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Vocational Support in Karen State

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COVER PHOTO

This month's cover photo is Bhone Pyae from the SEAQE2 project.

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FEATURED ARTICLE



Bhone Pyae's Story: Vocational Support in Karen State

Bhone Pyae Aung works as a barber for their living now. His life began to change dramatically. He grew up as the second son of four siblings. As an only son with three other daughters, he was more in love with his parents and siblings.

Unfortunately, when he failed twice in 10 matriculation exams, he became depressed and didn't want to go to school. At that moment, he loses his purpose in life. He didn't want the encouragement of his parents and siblings.

In 2011, his first work started at a carpet factory in Thailand. It was very tiring because he had never done anything so hard. Therefore, he can learn the value of money. Six years later, he returned home.

After that, he decided to attend vocational training for his next step. Soon, he heard about the vocational training courses in Hpa-an through the SEAQE2 project funded by Norad and ADRA Norway, he chose a men's hairdressing course. He joined the hair cutting training Batch-2.

At the beginning of the course, he faced difficulties. At the beginning of the course, he faced difficulties. However, teachers, guidance, and good teaching helped him to learn easily.

"I tried to learn because it was my interest and full of willingness to learn. The training

also trained and provided the skills until we can reopen our own shop"

He learned by trying hard to learn for his hobby. After the training, he won the third prize and was very happy.

In 2020, he can run a barbershop and he can give services to a lot of customers. His average income is above 60000 kyats a month and he believes income will increase later more and more.

His dream is to reopen a big store for selling cosmetic products. And he wants to reshare it with those who want the skills and he hopes to accept and train the students who are willing to learn.

Finally, he found the light of his future...

“ In the past, I lost my purpose and hope in life, but after attending this vocational training, my life was full of hope and purpose. I understand that the training gave inspiration and I feel confident and mature

REFLECTIONS



Always Smile

Always smile. Our faces are the best billboards where the ads of life are seen. The Bible says, "Why to worry when the Lord is with you?"

Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive and then go do that. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.

The most authentic thing about us is our capacity to create, to overcome, to endure, to transform, to love and to be greater than our suffering.

God is indeed an answering God. Sometimes, you don't need to shout or cry out loud because He hears even the very silent prayer of a faithful heart.

Enjoy and use every moment of life. Don't save it, because there is no courtesy desk for us to go and get a refund on an unused moment of life.

Laugh whenever you can, Apologize whenever you should and let go off whatever you can't change. Life is too short to worry about anything. Be happy always.

IN THE MEDIA



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MEET OUR STAFF



Saw Thura Maung

Business Development Officer | SEAE2

Q1 What Race/Country are you from?
Kayin/Myanmar

Q5 What Place/Country would you like to visit?
USA and Newzealand

Q2 What is your favourite food/s to eat?
Sea Food and Vegetable

Q6 In one word, what would define you?
Funny

Q3 What is your favourite colour?
Grey, Black and White

Q7 What year did you join ADRA?
June, 2008

Q4 What do you like to do for fun?
Listening Music and Planting flowers

Q8 What do you love most about working in ADRA?
I like to go to the fields with the staff.

PROJECT UPDATES



CASE2Learn

The European Union funded CASE2Learn project in partnership with RISE, ADRA UK and ADRA Germany conducted several activities this month.

1. SEE; MTTs/ SMAs distributed TEES stipend to 47 teachers in Pekon, Pyinmana and Thandaunggyi Townships as well as distributed some kits for TEES.

2. Ta'ang Education Institute (TEI) team has opened 12 new TEES schools in early December in Lashio, Namtu, Kyautmae and Mongmit townships. MTTs and SMAs are still in the field for second round of mobile activities.

3. Bawinu Foundation- BF 2 TEES schools are reopened through Home-based Learning and MTTs/ SMAs also have visited those schools. MTTs/ SMAs have contacted to 136 schools to discuss about the school reopening.



BRIGHT

This month, the Global Affairs Canada and ADRA Canada funded BRIGHT project implemented the following activities.

1. Basic mushroom training was provided in 2 villages Lashio township and, Kukkai township in December. 25 participants which 9 males and 16 females attended the training. After the training, certificate was provided by senior project manager, Ms. Cho Cho Thel from ADRA Canada.

2. Canada Donor team and Project Director from ADRA Myanmar field visit to Northern Shan State from 14th December to 22nd December. They visited 4 villages in Lashio and Kukkai township, and one Women's Lead partner office.

3. As partners, Women's LEAD and KNWO were celebrate 16 days activism against Gender Based Violence (GBV) events three township from Northern Shan State and also Loikaw and Hpruso from Kayah State.



PROJECT UPDATES



VESI

This month, the LIFT funded VESI project in partnership with AVSI and FRC completed the following activities:

Monitoring to Batch 5- basic sewing training and basic computer training at three townships.

Celebrate the opening ceremony for Batch 6-Basic Sewing Training in Kutkai township.

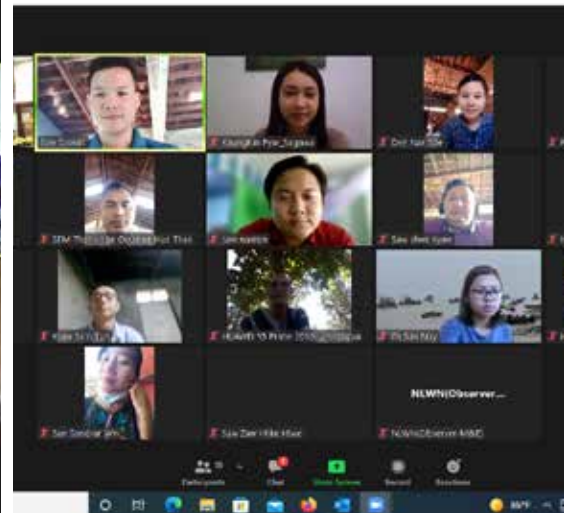
The project provides distributed covid-19 protective items to seven IDPs camps from Namatu township, Hispaw township, and Kutkai township.



SEAQE2

The Norad and ADRA Norway funded SEAQE2 project completed the following activities:

1. Three-day 2021 Head Training (School Safeguarding and Strategic Planning) was provided by Sagawa on December 15 to 17 through via Zoom. 17 participants from ACS principals, ACS Coordinator; KECD Training in Charge, and some SEAQE staff.



2. DBE / NFE ToT Training was organized by SEAQEII Project and provided by KECD Basic Education Department through zoom to strengthen NFE teachers and TVET trainers' classroom management skills, teaching methods, and effective lesson planning on December 16 to 17.



3. Textbook, teaching kits, and mother-tongued storybook delivery to Thu Kha Bee School (Belin area), some Hpa-pun area schools, and Hlaing Bwe area ACS schools during December.



PROJECT UPDATES



SEAQE2

The Norad and ADRA Norway funded SEAQE2 project completed the following activities:

The Project conducted the TVET closing ceremony of Hpa-an and KECD as Batch 2/2021. 172 students are graduated from the 7 short course training such as Basic Sewing, Advance Sewing, Hair Dressing, Hair Cutting, Rural Mechanic, Welding, and Hospitality training. From these trainings, a total of 167 students were linked to the internship program.

As support of Business owners and respected trainers, 37 days of short course training and 20 days internship program as batch 2/2021 were successfully done.



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ABOUT THE PHOTO:

Children studying in the TEES program through the BRIGHT project, funded by the Global Affairs Canada and ADRA Canada in Northern Shan State.

VACANCIES & TENDERS

*To be considered, please submit your full applications as directed in the job advertisement. Applications submitted through Facebook will not be accepted.

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MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCING NEW STAFF



Myat Mon Kyaw
Field Education Specialist
SEAQE2 Emergency Project

Wutt Yee Aye
Finance Officer
SEAQE2 Project

We wish to bid farewell to Project Manager/Admin Coordinator Sa Myo Aye. He have served many years in ADRA Myanmar and will be sorely missed. On behalf of ADRA Myanmar, we wish you well with God's blessings in your future ventures.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

JANUARY 2022



SUN တနင်္ဂနွေ	MON တနင်္လာ	TUE အင်္ဂါ	WED ဗုဒ္ဓဟူး	THU ကြာသပတေး	FRI သောကြာ	SAT စနေ
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

UPCOMING EVENTS

Timesheets are due on the 25th of each month

Public Holidays:
1 January - New Years Day

4 January - Independence Day

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