



Photo Essay

IMPROVING THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF DISPLACED PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THE EARTHQUAKE

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On 28 March 2025, a powerful earthquake struck Myanmar,
destroying homes and infrastructure, and forcing
thousands of families to flee.



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Among the worst affected were families who had already fled conflict and were taking refuge in churches and monasteries across Sagaing and Mandalay.



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Six months on, many families continue living in makeshift shelters, where living conditions are overcrowded and fragile, making access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene a constant struggle.



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To help ease these hardships, the ICRC has supported improvements in displacement sites - from safer sanitation facilities to hygiene support and basic items that make daily life a little easier.



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Separate shared bathrooms for men and women were also built to preserve dignity and promote hygiene.



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To improve safety at night, solar-powered lights were installed along pathways in camp areas.



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Household solar kits were distributed so families could have light in the evenings.



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Over the past six months, ICRC teams have supported displaced families with food, shelter, health, and livelihood assistance, but the needs remain immense. Thousands of families are still living in precarious conditions and urgently require continued support.



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