



# The Kachin Relief Fund Annual Report for Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018

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## Annual Report for Year Ending 31st August 2018

### TRUSTEES

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|---------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Mr. Goontawng Lashi    | Chairman         |
| 2. Mr. Hkun Htoi Layang   | Secretary        |
| 3. Ms. Maureen Ja Bu      | Treasurer        |
| 4. Mr. Hkanhpa Tu Sadan   | Trustee (Member) |
| 5. Mrs. Seng Pan Kumpha   | Trustee (Member) |
| 6. Mr. Naw Nen Chyangmaja | Trustee (Member) |
| 7. Mr. Brang Aung         | Trustee (Member) |
| 8. Mrs. Bulu Mahkaw       | Trustee (Member) |
| 9. Mr. Ringdu Lachyung    | Trustee (Member) |

The Kachin Relief Fund is a non-profit registered charity organization in England and Wales; the registered charity number is 1148586. All trustee members are based in the UK , with a direct local network in Burma to ensure rapid delivery of humanitarian aid to the right beneficiaries and locations in a cost-effective and efficient way.



2. To work closely with local Kachin relief workers in providing such aids.
3. To provide financial grants to buy basic medical equipment for IDP clinics and hospitals.
4. To provide emergency medical referral and hospitalization cost for the internal displaced people (IDPs) in Chinese hospitals.
5. To provide grants for construction of schools and purchasing study materials.
6. To fund short term medical and education projects
7. To support legal cost for victims of civil, human rights violations and support human rights awareness program.
8. To provide the information resources for issues relating to relief assistance and human rights abuses.
9. To work closely with the organizations which we shared a common goal for our mutual objectives
10. To evaluate annual works and re-assess the best working strategy for future projects.

### **AREA OF BENEFIT**

The border of Burma and China, and the inside Kachinland in Northern Burma.

### **CHARITY COMMISSION CLASSIFICATION**

What

- General charitable purposes
- Provision of Education / Training
- Alleviation of poverty, uplifting of mental well-being

- Human Rights protection/ Religious or racial harmony/ Equality or diversity

#### Who

- Kachin, other ethnic nationalities of Burma and its borderland. People of a particular ethnic or racial origin

#### How

- Making grants to individuals
- Making grants to organizations (local relief organizations and institutions etc.)
- Advocating to communities, organizations and governments
- Sharing information with interest individuals and groups

### **GRANT MAKING POLICY**

We mainly focused on four main categories when responding accordance with the objects of charity.

1. Emergency relief response
2. Health for the IDPs and disadvantaged locals
3. Education for children
4. Advocacy, activities & awareness to promote of human rights.

## 2017-2018 Trustee Activities Report

There were several trustees' activities during 2017 to 2018. Apart from running the Charity, the trustees were involved in advocacy, meeting UK foreign office government officials, giving testimony at the House of Commons and travelling to inside Burma to meet beneficiaries.

Hkanhpa Tu Sadan, a trustee and a Kachin Karate instructor from UK, who has been helping to set up Karate classes for Kachin refugee children, given 5 day self-defense workshop in April 2018 on the China Burma border. This was part of the KRF field trip in 2018. The workshop was focusing on local school girls and school teachers as well as local karate trainers. Getting karate and self-defense on the curriculum for local schools with a particular focus on this being for girls at school (there is a tendency for the girls not to go to regular karate classes because they think it is not for them). This workshop put a plan in place to support two women karate teachers (currently brown belt) in their development and in implemented the plan described above over the last 12 months.

The KRF conducted a written submission [<http://data.parliament.uk/writtenevidence/committeeevidence.svc/evidencedocument/international-development-committee/dfids-work-on-bangladesh-burma-and-the-rohingya-crisis/written/75855.html>] to the Select Committee on International Development's Inquiry on DFID's work in Burma on 19 December 2017, to strengthen the Department for International Development DFID's work in Burma, especially the policy recommendations for effective humanitarian aid to the people need the most.

Following the written evidence submission, Hkanhpa Tu Sadan, a trustee of our charity has given an oral evidence [full transcript – Please, see the transcript at <http://data.parliament.uk/writtenevidence/committeeevidence.svc/evidencedocumen>

[t/international-development-committee/dfids-work-on-bangladesh-burma-and-the-rohingya-crisis/oral/80612.html](https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/international-development-committee/dfids-work-on-bangladesh-burma-and-the-rohingya-crisis/oral/80612.html)] to International Development Committee in the House of Commons on 14 March 2018.

The Burma army intensified fighting in Danai region of Western Kachinland from the beginning of March 3, 2018. The fighting targeted local civilians and their villages, has causing many Kachin civilians to abandon their villages. The Burma Army (BA) jet fighter also attacked Kachin Independence Army's 1st Brigade and 4th Battalion of northern Kachinland on April 25, around 3:30 pm. The BA incursion into KIA 4th Battalion territory caused over 1,000 villagers of Mali Nmai ginra, Pungse Zup, Sutngai Yang, Pungswi Yang, Zupmai Yang, Bumnen Yang, Jawsa, Hkumtsai Tawng, Hpatsip Zup, Sani Tu Yang and Tangbau Yang to flee to Tanghpree on April 26. The KRF have responded with our emergency funding grant to assist the trapped Kachin IDPs whatever we could.

The KRF managed to fund a video documentation of the true life of the Kachin IDPs fleeing the Burma military's atrocity which was broadcasted worldwide on Sky News.

The KRF trustees have assisted Alex Crawford, special correspondent of Sky News and her team to cover "*Uncovered: 'Worrying evidence' of new genocidal campaign on Kachin Christian minority in Myanmar*" –investigative news report about ethnic Kachin peoples.

The KRF trustees are committed to human rights and documentation and advocacy, one of the main objectives. The trustees met the experts working for the Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on Myanmar (IIFFM Myanmar) to the Human Rights Council in London to support their fact-finding mission using our network in Kachinland.

In July 2018, KRF sponsored the travel costs for the Kachin community members for advocacy campaign trip to the Office of International Religious Freedom organized by the U.S. Department of State in Washington DC.

Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on Sunday 19th Feb 2017 at No 6, Blackthorn Court, 5 Dormer's Wells Lane, Southall, UB1 3HT.

The KRF have included “Anti Bribery & Corruption Policy” in its Constitutions following a recommendation from our banker, HSBC Bank.

The following trustees have faithfully completed their term and stop acting as the trustee.

- 1). Kai Htang Lashi
- 2). Gumring Gun Hkangda

The following community member stand up to act as the new trustee.

- 1). Mrs. Seng Pan Maran
- 2). Mrs. Bulu Makhaw

During 2017-2018, the KRF’s main activities could be traced back according to the minutes taken at the AGM meeting.

- 1) . Mai Ja Yang Sport Project review
- 2) . Students sponsorship - proposal from father Nbwi Naw
- 4) . Grant for medical equipment
- 5) . Water supply project for Share Uma Share Uma water supply project is huge project and the KRF will only donate from their capacity. The trustees granted Kyat 2 millions (2,000,000 kyats) in summer 2017.
- 6) . Carpentry Vocational Training School Funding
- 7) . Human rights documentation and advocacy

### **Physical Education for the Children**

Since physical education for the children has implemented, the program has grown and spread across Kachinland. Myusha Gintawng Karate Club is growing and club members

has increased to more than 700. The handful of club members were selected to participate in national and international level karate competitions.

The multi-sport education program in Mai Ja Yang is now working with the schools, community, IDP camps and local Kachin authority. The local authority granted sport ground is now been utilizing well by our sport education program.

### **Education Welfare and Development**

The KRF sponsored timbers for the vocational carpentry training center in Mai Ja Yang. The Centre was opened to focus particularly to empower the youths from IDP camps.

With funding request from Father Nawi, the scholarship annual grant RMB 10,000 each for two university students studying at Myitkyina University.

For development, Water supply project for Share Uma Share Uma water supply project is huge project and the KRF have donated from our capacity, and has granted Kyat 2 millions (2,000,000 kyats) in August 2017.

### **Human right documentation and advocacy**

The Burma army intensified fighting in Danai region of Western Kachinland as well as Mali Nmai Walawng, a triangle region of Kachinland from the beginning of March 3, 2018. The fighting targeted local civilians and their villages, has causing many Kachin civilians to abandon their villages. The Kachin IDPs young, children, elderly and pregnant women have to hide in the jungle for weeks before the Churches intervened to rescue them from the trapped jungles to safe place in the Church compounds throughout Myitkyina. The protest leaders who demanded to allow the Kachin IDPs to travel to safe place and allow to provide humanitarian assistance from the Burma government were charged and imprisoned by the Burma Government.

The Burma Army (BA) jet fighter attacked Kachin Independence Army's 1st Brigade and 4th Battalion on April 25, around 3:30 pm. The BA incursion into KIA 4th Battalion territory caused over 1,000 villagers of Mali Nmai area, Pungse Zup, Sutngai Yang,

Pungswi Yang, Zup Mai Yang, Bumnen Yang, Jawsa, Hkumtsai Tawng, Hpatsip Zup, Sani Tu Yang and Tangbau Yang to flee to Tanghpree on April 26. The IDPs crossed the Mali River and turned up at the Gwi Htau boat jetty, where the churches, Peace Creation Group (PCG) and other rescue groups met them and transported them to the Tang Hpre Catholic Church.

In May 8, Lieutenant Colonel Myo Min Oo from the Burma Army's Northern Command filed criminal defamation complaints against Mr. Lum Zawng, 29, Ms. Nang Pu, 47, and Mr. Zau Jat, 41, for alleged statements made during a press conference and peaceful protest on April 30 and May 1 in Kachinland's Myitkyina Township.

The KRF have submitted this atrocity to the various agencies and highlighted in our advocacy campaign.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

All of the member of KRF staff are contributing on a voluntary basis. All public relations, secretarial and financial accounting work are carried out by volunteers.

Hkun Htoi Layang, secretary of the charity, maintains the KRF's website/Facebook page and general administration, and Ms Maureen Lagra maintains the KRF's financial statement on a voluntary basis.

The trustees are striving to keep the operating costs of the charity to a minimum.

## Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing Trustees Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

For preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and well judged;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, any outgoing items disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- And prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue operation.

### Independent Examiner

David Turner of CP Finance was appointed as the charities' independent examiner during the year and they have expressed their willingness to assist in that capacity. A resolution proposing their appointment for this year was approved at the AGM on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and their re-appointment was made during AGM in 2018.

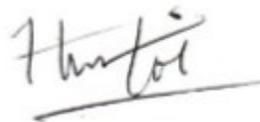
Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Chair

Mr. Goontawng Lashi

Dated: 28/06/2019



Secretary

Mr. Hkun Htoi Layang

Dated:28/06/2019

# Independent Examiner Report



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## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE KACHIN RELIEF FUND**

We have examined the financial statements of the Kachin Relief Fund, also known as KRF, for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 9. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with s145 of the Charities Act 2011. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our work, for this report or the opinions we have formed.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustee and examiner**

As more fully explained in the Trustees' Responsibility Statement, set out on p8, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The charity's trustees consider and audit is not required for this year under s144 of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to examine the accounts under s145 of the Charities Act 2011 and to follow the procedures laid down in general directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011, and to state whether any particular matters have come to our attention.

### **Basis of an Independent Examiner's Statement**

An examination includes the review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement herewith.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with our examination no matter has come to our attention which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respects, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with s130 of the Charities Act 2011 and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011, have not been met. In addition there are no matters, in our opinion, to which attention needs to be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D H Turner', is written over a horizontal line.

CP Finance

Dated ..... 28/6/2019 .....

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## Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31st August 2018

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
<b>Incoming Resources</b>					
Donation received		32975		<b>32975</b>	28258
Gift Aid Tax refunds					
Total Incoming Resources		<u>32975</u>	<u>0</u>	<b>32975</b>	28258
<b>Resources Expenditure</b>					
Office Equipment - Depreciation	1	223		<b>223</b>	249
Direct charitable expenditure	2	35830		<b>35830</b>	25182
Costs of generating funds	3	757		<b>757</b>	0
Other expenditure	4	2438		<b>2438</b>	462
Total Charitable Expenditure		<u>39247</u>	<u>0</u>	<b>39247</b>	25892
Net Income before charges		(6273)		<b>(6273)</b>	2366
Bank charges		(142)		<b>(142)</b>	(188)
Net income for the year		<u>(6415)</u>	<u>0</u>	<b>(6415)</b>	2178
Funds Brought Forward a 1 September 2017		16871		<b>16871</b>	14693
Funds Carried Forward at 31 August 2018		<u>10456</u>	<u>0</u>	<b>10456</b>	16871

## Balance Sheet for the Year Ended 31st August 2018

	Note	2018	2017
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Office Equipment	1	1,807	
Accumulated Depn		<u>(1198)</u>	20
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtor	5	0	2,378
Bank- Current accounts		<u>10,167</u>	14,793
		<u>10,776</u>	<u>17,191</u>
Current Liability		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Assets		<u><b>10,776</b></u>	<u>17,191</u>
<b>Capital &amp; Reserves</b>			
Reserves		17,191	17,191
Net Income/Expenditure		(6415)	
		<u><b>10,776</b></u>	<u>17,191</u>

## Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018

### 1.Fixed Assets

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2018</b>	Total 2017
Office Equipment	832	<b>832</b>	269
Less: Depreciation @25%	(223)	<b>(223)</b>	(249)
	<u>610</u>	<b><u>610</u></b>	<u>20</u>

### 2.Direct Charitable Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2018</b>	Total 2017
Education Welfare and development	10465	<b>10465</b>	3525
Human Rights & Advocacy	10649	<b>10649</b>	3128
Sport Education & Activities	12545	<b>12545</b>	18255
Bank charges & Currency Charges	142	<b>142</b>	188
Travelling	2171	<b>2171</b>	274
	<u>35972</u>	<b><u>35972</u></b>	<u>25370</u>

### 3.Costs of Generating Funds

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2018</b>	Total 2017
Fund raising events	757	<b>757</b>	0

### 4.Other Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2018</b>	Total 2017
Promotion and public relation	250	<b>250</b>	0
Office Running costs	1634	<b>1634</b>	0
Refreshments	404	<b>404</b>	270
Internet & Phone	0	<b>0</b>	42
Software & Computer	0	<b>0</b>	0
Printing & Stationery	0	<b>0</b>	0
Independent Examiner Fee	150	<b>150</b>	150
	<u>2438</u>	<b><u>2438</u></b>	<u>462</u>

### 5.Debtor

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2018</b>	Total 2017
Prepayment	0	<b>0</b>	2378
	<u>0</u>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<u>2378</u>

### 6. Employees Remuneration

There were no employees during the year.

### 7. Trustees' Remuneration and Expenses

No remuneration was paid during the year and no reimbursement is due at the year end.

## 8. Capital Commitments

There were no capital commitments at 31st August 2018.

## 9. Taxation

The Kachin Relief Fund is a registered Charity and is exempt from taxation in respect of Income and Capital Gains under Section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 and Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.