

Save the Children's work in Thailand and Nepal

“My life is like the moon’s
phases, as there are good
days and bad days”



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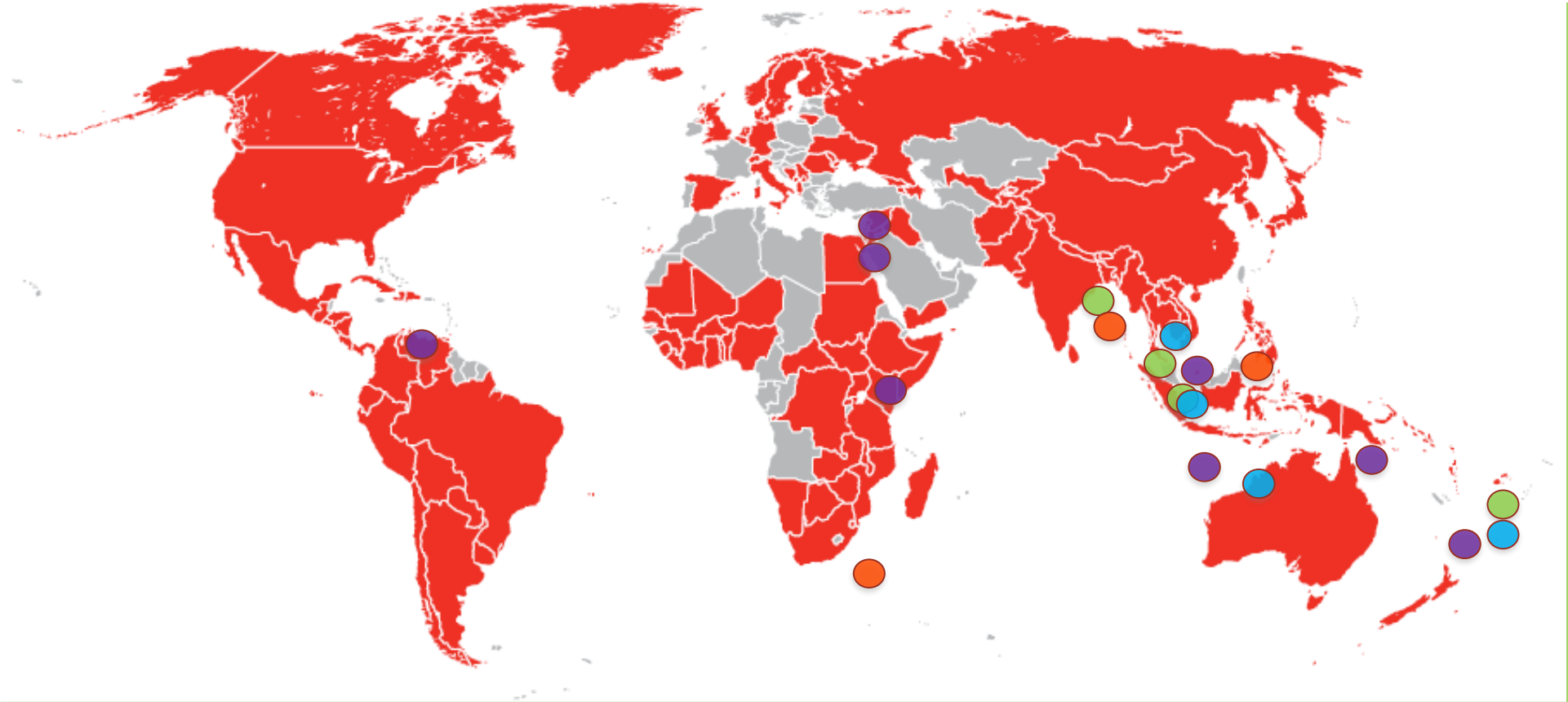


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Our vision: a world in which every child survives, learns and is protected.

CHILD POVERTY

DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

EMERGENCIES

EDUCATION



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ROHINGYA CRISIS: TIMELINE OF A CRISIS

1982

Myanmar passes a new citizenship law that denies Rohingya people nationality and leaves them stateless.

1992

More than 250,000 Rohingya people are forced out of northern Rakhine state, Myanmar, as a result of increased military operations in the area. They find refuge in Bangladesh

2010

Save the Children begins to deliver on the ground support to children and families in Rakhine state.

2015

At least 33,000 Rohingya people flee Myanmar on dangerous and overcrowded boats to try to reach Malaysia and Thailand.

2016

Nine Myanmar policemen are killed by an armed group in a Rakhine border attack, launching violence between groups operating in the region. According to the UN, more than 1,000 Rohingya people are killed and more than 90,000 are displaced.

2017

August

After more policemen are killed authorities begin clearance operations and trigger an exodus of Rohingya children, women and men. Over the next four days, the number of refugees reaching Bangladesh on foot and by boat soars to several thousand.

September

We expand our work on the ground in Bangladesh to get immediate support to the new arrivals and by the end of the month we're reaching 150,000 people with vital aid and food.

November

As people continue to arrive, we launch our 'The Horrors I will never forget' report, with eye witness testimony that paints a disturbing picture of the horrors children have been through.

December

Over 700,000 Rohingya refugees including at least 370,000 children have now arrived at what has become the largest refugee settlement in the world. Temperatures drop and we distribute thousands of winter and shelter upgrade kits.

2018

March

With more than half the population of the camps children under 18, we establish hundreds of temporary learning centres, and distribute backpacks full of learning materials. We also begin to prepare for the monsoon.

May

By the end of May, we're running more than 90 Child Friendly spaces. We're also distributing child identity bracelets, just in case children become separated from their family during the monsoon.

July

Our new 20 bed, primary health care centre opens to families! The centre includes emergency care, a maternity ward and even a pharmacy. We continue to provide care at 9 other health posts as well.



Meah's Journey

UNWANTED
Meah has never really had somewhere to call home. She is Rohingya, one of the most persecuted ethnic groups in the world.
Ethnic violence is a daily occurrence. Denied citizenship and basic rights, families can't access basic healthcare or even vote. Desperate to escape this tragic life, Meah's mother paid a hefty sum to a people trafficker who promised them a better life in a foreign country.

CRIES ON THE SEA
Meah, her mother and her baby sister were packed like animals onto an overcrowded fishing boat. Boats like these were crammed to double their normal capacity so the traffickers could make as much money as possible.
Families were given only a handful of rice to eat each day. Children cried constantly because of their hungry tummies.
The refugees drifted along for weeks on end, hoping the currents would carry them to a better life. Not everyone survived the dangerous journey. Suffocation and hunger were the main killers.

CAPTURED
Meah's boat never made it to Malaysia. When they landed in Thailand, officials detained these refugees. A stark reminder that Rohingya people like Meah don't belong anywhere in the world.
The Thai government has set up temporary shelters to deal with the influx of refugees until they are granted a legal place to live. Meah ended up at a Save the Children-supported shelter. At some point, Meah was separated from her mother and baby sister. She now lives at the shelter without any family there to love her.

A MOTHER'S TOUCH
When Meah was first taken to the shelter she wouldn't speak, wash herself or connect with anyone. Then she started acting out and getting aggressive with the other children. This is common with children who had traumatic experiences.
Meah clings to any adult who will show her affection, seeking her lost mother's touch.

MALAYSIA BOUND
Meah's father left Myanmar to find work and set up a new life for his family. The plan was for the whole family to be reunited in their new home of Malaysia, but Meah hasn't made it there.

WHAT WILL MEAH'S FUTURE HOLD?
Meah is a victim of trafficking. She's already been through so much in her short life.
A donation today could be the difference between a happy future and a lifelong struggle.

MEAH'S FUTURE
Meah has lived at Save the Children's shelter for a while now. Like so many other children in these shelters, her future is unclear.
She is young and vulnerable and just wants someone to love her. While her fate is decided by officials, the shelter staff will need to give her the care and love she needs.

EASE - Ensuring Appropriate Safeguarding for Emigrant and trafficked children project

What is 'Child Safeguarding'

Prevention from and response to
*abuse, neglect, exploitation, and
violence* affecting children.



A: Child Safeguarding policy



“We should consider activities in response to children’s interest rather than those we want for children.”

A staff member, Songkhla centre



“We now conduct a safety check as part of the recruitment process for child protection workers. We included child safeguarding related questions as part of the screening.”

Khun Noon, Songkhla centre



B:Age and Gender Sensitive Services



“Staff learned to be more understanding towards Rohingya children and learn how to interact with them both physically and verbally.”

Khun Aoy, Suratthani centre



“We include children’s performance records in their profiles and will give them to the children so they can take them to a third country.”

Director, Suratthani centre

C: Reintegration with Community

In Suratthani the Rohingya children were integrated into the Thai education system and Thai community.

“They used to stick to their own group but now they adjusted to the school and interact with other Thai students and have more friends,”

said a teacher.

“We also needed to change our attitudes and our teaching styles. At first we felt it would be an extra burden to teach the Rohingya children. It takes months to get them to read and write Thai. They learned fast and now do very well with their study.”

A teacher, Baan Soi Song School



D:Resettlement

Some children were resettled to a third country. Meah is now reunited with her dad and resettled in a third country. Nora is waiting to be resettled.



People in Extreme Poverty

**1.2 BILLION PEOPLE ARE
CURRENTLY LIVING IN
EXTREME POVERTY**

½ ARE 0-18

Our Breakthrough Ambitions cannot be fully achieved if families are too poor to invest in their children.

**Save the Children's view of
poverty and its effects**

multiple dimensions of deprivation,
including poor health, learning, nutrition, low
access to services and failures of protection
and participation

very low incomes and irregular that often
contribute to these further deprivations.



Improving Lives of Children in Udayapur through Livelihoods and Social Protection (CLSP)

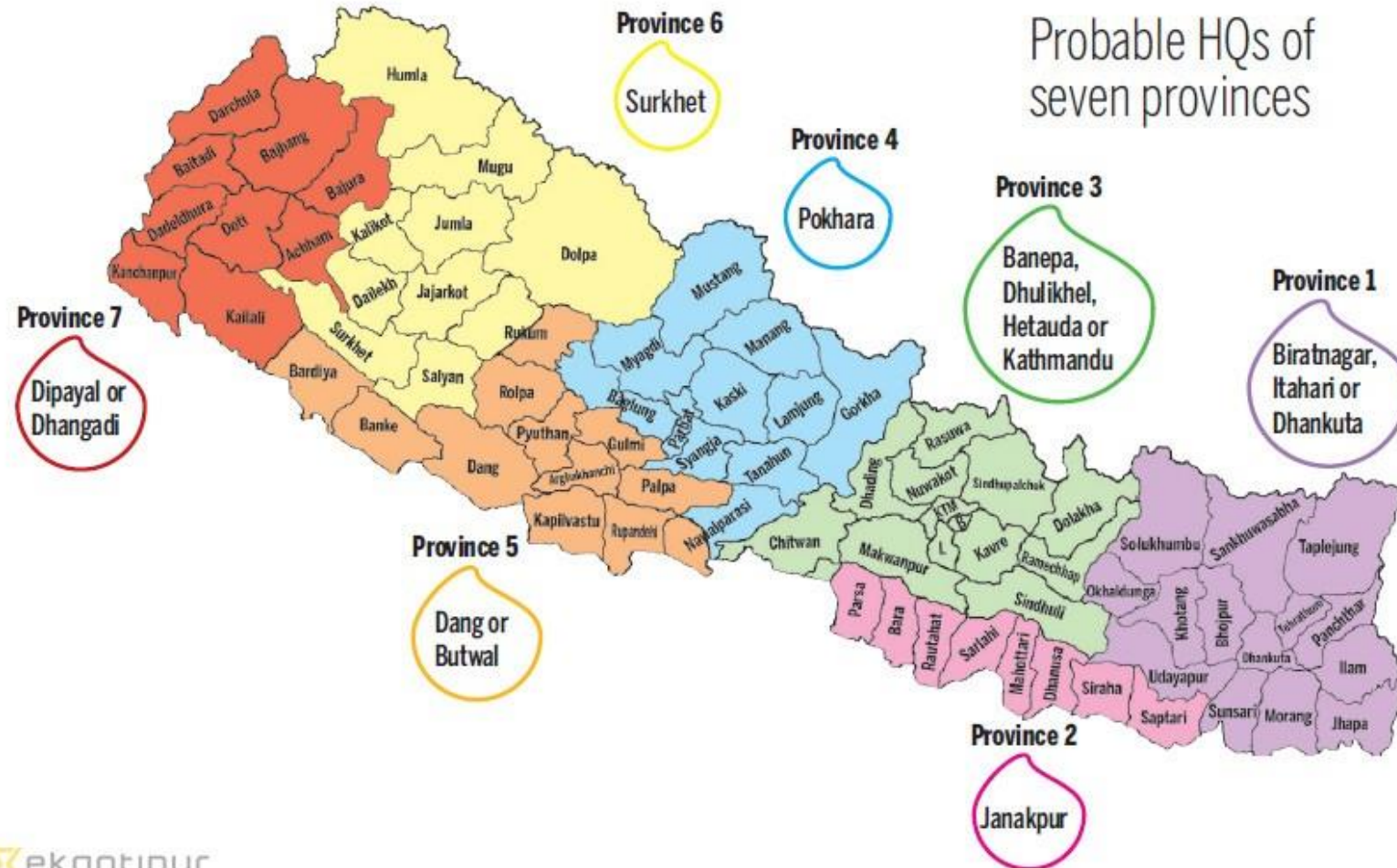


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Nepal map



Agriculture Activities



Mr Gopal Kaki has started growing other crops like long yard beans, cucumbers, tomatoes apart from maize and millet which give him more income to send his children to school.



Ms. Bishnu Maya Khatri, aged 68, with her daughter in law. She has 7 children and 11 grandchildren.

She earns 60,000 Nepalese Rupees (NZD 814) from 7 months of growing cucumbers with support from the project.



"I realised that we used to grow a small amount of vegetables and we can grow more. Now I want to utilise the land as much as possible to grow more and earn more income."

A farmers' group member





Pragati Farmers group in Sidali reported that *“we used to work as porters to earn income and buy vegetables from traders who travelled from town or other villages. Now we grow vegetables and do not have to buy vegetables for consumption or social events.”*



Partnership with Lincoln University



Vocational Training



Keshab Guragain, aged 30, attended a furniture training course by the project. He introduced furniture making to his sister's timber shop.

Kadar Rai, aged 22, reported that *“I can now support my siblings to go to school.”*





Dhanbir Tamang earns 25,000 Nepalese Rupees (NZD 340) per month. He said “*my daughter knows all the products in the shop. I want her to study to be a veterinarian in the future.*”

Social Protection Scheme



Kedar Bk, aged 8, is parentless and now lives with his aunt.

He receives support from the Child Endowment Fund (300 NR per month / NZD 4). The funds were used to buy stationary.





The **Village Child Protection Committee (VCPC)** in Bhalayadada commented that ***“the lives of women and children have been improved with contribution from the project”***. The chairman expressed appreciation of the project support and would like to increase a number of children benefiting from Child Endowment Fund.



The Chairman of Udaypurgadhi Rural Municipality recognised **a need for more work to improve commercial farming and social protection services** for those in need and **expressed his appreciation for support from New Zealand** in improving livelihoods, education and nutrition of the people in the communities.

Anjali



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZozYXS0Dp8w&t=207s>



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**Any observations or
questions?**



WHAT IS CHARLIE'S CHALLENGE?

Charlie's Challenge is Save the Children's brand new nationwide fundraising campaign, taking place from 20–27 November 2018 to raise money and awareness for the world's most vulnerable children.



**EAT
RED**



**RUN
RED**



**WEAR
RED**

JOIN THE CHALLENGE AND BECOME A CHAMPION FOR CHILDREN!

You really are a champion when you join one of the challenges and fundraise money for children in need. So join Charlie's Challenge from **20–27 November 2018** together with your school, colleagues, friends, family or just by yourself.

Go ahead! Eat, Run or Wear Red!



**WITH YOUR
SUPPORT
YOU WILL
HELP A LOT
OF CHILDREN!**

Save the Children believes every child deserves a future. In New Zealand and around the world, we give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. We do whatever it takes for children – every day and in times of crisis – transforming their lives and the future we share.

CHARLIE COULD BE A GIRL OR A BOY

Charlie could be anywhere in the world – homeless after a natural disaster, hungry and without food, unable to attend school, or scared fleeing a war zone. All we need to know is that Charlie is a child, and that every child deserves a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn, and protection from harm.

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