



270 Rohingya families have been staying in Delhi since fleeing their hometown in Rakhine state in Myanmar around six years ago. All refugees living in various refugee sites have been left to fight the coronavirus pandemic on their own. The strict lockdown for people to prevent the spread of the virus has turned into a human tragedy for many, particularly the migrant workers, daily wage earners, street vendors and several others whose survival depends on their daily earnings. Most of the social protection packages announced by government to feed and pay the working class daily wagers have no provisions for non-citizens including the Rohingya who are seen as 'illegal migrants'. Due to Corona virus pandemic and consequent national lockdown, these families have been pushed to a point of starvation. Realising the gravity of the situation, BOSCO Delhi distributed 250 ration kits to the Rohongya families with the support of community leaders on 1st to 4th of May. For distribution in accordance with the social distancing and government protocols we have taken the support of the community representatives and volunteers who received the training on safety measures. A kit for one family contains Rice 20kg, Flour 15kg, Dal 4 kg, and Oil 1 litre.

Ration distributed

Date	Area	No. of Families
01/05/2020	Madanpur khader	56
02/05/2020	Shaheenbagh	96
04/05/2020	Vikaspuri	30
04/05/2020	Khajurikhas	68
	Total	250



Vikaspuri









"I have five members in my family. After breaking fast in the evening, I was not able to give proper meals to my children, and my community members were also facing the same situation. We don't know who is helping us through BOSCO, but I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the invisible donor for helping us in Ramadan time in lockdown period. I also helped the BOSCO staff in distributing ration to my community, and we have received 30 kits for the families in Vikaspuri"

- Nizamudin (Rohingya Community Rep, Vikaspuri)

Khajurikhas







We refugees living in Khajurikhas area are daily wagers. We were not able to follow Ramadn fast as we did not have food essentials. Thank You very much BOSCO for reaching out to the poor Rohingya families by showing the gesture of Ramadan giving. I have received Rice 20kg, Atta 15kg, Dal 4kg, and Oil 1Ltr.

- Abu Kamal (Rohingyan refugee, Khajurikhas)

Madnpur khader







Majority of families living in Madanpur khader were without food materials in this lockdown period. Though we got some food from some individual donors, but it was not enough for the big number of families here. This is first time we got this much amount of ration, so we families can have food at least for some days without the tension of standing in long queue and we feel safe though we stay in shanties. - Jaffarullah, (Rohingyan refugee, Madanpurkhade)

Shaheenbagh







There are 96 families in my area The entire community at present is facing starvation as we are unable to go out and work to earn a living. With no work and no savings, we are completely dependent on BOSCO and UNHCR and benevolent locals who extend charity to us in these times of need. Thank you very much for helping us again with sufficient amount ration and we are able to see smile on the faces of females and children in our community.

- Usman (Rohingyan community rep, Saheenbagh)