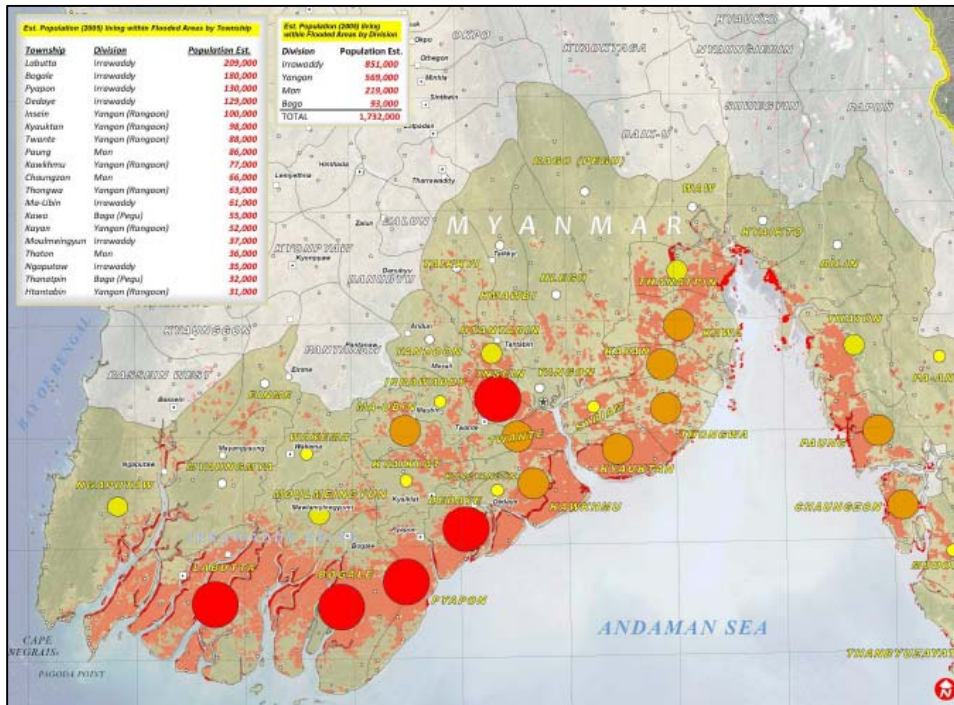


## HIGHLIGHTS CYCLONE NARGIS: MYANMAR 7 May 2008

### General Situation Update

- From State Media : 22,464 deaths and 41,054 missing
- Total number of townships affected: **47**
  - Delta Division: 7 townships (badly affected)
  - Yangon area: 40 townships
- Scarcity in drinking water, lack of electricity and petrol is aggravating the situation
- Damage and number of injuries are still being assessed
- Risk to water and vector borne diseases are being monitored

### Map from UNOSAT 6 May 2008



### Health Action

#### Coordination

- Cluster approach initiated by the IASC, and WHO leading the health cluster
- Coordination and discussion among health partners ongoing to understand the gaps in terms of supplies and equipments available
- Joint UN Flash Appeal being drafted on 7 May 08

#### Assessment

- Preliminary review of situation conducted by UNDP
- Myanmar Red Cross, in collaboration with the International Federation of the Red Cross performed an assessment
- Discussion with UNICEF on-going for a rapid health assessment in the area.

#### Health Care Delivery

- WHO mobilized 10 Interagency Emergency Health Kits, 100 body bags, 35,000 chlorine tablets and 5 tents
- Discussions are ongoing for the mobilization of further supplies, including diarrhoeal disease kits, water and sanitation kits, bleach powder and long lasting impregnated nets (LLIN) to the area

#### Outbreak Control

- WHO has mobilized teams of regional surveillance officers to the district to assess the health situation in the area

#### **Next Steps**

- Support to staff for operations in pipeline
- Purchase additional supplies, locally, from the regional office, or from HQ as applicable
- Strengthen health coordination in the country
- Establish a surveillance system in the affected areas
- Prepare and launch a UN consolidated flash appeal