

2017 End-year report

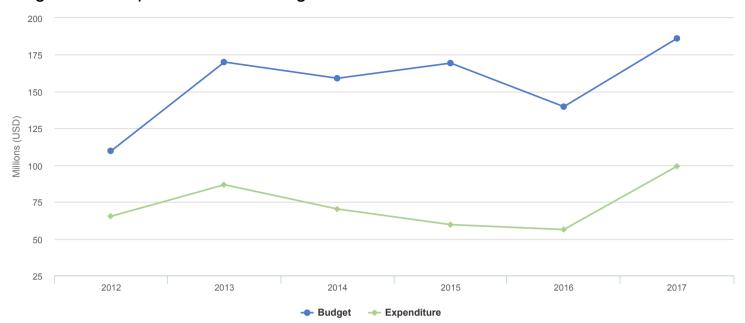
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Subregion: South East Asia

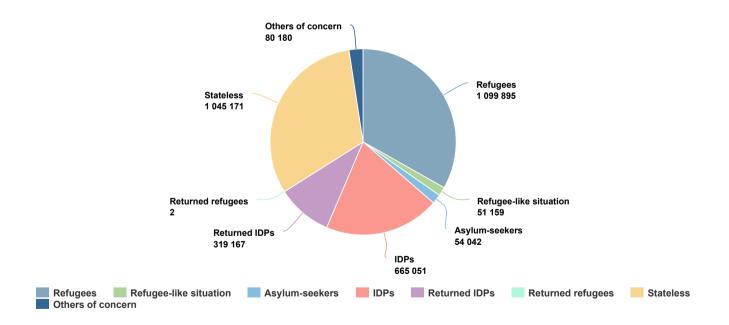
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Budgets and Expenditure in Subregion South East Asia



People of Concern - 2017



Response in 2017

As of the end of 2017, South East Asia (SEA) subregion hosted some 3.25 million people of concern, representing an increase of 15.4 per cent when compared to figures from 2016. The increase is due to a spike in the number of internally displaced people (IDPs) in the Philippines as a result of the armed conflict in Marawi that began in May 2017, and to an adjustment to the baseline estimate of stateless persons in Myanmar. The Rohingya refugees who fled from Myanmar to Bangladesh were already of concern to UNHCR, due to their statelessness status.

The situation in northern Rakhine State in Myanmar deteriorated dramatically following the 25 August 2017 attacks and subsequent security operations, which precipitated the departure of approximately 655,000 Rohingyas to Bangladesh. Against a background of decades of discrimination and effective statelessness, they have suffered severe violence, rape and psychological trauma. In addition to the protection and psycho-social problems, refugees found themselves in conditions of severe crowding and squalor. Bangladesh responded generously, keeping its borders open to the refugees. UNHCR focused on protection and reducing the risks and responding to the outbreaks of epidemics, landslides and flooding, as well as identifying and responding to particular vulnerabilities, such as a heightened risk of sexual and gender based violence, psychosocial distress, neglect, separation from caregivers, trafficking, and forced labour.

With funding received from donors, UNHCR also enhanced its refugee status determination (RSD) efforts in the subregion. In Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia the backlog was significantly reduced. With respect to stateless populations, excepting the Rohingya whose situation deteriorated further, there were positive developments. Efforts to support governments in reducing Statelessness continued. In Viet Nam, a project supporting nationality law reform saw state officials travel on mission to observe good practice in Germany and South Korea. At the regional level, UNHCR continued its partnership with ASEAN's Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children (ACWC) to promote the legal identity of women and children.

Operations

Operations in Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar and Thailand are presented in separate country chapters. For other UNHCR operations in the subregion, please see below.

Of the 13 countries covered by UNHCR's Regional Office in Bangkok, seven do not have, or have only a minimal, UNHCR presence. In **Viet Nam**, UNHCR partnered with the Vietnamese Ministry of Justice to review the content and application of its current nationality law and explore the possibility of accession to the Statelessness Conventions. In **Cambodia**, UNHCR worked, inconclusively, to secure the resettlement abroad of a residual group of Montagnard asylum-seekers from Viet Nam. In **Timor Leste**, UNHCR provided training to immigration officials and provided support for the translation into English of the country's new immigration and refugee legislation. For immigration officials from **Mongolia**, UNHCR recruited a new local staff and conducted RSD and prepared the resettlement applications for qualifying refugees as well as supporting the extension of residence permits for persons of concern in the country and giving detailed feedback on an update of the MoU proposed by the Government. With **Singapore**, UNHCR received interns pursuant to its arrangement with Singapore Management University to work on emergency preparedness, protection and statelessness issues. UNHCR undertook no major activities in **Brunei** or the **Lao People's Democratic Republic** in 2017.

2017 Voluntary Contributions to South East Asia | USD

Earmarking / Donor	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	All pillars	Total
South East Asia overall					
France	0	0	0	700,000	700,000
Lithuania	23,229	0	0	0	23,229
PRIV DONORS UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	0	0	0	48,410	48,410
Private donors in Canada	0	0	0	598,309	598,309
Private donors in China	0	0	0	201,104	201,104
Private donors in Egypt	0	0	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
Private donors in France	0	0	0	27,995	27,995
Private donors in Ghana	0	0	0	2,968	2,968
Private donors in Ireland	0	0	0	303	303
Private donors in Italy	0	0	0	12,019	12,019
Private donors in Spain	0	0	0	3,286,952	3,286,952
Private donors in Sweden	0	0	0	377,759	377,759
Private donors in Switzerland	0	0	0	50,000	50,000
Private donors in Thailand	0	0	0	19,664	19,664
Private donors in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	0	0	0	195,710	195,710
Sweden	2,717,096	0	0	0	2,717,096
United States of America	0	0	0	13,955,000	13,955,000
South East Asia overall subtotal	2,740,325	0	0	20,476,194	23,216,518
Bangladesh					
Australia	1,891,074	0	0	0	1,891,074
Canada	721,732	0	0	223,048	944,780
Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)	3,427,491	0	0	0	3,427,491
Denmark	3,742,512	0	0	0	3,742,512
Estonia	58,962	0	0	0	58,962
European Union	1,207,841	0	0	0	1,207,841
Germany	5,296,663	0	0	0	5,296,663
Iceland	140,000	0	0	0	140,000
Japan	4,834,872	0	0	0	4,834,872
OPEC Fund for International Development	400,000	0	0	0	400,000
PRIV DONORS UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	404,525	0	0	0	404,525
Private donors in Australia	2,891,639	0	0	0	2,891,639
Private donors in China	252,992	0	0	0	252,992
Private donors in Egypt	56,632	0	0	0	56,632

Earmarking / Donor	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	All pillars	Total
Private donors in India	2,556	0	0	0	2,556
Private donors in Italy	188,799	0	0	0	188,799
Private donors in Japan	1,274,607	0	0	0	1,274,607
Private donors in Oman	300,000	0	0	0	300,000
Private donors in Philippines	9,221	0	0	0	9,221
Private donors in Portugal	46,458	0	0	0	46,458
Private donors in Qatar	1,085,000	0	0	0	1,085,000
Private donors in Senegal	53,130	0	0	0	53,130
Private donors in Singapore	613,737	0	0	0	613,737
Private donors in Switzerland	2,567,670	0	0	0	2,567,670
Private donors in Thailand	82,852	0	0	0	82,852
Private donors in the Netherlands	1,708,693	0	0	0	1,708,693
Private donors in the Republic of Korea	45,215	0	0	0	45,215
Private donors in the United States of America	1,122,216	0	0	0	1,122,216
Slovenia	35,377	0	0	0	35,377
Spain	1,623	0	0	0	1,623
Sri Lanka	25,000	0	0	0	25,000
Sweden	3,588,517	0	0	0	3,588,517
Switzerland	1,529,542	0	0	0	1,529,542
UNOPS	5,941,187	0	0	0	5,941,187
United Arab Emirates	946,800	0	0	0	946,800
United States of America	24,100,000	0	0	0	24,100,000
Bangladesh subtotal	70,595,135	0	0	223,048	70,818,183
Indonesia					
European Union	726,870	0	0	0	726,870
Private donors in Japan	91,253	0	0	0	91,253
Indonesia subtotal	818,123	0	0	0	818,123
Malaysia					
European Union	186,200	0	0	0	186,200
Private donors in Japan	508,364	0	0	0	508,364
Private donors in Qatar	663,336	0	0	0	663,336
Private donors in Singapore	300,000	0	0	0	300,000
UNAIDS	80,000	0	0	0	80,000
Malaysia subtotal	1,737,901	0	0	0	1,737,901

Earmarking / Donor	Pillar 1 Refugee programme	Pillar 2 Stateless programme	Pillar 4 IDP projects	All pillars	Total
Myanmar					
Australia	0	0	0	1,491,424	1,491,424
Canada	0	0	0	334,572	334,572
Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)	0	853,111	0	1,393,356	2,246,467
European Union	0	65,561	369,579	307,172	742,312
France	0	0	300,000	0	300,000
Germany	0	0	0	1,085,776	1,085,776
Japan	0	392,901	3,003,317	0	3,396,218
Private donors in Qatar	0	0	500,000	0	500,000
Private donors in Singapore	0	0	0	100,000	100,000
Private donors in the United States of America	0	0	0	202,400	202,400
Switzerland	0	0	0	493,097	493,097
Philippines Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)	0	0	450,000	0	450,000
Philippines subtotal	0	0	450,000	0	450,000
Thailand					
European Union	622,091	0	0	0	622,09
Private donors in Japan	249,818	0	0	0	249,818
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Private donors in Thailand	3,920,603	0	· ·		3,320,000
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Switzerland	0	0	0	493,097	493,09
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