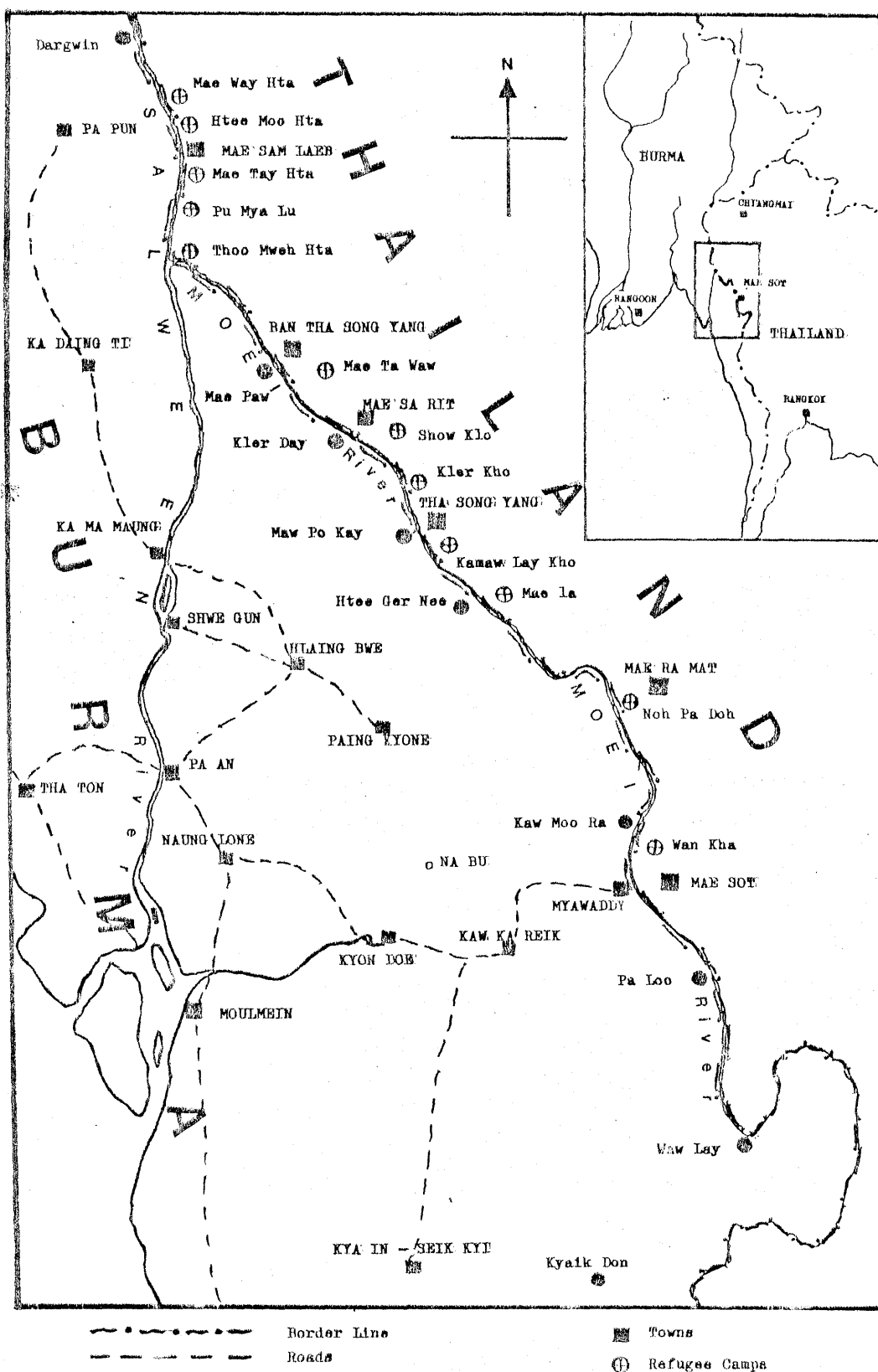


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We take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to all the agencies and organizations which have been providing for our needs in every possible way, These help and support have been very beneficial to us not only physically, but it has also given us spiritual strength to carry us through this time of trouble and need.

The situation inside Burma is as critical as ever because the anti-civilian campaign carried out by the Burmese army is still going on. During this month, nearly 20 families had to be admitted into the refugee camps because it is in no way safe for them to stay on in their villages. They are from villages in Paing Kyone township.

Please accept our apology for not being able to submit in this report as intended the record of rice obtained by the refugees from this year's harvest. Untimely rain during the middle of the month had done much to delay harvesting and at the same time, it had also done a lot of damage to the crop. We will submit the record to authorities concerned and to donor agencies at the earliest possible date. On the Salween side, harvesting is over now. Rats and rain had also done a lot of damage there. It is estimated that the refugees there have harvested enough rice to see them through at least up to the end of May.

Supply of rice for this month shows an excess of 370 sacks. The first reason for this is because contributions from COERR for October and November appear in the same report. Another reason is that, beginning from November 13, Show Klo camp ran out of rice and as no contribution was coming in during that time, Consortium of Christian Agencies rushed 200 sacks of rice to Show Klo on November 15 to meet the emergency.

We express our thanks to the doctors and nurses of MSP and MDM for their noble work in providing medical assistances to the refugees. We also express our thanks to IRC for the valuable help and advice it has given to the refugees for a better and healthier environment and we thank the Consortium of Christian Agencies for the valuable help it has given by training up village help promoters who will work more effectively with the medical team for better community health. We also thank AFRIMS which is going on with the project in Mae Tha Waw camp to test the effectiveness of Proguanil and Doxycycline as malaria prophylaxis.

PRESENT NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN ALL CAMPS

NAME OF CAMP:	FAM.#	OVER -12 YR.		5 - 12 YR.		UNDER - 5 YR.		TOTAL
		M	F	M	F	M	F	
WANKHA	475	525	806	207	201	179	206	2124
MAEIA	306	416	387	174	148	132	102	1359
KAMAW LAY KHO	267	320	439	169	140	91	90	1249
KLER KHO	245	426	453	161	162	73	75	1350
SHOW KLO	1360	1872	2494	720	738	491	490	6805
MAE THA WAW	512	642	918	372	383	200	221	2736
NOE PA DOH	127	176	177	93	53	54	48	601
	3292	4377	5614	1896	1825	1220	1232	16224
SALWEEN	147	256	256	91	89	53	69	814
TOTAL:-	3439	4633	5930	1987	1914	1273	1301	17038

RICE RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1985

1. Consortium of Christian Agencies	...	900	Sacks
2. German Agro Action	...	900	"
3. Presiding Bishop's Fund	...	400	"
4. International Christian Aid	...	322	"
5. C O E R R	...	295	"
6. Full Gospel Church	...	100	"
7. Consortium of Christian Agencies	...	89	"
TOTAL:-	...	3,006	Sacks

NEED & SUPPLY OF RICE FOR NOVEMBER 1985

<u>NAME OF CAMP:</u>	<u>NEED:</u>	<u>SUPPLY:</u>	<u>REMARKS:</u>
WANGKHA	322	377	Sufficient up to Dec. 4, 1985
MAEIA	207	250	Sufficient up to Dec. 6, 1985
KAMAW LAY KHO	194	100	There has been a surplus of 92 sacks from last month's supply.
KLER KHO	213	200	
SHOW KLO	1053	1350	Sufficient up to Dec. 8, 1985
MAE THA WAW	421	550	Sufficient up to Dec. 9, 1985
NOE PA DOH	92	90	
SALWEEN	125	89	
TOTAL:-	2627	3006	

NEED OF RICE PER PERSON PER MONTH CALCULATED ON:-

- 1) Over 5 Yr. = 1 Unit
Under 5 Yr. = $\frac{1}{2}$ Unit
- 2) 1 Unit = 1 four-gallon tin
- 3) 6 four-gallon tins = 1 sack
- 4) 1 sack = 100 kgs.

ITEMS RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1985

German Agro Action	- Fish Paste - 2,000 kg. (100 tins)
	- Chilli - 2,000 kg. (200 boxes)
	- Sardines - 10,000 cans (100 boxes)
	- Salt - 4,000 kg. (80 bags)
 I C A	 - Blankets - 500 pcs.
	- Mosquito nets - 500 pcs.
 International Rescue Committee	 - Soap - 24,000 pcs.
 Consortium	 - Fish Paste - 200 tins
 P.B. Fund*	 - Cooking oil - 156 bots.
	- Kerosene oil - 26 tins
	- Condensed milk - 26 doz.
	- Sardines - 26 doz.
	- Detergent soap - 104 pk.
	- Toilet soap - 26 doz.
	- Multi vitamin - 26 bots.
	- Potatoes - 26 pk. (5 kg. each)
	- Yellow beans - 26 pk. (5 kg. each)
	- Dried salted fish - 26 pk. (5 kg. each)
	- Sugar - 26 pk. (5 kg. each))

* This has been equally distributed to the remaining 26 teachers who were left out during the first distribution in July 1985.

ITEMS DISTRIBUTION

CAMP: F.Paste: Chilli: Sardines: Salt: Blankets: M.Nets:

WK	46	26	32	10	100	100
ML	28	17	20	6	50	50
KMLK	26	15	18	6	50	50
KK	36	19	20	8	-	50
SK	118	75	-	30	60	50
MTW	38	40	-	16	100	100
NPD	8	8	10	4	-	-
SALWEEN	-	-	-	-	140	100
	300	200	100	80	500	500

Conclusion

We thank all the agencies and organisations once more for understanding us and our troubles. The care and concern that all of you have shown, together with your unfailing help in many ways will always be remembered and cherished by the Karen refugees. They all look forward to the day when they can go back to their homeland and settle peacefully once more. But at present, the future for them is still very bleak and uncertain. It is your help and support that sustain them in this troubled time and give them strength to face the future. We will still be counting on all of you. for further help and support.

May God's richest blessings be yours for all the noble deeds that you are doing for us, the least of your brethren*

I remain.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Htwe', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert Htwe

Chairman

Karen Refugee Committee