

Reaching the Most Vulnerable: Working in Conflict Affected Areas



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Background History

- **Post 1997 military major operations in South Eastern Myanmar.**
- **Emergence of terminology of IDPs.**
- **The birth of KDN begins with responding to the problem of IDPs.**
- **Focusing on South Eastern Myanmar.**



Root Causes of Armed Conflict in Myanmar

- **Lack of political negotiation**
- **Lack of opportunities for ceasefire and peace.**

Consequences and Responses

- **No recognition of Refugee/IDPs**
 - **Low media coverage**
 - **Humanitarian assistance**
 - **Recovery and rehabilitation**
 - **Relief**
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Dynamics of Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA) and Peace Process (2011-2015)

- **Invitation to peace table on 18 Aug, 2011**
- **Signing of NCA on 15 Oct, 2015**

Paradigm Shift (November 2018)

- **Temporary suspension from Peace talks by KNU.**
 - **RCSS's suspension from JMC.**
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Analysis of current situation

- **Challenges**
 - **Territory Limitation**
 - **Remaining EAOs still undecided to sign NCA**

Scenarios

- **Positive**
 - **Critical and significant role of Civil Society**
- **Negative**
 - **Continued insecurity**
 - **Fear of resurgence of fighting**
 - **Fragile relationships can break down**



The role of LIFT and other Donors in conflict situation

- **Development assistance and bridging the nexus between humanitarian and development.**
- **Support to potential returnees.**

The role of Civil Society

- **Bridge between Government and EAOs**
 - **Advocators for peace.**
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