UNION MINISTER for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr Win Myat Aye held a video conference yesterday to coordinate the protection, containment and response to COVID-19 concerning IDP camps across the nation.

The Union Minister said they have prepared COVID-19 response plans for IDP camps in Kachin State, Shan State, Rakhine State and Kayin State and they have approval from the National Central Committee on Protection, Containment and Treatment of COVID-19.

He said they have coordinated with UN humanitarian agencies and they have reviewed expenditures concerning implementation of action plans. He said although there are many tasks at hand for staff in the field right now, the situation is important to require them to try hard. He urged them to give daily reports on COVID-19 measures in the IDP camps. Next, Deputy Minister U Soe Aung discussed preparations for COVID-19 in the IDP camps and the directors-general explained preparations for the states and regions as well.—MNA

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Food aid distributed to people across the country

Yangon Region Social Affairs Minister distributes supplies in Dala Township

MAHA Nada Maritime Co Ltd donated food supplies for 2,000 households without regular income in Dala Township, Yangon Region, for the long Thingyan holidays.

Yangon Region Minister for Social Affairs U Naing Ngan Lin and officials distributed the donations in Kanaung Danitaw village yesterday morning. They also handed over supplies to police officers in Dala Township and were assisted by Yangon Region (1) Hluttaw representative U Tun Yin, Yangon Region (2) Hluttaw representative U Hwe Tin, township officials and donors. —Naing Lin Kyaw (Dala)

Rakhine State distributes household supplies to 12 Townships

OFFICIALS in Rakhine State began distributing household supplies on 10 April and have distributed to 12 townships with 5 remaining.

Rakhine State Chief Minister U Nyi Pu and state ministers assisted in distributing the supplies in Sittway Township to households without regular income. There are 261,489 households without regular income in all 17 townships in Rakhine State. Distribution to 83,946 households in Sittway and Yethedaung townships were completed yesterday and distribution to 20,588 households in Ponnagyun and Pauktaw townships will continue.

Distribution to all 80,059 households in 5 townships in Mrauk U District, 27,174 households in Maungtaw District, 39,148 households in Kyaukpyu District were also completed yesterday.—Tin Tun (IPRD)

Household supplies distributed to local people in Deldhinathiri Township

OFFICIALS distributed basic household supplies to 4,756 out of 6,187 households in Deldhinathiri Township yesterday.

Rice, salt, onions, lentils and cooking oil were distributed to 941 households in Deldhinathiri ward, 475 houses in Shwe Ingyin ward, 759 houses in Yanuang Myin village-tract, 339 houses in Kyantat Pwe village-tract, 537 houses in Kyarpin village-tract, 393 houses in Chaing village-tract, 446 houses in Ywarma village-tract, 901 houses in Doe Nwe village-tract, 652 houses in Bawsai village-tract, and 653 houses in Shwekhet village-tract.—MNA

Yangon Region distributes basic supplies

OFFICIALS in Yangon Region have distributed the five basic household supplies of rice, cooking oil, salt, lentils and onions for households without regular income.

So far, they have distributed to 57,248 households in Eastern District, 26,984 households in Western District, 111,149 households in Southern District, and 74,991 households in Northern District. —MNA

Lewe Tsp distributes household supplies

LEWE Township authorities began distributing 5 household supplies on 16 April and aim to finish distribution to all 38,498 households without regular income by 16 April.

Distribution is also underway in Shwechhi, Pyinmana, were local residents were grateful for the support from the nation.—Han Lin Naing

Shan State distributes household supplies

THE Shan State government and KBZ Bank are donating supplies and protective equipment to medical institutions daily.

On 13 April, 1,000 rice bags and 5,000 eggs were donated on Kengtung Township, 20 PPE suits, hand gel and goggles donated to Taunggyi Maternal and Child Hospital, 200 masks and 300 eggs to BEHS (2) Ayetaryar, and similar donations were made to Kalaw and Bawtaw, Naungtayar region and Fimi Golf Club Aunggan.

Shan State Chief Minister Dr Lin Htut donated 200 soap bars, 1,200 gloves, 100 goggles, 144 sanitizer bottles to hospitals and clinics during his inspection into northern and southern districts of Shan State. He also donated 20 PPE suits and 1,000 masks hospital staff in Yangon by delivery. Donors donated 3,600 eggs from Win Gallay farm yesterday morning and 8 volunteers from Shwe Po-O Yaung Taw Phwint group and 15 office staff assisted in distribution. —Soe Nyunt Shwe (IPRD)

A local man accepts food aid from Shan State authorities. PHOTO: IPRD

A man receives food aid from authorities in Dala Township. PHOTO: NAING LIN KYAW

Rakhine authorities hand over food aid to local people. PHOTO: TIN TUN

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