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## MYANMAR EARTHQUAKE: UNHCR FLASH UPDATE #2

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Cover photo: Distribution of core relief items started in Bago Region, providing vital support to those in need ©UNHCR

### KEY FIGURES\*



**6.3 million**  
TOTAL PEOPLE IN NEED IN  
WORST EARTHQUAKE-  
AFFECTED AREAS

**2.1 million**  
CONFLICT-AFFECTED IDPs  
IMPACTED BY THE  
EARTHQUAKE

**LEVEL 2  
EMERGENCY**  
DECLARED BY UNHCR FOR 6  
MONTHS

### Highlights

Two weeks on from the catastrophic 7.7 magnitude earthquake in Myanmar, the focus is shifting from search and rescue to supporting survivors who have lost their homes and loved ones. Already home to the highest number of internally displaced people (IDPs), the disaster has claimed over 3,000 lives, injured nearly 5,000 people, and left more than 370 people unaccounted for. With rains already starting in some areas and the monsoon season fast approaching, conditions for survivors are expected to worsen.

Since the onset of the emergency, UNHCR and its partners have been working around the clock in Mandalay, Sagaing, the South-East, and Nay Pyi Taw, delivering life-saving assistance. Essential relief items – blankets, mosquito nets, sleeping mats, plastic tarpaulins, kitchen sets and solar lanterns – alongside emergency shelter materials such as tarpaulins and ropes, are being distributed. Teams are also reaching out to affected communities to provide protection services and support community-based protection initiatives.

To date, UNHCR and partners have assisted **27,774 people (5,555 families)** with core relief items (CRIs) and emergency shelter supplies. More supplies are en route from Yangon to various locations to expand the humanitarian response.

Inter-agency needs assessments are ongoing in the affected regions. Several urgent needs have been identified, including emergency shelter, water sanitation and hygiene (WASH), multi-purpose assistance, food, and medical care. Overcrowded collective shelters, which lack adequate lighting and gender-sensitive WASH facilities, are also exposing people to serious protection risks, including gender-based violence.

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\*Data source: UNHCR, USGS, OSM, UNOCHA, WorldPop & UNOSAT. "People Impacted" consists of people living in areas with shake intensity V or higher, "People Living in the Worst Affected Areas" consists of people living in areas with shake intensity VII or higher in the data source. Myanmar: HNRP Earthquake Flash Addendum.

## Delivery Summary

**27,774**Persons assisted with  
NFI or shelter items

## UNHCR Response

- **In Mandalay and Sagaing**, UNHCR is distributing non-food items to **5,000 families**, both directly and through partners. To date, **15,605 people (3,121 families)** have received assistance. CRI kits for an additional 800 families have been mobilized for distribution in Sagaing. Plans are also in place to replenish CRIs for another **5,000 families**.
- **In Nay Pyi Taw**, an inter-agency rapid needs assessment has been finalized. The initial shipment of 418 shelter kits and 289 CRI kits has arrived, with an additional 1,100 shelter kits and 450 CRI kits expected shortly. To date, **2,060 people (412 families)** have received assistance
- **In the South-East**, in Kayin State, Shan State and Bago Region (East), **10,109 people (1,976 families)** have received assistance. Complete NFI packages were distributed to most of the families, while **349 families** received tarpaulin sheets.
- The **Protection Cluster**, co-led by UNHCR and NRC, has initiated community-based messaging, deployed mobile case managers for integrated gender-based violence and sexual and reproductive health services, shared child protection and mental health and psychosocial support materials, and disseminated explosive ordnance risk education messages for immediate use by partners. UNHCR plans to deploy mobile protection teams to support vulnerable people who may be unable to access services in areas where they are located, enhance service mapping to identify available humanitarian and protection services, and create efficient referral pathways to safely connect people with the support they need.

## Immediate Needs

**UNHCR is urgently seeking USD 16 million** to provide life-saving assistance to those affected by the devastating earthquake in Myanmar. Learn more about the appeal and how you can support: [Myanmar Earthquake Emergency Appeal | Global Focus](#)



### Shelter

Provide emergency shelter kits (including plastic tarpaulin, ropes, and other essential materials) to enable people to live in safe and dignified shelters, particularly in light of the upcoming monsoon season.



### CRIs and multi-purpose assistance

Deliver immediate emergency CRIs, including sleeping mats, blankets, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, buckets, and solar lamps, as well as multi-purpose assistance to support earthquake-affected populations.



### Protection

Strengthen access to protection services, including communication with communities, legal assistance, psychosocial support, and targeted interventions for children, women, and persons with disabilities.

- Together with other humanitarian partners, UNHCR continues to **advocate for unimpeded humanitarian access** to ensure assistance reaches communities in need of assistance.

## Coordination and Partnerships

- UNHCR is co-leading both the **Protection Cluster** and **Shelter/Non-Food Items (NFI)/Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster**.
- UNHCR accompanied the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator during his visit to Myanmar, which included visits to Mandalay and Nay Pyi Taw.

## Financial Information

UNHCR's total funding requirements for Myanmar in 2025 stand at **USD 88.3 million**. As of the end of March, less than **20%** of funding had been secured. UNHCR is grateful for the generosity of donors who have stepped forward with earmarked contributions for Myanmar, as well as those providing flexible funding globally ensuring life-saving assistance reaches those most in need.

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CRI distribution in Sagaing © UNHCR

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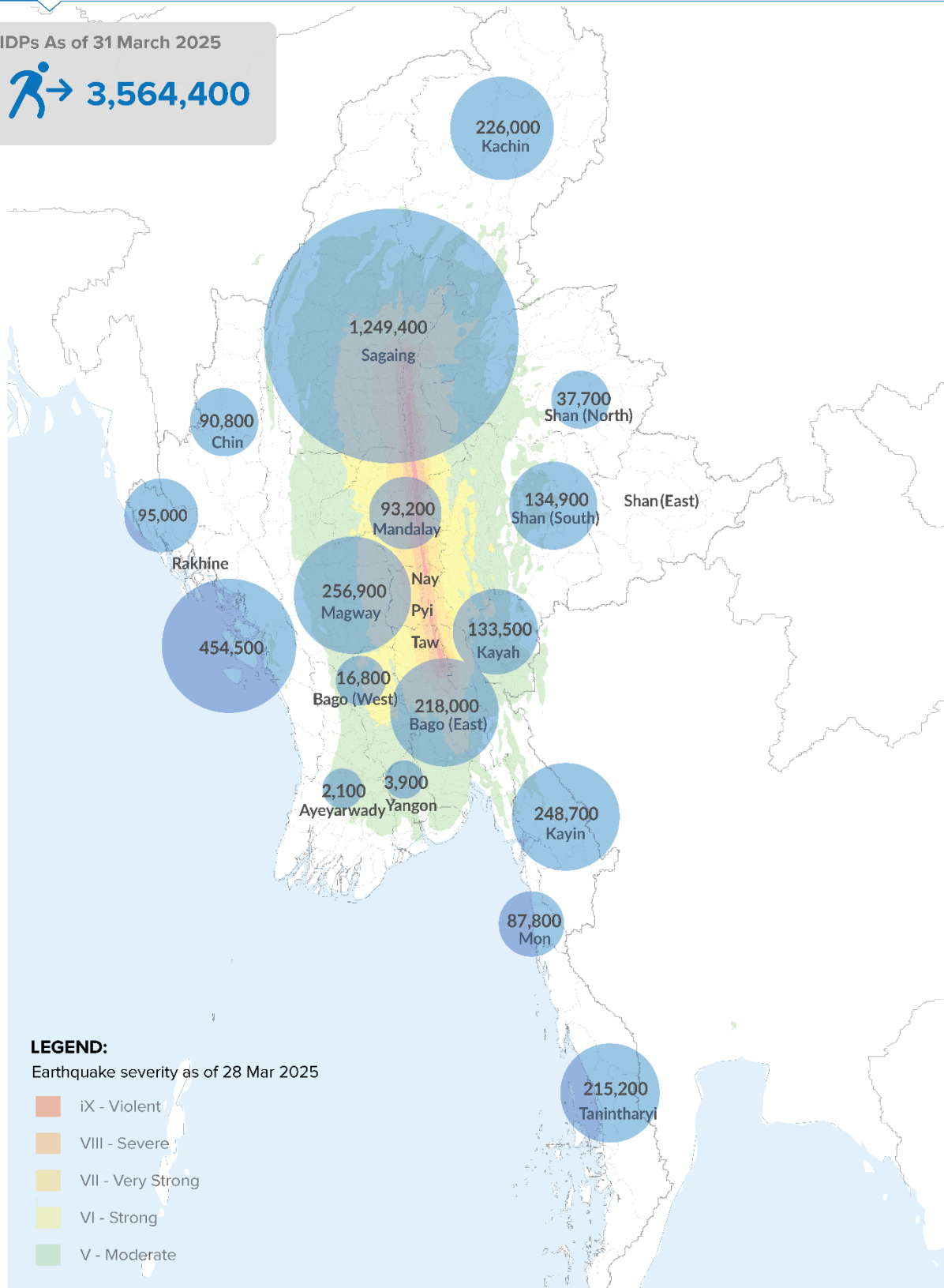
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IDPs As of 31 March 2025

 **3,564,400**



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