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WEEKLY COUP UPDATE BY THE KACHIN ALLIANCE

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During the thirty-seventh week since the coup, fighting between the Burma Army (BA) and Kachin Independence Army (KIA) occurred in [Shwegu](#), [Momauk](#), and [Hpakant](#), Kachin State. In other parts of the country, the BA clashed with [Karenni G.Z.](#), [MNDAA](#), [TPC](#), [Yaw Defense Force \(YDF\)](#), [KNU](#), and [KNDF](#). Additionally, clashes between the BA and the local People's Defence Forces (PDF) were reported in [Magwe](#), [Sagaing](#), [Mandalay](#), and [Yangon Regions](#), [Kachin](#) and [Kayah State](#). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and regime-related offices and assets was reported in [Pauk](#), [Chaungzon](#), [Hpakant](#), [Watlat](#), [Yangon](#), [Maubin](#), [Sintkai](#), [Pathein](#), [Salin](#), [Mawlamyaing Kyun](#), [Mawlamyaing](#), [Hlaing](#), [Tachileik](#), [Monywa](#), [Chanmya-tharzi](#), [Myaing](#), [Yaye](#), [Malaing](#), [Danuphyu](#), [Pakhokku](#), [Pale](#), [Zeekone](#), [Oatdwin](#), [Taungtar](#), and [Launglone](#). In the meantime, the COVID-19 virus and natural disaster continues to pose serious challenges for the people of Burma. [Heavy rain caused flooding](#) in Mayhla refugee camp, which is located along the Thai-Burma border.

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- A youth who was abducted by the BA reported that the BA troops [used him as a human shield](#).
- In Shwekyin Township, Bago Region, [the BA has been forcing villagers to join the army](#).
- On October 9 in Hpaan Township, Karen State, four women who were hiding in an underground bomb shelter [passed away due to oxygen deficiency](#).
- On October 9 in Monyin, Kachin State, the [BA dropped bombs around the Inndawgyi area](#) assuming the KIA bases were located there.
- In Kanpauk Village, Yay Phyu Township, Thanintharyi Region, [security forces forcefully abolished the local water distribution organization and took the funds worth 170,000,000 kyats](#) (approx. US \$ 111,000).
- On October 9 in Madaya Township, Mandalay Region, [the body of Ko Thein Zaw, a private tutor, was discarded near Lamai Village](#). He was arrested by security forces three days ago.
- On October 9 in Demoso Township, Karenni State, [BA soldiers shot two civilians who came back to their village to get food](#). The shooting killed one and injured the other.
- On October 9 in Madaya Township, Mandalay Region, [security forces raided a monastery school and arrested a monk and two students](#).
- On October 11 in Mandalay, [security forces violently disrupted a peaceful protest and arrested two women](#).

Violence in Magwe and Sagaing Regions

- On October 9 in Shwebo Township, Sagaing Region, Ko Thein Zaw, [an anti-coup protest leader, was shot and killed by BA soldiers](#).
- On October 9 in Thantseil Township, Sagaing Region, [security forces raided Dauntgyi village, destroyed five houses, and arrested 7 young villagers](#).
- On October 9 in Taungdwingyi Township, Magwe Region, [a rice mill owner Aye Ko was arrested by security forces](#). Reasons for his arrest and his current whereabouts are unknown.
- On October 10 in Monywa Township, Sagaing Region, [security forces in plainclothes shot two young men](#). One died from the shot and the other one escaped.
- On October 10 in Pwint Phyu Township, Magwe Region, [security forces arrested multiple young people and shot those who were trying to escape](#), killing one on the spot and injuring four.

- On October 11 in Moguk Township, Mandalay Region, [security forces stopped four young men on two motorbikes and brutally beat them.](#)
 - On October 11 in Nankham Township, Shan State, [three children who were collecting firewood in the forest were hit by artillery shells. A 12-year old girl was killed and the other two were injured.](#)
 - On October 11 in Hsiseng Township, Shan State, [security forces arrested a 60-year old charity worker](#), San Win Maung, for participating in anti-coup activities.
 - On October 12 in Monkoe Township, Shan State, [fighting between the BA and MNDAA injured two young children and six civilians](#). Additionally, over 400 locals in the area had to flee their homes due to fighting.
 - On October 12 in Myitkyina, Kachin State, [security forces shot and arrested a young man on his motorbike.](#)
 - On October 13 in Chin State, [BA soldiers torched several houses and two churches](#) along the Falam-Hakha route. The incident forced hundreds of civilians to flee their homes.
 - On October 13 in Loikaw, Karenni State, [a bomb thought to be left over from last week's fighting in the area unexpectedly exploded and injured three civilians.](#)
 - On October 14 in Mawlamyaing Township, Mon State, [security forces arrested a charity team leader](#), Ko Thura Kyaw.
 - On October 15 in Hlaingtharyar Township, Yangon Region, [security forces went around civilians' homes with guns to collect electricity bill fees.](#)
- On October 10 in Ayadaw Township, Sagaing Region, [Ma Khin Nyein Lwin, a college student who was active in community charity works, was arrested](#) by security forces.
 - On October 11 in Htigyaing Township, Sagaing Region, [the BA raided Laythar village and killed four PDF members.](#)
 - On October 12 in Ayadaw Township, Sagaing Region, [BA forces arrested two brothers who were working in their peanut fields.](#)
 - On October 15 in Sagaing Region, [BA soldiers arrested 17 civilians who were supporters of the military-backed Union Solidarity and Development Party \(USDP\)](#) after their column suffered heavy casualties during landmine attacks by resistance fighters.
 - On October 15 in Myaing Township, Magwe Region, [BA soldiers arrested two villagers and destroyed multiple residential homes](#) in Kannat Village.

Other Updates

- [Sean Turnell, an Australian national who was an economic advisor to Aung San Suu Kyi, is still unable to meet privately with his lawyer](#) after more than eight months in the regime's detention.



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