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FMR encourages organisations and individuals to share their expertise and experience so that others might benefit. But how do you share research findings, lessons and examples of good practice when any dissemination of information might put you, your staff and your partners – and other local people – at risk?

FMR is no stranger to this problem but this issue's feature section on Burma has, not surprisingly, proven more sensitive in this respect than any other we have worked on. We are therefore all the more grateful to our authors for their contributions and to all those who are helping to disseminate this issue around the world.

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We are publishing this issue in Burmese as well as our usual four languages: English, Arabic, French and Spanish. If you would like more copies or could help distribute copies in any of these languages, please email us at fmr@qeh.ox.ac.uk.

The English edition of this issue is online at www.fmreview.org/burma.htm. We would be very grateful if you could forward this link to anyone you think might be interested – and include details of this Burma issue in any relevant resource listings. Many thanks.

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We understand that unfortunately some of our regular readers did not receive the last issue of FMR, with its feature theme on humanitarian reform. If you did not receive that issue but would still like us to send it to you, please let us know. Alternatively, it is available on our website.

Forthcoming issues:

- FMR 31: feature theme 'Climate change and environmental displacement', due out September. Details at www.fmreview.org/climatechange.htm.
- FMR 32: feature theme 'Statelessness', due out January 2009. The call for articles is at www.fmreview.org/statelessness.htm. Deadline for submissions: 6 October 2008.
- FMR 33: feature theme 'Protracted crises', due out May 2009. The call for articles will go online in due course at www.fmreview.org/forthcoming.htm

As usual, each issue will have space for a range of articles in addition to the feature theme. We welcome articles on any subject relating to forced migration and are particularly keen to publish more articles reflecting the perspectives of individuals and communities directly affected by displacement. Please email us with your proposals.

If you would like to receive email notification of new calls for articles and posting of latest issues, email us to request our occasional email alerts.

With our best wishes for your work.

Marion Couldrey & Maurice Herson
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