



World Health Organization

Myanmar

Situation report #1: 2 August 2018

Location: Myanmar (Bago Region, Mon State, Kayin State and Tanintharyi Region)

Emergency type: Natural disaster (monsoon flooding)



>120 000
DISPLACED¹



AT LEAST 11
DEATHS¹

WHO

7 Personnel in country (ERM team)

MEDICINES



Essential medicines and basic medical supplies currently in delivery to Mon and Kayin States from WHO through Ministry of Health and Sports.

HEALTH SECTOR

30 Health Cluster Partners in Country

MOHS MOBILE CLINICS COVERAGE (PLANNED)



4 States and Regions (at least 20 townships; to include others as needed)

40 Mobile health teams composed of 200 basic health staff

PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

Ensuring continuity of essential health care services, including maternal and child health care services, and referral to hospitals is a priority. Prevention, surveillance for early detection and response to communicable disease outbreaks of public health importance is also prioritized. As heavy rains continue, affected population may increase. Later on, as the situation stabilizes, early revitalization of the local health system will be supported.

WHO ACTION

Essential medicines and operational support for MoHS mobile clinic teams are in process. Procurement of 1 000 life jackets for response teams is under way. Furthermore, coordination and planning with the Humanitarian Country Team and Health Cluster partners for an integrated humanitarian response is ongoing.

HIGHLIGHTS

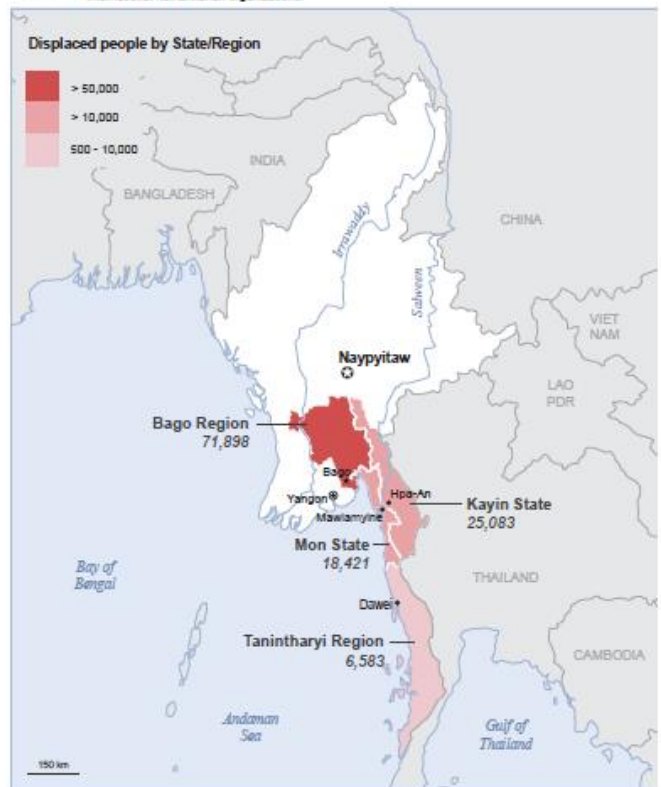
- Heavy monsoon rains since early July 2018 have resulted in flooding
- Four states and regions have been affected
- More than 120,000 people have been displaced in up to 288 evacuation centres
- Government is leading the response, with the Ministry of Health and Sports (MoHS) spearheading the health response
- MoHS activated the Health Emergency Operations Centre which have been monitoring and coordinating among central, state, and township level health departments in order to ensure an effective health response to all affected population
- In Mon State, 2 826 patients received medical care from respective local health departments, and with no cases of infectious diseases of public health concern reported as at 1 Aug 2018²

Myanmar: Floods update (as of 30 July 2018)



Heavy monsoon rains since 9 July have resulted in floods in a number of states and regions in Myanmar. As of 30 July, at least eleven people have died and more than 120,000 people have been displaced by the floods, according to the Government's Department of Disaster Management. Displaced people are sheltering in 288 evacuation sites or are staying with relatives and host families. The Government is leading the response, in cooperation with state/regional authorities and with the support of national and international humanitarian organizations.

Displaced people by State/Region



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