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MON RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MONTHLY REPORT

March

2006

Aim and Objectives of Mon Relief and Development Committee

Aim:

Provide temporary shelters, basic needs and development assistance to refugees and the displaced persons who become homeless and helpless situation due to the oppression of Rangoon military regimes in Mon territory along Thailand-Burma border.

Objectives:

1. To help the welfares of the refugees in border areas and IDPs who are displaced inside the country, with foods, shelter and possible protection.
2. To coordinate with local Mon people in developing the grassroots community in the fields of health, education, literacy, agriculture and other rural development projects.
3. To empower the local community for the participation of decision making processes for their own lives and communities.
4. To struggle for the human rights.

The Organization of Mon Relief and Development Committee

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| 1. Nai Wongsu Pala | - Chairman |
| 2. Nai Kasau Mon | - Vice Chairman |
| 3. Nai Win Tint | - General Secretary |
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Monthly Report of Mon Relief and Development Committee

(March 2005)

Increased number of displacement in Ye and Yebyu Township

After the SPDC's military operations in both northern and southern part of Ye Township and human rights violations in southern part of Burma such as land and properties' confiscation, conscription of forced labour, forced relocation, extortion, killing and arbitrary arrest, some families of local villagers have to flee from their homes in order to escape from the abuses. '

Since 2000, after continuous land confiscation from the civilians, SPDC's Burmese Army could take strong bases in northern part of Ye Township. They have not only the lands for building the barracks, but also have some more spare lands for battalion base and their families to raise income. By this way, the Burmese

Army's battalion command tried to stabilize their base and keep the soldiers to live in the base and involve in army's operation in sustainable sphere. However, the local community people are seriously suffered after they lost their lands and properties. Many of them lost their livelihood and leave to another areas to find new works or to find agriculture lands. The displacement due to land and properties' confiscation became for a long time.

Accompanying with the increase number of troops of Burmese Army in the area, illegal taxation and extortion from the civilians in Ye Township increased. As the SPDC did not provide sufficient accommodation and salaries to the local military battalions and their soldiers, they have founded a lot of money from the local communities' people by taxing from travelers and farmers in the communities.

In southern part of Ye Township, after the Burmese Army operated a serious military offensive during 2004 and 2005, they could control the whole part of southern township. Then, in mid-2005, the Burmese Army created 'Khaw-za' village as Sub-Town and installed a lot of administration office in the area. The villagers in southern part of Ye Township were forced to construct roads from Ye town to Khaw-za Sub-Town and then forced to build schools, hospitals, servants' houses, police station and army base in Khaw-za Sub-Town. Because of the constant conscription of forced labour, hundreds of displaced villagers from southern part of Ye Township (approximately from 30 villages) have fled from their villages and took shelters in New Mon State Party's ceasefire zones. Some of them also fled to Thailand in order to seek works and escape from various types of abuses.

In Yebyu Township, as the Mon splinter group has been active in the areas, some villagers from some villages are seriously violated of their human rights because they were accused as rebel-supporters. Some houses in the villages were burnt down and the villagers were forced to leave from villages. This is a punishment because for the villagers were suspected supporting to the rebels and allowing them to take safe haven in the villages and houses. Those who lost their houses have to flee from their villages and displaced.

Some villagers also faced killing and arbitrarily arrest because they were accused as rebel-supporters. The soldiers of Burmese Army tried to collect information on those they suspected as rebel-supporters and arrested them. Some of them were killed while some of them were brought away from their homes.

Population displacement in Ye Township and Yebyu Township is a serious problem and the displacement condition has not ceased. Hundreds of them still fled and took haven in NMSP's ceasefire zones, while some of them fled to Thailand.

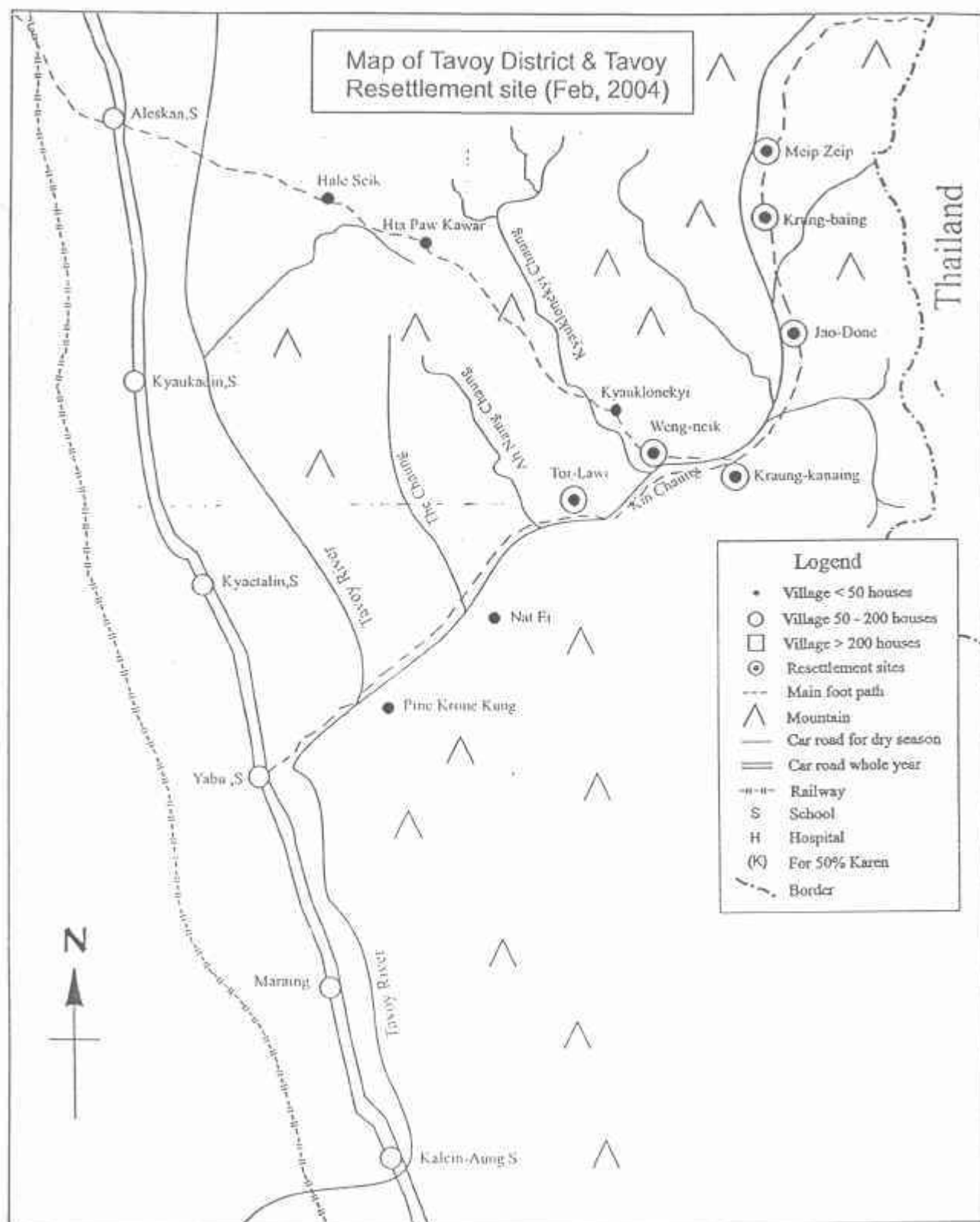
In this situation, these displaced persons are serious in need for foods, shelters and other assistance. The NMSP also provided protection for them and provide some arrangements for sheltering. Among them women and children are more suffered.

**THE REFUGEE POPULATION OF THE THREE RESETTLEMENT SITES
(March, 2006)**

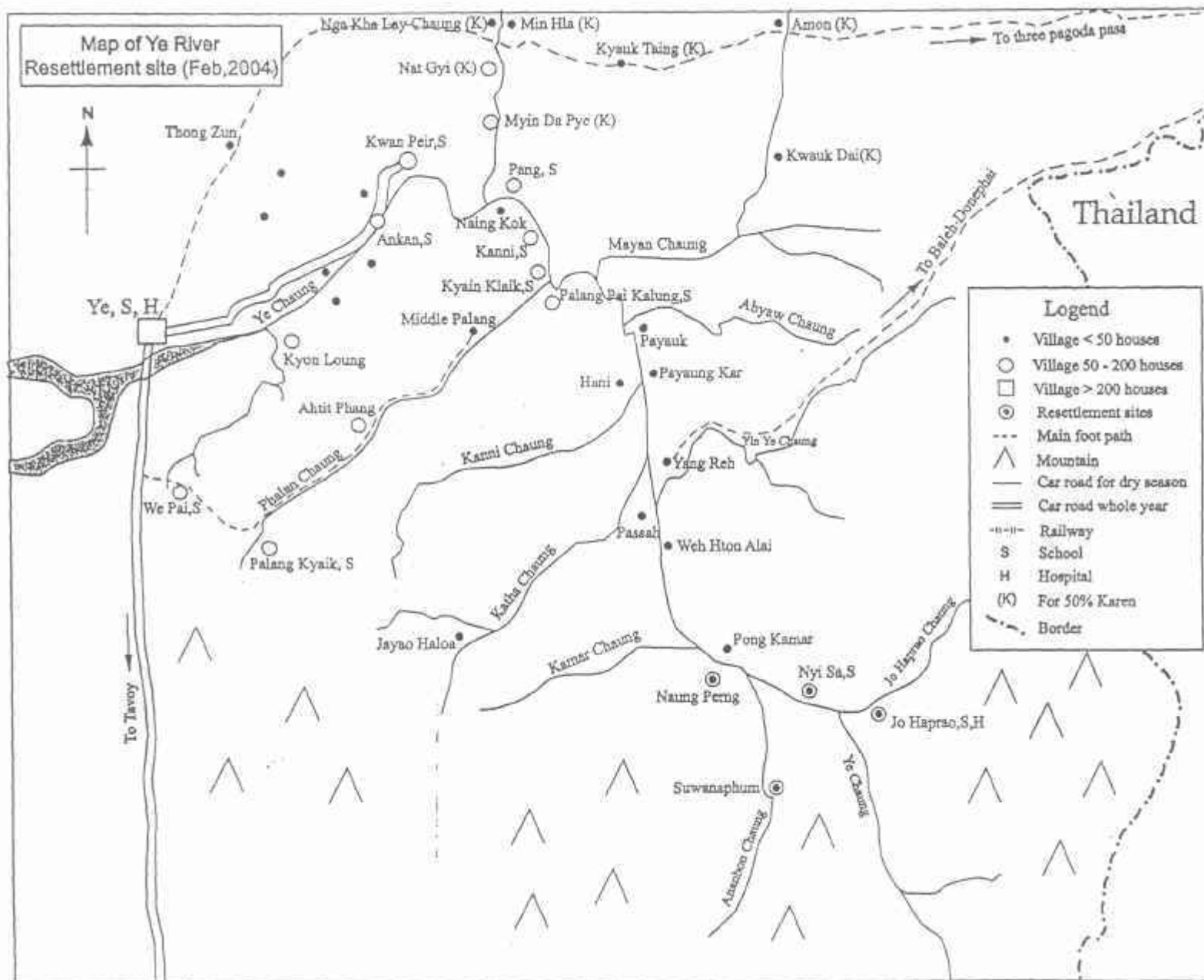
No.	Camp	Number of Family	Over 5 years		Under 5 years		Total
			M	F	M	F	
1	Bee Ree	719	1629	1684	181	210	3704
2	Tavoy	560	1310	1339	154	162	2965
3	Halockhani	1028	2302	2362	323	334	5321
	TOTAL	2307	5241	5385	658	706	11990

**THE MATERIALS RECEIVED
BY THE MON RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
(March, 2006)**

No	Organization	Rice (Bag/50 kg.)	Fish Paste (kg.)	Salt (kg.)	Bean (Kg.)	Remark
	TBBC	6000				
	TOTAL	6000				



Map of Ye River
Resettlement site (Feb, 2004)



Map of Three Pagoda Pass & Halockhani Resettlement Site
(Feb, 2004)

Legend

- Village < 50 houses
- Village 50 - 200 houses
- Village > 200 houses
- ⊙ Resettlement sites
- ⊙ IDPs resettlement villages
- Main foot path
- △ Mountain
- Car road for dry season
- == Car road whole year
- |-|- Railway
- S School
- H Hospital
- (K) For 50% Karen
- .-.- Border

