FLOOD WATERS OVER ANN AND MYEBON AREA, RAKHINE STATE, MYANMAR

Analysis with ALOS-2 / PALSAR-2 Data Acquired 16 August 2015 and Landsat-8 Data Acquired 30 January 2015





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This map illustrates satellite-detected flood waters over western Rakhine State, Myanmar, in the areas of Ann and Myebon townships, as imaged by the ALOS-2 / PALSAR-2 satellite on 16 August 2015. In the analyzed area a total of ~24,600 ha of lands are affected by floods, mainly agricultural and/or paddy fields. The surface covered with water in the analyzed area has increased from a pre-flood level of 10.2% to 15.2% during the flood period. It is likely that flood waters have been systematically underestimated along highly vegetated areas near the main river banks, and within built-up urban areas because of the special characteristics of the satellite data used. This is a preliminary analysis and has not yet been validated in the field. Please send ground feedback to UNITAR-UNOSAT.



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