

Localization and Local government

in the context of Rohingya Response



Localization

The Spirit of Localization

More support and finding tools to local and national responders, to making principled humanitarian action as local as possible and as international as necessary



Australian Red Cross

A process of recognising, respecting and strengthening the independence of leadership and decision making by national actors in humanitarian action, in order to better address the needs of affected populations

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Localization is humanitarian response management with local CSO/NGOs and local government with local accountability and sustainability thereby.

Meaning



Localization: What We Believe!

References

- **Principle of Partnership (2007)** by all UN agencies, ICRC and Multi-lateral financial institutions.
- **Charter for Changes (2015)** by almost all major INGOs
- **Grand Bargain Agreements (2016)** by all UN agencies and major INGOs.
- **New Way of Working (NWoW)** by UN agencies to strengthen their internal and external accountability and anchoring with local sustainable forces.
- ↗ • **Grand Bargain field demonstration mission in Cox's Bazar during September 2018.**



Local actors are not only the local NGOs...

***National and local
responders comprising
governments,
communities, and local
civil society***

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**Local actors however are not a
homogenous group and range
from local governments to
NGOs and community-based
organisations (CBOs) to Red
Cross and Red Crescent
National Societies that are
auxiliaries to their
governments**

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Local government institution in Rohingya Response

- Food, water and clothe distribution
- Providing temporary shelter
- Motivated host community people to be sympathized on the crisis
- Union Parishad building was used by the law enforcement agencies
- Support towards NGOs in implementing activities
- Supported need assessment





Responses are going on
Maintaining social cohesion
Supporting NGOs
Conflict resolution

Local government in the Localization Roadmap:

- local government representatives (LGRs) should be included in decision-making process
- LRGs role in social cohesion is recognized
- LGRs role in identifying effective activities is also recognized as they can describe which activities for host communities are being implemented by local actors.



Local government in the Localization Roadmap:

- Regular ward-level community meetings with the involvement of LGRs
- Support regular meetings between the LGRs and representatives of Rohingya communities
- Establish a conflict resolution system engaging the LGRs.



**Local
government
knows the local
issues best**

**Thank
you**

