KAREN REFUGEE COMMITTEE

MONTHLY REPORT

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about: 20 KM
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BURMA
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THAILAND
PAWHTA
Sob Moei
MAERAMALUANG
Maepohta
Maelaw
KADANGTI
BAN-THASONGYAN
Bawnaw
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MAESEIK
Klerkho
KAMAMAUNG
THASONGYAN
MAETAN
Kamawlaykho
BILIN
SHWEGUN
HLAINBWE
MAELA
PAINGKYONE
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DON PA KIANG
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PA-AN
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KYONDOE
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KAWKAREIK
MARTATABAN
POPPHRA
MOULMEIN
MAWKER
MUDON
WALAY
KYAIKKAMI
KYAINSEIKKYI
KYAIKDON
TAPERPOO
NOPADOH
NOH PAH TAW WAH
UMPANG
RIVER
HIGH-HILL
ROAD
RAILWAY
TOWN
VILLAGE
STRATEGIC -POINT
REFUGEE -CAMP
EX-REFUGEE -CAMP
another southern part, Paklar & Sankraburi area
MAE TA RAW KHEE
HTEE HTA BAW
T'KWEE KLAW
18° 00'
17° 30'
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16° 30'
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97°30'
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We, the Karen Refugee Committee, would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to the Thai authorities concerned for their kindness in granting a temporary refuge to the Karen refugees, making it possible for the agencies to provide the refugees with their basic needs and providing a measure of security for the camps. We would like also to express our deep appreciation and gratitude to individuals, organizations and agencies that have been providing assistance and support, in many ways, to the refugees in their time of trouble and need.

A heavy down pour caused a flash flood in the late evening and night of the 24th of September in Mae La camp. The flood washed away 181 houses, one hospital, 5 clinics, 6 primary school building, one Christian church buildings, and 3 dining sheds of the Bible school of the camp. Two children aged 9 and 10 were drowned. Altogether, 1083 refugees were directly affected. Apart from this disaster, there had been no other mishap during this month.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE CAMPS.

	CAMP	No.of	Over 12 YRS		5- 12 YRS		Under 5 YRS		Total
		families	M	F	M	F	M	F	
MAE	Wang Kha (Huay Ka Lok)	1216	1922	2277	670	628	608	578	6683
SOT	Don Pa Kiang	755	1250	1150	341	340	385	373	3839
AREA	Mae La	3995	9017	8079	3217	2893	1317	1357	25934
	Sho Klo (Mae Song)	1126	1731	2115	1158	1552	352	343	7251
	Maw Ker	1319	2788	2426	616	588	736	730	7884
	Total	**8411**	**16708**	**16047**	**6002**	**6001**	**3398**	**3381**	**51591**
N	Mae Ra Ma Luang	773	1443	1353	482	421	362	313	4374
O	Khun Mae Kong Kha	451	729	817	348	352	228	245	2719
R	Sa La	294	638	545	200	159	97	115	1754
T	Mae Sa Kup	315	606	598	216	195	134	157	1906
H	Khlo Pa	242	506	460	183	170	119	112	1550
	U Da Hta	267	585	493	189	195	123	130	1715
	Mae Ye Hta	276	577	477	204	165	125	106	1654
	Total	**2618**	**5084**	**4743**	**1822**	**1657**	**1188**	**1178**	**15672**
	Ta Per Poo	432	885	624	258	233	125	135	2260
	No Pa Doh (Nong Luang)	147	283	222	117	105	46	56	829
S	Noh Pa Htaw Wah	378	752	639	171	203	183	190	2138
O	Mae Ta Raw Khee	225	505	516	303	237	66	102	1729
U	Le Po Hta	145	334	304	242	204	50	63	1197
T	Ta La Ku	45	78	78	29	34	12	16	247
H	Htee Hta Baw	409	687	663	335	312	166	143	2306
	T' Kwee Klaw	162	250	270	85	102	73	58	838
	Total	**1943**	**3774**	**3316**	**1540**	**1430**	**721**	**763**	**11544**
	Grand Total	**12972**	**25566**	**24106**	**9364**	**9088**	**5307**	**5322**	**78807**

RICE AND OTHER ITEMS RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH

FROM	ITEMS			
	Rice sacks	Salt kgs.	F.Paste tins.	Pressed Sawdust bundle
B.B.C	7691	16750	3217	14250
COERR	350	-	-	-

* 11,950 Bundles (3/ family)

** 2,300 Bundles (2/family)

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DISTRIBUTION OF RICE AND OTHER ITEMS RECEIVED

CAMP	RICE	SALT	F.Paste
Wang Kha	1055	2450	420
Don Pa Kiang	598	1500	240
Mae La	4013	7950	1610
	SMRU 13		
Sho Klo	1156	2250	462
	SMRU 6		
Maw Ker	1200	2600	485
Total	8041	16750	3217

EMERGENCY SUPPLIES FOR 181 FAMILIES - ON SEPTEMBER 24/25 FLOODING

ITEM	NO. OF ITEMS	PROVIDED BY:
Clothing	10 bales	
Mosquito Nets	300 (Families size)	
Blankets	15 boxes (600 pcs)	
spoons (small)	91 doz. ($\frac{1}{2}$ doz. /family)	B
spoons (big)	181 pcs (1 / family)	
plates	91 doz ($\frac{1}{2}$ doz /family)	B
Cups	50doz. (3 /family)	
Water Jug	182pcs (1 /family)	C
Knife (small)	182pcs. (1 /family)	
Knife (big)	182 pcs. (1 /fmaily)	
Bowles	50 doz. (3/family)	
Dipper	182 pcs (1 /family)	
Frying Pan	181 pcs. (1 /family)	
Roofing	Plastic sheeting200 pcs.	
	35,000 pcs.grass (thatch)	
Cooking Pots	600 pcs. (3 / family)	I.C.S
Water Pail	362 pcs. (2/ family)	

According to reliable sources, human rights violations are still wide-spread in Burma, especially in the rural areas. However, we and the refugees have never lost hope for a return to our hearths and homes in peace and freedom, with dignity and self-respect.

We earnestly hope and pray that the authorities, agencies, organizations and individuals would continue to provide help and support to the refugees until there is a viable peace and security on the other side of the border and in Burma.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Hlwe
Chairman -
Karen Refugee Committee.