

SITUATION REPORT #23

Displacement Crisis as a Result of the Cambodia –Thailand Border Conflict

DISPLACED POPULATION OVERVIEW

According to the Ministry of Interior, from February 3–4, 2026, there was not any report of armed clashes occurring since the ceasefire began on December 27, 2025. During this period, **6,221** more displaced people returned home. In total, about **550,000 people** (85% of the original 640,000 displaced) have now returned, leaving **97,878 people** (including over 51,000 women and 31,000 children) still displaced across displacement sites and host communities. Essential services remain closed in multiple provinces, including schools and hospitals. The Ministry is working to restore these services and support those still displaced. Extensive damage to both private and public property has been recorded since early December, and assessments are ongoing.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Although essential services have resumed in some areas, others remain limited. The feasibility and sustainability of returns depend on continued security, service restoration, and mitigation of residual risks, including explosive hazards. Field monitoring and observation indicate that a sizable number of households may remain in displacement sites for an extended period. In some areas, families who initially returned have reported needing to relocate back to displacement sites due to housing damage, disrupted services, and safety constraints in their areas of origin.

KEY PRIORITY

Key priority concerns emerging include:

- Education disruption remains substantial, with 48 schools still closed and temporary learning ongoing in displacement sites.
- Significant protection concerns, including child protection and GBV risks, continue in congested settings.
- WASH facilities remain under pressure despite scale-up efforts from various stakeholders.
- Food insecurity and malnutrition risks persist, with supplementary feeding underway.
- 22 hospitals/health centers in Oddar Meanchey, Banteay Meanchey and Preah Vihear provinces remain closed, resulting in health service availability remaining uneven, which requires continued access to primary care, immunization, and referrals.
- Temporary shelter arrangements continue to lack privacy and essential household items

The response context shifts from mass displacement to a more complex combination of displacement site-based support and area-based recovery for returning households.



EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRESS

World Vision is responding to humanitarian needs resulting from the Cambodia–Thailand border conflict. The intervention reached **144,219 displaced people**, including **43,148 children** focusing on Education, Food Security and Livelihoods, Health and Nutrition, Protection and Psychosocial Support, Cash Assistance, Shelter/Non-food items, and WASH in **Banteay Meanchey, Preah Vihear, Siem Reap, Oddar Meanchey, and Battambang**.

From 11 December 2025 to 6 February 2026, World Vision International in Cambodia has reached:



101
displacement
sites



97,712
adults



43,148
children



2,226
pregnant
women &
lactating
women



38,800
families



1,133
people with
disabilities



54,446
women

EDUCATION



54
temporary
learning spaces



4,035
learning kits



22,525
writing &
Story books



30,808
pen, pencils, rulers,
sharpener, rubbers,
board markers &
sharpeners



4,255
backpacks



1,121
colours books & boxes



111
ram of colour paper

PROTECTION & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT



45 child-friendly
spaces



34 feedback &
complaint
mechanisms



14,472 people received
psychosocial
support

SHELTER/NON-FOOD ITEMS



2,235
blankets and
towels



1,883
sleeping mats



45
tents



1,992
sets of child and
adult clothes



1,963
mosquitoes nets

CASH ASSISTANCE



361 IDP families
benefited from cash transfers

FOOD SECURITY & LIVELIHOODS



8,175
kg rice



160
kg dried fish



2,196
cans of
canned fish



100
litres of cooking oil



7,522
families benefited
from gardening and
duck-raising
activities.

HEALTH & NUTRITION



1,200
litres of milk



13,407

pack of RUSF Remaqs,
pack of RUTF Nutrix, &
pack of num nutria

WASH



97 latrines
70 new latrines
49 sets of
materials to build
latrine



8 hand washing
stations



626
bottles of
shampoo



966
pieces of bathing
soap



800 pieces
toothbrush &
toothpaste



126
sanitary pad
packs



260K gram of laundry
soap



14 sets of solar systems
for water pump



COORDINATION AND PARTNERSHIP

World Vision have continued to work closely with national and sub-national authorities, including MoEYS, MoSVY, MRD, and NCDM, alongside local authorities, NGO partners (including the Transcultural Psychosocial Organization), various faith partners and the private sector to coordinate emergency support for displaced populations.

Actively engaging in HRF technical working groups, World Vision co-chairs the Cash Working Group and the WASH Working Group with UNICEF, regularly contributes to the HRF 5Ws reporting system, and supports the development of HRF Situation Reports. In parallel, World Vision continues to brief local and international partners and embassies on the evolving humanitarian situation and is integrating psychosocial support into the response in collaboration with TPO and local authorities.



RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

World Vision has been actively mobilizing resources from its support offices/funding offices, local/international partners and embassies to sustain the emergency response, with efforts continuing as the crisis evolves. We extend our deepest thanks and appreciation to World Vision Taiwan and World Vision Hong Kong, World Vision Switzerland, World Vision Germany for its contribution to WASH, children's education, and livelihoods for displaced people. We also sincerely thank our partners in the country such as the **Cambodian public, the British Embassy, the Embassy of Germany, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Grab, Smart Axiata, Coca-Cola Cambodia Beverage Company, HGB Group, De Heus TMH Cambodia, Courtyard by Marriott Phnom Penh, iCare, Chea Ry Co. Ltd., Six Senses Krabey Island, Cambodia ILO Staff Union, IBIS Rice, Maersk Cambodia Ltd., Kungfu Kitchen, Unilever PLC, and all our valued partners** for their active support and solidarity. The contributions are bringing comfort and essential assistance to displaced children and families during this critical time.





SOCIAL MEDIA AND MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

As of February 2026, a total of **50 media features**, including coverage from **eight international outlets**, have highlighted World Vision's ongoing efforts in child protection, education, fundraising campaigns, and humanitarian response. This coverage has helped amplify the needs and voices of internally displaced populations, particularly children, reaching an **estimated 3–4 million people** and contributing to increased public awareness and engagement. In addition, social media platforms continue to showcase on-the-ground activities at displacement sites, demonstrating ongoing efforts to support displaced families.



CALL FOR ACTION

World Vision is appealing for **USD 1.5 million** to implement our updated response plan, which focuses on delivering life-saving assistance to the most vulnerable. This funding will enable us to continue providing critical support across **Education, Food Security and Livelihoods, Health and Nutrition, Protection and Psychosocial Support, Shelter/Non-food items, and WASH**, while working closely with government ministries and partners to ensure a coordinated and comprehensive response. Immediate support is essential to prevent service disruptions and safeguard children and families during this uncertain period. To date, World Vision has raised **USD 1.4 million, including gifts-in-kind (GIK), toward the USD 1.5 million appeal**. The team is currently assessing needs to inform the early recovery phase and determine additional priorities moving forward.



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