

SITUATION REPORT #14

Displacement Caused by Cambodia –Thailand Border Conflict

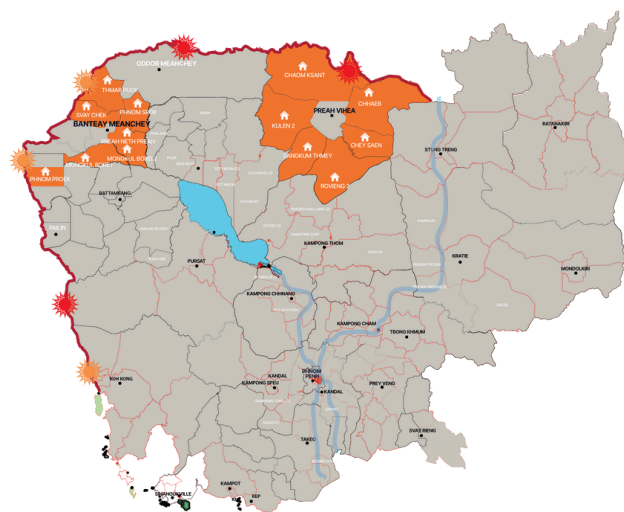
SITUATION OVERVIEW and HUMANITARIAN NEEDS

The ceasefire agreement reached on 28 July has halted hostilities in the Cambodia-Thailand border dispute, however the situation remain fluid. There has also been reduction of displaced people (mainly children, women and the elderly) from 172,094 in late July to 124,940 as of 4th August, spread out across 134 displacement camps across Preah Vihear, Oddar Meanchey, Banteay Meanchey, Siem Reap, and Pursat provinces.

Adding to this situation is the returning of 755,729 Cambodian nationals from Thailand, including 328,808 women and 10,793 children, as intense border clashes severely disrupted safety and livelihoods, according to the Ministry of Labour and Vocational Training (MoLVT).

Displaced and returning populations continue to face urgent needs across health, nutrition, education, child protection, water, sanitation and hygiene and livelihoods. The onset of the monsoon season may further exacerbate the health situations on the displacement camps. Further, the Psychological Safety Assessment by World Vision (July 2025) also highlighted the emotional distress experienced by population in the displacement camps in particular children and mothers, which may affect their overall well-being during this challenging time.

World Vision and partners are delivering timely, responsive and inclusive life-saving assistance supports to the affected populations, in coordination with local government and all partners. To ensure our response's accountability, World Vision has established dedicated feedback and complaints mechanism in 3 major displacement camps. In relation to this, World Vision has supported the Government of Preah Vihear to apply innovative Last Mile Mobile Solution (LMMS) data management system to strengthen efficiency, effectiveness and accountability of aid distribution across the displacement camps.



World Vision is currently revisiting its response strategy, anticipating different scenarios resulted from the latest meeting to reaffirm commitment to ceasefire agreement. World Vision will continue providing targeted and life-saving supports in displacement camps in Preah Vihear and Siem Reap, while assessing potential early recovery needs upon Government's safe directives for gradual returns to their homes.



EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN



World Vision International in Cambodia (WVI-C) has activated a Category I National Emergency Response to address the humanitarian needs resulting from the Cambodia-Thailand border conflict. Our immediate intervention focuses WASH, education, child protection, food and non-food to **56 safety centers** with **15,306 families**, comprising of **53,352 individuals**, in Preah Vihear, Banteay Meanchey, and Siem Reap.



RESPONSE



56 safety centers



35,458 individuals



145 pregnant women



12,150 families



15,736 children



111 people with disabilities



56 Child friendly space



4,076 hygiene kits



20 tons of rice



56 reading camps



21 latrines



9,018 soy and fish sauce



7,306 non-food items
(tents, mosquito nets, blankets, and mats)



13 water storages
(2000L)



19,332 canned fish





COORDINATION AND PARTNERSHIP

World Vision continues to work closely with government authorities, NGO partners, and the private sector to coordinate emergency support for displaced populations, delivering significant impact through the following efforts:

Last Mile Mobile Solution (LMMS)

World Vision contributed US\$4500 to acquire and set up the Last Mile Mobile Solution (LMMS) data management system for the Governor of Preah Vihear Provincial Administration to strengthen efficiency, effectiveness and accountability of aid distribution. In addition, World Vision trained government counterparts and stands by as technical support. Currently, the system is operational across all 15 safety centers in Preah Vihear as well as in 6 villages where a large number of IDPs are temporarily residing with their relatives. There is potential scale-up to neighboring provinces.

Psychological Safety Assessment

World Vision conducted a Psychological Safety Assessment to better understand the breadth and depth of trauma inflicted on affected families as a result of the conflict in order to inform response strategies and mobilize resources. On the 30th and 31st of July, interviews were conducted with a random sample of 274 individuals (65 children) from 43 safety centers in three provinces (Preah Vihear, Banteay Meanchey and Siem Reap). Findings indicate that most families are experiencing some degree of psychological and emotional stress and need support that is currently unavailable. Key recommendations include: (1) ensuring immediate access to qualified counsellors for affected populations (online/mobile and in person); (2) awareness raising sessions in safety centers on how to access support; (3) set up triage and referral system in safety centers; (4) coordinate peer support groups among affected adults; and (5) facilitate child group sessions focused on trauma healing.

Joint Multi-Sectoral Rapid Assessment of IDP Camps

World Vision, Save the Children, UNICEF, WFP, OHCHR and IOM jointly undertook a multi-sectoral rapid assessment of six IDP camps in Preah Vihear, Banteay Meanchey and Siem Reap. Immediate humanitarian recommendations emphasized the need to urgently scale-up child protection, GBV mitigation, and mental health support; improve shelter, WASH, and NFI distribution; strengthen education access; sustain health services; and ensure more coordinated food distribution and support for livelihood recovery.

Humanitarian Accountability

In addition to the 52 centers where WVI-C has already set up feedback and complaint mechanisms; WVI-C and Plan International are currently establishing dedicated feedback and complaint channels in 3 safety centers to strengthen humanitarian accountability. Currently, 32 complaints and feedback entries have been submitted.

Humanitarian Response Forum (HRF)

WVI-C is an active member of the Humanitarian Response Forum, co-lead of the WASH HRF Sector Working Group and sits as a member in the Child Protection, Education, Health and Food Security and Livelihood HRF Sector Working Groups. Reflection from many UN and diplomatic visits to safety centers this week and push from UN Country Team: HRF to play a greater role in ensuring coordination and collaboration among key stakeholders in the response (joint assessments, joint sitreps, etc.)

Resource Mobilization

Local donation efforts are actively underway through the Orange Heart and HOPE campaigns, raising nearly \$5,000 in cash, 3,700 cases of Dasani drinking water from Cambodia Beverage Company (Coca-Cola), and 120 cans of mosquito spray donated by a Korean businesswoman.

Corporate engagement is ongoing, with promising discussions in progress with Smart Axiata, Grab, and Schneider Electric on potential partnership projects to support displaced children and families affected by the crisis.



UPDATED RESPONSE PLAN

As the current situation remains stable yet fragile, World Vision is updating its response strategy to prepare for various scenarios of (1) short term 30 day response in safety centers, (2) prolonged stay in safety centers (60-90 days) and (3) early recovery for families returning home, understanding that these strategies may need to be implemented simultaneously, and at different degrees depending on the evolving situation. World Vision will continue operating in its existing sectors (child protection, WASH, education, health and livelihood) working, and advocating with, Government Ministries and other stakeholders to ensure comprehensive support for affected populations.



SOCIAL MEDIA AND MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

World Vision's leadership in the Cambodia –Thailand border response drew global attention, with over 28 national and international media features highlighting urgent child protection needs. Prominent outlets amplified life-saving WASH and Child-Friendly Space interventions, while World Vision Cambodia's digital platforms mobilised awareness and action to strengthen the humanitarian response.

- World Vision's call for funding and its work in providing assistance: [UCA News](#)
- World Vision remains deeply committed to providing urgent, life-saving support by [Al Jazeera](#)
- With timely funding, we can protect lives, restore dignity, and sustain hope for families displaced by this conflict by [Cambodianess](#)



CALL FOR ACTION

The total estimated budget for this initial **three-month response is USD 300,000**. World Vision International in Cambodia urgently calls for support to deliver this child-focused, life-saving intervention. Timely funding will enable us to protect lives, restore dignity, and sustain hope for families displaced by the conflict.



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