



“Beyond ASEAN’s Five Point Consensus: Humanitarian Assistance to Myanmar”

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One year on since the adoption of the Five Point Consensus on Myanmar was reached, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and its member states have not achieved any progress to address the catastrophic political, human rights and humanitarian crisis in Myanmar.

In marking the occasion, civil society organizations [called](#) on ASEAN to move beyond the consensus and have raised [serious concerns](#) about whether the ASEAN’s disaster management body, ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre), is suited to deliver humanitarian assistance in Myanmar as mandated under the consensus.

The AHA Centre has no mechanism under which it provides aid to those in need in the context of conflict, and in which its main partner that would deliver aid in the affected country is the clear aggressor and cause of the humanitarian disaster.

Such concerns are even more pressing as Cambodia, current Chair of ASEAN, is to host a Consultative Meeting on ASEAN humanitarian assistance to Myanmar on May 6th. In Myanmar, the military junta continues to block the delivery of humanitarian aid and attack and arrest local aid workers.

Progressive Voice, The Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA), and CIVICUS: World Alliance for Citizen Participation invite you to a webinar with a panel of regional and local experts to discuss expectations and explore challenges of ASEAN’s approach to humanitarian assistance in Myanmar.

Moderator: Marzuki Daruzman, member of the Special Advisory Council for Myanmar

Speakers:

- Adelina Kamal, Associate Senior Fellow of ISEAS and Former Executive Director of the AHA Centre
- Kasit Piromya, ASEAN Parliamentarians for Human Rights (APHR) Board Member, former Thai Foreign Minister
- Naw Htoo Htoo, Program Director, Karen Human Rights Group
- Salai Za Uk Ling, Deputy Executive Director, Chin Human Rights Organization

For more information or to set up an interview with any of the speakers, please contact FORUM-ASIA Communication and Media Programme at communication@forum-asia.org.