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# DREF Final Report

## Myanmar: Cyclone Amphan 2020

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<b>Operation start date:</b> 21 May 2020	<b>Operation end date:</b> 21 May 2020
<b>Host National Society:</b> Myanmar Red Cross Society (MRCS)	<b>Operation budget:</b> CHF132,652
<b>Number of people affected:</b> n/a	<b>Number of people assisted:</b> n/a
<b>Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners currently actively involved in the operation:</b> The National Society is working with IFRC and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). ICRC supports MRCS in some areas of Kachin State, Northern Shan State as well as Northern and Central area of Rakhine State. The ICRC has operational presence in Rakhine, working with MRCS for response to the needs of armed conflict, those wounded and displaced by ongoing confrontation between Tatmadaw and Arakan Army since beginning of 2019 and the current COVID-19 prevention activities for displaced and resident populations most affected by armed conflict. The ICRC has two sub delegations in Sittwe and Maungdaw, as well as an office in Mrauk-U where coordinates closely with IFRC sub-office in Rakhine.	
<b>Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation:</b> Department of Meteorology and Hydrology, State Government (GAD) and Department of Disaster Management (DDM). MRCS is preparing for the consequences of Tropical Cyclone Amphan landfall caused intense rains/floods in coordination with local authorities and other humanitarian actors in country e.g. United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) and World Food Program (WFP).	

## A. SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

### Summary of response

At 12:30pm on 16 May 2020, the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology (DMH) advised that the low-pressure front had formed in Southeast Bay of Bengal and adjoining Southwest Bay of Bengal where it was expected to intensify into severe cyclone category. On 18 May 2020 according to DMH information at 13:30 local time, the system strengthened to super cyclonic storm with intensity of category 5 (wind speed of over 155 mph), heading towards eastern India and Bangladesh. The indirect impact was anticipated in Myanmar on 20 May 2020 coastal areas were expected experience grave storm-surge, heavy rainfall, and strong wind to Rakhine, upper Sagaing, Magwe, and Chin State. Rakhine (Maungdaw, Sittwe) and Upper Sagaing (Homalin) was expected to receive 4-8 inch of accumulated rainfall during 19-21 May.

In anticipation of this impact and in accordance with forecast-based financing principles MRCS wrote and submitted a request for a DREF of CHF132,652 that would enable it to respond to the needs of impacted communities.

As Cyclone Amphan travelled towards land it turned further west. At approximately 12:00 UTC Cyclone Amphan made landfall near Bakkhali in West Bengal, India. Initially the cyclone had winds of 155 km/h (100 mph) but once it made landfall it weakened quickly. India, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Sri Lanka all experienced varying levels of impacts from the cyclone, but due to the change in direction Cyclone Amphan did not impact Myanmar as originally anticipated and as such MRCS was not required to respond.

## D. FINANCIAL REPORT

A total of CHF132,652 was allocated from the DREF to the 2020 Cyclone Amphan operations in Myanmar. The operation utilized CHF0 (or 0% of the allocation). The balance of CHF132,652 was not required and therefore was not transferred to MRCS.

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Reference documents



Click [here](#) for:

- Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA)
- Operations Update

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**Save lives,**  
protect livelihoods,  
and strengthen recovery  
from disaster and crises.



Enable **healthy**  
and **safe** living.



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and a culture of  
**non-violence** and **peace**.