



## **MYANMAR FLOODS**

### #I / Response Report

### **Overview of Disaster**

Heavy rains in July 2018 resulted in severe flooding in parts of Myanmar, including Hpa-An in Kayin state. A total of 152,000 people across Myanmar were affected, with 11 deaths and 288 evacuation sites set up for survivors.

Whole villages were flooded over, roads were cut off, electricity and supplies were also disrupted. There was extensive damage to livelihoods as farmlands were inundated; seeds and livestock were destroyed. Strong currents also disrupted the planting season, placing families everywhere at risk of food insecurity.



Flood situation in Myanmar

### World Vision Relief Response

World Vision focused on responding to the urgent immediate needs of flood-affected families in Hpa-An. A total of 7,500 beneficiaries were reached with rice rations, drinking water and essential kitchen kits. This was essential as families needed food and water to tide them over for 10 days while floodwaters recede. Some highlights of World Vision's emergency distribution:

- **20 kilograms of rice was distributed to each household**, totalling 30,000 kilograms of rice to 1,500 hungry families
- **48 litres of drinking water was provided to each household**, totalling 72,000 litres of drinking water to 1,500 families who had no access to clean water
- A kitchen kit was provided to each household, totalling 1,500 kits



Beneficiaries receiving clean drinking water



Beneficiaries receiving rice rations







Beneficiary family

# Story: A Thankful Family

"I am happy today because rice was distributed in our village (Tharnone village). I received 20kg of rice which will feed my family for 20 days. There are 4 people in my family.

We are very grateful for the rice. I am a widow and I not only have no income but also take care of my 3 grandchildren who are orphans. This humanitarian assistance is the greatest blessing from GOD for us during this time. Without this help, I cannot imagine how we would survival."

- Daw Kyi Htay, from the bottom of her heart

# **Moving forward**

Thank you for your generosity and love for children and their families in their time of greatest need. On behalf of beneficiaries who may never have a chance to thank you personally, we would like to extend our sincere appreciation for your gift to send hope and help in this emergency.

The Survival Fund by World Vision Singapore allows us to reach out to disaster-stricken victims and is a way to allow us to stand in the gap while both bracing at-risk communities and providing relief to those recovering from disasters. To learn more, visit <u>www.worldvision.org.sg/disaster</u>.