



# The Kachin Relief Fund

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Charity Registration No. 1148586, Registered in England & Wales

## The Kachin Relief Fund -Annual report for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024

The Kachin Relief Fund is a registered charity in England and Wales (Charity No. 1148586). It was established in 2011 by members of the Kachin community in the United Kingdom and was officially granted charitable status on 16 August 2012. All trustees are Kachin exiles residing in the UK, who possess strong local networks. This enables the Fund to deliver humanitarian aid swiftly, transparently, and with exceptional efficiency and effectiveness to those most in need.

The Kachin Relief Fund is deeply grateful to all individuals and organisations who have supported its mission during these challenging times.

The Kachin Relief Fund focuses on emergency relief, educational development—including physical education—health, human rights, and advocacy. The trustees establish strategies and approaches for granting funds or aid based on principles of transparency and accountability. Their approach ensures a rapid response, targets the areas of greatest need, and avoids placing additional burdens on local partners.

### Background

Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, has endured the world's longest-running civil war, with the Kachin people resisting since 1961. After a 17-year ceasefire between the Kachin Independence Organisation (KIO) and the Burmese regime collapsed in 2011, renewed conflict led to the destruction of over 320 villages and the displacement of more than 120,000 Kachin civilians. These internally displaced persons (IDPs), many of whom have suffered severe trauma, continue to live in overcrowded camps with limited access to healthcare and basic needs. The situation has worsened following the 2021 military coup, with intensified military attacks, the COVID-19 pandemic, and a growing number of IDP camps—now totalling 186 in Kachin regions alone. Despite the scale of the crisis, international aid remains limited, and local organizations, including the Kachin Relief Fund, have been vital in delivering humanitarian assistance where access is otherwise restricted.

### Trustee members (2023- 2024)

1.	Mr. Goontawng Lashi	Chairman (Key Controller )
2.	Mr. Hkanhpa Tu Sadan	Secretary (Key Controller)
3.	Ms. Maureen Ja Bu Lagra	Treasurer (Key Controller)
4.	Mr. Hkun Htoi Layang	Trustee (Member)
5.	Mrs. Seng Pan Maran	Trustee (Member)

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| 6. | Mr. Kyang Bawm Lagwi | Trustee (Member) |
| 7. | Mr. Lum Tu Maran     | Trustee (Member) |
| 8. | Mrs. Bulu Mahkaw     | Trustee (Member) |
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## Activities report

### 1. Emergency Relief and Health Care

Despite the challenges posed by ongoing civil war and travel restrictions, the Kachin Relief Fund (KRF) continued to work with local NGOs, churches, and trusted individuals to deliver essential food rations and medicines to conflict-affected areas, including Southern and Northern Kachin State (Bhamo area), Sagaing Region, and Northern Shan State. KRF also responded to flood-affected villages in the Myitkyina area by providing vital food supplies and medicines. These provisions included rice, cooking oil, salt, beans, garlic, and onions, with cash assistance distributed as a last resort.



“Kachin Relief Fund volunteers delivering essential food supplies to internally displaced people near Bhamo, Southern Kachin State. Despite ongoing conflict and restricted access, the team continues to reach vulnerable communities with life-sustaining aid, including rice, cooking oil, beans, and other staples”.





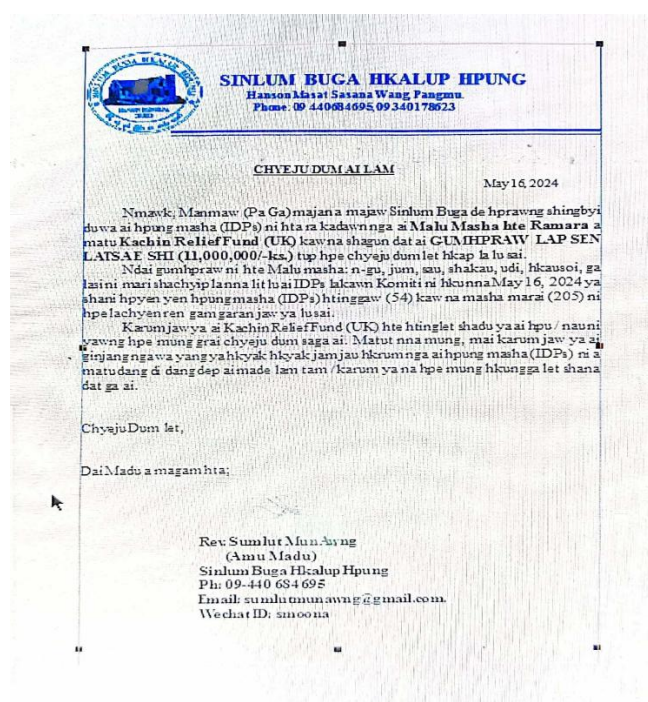
"Children in Northern Shan State line up to receive donated clothing during a distribution organized by local partners. These efforts aim to provide warmth and dignity to displaced families affected by ongoing conflict in the region."



"In 2023, local volunteers in Northern Shan State prepare food packages for delivery to internally displaced persons (IDPs), ensuring vital support reaches communities affected by ongoing conflict and displacement."



"Medicines being delivered to internally displaced persons (IDPs) along the China–Myanmar border in Eastern Kachin State, June 2024. These supplies are part of ongoing efforts to support communities affected by conflict and displacement in remote border areas."



"A letter of appreciation received from a local church pastor in the Bhamo area, acknowledging the support and humanitarian assistance provided to the community, May 2024."

## 2. Education Development

In 2023 and 2024, the Kachin Relief Fund (KRF) partnered with the UK-based Jinghpaw Education Project (JEP) to sponsor several teacher training programs in Kachin State. Most participating teachers came from remote areas of Kachin and Northern Shan State. Trustees had the opportunity to meet with them online and were deeply moved by their dedication to their communities, as well as saddened by the hardships they face due to the ongoing civil war.





"Teachers from some of the most remote areas of Kachin and Shan States travelled to Myitkyina for training, jointly sponsored by KRF and the Jinghpaw Education Project."

KRF also supported the Moon Star Education initiative, founded by local teachers involved in the Civil Disobedience Movement. This support included funding teachers' salaries and providing essential teaching tools such as computers and Zoom subscriptions.

Additionally, KRF continued to supply teaching materials, food, and medicine to Ngum La High School and its hostels in remote northern Kachin State, and maintained sponsorship for the village librarian in Ngum La.



"Students from Ngum La Boarding School in Northern Kachin State prepare to attend their classes. Despite the challenges of living in a remote and conflict-affected area, these students remain committed to their education."

KRF also extended its support to the Kachin Refugee School in Malaysia. Kachin refugees in Malaysia live under precarious conditions. As refugees, they are often excluded from formal education systems and face economic hardships that make it difficult to prioritise schooling. KRF was fortunate to sponsor a dedicated Kachin educator who volunteered to teach at the refugee school and provide teacher training.



"A Kachin educator conducting teacher training at the Kachin Refugee School in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. This initiative, supported by the Kachin Relief Fund, aims to strengthen the quality of education for refugee children by equipping volunteer teachers with essential skills and resources. In a context where access to formal education is limited, such efforts play a vital role in sustaining learning and hope within the displaced Kachin community."

### **3. Human Rights & Advocacy**

The Kachin Relief Fund (KRF) continued to raise funds to support healthcare workers and teachers participating in the Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM) in Kachin and Northern Shan States, Myanmar, in response to the military coup.

KRF also sponsored a local human rights coordinator to document human rights violations and engage in advocacy efforts with UN agencies and other non-governmental organizations.

In addition, KRF trustees and members of the Kachin community in the UK actively advocate for human rights and humanitarian issues affecting Kachin and other ethnic communities in Myanmar.





"In 2024, trustees of the Kachin Relief Fund and a representative of the Kachin community met with staff from the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) in London, UK. The meeting focused on raising awareness of the ongoing humanitarian crisis and human rights violations in Kachin and other ethnic regions of Myanmar, and advocating for stronger international support and engagement."

#### 4. IDP Children's Development and Physical Education

Since 2014, the Kachin Relief Fund (KRF) has been sponsoring Myusha Gintawng—Kachin karate instructors, and other sports instructors to provide physical education for internally displaced children, in partnership with BRIDGE, a local NGO. The project has been highly effective, benefiting over 1,500 children through structured physical activities and sports training.

KRF was especially proud to learn that some Kachin karate students won trophies at the Kyokushinryu World Tournament in the Philippines in November 2023. Their achievement has brought inspiration and hope to many young people in the IDP communities.



"Kachin karate students proudly won trophies at an international karate competition held in the Philippines in November 2023. Their success highlights the impact of physical education programs supported by the Kachin Relief Fund and brings pride and inspiration to the wider IDP community."





"Internally displaced children in Maija Yang, located along the China–Myanmar border, participate in sports activities organized between 2023 and 2024. These programs, supported by the Kachin Relief Fund, aim to promote physical well-being, teamwork, and emotional resilience among children affected by conflict and displacement."

#### 4. Fund raising activities

The Kachin Relief Fund (KRF) successfully hosted the annual 'Walk for Kachin IDPs' on 8 June 2024, commemorating 13 years since the resumption of armed conflict in Kachinland, Myanmar. The event drew a strong turnout from supporters, community members, and human rights advocates, all walking in solidarity with the over 120,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) affected by the ongoing crisis. The peaceful walk, held in central London, aimed to raise awareness of the humanitarian situation in Kachin and Northern Shan States, where thousands of civilians continue to suffer from displacement, insecurity, and lack of access to basic services. Participants carried banners, wore T shirt, and shared messages of hope and resilience. "We were deeply moved by the number of people who came out to show their support," said a KRF trustee. "This event is not only a remembrance of the suffering endured by Kachin IDPs, but also a call for continued international attention and action." The Kachin Relief Fund extends its heartfelt thanks to all participants, volunteers, and partners who made the event possible. Funds raised during the walk will go directly toward supporting education, healthcare, and emergency relief for displaced Kachin communities.



"Trustees and organisers from the Kachin Relief Fund pictured with supporters during the 'Walk for Kachin IDPs' event in 2024. The gathering highlighted solidarity with displaced Kachin communities and raised awareness of the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Myanmar."



"Fundraising activities organised by the Kachin Community UK during 2023–2024 helped generate vital support for humanitarian aid, education, and advocacy efforts for displaced Kachin communities. These events reflect the community's ongoing commitment to solidarity and action."

The Kachin Relief Fund is deeply grateful to the Kachin Community in the UK and friends of Kachin for their continued support and generosity.

## ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

All KRF staff members contribute on a voluntary basis. Public relations, secretarial duties, and financial accounting are all carried out by dedicated volunteers.

- The trustees are committed to keeping the charity's operating costs to a minimum.
- They are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

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

- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and well-founded;
- State whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, and disclose and explain any departures in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue its operations.

### Independent Examiner

David Turner of CP Finance was appointed as the charity's independent examiner during the year and has expressed his willingness to continue in this role.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Chair

Mr. Goontawng Lashi

Dated: 27 /06/2025



Secretary

Mr. Hkanhpa Tu Sadan

Dated: 27/06/2025



## INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS 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 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 9, on pages 13 to 16. 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 p11, 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 blue ink, appearing to be 'CP Finance', is written over a horizontal line.

CP Finance

Dated 27/06/2025

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### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31st August 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
<b>Incoming Resources</b>					
Donation received		82,243		<b>82,243</b>	69,807
Gift Aid Tax refunds		0		<b>0</b>	0
Total Incoming Resources		82,243	0	<b>82,243</b>	69,807
	Note				
<b>Resources Expenditure</b>					
Office Equipment - Depreciation	1	0		<b>0</b>	0
Direct charitable expenditure	2	85,296		<b>85,296</b>	53,375
Costs of generating funds	3	2,675		<b>2,675</b>	3,791
Other expenditure	4	3,846		<b>3,846</b>	1,638
Total Charitable Expenditure		91,817	0	<b>91,817</b>	58,804
Net (Expenditure) / Income before charges		-9,574		<b>-9,574</b>	11,003
Bank charges		-402		<b>-402</b>	-353
Net (Expenditure) / income for the year		<b>-9,976</b>	0	<b>-9,976</b>	10,650
Funds Brought Forward at 1 September 2023		25,606		<b>25,606</b>	14,956
Funds Carried Forward at 31 August 2024		<b>15,630</b>	0	<b>15,630</b>	25,606

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## BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 20224

	Note	2024	2023
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Office Equipment	1	1,807	
Accumulated Depen		<u>-1,807</u>	0
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtor	5	810	0
Bank- Current accounts		12,953	23,366
PayPal Account		<u>668</u>	<u>2,260</u>
		<u>14,431</u>	<u>25,626</u>
Current Liability		<u>-1,200</u>	<u>20</u>
Net Assets	6	<u><b>15,631</b></u>	<u><b>25,606</b></u>
<b>Capital &amp; Reserves</b>			
Reserves		25,606	14,956
Net Income/Expenditure		-9,976	10,650
		<u><b>15,630</b></u>	<u><b>25,606</b></u>



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### Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st August 2024

#### 1.Fixed Assets

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2024</b>	Total 2023
Office Equipment	0	<b>0</b>	0
Less: Depreciation @25%	0	<b>0</b>	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

#### 2.Direct Charitable Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2024</b>	Total 2023
Education Welfare and development	12,437	<b>12,437</b>	16,108
Emergency Humanitarian Response	30,201	<b>30,201</b>	14,834
Human Rights & Advocacy	15,803	<b>15,803</b>	11,318
Sport Education & Activities	21,905	<b>21,905</b>	10,164
Bank charges & Currency Charges	402	<b>402</b>	353
Travelling	4,950	<b>4,950</b>	950
	<b>85,698</b>	<b>85,698</b>	<b>53,728</b>

#### 3.Costs of Generating Funds

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2024</b>	Total 2023
Fund raising events	2,675	<b>2,675</b>	3,791

#### 4.Other Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2024</b>	Total 2023
Promotion and public relation	654	<b>654</b>	552
Office Running costs	2,100	<b>2,100</b>	0
Refreshments	767	<b>767</b>	457
Internet & Phone	60	<b>60</b>	102
Software & Computer	0	<b>0</b>	106
Subscriptions	65	<b>65</b>	144
Printing & Stationery	39	<b>39</b>	118
Independent Examiner Fee	160	<b>160</b>	160
	<b>3,846</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>1,638</b>

#### 5. Debtor

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2024</b>	Total 2023
Prepayment - Loan	810	<b>810</b>	0
	<u>810</u>	<u><b>810</b></u>	<u>0</u>

#### 6. Creditor

	Unrestricted Funds	<b>Total 2024</b>	Total 2023
Accruals	0	<b>0</b>	1,220
KCUK2020	-1,200	<b>-1,200</b>	-1,200
	<u>-1,200</u>	<u><b>-1,200</b></u>	<u><b>20</b></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 2024.

#### 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.