



DHL Global Forwarding is responsible for managing the global transportation and delivery of many industrial goods and household items we, as consumers, all use regularly such as electronic items, automotive parts, industrial and scientific equipment, white goods, fashions, footwear and a vast range of healthcare items.

But did you know we also have a dedicated Aid & Relief unit based here in the Midlands, which is solely responsible for the management of shipments of aid and humanitarian relief goods to disaster zones and also supports long-term regeneration projects around the world?

The recent Cyclone Nagris in Myanmar (Burma) hit the headlines on 3^d May and by early morning on Monday 5th May; DHL Global Forwarding already had over 56 tons of vital aid including tents, sleeping bags, cooking stoves and medical equipment in the air on its way to Rangoon, for local onward distribution to the people of the Irawaddy Delta. Closely followed by a further 62.5 tons of desperately needed items. All these shipments and donations of aid from around the world were coordinated and managed from here in the Midlands. At such times, when global media attention is focussed on the disaster itself, it's easy to overlook the massive logistical process of getting much needed aid efficiently distributed. Often, the disaster also devastates communications links such as roads and railways meaning the challenges are even greater. Shortly after, following the massive earthquake in China and again, within hours of the news breaking, DHL Global Forwarding had over 87 tons of emergency aid on its way to the areas most badly affected. It's in these circumstances that DHL Global Forwarding utilises our global strength to make sure vital supplies reach the people most in need of assistance.



Following natural disasters there often follows years of support needed to help the local people re-build their lives and communities. One such example is the on-going aid and re-generation supplies following the initial global relief effort at the time of the Asian Tsunami in 2006. Today, there is still considerable amount of work to be done and we are regularly shipping a vast array of goods to the areas affected such as building products, clothes and teaching equipment on behalf of our customers and agencies that are still very much active in the areas.

Working closely with our customers who specialise in providing aid and humanitarian relief to many peoples around the world, DHL Global Forwarding is dedicated to providing professional expertise in support of organisations, who are actively working to restore communities affected by disasters. For more information on the services DHL Global Forwarding provides to the international trading communities please go to www.dhl.com or for more detailed information on our Aid & Relief work please contact aid@dhl.com