

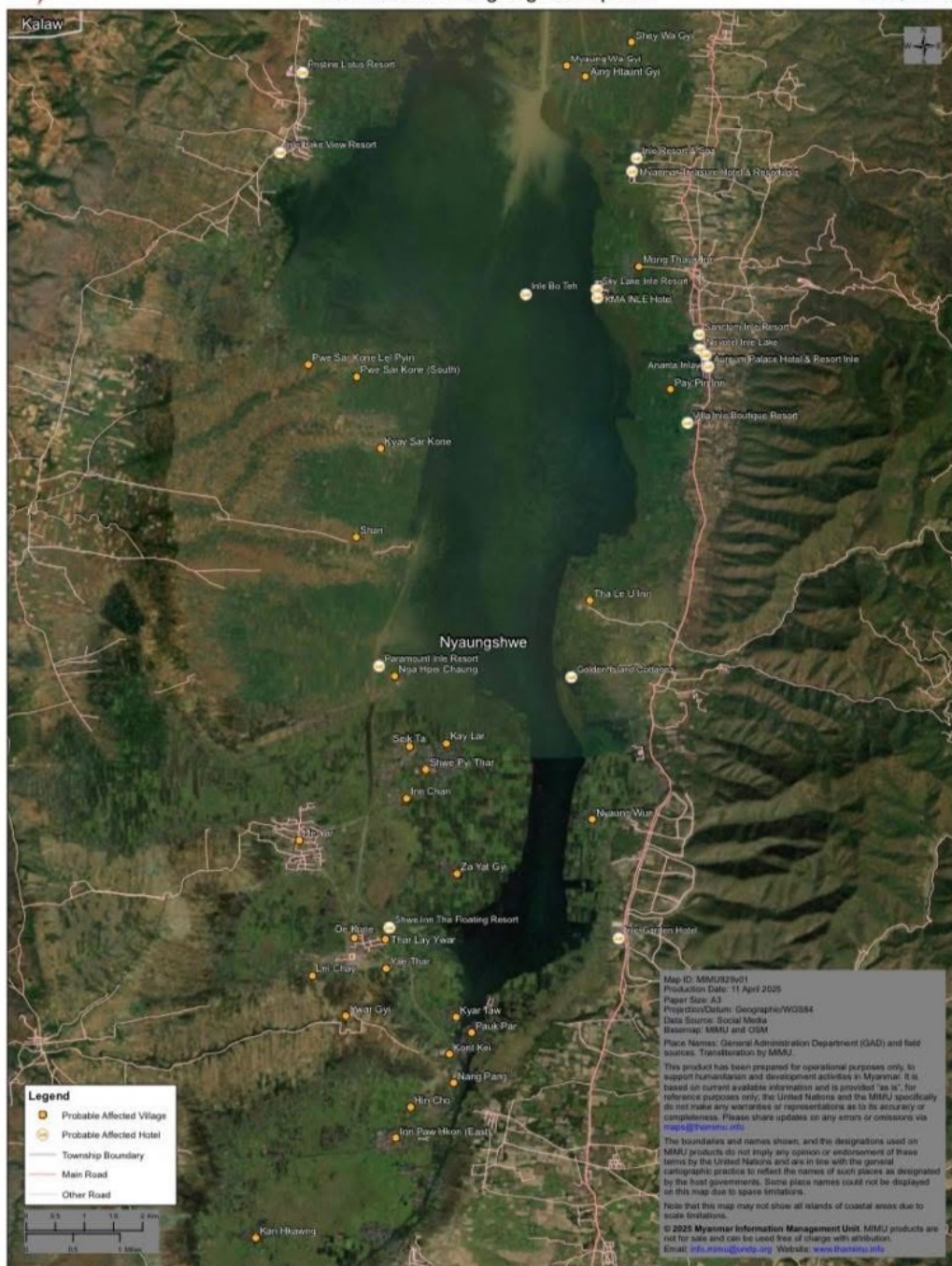


Update from Inle Lake

June 2025

In the not-so-distant past....





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Nyaungshwe Township (Inle lake Region) consists of

- 35 village tracts with 445 villages
- Home to 38,438 households
- A population of approximately 167,257 people.

Of these, 177 villages, 20,727 households, and around 74,212 individuals were directly affected by the 7.7 magnitude earthquake on 28th March 2025.

**Additionally, many internally displaced persons (IDPs) who had sought refuge in the Inle area after fleeing conflict in their hometowns and villages now find themselves unable to return, further deepening the humanitarian crisis.*

Summary of Original Proposal

1. Rapid Relief Response

Inle Earthquake Relief – Rapid Response Proposal

Date: 29 March 2025

Requested Budget: MMK 50,000,000 (~USD 12,500)

Response Period: 30 March – 15 April 2025

Planned Response:

Support for 500 households (~2,000 people) through emergency distribution of:

- Food and hygiene supplies
- Medicines (esp. for skin diseases)
- Basic logistics and packaging







Thank you for helping us to stand again!

2. Post-Earthquake Rehabilitation

In April 2025, we shared a proposal outlining our plan to rebuild 100 homes across earthquake-affected villages around Inle Lake. The goal was to support the most vulnerable households through either full reconstruction or essential repairs, based on assessed levels of damage. The estimated average budget was approximately 4,000,000 MMK (~1,000 USD) per house, with the intention to complete the project as quickly as possible.

Actual Implementation and Adjustments

Due to escalating construction costs, supply chain challenges, and limited funding, we were able to support the rebuilding or repair of 64 homes, an outcome made possible entirely because of your contributions.

Breakdown of the 64 supported houses:

- 39 Timber Houses: Minor to moderate repairs or complete timber rebuilds
- 24 Bamboo Houses: Full rebuilds for completely collapsed structures using bamboo and locally available materials

While this falls short of the original target, it represents a profound achievement, providing safe shelter for 64 families, totalling 296 individuals, just in time for the approaching monsoon season.

Fairness and Flexibility in Support

The houses in these villages vary widely in size, condition, and structural complexity. As a result, the cost of repair or rebuilding was not the same for every household. Our team carefully listened to each family's specific situation, and in collaboration with village representatives, prioritized fairness and sensitivity to individual needs. This meant that the amount spent per house differed, ensuring resources were allocated where they were most needed, rather than applying a fixed cost per household.



Selection and Prioritization

Together with local community representatives, we identified beneficiary families based on clear and transparent criteria:

- Severity of housing damage
- Presence of elderly, children, or persons with disabilities
- Loss of income or family members
- Lack of prior aid received

This collaborative process ensured that support reached those most in need while maintaining community ownership and accountability.

Challenges Encountered

1. Inflation: Prices of materials surged post-disaster, particularly for timber and zinc roofing sheets.
2. Labor Shortages: Skilled builders were in high demand across affected regions.
3. Logistical Constraints: Transporting materials to lakeside and stilt-based communities required time, coordination, and added costs.

Despite these challenges, our local team, volunteers, and partner artisans worked with resilience and commitment to ensure maximum impact.











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Community Impact

Your support has provided more than shelter, it has helped restore dignity, hope, and resilience. Families now have a safe place to sleep, cook meals and begin rebuilding their lives.



Stories of Hope and Gratitude

“We lost everything in the earthquake, but now we have a roof over our heads again. Thank you for helping us stand back up.” — **Kyaw Khine**, Ein Daung Gyi Village

“We may not know who you are, but we will always be grateful. We hope to welcome you into our home one day soon.” — **Min Naing Soe**, Inn Chan Village

“One day, when we’ve rebuilt our lives, we hope to help others the way you helped us.” — **Naing Win**, Ywa Ma Village

“We were so scared and didn’t know what to do. Your help came just in time. It made us feel we’re not alone.” — **Sein May Soe**, Shae Wa Gyi Village

What's Next...?

Moving Forward

As part of the long-term recovery and resilience efforts, the team in Inle Lake are looking forward to focus on the following priority projects:

Livelihood Recovery

Supporting families to rebuild their income sources through practical assistance, tools, and tailored resources.

Community-Based Circular Economy

Strengthening locally rooted economic systems by promoting sustainable agriculture, revitalizing traditional craftsmanship, and supporting small business development.

Youth Education & Skills Training

Providing vocational education and essential life skills to empower young people with the tools to create meaningful, self-sufficient futures.



With Deep Gratitude

We thank each of you for your trust and compassion. Whether you contributed through Rotary networks, community fundraising, or individual donations, your generosity has made a lasting impact.

On behalf of the 64 families and the wider community that has witnessed your care, we say thank you.

With respect and appreciation,

Inle Heritage Foundation Team,

Inle Lake