

Formation of Nine Task Forces for UEHRD's Project

On 12 October 2017, the government of Myanmar announced the formation of a '**Union Enterprise for Humanitarian Assistance, Resettlement and Development in Rakhine**' (UEHRD) to implement long-term durable and sustainable development work in the region.

The government said that three main tasks have been prioritised by the government, which are 1) repatriation of those who have crossed over to Bangladesh and providing humanitarian assistance effectively; 2) resettlement and rehabilitation; and 3) bringing development to the region and establishing durable peace.

State Counsellor will act as the chairperson of the newly formed Union Enterprise, a mechanism which would allow the Union Government, the people, the private sector, local NGOs and CSOs, friendly countries, UN agencies, and INGOs to work together in cooperation. Dr. Win Myat Aye, Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, is also the Chairman of the Committee assigned to implement the recommendations of Dr. Kofi Annan's Advisory Commission on Rakhine State will serve as Vice Chairman of the Enterprise.

On 21 October 2017, nine tasks forces were formed by the UEHRD, they were as follows:

- Construction and infrastructure;
- Agriculture and livestock breeding;
- Economic Zones Development;
- information and Public Relations;
- Job creation and Vocational Training;
- Healthcare;
- Micro-financing;
- Fund raising through crowd-funding;
- and Tourism promotion