

# Human Rights Situation in Myanmar (January 2025)

## Factsheet: Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

### At a glance

People suffering from a lack of:

in million<sup>(1)</sup>



Food



Education



Health

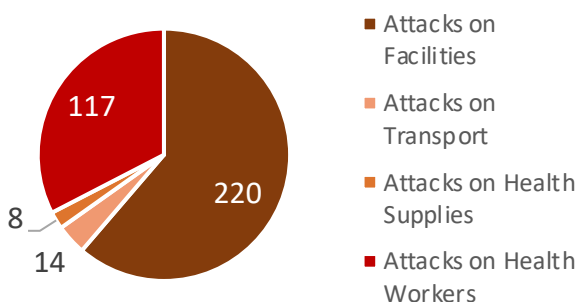
### Current Developments

As of January 2025, Myanmar's humanitarian crisis has intensified, with the United Nations launching the "2025 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan" to assist 5.5 million people in need. The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) has urged Myanmar's military government to prioritize peace and initiate dialogue over holding elections amid the ongoing civil war.

### Healthcare

With the ongoing conflict, healthcare remains a major issue. Access to health care is poor, at the same time, attacks on health institutions further undermined access, posing further issues.

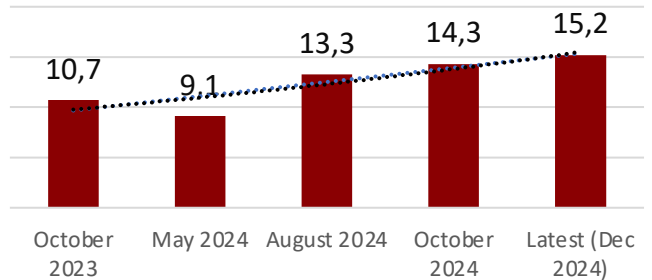
Attacks on healthcare infrastructure in 2024<sup>(3)</sup>



### Introduction

Myanmar faces ongoing socio-economic challenges compounded by political instability, including the Rohingya crisis and a prolonged civil war. The country is unable to sufficiently address these prevailing issues. Myanmar has not ratified the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR).

### Right to Food



People affected by acute food insecurity in million<sup>(2)</sup>

In recent months, the food crisis in Myanmar has worsened significantly, especially in regions with ongoing fighting, such as Shan and Kachin. Large population parts are unable to obtain a sufficiently healthy diet.

### Facing the needs

The international community needs to return the focus on Myanmar. An ongoing food crisis, as well as refugee displacements require significant resources. The international community needs to ensure that the action plan can be executed to its full extent. Further humanitarian action is needed and the safety of education and healthcare employees needs to be ensured.

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