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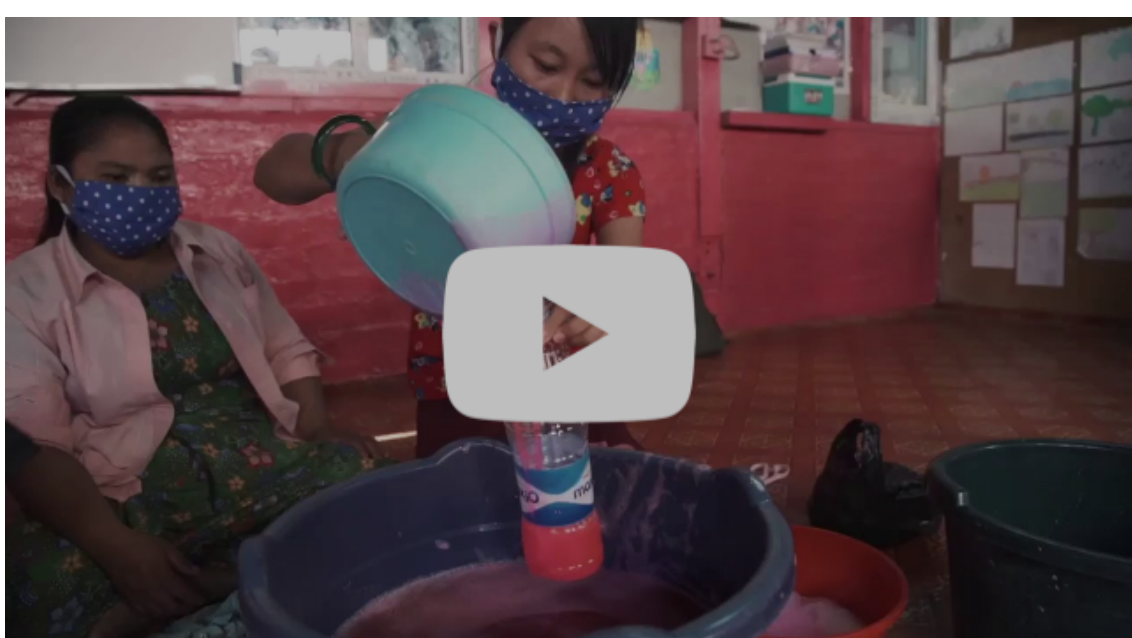
LIFT supports partners' immediate COVID-19 efforts



The COVID-19 pandemic places pressure on all of us as we face unforeseen and stressful times globally and in Myanmar. We hope you are keeping well and taking the necessary precautions. LIFT has mobilised support to over 30 existing implementing partners, at a very short notice, and some in challenging situations. LIFT is committed to activities for outreach to specific groups, especially the elderly, displaced people and migrants to prepare for, cope with and recover from this crisis.

Read more [here](#).

LIFT partners start COVID-19 response



Eden makes facemasks, soap and hand sanitiser for distribution

LIFT partners Eden and New Hope are working to distribute supplies and information to vulnerable communities at risk for COVID-19. Instead of jewellery-making, women at Eden's shelter are now making facemasks, soap and hand sanitiser to address the immediate needs of communities during the COVID-19 pandemic. At least 8,000 households, or around 40,000 people, will soon receive a combination of prevention supplies and awareness-raising items.

Read more [here](#).
See the video [here](#).



LIFT produces local language versions of COVID-19 video for Rakhine

The LIFT-supported Rakhine Communication Hub has assisted the Communication with Communities (CwC) group in Sittwe in producing local language versions of a WHO movie raising awareness for COVID-19 prevention.

See videos in [Rakhine language](#) and [Rohingya language](#).



Delivering emergency assistance to returning migrants

Tens of thousands of Myanmar migrants workers are coming home from Thailand. With support from the LIFT-funded ILO project "Developing Internal and International Migration Governance", civil society and labour organisations are on the front-line of Myanmar's response to the COVID-19 crisis: the Migrant Worker Resource Centre is delivering emergency assistance to returning migrants at the Tachileik border, such as drinking water, health information, and precautionary guidelines to prevent infection.

Other news



Evaluation and learning studies assess LIFT's performance

LIFT strives to be a collective and influential voice for innovation and learning, informing development policy and practice in Myanmar. The recently published studies in the LIFT Evaluation and Learning Questions series are available [here](#).



Working together to change behaviours and improve nutrition

The MCCT programme was introduced in Myanmar by LIFT. MCCT aims to improve nutrition for pregnant women and a child's first 1,000 days. In February, LIFT met with the Ministry of Social Welfare Relief and Resettlements, the Ministry of Health and Sports, as well as nutrition partners, to discuss SBCC activities in MCCT programmes.

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