

## Mission

To serve all those in Myanmar who are supporting the development of young children

## Goal

To promote and support *the holistic development of children* in communities in Myanmar- not only health and nutrition, but also child stimulation, early learning and psycho social development

## Objectives

- ◆ *To assist and network with interested organizations* to establish an early childhood program where leaders, parents and preschool teachers will understand and be trained as to how to provide a safe and nurturing environment for all of their children under the age of 8. (This will not only prepare their children for school, but for life-long learning.)
- ◆ *To support ECCD trainers technically* as they give training to community leaders, parent education facilitators and preschool teachers. This training is based on traditional experiences and knowledge as well as the latest in brain research. It is designed to develop the capacity of caregivers and the community as a whole to provide safe, healthy, nurturing and stimulating environments for children between conception and eight years of age.
- ◆ *To develop ECCD teaching learning materials and Information Education Communication (IEC) materials* such as videos or CDs, children's books, posters and other training materials.

- ◆ *To establish two local resource centers:* one in lower Myanmar (Yangon) and one in upper Myanmar (Mandalay) where all early childhood actors can come for information, advice and materials, and to facilitate their mutual support and networking.

## Strategies

- Identifying *local strengths and resources* and promoting them.
- Developing *Training Manuals and other IEC materials*.
- Conducting *an Annual 6-day ECCD Conference* in March for all interested ECCD Trainers in Myanmar, including a keynote speech and skill building workshops, as well as time for networking with each other.



- Providing *two places* where local ECCD materials/ toys/ games produced by other groups or organizations are sold.
- Providing ECCD *advisors*.



Play Material Produced by Women's cottage industries



- *To continuously identify and train active trainees as a means to increase the pool of qualified trainers in the country.*

## Outcomes:

➤ ECCD Training Manuals and IEC materials available at Yinthway Foundation.

- 85 Myanmar children's books (including folk tales & bilingual books)



*Children using material from Yinthway Foundation*

- 6 Training Manuals (Preparatory Seminar, One month ECCD teacher training, Parent Education Facilitator Training, ECCD Management Committee Training, Refresher Training and Toy Making Training/ Workshop)
- ECCD Handbooks (ECCD Trainer's handbook, Parental Facilitator handbook, and Toy Making handbook).
- 6 Training videos
- 4 Speech Posters for children
- 2 Baby Posters & 2 Game Posters for Caregivers
- Cassette Tapes (Nursery Songs)

➤ Ongoing technical and some material support of the ECCD trainings conducted by various organizations.

➤ ECCD resource centers in two convenient places in Myanmar.



*Toy making Workshops*



*Child Playing with material made at workshop*



*Regional Conference jointly organized by Yinthway & Unicef*



*Trained teachers supporting child development*



## Partners

- 1.DSW
- 2.DEPT, DBE(1), DBE(2), DBE(3)
- 3.UNICEF
- 4.Swiss Aid
- 5.SCin Myanmar
- 6.World Vision
7. KMSS
8. Metta Foundation
9. Other Local NGOs
10. Various Faith-based Organization

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# YINTHWAY FOUNDATION



*Supporting Child Development in the Communities*

Yinthway Foundation is a local NGO which originally began in 1999 with the name Network Early Childhood Resource Center (NECRC). Over the years, because there was so much demand for its services, this local group expanded and reorganized itself as a local non-government organization (LNGO), changing its name to Yinthway (which means 'our beloved little children') Foundation.