

## Monthly Activities Report for October

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020

Township: Loikaw

Village: Tee Lone Village

Country: Myanmar

Myanmar is very early age for the democracy transformation during this 1 decade after ruling 6 decades of dictatorship. On 2010, USDP won the election and after 5 years on 2015, NLD won the election. Now on 2020, we will have the Myanmar election again and all the political parties are very busy for this coming election.

On 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020, In Myanmar will hold the election. On the other hand, due to the Covid-19 all the political parties are not able to do big election campaign. Myanmar is suffering the second wave of Covid-19 badly than the first wave. Because of the Covid-19, people are suffering from their livelihood and facing from the jobless problem too.

In Kayah State most of the villagers are depending on their livelihood from the agriculture. Mostly, the villagers cultivated rice, corns, beans and etc... and the trader shipping all the products to trade from Kayah state to neighbor countries called China, Thailand and India. Due to the Covid-19, the villagers are suffering so much because most of the trade roads are block and the traders are playing the market prices.

Recently, the KEG staffs went to the Tee Lon village group to check the community forest, meeting with the community people, reform the forest committee and gave the drawing of forest mapping areas to the villagers. During the community meeting, the villagers are report us that, they had very deep forest in the past. However, they are not seeing like before and they feel the climate change impact every year. The main reason for the deforestation in our state are less of job opportunities for the youths, various Armed groups and the weakness of law and policy. The government have the forest policy that cannot log in any more in Kayah state, however, no one follow those law and policy and people are logging on the field, every day.

In the near future, the villagers want the good government system those who aware and maintain on our forestry. Not only for the forest maintaining, but also the good government should create the job opportunities for the youth and making the capacity building for them too. And also, we need the rightful constitution and need to make no one is above the law. In doing so we need good government system and coming 2020 election is very important for our state to won local political party. Because the local party called KYSDP have to compete with the power party such as NLD and USDP. However, local party KySDP and their alliance party KNP have a big chance to win in this coming election in Kayah State.

