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The EU increased its 2025 humanitarian budget for Myanmar by EUR 13 million, bringing the total to EUR 46 million¹. This helped humanitarian organisations to launch life-saving assistance, including food, cash, shelter and emergency supplies. The EU also set up Humanitarian Air Bridges, with 10 flights, delivering 609.7 metric tonnes of assistance, including pre-positioned stocks from ReliefEU. The Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM)² was activated; in-kind donations from several Member States further supported relief efforts. The Emergency Response Coordination Centre (ERCC)³ assisted the overall coordination effort activating amongst others the Copernicus Emergency Management Service for impact and need assessment.

Following a need-based and principled approach, the EU delivers life-saving emergency assistance including shelter, clean water and sanitation, physical and mental health care, comprehensive protection services, food and cash assistance, while preparing to engage in early rehabilitation in coordination with development actors.

Long-term development assistance is planned through EU programmes and will continue to support most vulnerable populations in line with the 2021 Council Conclusions⁴. This support is delivered in a humanitarian-development-peace nexus approach, focusing on identified development priority areas⁵. Life-saving humanitarian assistance continues to be severely needed and not sufficiently covered. To ensure an effective delivery of both humanitarian and development assistance in a protracted crisis like Myanmar, the international community must continue advocating for a cessation of all hostilities, in the interest of the Myanmar population.

¹ https://civil-protection-humanitarian-aid.ec.europa.eu/where/asia-and-pacific/myanmarburma_en#facts--figures.

² https://civil-protection-humanitarian-aid.ec.europa.eu/what/civil-protection/eu-civil-protection-mechanism_en.

³ https://civil-protection-humanitarian-aid.ec.europa.eu/what/civil-protection/emergency-response-coordination-centre-ercc_en.

⁴ <https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-6287-2021-INIT/en/pdf>.

⁵ Notably on peace, governance, education, livelihoods and green growth.