

ROHINGYA CRISIS:

TIMELINE OF A CRISIS

1982

Myanmar passes a new citizenship law that denies Rohingya people nationality and leaves them stateless.

1992

More than 250,000 Rohingya people are forced out of northern Rakhine state, Myanmar, as a result of increased military operations in the area. They find refuge in Bangladesh.

2010

Save the Children begins to deliver on the ground support to children and families in Rakhine state.

2015

At least 33,000 Rohingya people flee Myanmar on dangerous and overcrowded boats to try to reach Malaysia and Thailand.

2016

Nine Myanmar policemen are killed by an armed group in a Rakhine border attack, launching violence between groups operating in the region. According to the UN, more than 1,000 Rohingya people are killed and more than 90,000 are displaced.

2017

August

After more policemen are killed authorities begin clearance operations and trigger an exodus of Rohingya children, women and men. Over the next four days, the number of refugees reaching Bangladesh on foot and by boat soars to several thousand.

September

We expand our work on the ground in Bangladesh to get immediate support to the new arrivals and by the end of the month we're reaching 150,000 people with vital aid and food.

November

As people continue to arrive, we launch our 'The Horrors I will never forget' report, with eye witness testimony that paints a disturbing picture of the horrors children have been through.

December

Over 700,000 Rohingya refugees including at least 370,000 children have now arrived at what has become the largest refugee settlement in the world. Temperatures drop and we distribute thousands of winter and shelter upgrade kits.

2018

March

With more than half the population of the camps children under 18, we establish hundreds of temporary learning centres, and distribute backpacks full of learning materials. We also begin to prepare for the monsoon.

May

By the end of May, we're running more than 90 Child Friendly spaces. We're also distributing child identity bracelets, just in case children become separated from their family during the monsoon.

July

Our new 20 bed, primary health care centre opens to families! The centre includes emergency care, a maternity ward and even a pharmacy. We continue to provide care at 9 other health posts as well.