

# Mingalaba

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#### **COVER PHOTO**

This month's cover photo is of Saw Thein Soe from the Unicef Emergency WASH project.

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## Saw Thein Soe's Story: Safe Water Supports the Community's Healthy Lifestyle

Saw Thein Soe is 29 years old and is one of the IDPs who have benefited from the Unicef-supported project in Kayin State. He lives with his wife and son at the camp.

The conflict started in 2016, and he felt no longer safe in their home village. His family moved to the IDP camp in Myaing Gyi Ngu township. While he was living in his native village, he sold betel leaves for his earnings. In the current IDP camp, he drives a motorcycle taxi and runs a small grocery store at home.

"We suppose that the diarrhea outbreak was because the water from the dug well was not clean enough for drinking. If we had diarrhea, we had to go to the hospital. It is also costly. We faced some health problems"

Soon, the Unicef Emergency WASH project came to their area and supported WASH supplies to improve community health. The project covered some needy areas in Kayin State.

The project aims to optimize the health impacts of infrastructure operations, especially in water and sanitation. Clean water and sanitation facilities can improve maternal and child health in poor households, particularly in conflict areas.

The community receives water filters as part of WASH supplies and NFI distribution activities, and the Saw Thein Soe family has



also become one of the beneficiaries.

"The water filter can give enough water for five people to drink a day." Saw Thein Soe Said.

The project also distributed water purification powders and water purification tablets to the beneficiaries to use when the water is polluted during the wet season.

Their family is happier now because they are in good health: Unicef Emergency project supports the community to become a healthy lifestyle.

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Now we can drink water from a water filter safely as we feel it prevents disease. We would like to say thank you to the donor and ADRA for all of your great support"



#### **JUSTICE**

The word "justice" is derived from the Latin word "institia" (fairness, equity). Justice is a habit which makes a man capable of doing what is just and of being just in action and intention. It must surely contain the ideas of treating everyone consistently and allowing people freedom and rights.

According to the Bible – Deuteronomy 16:19 – "You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show partiality, nor take a bribe, for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of the righteous.

Sometimes people take a bribe in the past as well as in the present age. The Bible teaches us not to take bribe, because it blinds the eyes of the wise and twists the words of the righteous.

Micah 6:8 – "He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humble with your God?

The work of justice isn't always easy, but as Micah 6:8 reminds us, it's something we've all been called to do. While we are to treat all equally and not show partially to any, we are to have special concern for the poor, the weak, and the powerless. ADRA staff are called to "do justice". We are called to take action and confront evil, to care for the vulnerable, and to make that which is wrong because the word "justice" is one of ADRA's motto. Our privilege is to create an environment where we can discuss and live out a biblical perspective on justice. God expects our engagement with the community, and as His people, we have the responsibility to be compassionate, filled with integrity, and a strong voice for those who cannot speak.

Let's practice "justice" in our daily life!

**Saw Perry Sein** | Associate Finance Director, ADRA Myanmar





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What Race/Country are you from?

Bamar/Myanmar

What is your favourite

25 What Place/Country would you like to visit?

Myanmar Turkey

In one word, what would define you?

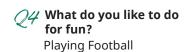
food/s to eat? Shawarma

Genuine & optimistics

What is your favourite colour?
White

What year did you join ADRA?

6 January 2020



What do you love most about working in ADRA?

Because of the purpose (to serve the humanity)













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

- 1.The donor field visited VESI project areas in Lashio and Kutkai in Northern Shan State. The donor met together with the project team, interview to practitioners, trainers from vocational short courses. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the VESI project that supports vocational education and the current situation in Northern Shan State. After that, the donor team observed the students products in field.
- 2. 160 students from vocational education short courses (Motorbike repairing, Basic sewing, and Basic computer) received payment support.
- 3. Monitoring students' teaching and learning situations.

#### **BRIGHT**

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

- 1. Women's Leadership Training was conducted by partner KNOW in Northern Shan State and Kayah State. 60 women and girls participated and actively engaged in the respective training over 3 days.
- 2. Conducting village-level coordination meetings on May 11th and May 13th, 2022 at Kukkai and Nanmatu Township. At these two events, a total of 100 people participated.

















# SEAQE2 This month the Norad and ADRA

This month, the Norad and ADRA Norway funded SEAQE2 project completed the following activities:

- 1. The first NFE Teacher Training of 2022 was conducted on May 26-27, 2022 via Zoom and organized by SEAQE project staff. The training topics include 21st Century Skills (5 C's), Eight Roles of Teachers for Effective Teaching-Learning, 7 Essential Mindsets for 21st Century Teachers, and Introduction to Violence Free School.
- 2. Renovation for two ACS schools (Kadar and Htee Mu Hta) is nearing completion, and the construction work of three two-room latrines for Ka Dah, Myamate Khee, and Htee Hu Than Schools was well undertaken.

#### **MOFA**

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

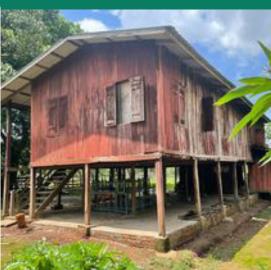
School construction is 45% completed. The School Management Committee meeting was conducted in May at the targeted village.

As part of health awareness-raising, a health promoter shares information with the students.

The project's target villages are Htee Ywa Hta and Yin Paing Nga Pyay Taw in Hlaing Bwe Township. The project provides a school building, furniture, school gear, and hygiene awareness training.















#### **ELACAP**

The USAID-funded 'Emergency Life-Saving Assistance in Conflict-Affected Population (ELACAP)' project, in partnership with CIDKP, conducted the IEC awareness campaigns in Chin and Kayin States.

To promote water, sanitation practices, and health awareness-raising campaigns were conducted in 146 households in Mindat, Chin State, and IEC campaigns and WASH kits were distributed to 2300 households in Hlaing Bwe and Kawkareik Township.

#### **SHAPE**

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

Distribution of home garden inputs and training to 60 households in 12 project-targeted villages. This support is intended to assist the most vulnerable members of target villages by establishing home gardens to improve the nutrition rates of families through home garden training, providing seeds for crops, and relevant materials like water pipes and plastic nets.

A total of 60 household beneficiaries were given priority: the womenheaded households, families with people living with disability, disadvantaged households, and the most vulnerable household.















## **Unicef Emergency WASH**

The UNICEF-funded UNICEF Emergency WASH project conducted Post Distribution Monitoring in all project villages to know the usefulness of WASH supplies and WASH NFIs and the satisfactory level of the project beneficiaries on project activities.

The project held 3 batches of mobile data collection training for the volunteers for PDM data collection.

A total of 37 volunteers (18 male and 19 female) were trained and gained experience in PDM data collection using a mobile phone.

The data collection took place in Myaing Gyi Ngu special area and 27 villages in Hlaingbwe Township, 6 villages in Kawkareik Township, and 2 villages in Kyarinnseikgyi Township.

1019 sample households (20% of beneficiaries) were collected for Post Distribution Monitoring (PDM).





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#### **ABOUT THE PHOTO:**

Children attending ACS schools start opening day where the ADRA's education assistance projects are being implemented in Kayin 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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BRIGHT/Administration



MAI THOUNG SHWE Project Assistant BRIGHT PROJECT



**MYAT HTUT**Driver
CASE2Learn PROJECT

# **UPCOMING**CALENDAR

## JUNE 2022



SUN တနင်္ဂနွေ	<b>MON</b> တနင်္လာ	<b>TUE</b> အင်္ဂါ	<b>WED</b> ဗုဒ္ဓဟူး	THU ကြာသပတေး	FRI သောကြာ	SAT စနေ
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Timesheets are due on the 25th of each month

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