Humanitarian needs continue to rise across the country, with intensification of clashes seen in northwest, central and southeast Myanmar. Thousands of families are and remain displaced, some struggling with access to food and basic services. Against this backdrop, ICRC teams continued humanitarian activities and supported newly displaced families with essential items and food rations.

Intense clashes in Kayah and Kayin states saw some of the most intense clashes in recent months, forcing families to flee for their safety. ICRC teams in Lashio continue to support 1,340 people living in Pinlaung, and Hsihseng townships, who fled clashes in Kayah state. In Maungdaw and Buthidaug in Rakhine state, we helped construct latrines for over 3,000 people from 500 families and oversaw the renovation of six water-conserving ponds in four village tracts. Our teams returned to Kayin state to support 1,500 displaced families in Kamamaung, Ohn Taw and Myan Gyi Ngu with food and essential items.

The following overview covers some operational highlights for the ICRC Delegation in Myanmar for the period January to June 2022. The ICRC continues to work alongside the Myanmar Red Cross Society in its humanitarian response while also maintaining independent operations across the country. Our vital support to communities, places of detention and health facilities for the prevention of COVID-19 continues.
We aim to help people living with disability participate fully in society – including via sport. ICRC continues to support wheelchair basketball training at physical rehabilitation centres across Myanmar.

We returned to provide emergency assistance to displaced communities in Mindat, Chin State – reaching nearly 900 people across displacement sites.

Since March this year, we’ve been working with communities to build new shelters for 873 people living in displacement sites in downtown Rathedaung.

Weapon contamination endangers all communities in Rakhine, so we provided survivors from Sittwe, Kyauktaw, Mrauk U, Minbya and Rathedaung with financial assistance and awareness sessions to reduce risks and exposure.
**KACHIN**
In Kachin, many people rely on farming as a livelihood. So, we provided organic fertiliser and paddy seeds to nearly 2,700 people in Mansi and Mogaung townships ahead of the planting season.

**SHAN**
With thousands of people displaced from Kayah into southern Shan, we stepped up our humanitarian response – providing emergency aid to communities in townships like Pinlaung and Hsihseng.

**SHAN**
We supported the construction of new emergency and outpatient wards at Kyaukme Hospital, which covers the health needs of more than 170,000 people in northern Shan.
ENCOURAGING THE ABILITY OF PEOPLE TO MEET THEIR NEEDS

- **213,027 people** received essential household items such as blankets, mosquito nets and kitchen sets.
- **128,677 people** provided with food or cash to buy food.
- **48,766 people** received seeds, farm tools and fertilizers to cultivate staple crops.
- **50,673 people** received fuel sticks for cooking.
- **4,669 people** supported financially to start or maintain small business.
- **4,740 people** received cash to cover their daily needs.
- **4,813 people** earned incomes through the Cash for Work programme.
- **202 people** were trained as Community Animal Health Workers (CAHW) to support communities with farming and livestock.

HELPING TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO WATER, SANITATION AND SHELTER

As part of our emergency response, we helped **264,368 people** in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine, Chin and Kayin States gain better access to water, sanitation, shelter, and emergency hygiene kits.

- **28,647 people** living in rural areas in Kachin, Rakhine and Shan States had better quality and quantities of water, supporting better sanitation and hygiene facilities.
- **23,146 people** living in IDP camps and host communities in urban areas in Kachin and Rakhine States had improved access to better quality water and sanitation facilities.
- **1,661 people** who returned to their villages of origin in Kachin and Shan States benefitted from newly built shelters or renovation of existing ones and the construction of roads.
- **138 Red Cross volunteers** participated in water access, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) training provided by ICRC.
- Renovated basic facilities or constructed new Emergency and Outpatients ward in **6 hospitals** in Rakhine and Shan States and **3 primary health centres** in Kachin and Rakhine States.
- **4,900 detainees** from **6 different detention centres** benefitted from COVID-19 prevention support: installing handwashing basins, donation of soaps and buckets.
**HEALTH**

55,979 people including 14,750 children under 5 years were immunized as part of an ICRC supported immunization programme.

ICRC supported 38 health facilities across Kachin, Kayin, Rakhine, Shan States and Mandalay Region where 4,905 antenatal care consultations and 27,815 curative consultations were provided.

ICRC supported 16 hospitals (general, district and township hospitals) accepted 18,639 admissions including 16 weapon-wounded patients and 3,097 surgical patients.

3,129 patients transferred or transported for urgent and immediate medical care from rural areas.

188 weapon wounded patients finally supported with their medical expenses.

173 people living with disabilities participated in rehabilitative sport activities while 30 people received cash and business skills training or vocational training to start small scale business.

10,740 services provided including:

- 663 Prostheses
- 7,737 Physiotherapy sessions
- 327 Orthoses
- 122 Wheelchairs and postural support
- 702 Walking aids

**PHYSICAL REHABILITATION**

2,151 people living with disabilities including 371 people affected by mines or other explosive hazards were supported through our physical rehabilitation programme.

173 people living with disabilities participated in rehabilitative sport activities while 30 people received cash and business skills training or vocational training to start small scale business.
**Supporting Detainees and Their Families**

- **18,397** detainees in prisons supported with COVID-19 prevention materials.
- **835** people supported financially upon release from prison, allowing them to return home safely to their families.
- ICRC supported **204 visits** for families to meet their loved ones in prisons.
- ICRC helped **139 families** identify whereabouts of their loved ones.
- **46 family news** were shared between separated families through Red Cross Messages or oral messages.

**Raising Mine Risk Awareness and Encouraging Safe Practices**

- **34,107** people learned more about the risks of mines & other explosive hazards and safe behavior through **704 sessions** conducted in line with International Mine Action Standards and guidelines.
- We helped **63 weapon wounded** with their medical costs.
- **150 community volunteers** and **114 Red Cross Volunteers** were trained as trainers on risk awareness and safer behavior.
- Mine risk awareness and safe practices sticker campaigns were conducted together with MRCS in 21 townships in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine, Kayin, Chin and Mon States.
- **9 billboards** with mine risk awareness, safe behavior messages and PRP centre information installed in different IDP camps in Mindat, Chin State.
708 Red Cross Volunteers trained on Safer Access in 32 training sessions.

Red Cross Volunteers together with ICRC distributed assistance items such as food, fuel sticks, other household items and cash in 193 operations in Rakhine.

12 coordination meetings for field operations and emergency responses and 13 partnership meetings held with MRCS and IFRC on security related incidents and possible actions for the Red Cross Movement.

2 MRCS-ICRC joint operations in Chin and Kayin States.

10,814,094 views of ICRC operational and thematic posts on Facebook with an engagement of 168,835 likes/shares/comments.

4,000 people including weapon bearers, CSOs and government staff learned more about ICRC and its operations through 103 awareness sessions.

213 people from different entities such as academic or legal circles, as well as community leaders and religious leaders participated in 22 events/meetings to discuss IHL/IHRL issues.

161 news articles focused on or mentioned ICRC in local media and in 18 international media outlets.

97 people learned more about International Humanitarian Law and the practices through 10 dissemination sessions.

4 advocacy meetings were held with international and national entities to enlist their support in advocating for the respect of IHL/IHRL principles.
In Kayin State, humanitarian needs are greater than ever.

Following the clashes in Hpa-pun township and in some parts of Hpa-an, thousands of people from those areas are now taking shelter in nearby villages.

To help those in need, our teams travelled to Kamamaung on the Hpa-pun border in June 2022. Over twelve-days, we were able to provide around 1,500 families in Kamamaung, Ohn Taw and Myan Gyi Ngu with food and essential items including blankets, mats, tarpaulins, mosquito nets, water filters, hygiene kits and construction materials.

Living without safe and sustainable access to basic needs, health care, education and livelihoods, many of these communities require ongoing support.
In the photo, our teams are explaining about humanitarian principles and the work of the ICRC with communities across Myanmar.
SUPPORT TO PEOPLE AFFECTED BY CONFLICT IN LOIKAW

Thousands in Kayah State have spent months, some even over a year, in temporary sites after fleeing their homes amid intense fighting. Lack of basic needs are just some of the challenges they face. Due to the clashes, some have lost loved ones, homes, or livelihoods.

Since January this year, with the Myanmar Red Cross Society (MRCS), we have also been supporting thousands of families from Kayah who have sought shelter in southern Shan – helping meet their urgent needs, including food, hygiene items, and shelter.

In June, ICRC reached more than 500 families living in temporary sites in Loikaw, Kayah State with financial, water, sanitation, hygiene and shelter support, as well as landmine risk awareness.

WE FINANCIALLY SUPPORTED 1,803 PEOPLE WHO ARE CURRENTLY LIVING IN MONASTERY, CHURCHES AND OTHER IDP SITES.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE SUPPORT

![Graph showing the provision of hygiene items and equipment to people affected by conflict in Loikaw.](image-url)
Our teams are in Loikaw, Kayah State to provide financial support to the families we met and sites we visited.
Cover photo: Food rations were provided to the families displaced from Kayah to Southern Shan State.