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Nang San Noon's Story: Growing Mushrooms in Northern Shan State

17 years old, Nang San Noon is living in Lashio Township, Northern Shan State. She has 4 family members, and her parents are working as farmers for their livelihood. In terms of education, Nang San Noon was only able to finish Grade 7. Then the COVID-19 pandemic hit, and she was no longer able to attend school.

A short time later, the BRIGHT project came to her village and introduced a vocational training program. Nang San Noon was interested in this training opportunity, and she decided to attend the mushroom training held in November 2021.

The Global Affairs Canada and ADRA Canada funded BRIGHT project is focusing on the vocational education of out-ofschool children in remote areas.

"This training was very effective for me. I had dreamt of being able to grow mushrooms for sale at the markets and how to find and support my customers. I now know how to grow chemical free mushrooms and care for the environment with low capital."

"Now, we have enough mushrooms to feed our family and can share some with our neighbours."

Following the training, Nang San Noon shared her knowledge with other people in her village providing them with tips on how to grow mushrooms.



The BRIGHT project provides the seeds for growing mushrooms and the villagers contribute bamboo for building shelters where over 1,500 mushroom seeds are planted.

Nang San Noon is enthusiastic about starting her own mushroom nursery garden with the support of the BRIGHT project.

66 I am very glad to be able to attend this training. I would like to say thank you to the donor and ADRA who support vocational education in our village"

Htay Htay Myint | Education Officer, BRIGHT

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What Part of the Body of Christ is ADRA's Work?

While working with ADRA, I am sometimes told by church members and friends that ADRA's work is precious. While this may be true, I consider all work with the Lord to be precious. When working for the Church, the body of Christ, I believe that each work holds a function for hastening the Lord's return and building His Kingdom. Just as feet function as feet and eyes as eyes.

So what part of the body of Christ will ADRA be? God is Love and Mercy. I believe that the work of ADRA is not evangelism itself, but an 'entrance-way' for people knowing God's Love and Mercy. According to the Bible, Christ healed people mentally and physically. After meeting their needs, He said, "Come and follow Me." I believe that the work of ADRA is the 'healing' part - releasing people from suffering and pain caused by sin. This is the 'entranceway' for people to know God's love.

In addition, many people believe that it is important to serve society and do things that benefit others. I believe that people who learn about ADRA's activities will become interested in ADRA and the church, which in turn will also be an entranceway for people to know God's Love and Mercy.

As an NGO, ADRA can't directly evangelize to beneficiaries. However, I hope that ADRA is the entranceway for people to know God's Love and Mercy. I believe this is ADRA's workplace in expressing God's glory as the body of Christ.

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MYAT WUTT YEE Accountant | Yangon Head Office

- What Race/Country are you from? Asho Chin/Myanmar
- What is your favourite food/s to eat? All Traditional Foods
- *()3* What is your favourite colour? Purple
- 74 What do you like to do for fun? Travelling

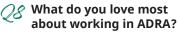
What Place/Country would you like to visit?

New Zealand

Kazuhiro Ishibashi | Marketing Officer, ADRA Japan

In one word, what would define you? Love Simple & Honest! Hate Pretend!

What year did you join ADRA? 1st March 2007



Because it is a churchbased organization







VESI

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

1. Opening ceremonies were conducted for Batch 8 of the Basic Motorbike Repair, Basic Sewing and Computer training courses in Northern Shan State.

2. A Business Coordination Meeting was conducted with local private trainers and practitioners at Ta'ang Culture Hall, Kutkai Township. 19 participants joined the activity and contracted MoU with local practitioners/trainers.

3. 6 days of Life Skills Training was held for 150 students who are from Batch 8 training. This training was facilitated by the Life Skills and Business Skills Officer at Eden Hall, Kukai Township.



BRIGHT

This month, the Global Affairs Canada and ADRA Canada funded BRIGHT project conducted the Community Action Planning Workshop at Nant Maw Gyan village in Lashio Township.

During this training, a total of 33 participants were from community members, Col MEL committee, CMC committee, community members, ADRA staff, and Partners staff.

For the Livelihood sector, mushroom starter kits were distributed to 33 beneficiaries at Nant Huu, Kone Sone, Wain Him, and Man Pan villages in Tant Yan Township, Northern Shan State.

Mushroom nursery, seed bottle, cornstarch, rice powder, tank/ steaming, rubber band, bitter salt, sugar, lime powder, alcohol, newspaper, sprayer, glucose, and packing rope were provided.















MOFA

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and ADRA Japan funded MOFA project completed the following activities:

1. Hygiene awareness training was conducted on 4-8 April in Yin Paing Nga Pyaw Taw and Htee Ywa They Hta villages in Kayin State.

2. A School Management Committee meeting was conducted on 21 April in Yin Paing Nga Pyaw Taw and Htee Ywa They Hta villages.

3. School construction started in April. The project will provide a school building, furniture, school gear, and hygiene awareness training.

AEON5

This month, the AEON 1% Club and ADRA Japan funded AEON5 Project conducted the distribution of educational materials to the 6 ACS targeted schools in Hlaingbwe and Kawtkareik Township.

The project provides school WASH facilities (Plastic water tank, Basin, Steel Basin stand, water filter) educational gear, Kits, and materials, hygiene Kits and awareness posters, playground materials, and sports Materials for the schools.

The target schools include Myametekhee, Htee Mu Hta, Wa Kyae, Kwee Thit Pu, Pa De Gaw, and Htee Hu Than Schools.











ELACAP

The USAID-funded 'Emergency Life-Saving Assistance in Conflict-Affected Population (ELACAP)' project in partnership with the Karen Department of Health and Welfare, renovated 5 community wells in Kyainnseikgyi Township, Kayin State.

From this support, 43 households (219 Male, and 338 Females) have since directly benefitted from these renovations to access clean water in partnership with CIDKP. Indirect beneficiaries include 501 households (1,360 Male, 1,383 Females).



The MFAT and ADRA New Zealand funded 'Sustainable Health Agriculture Protection and Empowerment (SHAPE)' project completed the following activities:

1. Conducting Elephant Foot Yam cultivation training at two project villages including Keilung and Lawngva in Matupi Township, Chin State. A total of 49 farmers engaged in the training.

 Home gardening beneficiary selection was carried out in the month of April. A total of 60 beneficiaries were identified,
of whom are female-headed households and 5 male-headed lowincome, disadvantaged households.

The SHAPE project is intending to assist the most vulnerable members of target villages by establishing home gardens to improve nutrition rates of families through home garden training, providing seeds for crops, and relevant materials like water pipes and plastic nets.













CASE2Learn

The European Union funded CASE2Learn project in partnership with RISE, ADRA UK and ADRA Germany completed the following activities.

1. Disability Development Initiative (DDI) is continuing the program for 50 children with disabilities in homebased teaching and learning. The team is also conducting an evaluation on home-based teaching and learning from the students. In the process of Evaluation, DDI is collecting the progress of each student.

2. Supporting Essential Education (SEE) MTTs/ SMAs were providing the Summer Vocation Training in Pekon Township. The training started on 5th April and will end on 2nd May 2022.

3. Student from the CDN organization is teaching basic numeracy to the students during the practicum in Hsihseng Township, Shan State.

SEAQE2

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The Norad and ADRA Norway funded SEAQE2 project conducted TVET short course training has been started on April 22, 2022, as batch 1/2022 with the collaboration with Mountain View Academy (MVA).

As short courses training, Advance Sewing, Hair Dressing, Hair Cutting, Rural Mechanic, and Welding training are offered, and a total of 82 students have engaged. The Batch 1/2022 training will be taken 40 days of the training period and 20 days for the internship program.

- A 'SEAQE Staff Capacity Building Training' was held at Hotel Perfect on Workplace Health and Safety. This training provided skills in helping participants to deal with stressors in the workplace and to understand workplace hazards and preparedness.

- Renovation of the school roof and floor for Kadar and Htee Mu Hta schools has commenced. In addition, four ACS schools including Kadar, Htee Mu Hta, Mayamate Khee, and Htee Hu Than schools will have tworoom latrines built for each.









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SEAQE2 Emergency

This month, the Norad and ADRA Norway funded SEAQE2 Emergency project conducted a joint activity with ACS for the "Union Wide ASAP Teacher and Worker Training" at the South-East Adventist Seminary.

In partnership with KEHOC, the SEAQE2 Emergency Project distributed a once-off cash grant of 100,000 MMK based on the minimum expenditure basket of 372 households at Ka Ma Maung village. The provided will enable vulnerable households access to food and other essential household needs including education.

The project also provides COVID-19 prevision kits and First Aids Kits to a total of 24 schools in KECD and ACS and a total of eight schools were already distributed. The feminine kits were distributed to 7 schools.

And also, In partnership with ACS, the project is providing home based learning material for the KECD students and a total of 303 students have received the home based learning material.



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MOFA Project

ABOUT THE PHOTO:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and ADRA Japan funded MOFA project provided hygiene kits to students in Kayin State.



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