

Rakhine State Action Plan

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This is a work in progress, with time frames to be adjusted according to the situation on the ground.

Rakhine State Action Plan: Part I – Security, stability and rule of law

Security, stability and rule of law		2014						2015												2016												2017											
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M							
1.	Prevent illegal aliens from entering Myanmar with Border Protection and Security Department																																										
2	Ensure the security of land borders with security forces, infrastructure and intelligence mechanisms as required																																										
3	Ensure riverine security, including along Nat River, ensuring Myanmar Navy and marine police as required																																										
4	Ensure marine security of Myanmar territorial waters																																										
5	Ensure city, town and village security																																										
5.1	Equip and deploy police in all areas of potential conflict in Rakhine State so that they can respond with appropriate numbers and equipment																																										
5.2	Ensure police are empowered to conduct crowd/riot control and conflict resolution																																										
6	Ensure rule of law and strengthen the executive branch																																										
6.1	Fully staff General Administration Office, immigration and population department and judiciary department in Rakhine State																																										
6.2	Ensure that various administrative poses are appropriately staffed																																										
6.3	Systematically organize the selection of ward /village heads																																										
6.4	Ensure position of village and township administrators in Bengali areas are appropriately staffed with the most suitable persons																																										
6.5	Promote knowledge amongst key government officials of Myanmar Constitution, Refugee Law, international humanitarian law/human rights instruments																																										
6.6	Resolve grievances and complaints rapidly																																										
6.7	Monitor NGOs, CBOs, religious associations and political parties in Rakhine State to ensure their activities are within the law																																										
6.8	Continuously monitor the situation and submit annual status reports																																										
6.9	Swiftly punish violations of the law, regardless of race and religion																																										
6.10	Well before emergencies, define the roles and responsibilities of district/township administrative officials during emergencies																																										
6.11	Implement preventive measures to ensure law and order in Rakhine State: education, prevention procedures, prompt action, monitoring with vigilance, capacity building and effective supervision																																										
6.12	Cooperate with government departments, non-governmental and other civil society organizations, media and security forces in the areas of justice, policing, education, health, employment and reconciliation																																										
6.13	The Union Government shall assign duties as needed																																										
7	Ensure border security																																										
8	Prevent further violence in Rakhine State with attention to critical spots																																										
9	Ensure rule of law in Rakhine State																																										




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9.1	Continue with promotion of Myanmar Constitution, Refugee Law, Humanitarian Principles and international Human Rights instruments																																					
9.2	Ensure transparency of actions with regard to rule of law																																					
9.3	Promote relations with Bangladesh in order to resolve illegal immigration and other border issues																																					
9.4	Issue official news regularly to counter the false information being spread by various parties, including on international media																																					
10.	Restore stability and calm																																					
10.1	Establish a riot control police force for Rakhine State																																					
10.2	Set up a Conflict Management Centre with early warning system																																					




Note: For resettlement of IDPs, transport and communications, see Action Plan Part II and Part IV.

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Acronyms:

CBO	Community Based Organization
IDP	Internally displaced persons
INGO	International Non-Governmental Organization
NGO	Non Governmental Organization

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Rakhine State Action Plan: Part II – Rehabilitation and Reconstruction

Rehabilitation and Reconstruction		2014					2015					2016					2017									
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	
1.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Sittwe Township																									
1.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Rakhine communities in Sittwe Township.																									
1.2	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali communities in Sittwe Township.																									
1.3	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																									
1.3.1	Provide safe drinking water																									
1.3.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																									
1.3.3	Provide electricity																									
2.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Pauktaw Township																									
2.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Rakhine communities in Pauktaw Township																									
2.2	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali communities in Pauktaw Township																									
2.3	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																									
2.3.1	Provide safe drinking water																									
2.3.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																									
2.3.3	Provide electricity																									
3.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Myaybon Township																									
3.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Rakhine communities in Myaybon Township																									
3.2	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali communities in MyaybonTownship.																									
3.3	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																									
3.3.1	Provide safe drinking water																									
3.3.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																									
3.3.3	Provide electricity																									
4.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Kyauktaw Township																									
4.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali communities in Kyauktaw Township.																									
4.2	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																									
4.2.1	Provide safe drinking water																									
4.2.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																									
4.2.3	Provide electricity																									
5.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Minbya Township																									
5.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali communities in Minbya Township.																									
5.2	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																									

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5.2.1	Provide safe drinking water																																							
5.2.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																																							
5.2.3	Provide electricity																																							
6.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Mrauk U Township																																							
6.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Rakhine & Mramargyi communities in Mrauk U Township.																																							
6.2	Allocate land for housing displaced Bengali communities in Mrauk U Township.																																							
6.3	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																																							
6.3.1	Provide safe drinking water																																							
6.3.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																																							
6.3.3	Provide electricity																																							
7.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Rathe Taung Township																																							
7.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali communities in Rathe TaungTownship.																																							
7.2	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																																							
7.2.1	Provide safe drinking water																																							
7.2.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																																							
7.2.3	Provide electricity																																							
8.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Kyaukpyu Township																																							
8.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Rakhine communities in Kyaukpyu Township																																							
8.2	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Kaman communities in Kyaukpyu Township																																							
8.3	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																																							
8.3.1	Provide safe drinking water																																							
8.3.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																																							
8.3.3	Provide electricity																																							
9.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in YanbyeTownship																																							
9.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Bengali and Kaman communities in Yanbye Township.																																							
9.2	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																																							
9.2.1	Provide safe drinking water																																							
9.2.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																																							
9.2.3	Provide electricity																																							
10.	Temporary settlement of and support to displaced persons in Maungdaw Township																																							
10.1	Allocate land and build accommodations for displaced Rakhine communities in Maungdaw Township																																							
10.2	Provide the new accommodations with basic amenities																																							
10.2.1	Provide safe drinking water																																							

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10.2.2	Provide safe sanitation facilities																																																
10.2.3	Provide electricity																																																
11.	Ensure cooking fuel for new settlements																																																
12.	Improve transportation between settlements																																																
	Ohndawgyi- Ohndawchay road construction																																																
	Sittwe-Palinbyin Road construction																																																
	Road to Thetkeypin to be asphalted																																																
	Sittwe-Palinbyin water drainage channels/gutters																																																
	Hmansi-Ohn-lawgyi road construction																																																
	Sittwe Palinbyin from Khaungtoke kar to Hsay thamagyi Village road construction																																																
	Thetkeypin Hmawsi hnya road construction																																																
13.	Improve telecommunication facilities for displaced communities																																																
13.1	Issue mobile phones and SIM cards at nominal prices for community use.																																																
14.	Inspect population in resettlement camps																																																
14.1	Conduct inspections and meetings on relief and rehabilitation																																																
15.	Coordinate and cooperate with non-profit organizations (UN agencies, INGOs and NGOs)																																																

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Acronyms


INGO	International non-governmental organization
NGO	Non-governmental organization
UN	United Nations

Rakhine State Action Plan: Part III – Permanent Resettlement

Permanent Resettlement		2014					2015												2016												2017												
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J						
1.	Conduct planning and assessments of permanent resettlement areas after consultations with affected communities																																										
1.1	Complete and update the existing June 2014 records of Rakhine and Bengali IDPs in temporary camps																																										
1.2	Inform and discuss relocation plans with the affected communities																																										
1.3	To the extent possible, make alternate plans for IDPs who do not want to go back to the places of origins																																										
1.4	Conduct assessments of education and health infrastructure, livelihood opportunities and the security situations of proposed resettlement areas																																										
2.	Construct and establish the necessary infrastructure																																										
2.1	Construct individual houses for IDP families with water and sanitation facilities meeting standing																																										
2.2	Provide electricity to permanent settlements																																										
2.3	Build necessary roads to ensure access to permanent settlements																																										
2.4	Construct schools or additional schools and resettlement areas as necessary																																										
2.5	Construct health facilities in resettlement areas as necessary																																										
2.6	Construct village markets and shops as necessary																																										
3.	Plan and organize logistics for the resettlements																																										
3.1	Organize the IDPs into groups of 10, 50 and 100 households																																										
3.2	Organize fuel, land and water transport for the move																																										
3.3	Plan rigorous security measures during and after the move																																										
4.	Move and resettle displaced communities																																										
4.1	Move IDPs from Sittwe township to planned resettlement areas																																										
4.2	Move IDPs from Pauktaw township to planned resettlement areas																																										
4.3	Implement vigorous security measures during and after the move																																										
5.	Initiate the provision of socio-economic support to resettled communities																																										
5.1	Provide for food security and other immediate basic needs in cooperation with development partners																																										
5.2	Promote and support livelihood in agriculture, including the provision of seeds, fishing nets and other equipment																																										
5.3	Promote and support livelihood in fishery, including provision of boats, engines, fishing nets, and other equipment																																										
5.4	Promote other livelihoods including the provision of trishaws and motor cycles																																										
5.5	Promote livelihood options for women, including provision of training and equipment for cottage industries such as sewing machines																																										
5.6	Continue long-term support to agriculture, livestock, fisheries and local businesses to enable communities to become independent (see Part V)																																										

Key:

 Group of activities to be completed

 Activities to be completed

Rakhine State Action Plan: Part III – Permanent Resettlement

Numbers of IDPs to be resettled

	Current IDPs		IDPs living with own arrangements		Number to be resettled	
	(1)	(2)	(5)	(6)	(1 – 5)	(2 – 6)
	Households	Persons	Households	Persons	Households	Persons
Rakhine	360	1738			360	1738
Bengali	25548	138724	1403	7439	24145	131285
Total	25908	140462	1403	7439	24505	133023

Some indicative unit cost for permanent resettlement

Item	Estimated Unit Cost	
	Kyat	
Constriction works		
Houses including sanitation facility*	5,000,000	per house
Water supply system**	500,000	per system
Solar electricity supply	200,000	per house
School construction	32,000,000	per school
Health centre	94,000,000	per centre
Earth road	12,000,000	per mile
Logistics		
Fuel	4,500	per gallon
Lubricant	12,000	per gallon

* Cost of each house based on the dimensions of 24'x18'x9.5' and including sanitation facility

** Each water supply system serves 250 persons and comprises public stand pipe, sewage tank and apron.

Support to other necessary infrastructure and supplies (e.g. administrative structures, food, livelihood generation) not included.

Rakhine State Action Plan: Part IV– Citizenship assessment of Bengalis

Citizenship assessment of Bengalis		2014							2015												2016												2017											
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J							
1.	Prepare for identification and registration of all Bengalis																																											
1.1.	Prepare logistics and support for registration of all Bengalis																																											
1.1.1	Collect identification information from Bengalis living in temporary shelters																																											
1.1.2	Form enumeration teams including local Bengalis and other groups and establish all security measures necessary																																											
1.1.3	Coordinate the planning and prioritization of implementation																																											
1.1.4	Plan for deployment of security forces.																																											
1.1.5	Prepare identification means and equipment																																											
1.1.6	Make preparations to ensure verification against existing records																																											
2	Inform, educate and mobilize the population of target areas																																											
2.1	Inform in appropriate local languages the Bengali population in target areas of the registration and citizenship assessment process																																											
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">That the registration will be conducted according definition in existing Myanmar law; that those who refuse registration are not registered will not be considered in the citizenship assessment process; that those who commit violence against the registration teams will not be registered; that the Myanmar 1982 Citizen Law will be applied together with a Neutralization Oath Ceremony; that those not eligible for citizenship will be handled according to Myanmar Laws and Procedures; that sheltering illegal immigrants is a chargeable offense under applicable laws .																																											
3	Register all Bengalis in Rakhine State																																											
3.1	Conduct registration with adequate security forces, informing communities that attacks on any government entity will be dealt with according to the laws.																																											
4	Issue registered Bengalis with temporary registration card - white card or registration numbers during the registration period																																											
4.1	Register all records of Bengalis in accordance with the Residents of Burma Registration Act 1949																																											
4.2	Issue all Bengalis children under the age of 10 years with registration numbers on the relevance temporary household list and issue Temporary Registration Cards – White Cards to register Bengalis above age 10 years without White Cards																																											
4.3	Allow Bengalis already processing White Cards and National Registration Cards (NRC – the 3 fold card) to keep these documents																																											
5	Keep the public informed on the Bengali registration process																																											
5.1	Develop & disseminate media messages and briefing notes																																											
5.2	Publicize and request public support in exposing corruption related to (a) illegal immigrants (b) aiding and abetting illegal immigrants (c) conspirators in such activities																																											
6	Establish the structures for citizenship assessment																																											




Rakhine State Action Plan: Part IV– Citizenship assessment of Bengalis

Citizenship assessment of Bengalis		2014					2015					2016					2017								
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J
6.1	In accordance with the laws and procedures, set up Township Assessment Teams and State Verification Teams in order to (a) assess citizenship at the township level (b) review assessment result at the State level and (c) submit result to the Central level																								
6.2	Set up a Citizenship Central Review Board to review case from the State Citizenship Assessment Team and to make the final decision																								
7.	Set norms and criteria for citizenship assessment																								
7.1	Classify Bengalis into different categories (Categories I, II, and III) those previously recorded in registered: those not recorded previously but willing to go through the assessment process according to Myanmar existing laws, and those who reject definition in the existing laws																								
8	Determine eligibility of Bengalis for citizenship in Categories I and II.																								
8.1	Apply citizenship criteria from the 1982 Citizenship Law																								
8.2	Following the provisions in the 1982 Citizenship Law <ul style="list-style-type: none">Township Assessment Teams assess application cases for citizenship and submit to State Assessment TeamThe State Assessment Team reviews/reassesses and submits to the Central Review BoardThe Central Review Board makes the final decision on citizenship																								
8.3	Hold a compulsory Naturalization Oath Ceremony for Bengalis who meet respective criteria for Associate Citizenship/ Naturalized citizenship or citizenship according to the 1982 Citizenship Law																								
8.4	For those who meet the respective criteria and have completed the Naturalization Oath Ceremony, issue them with appropriate documents. Those who do not attend the Ceremony will not be eligible for any document.																								
8.5	All Bengali children younger than 10 years must be registered with registration numbers on the relevant temporary household list. Temporary Registration Cards – White Cards shall be issued to registered Bengali children when they reach the age of 10 years. When these children reach 18 years of age, they are required to apply for citizenship or other status according to Myanmar's 1982 Citizenship Law																								
9.	Deal with the Bengalis not meeting criteria for citizenship, including those from Category III of activity 7.1 according to Myanmar's laws																								
9.1	Construct temporary camps in required numbers for those who refuse to be registered and those without adequate documents																								
9.2	Ensure that the Bengalis in temporary camps have their humanitarian needs met in terms of food, shelter, water and sanitation. Work together with relevant international organizations as needed. Issue the necessary regulation for the temporary camps																								
10.	Keep the public informed on the Bengali citizenship assessment process																								
10.1	Develop media messages and briefing notes																								
10.2	Disseminate to public through all government and private media channels																								
10.3	Publicize and request public support in exposing corruption cases related to illegal immigration those who aid and abet and those who conspire to commit such acts																								

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11	Address the issue of illegal aliens (those not eligible for citizenship according to Myanmar laws and procedures)																																					
11.1	Negotiate with UNHCR about those not qualified for citizenship according to Myanmar laws and are therefore illegal aliens, on the basis that Myanmar as a sovereign state has its own immigration laws and that Myanmar is granting appropriate documentation only to those who qualified according to its Citizenship Law																																					
11.2	Work with UNHCR to resettle the illegal aliens elsewhere																																					
12.	Set up birth and death registration procedures for everyone in Rakhine State																																					
12.1	Brief relevant authorities of the need to register birth and death																																					
12.2	Do information campaigns regularly focused on Bengali villages on family planning poverty alleviation and the requirement to register at birth.																																					
12.3	Require birth certificate for children to go to any school in Rakhine State, including religious schools																																					
13.	Take action against illegal immigration, present and future																																					
13.1	Expand the Border Protection and Security Department and implement a systematic immigration border management system																																					
13.2	Conduct negotiations with Bangladesh to prevent illegal aliens																																					
13.3	Take action against all illegal aliens in accordance with the laws																																					
13.4	Control corruption amongst Government personnel with appropriate sanctions and incentive systems.																																					
13.5	With Interpol and central Police forces, track money laundering routes and cut off all channels of funding																																					

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Acronyms

IDP	Internally displaced person
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Rakhine State Action Plan: Part V – Socio-Economic Development

Socio-Economic Development		2014					2015					2016					2017								
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J
1.	Improve farm productivity in a sustainable way																								
1.1	Provide quality rice seeds and agricultural inputs to farmers																								
1.2	Establish rice cultivation zone in Kyauk Taw, Myauk-U and Minbya: vegetable cultivation zone in Ponnagyun and Sittwe, fruit/flower zone in Thandwe																								
1.3	Provide agricultural extension (knowledge and skill development) to rural communities																								
1.4	Provide infrastructure and equipment to upgrade agriculture in Rakhine State																								
1.5	Establish mechanisms, including partnership with private and non-profit sector for farmers to obtain small loans and grants easily including microfinance schemes																								
1.6	Open agricultural machinery showrooms in Sittwe and Taungup																								
1.7	Establish specialized rice companies to distribute rice seeds, purchase rice at market price, process and export rice																								
1.8	Build modern rice mill in large towns to produce high quality rice																								
1.9	Conduct feasibility studies for construction of fertilizer plants, if not feasible, import local and/or foreign fertilizer for distribution																								
1.10	Build and maintain water reservoirs, dykes and barriers to prevent sea water intrusion																								
1.11	Offer sales of farm equipment from designated location through instalment loans, and other financing																								
2	Manage fishery stocks and other resources sustainably																								
2.1	Provide fishing equipment and boats as appropriate.																								
2.2	Provide knowledge and skills development in management and sustainable exploitation of fisheries and other water resources																								
2.3	Promote the preservation and restoration of mangrove and other tidal forests with local communities' participation																								
2.4	Establish mechanisms for fishermen/fishery workers to obtain small loans and grants easily including microfinance schemes																								
2.5	Establish zones for the scientific raising of cattle, and poultry in suitable areas.																								
2.6	Establish poultry farms close to IDP areas to provide long-term employment opportunities																								
2.7	Promote the participation of private entrepreneurs and companies in poultry and cattle raising, and arranging financing.																								
2.8	Declare Man Aung Island a disease-free zone, and facilitate the export of dairy products and livestock through joint ventures with foreign businesses.																								
2.9	Provide practical skills in improving animal husbandry, animal feeds, health, production techniques and other related skills.																								
2.10	Establish saltwater shrimp production in Kyaukpyu																								
2.11	Establish superior quality saltwater shrimp hatcheries in Pauktaw, which has a suitable habitat.																								
2.12	Improve freshwater fish production, given that the bulk of exports to Bangladesh comprises Ngamyitchin freshwater fish.																								
2.13	Establish a freshwater fish hatchery farm in Kyauktaw.																								

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Rakhine State Action Plan: Part V – Socio-Economic Development

Socio-Economic Development		2014					2015					2016					2017								
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J
2.14	To protect marine resources, reduce bottom trawling and take action against ocean trawlers fishing close to shore, fishing with poisonous substances, and fishing with dynamite.																								
2.15	Mobilize the participation of fishery workers and business owners in efforts to protect marine resources.																								
2.16	Proceed with the plan to build a refrigeration plant in Kyaukpyu.																								
3	Develop Rakhine as a tourist destination, in partnership with private sector																								
3.1	Develop transport services linked to major tourist destinations, notably Mrauk-U, Ngapali.																								
3.2	Work with private sector to develop affordable hotels for both international and domestic tourism																								
3.3	Develop ecocultural and environmental tourism within Rakhine State, including Mrauk U and develop new tour destinations within the State, such as unexploited islands and beaches. (see Special Projects)																								
3.4	Develop areas linked to tourism: such as transport, handicraft and other cottage industries, culture & traditions, food and hospitality,																								
3.5	Establish hotels in historical areas such as Mrauk U, establish training for hotel workers, and tour guides.																								
3.6	Improve the standard of hotels																								
4	Promote Taing-Yin-tha cultures and environmental conservation in Rakhine State																								
4.1	Establish a culture and environmental conservation fund with fees charged to domestic and international tourists, mandatory fees charged to hotels, other businesses and all development projects, especially Kyaukpyu gas project																								
4.2	Develop museums, starting with Mrauk U museum																								
4.3	Promote seminars and conferences in Rakhine State on history and culture of Rakhine State																								
4.4	Conduct public education via television on environmental conservation of islands, beaches and forests of Rakhine State																								
4.5	Promote job creation based on environmental and culture conservation to incentivize local people to protect and promote local cultures and the environment																								
5	Promote and expand livelihood options																								
5.1	Improve access to microcredit by the poor: set up mechanisms and trainings for microfinance																								
5.2	Improve the transport network in Rakhine State (see also # 9)																								
5.3	Build up the capacity of the workforce in Rakhine State with technical and vocational trainings (TVET)																								
5.4	Invite private sector entities to form partnerships with relevant Government Ministries to give various livelihood skills training and provide job placements																								
5.6	Establish small and medium-sized businesses in all townships																								
5.7	Establish temporary markets near IDP camps to enable residents to carry on with their livelihoods and upgrade these markets as appropriate.																								

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Socio-Economic Development		2014					2015					2016					2017								
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5.8	Provide trishaws and three-wheel cycles to improve the livelihoods of those not involved in agriculture or livestock																								
5.9	Improve regular and cross-border trade with Bangladesh.																								
6	Ensure quality basic education for all persons living in Rakhine State																								
6.1	Provide teachers and teaching-learning materials to teach children in Rakhine and Bengali camps																								
6.2	Ensure security for all teachers, especially those in remote villages or in villages surrounded by another ethnic group, or in villages close to the Bangladesh border or trafficking points																								
6.3	Review and increase the teacher-student ratio for Rakhine State																								
6.4	Create jobs for the local people in Rakhine State in the education sector																								
6.5	Recruit and train suitable Bengali teachers as necessary																								
6.6	Enforce the Education Policy promulgated in 2011-2012 for all children of primary school age to go to a Government-recognized school and have free access to primary education, especially in Bengali communities																								
6.7	Provide adult literacy classes for Bengalis requiring them to learn the Bamar language and writing to a standard of functional literacy																								
6.8	Using radio programmes, loudspeakers and other media, provide public education on family planning, universal education, Myanmar laws and regulations.																								
6.9	Review and reform religious school curriculums to inculcate values of loyalty to the country and mutual respect between communities, and ensure that all children receive civic education (See Part V, 1)																								
6.10	Continue the current practice of having volunteer Bengali teachers teach in IDP camps																								
6.11	Continue the practice of hiring Bengali university and high school graduates as teachers.																								
6.12	Arrange for university students to continue their studies with relevant distance education university departments, if needed.																								
6.13	Ensure education projects are implemented fairly for both communities																								
6.14	Facilitate exchange programs with international universities, computer and technical colleges and establish e-libraries.																								
6.15	Train new engineers for work in emerging industrial zones, and small and medium-sized business.																								
6.16	Meet Rakhine State's education requirements for sufficient numbers of schools, school furniture, textbooks; for adequate numbers of teachers, and improved quality of school education.																								
7	Promote the health of the population living in Rakhine State																								
7.1	Expand the network of village health posts and health facilities in Rakhine State, using mobile health teams for villages without a health post or health facility.																								
7.2	Ensure sufficient equipment and essential drugs in all health posts/facilities																								
7.3	Review and increase the ratio of doctor to population and nurse to population ratio.																								

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7.4	Ensure security for all health workers, especially those in remote villages, in villages surrounded by another ethnic group, and in villages close to the Bangladesh border.																									
7.5	Provide public education/information sessions on basic preventive and promotive health care to communities, especially those in remote areas (e.g., on vaccinations, diarrhoeal diseases control, breastfeeding, safe water, hygiene, danger signs for referral to health facilities)																									
7.6	Ensure safe water and sanitation facilities in line with Ministry of Health norms and standards for the population																									
7.7	Implement measures to prevent and control infectious diseases																									
7.8	Implement the policies of the national health development plan.																									
7.9	Strengthen surveillance of acute flaccid paralysis, and strengthen the control of vaccine preventable diseases.																									
7.10	Strengthen the monitoring and control systems for leprosy, maternal and neonatal diseases, measles and trachoma.																									
7.11	Reduce incidence and death rates associated with HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria																									
7.12	Prevent and control zoonotic diseases such as leptospirosis and rabies																									
7.13	Raise the skills and capacities of health workers through training.																									
7.14	Improve and establish as required health centres, rural health departments and mobile clinics for Rakhine State, provide medical supplies and equipment, ensure sufficient numbers of doctors, nurses, and health staff.																									
8	Improve access to electricity for the Rakhine State population																									
8.1	Develop and implement plans for electrification of Rakhine State at reasonable cost, to be subsidized initially by the Union Government																									
8.1.1	Construct transmission stations at Sittwe, Ponna Kyun and Rathe Taung Connect Myebon and Pauktaw to the electrical grid Connect other towns as appropriate																									
8.1.2	Develop sources of electric power as appropriate																									
8.1.3	Replace ageing electricity lines.																									
8.1.4	Construct connections with the national grid, transmission lines and power transmission stations, as necessary																									
8.1.5	Ensure that a proportion of Kyaukpyu natural gas is used for Rakhine State electrification.																									
8.1.6	Create jobs for the local people in Rakhine State in the electricity and energy sector																									
9	Enhance transport networks in Rakhine State																									
9.1	Ensure that all potential conflict areas are easily reachable in Rakhine State																									
9.2	Ensure that public transportation supports trade and tourism expansion																									
9.2.1	Ensure smooth transportation along the Kaledan River between Sittwe and Paletwa in Chin State and link up with towns in Chin State																									
9.2.2	Create jobs for the local people in Rakhine State in the transport sector																									
9.2.3	Construct/repair roads between the trade hubs, especially roads with other States and Divisions																									

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9.2.4	In cooperation with the private sector, increase flights and ship/boat/hovercraft frequencies within, to and from Rakhine State																								
9.2.5	Develop Sittwe, and other airports in Rakhine State																								
9.3	Upgrade roads connecting the various townships to all-weather roads.																								
9.4	Upgrade the Sittwe-Kyauktaw-Mrauk U road, improve both land and water transport between Sittwe Kyauktaw and Mrauk U.																								
10	Increase telecommunications & IT networks in Rakhine State																								
10.1	Work with private sector to ensure a significant increase line telephony																								
10.2	Work with private sector to ensure mobile phone transmission towers and Mobile Telephone Switching Offices as needed																								
10.3	Increase access to internet in Rakhine State, including through installation of Fibre Optics networks in Sittwe district (2014-15)																								
10.4	Install ADSL service in Thandwe during the financial year 2013-2014 (ADSL service has already been installed in Sittwe and Mrauk U)																								
10.5	Install ADSL systems in township already having automatic exchange systems (maungdaw, Kyaukphyu, Taunggok, Kyauktaw, Ann, Minpyar, Buthi Taung and Rathe Taung).																								
10.6	Amongst towns without automatic exchanges systems (Yanbye, Gwa, Pauktaw, Myaypon, Ponna Kyun, Manaung), install auto telephones in Yanbye and Gwa during financial year 2013-2014.																								
11	Protect Rakhine State from natural disasters																								
11.1	Set up an early warning system for storms, cyclones, floods																								
11.2	Coordinate the regular training of key personnel and community leaders in disaster risk management																								
11.3	Construct cyclone shelters as necessary.																								
12	Promote trade and investment in Rakhine State																								
12.1	Prioritize the development of Ponna Kyun Industrial Zones and economic development zones in Rakhine State																								
12.2	Develop port services and trading hubs in Rakhine State by reducing bureaucracy and providing incentives for foreign and local investors																								
12.3	Develop banking systems and insurance systems in Rakhine State																								
12.4	Facilitate the production, export and sale of crops and goods that are in demand in cross-border trade.																								
12.5	Establish wholesale distribution centers.																								
12.6	Develop SMEs and increase trade in value-added goods without damaging local businesses.																								
12.7	Cooperate with other departments to protect consumers.																								
12.8	Combat illegal trade, such as smuggling, and enhance transit trade and re-export of goods.																								
12.9	Facilitate trade flows including through the reduction of barriers that impede trade.																								
12.10	Improve trade and trade relations by holding bilateral and multilateral trade meetings, trade shows, networking and sales meetings.																								

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Special Projects																																							
13	Plan and implement Special Projects																																						
13.1	Plan for all Special Projects with infrastructure to conduct an environmental and social impact assessments (ESIAs) and to be modified based on the results of ESIAs																																						
13.2	Establish Ponna Kyun Special Industrial Zone																																						
13.3	Establish a Deep Sea Port and Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Kyaukpyu District																																						
13.4	Promote and support hotel and cultural zones																																						
13.4.1	Implement Mrauk U renovation project																																						
13.4.2	Establish a hotel zone in Mrauk U in areas that will not affect its cultural heritage																																						
13.4.3	Establish a hotel zone along the Ale-Than-Kyaw coast, Maungdaw Township																																						
13.4.4	Promote eco-tourism and cultural tourism in identified areas																																						
13.5	Build the Minbu-An-Ponna Kyun-Sittway railroad																																						
13.6	Establish and support agricultural and fishery zone at Rathe-Taung with support to necessary water management schemes																																						
13.7	Implement Rakhine State Electrification Project, including necessary infrastructure in An, Ponna Kyun, Taungqok, Kyaukpyu townships																																						

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Acronyms

EIA/ESIA	Environmental Impact Assessment / Environmental and Social Impact Assessment	SME	Small and medium enterprise
SEZ	Special Economic Zone	TVET	Technical and vocational education & training

Rakhine State Action Plan: Part VI – Peaceful coexistence

Peaceful coexistence		2014				2015								2016								2017												
		J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	J	A	S	O	
1	Ensure all religious schools in Rakhine State meet standards and rules set by the State in curriculum, teacher qualifications etc.																																	
1.1	Form a Rakhine State Education Task Force (RSETF) drawn from outside Rakhine State to review and assess all religious schools and their curriculum composed of national educationists of all religious background																																	
1.2	Develop criteria for assessing religious schools, their teachers and their curriculum and the criteria for closing down schools.																																	
1.3	Visit, assess and review the status of all religious schools																																	
1.4	Close down schools that do not conform to the criteria set by Rakhine State Education Task Force																																	
1.5	Take action as appropriate against extremist religious teachers of all religions.																																	
1.6	With Muslim educationists and other education experts of RSETF, develop a special curriculum for Islamic Bengali schools in Rakhine State that includes learning Bamar language, citizenship, etc. in addition to Islamic lessons...																																	
2.	Establish a system that promotes peaceful coexistence and prevents or reduces sectarian conflicts																																	
2.1	Implement good governance measures in order to achieve a stable society																																	
2.2	Increase dialogue between the two communities by establishing a Third Party Group comprising different faiths and national experts to build trust																																	
2.2.1	Conduct interfaith dialogues amongst all faiths																																	
2.2.2	Organize meetings between both sides to promote peaceful coexistence between Rakhine and Bengali communities																																	
2.2.3	Organize inter-cultural events between Rakhine and Bengali groups to promote understanding of each other's culture																																	
2.3	Set up a Conflict Management Centre with early warning system																																	
2.4	Resettle IDPs in areas negotiated with both sides (see Action Plan Part III)																																	
2.5	Provide adult literacy classes for Bengalis requiring them to learn the Bamar language (see Part V, 6.7)																																	
2.6	Using radio programmes and loudspeakers and other media, provide public education on family planning, universal education, Myanmar laws and regulations (see Part V, 6.8)																																	

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Acronyms

IDP	Internally displaced persons
RSETF	Rakhine State Education Task Force