The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) has been working in Myanmar for over three decades, with operations in Shan State for more than 20 years with offices in Kyaing Tong and Lashio, to support families affected by armed conflict, violence, and other humanitarian consequences.

The main ICRC’s humanitarian principles, impartiality, neutrality, and independence strengthen our distinctive position and commitment to providing support to the most affected families regardless of ethnicity, religion, or political affiliation through a wide range of humanitarian interventions, in coordination with other humanitarian actors and implementation with Myanmar Red Cross Society (MRCS).

In 2022, we strived to support people affected by conflict and violence to build their resilience and livelihoods. Our efforts included increasing access to essential services, healthcare, physical rehabilitation, mine risk education and livelihood support in different areas including Namtu, Kyaukme, Namkham, Kutkai, Lashio, Mongton, Mawkmai, Taunggyi, Ping Laung, and Hsiseng townships.
OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Completion and handover of Emergency Department and Outpatient Department (EDOPD) in Kyaukme District Hospital, that would benefit conflict affected communities from five different townships such as Kyaukme, Hsipaw, Namtu, Namhsan, Naungkio and Manton. ICRC donated 349,689 CHF worth of drugs and medical equipment to Kutkai, Kyaukme, Lashio, Namtu, Namhsan and Naung Pang station hospitals.

1,200 people from over 34 locations attended the ICRC general disseminations which integrated operational communication and IHL sessions.

3,227 families in Ping Laung and Hsiseng township, southern Shan State and 1,071 families Kutkai and Lashio township, northern Shan State received food rations.

113 families had their homes renovated in Namtu township.

The construction of the x-ray room and maternity ward was completed in Mawkmai Township Hospital.

2,145 physical rehabilitation services, including delivery of prostheses, orthoses, wheelchairs, walking aids and physiotherapy were provided, through ICRC support to the Physical Rehabilitation Centre in Kyaing Tong.
SUPPORTING DETAINEES AND THEIR FAMILIES

1,635 people learned more about ICRC’s protection work and support for families.

138 people supported upon release from prison, allowing them to return home safely and in a dignified manner.

75 people affected by violence were assisted with their recoveries, while some families received financial support for prison visits.

WORKING WITH MYANMAR RED CROSS SOCIETY

150 Red Cross Volunteers trained on Safer Access in 5 training sessions.

27 Red Cross Volunteers trained by the ICRC, are now being able to accurately refer service-users for physical rehabilitation services.

60 RCVs from the north and south Shan State strengthened their capacity to respond in emergency settings.

8 Red Cross Volunteers were trained to help with minor repairs to various walking/assistive devices.

30 Red Cross Volunteers from Kayah and southern Shan State attended the Relief Course (Emergency response and Management) training. The training mainly focuses on need assessment, registration process and emergency response.

RAISING MINE RISK AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGING SAFE PRACTICES

Medical expenses were covered for 95 people affected by explosive remnants of war.

Communities were raised their awareness on risks related to explosive remnants of war and safe behaviours through 33 MRE sessions.
1,000 posters and 5,298 leaflets with safety messages related to mine risk in local languages were distributed to Nawnghkio, Kyaukme, Hsipaw, Lashio, Namtu, Namhsan, Kutkai, Muse, Kyaing Tong, Taunggyi, Ping Laung, and Hsehseng townships.

213 people living with disabilities played wheelchair basketball as part of their rehabilitation process while 44 people participated in training and wheelchair basketball competitions.

7 people living with disabilities in eastern Shan State received Micro Economic Initiatives assistance that helped them build sustainable livelihoods for themselves.

### PHYSICAL REHABILITATION

182 people living with disabilities received physical rehabilitation services at Kyaing Tong Physical Rehabilitation Centre, among them, 47 were mine victims and 4 people were born with club foot.

2,145 services provided include:

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- 31,506 people received essential household items, while 75 others received vouchers to purchase basic essentials, as emergency response.
- 1,725 people in Lashio and Kutkai townships received upland paddy seeds, groundnut seeds and farming tools for livelihood projects while 2,735 people were supported with grants in urban areas of Kyaukme and Namtu.
- 10,132 people received winter seeds for cultivation and 1,920 people received fruit saplings.
- 370 families from Hsipaw and Namtu received vouchers for emergency food rations.
- 322 households were supported with pig and chicken vaccinations, in total 10,800 animals received vaccinations.
- 23 Community Animal Health workers from Namkham and Kutkai townships received Vet replenishment kits.

**HEALTH**

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- Structural and other support including dengue prevention benefitted some 37,217 people from Nawng Peng village, Kyaukme township.
- Donation of medicines, medical equipment and COVID19 prevention materials supported some 32,000 people from Hway Aw village, Mongton township and 4,886 people from Mai Nu San village, Mawkmai township.
- MOH facilities in Mongton and Mawkmai were upgraded with medical items and equipment, catering for over 9,424 people in the area.
- 227 IDPs and community members from Hsipaw, Kyaukme and Kutkai were trained in basic first aid.
- 118 MoH staff (Lashio 44, Kutkai 44, Kyaukme 30) in Shan State received technical and other support.
- 96 people from Hsipaw, Kyaukme and Kutkai CSOs Ambulance Providers received ambulance services trainings.
- 3 MoH health facilities received medical and non-medical support to strengthen rapid response activities.
10,269 displaced people in southern Shan State received emergency Essential Household items (EHI), shelter construction materials, emergency solar kits, emergency latrines, water trucking services, and construction of a septic tank and waste pit.

1,328 people from 5 villages in Namtu township benefited from the construction of permanent shelters, donation of construction materials, construction of 1 new borehole, 2 school renovations as well as the repairing of transformer.

ICRC constructed household latrines, a road, and donated solar sets, latrine cleaning items and ceramic water filters for some 156 families living in Pong Mon village, Lashio township and for 1,138 people returning to 5 villages in Namkhan township.

40 families from Shan Literature and Culture Association in Kyaukme township received shelter construction materials.

26 families from Hpat Ngont village, Kutkai township received household solar sets, streetlights, body soap and water filters.

A new healthcare and waste management system including medical waste incinerator was installed in Kutkai township hospital.

Emergency latrines were built at the Kyaukme Stadium Isolation Centre as part of COVID19 prevention efforts.

56 families from Kyay Zu Taw and Kaung Kaw new villages in Lashio township received ceramic water filters while emergency latrines were constructed for 32 people living temporarily in Mare Camp, Nam Hpat Kar village.

HELPING TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO WATER, SANITATION AND SHELTER