



UNION OF MYANMAR

COUNTRY PRESENTATION FOR VISITING RESEARCHER PROGRAM

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COUNTRY PROFILE

- ▶ Myanmar lies in the southeast of Asia and to the north of Indian Ocean.
- ▶ Its neighboring countries are Bangladesh, India, China, Laos and Thailand.
- ▶ A littoral country with 2400 km coast line to the Bay of Bengal.
- ▶ Total population of 58 million (2005-06)
- ▶ GDP by sector(2006)

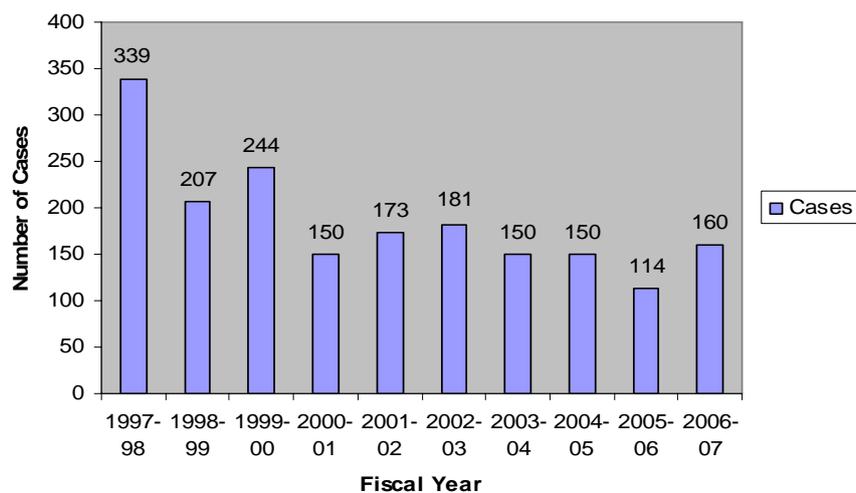
Agriculture	54.6 %
Industry	13.0 %
Service	32.4 %

Geographical Feature

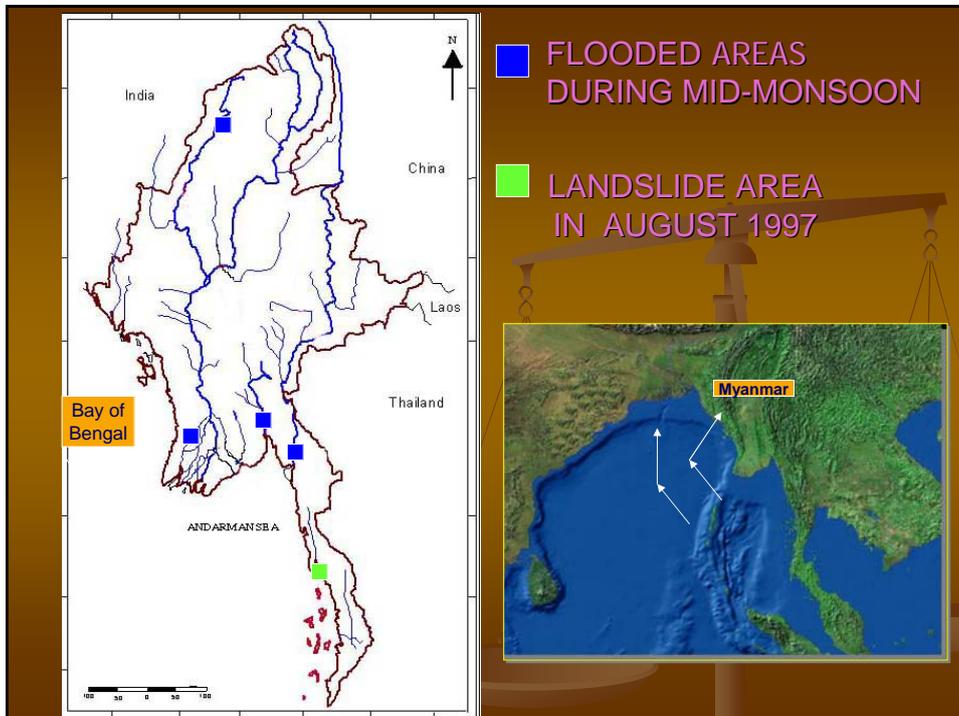
- Total area of 678,500 sq km
- Tropical monsoon climate
- Eastern Shan Plateau, mountains, four main rivers, central dry zone and evergreen forest
- Active earthquake belt known as Alpine Himalayan.
- Annual rainfall - 600 mm in central and 4000 mm in coastal areas.
- Vulnerable to storms and flood almost every year



Outbreak of Disaster(1997-98 to 2006-07)



PERCENTAGE OF DISASTER OUTBREAK IN MYANMAR(1997-98 to 2006-07)



Distinct Disasters in Myanmar

Meikhtila Fire

Date	-	7-4-1991
Houses destroyed	-	3261
Death toll	-	31
Losses (Kyat)	-	695 million
Cause	-	negligent lighting of candle

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Ayeyawady Flood

Date	-	28-7-1991
Affected townships	-	9 townships from Ayeyawady Division
Houses destroyed	-	74740
Losses (Kyat)	-	1068 million
Cause	-	Failure of the Htein Ngu dyke



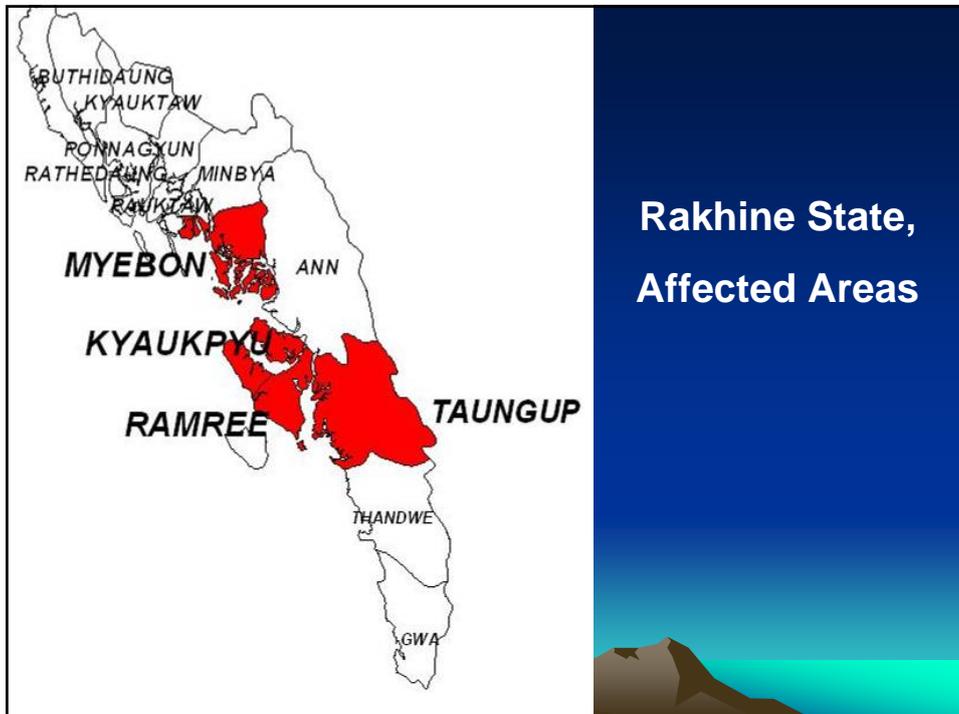
Sittwe Cyclone

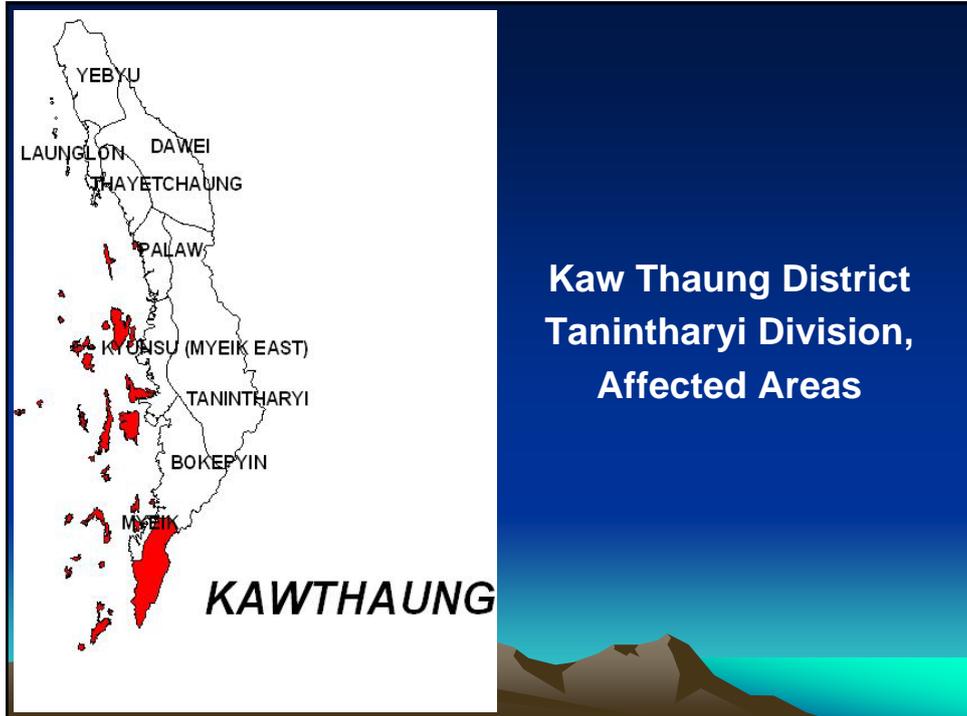
Date	-	10-5-1968
Affected area	-	4 townships
Houses destroyed	-	5766
Death toll	-	1037
Losses (Kyat)	-	800 million
Wind power	-	150 mile/hour

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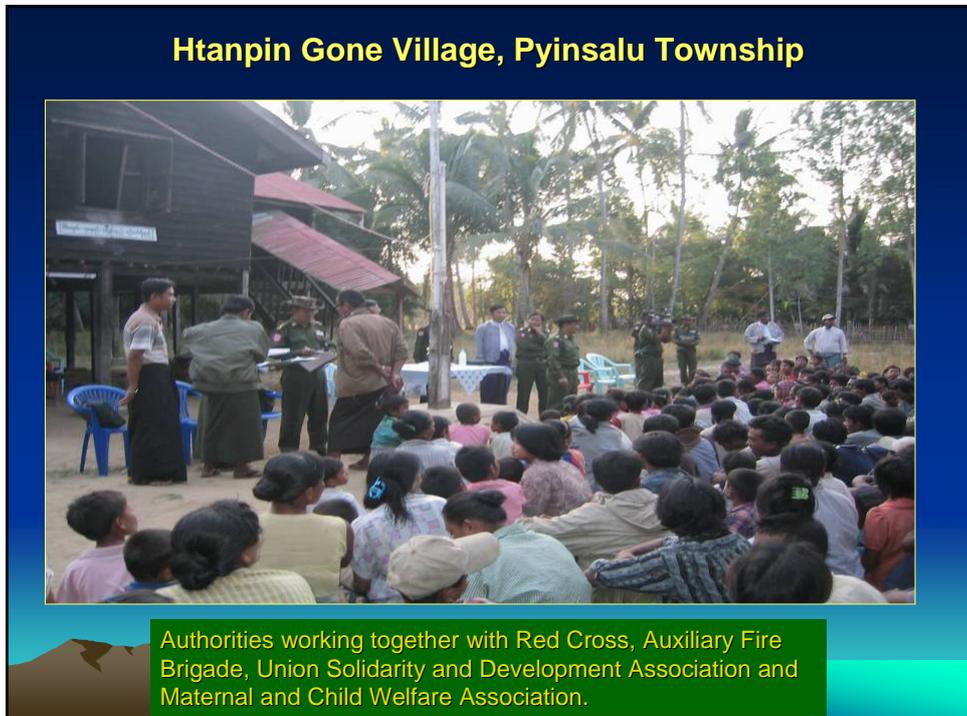
Date	-	26-12-2004
Intensity	-	9.0 Richter Scale near Sumatra
Affected area	-	Ayeyawady Division, Taninthayi Division, Yangon Division and Rakhine State
Houses destroyed	-	601
Death toll	-	61
Injured	-	43
Homeless	-	2592
Losses (Kyat)	-	1585 million

Ayeyarwady Delta Region affected by Tsunami 26 Dec 2004





**Kaw Thaung District
Tanintharyi Division,
Affected Areas**



Htanpin Gone Village, Pyinsalu Township

Authorities working together with Red Cross, Auxiliary Fire Brigade, Union Solidarity and Development Association and Maternal and Child Welfare Association.

Recent Disasters

Cyclone Marlar

Dated - 28-29 April 2006.
Wind power - 120 mile/hour
Casualty - 37
Houses Destroyed - 3204
Losses Value - 1263.89 mil

Provided Assistance

Cash - 6.9 mil
Kinds - 27.7 mil
GI Sheets - 483 No.



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District Flood

- 9-10-2006
- 1763 Families Affected
- 4086 people run into trouble
- Provided cash 2.0 mil
- Kind 11.1 mil
- Total 13.1 mil Kyats



Cyclone AKASH

Date	-	(11-5-07 to 14-5-07)
Affected Area	-	Rakhine State
Houses destroyed	-	2041
Affected household	-	2041
Damaged School	-	214
Damaged Clinic	-	27
Death toll	-	14
Losses	-	589 million (Kyat)
Provided Assistance	-	40.8 million (Kyat)



INSTITUTIONAL EFFORT

25-01-2005

Notification No. 14/2005 of the State Peace and Development Council
Central Committee on National Disaster Prevention was formed.

Central Committee on National Disaster Prevention

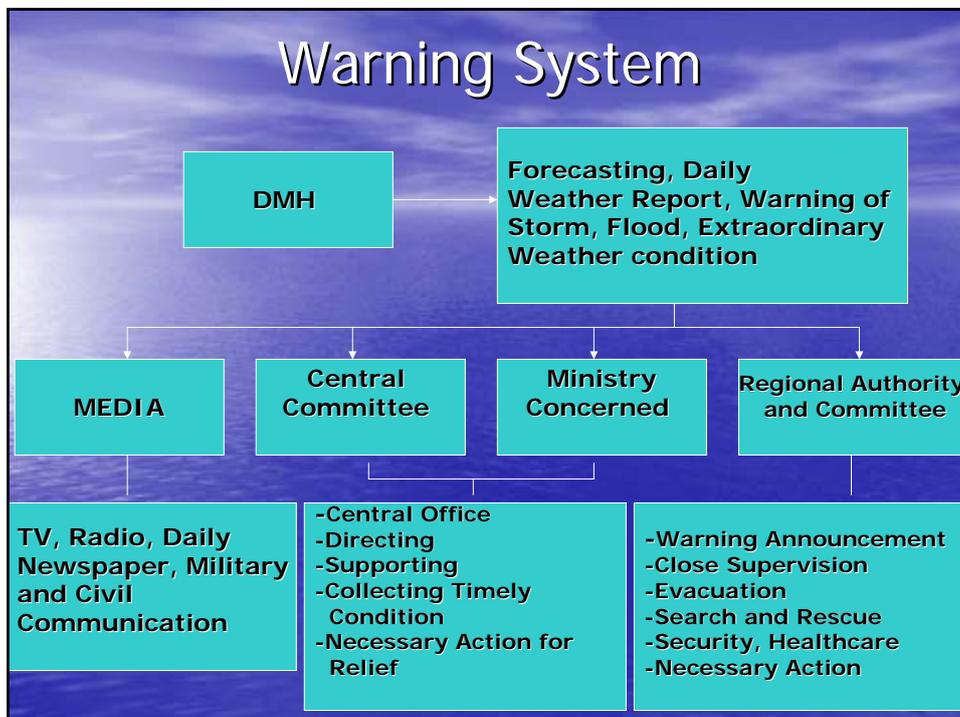
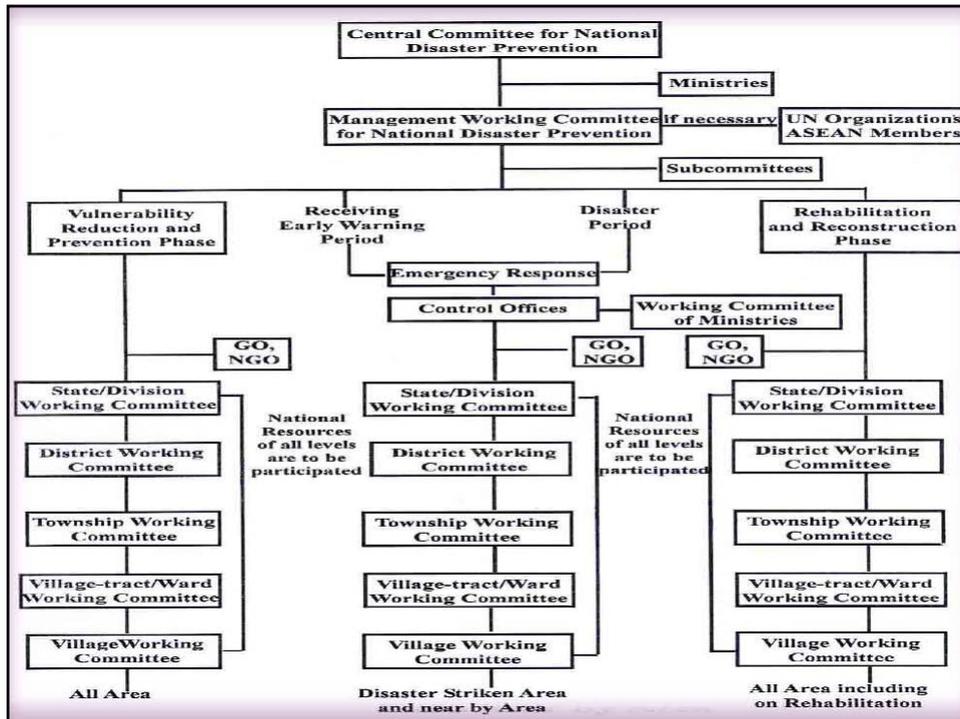
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| •Prime Minister | Chairman |
| •Secretary(1),State Peace and Development Council | Vice Chairman |
| •(16) Chairmen of State/Division Peace And Development Council | Member |
| •(15) Ministers Concerned | Member |
| •Mayor (YGN, MDY) | Member |
| •Minister (SWRR) | Secretary |
| •Person Assigned by Chairman | Joint Secretary |

Mandate of National Committee

1. To draw up policy for disaster management and guideline, to form necessary committee and subcommittee
2. To draw guidance for utilization of national resources during disaster.
3. To lay down guidance for coordination and management of foreign assistance if decided to accept
4. To manage national budget and resources for necessary area.
5. To draw up necessary acts, rules, regulation and orders for disasters.

Organization Chart of Central Committee, Working Committee and Sub-committees





LEGISLATION IN CONNECTION WITH DISASTER

- Rehabilitation Board Act(41/1950)
- Board of Development Affairs Act(11/1993)
- Epidemic Diseases Prevention Act(1/1995)
- Implementation of Insurance Act (6/1996)
- Fire Services Act (1/1997)

Organizational Set-up

Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement

Social Welfare
Dept



Relief and Resettlement
Dept



Fire Services
Dept



Objectives of Department of Relief and Resettlement



- To give emergency relief to the victims of natural disaster to meet their food, clothing and shelter needs.
- To take preventive measures to minimize loss of human lives, houses and properties in times of calamities.

Main Functions of the Department of Relief and Resettlement



Stockpiling of relief goods in 19 warehouses all over the country



Giving immediate relief assistance to the victims of disaster



Providing assistance to drifting persons and repatriation



Providing aids on special occasions.



Public Education, Awareness And Advocacy



**Focal point of ASEAN
Committee on Disaster
Management**



**Regional and International
Cooperation on Disaster
Management**

**Data collecting and
Information Sharing**

Regional and International Relation

- ✿ **ACDM- Member**
- ✿ **ADPC, ADRC**
- ✿ **UN- Organizations**

ACDM is trying to emerge ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER).

Myanmar had sent instrument of ratification to AADMER through MOFA to ASEAN Secretariat in December 2006.

DESIRED TOPICS TO LEARN

Disaster Management in General
Flood Management
Cyclone Management
Public Education System on Natural Disaster

