MYANMAR: Flood Affected Areas (30 July 2015)

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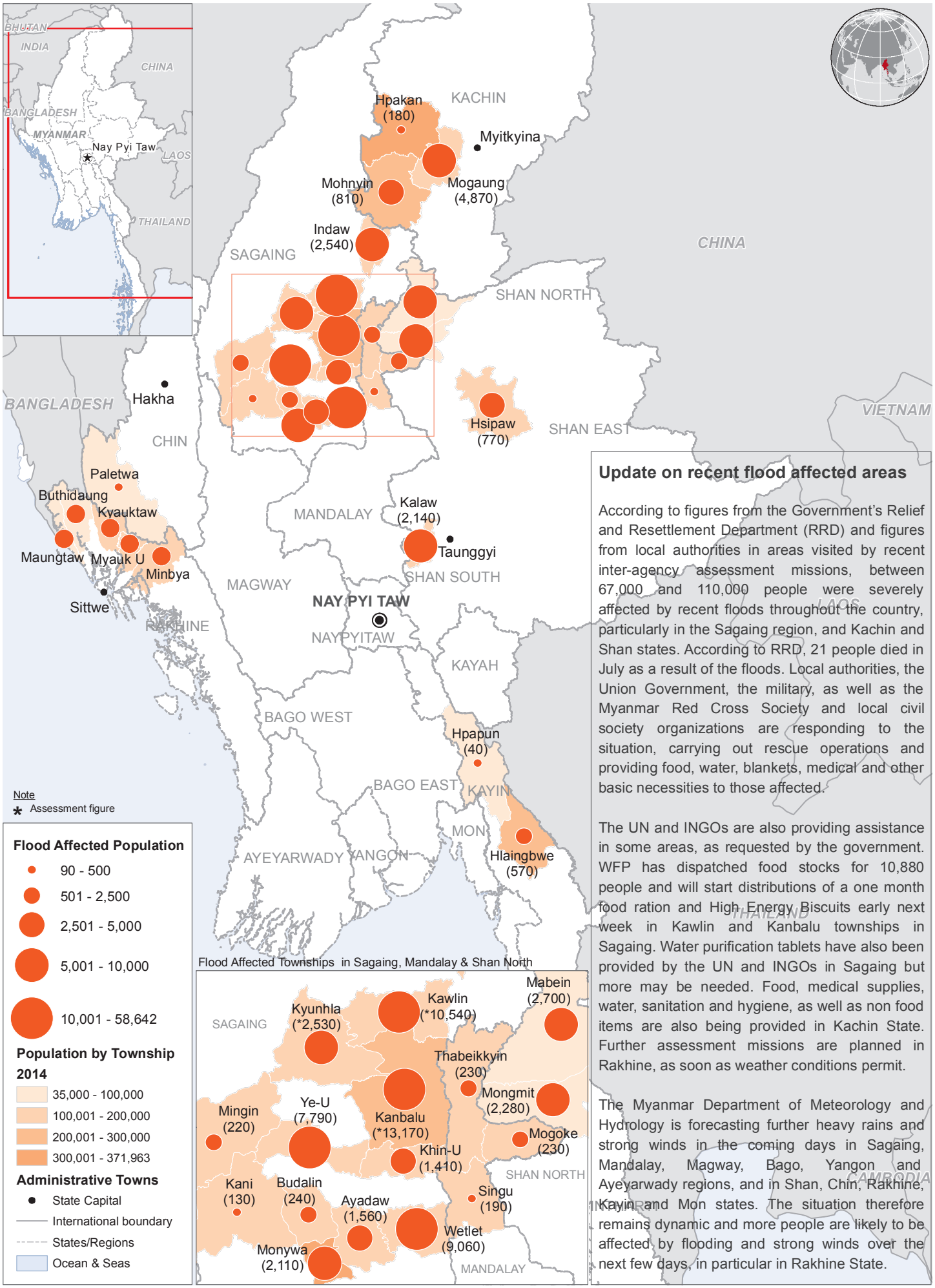

Update on recent flood affected areas

According to figures from the Government's Relief and Resettlement Department (RRD) and figures from local authorities in areas visited by recent inter-agency assessment missions, between 67,000 and 110,000 people were severely affected by recent floods throughout the country, particularly in the Sagaing region, and Kachin and Shan states. According to RRD, 21 people died in July as a result of the floods. Local authorities, the Union Government, the military, as well as the Myanmar Red Cross Society and local civil society organizations are responding to the situation, carrying out rescue operations and providing food, water, blankets, medical and other basic necessities to those affected.

The UN and INGOs are also providing assistance in some areas, as requested by the government. WFP has dispatched food stocks for 10,880 people and will start distributions of a one month food ration and High Energy Biscuits early next week in Kawlin and Kanbalu townships in Sagaing. Water purification tablets have also been provided by the UN and INGOs in Sagaing but more may be needed. Food, medical supplies, water, sanitation and hygiene, as well as non food items are also being provided in Kachin State. Further assessment missions are planned in Rakhine, as soon as weather conditions permit.

The Myanmar Department of Meteorology and Hydrology is forecasting further heavy rains and strong winds in the coming days in Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyarwady regions, and in Shan, Chin, Rakhine, Kayin and Mon states. The situation therefore remains dynamic and more people are likely to be affected by flooding and strong winds over the next few days, in particular in Rakhine State.

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