



## **ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Statement on the Impact of Cyclone MOCHA on Myanmar**

1. The Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations wish to express their heartfelt condolences and sympathy to the people of Myanmar over the devastating impact caused by Cyclone Mocha. Our condolences and sympathy also go out to the peoples in the region affected by the Cyclone.
2. We stand in solidarity with the affected communities and reaffirm the importance of meeting their priorities and urgent needs, especially the most vulnerable, to implement our "One ASEAN One Response" approach.
3. ASEAN Member States stand ready to support disaster relief efforts and delivery of humanitarian assistance in whatever form necessary, including the deployment of the ASEAN-Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ERAT) to conduct a rapid assessment, support emergency logistics, and gather information in the field, as necessary.
4. To ensure an effective and timely response, we encourage Myanmar to activate the role of the Secretary-General as the ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance Coordinator (SG AHAC) to oversee overall coordination, with the assistance of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre).