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# Food, solar panels delivered to villages in Maungtaw

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THE Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement delivered solar panels and accessories to 15 households in Thayetoak Village in Maungtaw Township yesterday, bringing light to villagers who are in need of power.

The supplies came after the Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr Win Myat Aye's visit to the area on 6th and 7th January.

"We no longer need to be worry about fire from candlelit lights at night. Thanks to the supply, children can study school lessons at night under the light from solar lamps," said U Tun Win Maung, head of the Thayetoak Village.

Yesterday, the ministry also delivered rice and peas to villages affected by the violent attacks in October and November.

The ministry delivered a total of 1,845 bags of rice and 123 bags of peas to 7,381 households with a total population of 59,962 from 52 villages in Maungtaw Township from 6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> January.



U Win Htut Oo (R) of the Relief and Resettlement Department presents solar panels to villagers in Thayetoak Village in Maungtaw. Photo: Ko Min

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# Diplomats from US, UK, EU and Australia visit Maungtaw, Rakhine State



Yangon-based diplomats visit Maungtaw, Rakhine State.

Photo: State Counsellor's Office Information Committee

Diplomats based in Yangon arrived in Maungtaw, Rakhine State, on Tuesday and visited villages affected by the violent attacks in October and November, collecting information on the socio-economic situation and security in the area.

The four-member mission comprised of diplomats from the embassies of the United States, United Kingdom and Australia and the European Commission Humanitarian Organisation (ECHO) toured around the sites of burnt houses in Wabeik Village, Kyikanpyin Village-tract and Dargyisar Village, and Myoma market in Maungtaw. Afterwards, the diplomats visited the rural health centre

in Shweyinaye Village in Nyaungchaung Village-tract and the rural health centre in Alethankyaw Village and discussed with health staff about arrival of patients, common diseases and health care services.

On the last leg of the Tuesday tour, the mission met with the administration officer of the Gawduthara Village-tract and villagers and asked about the socio-economic situation and security in the village-tract.

Before the visit, the diplomats held talks with local authorities at the Maungtaw District General Administration Department on Tuesday.—Myanmar News Agency

