Myanmar: Recent displacement in northern Shan State (as of 29 Feb 2016)



Armed conflict erupted in early February between the Restoration Council for Shan State (RCSS) / Shan State Army South (SSA-S) and the Ta'ang National Liberation Army (TNLA) in Kyaukme Township, northern Shan State. In total, over 4,200 people were displaced to Kyaukme town and surrounding villages according to State authorities and local civil society organizations (CSOs). More than 1,400 people have been able to return home again. However, renewed outbreaks of fighting last week displaced some 300 people. As of 29 February, over 2,700 people remained displaced.

The government, private donors, local CSOs, the Myanmar Red Cross Society, UN, INGOs and partners have provided relief materials and services. For some displaced families there will also be a need for livelihoods support once they are able to return home.

Fighting earlier in February also displaced over 1,200 people in Namhkan Township to Mong Wee village. Food, non-food-items and medical services are being provided by local authorities, NGOs, CSOs, the UN and other actors.

The UN and partners continue to liaise closely with relevant authorities and local CSOs.

