Myanmar: Snapshot of Humanitarian Issues (as of 15 June 2015)

OVERVIEW

>500,000 people in need of humanitarian assistance

More than 500,000 people are in need of humanitarian assistance in Myanmar in 2015. This includes about 130,000 people in Rakhine State, who remain displaced following outbreaks of inter-communal violence in 2012, and over 100,000 people displaced by conflict in Kachin and northern Shan states since 2011.

KACHIN AND SHAN NORTH

In March and April, cross-line missions delivered assistance to over 12,000 IDPs in non-government areas in Kachin. The UN and INGOs are waiting for authorization to proceed with the next series of cross-line convoys. Most international organizations have not had access to Laiza since September 2014, where almost fifty per cent of IDPs in non-government areas are living. National NGOs have access to all areas of Kachin and continue to provide assistance to IDPs in these areas. Fighting in the Kokang Self-Administered Zone continued, but the MNDAA declared a unilateral ceasefire on 11 June. The Myanmar Red Cross Society has had access and provided some assistance. International organizations continue to advocate for access.

RAKHINE

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Kachin and Shan States

States with ongoing humanitarian operations

Displacement into China

State capital

Boat people rescued by the Myanmar Navy

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