In the twenty-second week since the coup, the death toll rose to 888.1 Between June 26 to July 2, there were 5 clashes between the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) and the Burma Army (BA), 4 bomb attacks, 68 instances of artillery shelling, and 3 airstrikes in the Kachin area. Fighting between the BA and KIA occurred in Mogaung, Momauk, Kathar, Hti-chaik, Shwe-gu, Kachin State. Clashes between the BA and People’s Defence Forces (PDF) were reported in Kani, Minkin and Kawlin Townships in Sagaing Region.

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- On June 26 in Daw Hpum Yang, Kachin State, the BA troops fired multiple mortar rounds toward residential areas, alarming the villagers.
- On June 26 in Pyay District, Bago Region, Maung Aung Aung Lwin (age 20) was arrested after an alleged coup-regime’s collaborator, who recently moved near the victim’s home, told the authorities that he cursed the coup leader MAL. On July 1, his family was informed of his death due to internal bleeding while in custody. The security forces then cremated the victim without allowing his family member to view his body.
- On June 27 in Daik-U Township, Bago Region, the security forces raided Sin Zaloke village. Six villagers who were trying to flee the village were arrested.
- On June 28 in Nawngmun Township, Kachin State, the security forces arrested three pastors from three different churches for organizing a prayer for peace.
- On June 28, in Putao, Kachin State, the security forces arrested Dingkhan Di Tang, his parents, his sister and her two children for allegedly working with the People’s Defense Force (PDF).
- On June 28 in Namhkam, Shan State, two armed individuals who intended to disperse protesters were killed by their own bomb explosion. The explosion also injured a protester.

1 This figure does not include the ethnic armed organizations’ soldiers killed in action or civilian casualty of the armed conflict between the BA and the various ethnic armed organizations.

OTHER UPDATES

- On June 29, a report from Global Witness warned that Myanmar’s multibillion-dollar jade industry risks becoming a military slush fund and source of patronage for the country’s coup regime.
- On June 30, the coup regime released 2,296 detainees including journalists and protesters. A 5-year-old Ma Su Thet Wyne was released, but a 7-year-old Maung Aung Thukhamein continued to be held in prison.
- Ko Nathan Maung, a recently-released journalist, after
On June 29 in Pyay Township, Bago Region, security forces arrested Ko Soe Min (age 35) after a coup-regime’s collaborator alleged that he destroyed a public building. He died while in custody. On July 1, the security forces told his family to retrieve his body from Pyay Hospital.

On June 29 in Wundwin Township, Mandalay Region, the security forces arrested U Soe San (age 44) who was an NLD member. He also died while in custody. On July 1, the security forces told his family he died of Covid-19.

On June 30 in Hpa-kant Township, Kachin State, the security forces used firearms to break up an anti-coup protest and arrested four protesters in Tamakhan Village.

On June 30 in Myitkyina, Kachin State, an armed fight killed a policeman and a civilian at the 21st mile security checkpoint.

On June 30 in Ngan Zun Township, Mandalay Region, the security forces arrested a civilian in Min Gyo San Pya village after failing to locate his brother-in-law who is an NLD member and the village administrator. The NLD member and the administrator were in hiding at the time.

On July 1 in Waingmaw Township, Kachin State, the security forces opened fire and raided a house preparing for a housewarming prayer service in Maina village. No one was injured from the gunfire but over 30 adults and 8 children were arrested during the raid.

On July 1 in Monya, Sagaing Region, security forces arrested Ko Nge Lay under the suspicion of involvement in an explosion in an industrial zone. However, he was reportedly helping those wounded in the blast. His family was informed of his death while in custody that night.

On July 1 in Saw Township, Magway Region, the security forces arrested a volunteer who was transporting medicines intended for civilians displaced from Mindat and Kanpetlet Townships.

On July 2 in Kani Township, Sagaing Region, random shootings of the BA troops injured a civilian and forced over 30,000 residents to flee from the town.

On July 2 in Kawlin Township, Sagaing Region, the gunshots fired by the BA troops injured two civilian women.

On July 2 in Mingyan Township, Mandalay Region, unidentified gunmen killed U Moe Hein, a member of the National League for Democracy, and his wife Ma Su Su Hlaing. They had just come out of hiding and returned to their home.

Myanmar reported 1,225 coronavirus cases on June 28 and 1,312 cases on the 29th, which were the highest daily new cases since Feb 1 coup.

Between April 11 and June 20 (a period of 70 days) in Kani Township, Sagaing Region, there were over 30 clashes between local PDF. These clashes displaced over 50,000 civilians. In addition to the 27 PDF fighters who lost their lives, the BA troops and security forces killed 4 civilians, arrested 39, and brutally beat 42.

This week violence against the coup-regime’s collaborators and informants were reported in Pale, Paungde and Pyi Gyi Dagun Townships.

shared his horrifying experience as a detainee under the coup regime’s custody. The security forces used inhumane interrogation methods including beating, kicking, and pressing cigarette fire on the body. Maung was not given any food or water for four days while he was detained.