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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 107 countries regardless of their ethnicity, political affiliation, gender or religious association. By partnering with local communities, organizations, and local authorities 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.

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Bringing Happiness through a Gravity-Fed Water Supply System

The story of 23-year-old Naw Phaw, whose life in Kayin State was consumed with finding water. She is living with her family in Hlaingbwe Township, Kayin State. In their village's biggest issue is water scarcity and lack of clean water and sanitation made them sick.

When summer came, the communities in these villages faced difficulties with water due to the wells running dry and the water in the stream getting low and polluted with animal waste.

Due to unclean water, some families were suffering from water-borne diseases like diarrhoea, and some were experiencing itching. ADRA's WC4P project built a gravity-fed water supply system to overcome these problems and difficulties.

"It takes time to fetch water because home and the stream are a little far. It is not convenient for cooking, washing, and bathing children if there is no water," said one of the villagers.

From July 2022 to June 2023, the UNICEF-funded WC4P project has been providing a gravity-fed water supply system that will benefit four villages in Hlaingbwe township.

"In the past, there was a very rare practise among the four villages working together. When the project operated its activities, we attended training together, participated in project activities together, and transported construction materials and dug trench lines for the pipeline system together. Now a water committee has been formed with representatives from four villages to manage the water system together," said Saw Hla, 69 year old, a secretary of the water committee.

Through the project, the formation of the water management committee, training to set up capacity, and awareness-raising events were organised for the long-term use of the water system and its proper management.

The pipeline of the water system is about 19060 feet long from the intake dam to the four villages. By the construction of this water system, about 1000 community members and 170 households from four communities will get sufficient water for domestic use.

“Now, we can get water from the tap stand near my house at any time. No need to wait for water. There's no need to worry about water for cooking and washing. Thank you.”

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Logistic Officer - CASE2LEARN

- Q1 What Race/Country are you from?**
Burmese/Myanmar
- Q2 What is your favourite food/s to eat?**
Fried Noddle (Chicken), and Yogurt
- Q3 What is your favourite colour?**
White
- Q4 What do you like to do for fun?**
Working, Encouraging, helping to others
- Q5 What Place/Country would you like to visit?**
Washington DC (The Capitol), USA
- Q6 In one word, what would define you?**
Fairness
- Q7 What year did you join ADRA?**
May 2008
- Q8 What do you love most about working in ADRA?**
Work together and cooperative.

MEET OUR STAFF



JOIN OUR TEAM!

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) has been serving countries all over the world for more than 60 years to reach the most vulnerable communities and ADRA Myanmar is an 'implementing office' within the ADRA network.

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PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



SEAQE2

This month, the Norad and ADRA Norway-funded SEAQE2 project staff are joining forces with community stakeholders to provide vital teaching and learning materials to 14 ACS schools.

Through this distribution activity, 1605 learning kits, 14 teaching kits, and 1453 student textbooks being delivered.

This activity reflects the commitment of these institutions to equip educators and students with effective resources, ensuring a more engaging and impactful educational journey.



BRIGHT

This month, the Global Affairs Canada and ADRA Canada-funded BRIGHT project organized training sessions on food processing and soap making for 58 participants hailing from Loikaw and Tant Yan Townships.

Furthermore, as part of the BRIGHT project, essential starter kits were supplied for both of these training sessions. Additionally, a gri-starter kit (Sesame seed) was distributed to 17 beneficiaries in Namtu Township.



PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



ReCAP

Relief for Vulnerable Population (ReCAP) project completed the following activities:

- A gathering for Phase II of the project took place at Yangon's Park Royal Hotel. The session centered on deliberating the new project, revisiting ADRA policies, and strategizing for the upcoming phase.

Throughout this event, the ReCAP project team, along with members from the Yangon office, collaboratively convened over a productive span of three days.

- The project assists eligible internally displaced persons (IDPs) in addressing urgent and essential requirements during crises through the provision of short-term multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA). In Chin State, the ReCAP project allocated MPCA to 1,050 households of vulnerable IDPs, ensuring their immediate fundamental needs are met. Each household received a distribution of 252,000 MMK.



SHAPE

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

- In July, 2023, the SHAPE project team convened for their monthly volunteer meeting. During this session, the Training Officer inquired about the latest advancements in home gardening and volunteers enthusiastically shared their insights.

- Rice research is currently in progress, with the project-focused village reaching the transplanting stage, while in Chin State, it has advanced to the vegetative growth phase.



PROJECT UPDATES



Emergency Response

Making landfall in May 2023, Cyclone Mocha ravaged and devastated most of the city in Rakhine State. Mocha has been recorded as one of the strongest cyclones in Myanmar.

ADRA Myanmar formulated an initial rapid response, sending and mobilising teams in Sittwe and Kyauk Taw, etc. Townships, Rakhine State.

Utilising ADRA Network emergency funds, ADRA Myanmar was able to deliver multi-purpose cash assistance to affected people around Rakhine State together with volunteers from the local Seventh Day Adventist church.

Through this activity, ADRA was able to provide support to more than 200 families of cyclone-affected people. The amount is 100,000 MMK per household. However, a few families were provided with 2 sheets of tarpaulin and 25 kg of rice as well, which has the same value as 100,000 MMK.



PHOTO OF THE MONTH



PHOTO DESCRIPTION

The WinS project, supported by UNICEF, organized hygiene education awareness sessions aimed at schools targeted by the project in Kayin State.

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TIPS OF THE MONTH

Staying safe during a flood requires careful planning, preparation, and quick action. Floods can be extremely dangerous and unpredictable, so it's important to take the following steps to ensure your safety:

- Stay Informed: Monitor weather forecasts and flood alerts from local news, radio, or official weather services.
- Create an Emergency Plan: Develop a family emergency plan that includes designated meeting places, contact information, and communication methods. Ensure everyone in your household knows the plan and what to do in case of a flood.
- Build an Emergency Kit: Prepare a disaster supply kit that includes non-perishable food, water, medications, first aid supplies, flashlight, batteries, important documents, and any necessary personal items.
- Elevate Valuables: Raise important documents, electronics, and valuable items off the ground and away from potential floodwaters.
- Secure Your Home: Elevate electrical appliances, and utilities above potential flood levels. Use sandbags or other barriers to redirect water away from your home.
- Evacuation: Follow evacuation orders issued by local authorities. If they recommend evacuating, do so promptly. Evacuate to higher ground and avoid areas prone to flooding.
- Avoid walking or driving through floodwaters, as they can contain debris, sewage, and hidden dangers.
- Communicate: Keep your phone charged and have backup power sources available. Let family and friends know you are safe and where you are located if you need to evacuate.
- Be Cautious After the Flood: Return home only when authorities have declared it safe to do so. Inspect your home for damage before re-entering. Be cautious of hazards like electrical issues, contaminated water, and structural damage.

INTRODUCING NEW STAFF MEMBERS

JULY- AUGUST



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CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUN တနင်္ဂနွေ	MON တနင်္လာ	TUE အင်္ဂါ	WED ဗုဒ္ဓဟူး	THU ကြာသပတေး	FRI သောကြာ	SAT စနေ
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Timesheets are
due on the 25th of
each month

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