



The Kachin Relief Fund

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Charity Registration No. 1148586, Registered in England & Wales

Annual report for year ending 31st August 2022

Background

Over a decade of conflict-affected people experiencing multiple displacements; Kachin IDPs are suffering constant fear and anxiety in their daily life. Leaving behind their land and properties for so many years with lives in the camps has been unbearable with decreases causing humanitarian crisis. Uncertain hope to return to their homeland with dignity and their greatest concern for their children's future become increasingly deemed over the years. And to make it worse the devastating effect of the Covid-19 pandemic and the current nationwide civil war has refuelled and double burden to already suffering civilians all over again following military coup on 1st February 2021. According to the latest report from local Civil Societies Organizations (CSOs) and UN agencies; there are more than two million Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) for the last two years including pre-existing IDPs across the country. Since the coup, Kachins have been accommodating some of the students, activists and other important figures into their liberated area. The targeted military attacks have been increased in recent years creating more IDPs in Kachin State and Northern Shan State which make new 186 IDPs sites which is 20 more campsites than previous two years in the Kachin regions alone.

The Kachin conflict has been a neglected crises with some very limited help, the situation of the Kachin IDPs remains unchanged, and the international agencies have not gotten access to most of the IDP camps over the last 12 years. Local NGOs, religious organizations and including Kachin Relief Fund have played a crucial role in providing humanitarian assistance to the IDPs as they have been for many years as providers of humanitarian aids.

All trustee members constitute Kachin exiles in the UK that have a good local network and can ensure the rapid delivery of humanitarian aids to the right people and locations with a transparent, very efficient and effective way.

Trustee members

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| 1. | Mr. Goontawng Lashi | Chairman (Key Controller) |
| 2. | Mr. Hkanhpa Tu Sadan | Secretary (Key Controller) |
| 3. | Ms. Maureen Ja Bu | Treasurer (Key Controller) |
| 4. | Mr. Hkun Htoi Layang | Trustee (Member) |
| 5. | Mrs. Seng Pan Maran | Trustee (Member) |
| 6. | Mr. Kyang Bawm Lagwi | Trustee (Member) |

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| 7. | Mr. Brang Aung | Trustee (Member) |
| 8. | Mrs. Bulu Mahkaw | Trustee (Member) |
| 9. | Mr. Ringdu Lachyung | Trustee (Member) |

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Independent Examiner	David Turner of CP Finance Unit 11 Worton Court, Worton Hall Ind Estate Worton Road, Isleworth. TW76ER
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Objectives

- To relieve hardship, sickness and distress, and advance education among internally displaced Kachin people
- To advance public education in difficulties experienced by refugees as well as deprived and disadvantaged Kachin people
- To promote fundamental human right education based on the United Nation's Universal Declaration of Human Rights and documentation of human rights abuses.

The Kachin relief fund focuses on emergency relief, education development including physical education, health and human right and advocacy. The trustees set a strategy and approach when granting funds or aids base on transparency and accountability, rapid response and target the most needed areas, and no extra burden for local partners.

Activities reports- 2021- 2022

1. Emergency Relief and Covid-19 Responses

After a meeting among trustee members, the KRF collectively made a decision to implement food provision to the Southern Kachin state and Sagaing region, Northern Shan State and Northern Kachin State where intense fighting and people are most vulnerable due to food shortages. The KRF trustees were aware that it would be a challenging task to deliver aid to those areas, and appointed a project lead or a key coordinator to implement it. The provisions comprised rice, cooking oil, salt, beans, garlic and onions.



Photos of Internally Displace people from Sagaing region May 2022

2. Human rights advocacy, promoting civil liberty by supporting Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM) by promoting Human rights

KRF continued raising funds and to support Healthcare workers and teachers who were participating in the Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM) in Kachin and Northern Shan States, Myanmar due to the military coup. KRF would like to thank Advance Myanmar from UK and JUST Myanmar 21 from Japan for helping emergency relief to CDM teachers and Health workers.



A CDM teacher receiving financial support 2021.

KRF continued to sponsor a local human right coordinator for human rights documentations and advocacy by engaging with the UN agencies and other non-government organizations.

KRF trustees and members of Kachin community in UK continue to advocate for human rights and humanitarian situations in Kachin and other ethnic communities in Burma.

3. IDP children Development and Physical Education

Since 2014 KRF has been sponsoring Myusha Gintawng- Kachin Karate Instructors, and sport instructors for physical education for IDP children partner with BRIDGE- a local NGO. The project has been highly affective and now over 1,500 children were benefiting from such activities.



Newly opened Karate class in western Kachin State 2022.



Physical Education programme for IDP children in Maija Yang, Kachin State.

4. Educational aids including teacher training

KRF partnered with the Jinghpaw Education Project (JEP), a UK charity to sponsor numbers of teacher training program in Kachin State in 2021 and 2022.

KRF also supported emergency hardship fund to numbers of university students who were studying in South East Asia Countries.

KRF delivered teaching aids and stationeries for the Ngum La High School, very remote northern Kachin State. KRF continued providing sponsorship to a librarian and bought more new books for Ngum La library. It was very challenging to deliver aids to such very remote area.



Students receiving stationeries at Ngum La High School, 2022.

5. Fund raising activities and KRF 10th year anniversary event

The KRF 10th year anniversary event was held on 3rd September 2022. The event included thanksgiving and prayer services for people of Burma, sharing Kachin traditional foods and dances with Kachin and other ethnic nationalities of Burma, as well as a live entertainment as well as awareness presentation and fund raising.



A group photo of 10th year anniversary of KRF, 3rd September 2022.



Walk for Kachin IDPs event was successfully on held on 21st May 2022. KRF was delighted to see so many people turned up and show solidarity with Kachin IDPs.

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.

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

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 judgements 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 29th May 2021 and their re-appointment was made during AGM in 2022.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Chair

Mr. Goontawng Lashi

Dated: 29 /06/2023



Secretary

Mr. Hkanhpa Tu Sadan

Dated: 29/06/2023

Independence 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 31st August 2022 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 P8-9, 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.

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CP Finance

Dated29/06/2023.....

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31st August 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
Incoming Resources					
Donation received		53159		53159	72824
Gift Aid Tax refunds		0		0	6994
Total Incoming Resources		<u>53159</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>53159</u>	<u>79818</u>
Note					
Resources Expenditure					
Office Equipment - Depreciation	1	0		0	203
Direct charitable expenditure	2	52321		52321	96247
Costs of generating funds	3	2525		2525	0
Other expenditure	4	1012		1012	482
Total Charitable Expenditure		<u>55858</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>55858</u>	<u>96931</u>
Net Income before charges		(2699)		(2699)	(17113)
Bank charges		(127)		(127)	(770)
Net income for the year		<u>(2826)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(2826)</u>	<u>(17883)</u>
Funds Brought Forward a 1 September 2021		<u>(18885)</u>		<u>(18885)</u>	<u>(1002)</u>
Funds Carried Forward at 31 August 2022		<u>(21711)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(21711)</u>	<u>(18885)</u>

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BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

	Note	2022	2021
Fixed Assets			
Office Equipment	1	1,807	
Accumulated Depen		<u>(1807)</u>	0
Current Assets			
Debtor	5	1,200	0
Bank- Current accounts		12,792	17,383
PayPal Account		<u>965</u>	2969.5
		<u>14,957</u>	<u>20,353</u>
Current Liability		<u>-</u>	<u>2,570</u>
Net Assets	6	<u>14,957</u>	<u>17,783</u>
Capital & Reserves			
Reserves		17,783	35,667
Net Income/Expenditure		(2826)	(17883)
		<u>14,957</u>	<u>17,783</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31st August 2022

1.Fixed Assets

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Office Equipment	0	0	203
Less: Depreciation @25%	0	0	(203)
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

2.Direct Charitable Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Education Welfare and development	10089	10089	15306
Emergency Humanitarian Response	12800	12800	32975
Human Rights & Advocacy	12723	12723	32475
Sport Education & Activities	14991	14991	14691
Bank charges & Currency Charges	127	127	770
Travelling	1717	1717	800
	<u>52449</u>	<u>52449</u>	<u>97017</u>

3.Costs of Generating Funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Fund raising events	2525	2525	0

4.Other Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Promotion and public relation	112	112	203
Office Running costs	0	0	0
Refreshments	457	457	129
Internet & Phone	0	0	0
Software & Computer	24	24	0
Subscriptions	259	259	
Printing & Stationery	0	0	0
Independent Examiner Fee	160	160	150
	<u>1012</u>	<u>1012</u>	<u>482</u>

5. Debtor

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
KCUK2020 donations	1,200	1,200	0
	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>0</u>

6. Creditor

	Unrestricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Accruals	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2570</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 2022.

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.