations are underway to roll out Labour Migration Governance training. The training will target a wide array of stakeholders, namely municipality employees, government officials and civil society organizations (CSOs). The training consists of sessions on Migration Terminologies and Labour Migration, Institutional and Regulatory Framework for the Management of Labour Migration and its trends in {OMISSIS}, Labour Market Data, Migrant Worker Protection, Migration and Development.

## **COMPONENT VII: Immigration and Border Governance**

**Outcome 1: Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.**

**Output 1.1:** Migrants detained in {OMISSIS} and rescued at {OMISSIS} have improved access to life-saving support.

Activity 1.1.4: Regular environmental health and pest remediation activities.

During the reporting period, IOM contributed to improving the minimum living standards for migrants in detention centres by implementing 30 fumigation, disinfection and cleaning campaigns at the following detention centers: {OMISSIS} (2), {OMISSIS} (5), {OMISSIS} (6), {OMISSIS} (4), {OMISSIS} (5), {OMISSIS} (4), {OMISSIS} (2) and {OMISSIS} (2).

**Outcome 3: {OMISSIS} authorities demonstrate improved knowledge of applicable legal standards and ability to perform rights-based, efficient, and coordinated border controls and surveillance, in an accountable manner.**

**Output 3.1:** {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} personnel have improved abilities and skills to perform rights based, protection oriented, accountable border management activities.

Activity 3.1.1: Organize trainings on Humanitarian Border Management.

During the reporting period, IOM organized 13 trainings on humanitarian border management for 185 officers from the {OMISSIS} for {OMISSIS} ({OMISSIS}). Out of the total number of trainees, 35 were from the {OMISSIS} region, given the increasing number of search and rescue operations in the region.

From 13-16 March 2023, IOM implemented a Search and Rescue coordination training for ten 10 {OMISSIS} officials operating in {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS}. The training covered {OMISSIS} conventions, maritime terminology and {OMISSIS} operations coordination mechanisms. Furthermore, from 28 May to 4 June, IOM carried out the Standards of Training Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW) for 15 officials operating in {OMISSIS} (10) and {OMISSIS} (5). The training touched upon safe marine and boating practices, theoretical and practical session on safe boating practices to help prevent incidents at {OMISSIS} and control of hazards arising on {OMISSIS}.

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*Photo 8: Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers training, {OMISSIS} 28 May-4 June 2023.*

From 28 May to 4 June, IOM organized a PADI-recognized Open Water Diver (OWD) training for 15 {OMISSIS}' officers to build their capacities in conducting SAR operations. The officers improved their open water diving techniques and their knowledge on the correct use of rescue equipment.

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*Photo 9: Open Water Diver (OWD) training, {OMISSIS}, 28 May – 4 June 2023.*

In July, IOM conducted three trainings to enhance 45 {OMISSIS} officers' capacities to conduct SAR operations in a safe manner in line with international standards. In the same month, a maritime navigation training covering regulations surrounding collisions, basic position determination and rescue routes was delivered in {OMISSIS} for 15 officers from {OMISSIS} (10) and {OMISSIS} (5).

On 9-13 July, a training on SAR operations at {OMISSIS} was conducted. Officers learned how to launch and recover life rafts and rescue boats in difficult weather conditions, as well as how to conduct a rescue operation aboard a lifeboat. The training targeted 15 {OMISSIS} officers from {OMISSIS} (10) and {OMISSIS} (5); two cities where SAR operations are frequent.

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*Photo 10: Maritime navigation training, {OMISSIS}, 2-6 July.*

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*Photo11: Proficiency in Survival Craft and Rescue Boats Other Than Fast Rescue Boats training, {OMISSIS}, 9-13 July 2023.*



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From 16 to 27 July, a Fast Rescue Boat (FRB) operator training was organized for 15 officers from the {OMISSIS}. The training enhanced participants knowledge on safety features and equipment in FRBs, launching and recovery of FRB, righting a capsized FRB and re-boarding the FRB, use of communication and signaling equipment, recovery and transfer casualties and carrying out search patterns.

From 6 to 10 August, IOM delivered a training on the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS). The GMDSS training sought to enable 15 officials to operate radio installations on board any vessel in any maritime area. The training touched upon additional crew responsibilities such as equipment testing and emergency communications.

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*Photo 12: Global Maritime Distress and Safety System Training, {OMISSIS}, 6-10 August 2023. .*

To improve national officials' capacities with respect to migration data management, IOM organized two IT training sessions between 7 and 14 May 2023. 35 officers were trained on data collection and statistical analysis.

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*Photos 13, 14 and 15:: IT training course, {OMISSIS}, 7-14 May 2023.*

Furthermore, from 27 May to 11 June, an English language course was organized in {OMISSIS}. 20 officers from the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} learned common phrases and expressions to better understand and respond to the urgent needs and concerns of migrants in distress.

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*Photo 16: English Language training, {OMISSIS}, 27 May-11 June 2023.*

### Activity 3.1.2: Organize trainings on Countering Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons

The activity will be implemented in the next/upcoming reporting period/periods.

Activity 3.1.3: Organize trainings on Passport Examination and Procedures Manual (PEPM) and training on Border Management Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).

During the reporting period, from 20 - 27 May, IOM organized two trainings on the examination of passports and travel documents in {OMISSIS}. Tailored in accordance with IOM's Passport Examination Procedure Manual (PEPM), the training improved 26 officers' capacities to detect fraudulent travel documents. The {OMISSIS} and the {OMISSIS} will roll out the training in the newly rehabilitated training centre, funded by this project.

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*Photo 17: Passport and travel documents examination training, {OMISSIS}, 20-27 May 2023.*

Activity 3.1.4: Organize a training on cross-border cooperation.

The activity will be implemented in the next/upcoming reporting period/periods.

Activity 3.1.5: Organize training on Data Management and Risk Analysis.

From 1-3 May, IOM organized a training on Data for Policymaking for 14 senior officers from the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}. The training enhanced officials' capacities in leveraging data and evidence to improve coherence between policies and programs at the national and subnational levels of government to ultimately device adequate migration policies in line with international norms and standards.

*Photo 18: Data for Policymaking training, {OMISSIS}, 1-3 May 2023.*

Activity 3.1.6: Organize training on Search and Rescue in the {OMISSIS} {{OMISSIS}}.

The activity will be implemented in the next/upcoming reporting period/periods.

**Output 3.2:** {OMISSIS} border authorities have improved working conditions to perform their duties.

Activity 3.2.1: Provide relevant border management equipment.

{OMISSIS} **crisis:**

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The crisis in {OMISSIS} has called for a significant humanitarian effort from all actors operating in the country. IOM IBG unit supported the {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} through the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} by providing first aid equipment, generators and water tanks. The following items were donated for delivery to {OMISSIS}, where people in distress were located: 10 water tanks, 100 first aid kits, 200 emergency blankets, 10 spinal boards, 3 6 KVA generators.

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*Photo 19: Equipment handover in response to the humanitarian crisis in {OMISSIS}. Beneficiary: {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}.*

Activity 3.2.2: Rehabilitate border management training infrastructure at one location in {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS}.

During the reporting period, IOM completed the rehabilitation of the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} training center. The expanded accommodation capacity allows the {OMISSIS} for Training ({OMISSIS}) to accommodate 24 recruits from different regions in the {OMISSIS}. With eight fully restored rooms and a computer lab installed, the College has all the necessary tools to meet its training needs. In addition to the bedrooms, IOM {OMISSIS} has completed the full rehabilitation of five classrooms, two bathrooms and one lab, thereby enhancing the center's capacity to detect counterfeit travel documents.

Furthermore, to enhance the officers' interview techniques capacities and falsified travel document's detection capacities, IOM installed a passport control booth in one of the training rooms. The first of its kind in {OMISSIS}, the mock border checkpoint will allow newly recruited officers to be fully trained on a variety of challenging border crossing scenarios.

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*Photos 20 and 21 The newly rehabilitated training center. Beneficiary: {OMISSIS} for Training ({OMISSIS}).*

The training center has initiated several training courses, as shown in [Annex 3](#).

{OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS}: *Detection of counterfeit travel documents:*

Following discussions with the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}, IOM {OMISSIS} was granted access to the {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} ({OMISSIS}). The {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} highlighted the challenges faced by the {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} in identifying fraudulent travel documents used by a large number of passengers.

In an effort to support the {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS}, IOM Libya will renovate a room adjacent to the first line of control and provide equipment to detect counterfeit travel documents.

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*Photo 22: Current state of the future travel document examination room, {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS} ({OMISSIS}), {OMISSIS}, July 2023.*

## **II.1. Progress Made towards Incorporating Cross-cutting Themes**

### Accountability to Affected Populations, Gender Mainstreaming and Sustainability of the Project's Results:

All IOM activities place the safety and dignity of migrants at the centre of interventions and respect the principles of “Do No Harm” and “self-determination”. During the reporting period, gender and protection have been mainstreamed. A free hotline is active to receive feedback from affected populations, which serves as a crucial instrument to address shortcomings and improve service provision.

IOM is attentive to the gender inclusive approach to facilitate access to health-care services for all genders. During the reporting period, Over 20 % of Primary Health Care (PHC) services' beneficiaries and close to 65 % of health referral beneficiaries were women and girls. Furthermore, 36.5 % of vocational and soft skills training beneficiaries were women.

Progress Achieved Compared with the Indicators in the Results Matrix

	<i>Indicator</i>	<i>Data Source and Collection Method</i>	<i>Baseline</i>	<i>Target</i>	<i>Progress made during the reporting period</i>	
	<b>Objective:</b> To contribute towards strengthening the resilience and reducing vulnerabilities of migrants, returnees and host communities in {OMISSIS}	% of beneficiaries (migrants or host community) who report improved access to services	Monitoring reports following baseline and endline DTM data assessments	75.00	75.00	
	<b>Outcome 1:</b> Migrants and mobile populations have reduced vulnerabilities and improved quality of life.					
<b>Output 1.1:</b> Migrants detained in {OMISSIS} and rescued at {OMISSIS} have improved access to life-saving support	# of migrants at DP's and in detention centres provided with NFIs and emergency food items.	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	3000.00	1204 beneficiaries (1195 Men and 9 Children)	
	# of migrants in detention centers who received protection Assistance.	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	150.00	26 vulnerability (25 men and one woman).	
	# of protection monitoring visits conducted	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	15.00	41 monitoring visits were carried out to detention centers in {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, {OMISSIS}, and {OMISSIS}.	
	# of migrants received primary health care services	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	17000.00	7,688 migrants (5470 men, 1,184 women, 629 boys and 405 girls)	

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	# of migrants referred to secondary health facilities	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	130.00	73 (20 men, 42 women, 7 boys and 4 girls)
	# of FDC activities carried out	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	50.00	0
	# of government entities staff and other stakeholders receiving training and sensitization sessions to improve the coordination and the humanitarian response at DCs and DPs	Field reports, distribution records, assessments, training reports, handover receipts	0.00	40.00	0
<b>Activities that lead to Output 1.1</b>					
<p>1.1.1 Provide NFIs and emergency food to migrants in detention centres.</p> <p>1.1.2 Provide protection assistance to migrants in detention centers.</p> <p>1.1.3 Provision of routine health risk assessments and medical assistance including referrals to hospitals</p> <p>1.1.4 Regular environmental health and pest remediation activities</p> <p>1.1.5 Workshop and sensitization sessions to local authorities' staff and other stakeholders on IOM humanitarian interventions and the coordination mechanism</p>					
<b>Output 1.2:</b> {OMISSIS} authorities have enhanced capacity to implement a COVID-19 vaccination campaign	# of people reached with information on COVID-19 vaccines through demand generation/risk communication and community engagement activities	Project Records	0.00	5000.00	8767 people

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	% of beneficiaries that express satisfaction with the COVID-19 vaccines and virus diseases awareness information received.	Data collection and surveys	0.00	75.00	In progress.
	# of Municipalities (cumulative) supported in COVID-19 vaccination campaign implementation with demand generation	Project Records	0.00	3.00	8 Municipalities.
<b>Activities that lead to Output 1.2</b>					
1.2.1 Identify and target migrant-dense localities, including DC's, to provide support in conducting a series of COVID-19 vaccination campaigns					
<b>Output 1.3:</b> Stranded and vulnerable migrants, primarily in the {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS} and in the {OMISSIS} region, have the opportunity to re-establish themselves in their home communities.	# of migrants who receive VHR assistance	VHR records, flight manifest, individual reintegration plans.	0.00	1070.00	(237 men, 2 women)
	# of migrants who receive reintegration support under this funding	VHR records, flight manifest, individual reintegration plans.	0.00	1070.00	295 beneficiaries (Bangladesh [113], Chad [182])
<b>Activities that lead to Output 1.3</b>					
1.3.1 Provide Voluntary Humanitarian Return (VHR) assistance to stranded and vulnerable migrants.					
1.3.2 Provide reintegration support for returnees in countries of origin.					
<b>Output 1.4:</b> Updates on the changing situation of migrants in Libya is regularly shared with stakeholders	# updates based on the assessments and analysis conducted shared with stakeholders	Emails, Factsheets, Slide Decks and Reports	0.00	8.00	27 (26 updates; an update is issued every week [of the reporting period]) Plus a Migrants in Detention Centres in {OMISSIS} Report.
<b>Activities that lead to Output 1.4</b>					
1.4.1 Data collection for assessment to understand the situation of migrants is conducted					
1.4.2 Analysis and report drafting of assessment data is completed					

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<b>Outcome 2:</b> {OMISSIS} and migrant youth are equipped with knowledge and skills required to pursue employment opportunities.	% of registered YESS users report to have gained necessary information and/or skills to enter the labour market.	Routine surveys among registered YESS users	0.00	75.00	In progress.
<b>Output 2.1:</b> {OMISSIS} and migrant youth have access to a one stop-shop where they can easily access a vast range of support services available.	# of {OMISSIS} and migrant youth reached through awareness-raising	Project documents, registration sheets, weekly reports.	0.00	1000.00	622 (374 men, 248 women).
	% of beneficiaries satisfied with the type of information received and awareness session attended	Data collection surveys	0.00	70.00	In progress.
	# of migrants referred to different services	Data collection survey	0.00	300.00	0
<b>Activities that lead to Output 2.1</b>					
2.1.1 Scale up activities in {OMISSIS} and {OMISSIS} and expand the scope of work					
2.1.2 Provide information on employment and educational and vocational training opportunities					
2.1.3 Conduct community-wide outreach to migrants and youth to raise awareness on YESS					
2.1.4 Employ a referral mechanism to different services provided by IOM and other partners.					
<b>Output 2.2:</b> {OMISSIS} and migrant youth have new or improved skills and thus better access to labour opportunities	# of {OMISSIS} and migrant youth that have benefited from YESS training services	Project documents, registration sheets, weekly reports.	100.00	250.00	Total: 252 (160 men, 92 women) ⇒ Hard skills: 130 (78 men, 52 women). ⇒ Soft skills: 122 (82 men, 40 women).
<b>Activities that lead to Output 2.2</b>					
2.2.1 Provide vocational training to migrants and youth to improve their hard skills					
2.2.2 Organize thematic workshops and soft skills trainings at YESS					



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2.2.3: Develop YESS Database to capture all data and generate knowledge to better profile and match youth needs to available services within YESS and via referral pathways.					
<b>Output 2.3:</b> {OMISSIS} authorities have improved knowledge and skills to manage labour migration.	# of {OMISSIS} officials trained as trainers on Labour Migration Governance.	Signed attendance sheets	0.00	100.00	0.
	% of officials reporting to have increased knowledge on Labour Migration Governance	Pre and Post Assessments, Final Evaluation Survey		75.00	In progress.
<b>Activities that lead to Output 2.3</b>					
2.3.1 Roll out of a ToT on Labour Migration Governance					
<b>Outcome 3:</b> {OMISSIS} authorities demonstrate improved knowledge of applicable legal standards and ability to perform rights-based, efficient and coordinated border controls and surveillance, in an accountable manner.					
<b>Output 3.1:</b> {OMISSIS} Border management personnel have improved abilities and skills to perform rights based, protection oriented, accountable border management activities.	# of trainings conducted	Training plans, reports, signed attendance sheets	0.00	10.00	16
	% of representatives trained assessing that the skills/knowledge are useful for their day to day work	Feedback forms, pre and post training assessment forms	0.00	70.00	13
<b>Activities that lead to Output 3.1</b>					
3.1.1 Organize trainings on Humanitarian Border Management					
3.1.2 Organize trainings on Countering Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons					
3.1.3 Organize trainings on Passport Examination and Procedures (PEPM) and trainings on border management Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).					

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3.1.4 Organize a training on cross-border cooperation.					
3.1.5 Organize a training on Data Management and Risk Analysis					
3.1.6 Organize trainings on Search and Rescue in the Desert (SARD)					
<b>Output 3.2:</b> {OMISSIS} border authorities have improved working conditions to perform their duties.	# of equipment handed over to respective borders and migration management entities	Procurement documents for equipment Donation Agreement Form	0.00	100.00	3 (6 KVA generators).
	# of training facilities enhanced/rehabilitated/ equipped	Engineering work plans Contracts for work On site reports Donation Agreement Form	0.00	1.00	1.
<b>Activities that lead to Output 3.2</b> 3.2.1 Provide relevant border control equipment 3.2.2 Rehabilitate border management training infrastructure at one location in {OMISSIS} {OMISSIS}.					

### III. Challenges Encountered and Actions Taken

Challenges	Actions Taken
<p>IOM {OMISSIS} was advised by IOM {OMISSIS} that the political situation in the country might become challenging with the upcoming elections from November to January. Colleagues in {OMISSIS} anticipate pre/post-election violence which will most likely affect the timelines for migrants' return and reintegration in Bangladesh under the VHR Programme.</p>	<p>IOM is requesting a 4-month NCE.</p>

### IV. Conclusion

During the reporting period, IOM continued to fulfil its obligations towards rights holders and affected populations by providing a wide range of humanitarian, life-saving services to migrants in distress. Whether through immediate response (health-care, direct assistance, and protection services), or by providing a life-line to migrants in detrimental situation wishing to return to their countries of origin through the VHR program, IOM was able to reach a large number of beneficiaries, achieving considerable progress against the targets set at the project conceptualization phase. Furthermore, IOM continued to advance its development-oriented programming by reaching out to potential beneficiaries to advertise IOM's livelihood services, and by training national counterparts on adequate labour migration governance and border management practices in line with international norms and standards. Moreover, during the reporting period, IOM trained national officials on a vast array of HBM related topics, thus increasing their knowledge and efficiency.

IOM faced VHR related challenges beyond its immediate control and has therefore requested a four-month No Cost Extension to be able to meet the VHR target .

### V. Expenditures and Resource Utilization

Please see the attached financial report.

### VI. Annexes

**Annex 1-** RA.0119 NCE Lettre VHR.

**Annex 2-** Migrants in Detention Centres in {OMISSIS} (June 2023).

**Annex 3-** Social media posts- The rehabilitated {OMISSIS} of Training Institute serves as a training facility by national counterparts:

- {OMISSIS}, 7 March 2023, {OMISSIS} of Training Institute, {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}.
- {OMISSIS}, 10 March 2023, {OMISSIS} of Training Institute, {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}.
- {OMISSIS}, 13 March 2023, {OMISSIS} of Training Institute, {OMISSIS} of {OMISSIS}.