

# ANNUAL REPORT 2021



ADRA





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## DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT



Dear Reader,

Welcome to ADRA Myanmar Annual Report 2021.

The year 2021 has added another layer of complexity to our ministry in Myanmar in addition to COVID-19. Political changes, new internal displacements, humanitarian access restrictions, violence, suffering, unemployment, and poverty increase. We are very thankful that ADRA staff could serve the people in need also during this difficult year.

We wish to you and to the entire country of Myanmar: peace, stability, health, and strong hope for a better future.

ADRA Myanmar will continue supporting the people of Myanmar, as it has done in the almost 40 years of its ministry in the country, to support the most vulnerable, first of all the children. ADRA remains dedicated to providing assistance to all education systems, including TVET, to ensure that children and young people get a chance for personal development. ADRA will maintain its support to rural families to become self-sustainable and live a life of dignity. A special attention is given to people with temporary acute humanitarian needs, so that they can overcome the distress.

These three major areas are the focus of ADRA's intervention in 2022.

I want to explicitly express my sincere gratitude to all ADRA staff, who have continued to support our beneficiaries in a rapidly changing environment. Thank you also to all our donors, partners, community leaders, stakeholder, but first of all to God, who has protected and blessed our efforts.

We continue to remain committed to our mission, to serve and empower people, that everyone my live a life of dignity as God intended for him or her.

"You can't change the world. You can change a person's world. The more people you help, the more worlds you've changed" (Andrew Gifford)

With respect,

Vitalie Zegera | Country Director | ADRA Myanmar





# WHO WE ARE

## ABOUT ADRA

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is the global humanitarian arm of the Seventh-day Adventist Church - part of the 20 million strong Adventist Community, with hundreds of thousands of churches globally and the world's largest integrated healthcare and education network. ADRA delivers relief and development assistance to individuals in more than 118 countries regardless of their ethnicity, political affiliation, gender or religious association. By partnering with local communities, organizations, and governments, we are able to deliver culturally relevant programs and build local capability for sustainable change.

## ABOUT ADRA MYANMAR

ADRA Myanmar is an 'implementing office' within the ADRA network, a registered and recognized INGO in Myanmar. Established in 1984, ADRA Myanmar is one of the oldest country offices in ADRA network providing development and relief assistance opportunities throughout the country. We operate under 4 key sectors that cater to: Livelihoods, Education, Health and Emergency. With the head office located in Yangon, ADRA Myanmar maintains 4 sub-offices within the regions of: Kayin State, Shan State, Magway and Mandalay Region.

ADRA Myanmar seeks to develop partnerships with rural communities, country and local authorities, donors and partner offices within the ADRA network. We believe that honest and authentic relationships lead to harmonious partnerships which are based on mutual respect and fairness. Within this environment, partnership mobilizes demand-driven funds to assist those in need to realize their potential and become active partners of progress.

## OUR MOTTO

Justice.  
Compassion.  
Love.

## OUR PURPOSE

To Serve Humanity  
so all may Live as  
God Intended

## OUR VALUES

Connected.  
Courageous.  
Compassionate.



# OUR HISTORY

The 'Seventh Day Adventist Welfare Service' (SAWS) is established by the Seventh Day Adventist Church to provide immediate emergency relief and welfare.

1956

SAWS organizes a relief shipment of supplies to 29 countries valued at USD\$2.3 million over 4 years targeted at South America and the Middle East.

1958-62

SAWS broadens its mission focus from disaster relief to long term programs. SAWS is changed to 'Seventh Day Adventist World Service'.

1970-73

SAWS becomes the 'Adventist Development and Relief Agency' (ADRA) working in community development, food distributions and emergency relief.

1983

The Seventh Day Adventist Church of Myanmar plays an active part within the Myanmar Health Department and establishes what we know today as ADRA Myanmar.

1984

ADRA Myanmar is registered with the Ministry of Home Affairs and builds a working relationship with the Ministry of Education (MoE-DTVE).

1992

ADRA is one of the world's leading NGOs. ADRA International is established in the US and granted General Consultative Status by ECOSOC.

1997

ADRA Myanmar signs an MoU with the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Social Welfare Relief and Resettlement.

2000's

Cyclone Nargis wreaks havoc across Myanmar causing USD\$10 billion in damage. ADRA Myanmar uses international emergency funds to provide relief.

2008

ADRA Myanmar establishes 4 core sectors: Sustainable Livelihoods, Education, Health & Nutrition and Emergency Response.

2016

Monsoonal floods cause widespread damage in Kayin State. ADRA Myanmar provides emergency food packages to affected communities.

2018

ADRA Myanmar celebrates its 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and gains the USD\$23 million European Union funded CASE2Learn project, the largest project to date.

2019

## Where We Work

In 2021, ADRA Myanmar continued to provide support across all four impact sectors including Education, Livelihoods, Health and Emergency.

Of course, due to the COVID-19 and political changes of Myanmar, several project activities were delayed or disrupted. However, ADRA Myanmar continued to be creative and come up with new methods of ensuring activities still reached beneficiaries, including at times virtually.



LIVELIHOODS

EDUCATION

HEALTH

EMERGENCY

SECTOR KEY



# 2021 ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS



2,466

People trained on advanced Agricultural practices

12

PROJECTS

340

Out of School Children enrolled in School



109

Students completed life/business skills training



10

STATES & REGIONS

312,810

Students & teachers benefitted from the project supported education institution



11,139

Textbooks for learning distributed



5

Mobile medical units



345

THOUSAND BENEFICIARIES SUPPORTED IN MYANMAR

2,478

Children accessed ECCD/KG services



2,221

Outpatients Consultation



3,551

People received emergency food aid



8,684

Parents participated in positive parent training



# COVID-19 RESPONSE



1,609

SUPPORTED



354

HOUSEHOLDS



8

IDPS CAMPS

ADRA Myanmar has been responding to the COVID-19 pandemic through the Vocational Education Support for IDPs - VESI project funded by LIFT Myanmar. Activities have primarily revolved around distributions of hygiene materials, and awareness raising for COVID -19.

Here are some of the ways ADRA Myanmar provided support and relief to vulnerable communities in 2021.

- 1062 masks boxes distributed
- 708 handgels to vulnerable households
- 1770 soaps distributed
- 1770 faceshields distributed
- 354 chlorines
- 12 thermometer to IDPcamps

ADRA Myanmar will continue to work closely with the vulnerable communities to respond to COVID-19 pandemic.





# EDUCATION SECTOR

The **EDUCATION** sector aims to provide assistance to teachers, students, communities and schools to enhance local education systems and improve quality of learning through the provision of learning materials, developing school infrastructure, promoting professional development of teachers, support to school management committees and parent teacher associations, and support for advocacy and policy development.

The programs promote inclusion and social cohesion to address needs of learners, lessen gender imbalances, increase protection of women, girls and boys and positively shape values, attitudes and skills. ADRA has developed positive relationships with Indigenous Providers of Education in conflict affected areas where children do not have access to an education, reaching thousands of Out of School children through teachers establishing Education service (TEES) programs and distributing teaching and learning materials. For those who have ‘missed’ the opportunity for education, technical and vocational education and training (TVET) programs provide youth with employable skills through market-driven competency-based short courses that are certified.

ADRA’s advocacy and policy engagement is evidence based and developed around synergies that build cooperation and mutual trust between key stakeholders supporting the humanitarian-development-peace nexus. In addition, ADRA is also a part of the Education Development Partners Coordination Group (EDPCG) and technical working groups.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	TARGETED BENEFICIARIES	PROJECT BUDGET
<b>ADVOCACY</b> Focus Country Pilot Project	- ADRA International - National	-	\$89,995
<b>AEONS</b> AEON Education Assistance Project	- AEON 1% Club Foundation, ADRA Japan - Kayin State	836	\$370,000
<b>BRIGHT</b> Breaking Barriers, Improving Girls’ Education, Hope and Totality	- Global Affairs Canada, ADRA Canada, - Shan State	5,751	\$2,939,750
<b>CASE2Learn</b> Conflict Areas Support for Education 2 Learn	- European Union, ADRA UK ADRA Germany - Mon, Chin, Shan, Kayah, Kayin Bago, Nay Pyi Taw, Mandalay, Tanintharyi Regions	496,830	\$23,789,473
<b>SEAQE2</b> Strengthening Equity, Access and Quality in Education	- NORAD, ADRA Norway - Kayin State	884,938	\$5,314,356
<b>SEAQE2</b> Emergency	- ADRA Norway , NORAD - Kayin State	13,000	\$1,008,000



## U TUN

My name is U Tun, and I am the headmaster of a primary school in Kayin State. When I graduated from college, I couldn’t find a job, so I moved to Yangon where I worked at an ice-cream shop for 8 months.

Soon after I applied for a teaching position working at a primary school for 3 years before moving to my current school in 2018.

When I arrived at the school, there was not enough teachers or furniture, and the villagers didn’t hold school management (SMC) meetings. I tried to foster good relationships with the villagers, but the students had difficulties learning the Burmese language. Because the school was old and rundown, I requested support for funds to renovate the school.

I was happy when the AEON project came to this village as I heard ADRA had built many schools in areas nearby. The school was in desperate need of new furniture and more classrooms. In the summer months, the classrooms were so hot for both teachers and students alike.

It took 4 months for school construction to be finalized with the support of the villagers including exterior work such as fencing, school signboard, water tank, toilet and school gate. I helped the workers obtain local materials such as sand, brick and stone. Whenever there were issues with the construction process, I always called the AEON project engineer for support.

Soon, I was able to establish SMC meetings once a month and encourage parents to attend education awareness events causing them to be more active in their children’s education. The children are happy and want to attend school. My aim is to expand the school into a Middle level and continue to work with villagers to maintain our new school building.

*“Since the school construction was finished, it has been very helpful for me in teaching and increased safety for the children. Now we have sufficient rooms and enough furniture.”*



# LIVELIHOODS SECTOR

The **LIVELIHOODS** sector aims to increase food security, livelihoods and resilience in the upland areas of Myanmar. This is achieved by diversifying livelihoods, introducing climate-smart agricultural approaches such as: drip irrigation, as well as piloting holistic grazing management practices to address land degradation.

Programs are focused on building technical knowledge and learning to enable future evidence-based planning and policy dialogue to address: climate change and extreme weather related events, building resilience through enabling the development of absorptive, adaptive and transformative capacities, and knowledge and strategies for sustainable livelihoods.

Beneficiaries are provided training in planting of seasonal crops, raising and caring for livestock, developing cultural skills such as weaving and increasing knowledge of value chain marketing to increase income generation.

Programs in upland areas focus on improving natural resource management and land use planning using Sloping Agricultural Land Technologies (SALT) and diversifying livelihoods to reduce dependence on rain fed agriculture to improve water resource management. This promotes sustainable forest land management and prevention of land degradation through reducing overuse of Swidden agriculture techniques.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	TARGETED BENEFICIARIES	PROJECT BUDGET
<b>PRICE</b> Poverty Reduction Initiative Through Community Empowerment	- DFAT, ADRA Australia - Chin State	5,433	\$901,500
<b>SURE</b> Sustainable Rural Economic Development Project	- MFAT, ADRA New Zealand - Chin State, Magway Region	7,290	\$3,052,564



## U MAN TIN

My name is U Man Tin and I currently live in Chin state. There are seven members in my family and three of my children are currently enrolled in elementary school. I own four acres of farm on which I grow elephant foot yam and corn.

Unfortunately, in 2015, we faced damage to our farm due to landslides and soil erosion in our area. As a result of this, we had difficulty producing enough food, struggling even to support my family. That is why I searched for a new farm. Slash and burn farming had been traditionally practiced year after year. With these devastating practices, climate change, deforestation, and landslides occurring more frequently in our area. This creates many difficulties for farming and producing food.

In 2016, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade (MFAT) and ADRA New Zealand funded SURE project, came to our area to develop the livelihoods of the people through sustainable farming. Thus, leading to income generation without damaging the environment.

During these years, the project introduced Sloping Agricultural Land Technology (SALT) in our area. SALT farming is gradually improving the soil and air quality. The main purpose is to maintain and protect nutrient rich soil. From this, other farmers also started to develop SALT farms. Through the project, I was provided barbed wire, water pipes, annual seeds, and perennial nursery plants for my individual SALT farm. Since the project came, I learned many farming techniques from Extension Workers and Agriculture staff from the ADRA. Therefore, with my skills and experiences learned from the SURE project, gradually over time, I was able to develop my own SALT farm.

“I am really interested in farming, so after the SALT farming system was introduced to me, I decided to develop of my land as a SALT farm. Now, I can plant multiple seasonal crops in the same area, throughout the year.”

In 2021, I was able to harvest 5 baskets of corn from my SALT farms in just 0.09 acres. I also used a project-provided solar dryer to dry my harvested corn seeds which was really helpful and time-saving.

*“Thank you for your support. I am happy that now I am able to plant for the whole season in my SALT farm without doing slash and burn in the forest. I can also provide food for my family and I have increased my income through SALT farming.”*



# HEALTH SECTOR

The **HEALTH** sector supports vulnerable population groups in conflict affected areas. ADRA Myanmar actively supports health in Myanmar since 1993 and has built strong working relationships with a variety of organizations and groups.

The programs improve the health and nutrition of communities by: training health workers in maternal, new born and child health (MNCH), improving nutrition rates amongst pregnant mothers and children, providing hygiene education, developing water, sanitation and medical facilities, operating mobile health clinics, providing medical supplies, supporting referrals, promoting healthy living and increasing awareness on relevant health issues.

ADRA Myanmar focuses on water, and sanitation services, maternal and child health, and provides handwashing and bathing facilities for displaced people in remote areas where there is no access to health facilities.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	TARGETED BENEFICIARIES	PROJECT BUDGET
ELACAP Emergency Life Saving Assistance to Conflict Affected Population	- USAID - Kayin State	28,000	\$ 1,600,000





# EMERGENCY SECTOR

The **EMERGENCY** sector provides humanitarian assistance to those affected by natural disasters or conflict through multi-purpose cash grants, cash for work, food assistance, non-food items, shelter assistance, and increasing access to clean water and sanitation facilities.

ADRA Myanmar has a National Emergency Management Plan (NEMP) in place that enables the rapid mobilization of team members and resources in the event of a disaster. Several of ADRA Myanmar’s staff have been trained in Emergency Response in order to provide and lead the technical support required during an emergency in country.

Through partnerships such as AVSI and the Finnish Refugee Council, ADRA Myanmar works in conflict affected areas in Northern Shan States to support the education of children and youth, health and livelihoods for IDPs and the surrounding local communities.

PROJECT	PARTNER/DONOR LOCATION	TARGETED BENEFICIARIES	PROJECT BUDGET
<b>VESI</b> Vocational Education to Support IDPs	- LIFT, AVSI, Finnish Refugee Council - Kachin State and Northern Shan State	7,022	\$2,200,000
<b>UNICEF Emergency WASH</b> Provision of critical water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) assistance for crisis-affected populations	- UNICEF - Kayin State,	25,000	\$566,430



## MG AUNG

Rise from a simple family background, Mg Aung grew up with his parents and siblings. He is the 17 years old and eldest son of their siblings and has five family members. He lives in Northern Shan State.

He is eager to learn and wants to take a course that is useful for life. And also in their area, most of the young people have already migrated and the other young people are used to work in electrical wiring and motorbike repair industries. And he has seen the youth unemployment rate is rising in their environment.

Due to many situations, there has a challenge of lack of job opportunities, migration, skills labor rarity in northern Shan State. Soon, he heard about the ADRA project’s vocational training so that he was interested in motorbike repair training and decided to join the program.

The LIFT Myanmar-funded VESI project, in partnership with AVSI and the Finnish Refugee Council, aims to provide vocational training to youth in IDP camps in northern Shan State to increase their income and meet the needs of the labor market. And also, ADRA provided meal allowance, teaching materials, and Covid-19 protective gear (Mask, Handgel, Faceshield) throughout the training.

He attended a motorbike repairing short course for long 36 days. In this training, he learned many helpful subjects related to motorcycle repair. He gains a lot of knowledge for his life career.

Since he was involved in the ADRA project his life started to change as he improved in social skills, life skills, and vocational skills. The willingness to implement his own business indwell in his vein and he owned his parent’s trust and support. His dream is to become a business owner in the future.

*“Thank you so much for providing the vocational training for us. This support is really important for our area. Thank you to the donor and ADRA for all of your great support”*





Justice.  
Compassion  
Love

# FINANCE STATEMENT

PROJECT	PROJECT START DATE	PROJECT END DATE	YEARLY BUDGET	YEARLY EXPENDITURE
LIVELIHOODS				
PRICE Poverty Reduction Initiative Through Community Empowerment	July 2015	June 2021	\$115,000	\$71,964
SURE Sustainable Rural Economic Development Project	October 2016	October 2021	\$650,000	\$380,434
SHAPE	Nov 2021	Jun 2026	\$49,403	\$42,442
EDUCATION				
ADVOCACY Focus Country Pilot Project	July 2019	June 2022	\$23,390	\$2,764
AEON5 AEON Education Assistance Project	August 2020	July 2021	\$250,000	\$249,757
BRIGHT Breaking Barriers, Improving Girls' Education, Hope and Totality	May 2020	March 2024	\$700,000	\$363,348
CASE2Learn Conflict Areas Support for Education 2 Learn	July 2019	May 2024	\$5,822,669	\$3,348,594
SEAQE2 Strengthening Equity, Access and Quality in Education	March 2019	December 2023	\$940,718	\$735,103
SEAQE2 EMERGENCY	November 2021	May 2022	\$201,600	\$17,157
EDUCATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT MOFA-3	March 2021	March 2022	\$334.156	\$10,140
HEALTH				
ELACAP Emergency Life Saving Assistance to Conflict Affected Population	July 2021	July 2022	\$500,000	\$208,123
EMERGENCY				
VESI Vocational Education Support for IDPs	July 2019	June 2022	\$1,033,326	\$598,742
Emergency Response to IDPs in Myanmar	April 2021	Jun 2021	\$67,500	\$67,500
Food Assistance to IDPs in Chin State	Jul 2021	Sep 2021	\$23,221	\$23,221
Food Assistance to IDPs in Kayah State	Aug 2021	Nov 2021	\$12,000	\$12,000
WASH Conflict Analysis and Feasibility Study for Water as Catalyst for Peace (WCP) in Kayin	Sep 2021	Dec 2021	\$48,673	\$48,673
Provision of Critical Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Assistance for Crisis Affected Populations (internally displaced persons and host communities) in Kayin State	Nov 2021	Jun 2022	\$70,614	\$22,347
			\$10,842,270	\$6,202,308

NOTE: The ratios expressed are subject to exchange rates, depreciation, and accountability as reported on the audited finance statement. All amounts are depicted in USD as it is the designated currency utilized for all ADRA Myanmar's projects and administration costs.



# PARTNERS & DONORS

Our projects would not be possible without the continued support and funding from our partners and donors both locally and internationally. ADRA Myanmar has continued to strengthen existing partnerships to expand project activities to reach the most vulnerable. Below is a list of our partners and donors for 2021:

- ADRA Asia Regional Office
- ADRA International
- ADRA Germany
- ADRA UK
- ADRA Norway
- ADRA Denmark
- ADRA Belgium
- ADRA Canada and Global Affairs Canada
- ADRA Japan and AEON 1% Club Foundation
- ADRA New Zealand and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Seventh-Day Adventist Church of Myanmar
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic
- NORAD
- European Union (EU)
- UNOPS/LIFT
- BHA/USAID
- UNICEF
- Japanese Foreign Ministry (MOFA)
- MHF
- Finnish Refugee Council
- AVSI People for Development
- RISE Network
- Karen Health Department & Welfare (KHDW)
- Committee for Internally Displace Karen People (CIDKP)
- Adventist Community Services (ACS)
- Other Partners and Donors



THANK YOU







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