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# WFP News Video

**WFP Needs Funds to Continue Assisting People Affected by Conflict in Myanmar**

**Rakhine State, Myanmar**

**Shot: 16-18Oct 2013**

**TRT: 3:28**

## **Shotlist:**

:00-:31

Sittwe

GV's preparing for Buddhist Full Moon Festival- Thadingyut Festival

Shot: 18Oct 2013

:31-:43

Sittwe

Mosque destroyed in June 2012 by fighting.

Shot: 17Oct2013

:43-01:04

Sittwe

This watering hole used to be a mosque. It was destroyed in clashes in June 2012

Shot: 16Oct2013

01:04-01:09

near Sittwe

Destroyed Muslim homes

Shot: 17Oct 2013

01:09-01:26

Sittwe

Sae Yoe Kya camp for displaced Rakhine (Buddhist)

Approx. 3000 displaced Buddhists are living in Sae Yoe Kya camp, most come from Sittwe city, having lost their homes and livelihoods in the conflict. WFP provides them all with rice, oil, salt, chickpeas. Children, pregnant women and new mothers are getting special fortified cereals.

Shot: 16Oct2013

01:26-01:43

Sae Yoe Kya camp

SOT: Nwe Nwe , displaced Buddhist

"We had to run because Muslims burned our home. We never thought that this would happen. We had to run to save our lives, and had no time to collect our belongings or even our food"

Shot: 16Oct2013

01:43- 02:01

Near Sittwe

Baw Du Ba camp for displaced Muslims

WFP assists almost all 15,000 living in Baw Du Ba camp with rice, oil, salt, chickpeas. WFP also built 320 shelters, water pumps, latrines and water tanks.

Shot 16Oct2013

02:01- 02:07

Baw Du Ba camp for displaced Muslims

SOT: Fatima, displaced Muslim

Kala is living in this shelter with her family of 5.

“They burned our homes and chased us with knives”

Shot: 16Oct2013

02:07-02:16

Baw Du Ba camp

Muslim family eating Eid dinner.

Shot: 16Oct2013

02:16- 02:26

Near Sittwe

Action Against Hunger (ACF) run Nutrition Center

Severely malnourished 6month old baby being measured (the red Middle Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) tape indicates that she is severely malnourished) and weighed.

Rakhine State has a 50% stunting rate for children-one of the hardest hit parts of Myanmar.

Myanmar has one of the highest stunting rates in the world.

Shot: 17Oct2013

02:26-02:35

near Sittwe

Rice field near camp for displaced Muslims. WFP locally purchases the rice it provides to everyone displaced by fighting. This helps local farmers and the economy.

Shot 16Oct2013

02:35-02:49

near Sittwe

Chickpeas and locally purchased WFP rice being loaded onto boats that will bring food to communities where people have been affected by the conflict.

Shot 18Oct2013

02:49- 03:10

Near Sittwe

SOT : Jonathan Dumont, WFP Spokesperson

“The World Food Programme is reaching almost all of them-almost all the people who have been displaced but, the funding is going to run out at the end of the year. It doesn’t look good. It doesn’t look like these people are going back to their communities anytime soon. And if

funding doesn't continue then they are going to be in even worse shape than they are now because the food is going to run out."  
Shot 17Oct2013

03:10-03:28  
Pauktaw Island  
Kyae Ni Pyin camp for displaced Muslims.  
4400 displaced people receive WFP food rations.

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### **Key Messages**

- **WFP has been providing regular food assistance to displaced people in Rakhine state since the outbreak of communal violence in June 2012. Currently, WFP reaches 142,000 people per month in and around Sittwe.**
- **As well as displacement, local economies have broken down, so many people no longer have access to markets and jobs and are reliant on humanitarian assistance. The resettlement of displaced people seems unlikely in the near future and humanitarian needs will continue.**
- **WFP needs US\$13 million to continue providing life-saving food assistance to displaced people in Rakhine over the next six months.**

### **Operations**

- Since July 2012, WFP has distributed almost 27,000 metric tons of food to displaced people in and around Sittwe.
- WFP's monthly rations are made up of rice, pulses, cooking oil and salt. In addition, nutritious blended food is distributed to pregnant women and nursing mothers and their young children, protecting them from malnutrition at a time of great vulnerability.
- WFP purchases 90 percent of the rice it distributes in Myanmar locally, providing local responses to local needs and stimulating local markets.
- WFP is working with partners in Sittwe town to start asset creation projects which will bring food and cash assistance to communities affected by the ongoing crisis but not actually displaced.

- Rakhine State is an extremely remote, undeveloped region, and some affected communities can only be reached by boat.

Thanks to generous contributions from donors including Japan, USA, Australia and the European Union, WFP has been able to respond swiftly to the current crisis. In order to keep providing life-saving food assistance to the displaced population in Rakhine over the next six months, WFP requires US\$13 million.

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