

# IMPACT REPORT 2024

ALL DEPENDENCE

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# National Director's Foreword

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

By God's grace and protection, we successfully completed another year. FY24 presented many challenges and achievements, and through resilience, dedication, and teamwork, we upheld our commitment to serving the most vulnerable children in Myanmar. Together, we reached over 1.35 million people—including approximately 669,000 girls and boys and 1,322 individuals with disabilities supported by more than USD 17.5 million in funding. Across over 35 townships, nearly 500 staff members and 5,000 volunteers worked tirelessly to make a difference.

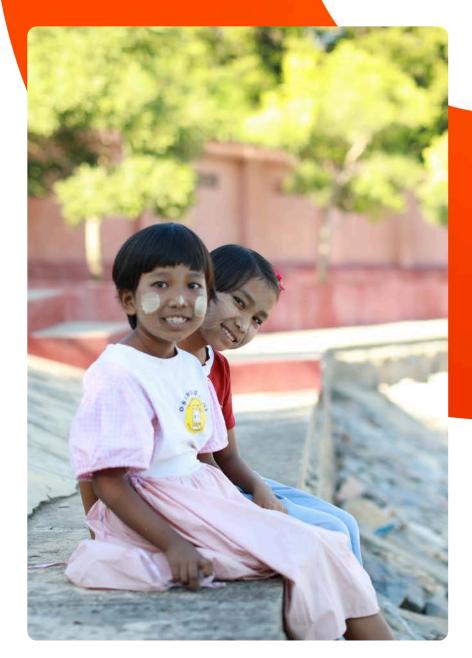
Throughout the year, our programmes addressed immediate needs while laying the foundations for sustainable change. We provided alternative education to 58,000 children who missed out on formal schooling and expanded digital innovations in the Health, Nutrition, and WASH sectors. As a child-focused organisation, we amplified young voices from Myanmar through the Young Minds Camp, part of World Vision's regional child participation platform. Our livelihoods and resilience programmes supported underprivileged households in more than 35 townships, improving market access, offering vocational training, and promoting climate-smart agriculture practices. In response to the Yagi floods, we delivered emergency relief to 50,000 people, including 25,000 children. Advocacy was a key focus of our efforts; through the ENOUGH campaign, we raised awareness about food insecurity by partnering with 250 faith leaders, aiming to reach 1.1 million people across Myanmar. Additionally, we established 637 Community-Based Organisations, equipping 8,167 members with skills for sustainable development that will extend beyond World Vision's presence.

These achievements were made possible through the dedication of our staff, the support of our partners and donors, and the guidance of our advisory council and World Vision partnerships. I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you who contributed to this journey.

As we move forward, we carry hope and remain committed to creating a sustainable future for the most vulnerable children and families in Myanmar.

May God bless you all.

Dr. Kyi Minn National Director





# **World Vision International Myanmar**

World Vision International Myanmar (WVIM) is a Christian relief, development, and advocacy organisation. Inspired by Christian values, we are committed to serving the most vulnerable children, families, and communities, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, and gender.

For three decades, WVIM has forged partnerships with government departments, international organisations, local partners, communities, and various stakeholders. Commencing with health interventions in 1993, WVIM has broadened its area of work to include programmes in education, child protection, health, nutrition and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene), livelihood and resilience, disaster response, and risk reduction. Our efforts aim to ensure that children have access to education and healthcare and are protected from violence and hostile environments, and their families secure sustainable livelihoods.

# **Our National Impact in FY24**

#### **Total Reach:**

Reached 1.35 million people, including 349,383 girls, 319,724 boys, and 1,322 individuals with disabilities.

#### **Geographic Coverage:**

Operated in 26 long-term programmes, 28 grants, and special projects.

#### **Budget and Partnerships:**

Secured over USD 17.5 million in funding.

#### **Community Engagement:**

Partnered with 637 communitybased organisations, involving 8,167 members.

#### **Education:**

Supported 24,190 children through 233 Reading Clubs and 155 community learning spaces.

#### **Child Protection:**

Raised awareness among 75,297 people, including 39,085 children and youth, on topics such as child protection, participation, rights, online safety, adolescent reproductive health, safe migration, and trafficking.

#### Health and Nutrition:

Provided health and nutrition awareness to 54,067 mothers and caregivers of children under five.

#### Access to Clean Water:

Distributed 4,073,805 P&G water purification sachets to 73,965 households, benefiting 406,435 people.

#### **Savings for Transformation:**

Formed 2,896 Savings for Transformation (S4T) groups with 37,387 members, collectively saving USD 1.6 million and benefiting 28,000 children.

#### **Food Assistance:**

Delivered USD 917,486 in cashfor-food support to 20,623 beneficiaries, including 1,019 children under two, 247 pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls, and 435 individuals with disabilities.

#### Advocacy:

29 advocacy changes and implementations achieved at national and township levels benefitting 2 million children. Our vision for **every child**, Life in all its fullness; Our prayer for **every heart**, the will to make it so.



# **Education**

Reached 122,913 individuals in education.

WVIM is dedicated to providing 3-12-year-old children in Myanmar with high-quality education in inclusive, safe, and supportive environments, even in the face of ongoing challenges. Our goal is to nurture lifelong learners equipped with essential skills in literacy, numeracy, social-emotional development, physical activity, and holistic growth.

WVIM collaborates with children, parents, caregivers, teachers, communities, local partners, and the government. We strengthen early-grade literacy by improving teaching methods and supporting families, teachers, and Parent-Teacher Associations. Climate change education is also integrated into our programmes to raise awareness and build resilience among children.

WVIM provides alternative learning options, including playgroups, homeschooling, open learning materials, and community libraries to children who cannot access formal education. We also prioritize inclusivity, ensuring children with disabilities have equal access to education.



#### 10,932

children enrolled in **219** ECD centers and **47** playgroups.

#### **165**

ECD teachers trained to become effective educators for young children.

## 3,353

education management committee members trained in ECD center administration, management, and monitoring.



#### 24,190

children benefited from **233** reading clubs and **155** community learning spaces.

#### 207

facilitators and **423** educators trained to manage reading clubs and community learning spaces.

# 14,002

parents and caregivers trained to support holistic child development and improve reading skills at home.



#### Disability Inclusion:

#### 1,387

children received educational support, including **763** children with disabilities.



#### Primary Education:

#### 292

primary school teachers trained to enhance teaching practices.

#### 164

primary schools equipped with teaching and learning materials.



#### **Community Awareness:**

2,457

people educated on the importance of education.





# Health, Nutrition, and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene)

Reached 232,836 individuals in Health, Nutrition, and WASH

For over 30 years, WVIM has been dedicated to improving health and well-being in Myanmar, focusing on Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health and Nutrition (MNCHN) and preventing communicable diseases.

We prioritize the first 1,000 days of a child's life by implementing evidence-based, cost-effective, community-driven interventions to enhance nutrition and overall health for pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children aged 0-24 months. Our approach strengthens health systems by working closely with households, communities, and township-level structures. Partnering with the Ministry of Health, civil society organisations, and local communities, WVIM ensures sustainable and impactful health improvements.

WVIM's WASH programme complements these efforts by improving water quality and access in rural and peri-urban areas. We develop reliable water sources, promote safe sanitation practices, and provide life-saving support during emergencies, including hygiene kits, clean water supplies, water purification sachets, and sanitary latrines.

Through these integrated health, nutrition, and WASH initiatives, WVIM is committed to building healthier and more resilient communities across Myanmar.



#### 54,067

mothers and caregivers of children under five received health education awareness.

#### 214,020

micronutrient tablets provided to 1,189 pregnant and lactating women.

#### 506,400

micronutrient powder sachets distributed to 4,220 children under five.



#### 2,844

pregnant women received clean delivery kits, and 2,702 newborns received newborn kits.

#### 1,045

pregnant women and 1,311 children referred for specialized treatment.



#### **Health Committees:**

#### 638

health committees formed, operating with over 6,000 members.



WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene):

#### 16,178

individuals from 10 townships participated in WASH behavior change programmes covering safe drinking water, proper handwashing, and latrine use.

#### 320

households and 18 schools, benefiting 955 community members and 1,537 students supported with latrine construction

# 4,817

individuals gained access to clean water through 55 water supply systems and water testing initiatives.

# 4,073,805

P&G water purification sachets distributed to 73,965 households, benefiting 406,435 people facing clean water challenges.



# **Child Protection and Participation**

304,855 individuals reached

The safety and well-being of children are at the core of WVIM's mission. Our Child Protection programme safeguards children from abuse, exploitation, and violence, focusing on the most vulnerable—those affected by conflict, child labor, human trafficking, child marriage, and street life.

We work closely with children, parents, caregivers, faith leaders, educators, and local authorities to build a strong support network and ensure access to high-quality protection services. WVIM also empowers children to participate safely and meaningfully in advocacy platforms, amplifying their voices to influence policies and decisions that shape their lives.

Through these integrated approaches, we strive to create a safer and more supportive environment where every child in Myanmar can thrive.



### 75,297

people including **39,085** children and youth, received awareness on child protection, child participation, child rights, online safety, adolescent reproductive health, safe migration, and trafficking.

## 11,240

people including **5,105** children, gained awareness about mental health and psychosocial support.

## 8,744

people including **4,132** children, received awareness on Explosive Ordinance Risk Education.

# 23,374

parents and caregivers trained on positive parenting to foster supportive family environments.



Child Participation and Empowerment:

## 17,443

children trained in life skills to enhance selfawareness, confidence, creative thinking, problem-solving, and interpersonal relationships.

### 5,408

children trained in psychosocial support.

## 8,599

people including **2,900** children and youth, trained in child protection, participation, and child rights law.



Parent and Caregiver Engagement:

## 14,683

parents and caregivers trained on positive parenting techniques and building positive family environments.



Child and Community Groups:

#### 649

child and youth groups formed, involving **9,020** girls and **6,960** boys.

## 579

child protection and advocacy groups established with **5,783** members.



#### Advocacy and Participation Events:

**13,547** children and youth participated in national-level events.

# **458**

children participated in regional and global advocacy platforms focusing on the ENOUGH campaign, digital safety, child-safe tourism, and child-led research.



## 290

children received protection-related services, and **1,344** children were provided with child protection kits.



# **Resilience and Livelihood**

195,962 individuals reached

WVIM is committed to empowering vulnerable households and communities in Myanmar to build financial resilience against both human-made and natural disasters, including climate change. By providing sustainable livelihood solutions, we help the most vulnerable people and children escape poverty, improve their well-being, and avoid falling into deeper hardship.

In response to the ongoing socioeconomic challenges in Myanmar, WVIM supports crops and livestock production by providing technical assistance, good quality seeds and inputs, promoting sustainable agriculture and livestock practices including local value chain development, and inclusive market system development by collaborating with five private sectors. Moreover, WVIM trained, coached, and supported the target community members on saving practices, financial literacy, and individual and group business development planning and implementation.

We also emphasize the implementation of natural resource management techniques such as the development of small-scale irrigation systems, Farmer Managed Natural Restoration (FMNR), and Sloping Agriculture Land Techniques (SALT), which contribute to longterm resilience and environmental sustainability. In addition, we promote the establishment of savings groups and provide vocational training and business development skills for increasing incomes for the most vulnerable including farming and non-farming households in the communities.



#### **166**

producer groups trained in value chain development and climate-smart agriculture and livestock production to improve household incomes.

# 8,527

households supported with seeds, fertilizer, and training to enhance crop production.

### **728**

households provided with livestock breeding techniques and inputs to improve livestock production.

# 7,358

households received livestock and vaccination support to strengthen financial resilience and food security.

#### 229

Livestock Extension Workers (LEW) and community mobilizers trained and equipped with LEW kits for the effective implementation of livestock activities.



Entrepreneurship and Business Support:

#### 2,443

individuals including members of **41** business groups, trained and supported to run their businesses with a total investment of USD **279,714**.

#### 225

youth including 16 individuals with disabilities, received vocational training to improve job opportunities.



## 2,896

Savings for Transformation (S4T) groups formed with **37,387** members, managing savings of USD **1.6** million and benefiting **28,000** children.



# **Disaster Risk Reduction** and Response

Myanmar faces significant risks from natural disasters such as floods, cyclones, earthquakes, and landslides. In response, WVIM implements proactive national office programmes to address these challenges and support affected communities.

When disasters strike, WVIM provides immediate relief through food and cash assistance, protects children, ensures access to clean water and sanitation, and helps restore livelihoods. Beyond emergency response, we empower communities through comprehensive training on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Anticipatory Action Plans. These initiatives equip communities with the knowledge and skills needed to prepare for and respond effectively to disasters, building resilience for the future.



#### 291.773

metric tons of blended food and ready-touse supplementary food (RUSF) distributed to **10,894** children under five and **2,037** pregnant and breastfeeding women.

#### USD 917,486.14

in cash-for-food assistance provided to **20,623** beneficiaries, including **1,019** children under two, **247** pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls, and **435** individuals with disabilities.



# Disaster Preparedness and Risk Reduction:

#### **449**

individuals trained in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA).

## 1,514

households received disaster/emergency kits, including flashlights, whistles, oral rehydration salts (ORS), basic medicines, and medical dressings.



#### **Emergency Response**

#### **YAGI FLOOD RESPONSE**

With World Food Programme (WFP) funding Support, **27,000** individuals, including **1,403** children under five and **171** pregnant women from **8,300** households, received **405** metric tons of rice, **30.375** metric tons of high-energy biscuits, **4.209** metric tons of blended food for children, **1.671** metric tons of blended food for pregnant women and **7.020** metric tons of soap

**2,830** individuals, including **1,092** children from **782** households, received food packages (rice and oil) and non-food items.

#### KACHIN STATE FLOOD RESPONSE

1,639

households provided with food packages and one-time food security assistance, benefiting over **8,000** individuals.





# **ENOUGH CAMPAIGN**

Food insecurity and malnutrition severely affect children in Myanmar, limiting their access to nutritious food due to conflict, economic hardships, rising costs, and climate change. These challenges not only harm children's health but also impact their education, protection, and overall well-being.

In response, WVIM is proud to support the ENOUGH campaign, a three-year global initiative (FY24–26) aimed at ending child food insecurity. Integrated across key sectors like education, health, livelihoods, child protection, and emergency response, the campaign strives to ensure children have access to sufficient, nutritious food to thrive.

WVIM aims to reach 1.1 million people, including 600,000 children, through 28 long-term programmes and 20 grant projects. This effort is strengthened by partnerships with over 5,000 faith leaders and faith-based organisations, fostering collaboration and impactful change.

# 5,661

children from **1,519** households participated in Nutrition Month activities (nutrition awareness sessions, hygiene promotion, and cooking demonstrations) conducted in **121** villages and wards in **12** townships.



Christian faith leaders took part in **10** targeted initiatives under the ENOUGH Campaign, promoting the role of faith leaders in addressing the root causes of nutrition challenges in Myanmar. **6** 

Nutrition Dialogues held at the community level, engaging **93** participants, including **20** children and youth, to ensure their voices contribute to the Nutrition for Growth Summit 2025.

# GENDER EQUALITY, DISABILITY, AND SOCIAL INCLUSION – GEDSI

Gender Equality, Disability, and Social Inclusion (GEDSI) is central to achieving World Vision's mission and child well-being objectives in Myanmar. It reflects our commitment to promoting human transformation by addressing the root causes of vulnerability, such as restrictive socio-cultural norms, unequal power dynamics, and disempowering systems that perpetuate gender inequality and social exclusion.

In FY24, WVIM worked with women, men, girls, and boys, including individuals with and without disabilities, to advance gender equality and inclusion. To empower women and girls, WVIM strengthened their leadership capacities through community groups, adolescent groups, and Saving for Transformation (S4T) initiatives, fostering agency and active participation. Furthermore, WVIM partnered with local women-led organisations such as Swan In Thit, Matt Swe Myanmar, and Yangon Karen Women Baptist Association to address humanitarian needs in conflict-affected areas, strengthening local capacities and supporting vulnerable populations.



Inclusion Awareness and Reach:

Reached

#### 1.35 MILLION

people including **64**% women and girls, and **1,322** individuals with disabilities (**439** girls and **171** women).

## 3,420

people with the majority (**75**%) being women and **115** individuals with disabilities, received awareness on GEDSI topics.

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Women Leadership and Support:

#### 66%

of women hold leadership roles in **579** Community-Based Child Protection groups.

#### 43%

of women occupy senior leadership positions in World Vision Myanmar's management.

#### 1,400

girls and women aged 12-18 and 19-35 respectively, received dignity kits to support their health and well-being.

# **VISIONFUND MYANMAR**

VisionFund Myanmar (VFM), a subsidiary of World Vision Myanmar, provides high-quality financial services to underprivileged people to benefit from inclusive finance and unlock their economic potential. The two organisations work closely together to integrate operations, support communities to meet their needs, especially in terms of livelihoods, and ensure their sustainability.





#### 58,144

active borrowers with **86**% female and **62**% from rural areas.

**94,757** clients with savings accounts.

105,638 jobs created and sustained

107,338 children impacted

VFM's Financial Reach:

#### **USD 11.9 MILLION**

loan portfolio benefiting numerous individuals and families.

45 branches covering 72 townships

# **STRIVING FOR CHANGE**

Hsu, a 15-year-old child leader from Kyangin Area Programme in Myanmar, is helping bring positive change to her village. Growing up in a family of educators—her father, a primary school principal and her mother, a middle school teacher, education and leadership were a natural part of her upbringing.

However, her true connection to community leadership came through her older brother, who was a child leader at World Vision Myanmar. "I first got involved with World Vision through my brother," she recalls. "I started attending their training and knowledge-sharing sessions and eventually became a registered child of World Vision at the age of seven."

In the beginning, Hsu attended life skills training and health awareness courses offered by World Vision Myanmar without fully understanding their importance. As she grew older, she realized how valuable these lessons were—not just for her own growth but for helping her community. When her village needed a child leader, she stepped up. "Children in the community and others encouraged me to take the role, and I naturally found myself leading," she says, reflecting on her journey.

As a child leader, Hsu's perspective broadened, and she became committed to helping others. She now works with World Vision to lead life skills training for younger children, focusing on important issues like online safety, child protection, and the dangers of early marriage.



"I spread awareness about the risks of early marriage and the consequences of over-reliance on the internet," she shares. Her efforts have led to better understanding among the children in her village, encouraging them to rely less on the internet and spend more time reading and learning.

"I live by the motto, 'They have to know what I know,'" says Hsu, motivated by her passion for sharing knowledge and empowering her friends.

Hsu's passion and dedication go beyond her village. She has participated in national-level child participation meetings with World Vision, joining other child leaders from across Myanmar. In these meetings, she has advocated for greater involvement of fathers in raising children. "I spoke about how fathers should be more involved in parent meetings at schools and in the community, as it is often seen as a mother's role. Since then, I have seen some positive changes in my village," she shares.

Despite her achievements, Hsu is well aware that gender discrimination still exists in subtle ways. While she doesn't face obvious discrimination in her daily life, she has noticed differences in education. "In general, boys often get more opportunities for university admissions, while girls have to work harder to achieve the same results," she explains.

Hsu dreams of a world where girls and boys have equal chances. "I want to see a world where there is no gender-based discrimination, where everyone has equal rights, and girls' voices are heard — regardless of their age," she says passionately.

Hsu's vision for her future is clear: she wants to become a doctor, not only to support her family but also to improve the health conditions in her village. "There is still a lack of health knowledge in my community," she says. "When I become a doctor, I plan to provide both health education and financial support to my village."

Her dream is bigger than just her own success. She imagines a future where women's voices are respected, and girls like her have equal chances to lead and succeed.

# **RISING ABOVE CHALLENGES:** KHANT'S TRANSFORMATION

Khant is a 9-year-old registered child attending Grade 3, living in a small village of Thanlyin Township. His father, who worked as a bricklayer, had an inconsistent income and had to leave for work when Khant was only 4 years old. He lived with his mother, who sold food to support them, but they often didn't have enough to eat or buy the clothes they needed.



Khant said about the struggle, "Being an only child, I could see how much my parents struggled, which made me sad. I wanted to help them, but it was hard to concentrate on school with so many worries. My mother was always busy with work and didn't have time to check on my studies or how I was feeling. Our health was another concern sometimes we got sick, but we couldn't afford treatment, making it even harder to attend school. I also didn't have many friends, as most children in the village faced similar difficulties. It was hard to feel confident in a place where everyone was struggling."

World Vision transformed Khant's life and his family's well-being. One of the most significant changes was the introduction of a reading club in his village. Before this club, he had few opportunities to improve his reading skills. At home, he was often distracted and his mother didn't know how to help him with his lessons. A World Vision volunteer invited his mother to a community meeting. At this meeting, World Vision shared plans for the reading club and workshops for parents on supporting their children's education. His mother felt hopeful and signed him up for the club. The reading club transformed Khant's learning experience. He now enjoys reading and feels more confident in school. The volunteers and teachers are supportive and help him develop the skills he needs. They also improved their access to healthcare, so they could get medical treatment when needed. This support has made him healthier and more focused on his studies. Thanks to World Vision, he now has more friends at school and feels much more confident about his future. He understands that education is key to helping his family and community, and he is excited to keep learning.

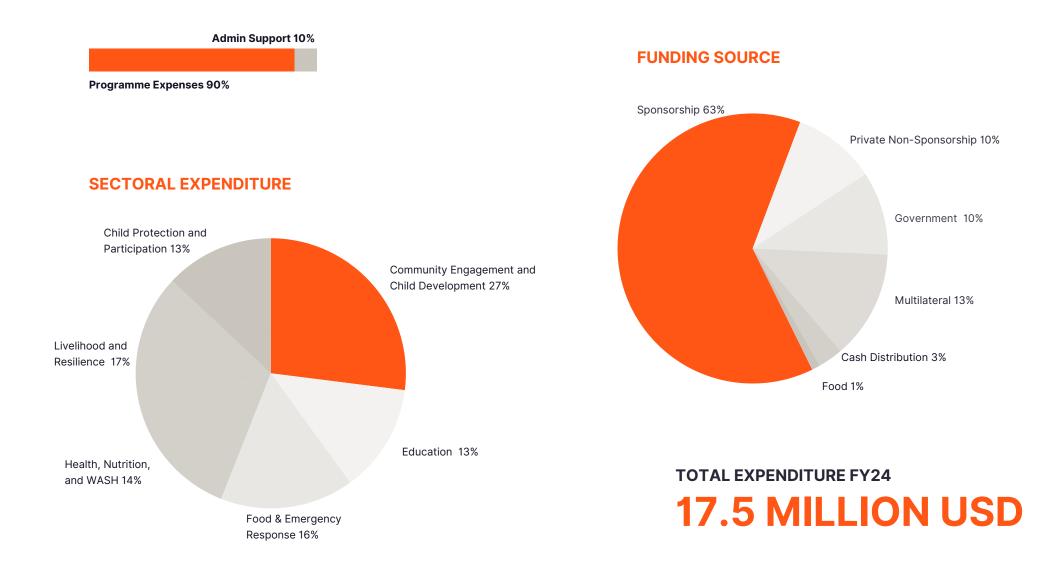
Additionally, his mother is involved in the Saving and Transformation Programme, where she saves money with a group and learns about saving practices. She has opened a small restaurant in the village, selling rice and curry, which has significantly supported Khant education. As a registered child, he participates in awareness sessions with other registered children. World Vision has taught him about child protection, children's rights, and using phones and the Internet safely. He has gained a lot of knowledge through his participation as a registered child in World Vision. To share what he has learned, he has been giving reading materials to his friends at school, and now they are happily reading together with him.

Life has greatly improved for Khant and his family. In the past, there were many things he didn't understand about education, and his family didn't know how to help him with his studies. Most people around them weren't sure how to support their children in school, or even how to talk to them about what they were learning. For example, his mother encouraged him to go to school, but when he came home, she didn't know how to help him with his homework or check if he understood his lessons. Everything changed after he joined the reading club organized by World Vision. His mother learned how to support him in his studies, and she started reading with him and helping him with schoolwork. He noticed her making more of an effort to ensure he was learning and doing well. Now, they read storybooks together, and she even teaches him new words while she cooks, which has helped him learn a lot outside of school too. He has also started doing his homework regularly and practising his reading, which makes him feel more confident in school.

At home, Khant now has more time to focus on his studies because his mother is involved and can help him when needed. Even when she's busy selling food, she still finds ways to support his learning. He is also able to help her with cooking and household chores, which makes her happy. His confidence has grown so much, and he feels like he's on the right path for his future.

Khant shares his dream, "My dream now is to become an engineer. I want to help my family and give back to my community, just like World Vision has helped us. With my mother's support and what I've learned in the reading club, I feel ready to achieve my goals. I'm excited about the future and hope to use my education to make a positive impact one day."

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