

Rohingya repatriation: 22-member Myanmar delegation arrives in Teknaf

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Online Desk: A 22-member delegation of Myanmar has reached Teknaf in Cox's Bazar this morning to discuss the issue of Rohingya repatriation. The delegation arrived at Teknaf land port through Naf River around 10:00am, reports our local staff correspondent quoting sources at the office of Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commissioner (RRRC).

The delegation has come to the country to scrutinise the list of Rohingyas sent by Bangladesh to Myanmar for repatriation, said Mohammad Mizanur Rahman, commissioner of RRRC. They will also hold a meeting with the RRRC officials and talk to some listed Rohingyas, who have been brought to the land port from different camps, Mizanur said.

The delegation will, however, not visit any Rohingya camps, he added. Over one million Rohingyas are living in Bangladesh. Most of them fled a violent military crackdown in their homeland in 2017 and joined others who had fled to Bangladesh since the 1980s. Since the biggest influx in 2017, Bangladesh and Myanmar signed a bilateral deal for repatriation. But so far, two repatriation attempts have failed.