

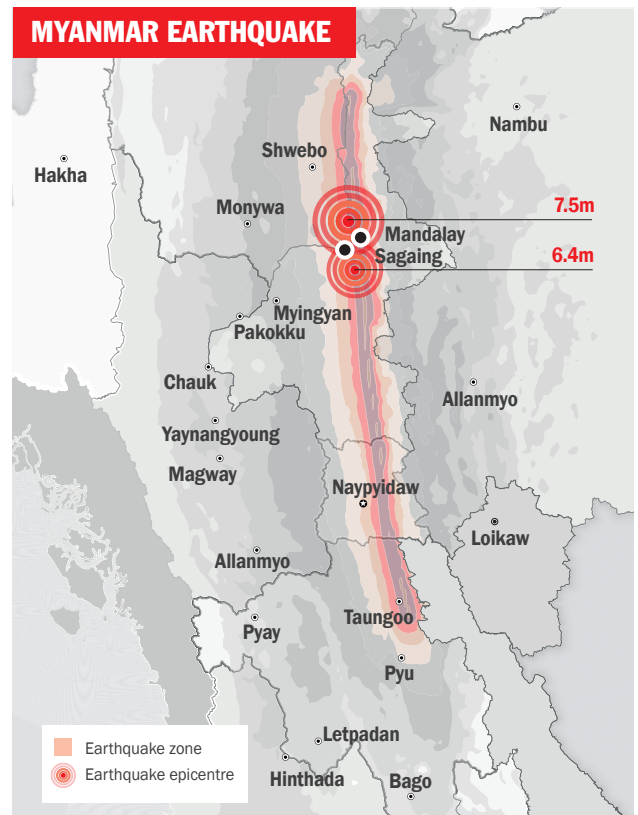
DEC MYANMAR EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

Three-month report: April – June 2025

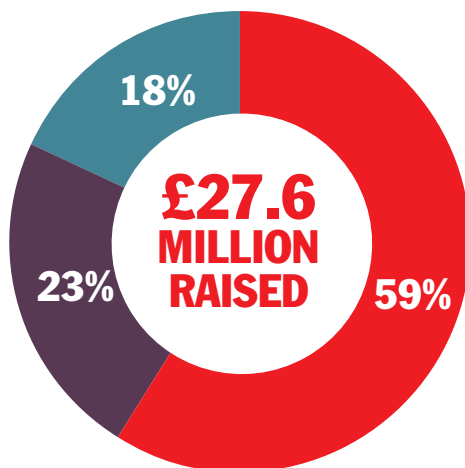
On 28 March 2025, a devastating 7.7 magnitude earthquake struck the centre of Myanmar. Subsequent aftershocks led to further destruction of homes, schools, and critical infrastructure, leaving 17.2 million people affected across 13 states, and over 6.3 million people requiring immediate and urgent humanitarian assistance.¹ The DEC launched an appeal to address the overwhelming humanitarian needs among affected and displaced populations in the most severely impacted areas.

As of 1 October 2025, the DEC Myanmar Earthquake Appeal has raised £27.6 million. Of this, £21.4 million has been raised by the DEC directly, including £5 million matched by the UK Government through its Aid Match scheme, and £6.2 million has been raised by member charities. DEC members have been working with local and national partners in Myanmar, focusing on community focused and community-led approaches and resilience strengthening.

¹ <https://reliefweb.int/report/myanmar/myanmar-earthquake-hnrp-flash-addendum-issued-april-2025>



INCOME BREAKDOWN



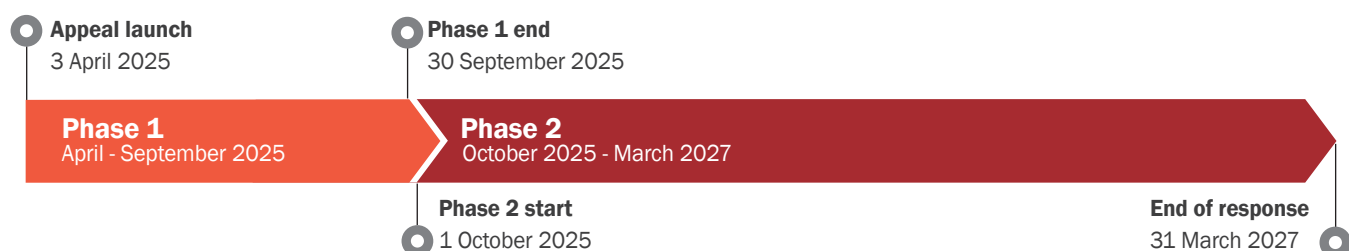
- £16.4m DEC direct donors
- £5m FCDO aid match
- £6.2m Member retained income



Maung Kyi* and his mother look out at the destruction caused by the earthquake in Shan State, Myanmar, May 2025. Maung Kyi received a DEC-funded student kit to help him continue his education.

All names marked* in this document have been changed to protect the individual's identity.

TIMELINE OF DEC MYANMAR EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

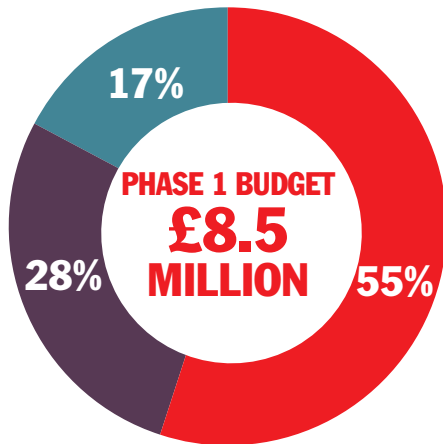


DEC RESPONSE

In the first three months of the response, despite multi-faceted challenges of infrastructure damage, monsoon rains and insecurity, DEC member charities and their local partners have been delivering a range of multi-sectoral interventions and lifesaving support. The main focus has been on multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA), water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) - water trucking and communal water source repair, emergency shelter such as house renovation, reconstruction, and non-food item (NFI) distribution such as shelter kits, as well as food, protection, education, health, capacity bridging and accountability to affected populations (AAP).

PHASE 1 BUDGET

(3 April 2025 – 30 September 2025)



■ £4.7m Through local/national partners
■ £1.4m Through international/other partners*
■ £2.4m DEC members direct spending
*International or Other partners include partners such as the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)

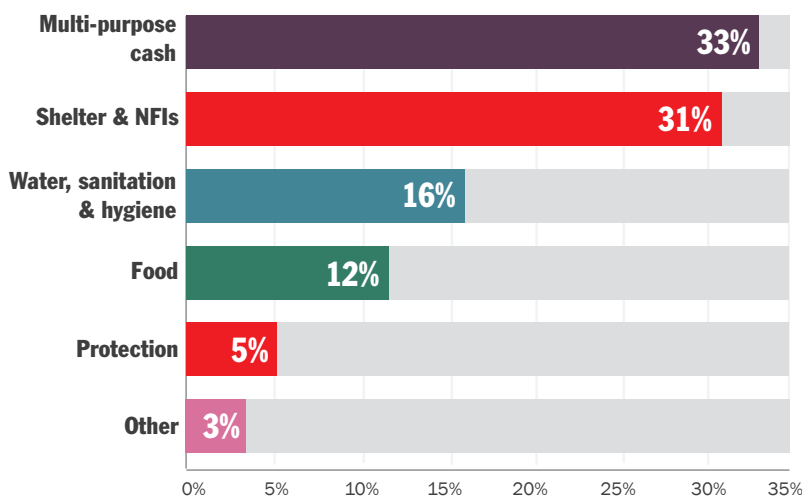
PHASE 1 – 3 MONTH EXPENDITURE

£2.1 million

(3 April 2025 – 30 June 2025)

PHASE 1 – 3 MONTH EXPENDITURE BY SECTOR

(3 April 2025 – 30 June 2025)



PHASE 1 KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

In the first three months (3 April 2025 – 30 June 2025), more than 240,000 people have been reached with support:



170,000
people with access to clean water and items for drinking and washing



92,000
people supported with cash assistance and vouchers to meet their basic needs



20,000
people supported with access to shelter supplies



72,000
people received health and nutrition support



DEC charity World Vision's staff load relief items at Yangon International Airport, May 2025.



Women from an earthquake-affected community receive dignity kits distributed by a DEC charity and their local partner organisation in Sagaing, April 2025.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

MULTI-PURPOSE CASH

U Phyu is the father of eight children. Six are married and living separately, and he now lives with his two unmarried children. The earthquake struck on the new moon day, and U Phyu was at home instead of going to the monastery as he normally would. When the quake hit, the shaking was so strong that his house leaned to one side. “Even now, the house is still not back to normal,” he said. “We are living cautiously inside our tilted house.”

The multi-purpose cash of 360,000 kyats provided by a DEC member charity that he received was the first form of aid he got since the disaster. “I never imagined I would receive this much cash. I’ve never received this kind of help in my entire life,” he said. Since his children are also repairing their own damaged homes, they are unable to support him financially.

Although he is no longer working, this financial support has brought him peace of mind. He plans to use most of it to stabilise and repair his home.



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U Phyu

U Phyu receives multi-purpose cash assistance from a DEC charity and their local partner organisation during a distribution event for older people impacted by the earthquake, June 2025.



Local staff from a DEC charity provide clean drinking water to a rural community impacted by the earthquake, April 2025.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Following the devastating earthquake in Myanmar, thousands of families were displaced from their homes and left without access to basic needs such as safe shelter, water, and hygiene facilities. Daw Aye Than and her family were among those severely affected. Their home was entirely destroyed, forcing them to seek refuge in a displacement campsite. The camp is overcrowded, with limited infrastructure and resources, leaving families vulnerable to protection, health, and dignity related concerns.

Through the DEC-funded project, Daw Aye Than’s family received essential items aimed at improving their immediate living conditions, such as tarpaulin for emergency shelter, water tank, bucket, and other household items. The new water tank improved their access to clean water and helped prevent hygiene-related health risks. Daw Aye Than said: “The water tank is very helpful, now we have sufficient storage water areas for our family”.



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IMPROVING HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMME DELIVERY

The DEC seeks to continually improve the ability to meet humanitarian needs whilst also contributing positive change in the sector. In the Myanmar earthquake response this has included key focusses including:

- being accountable to communities
- including people with specific needs
- improving coordination
- supporting a locally led response
- duty of care for staff and volunteers
- safeguarding
- protecting the environment
- adaptive programming
- learning and improving

The DEC regularly convenes its members, partners and other key actors and stakeholders for learning and reflection events, coordination and planning. Our partners at the [H2H network](#) coordinate shared services for the response, focusing on community engagement, accountability to affected populations, and strengthening civil society-led aid efforts, ensuring that local voices and capacities are at the heart of the response.

A doctor from a DEC charity mobile health clinic tends to a mother and her baby in an earthquake-affected village in Mandalay, May 2025.



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NEXT STEPS

Months on, 3.6 million people remain displaced due to the earthquake and ongoing conflict, requiring some form of humanitarian assistance.¹ Since early July, Myanmar has seen severe and widespread flooding and landslides, further impacting those already displaced and resulting in more damage to homes, roads, and health facilities. Global funding cuts continue to exacerbate ongoing humanitarian need and lack of support for affected communities.

DEC Phase 1 programmes will be closed by the end of September, with Phase 2 of the response starting in October 2025 until 31 March 2027.

Looking ahead to the next 18 months, Phase 2 will focus much more on medium to longer-term recovery and resilience strengthening activities, such as:



Livelihoods and income generating activities such as agricultural training for farmers and vocational training for communities (sewing, handicrafts, carpentry)



The reconstruction of shelters and homes



Deployment of mobile health teams with essential medicines for hard-to-reach communities



Cash-for-work for essential communal infrastructure (such as roads and bridges)



Improvement of WASH facilities, repairing of latrines, solid waste management, and hygiene awareness raising for communities



Training for community volunteers on mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) and psychological first aid

¹ <https://reliefweb.int/report/myanmar/myanmar-humanitarian-update-no-48-14-august-2025>