

The DaNa Facility



The DaNa Facility is an innovative £25 million private sector development programme funded by the UK Government's Department for International Development (DFID) and managed by DAI Europe and KPMG.

The programme runs from May 2016 to December 2020, supporting inclusive and responsible economic growth by working with government, businesses, and stakeholders through a combination of grants and technical assistance.

Inclusive economic growth creates economic opportunities for people from poor communities and for groups that commonly face social and economic disadvantages, such as women, people living in conflict-affected areas, and people with disabilities, ensuring that economic development in Myanmar benefits everyone.

HEADLINE RESULTS



121,414 people have benefitted from improved livelihoods, incomes, or employment, including 59,593 from conflict-affected states and regions



Improved access to financial products and services for 212,368 people, including 170,385 women



DaNa has supported training for 38,985 people

OUR GRANTEES

DaNa has awarded 17 grants to businesses and non-profit organisations to stimulate inclusive growth in three key sectors: agribusiness, textiles, and financial services. Our grantees include:

The Leprosy Mission Myanmar provides employment opportunities for people with disabilities in Yangon, Bago, and Mandalay. The project offers vocational training courses and provides 'seed' capital for people with disabilities to open their own business.

The Myanmar Institute for Integrated Development is implementing a project to improve market opportunities for smallholder farmers, introducing Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) in Shan State. GAP certified products bring higher prices, enabling farmers to increase their incomes.

Myanmar Artisans is implementing the project 'Building a Sector on Textile Traditions'. The project promotes economic growth among Myanmar's textile producers by upgrading design, production, and marketing of traditional textile products to tap into the global market for handicrafts, estimated at \$ 120 billion per year for textiles alone.

Snacks Mandalay is an inclusive business that buys fresh chili directly from local farmers at a guaranteed premium market price. The business also provides farmers with training and guidance on farming practices, including seed quality, disease control, and cultivation practices.

Our Impact

Increasing access to finance: With technical support from DaNa, and in conjunction with the Interchurch Organisation for Development Cooperation (ICCO) and the Network Activities Group (NAG), in early 2019 the Ayeyarwaddy Farmers Development Bank (A Bank) launched a first-of-its-kind financing programme for 3,415 farmers from 60 villages under the Magway Regional Farmers Development Association (RFDA). The total amount of unsecured credit provided was 976,947,672 MMK (£491,882).

Promoting inclusive business: DaNa has provided comprehensive technical assistance supporting inclusive business (IB), including establishing a high-level IB/Impact Investing Steering Group. In November 2019, DaNa and the Myanmar Young Entrepreneurs' Association, with financial support from A Bank, jointly organised the inaugural Inclusive Business Challenge. The event raised awareness of the potential for inclusive business and provided recognition for enterprises that create significant social impact.

Facilitating trade and investment: In March 2019 DaNa, in partnership with the Ministry of Investment and Foreign Economic Relations, the

Myanmar Investment Commission, the Directorate of Investment and Company Administration, and the Chin State Government, promoted trade and investment opportunities at the Chin State Investment and Product Fair. Together with the International Trade Centre (ITC), DaNa has also provided support for Myanmar's states and regions at major events on trade and investment, including the Invest Myanmar Summit and the Euromoney Global Investment Forum.

Supporting business environment reform: The Myanmar Business Environment Index (MBEI) 2019 Report was published and disseminated nationwide at state, region, and township levels. As Myanmar's first sub-national survey of the constraints faced by businesses across the country, the MBEI paves the way for local and national authorities to improve economic governance.

DaNa has also developed a reform programme for the implementation of bonded warehousing in Myanmar. The programme addressed policy and regulatory coordination, government and private sector capacity, and strengthened engagement between the government and the private sector through a series of public-private dialogues.

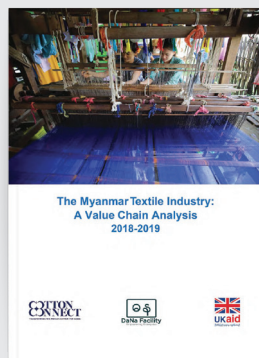
KNOWLEDGE AND RESEARCH

DaNa is contributing to knowledge and learning through our support for research on inclusive economic growth in Myanmar. Key studies include:

The Ecosystem for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises in Kachin State



The Myanmar Textile Industry: A Value Chain Analysis



Investment Promotion and Facilitation Handbook



Inclusive Business in Myanmar: An Agenda to Catalyse Social Impact

