Why is Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) important in Myanmar?

Over the last few decades, Myanmar has faced widespread displacement caused by natural disasters such as floods and cyclones as well as ongoing armed conflict. Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) deals with displacement by addressing three distinct functions namely camp administration, camp management and camp coordination. Camp administration is the overseeing of activities by governments and national authorities, camp management is the management of assistance and services within the camp and camp coordination refers to the overall coordination of roles and responsibilities within the camp.

IOM’s approach to CCCM:

- Enhance Camp Management Agencies (CMAs) capacity by strengthening knowledge and practices on CCCM and supporting protection mainstreaming on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and counter-trafficking awareness raising.
- Strengthening camp populations on disaster preparedness by developing 10 camp contingency plan with a special focus on evacuation planning.

IOM Myanmar conducts a range of important CCCM activities:

- Strengthening basic camp management practices;
- Building stronger coordination and information management flow in camps;
- Supporting better monitoring of needs, gaps, and access to services;
- Improving participation and community mobilization mechanisms;
- Establishing complaint and feedback mechanisms;
- Supporting protection actors and strengthen protection strategies in camps (including on security, safety, GBV, and trafficking prevention);
- Strengthening Disaster Risk Reduction understanding and mainstreaming in camp settings.
IOM’s Key partners in CCCM activities include the Relief and Resettlement Department, Kachin and Rakhine State Government, Local authorities, community based organizations and UN, INGO and LNGO partners.

“IOM has conducted one day CCCM introduction training on 7 December 2015 at Lisu Baptist Church in Hpakan. The camp leaders and the focal persons from various sub-committees attended the training and the training topics covered on the concept, framework and approach of CCCM as well as the roles and responsibilities of focal persons and camp management agencies.

The training was successfully conducted and during the discussion session, the participants expressed their challenges, needs, and gaps in implementing activities. IOM is planning to reform the Camp Management Committees and strengthening their capacity so that they can provide better CCCM services to the beneficiaries.” - San Mai, CCCM Project Support Officer (IOM)

**CCCM in Rakhine State**

IOM has been working in coordination with CCCM cluster members; Save the Children, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), the Lutheran World Federation (LWF), and Relief International on CCCM related issues. IOM has conducted learning need assessments with all Camp Management Agencies and Camp Focal Points to identify capacity building needs of each agency. Additionally, IOM supports the CCCM cluster in standardization of camp management tools to support cluster members. IOM also identifies lasting solutions for people living in the camp and with the development of contingency plans in the event of disaster.

**CCCM in Kachin and Northern Shan State**

IOM supports the capacity building of CCCM cluster members; Kachin Baptist Convention (KBC), Karuna Myanmar Social Services (KMSS), Shalom, and Health Poverty Action (HPA) based in Myitkyina, Bhamo, Lashio, Muse and Laiza. IOM provides training on ‘Introduction to CCCM’ to new Camp Management Agency (CMA) staff and individual in-camp mentoring sessions and coaching sessions on coordination and information management to all CCCM staffs to strengthen their knowledge, practices and to build capacity. IOM develops coaching plans and tools on protection in the camps.

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