

## **Action Alert - Rohingya Camps in Flooding Crisis**

The Bay of Bengal has been hit by heavy rains from Cyclone Komen. While this is affecting all countries in the region, the Rohingya in Rakhine state are particularly vulnerable. Internally Displaced People (IDP) camps, 21<sup>st</sup> Century concentration camps according to a New York Times report, are flooding and the Burmese government does not allow aid agencies to help the Rohingya it forces to live there. The Burmese government must end this cruel policy!

Though some media have reported about this regional weather situation, the conventional media have not been reporting how the heavy rain is affecting the Rohingya in particular. We all know how devastating heavy floods can be. For a vulnerable, persecuted, poor population that is denied the help from relief groups – the situation is hardly imaginable. The Burmese government must allow relief agencies to help the Rohingya, and to allow them to build adequate housing in the IDP camps until the Rohingya are allowed to return to their proper homes.

## **Action Items**

## 1. Bring attention to this crisis on social media.

This crisis is not getting attention from conventional media. We need to create that attention to pressure the Burmese government to allow aid groups to assist the Rohingya in these camps.

Please share <u>this report</u> from our website.

2. Call the Burmese Embassy in your country and demand that they allow aid agencies to assist Rohingya in Rakhine State and in IDP camps.

Spend less than five minutes of your time to end the genocide in Burma with one simple tool, your voice!

Denying aid to the suffering Rohingya is vicious. Aid agencies must be allowed to help them as they help others in crisis. They must also be allowed to build adequate housing in the camps until the Rohingya are allowed to return to their homes.

## Burmese embassies in various nations:

US: 202 332-3344

UK: 020 7148 0740

Canada: 1 613-232-9990 Indonesia: 62 21 315 8908 Malaysia: 60 3-4251 5595 Pakistan: 92 51 283-2232 India: 91 11 2467 8822