



HIGHLIGHTS

400

IDPs, camp managers & partners trained in protection in Kachin

50,000

IDPs in Rakhine State to receive NFIs in 2015

75+

Stakeholders involved in South-East Consultations

200

IDP camps served by UNHCR and CCCM partners

Population of concern

A total of **1.5 million** people of concern

By area of operation

Region	Total PoC
IDPs in Kachin State	76,000
IDPs in Rakhine State	138,000
IDPs in the Southeast	300,000
People without citizenship*	810,000
Other people of concern**	153,500
Total	1,477,500

*This figure does not include IDPs in Rakhine State who are also people without citizenship.

** This figure includes people in an IDP-like situation, IDP returnees and refugee returnees

Funding

USD 72.7 Million requested

USD 5.6 Million contributions

8% funded

UNHCR Presence

Staff:

141 national staff
40 international staff

Offices:

5 offices located in:
Hpa-An, Maungdaw, Myiktyina, Sittwe, **Yangon**

6 field units in:

Bhamo, Buthidaung, Dawei, Hakha (liaison office), Loikaw, Mawlamyine



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

- UNHCR is the lead agency for the Protection Sector and for the Shelter, Non-Food Items (NFI), Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) cluster in both the Kachin and the Rakhine inter-agency humanitarian responses. The agency is an active member of the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) and of the Humanitarian Advocacy and Communication Group (HACG).
- UNHCR collaborates with governmental bodies, fellow UN agencies and some two dozen local organisations and international NGOs. UNHCR also co-chairs the South-East Consultations, which bring together over 75 stakeholders engaged in peacebuilding and development in the states where we are working to help prepare the ground for voluntary return in safety and dignity.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection

- UNHCR's main protection activities are protection monitoring and reporting, as well as advocacy with local and union governments on issues related to displacement and statelessness. By regular monitoring of the situation on the ground, UNHCR and partners continue to identify protection risks and violations of the rights of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and other persons of concern. Protection incident reporting mechanisms have been established in the field to facilitate required action following such reports. UNHCR regularly conducts trainings with partner organisations and government counterparts on protection topics such as birth registration and civil documentation, durable solutions, protection monitoring, persons with specific needs and the IDP Guiding Principles.
- As the lead agency for the Protection Sector, UNHCR facilitates the coordination of the humanitarian response with primary attention to the situations in Rakhine and Kachin. Protection mainstreaming has been one initiative, as well as support to community-based protection groups, psycho-social support for women, development of referral pathways and protection assessment tools.

Shelter and NFIs

- Since January 2015, UNHCR and partner organisations have built additional shelters and renovated existing structures, responding to the needs of IDPs in Kachin and northern Shan States. Renewed fighting in the region and the subsequent displacement continue to increase the demand for temporary shelters. In Rakhine State, efforts concentrated on renovation and maintenance of shelters.
- In April, distribution of non-food items (NFIs) resumed for IDPs in Rakhine State, which is on course to benefit some 50,000 people. UNHCR also provided NFIs and tents to IDPs in Kachin and Rakhine States following fire incidents in January and February respectively.
- UNHCR is also working with the Rakhine State Government and partner organisations towards individual shelter solutions for IDPs in Rakhine, with a view to ending displacement where conditions are conducive.

Coordination and Camp Management

- In Kachin and northern Shan States, UNHCR currently supports CCCM activities in 130 camps; among these, 20 are located in non-government controlled areas (NGCAs). In Rakhine State, CCCM partners are active in one-third of the 63 IDP camps, directly providing camp management support for over 80% of the IDP population. New rounds of camp profiling were completed in the states in 2015; almost 200 camps were profiled, providing up-to-date, detailed and comparative information on IDP needs.

Durable Solutions

- In Myanmar's South-East, the steps undertaken in the peace process between the Myanmar Government and ethnic armed groups have led to hope that those who have been displaced by the decades-long conflicts can return home. UNHCR's operation has been re-oriented towards a focus on supporting durable solutions for IDPs, and preparedness for a voluntary repatriation operation for refugees from Myanmar in Thailand.

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