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## DELEGATES FROM 40 COUNTRIES, POLITICAL LEADERS VISIT ROHINGYA CAMPS AS 3-DAY DIALOGUE CONCLUDES



Delegates from 40 countries, alongside leaders of Bangladeshi political parties, visited Rohingya camps in Cox's Bazar today (26 August), marking the conclusion of a three-day international event. At the event, titled "Stakeholders' Dialogue: Takeaway to the High-Level Conference on the Rohingya Situation", the

participants observed living conditions, healthcare services, education, food distribution, and other humanitarian programmes. Key sites included World Food Programme distribution centres, local hospitals, and a UNHCR sanitary napkin production facility. They also spoke directly with Rohingya families, hearing about their

daily struggles, uncertainties, and aspirations. Deputy Press Secretary to the Chief Adviser Abul Kalam Azad Majumder said the visit aimed to provide a clear understanding of the ground realities.

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# 'ENGAGING ALL, INCLUDING MYANMAR GOVT AND ARAKAN ARMY, TO RESOLVE ROHINGYA CRISIS' | UNDEFINED

The Stakeholders' Dialogue has once again reflected the Rohingyas' clear and unmistakable yearning to return to Myanmar, said National Security Adviser and High Representative for the Rohingya Issue Khalilur Rahman yesterday.

They want to return to their homeland with dignity and safety, with the restoration of their rights and accountability for atrocities committed against them, he said.

To address the ongoing crisis, he said he has been engaging with all key actors, including the Arakan Army and the Myanmar government.

"A solution cannot be achieved by leaving out any important actor. Negotiations must involve everyone in order to be effective. If one party is excluded, any agreement reached is likely to fail or collapse," he said, while addressing the concluding session of the international conference, "Stakeholders' Dialogue: Takeaways to the High-Level Conference on Rohingya Situation", held in Cox's Bazar.

Khalil also underscored the historic participation of the



Rohingya community at the dialogue, marking the first time they collectively presented their perspectives under one roof.

"The upcoming UN High-Level International Conference on the Rohingya issue will be held on September 30 at the UN Headquarters. In preparation, we organised this dialogue to hear the voice of the Rohingya directly."

Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus opened the session with a seven-point proposal expected to shape discussions at the UN meeting.

Khalil stressed that international aid is declining, which is threatening essential services such as food, healthcare, and education.

Trust between parties, he said, remains essential for a sustainable solution, and the dialogue marked a significant step in fostering confidence among stakeholders.

Khalil raised concerns over the criminal activities inside Myanmar that threaten regional stability. He also clarified that ICC processes are ongoing and do not require acceleration from Bangladesh. Bangladesh has submitted lists for approximately 8,00,000 Rohingyas, with Myanmar confirming over 1,80,000 as eligible for return, and further verification is ongoing, he added.

The dialogue also highlighted systematic persecution, and discriminatory laws such as the 1982 Citizenship Law as root causes of the crisis.

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# ROHINGYA REFUGEES DEMAND SAFE RETURN TO MYANMAR ON 8TH ANNIVERSARY OF EXODUS TO BANGLADESH



Tens of thousands of Rohingya refugees from Myanmar living in dozens of camps in Bangladesh marked the eighth anniversary of their mass exodus, demanding a safe return to their previous home in Rakhine state.

The refugees gathered Monday in an open field at a camp in Kutupalong, in the Cox’s Bazar district in southeastern Bangladesh, the site of a large refugee camp. They carried banners reading “No more refugee life” and “Repatriation the ultimate solution.” They were marking what they called “Rohingya Genocide Remembrance Day.”

“We want to go back to our country with equal rights like

other ethnic groups in Myanmar,” one of the protesters, 19-year-old Nur Aziz, told The Associated Press. “The rights they are enjoying in Myanmar as citizens of the country, we too want to enjoy the same rights.”

Meanwhile, Bangladesh’s interim leader, Nobel Peace Prize laureate Muhammad Yunus, urged the international community to facilitate a process for their safe return as he addressed a three-day conference on the Rohingya that began a day earlier in Cox’s Bazar.

International dignitaries, United Nations representatives, diplomats and Bangladesh’s interim

government discussed supporting refugees with food and other amenities and how to speed up the repatriation process.

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Yunus said that that the “relationship of Rohingyas with their homeland cannot be severed.”

“Their right to return to their homeland has to be secured,” he said. “Therefore, we urge all parties and partners to work hard for charting a practical roadmap for their speedy, safe, dignified, voluntary and sustainable return to their homes in Rakhine as soon as possible.”

Myanmar launched a brutal crackdown in August 2017 following insurgent attacks on guard posts in Rakhine state. The scale, organization and ferocity of the operation led to accusations of ethnic cleansing and genocide from the international community, including the U.N. Hundreds of thousands of Rohingya Muslims began leaving Myanmar then.

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