



PSCI 2500 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
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Today

- Human security.
- In-class paper.
- Current events: Iran.

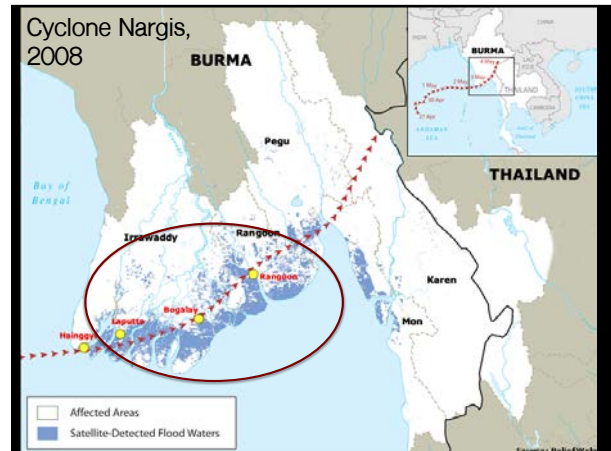



Last week we addressed humanitarian *intervention*.

What of humanitarian *assistance*?


- Humanitarian assistance vs development assistance: short-term, disaster relief vs long-term aid.
- Rescue, relief, water, food, shelter, order.

Two examples →



Cyclone* Nargis

- At least 138,000 dead.
- 700,000 homes destroyed.
- Multilateral assistance from 50 countries.



* Hurricanes are called cyclones in the Indian Ocean.



2010 Haiti Earthquake

- ~150,000 dead.
- 250,000 homes destroyed.
- US response: funds, food, hospital ships, marines to maintain order.



Humanitarian Assistance

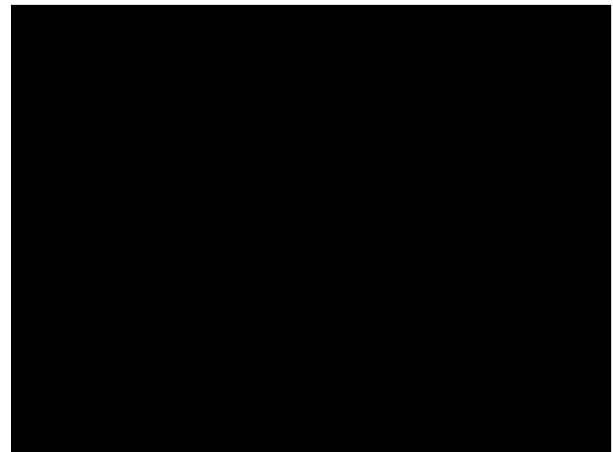
- Disaster relief involves many global actors:
 - States.
 - International organizations.
 - International NGOs.

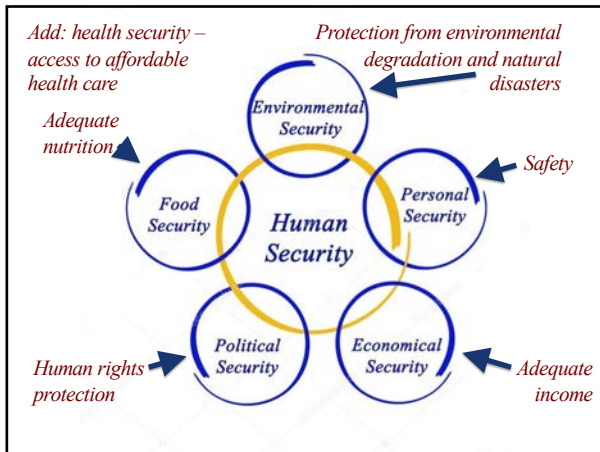


Human Security

- Expanded concept beyond national security.
- Emphasis on the individual, not just the state.
- Introduced in the *Human Development Report* (1994).

Description of a human security project at Oxford→





Feminist Perspective on Human Security

- Issues include:
 1. Violence against women and girls.
 2. Gender inequalities in control over resources.
 3. Gender inequalities in power and decision making.
 4. Women's human rights (equality and non-discrimination).
 5. Women as actors, not victims (i.e., empowerment of women).

Human Security

- The state is responsible for protecting and promoting human security.
- Prioritize human development, not just economic development:
 - Income
 - Health
 - Education
 - Rights