

UN Secretary-General tours Kyonda relief camp in Dedaye Tsp, Mawlamyinekyun

YANGON, 22 May—UN Secretary-General Mr Ban Ki-moon and party,

accompanied by Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu, Am-

bassador to the UN U Kyaw Tint Swe, acting UN resident representa-

tive Mr Daniel B Baker and officials concerned left here for Kyonda village relief camp of Dedaye Township in Ayeyawady Division by Tatmadaw helicopter at 3.15 pm today.

They were welcomed there by Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi and officials concerned. At the relief camp, Minister Brig-Gen Lun Thi briefed them on blowing of the storm in Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions, losses and damages caused by the storm in Dedaye Township, field trips to all storm-hit regions led by the Prime

Minister who is the Chairman of the National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee, ministers and deputy ministers and officials concerned, accomplishment of the relief tasks through their close supervisions, priority being given to relief supplies and reconstruction tasks, arrival of relief items from internal and external donors and systematic distribution of relief supplies phase by phase.

Next, Mr Ban Ki-moon and party together with Minister Brig-Gen Lun Thi observed communication links, supply of power through solar

system, accommodation of families of the storm victims and consoled them.

Afterwards, Mr Ban Ki-moon and party together with Minister Brig-Gen Lun Thi and Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu and officials concerned flew to Mawlamyinekyun by helicopter, where they were welcomed by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt.

At Dhammayon of the Local Battalion, Lt-Col Tun Tun briefed them on losses and damages
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UN Secretary-General Mr Ban Ki-moon comforts storm victims at Kyonda relief camp in Dedaye Township.—MNA

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caused by the storm in Mawlamyinegyun, accomplishment of the relief tasks, relief supplies, resettlement and reconstruction works, measures for growing monsoon paddy in time while Minister Col Thein Nyunt gave a supplementary report.

Next, Mr Ban Ki-moon and party made observations on piles of relief supplies to be distributed to the storm victims and then arrived back in Yangon from Mawlamyinegyun by helicopter at 6 pm.—MNA