

Key results

A project with the Mennonite Economic Development Associates, which has operated since 2015, focused on women's economic empowerment. It conducted capacity-building activities with 257 female lead farmers and women producers, savings groups and village leaders in 69 villages. Training in gender equality for men and women through local partner organizations was also successfully delivered in 63 villages, drawing almost 2,000 participants. As well, an innovative call for matching grants with agri-businesses strengthened the project's private sector partnership approach.

The Canadian-based international organization Forum of Federations, with Canada's support, is improving the knowledge and understanding of federalism among primary stakeholders. This is making a key contribution to the Myanmar government's focus on federalism in the context of ongoing historic peace negotiations. In 2016-2017, the forum supported training, in 65 townships, to 274 subnational parliamentarians from five states and to 279 representatives from civil society and the media.

With Canada's support, Inter Pares is assisting traditionally marginalized communities through 40 local partners to strengthen participation in governance. At the same time, it is building the capacity of people to address their own needs, such as health needs and livelihoods.



Inter Pares developed research materials to inform communities and public policy about key topics, including domestic and sexual violence, customary land tenure, natural resource management and revenue transparency. The project trained 1,752 health workers. Over 2,400 women and men in refugee camps in Thailand took part in livelihoods programs to increase their self-sufficiency skills in preparation for potential repatriation.