FOCUS: COVID-19 VIRUS

The second and third waves of Covid-19 strongly hit Myanmar starting from the beginning of 2021. In order to support the rural population of Kawthaung township, and in collaboration with other organizations working in the area, Medacross prepared and delivered 65 Covid-kits composed of 1 thermometer, 1 pulse oximeter and several first-aid medicines that will serve a total population of about 6000 inhabitants. Volunteers have been trained online on the use of these kits.

Medacross collaborated with the Kawthaung General Hospital to support the rural population living far from medical assistance's facilities with the aim to slow the spread of Covid-19 disease and monitor the suspected cases in order not to overcrowd the quarantine centers and the hospitals with not necessary hospitalizations.

The communities we are working with have been involved in action aimed to monitor the villagers' symptoms if suspected of covid through the use of several kits composed by thermometers and pulse oximeters. The volunteers have been trained online about the critical parameters to monitor (such as blood oxygen level and temperature), so that when contacted from a suspected case they can deliver them one kit and monitor their condition at the phone for the following days.

Surgical and cloth masks and hand sanitizer have also been distributed to the target population.

PROJECT COST: $ 21,480
FOCUS: HOSPITALS SUPPORT

The Kawthaung General Hospital and two other rural Station Hospitals have been supported through the provision of equipment, PPEs and swab tests to fight the Covid-19 spread in the area. Between June and September MedAcross closely worked together with the facilities to support their needs at most with oxygen cylinders, oxygen concentrators, N95 masks and PPEs. The collaboration with the hospitals is still open and in the next months medicines stocks will be donated.

Since the clinical activities of MedAcross at the Basic Health Clinic and with the Mobile Clinic have been suspended at the moment, we focused our work on the support of the medical facilities active on the area.

MedAcross donated 10 oxygen cylinders to Kawthaung General Hospital, together with a supply of PPEs and swab tests, and 3 oxygen concentrators to the Station Hospitals of Aung Ba and Chan Phang.

We're now working to support the hospitals with equipment, laboratory services and medicines addressed to pregnant women and newborns.

PROJECT COST: $15,300
HIV+ patients are suffering from the price increase of basic food items such as rice and fresh fruit and vegetable. To have healthy nutrition is essential for HIV patients to prevent other viral and bacterial diseases, included Covid-19.

Thanks to a 2020 fundraising campaign financed by individual donors, MedAcross enlarged the nutritional support to 70 families living in Kawthaung area.

PROJECT COSTS: $ 34,000