

A group of smiling children with white face paint on their cheeks, looking upwards. The image is part of the header banner.

GENDER EQUALITY, DISABILITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

Capacity Statement

Who We Are

World Vision International Myanmar (WVIM) is a humanitarian and development organization committed to improving the well-being of the most vulnerable children, their families, and communities across the country. Since 1993, we have worked in both development and fragile contexts, addressing the root causes of poverty and injustice through long-term community development and lifesaving humanitarian response. With nearly three decades of presence, we partner with government ministries, civil society, faith-based groups, local leaders, and communities to deliver integrated programs in education, child protection, health and nutrition, WASH, livelihoods, and humanitarian context. Our locally rooted teams ensure culturally relevant, community-owned solutions that support children to thrive. Each year, our programmes reach millions, reflecting our commitment to ensure children are educated, protected, and cared for inclusive, safe and resilient communities.

Our Value Proposition

Myanmar's protracted conflict, climate shocks, and economic instability have intensified gender inequality, disability exclusion, and protection risks, particularly for children, women, and persons with disabilities. In this context, GEDSI is not an add-on; it is essential to effective, accountable, and life-saving programming.

Combining global GEDSI standards with deep contextual knowledge, we deliver gender-responsive, disability-inclusive, and child-centered programming that strengthens dignity, resilience, and community leadership, while reducing operational and safeguarding risks for donors. We collaborate with children and women-led organizations, organizations of persons with disabilities, and community structures to amplify

to amplify local leadership and strengthen inclusive practices.

Our GEDSI programming prioritizes;

- Equitable access to services for marginalized groups
- Protection from harm, including gender-based violence and exclusion
- Meaningful participation of children, women, and persons with disabilities in decisions that affect their lives

Our Capacity in GEDSI Programming

GEDSI Mainstreaming

Across our development and humanitarian interventions, we mainstream GEDSI principles across all sectors – including Education, Protection, Health and Nutrition, WASH, and Livelihoods – to ensure that our responses are inclusive, equitable, transformative and tailored to community needs.

Strong Technical Expertise Across Staff and Partners

We build strong GEDSI capacity across staff and partners, supported by ongoing organizational investment in training on GEDSI foundations, disability inclusion, and GBV prevention. Staff are proficient in applying global GEDSI frameworks and tools, including the Washington Group Questionnaire for sex, age, and disability-disaggregated data (SADDD). Our core strength lies in protection and inclusion of internally displaced and marginalized groups, focusing on women, mothers, and children with and without disabilities. GEDSI principles are embedded across social protection and service delivery, guiding programme design, monitoring, and accountability to ensure equity and meaningful participation.

Inclusive Partnerships and Local Community Leadership:

Through collaboration with women-led organizations, organizations of persons with disabilities, and community structures serving as first-line humanitarian responders, we amplify local leadership, strengthen inclusive practices, and deliver accountable, responsive, and sustainable interventions that promote community ownership, localization, and sustainability. These partnerships guide context-specific GEDSI frameworks adapted to Myanmar's realities, fostering community-owned solutions and ensuring marginalized voices are meaningfully represented.

Evidence-Based, Context-Relevant Programming

We ground GEDSI integration in sex, age, and disability disaggregated data (SADDD), ensuring our interventions are evidence-driven, inclusive and responsive to diverse community needs in both development and humanitarian contexts. By applying disability-inclusive models, we empower vulnerable children, women, people with disabilities and other marginalized groups, and communities to thrive with dignity and resilience. We also apply a twin-track approach: mainstreaming disability inclusion across all programmes while providing targeted support for children with disabilities.

Inclusive Access and Participation

Through cascaded capacity building, we ensure that vulnerable children and adults in our areas have equitable access to services through the proactive provision of reasonable accommodations. By institutionalizing inclusive systems, policies, and procedures, we remove barriers to participation and empower marginalized groups to lead decisions that affect their lives. We also engage meaningfully with children of all genders, with and without disabilities, strengthening their agency to advocate with evidence and ensuring that decision-makers integrate their perspectives into policy and practice.

Development Context Grants

GEDSI was strongly integrated across the grants projects, including ECW – Education Cannot Wait (16584 children), Quality Basic Education Pathway for the Children Program – QBEP4C (623,14 people), CREATE, Civil Society Strengthening for Improving Access to Health 21 CBOs), and

Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism – MRM & CPHA (5,658 people). Gender equality was promoted throughout project activities, and children with disabilities were systematically identified and supported based on their specific needs.

List of Projects

Protracted Crisis in Kachin and Chin States

Year: 2025 – 2026

Donor: Australian Humanitarian Partnership – USD 940,593

Reach: 82,687 (57% female, 43% male, 35% children, 2% people with disabilities)

Main objective: Vulnerable communities in conflict-affected areas of Myanmar, including IDPs, persons with disabilities, women, children, and ethnic minorities, are increasingly self-reliant and have improved access to localized humanitarian, education, health, and protection services

Main Partners: Oxfam, Alinn Social Development Organization (ASDO), Grip Hands Organization (GHO), Life Development Organization (LDO), Myanmar Baptist Convention (MBC) and Community Development Organization (CDA)

Empowering Communities: Gender Responsive Aid for Conflict Resilience in Kayah and Shan States

Year: 2024 – 2025

Donor: UN Women – USD 300,000

Reach: 2,575 girls and women

Main objective: To enhance gender equality, promote resilience and provide sustainable solutions in addressing needs of women, men, girls, boys, people with disability

Main Partner: Swan Inn Thit

Myanmar Earthquake Response (MER)

Reach: 512,945 people including 163,201 children

Across humanitarian response projects, GEDSI foundations were mainstreamed across all sectors such as Education, Protection, and WASH, and GEDSI principles were incorporated into the Livelihoods Sector to support early recovery interventions under the MER programme, to ensure inclusive, equitable, and needs-responsive intervention. The capacity building initiatives were supported through various grants, including ECWFER, DEC, JPF, HK Government, DRA, ACS – Irish Grant, CHAF, ADH, AHP, CCK, UNICEF, WFP, and Taiwan.

Myanmar CREATE: Economic Empowerment and Nutrition for Dry Zone Communities

Year: 2021 – 2028

Donor: DFAT, Matching - World Vision Australia - USD 4.4 million

Reach: 23,384 people (39.3% female, 32.9% male, 28% children, 0.8% people with disabilities)

Main objective: The project aims to strengthen the socio-economic resilience of households in two Dry Zone townships through inclusive approaches for women and people with disabilities. Using an inclusive market systems development (iMSD) approach, it will increase household incomes and

promote gender equality, disability inclusion, and nutrition by enhancing producers' market engagement and expanding private sector investment in productive inputs.

Main Partner: Myint Myat Taw Win Company, Vision Fund Myanmar, Proximity Designs, ANYarMyay Organic Fertilizer Company, Kyaw San Hein, Green Growth Generation (GGG), Greenish Sagaing Region Company, Good Brother Company

EVIDENCE OF IMPACT - FY 2025



2,235,155

people reached (Male: 1,095,226; Female: 1,139,929), including 1,170,072 children (Boys: 573,335; Girls: 596,737)

2,054

people with disabilities reached, including 1,144 adults (Men: 570; Women: 574) and 910 children (Girls: 454; Boys: 456)

11,950

community members trained on GEDSI foundations, including 922 girls, 795 boys, 7,177 women, and 3,056 men

Impact of the Myanmar CREATE Project (as of 30 April 2026)

10,947

community members participated in gender equality & women's rights sessions

9,237

people trained in disability awareness & inclusion

213

couples received Gender Inclusive Financial Literacy training (GIFT)

Our Partners

Partnerships with 6 Organizations of Persons with Disability (OPDs) and Department of Social Welfare (DSW):

- Shwe Min Thar Foundation
- Shwe Lett Twel
- Myanmar Christian Fellowship of the Blind
- Myanmar Independent Living Initiative
- Eden Centre for Disabled Children
- Naung Yoe (North Hlegu)

Our Donors



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