



Minutes of Myanmar Language Information Management Network Meeting

26th January 2022, 2PM MMT, online via Zoom

Agenda

1. MIMU 3W – *Presented by MIMU*
2. Updates on Sector/Cluster/Agency Initiatives
3. AOB and other discussions

Attendance

Chair: Ei Ei Thein (MIMU)

Participants: JOICFP, MIMU, BIMM, CARE, VNG-I, Ipas, Pandita, SCI, MEDG, PCM, DRC, MRCS, AAR Japan, SARA, UN Women, MSU, OCHA, FXB Myanmar, SPM, WVM, LWF, NRC, SWISSAID Myanmar, PCF, ARC, UNHCR, AN, WF (34 participants from 28 organisations)

1. MIMU 3W – *Presented by MIMU*

[MIMU 3W](#) first started the data collection before the Cyclone Nargis event. At that time, only UN and larger INGOs were included. As organisations became aware of the impact of MIMU 3W, it was expanded starting in 2008 after Cyclone Nargis when UNOCHA collected 3W data in disaster affected townships through its hubs. At that early stage, only 30 townships were covered but that eventually expanded into all townships in Chin State in 2009. Finally in 2010, 3W matured into its current form, covering all townships countrywide.

Currently, 3W data are collected twice per year with focus on longer term impact. This routine was only interrupted in 2015 when an emergency 3W was collected for flood disaster. In 2022, 3W rounds will be in May and August.

An important thing to consider is that 3W is designed to be used as a baseline and sectors / clusters individually collect their own 3Ws/4Ws/5Ws to complement in details.

MIMU 3W is actually a 5W: WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE and FOR WHOM.

The three elements under WHO was explained. It is important to note that 3W does not collect donor / development partner data. The three elements under WHAT was then explained.

As for WHERE, the data is collected from State / Region level down to the village tract/town and camp level. For some projects, because of the nature of the implementation, it is not possible to collect at the village tract/town level. The trickiest part of WHERE is the data cleaning owing to inconsistencies in the spelling of place names. Pcode system was created to solve this problem and Pcode database grows as these issues are being solved. For the camps, the WHERE data was provided by CCCM cluster.

The notable feature regarding WHEN is the way project status is recorded using various categories.

Regarding FOR WHOM, the data is categorized as IDP focus, IDP and host community focus, development focus and other vulnerable groups focus etc. These focused products used to be only for Kachin, Rakhine and southeastern region of Myanmar but now it covers countrywide.

The detailed breakdown of latest 3W organizations, sectors, sub-sectors was discussed.

Using data from [3W Comparison Report](#), the last 4 rounds of data was broken down and presented. The percentage of village tracts and towns with projects dropped from 77% in 2020 August to 75% in 2021. These changes can be seen in 3W comparison maps.

3W products are available on [MIMU 3W page](#). Customized 3W Maps are also available on request but MIMU encourages our partners to make use of their own GIS capacity. For that, MIMU has periodical courses as well as self-paced online courses.

There are two 3W dashboards: [township dashboard](#) and [village tract dashboard](#).

Organisations can submit their 3W data by downloading the [3W data entry form](#) under “How your organisation participate” tab in the MIMU 3W Page. 3W form had some minor changes in the past (sector, sub sectors, Pcode, status, categories, etc.) but no changes are planned for the near future.

For places without the Pcode, agencies are recommended to add the place names as is. By doing so, MIMU can check whether that place is already in the Pcodes and can add if it is not. To handle issues such as this as well as spelling difference, special data columns are created in the 3W raw file. To add the Pcodes of new places by themselves, please use the [Pcode submission form](#).

One of the limitations of 3W is that only agencies that are registered in the contact list will be invited. Even from the invitees, only about half of them usually provide 3W inputs. There is also a notable issue of gaps and overlaps between funding agencies and their implementing partners. MIMU Data team try their best in such cases to clean up the data.

2. Updates on Sector/Cluster/Agency Initiatives

OCHA: Myanmar Humanitarian Needs Overview was released on December 31st 2021. It projects the need figure of 14.4 million people. Based on that, Humanitarian Response Plan is currently being developed and will be available soon. IDP site maps for Shan and Kachin states have been developed to support CCCM cluster and will be available this week.

MSU: Myanmar Agriculture Policy Support Activity (MAPSA) project has been ongoing since 2019 in partnership with IFPRI. COVID related phone surveys were conducted in 2020 and 2021. The reports and publications from those and other resources are available on IFPRI's [Myanmar Country Program](#) page. Nationwide phone survey with a sample size of 12,790 has started since December 2021 and will be conducted 4 times in 2022. Other surveys for Agri-food sector will also be conducted twice in 2022. A series of 8 workshops will be held with experts from IFPRI -- once a month from January to August.

LWF: School building projects are being implemented in Rakhine State. TVET (Technical and Vocational Education and Training) are also being given to the beneficiaries.

MIMU: Currently, MIMU is collecting assessment tracking data with the deadline of January 28th. Assessment tracking dashboard and report will be released in first and second weeks of February. As for capacity building, tableau training recently finished and the resources and videos are being compiled into a self-paced online course on MIMU training page. IM Workshop will be held from February 8 to 11 and participants have been selected. The next excel training will be advanced level and only 15 of those who have completed IM workshop or basic excel training will be selected based on a selection exam.

3. AOB and other discussions

Unless there are ad hoc issues to discuss, regular meetings will be held once every two months. This means the next meeting will be on March 30th. For the next meeting, please prepare to share your organization's data protection policy.

Action Points

No.	Action Point	Responsible	Deadline
1	To share organizational data protection policy	Interested participants	March 30 th 2022