

# Human Rights Situation in Myanmar (February 2025)

## Factsheet: Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

### At a glance

People suffering from a lack of:  
in million<sup>(1)</sup>



Food



Education

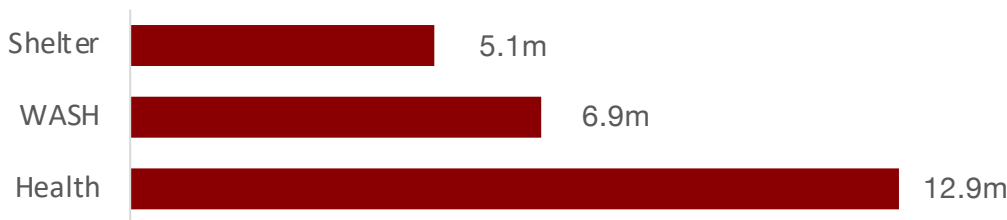


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### Introduction

As of February 2025, Myanmar continues to grapple with severe challenges across fundamental the rights to food, health, housing, and education. With continuing civil unrest and the Rohingya crisis, the country remains unable to sufficiently address fundamental human rights issues. Myanmar has not ratified the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR).

### People in Need in Myanmar<sup>(2)</sup>



Total  
People in  
Need<sup>(3)</sup>:  
19.9m

### Right to Food

Food insecurity continues to escalate in Myanmar. More and more people are unable to afford food due to increasing costs and inflation, as well as due to floodings and other extreme weather events such as Typhoon Yagi. Prices of basic foods have increased by 30% last year alone<sup>(5)</sup>. It is projected that the amount of people suffering food insecurity will increase in 2025 by 1.7 million people, according to the WFP.



Map of the areas most affected by food insecurity (Chin, Kachin and Rakhine, Sagaing)

### Right to Education

Education remains underserved in large parts of Myanmar, currently nearly 5 million children are unable to visit schools and receive education.<sup>(4)</sup> Children are displaced, and educational institutions may be either destroyed or repurposed for military use. The devastating effects of the ongoing war, floodings and Typhoon Yagi in 2024 led to a destruction of schools. Additionally, lack of food security also has severe effects on children's ability to learn.

### Need for Action

As global attention shifts to other conflicts, the international community must not overlook Myanmar's worsening humanitarian crisis and must take urgent action to ensure access to food, healthcare, shelter, and education for those in need.

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