

<p>Highlights</p> <p>Security: Reportedly, villagers are still afraid to go farming to nearby fields due to insecurity incidents involving Muslims and Rakhine in 2012 and December 2013. According to the villagers, Muslim community members have been seen collecting firewood and fishing in areas close to the village.</p> <p>Other update on activities and issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WASH: the village lacks latrines so as a result, open defecation in nearby fields is common. The villagers reported to being afraid of snakes and other wild animals when going to the fields at night. Water is usually fetched from ponds but in the dry season water sources are limited. • HEALTH: there is not any health center in the village, however, a mobile clinic from the Ministry of Health goes to the village once or twice a month. As a result of the lack of health services, the villagers usually take traditional medicines prescribed by the elderly. For emergencies, they go to Sittwe Hospital but this can only be afforded by those who have financial means to pay for the boat charges. • EDUCATION: there is an elementary school in the village with 206 students and 10 teachers. The villagers ask for support for the construction of proper school facilities for the large number of students and more classes (grade 7 and above). • FOOD: Reportedly, food rations were provided by MRF to all households. These were usually transported by the villagers from Sittwe to the village, so each household had to pay 2000 Kyats for transport. No food rations have been distributed in the recent months. • PROTECTION: Reportedly, during the dry season water sources are quite limited in the village. As a result, the women have to fetch water from a nearby village – Baw Taw Li (30 minutes away) and, in order to get to the village, they have to walk through STM IDP Camp. The villagers indicated to be afraid of the Muslims who live in nearby villages or areas. <p>Follow up on former issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NTR 	<p>Follow up, challenges and advocacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Protection Team continues to follow up on possible tensions in the area and concerns by the villagers as a result of the tensions (i.e. limited freedom of movement, threats, etc). Any detailed information will be referred to the PWG. • The Protection Team will follow up with the Health Cluster on whether the Ministry of Health has sent health staff to this village or not in the past weeks. • The Protection Team will follow up with MRF on food rations distributions.
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27. Kyauk Pyin Seik Village

Population: approx. 600 inhabitants

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<p>An improvement in the relations between Muslims and Rakhine communities in the area was reported. Allegedly, members of the Muslim community are able to work as daily workers in farmlands that belong to Rakhine community.</p> <p>Follow up on former highlighted issues</p> <p>WASH: Each HH has their own latrines; however, some of them are in need of repair. During the rainy season, the villagers can fetch water from nearby ponds, however, during the dry season, it is very difficult for them to find water.</p> <p>Health: there is a health center in the village as well as a traditional midwife. Pregnant women and children have access to vaccination services. In case of an emergency, these are usually referred to Sittwe Hospital.</p> <p>Education: There is a primary school which was recently renovated by DRC. However, more classrooms are needed as the number of students attending classes is very large.</p> <p>Other update on activities and issues</p> <p>It was reported that before the conflict broke out in 2012, the villagers were planting trees and conducting farming activities in fields in a nearby hills. However, this is not the case now as many of the trees have been reportedly chopped by the Muslim community for firewood.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DRC Protection Team continues to monitor the relation between Muslim and Rakhine communities.