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ARAKAN ARMY ABDUCTS 46 BANGLADESHI FISHERMEN IN THREE WEEKS



Members of the Myanmar's Arakan Army have repeatedly crossed into Bangladesh, abducting fishermen and seizing trawlers from the Naf River and adjacent Bay of Bengal areas in Cox's Bazar's Teknaf, sparking widespread fear among the local fishing community.

The latest incident occurred today (26 August) around 11am, when six fishermen were taken along with their trawler from the Shah Porir Dwip area of Naikhyangdia while returning from the sea,

Abul Kalam, general secretary of the Kayukkhaliya Ghat Trawler Owners' Association in Teknaf, told TBS.

According to trawler owners and fishermen, at least 39 fishermen were abducted by the Arakan Army in the past four days alone.

Since 5 August, a total of 46 fishermen have been taken along with seven trawlers and boats in just 21 days. None of them has yet been released.

■ Source: tbsnews.net

STUCK IN GRIM CAMPS, ROHINGYA HOPE BANGLADESH CAN TACKLE CRISIS

The rain was relentless the night Mohammad Kaisar fled for his life from his home in Myanmar's Maungdaw township.

Barefoot and exhausted, he trudged with his parents and four siblings on mud paths until they reached the Naf River.

On a flimsy boat, they crossed into Bangladesh, joining around a million of the largely Muslim Rohingya minority, fleeing a military crackdown in Myanmar's Rakhine state.

That was in 2017. Eight years later, rain still lashes down on his simple shelter in the sprawling refugee camps of Cox's Bazar.

But for the 28-year-old refugee, nothing has washed away his despair.

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■ With the prospect of a return to Myanmar still a remote prospect, boys and young men are being pressed to join militant groups and criminal networks.



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RIGHTS GROUPS URGE UN MEMBER STATES TO PURSUE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ROHINGYA GENOCIDE

Fortify Rights and 57 other groups in a joint statement on Wednesday said United Nations member states must pursue accountability for genocide and other atrocities committed against ethnic Rohingya civilians in Rakhine State, Myanmar.

"Eight years on from the start of the Myanmar military's genocidal attacks against Rohingya, not a single person has been held criminally responsible. This is a deep stain on the world's conscience," said Senior Advocate at Fortify Rights Patrick Phongsathorn.

"It's not too late to address this injustice. The UN Security Council (UNSC) should immediately refer the situation in Myanmar to the International Criminal Court, and all UN Member States should explore every possible avenue to pursue justice for the Rohingya," Phongsathorn said.

August 25 is Rohingya Genocide Remembrance Day and marks the Myanmar military's initiation of a series of massacres, killings, rapes and other genocidal attacks, which led to the forced deportation of at least



700,000 Rohingya people from northern Rakhine State to neighboring Bangladesh in 2017.

The joint statement noted that a UN Security Council referral of the situation in Myanmar to the International Criminal Court (ICC) would "ensure comprehensive accountability for crimes committed against all communities" in Myanmar.

Apart from a Security Council referral, the statement called on all UN Member States to "exercise universal jurisdiction to initiate or support criminal prosecutions of those responsible for crimes."

Universal jurisdiction is a legal principle that enables domestic courts in many

different countries to pursue justice for international atrocity crimes such as genocide and crimes against humanity. On September 30, the UN General Assembly will convene a high-level conference on the situation of Rohingya Muslims and other minorities in Myanmar, where participants are expected to discuss responses to the ongoing abuses suffered by the Rohingya.

The joint statement expressed concern "about the lack of Rohingya representation at the conference and the need for a wider spectrum of voices, including Rohingya women, youth, and diverse Rohingya-led civil society from Myanmar, Bangladesh, and the global diaspora."

Source: tbsnews.net

TAKE SOLID STEPS FOR SUSTAINABLE ROHINGYA REPATRIATION: OIC TO MYANMAR



The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) on Tuesday called upon the international community to sustain its support for vital humanitarian assistance for the Rohingyas.

It also urged Myanmar to take concrete steps towards ensuring the safe, dignified, voluntary and sustainable return of the Rohingyas to their homeland.

The OIC reiterated its call for reinforced international solidarity and coordinated action to address the root causes of this issue and to work toward a comprehensive, just and durable solution.

On the eighth anniversary of the mass atrocities committed against the Rohingya Muslim minority in

Myanmar’s Rakhine state, the OIC reiterated its unwavering support for the Rohingya people and reaffirms its steadfast commitment to justice, accountability, and the protection of human rights.

The OIC stands in solidarity with the Rohingya Muslims, who continue to face persecution, statelessness and forced displacement, according to a statement issued by the OIC headquarters.

Over 1.3 million Rohingya remain in refugee camps in Bangladesh and other host countries, enduring difficult conditions and facing uncertain futures, while many thousands remain internally displaced within Myanmar, subject to mass killings, systemic discrimination and

ongoing gross violations of their rights.

The OIC fully supports international efforts, including proceedings at the International Court of Justice (ICJ), to hold perpetrators of heinous crimes against the Rohingya Muslims accountable.

It underscored the responsibility of all parties involved in the conflict, especially the Myanmar military and the Arakan Army, to ensure the protection of the Rohingya people inside Myanmar in full compliance with the provisional measures ordered by the ICJ.

The OIC also commended Bangladesh and other OIC Member States for their continued generosity in hosting Rohingya refugees and appreciates the support extended by many OIC Member States to this community.

It paid tribute to the courage and resilience of the Rohingya Muslims, and reaffirmed its pledge to continue advocating for their rights on the international stage.

■ Source: unb.com.bd