Field observations have identified that many families from the affected areas are not staying in their designated camps at night, because the fire incident has induced extreme fear among the communities. Humanitarian actors have been providing them with psychological first-aid to help them cope with the trauma. Moreover, the emergency relief supplies are ongoing although there are needs for clothing, cooking utensils, and critical protection issues like privacy for women and adolescent girls, accessibility for persons with disabilities and other vulnerable groups, improved mental healthcare, and increased security. In addition, the pre-monsoon summer heat may also cause the breakout of diseases like flu, diarrhoea as well as higher rates of COVID-19 transmission.

BRAC, in collaboration with other humanitarian actors and local administration, has been working to protect the people affected by the fire. BRAC’s team has been delivering cooked meals to the people affected, supporting children and adults with psychological first-aid, arranging hygiene promotion sessions, repairing and constructing WASH facilities like deep tube wells, water points, latrines, bathing cubicles, distributing safe drinking water, disposing of debris in designated spots, and providing emergency and primary healthcare services through mobile healthcare services. BRAC has also been supporting the host community households affected by the fire with temporary shelter items.

BRAC is now focusing on WASH, protection, education, child protection, and rehabilitation support for host community households through livelihood and income generation. However, more support is required from stakeholders to continue this response and help the families affected to build back their lives.
BRAC’s response on 31 March - 1 April 2021

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**WASH**
- 1,793 people received information on hygiene management
- 48 latrines, 11 bathing cubicles, 15 deep tube wells, and 11 shallow tube wells repaired
- 68 trucks of debris cleaned
- 43 latrines desludged
- 4,000 feet drain cleaned

**Health**
- 249 people received emergency medical support from mobile healthcare facilities
- Two of the patients had burn injuries from the fire

**Protection**
- 160 people displaced by the fire provided with meals by community group members of the protection sector

**Education**
- 10 learning centres repaired
- 38 learning centres used as venues to support survivors with psychosocial support and protection from sexual exploitation and abuse

**Child Protection**
- Four children (one girl and three boys) reunited with their families
- 2,282 people (727 women, 653 men, 444 girls, 458 boys) including nine persons (three women, one man, four girls, one boy) with disabilities provided with psychological first-aid by trained para-counsellors
- 1,714 children (789 girls, 925 boys) including seven children with disabilities (two girls, five boys) provided with psychological first-aid at the temporary child-friendly spaces
- One new emergency outreaching centre established to provide psychological first-aid at Camp 9, block B33

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