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MON RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MONTHLY REPORT

February

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

1. Nai Wongsala Pala	Chairman
2. Nai Kasau Mon	Vice Chairman
3. Nai Win Tint	General Secretary
4. Nai Nyansatowl	Joint Secretary
5. Mi Seikyanda	Administrator
6. Mi Wing Ah Bloa	Member
6. Nai Chit Nyunt	Member
7. Nai Tay Jae	Member
8. Nai Glae	Member
9. Nai Lawi Ong	Member

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

No.	Camp	Number of Family	Over 5 years		Under 5 years		Total
			M	F	M	F	
1	Bee Ree	716	1626	1681	179	209	3695
2	Tavoy	558	1307	1337	152	159	2955
3	Halockhani	1029	2303	2363	320	330	5316
	TOTAL	2303	5236	5381	651	698	11966

Note: Forty-seven(47) people of seven(7) families are newly arrived in Bee Ree site on February. We could not get updated population list from Tavoy site.

**THE MATERIALS RECEIVED
BY THE MON RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

No	Organization	Rice (Sack/100 kg.)	Fish Paste (kg.)	Salt (kg.)	Bean (Kg.)	Remark
	TBBC	-	-			
	TOTAL	-	-			

Monthly Report of Mon Relief and Development Committee (February 2006)

Development Needs in Halockhani Resettlement Site

During the third and last week of this month, February 2006, MRDC Coordinator for Community Development Program has traveled around the sections in Halockhani resettlement site and has inquired information on the needs of development in there.

The community people or returned refugees proposed a lot of infrastructure needs to the Coordinator in these sections. Accordingly to the community leaders and community people, all sections in Halockhani want to have sufficient water especially in dry season and better communication to travel from one section to another. Additionally some schools need to repair and extend school buildings.

In **Baleh-hani** and **Kyaik-soi-imon sections**, the community people want to build two new concrete water tanks at the mountains at the entrance of the site and near monastery in the middle part of two sections. This is an urgent program and MRDC and community leaders need to arrange for the building of these water tanks in urgent. The required materials are already calculated by the community leaders and they can manage for the building. After building these water tanks, MRDC also need to provide them with sufficient water pipes in order to bring water into the tanks and then distribute into sections.

The teachers and community leaders from these sections also requested to build good toilets using water in the Mon National Middle School, where 400 children are studying for their education. The building of proper toilets and a small water tank near the school must be completed before the school is opened in June.

Additionally, teachers and community leaders also suggested that they want to build a new school building especially to put all Kindergarten students because the two school buildings are so over-crowded and too noisy for the students. If they can build a school building near the current buildings, they can move Kindergarten kids to that building and create more spaces for other levels of students - from 1st Grade to 8th Grade.

Accordingly to teachers and high grades' students, they need to build a hostel where teachers and students can live. Some students who studied in the Middle classes come from Baleh-don-pai and other villages in Three Pagoda Pass areas and they need a hostel to stay during the whole schooling years. Teachers proposed that after the school is repaired or built, they also sufficient desks, chairs and blackboards for the teachers and students.

In **Baleh-don-phai section**, the community leaders are serious to build a strong concrete pole that supports the long bridge building over wide stream in the middle of their village. They said the bridge can be destroyed in rainy season if the community people do not re-build it in this dry season. They said they want to build up a big and strong pole in the middle of the river and supports the bridge. This is good idea and hopefully the bridge can have a strong pole without worrying woods and other things can destroy it. Normally the community leaders are so concerned that the water floods and logs from the high part of the streams with high speed during rainy season can destroy their bridges.

The community leaders in Baleh-don-phai are suggesting that they will need some small and one-meter long concrete in order to replace wooden poles in their Mon National Primary school in village. Because of insect eating of the wooden poles, some poles are totally destroyed at the bottoms and they urgent need to repair them. But they said it MRDC could provide them with one-meter long concrete poles and they will connect with wooden poles at the bottom parts of the poles. Even it is not an urgent construction, but they need to complete the repairs before the start of school in June 2006.

Before the MSF left from Mon resettlement sites, although they planned to re-build the clinic in Baleh-don-phai, but they have failed. The health workers or medics in Baleh-don-phai informed to MRDC that they want to repair their clinics. They proposed to have wooden

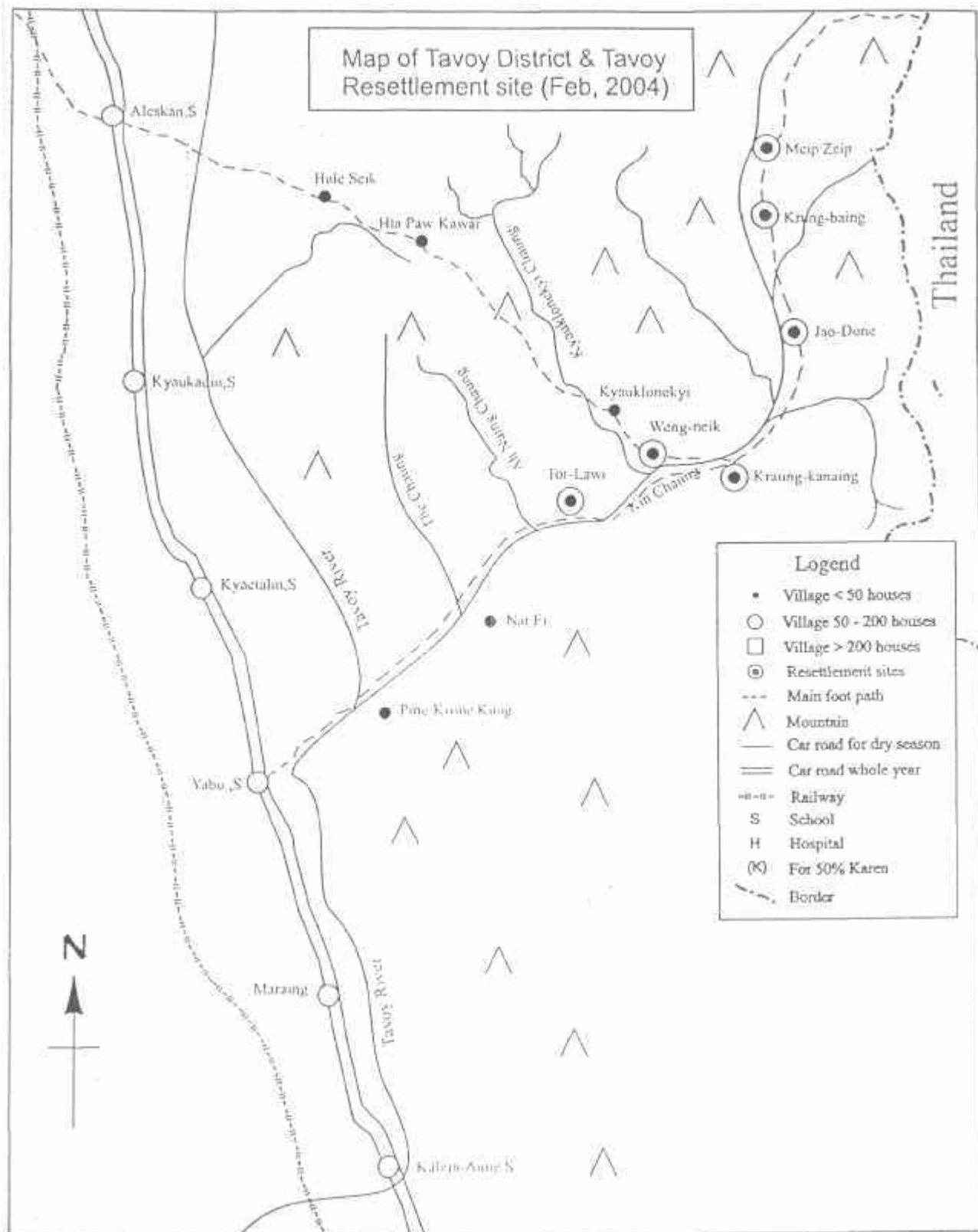
floors and make new walls. They also want to fix toilets for patients. This is a small parts of repairs and MRDC is happy to help them.

In **Htee-wa-doe section**, Karen community leaders are suggesting that they want to build some small water tanks or dig about 4 wells in order to obtain water for the whole year. Houses in Htee-wa-doe section are dispersed from one place to another and they need separate water sources in order to get it.

Karen community leaders also proposed that they want to repair their schools and supporting with desks, chairs and blackboards for the teachers and students. MRDC will arrange to help them with water sources and school building.

The community leaders also proposed to build a bridge that connects the section and monastery. The building of the bridge is necessary because the Karen community people could not go to monastery over 3-months during rainy season, but the bridge is long and they need to use a lot and various types of lumbers.

MRDC will plan and allocate budget the development fund for these infrastructure projects in Halockhani resettlement site and let the community leaders and people their own plan. MRDC's Development Coordinator and staff will also assess the development needs in Bee Ree and Tavoy resettlement sites and propose again.



Map of Ye River
Resettlement site (Feb, 2004)

