

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR MINE AWARENESS AND ASSISTANCE IN MINE ACTION 4TH APRIL 2019

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2019 Theme: “United Nations Promotes SDGs - Safe Ground - Safe Home”

On 8 December 2005, the General Assembly declared that 4th April of each year shall be observed as the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action. To find out how much young people in Myanmar are aware of mine related issues, U-Report Myanmar has been sending out polls since 2017. This year, on 26th March, U-Report sent out another poll to U Reporters across the country. Some of the questions were the same as the 2017 and 2018 polls, so that results could be compared across the years.

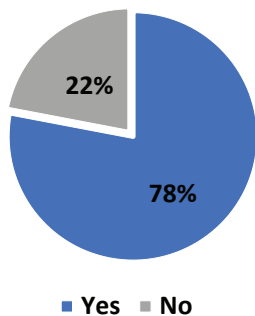
Response rates

4647 adolescents and young people responded out of 25,854 polled – a response rate of 18 per cent within 3 days. 54% of respondents were girls and 46% boys

Response rates by State and Region	
States/Regions	Respondents
Kachin	193 out of 1,053
Kayah	483 out of 1,567
Kayin	411 out of 1,091
Chin	177 out of 984
Mon	174 out of 1,254
Rakhine	70 out of 264
Shan	734 out of 5,500
Yangon	1,286 out of 6,217
Mandalay	412 out of 3,244
Sagaing	127 out of 758
Bago	150 out of 720
Magway	169 out of 878
Ayeyarwady	104 out of 575
Tanintharyi	78 out of 567

Here is what young people in Myanmar are saying....

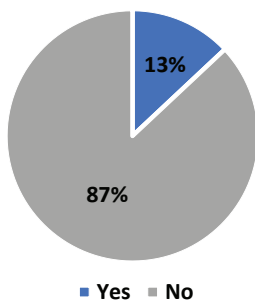
Q1. Do you think landmines and other explosive remnants of war constitute or pose a serious threat in Myanmar?



Note:

- 90% of U-Reporters in Rakhine, Kachin, Magway, Kayin and Tanintharyi, and 79% from Shan said “YES”. These states had the highest number of U Reporters saying that mines pose a serious threat in Myanmar.
- There were no differences by gender.

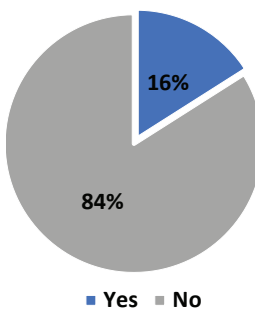
Q2. Do you know somebody amongst your family, friends, relatives or community that has been injured or killed by a landmine and/or unexploded ordonnance?



Note:

- Kachin State had the highest number of U-Reporters (36% of all responses from Kachin) who knew a person injured or killed by a landmine; followed by Kayah (23%) and Rakhine (22%).
- By gender, more male U-Reporters knew mine-affected persons than females U Reporters.

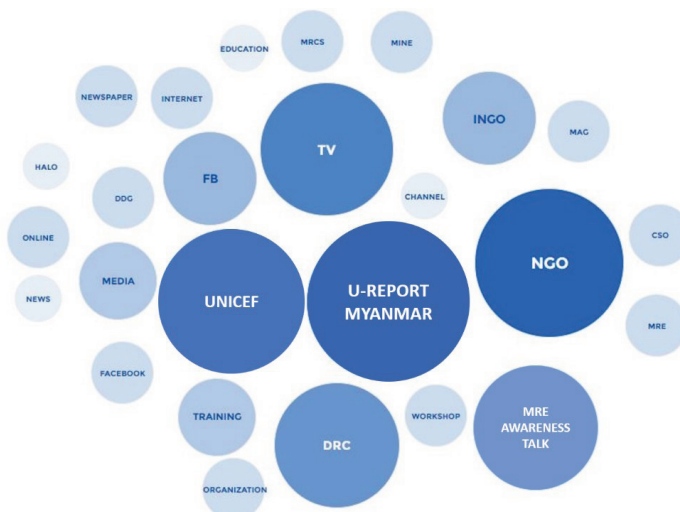
Q3. Have you received any Mine Risk Education (MRE) lessons or messages within the last year?



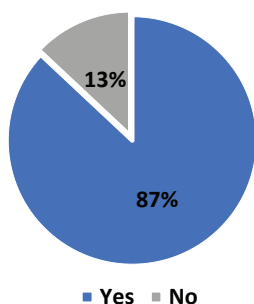
Note:

- 30% of U-Reporters from Kayah, Kachin and Kayin said “YES” and had the highest number of U Reporters who had received MRE lessons or messages in the last year.
- More male U-Reporters had received MRE lessons than females; and fewer young people under the age of 25 had received MRE lessons than U Reporters over 25.

Q4. From whom, and where did you receive the Mine Risk Education lessons /messages?



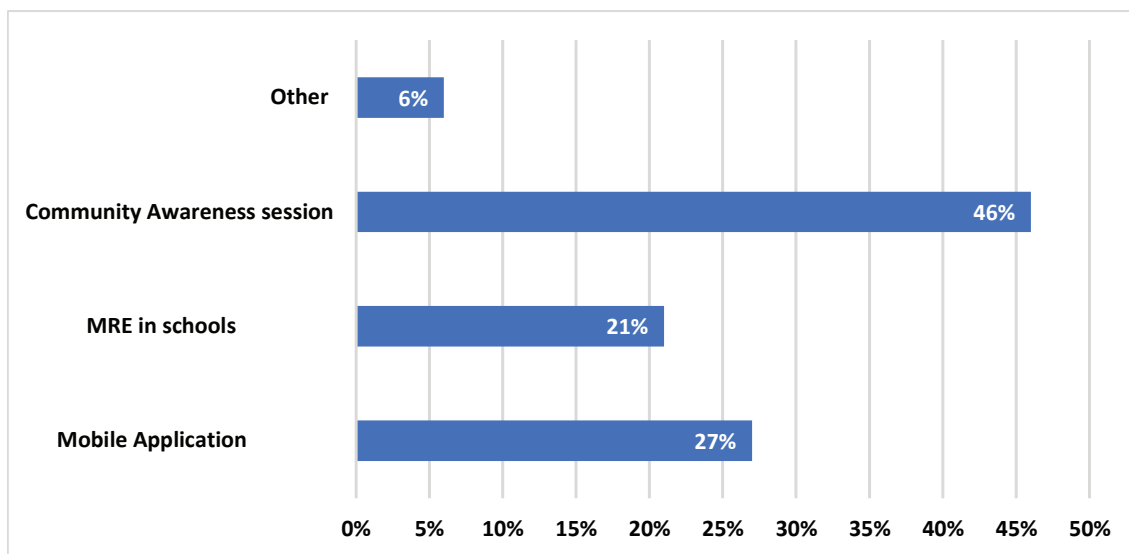
Q5. Are you interested in receiving Mine Risk Education lessons?



Note:

- Nearly 95% of U-Reporters in Rakhine, Ayeyarwaddy and Sagaing, and 90% of U-Reporters in Kachin and Shan State said that they were interested in receiving MRE lessons. U Reporters from other States and Regions showed lower rates of interest.
- Although MRE lessons are received by more male U-Reporters, female U-Reporters were more interested in receiving MRE lessons.

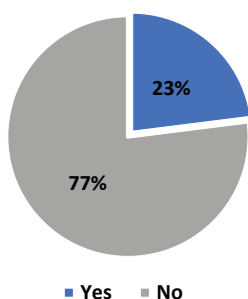
Q6. What is the best way to reach the affected population with Mine Risk Education messages?



Note:

- In Kachin and Kayah States, U-Reporter said that Community Awareness Sessions was the best way to deliver MRE messages. But in Sagaing and Ayeyarwady Regions, U-Reporters were more interested to receive MRE through mobile applications. U-Reporters in Yangon, Mandalay and Mon State rated awareness through Mobile Apps and Community Awareness Sessions equally.

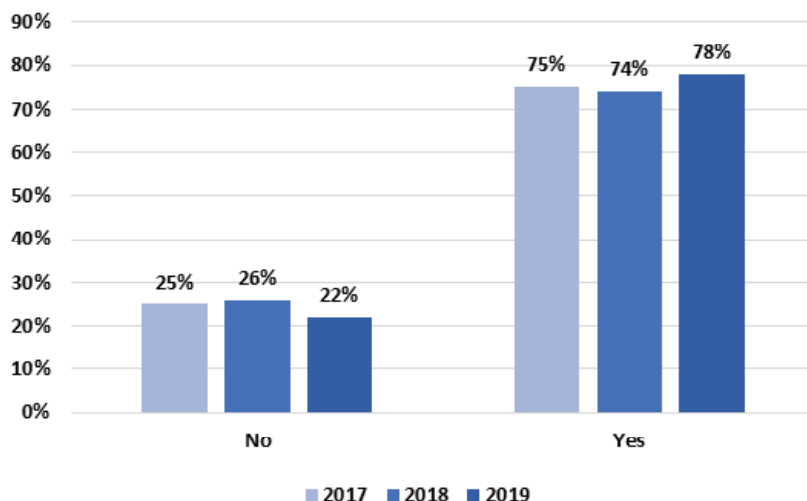
Q7. Last year, 37% of you were happy to share the MRE App with family and friends to download. Have you been able to do that?



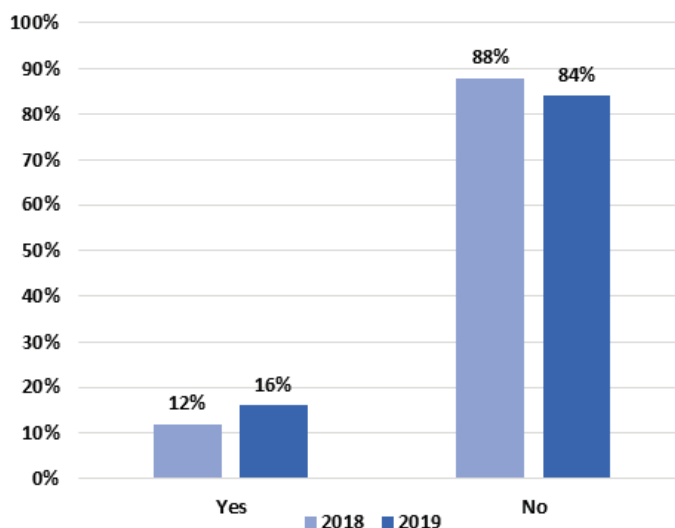
Note:

- Kayah, Sagaing, Chin, Kayah and Shan States had the highest number of U Reporters (30% of all responses) indicating they had been able to share the MRE App with family and friends; whereas Rakhine, Bago and Yangon regions had the lowest numbers (16% of all responses).
- More male U-Reporters shared the App than females.

Q8. When asked whether they think landmines and other explosive remnants of war pose a serious threat in Myanmar, here is what U-Reporters said in 2017, 2018 and 2019



Q9. When asked whether they received any Mine Risk Education lessons or messages in the last year, here is what U-Reporters said in 2018 and 2019



About U-Report Myanmar

What is U-Report?

U-Report is an innovative social messaging tool allowing adolescents and young people from communities across Myanmar, to speak out and respond to polls on the issues that matter to them. U-Report was launched in Myanmar in August 2016. Already more than 25,000 U-Reporters have registered through Facebook.

Poll questions on a wide range of development topics are asked to U-Reporters every week, providing a deep source of real-time information on the views and opinions of adolescents and young people in Myanmar. The platform provides decision makers with a forum to listen to many voices across the country, giving them a unique insight into the challenges that affect young people in Myanmar.

How can you access the platform?

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