

MYANMAR EARTHQUAKE: UNHCR FLASH UPDATE #10

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UNHCR conducted site assessments and protection monitoring to identify the needs and protection risks faced by affected communities in Mandalay. © UNHCR

KEY FIGURES*



6.3 million

TOTAL PEOPLE IN NEED IN
WORST EARTHQUAKE-
AFFECTED AREAS

2.1 million

CONFLICT-AFFECTED IDPs
IMPACTED BY THE
EARTHQUAKE

LEVEL 2

EMERGENCY

DECLARED BY UNHCR FOR 6
MONTHS

Delivery Summary



116,009

People assisted with core
relief items, shelter kits or
multi-purpose assistance.



117,099

People assessed
for assistance

Note: Assessments are ongoing, and not all earthquake-affected population have been identified yet.

Highlights

More than two months after the earthquake, some temporary sites—especially those on privately owned land—are beginning to close or relocate. However, shelter reconstruction and livelihood recovery remain long-term challenges. UNHCR continues field monitoring to assess living conditions and works with partners through the cluster coordination mechanism to identify and implement solutions.

Australian relief items have reached the South-East, with distribution preparations underway. This follows the arrival of another set of Australian supplies for 1,000 people in Mandalay last week.

To date, over 116,000 individuals have received assistance from UNHCR and partners. More than 117,000 people have been reached through protection monitoring and assessments, which continue to guide targeted support for the most vulnerable, including those with specific needs.

UNHCR Response

- Relief items **donated by Australia**—including kitchen sets, plastic tarpaulins, jerry cans, and solar lamps for 522 families —have arrived in the South-East. UNHCR is currently preparing for their distribution.
- **In Mandalay and Sagaing**, UNHCR reached 79,663 people (17,445 families) to date, including 17,208 people (4,418 families) who received multi-purpose assistance. UNHCR conducted visits to several temporary sites set up for communities affected by the earthquake, offering immediate assistance and referring urgent needs to relevant partners through the cluster system.
- **In Nay Pyi Taw**, UNHCR has assisted 8,761 people (1,892 families) to date. UNHCR visited two local civil society organizations and identified a network of over 40 community volunteers involved in the earthquake response. Plans for capacity-building on flood preparedness and community engagement will be supported. Interviews with affected households also revealed ongoing livelihood challenges and psychosocial needs.
- **In the South-East**, 27,585 people (6,156 families) have received assistance to date, including 4,900 people (1,149 families) who received multi-purpose assistance. Distribution of core relief items to 522 families began on 11 June, while shelter support for 300 families is currently being prepared.
- Together with other humanitarian partners, UNHCR continues to advocate for an end to conflict and for safe, unhindered humanitarian access to deliver life-saving aid to those in need.



Kitchen sets donated by Australia waiting for distribution © UNHCR

Protection Mainstreaming

Mandalay and Sagaing

- During UNHCR's field visits to temporary sites hosting communities affected by the earthquake in Myanmar's Mandalay region, several protection concerns were identified:
 - Inadequate Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) facilities were observed in some locations, particularly affecting women. The lack of sufficient toilets and bathing areas has forced some individuals to resort to open defecation, raising serious protection and hygiene risks. UNHCR is actively coordinating with key stakeholders to address these gaps.
 - Some of the temporary sites are situated on privately owned land. As recovery efforts advance, certain landowners have begun reclaiming their property, placing displaced families at risk of losing their current safe shelter.
 - Many affected individuals are unable to secure alternative housing due to financial constraints. In some cases, landlords are demanding several months of rent in advance, which is unaffordable for many.
 - Additionally, some families cannot return to their original homes, as their buildings have been classified as having "Red" level damage. These structures require extensive rehabilitation, which will take considerable time.
- UNHCR, together with other UN agencies, conducted a training for frontline responders from various faith groups—including religious leaders—covering topics such as integrating protection of women, children and people with specific needs into support for earthquake-affected communities.

South-East

- UNHCR will provide assistance to earthquake-affected individuals with specific needs in Shan South, including those with serious medical conditions.
- Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) materials were distributed, covering key topics such as Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE), Child Protection (CP), Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA), and details about the UNHCR Helpline.

Coordination and Partnerships

- For the earthquake response, UNHCR co-leads the **Protection Cluster** with the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), and jointly leads the **Shelter/Non-Food Item (NFI) and Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster** with the International Federation of the Red Cross (IFRC).

Financial Information

UNHCR's total funding requirements for Myanmar in 2025 stand at **USD 88.3 million**. As of the end of May, only **28%** of funding had been secured. UNHCR is grateful for the generosity of donors who have stepped forward with earmarked contributions for Myanmar, as well as those providing flexible funding globally ensuring life-saving assistance reaches those most in need.

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Immediate Needs

UNHCR is urgently seeking USD 16 million to provide life-saving assistance to those affected by the devastating earthquake in Myanmar. Learn more about the appeal and how you can support: [Myanmar Earthquake Emergency Appeal | Global Focus](#)



Shelter

Provide emergency shelter kits (including plastic tarpaulin, ropes, and other essential materials) to enable people to live in safe and dignified shelters, particularly in light of the upcoming monsoon season.



CRIs and multi-purpose assistance

Deliver immediate emergency CRIs, including sleeping mats, blankets, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, buckets, and solar lamps, as well as multi-purpose assistance to support earthquake-affected populations.



Protection

Strengthen access to protection services, including communication with communities, legal assistance, psychosocial support, and targeted interventions for Persons with Specific Needs, including children, women, Elderly People, and Persons with Disabilities.

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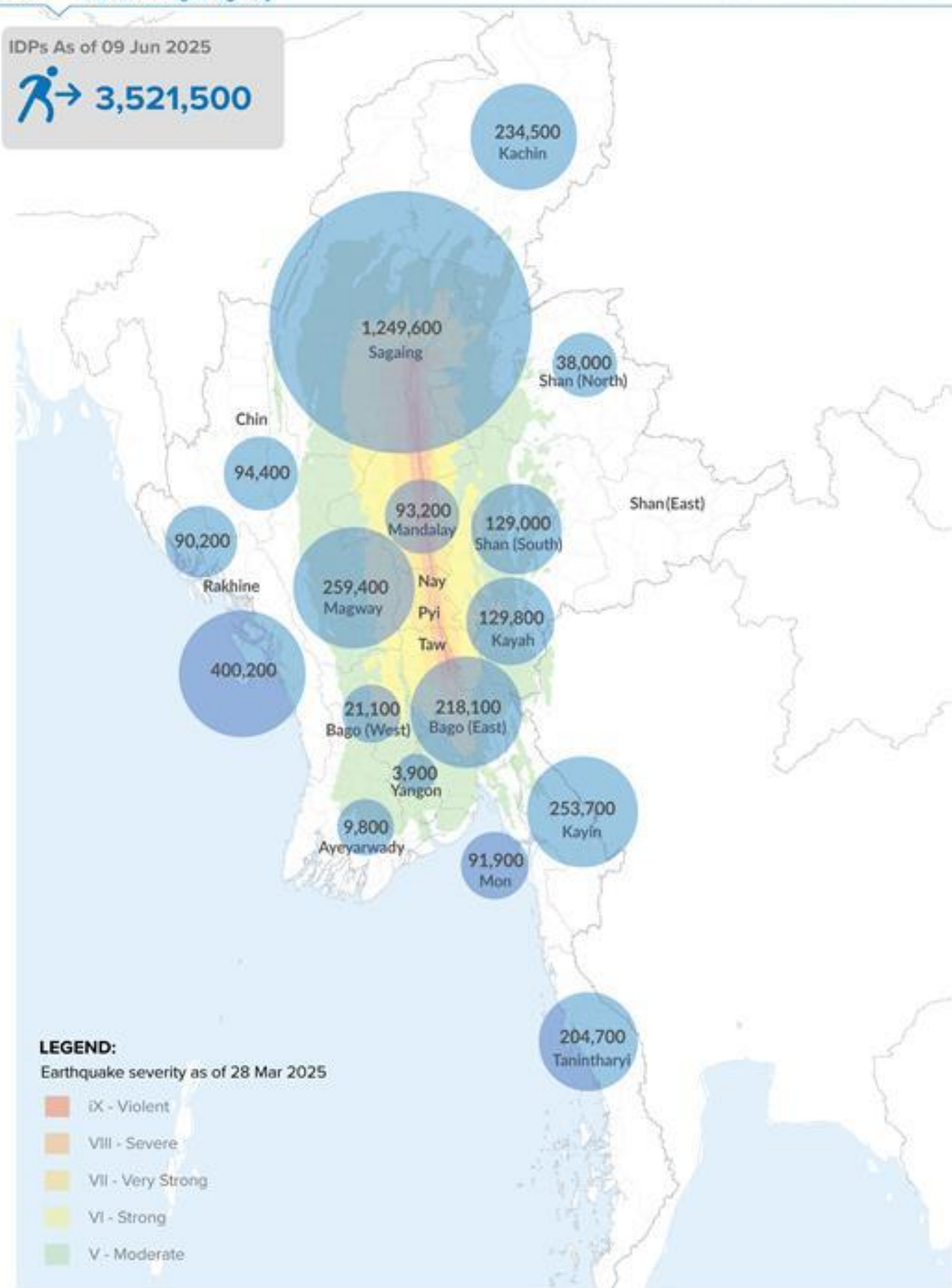
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IDPs As of 09 Jun 2025

 **3,521,500**



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