



Information sharing on novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

MRCS's activities supported by the Red Cross & Red Crescent Movement partners in Myanmar

#KeepClapping for frontline workers & volunteers living our fundamental principles



Kachin state



Northern Shan state



Rakhine state



Mon state



Humanity

Preventing and alleviating human suffering wherever it may be found.

Click to clap



Impartiality

Guided solely by needs & giving priority to the most urgent distress.

Click to clap



Neutrality

Not taking sides of political, racial, religious or ideological nature.

Click to clap



Independence

Maintaining autonomy to act according to the fundamental principles.

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Red Cross & Red Crescent Fundamental Principles

The Fundamental Principles are an expression of the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement's values and practices. Proclaimed in Vienna in 1965, the seven Fundamental Principles guide the work and decisions of the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement for staff and volunteers in all situations and at all times, including in responding to COVID-19. The principles unite the Red Cross and Red Crescent National Societies, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).



Tainintharyi region



Yangon region



Kayin state



Voluntary Service

Voluntary relief movement not prompted in any manner by desire for gain.

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Unity

Only one National Society, open to all, and working throughout its territory.

Click to clap



Universality

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement is worldwide.

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Q. What is World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day?

A. World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day is held on 8 May - the birthday of the founder of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, **Henry Dunant**. Each year, National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies use the day to highlight the unique role of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in their countries.

Q. What is this year's theme for the World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day?

A. This year - more than most - we're proud to recognize the life-saving and life-changing work of our staff and volunteers. The Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement partners in Myanmar and worldwide are uniting to cheer on volunteers and staff responding to the COVID-19 pandemic - we all need the motivation to keep on working - so we're asking you to **#KeepClapping**.

Q. What is MRCS doing for World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day?

A. To celebrate this day, under the leadership of the MRCS President Dr. Maung Maung Myint, MRCS will organize an online celebration on 8 May 2020. MRCS social media campaign to mark the RCRC Day and promote our seven fundamental principles has started on 1 May 2020 and will continue until 8 May 2020.



“ Every day, we check the temperature of the drivers and record the information where they are going with their products. *People ask me why I do this risking my own health. My answer to them is simple: I am a gatekeeper who protects people. This is what I like doing.*”

U Aung Naing Oo, Red Cross volunteer, Myawaddy District, Kayin state



“ Nowadays, I also go to quarantine facilities to provide psychosocial support. I am very happy to help people when they need assistance. *My only wish is to have more gloves, masks, and face shields for myself and other RCVs. With proper protection, we will be able to help better and safer.*”

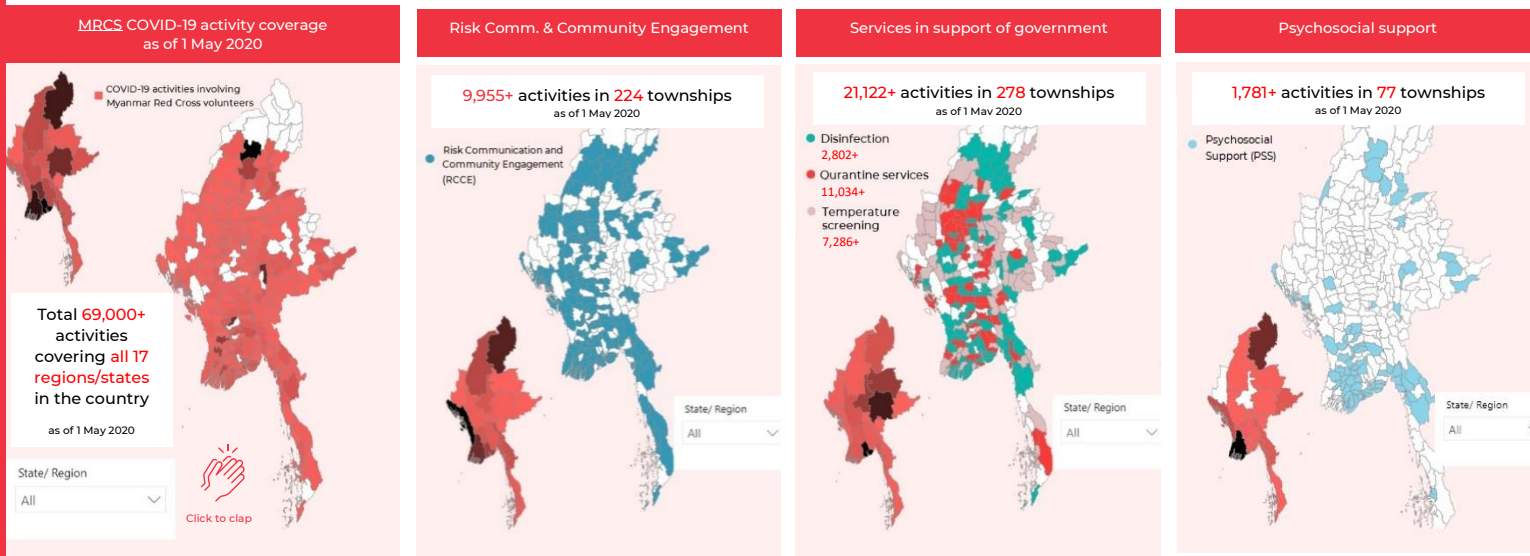
Dashi Rai San, Red Cross volunteer, Momauk township, Kachin State



Southern Shan state

Being part of Red Cross and Red Crescent means overcoming fears to serve the most vulnerable when humanity is most needed.

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States and Regions targeted:
All 17 States and Regions

Funding gap: MMK 3,057,100,500
(approx. USD 2,190,060)

MRCS personnel involved: 751 MRCS staff & 4,000+ volunteers through 330 MRCS branches



This updated document provides guidance on additional marginalized and vulnerable groups and how to include them in COVID-19 risk communication and community engagement (RCCE) activities.
Download [here](#)



This document presents an initial summary of potential Gender-Based Violence risk mitigation actions, based on established good practice, that are starting points to address GBV risks in this unprecedented situation.
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This updated document answers many questions that WHO received about the prevention and control of COVID-19 where WASH services are limited and where there is emerging evidence on the presence of viral fragments in excreta and untreated sewage.
Download [here](#)

IFRC revised emergency appeal highlights

On 26 March 2020, IFRC [launched](#) its revised emergency appeal for COVID-19 outbreak response. This Emergency Appeal seeks a revised total of CHF 150 million to enable the IFRC to support its membership to deliver assistance and support to communities affected or at risk of being affected by COVID-19. Currently CHF 59,349,183 is received. (see more at [IFRC Go](#))



We thank all health workers and volunteers around the world responding to #coronavirus!



Resources and contact information

- [Daily MoHS update on COVID-19](#)
- [WHO global webpage on COVID-19](#)
- [Daily MIMU update on COVID-19](#)
- [INGO Forum COVID-19 resource collection](#)
- [IFRC Asia Pacific COVID-19 Dashboard](#)
- MRCS social media ([Facebook](#)/[Twitter](#))

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