

Myanmar Crisis Response 2021

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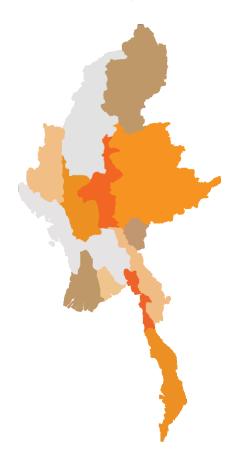


The current situation continues to be not in favour of the most vulnerable children and families in Myanmar with the violence on the rise across the country. UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet warned that urgent action is needed to ensure that the situation in Myanmar does not spiral out of control.

A recent report by UN Human Rights Office stated that Myanmar is facing an economy in freefall and the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic as a human rights catastrophe that shows no signs of abating. The sharp depreciation of Myanmar currency (kyat) has caused the rise in commodity prices such as essential foods, medicines and fuel which is severely impacting people's daily lives.

With the escalation in fighting between Myanmar military and EAOs or PDFs, mobile internet access and most Wi-Fi services were cut off in a total of 22 townships in Chin and Kachin states and Magway, Mandalay and Sagaing regions making it difficult for local residents to communicate and access information. Between February and September 2021, 206,000 people were displaced internally due to armed clashes and insecurity.

Response Myanmar



World Vision is responding to the humanitarian crisis in 40 townships and is appealing USD 2 million to reach 1,115,000 people including 262,000 children and 162,500 IDPs







3 million

people in need of humanitarian assistance



25 million

people, half of the country's population, risks falling into poverty by 2022.



206,000

Internally displaced people since 1 February 2021



22,000

Estimated refugee movements to neighbouring countries since 1 February 2021



471,308

COVID-19 confirmed cases as of 5 October 2021

Source: UNHCR, UNOCHA, UNDP, WFP, WHO

Goal: To provide life-saving goods and services to crisis-affected children, households and communities in Myanmar in order to reduce the impact of the deteriorating living conditions

Strategic objectives



Life-saving interventions (food, cash, water, nutrition support)



Child protection in emergencies (child protection, education kits)



Recovery interventions (agricultural kits, livestock, loans)



COVID-19 prevention and response (awareness and kit distributions)

Programme Updates



59,157

family members including 25,302 most vulnerable children (MVC) reached through food assistance

14,906

people including 3,228 MVC received awareness on Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, Nutrition and General Health Care

125

pregnant women received personal hygiene kits

779

households recieved hygiene kits

15,644

people including 7,038 children were able to access safe drinking water through the provision of Lifestraw water purifiers



Child Protection in Emergencies

14,439

people including 3,395 vulnerable children received awareness on child protection, child rights, child participation and adolescent reproductive health

1,482

children received psychosocial support

687

children supported with homeschooling lessons

445

parents/caregivers received awareness on ECCD homeschooling

389
parents/caregivers received parental education



Recovery Interventions

118

vvulnerable families provided with livestock (chicken, pigs, goats, etc.) to restore and strengthen their livelihoods



COVID-19 Prevention and Response

61,070

individuals including 15,779 children reached through awareness campaign on prevention of COVID-19 to promote preventive measure to limit the spread of COVID-19

Response Activities



A World Vision staff hand overs rice bags and cooking oil to the community in Thabaung Area Programme.



A World Vision staff shares nutrition awareness to the community in Hlegu Area Programme.



Children are learning and playing with educational materials provided by World Vision.



A World Vision staff delivers Lifestraw water purifiers to the community in Demoso Area Programme.

Serving joyfully in times of adversity

While the current situation is challenging for everyone, children, families and communities, their continued safety and well-being are our utmost priority. World Vision is present in the communities we serve and we are committed to ensuring that vulnerable children and communities have our continued support in times of need. World Vision remain resolute in our commitment to joyfully serve the most vulnerable children and people of Myanmar through thick and thing.

"I had no more rice to cook for the next day. I had no idea how to feed my children. Timely response from World Vision enables my family to receive 50 kg of rice and 4 litres of cooking oil. I am very happy that I can feed my children now. Thanks so much World Vision for supporting us when we are in desperate need of food," says Naw August, 35, a mother of three children from Kwet Pyin Village, Thanbaung towship, Ayeyarwady region.



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