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The Karen Refugee Committee tenders its sincere gratitude to everyone concerned for the noble deeds done through the years to help make life easier for the Karen refugees who are in trouble and need.

The situation along the border is **as** turbulent as ever. Fighting in the Dargwin area across from Mae Sa Rieng district rages on heavily through another month. The rainy season is fast approaching but there is very little sign that fighting there might cease and the Karen civilians will be able to go back to their villages. Many of them are already homeless as troops of the Burma army had burned down some villages in the area. The number of displaced Karen civilians from this affected area is more than one thousand now. Emergency aid has to be provided for these people.

At Kaw Moo Ra across from Mae Sot, the situation remains tense. Sound of artillery fire could be heard off and on. Elsewhere along the border and inside Burma fighting is reported from time to time at one place or another.

We notice that in almost all the camps there is an increase in the camp population. There are tens of thousands of displaced and uprooted Karen civilians who still cling desperately to their homeland. They are scattered everywhere in the war **zone** inside Burma. But life becomes harder and harder for them and by and by some are forced by the desperate situation there to come to the refugee camps for refuge and for food and shelter.

There are about 350 displaced Karen civilians now at Ta Nay Paw in Sangklaburi district of Kanchanaburi and another group of about 700 displaced Karen civilians at Ta Kraw in Pranburi district of Prachuab Khirikhon Province. Humanitarian aid is provided for them by the Church of Christ in Thailand and CCA.

NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN THE CAMPS

CAMP	No. of Families	OVER 5 YRS M	12 YRS F	5 TO 12 YRS M	12 YRS F	UNDER 5 YRS M	UNDER 5 YRS F	TOTAL
WANG KA	661	709	1177	405	402	197	217	3107
DON PA KIANG	412	704	726	202	200	187	143	2162
MAE LA	733	672	1180	491	520	177	164	3204
KAMAW LAY KHO	443	657	803	275	256	127	156	2274
KLER KHO	303	570	554	208	179	80	91	1632
SHO KLO	1170	1828	2359	661	619	359	389	6215
MAE TA WAW	423	611	786	357	362	157	152	2425
MAE KER	809	1488	1328	335	331	337	342	4161
	4954	7239	8913	2934	2869	1621	1654	25230
MAE PO HTA	61	95	110	37	45	16	23	326
KA HTEE HTA	120							608
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RICE RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH

FROM:-

CONSORTIUM OF CHRISTIAN AGENCIEE (CCA)	615	sacks
-INTERAID (ICA)	330	"
-CATHOLIC OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND REFUGEES (COERR)	400	"
-FULL GOSPEL CHURCH	100	"
-LUTHERAN CHURCH (JSA)	150	"
	<u>3295</u>	

CCA has also provided rice for the following purposes during the month.

- Rice to Mae Po Hta and Ka Htee Hta for the rainy season (May to October)	...	571	sacks
- Emergency aid for displaced Karen civilians from the Dargwin area	...	<u>235</u>	"
		806	"

Distribution of rice received

Camp	Rice needed	Rice supplied
Wang Ka	432	452
Don Pa Kiang	332	237
Mae La	497	439
Kamaw Lay Kho	350	298
Kler Kho	253	217
Sho Klo	973	855
Mae Ta Waw	371	335
Maw Ker	634	* <u>712</u> (also for part of May)
	3897 sacks	3595 sacks
Mae Po Hta		237 sacks
Ku Htee Hta		<u>334</u> "

NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN THE CAMPS

CAMP	No. of Families	OVER 12 YRS		5 TO 12 YRS		UNDER 5 YRS		TOTAL
		M	F	M	F	M	F	
WANG KA	661	709	1177	405	402	197	217	3107
DON PA KIANG	412	704	726	202	200	187	143	2162
MAE LA	733	672	1180	491	520	177	164	3204
KAMAW LAY KHO	443	657	803	275	256	127	156	2274
KLER KHO	303	570	554	208	179	80	91	1682
SHO KLO	1170	1828	2359	661	619	359	389	6215
MAE TA WAW	423	611	786	357	362	157	152	2425
MAW KER	809	1488	1328	335	331	337	342	4161
	4954	7239	8913	2934	2869	1621	1654	25230
MAE PO HTA	61	95	110	37	45	16	23	326
KA HTEE HTA	120							608

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RICE RECEIVED FOR THE MONTH

FROM:-

CONSORTIUM OF CHRISTIAN AGENCIES (CCA)	2615	sacks
-INTERAID (ICA)	330	"
-CATHOLIC OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND REFUGEES (COERR)	400	" 346
-FULL GOSPEL CHURCH	100	" "
-LUTHERAN CHURCH (USA)	150	" -285-
	3295	

Pagwin 1000 +
 Tukung 600
 Shwaylong 200
27,964 27,994.

CCA has also provided rice for the following purposes during the month.

- Rice to Mae Po Hta and Ka Htee Hta for the rainy season (May to October)	... 571	sacks
- Emergency aid for displaced Karen civilians from the Dargwin area	... 235	"
	806	"

Distribution of rice received

Camp	Rice needed	Rice supplied
Wang Ka	482	452
Don Pa Kiang	332	287
Mae La	497	439
Kamaw Lay Kho	350	298
Kler Kho	258	217
Sho Klo	973	855
Mae Ta Waw	371	335
Maw Ker	634	* 712 (also for part of May)
	3897 sacks	3595 sacks
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Mae Po Hta		237 sacks
Ka Htee Hta		334 "

Other items received

Consortium of Christian Agencies (CCA)			
- Fish Paste			1193 tins
- Salt	...	220 bags (22 kg/bag	
		...120 bags (7 kg/bag)	
InterAid (ICA)	- Fish Paste	...	135 tins

Distribution of other items received

<u>Camp</u>	<u>Pish Paste</u>	<u>Salt (22 kg/bag)</u>	<u>Salt (7 kg/bag)</u>
Wang Ka	164	25	-
Don Pa Kiang	114	17	-
Mae La	163	25	-
Kamaw Lay Kho	119	18	
Kler Kho	88	13	-
Sho Klo	329	50	
Mae Ta Waw	126	19	-
Maw Ker	220	33	-
Mae po Hta	-	20	
Ka Htee Hta	-	-	60
Emergency aid	-		60
	1328	220	120

The committee is sincerely grateful to the Thai authorities and to the people of the Kingdom of Thailand for their kindness towards the displaced Karen refugees who are in trouble and need. This manifestation of kindness and goodwill will always be remembered and cherished by the Karen refugees and the Karen people.

The committee also is sincerely grateful to all our benefactors for the help and support they have given to make life easier for the refugees.

An end to this crisis is still not in sight. The future is dark and gloomy for the refugees and for the other tens of thousands of displaced and uprooted Karen civilians who are living in oblivion in the war zones inside Burma in fear and poverty. We appeal to all interested individuals and parties for help and support. We also need your prayers.

May God bless all of you*

Yours faithfully,



Robert Htwe
Chairman

Karen Refugee Committee

