During the forty-seventh week since the coup, the Burma Army (BA) continued to air bombardments in Sagaing Region (Yay Myat village, Yay U, Kalay, and Pale), Magway Region (Gangaw), Shan State (Mongkoe), and Karen State (Lay Kay Kaw). Fighting between the BA and Kachin Independence Army (KIA) occurred in Sagaing Region (Katha), Kachin State (Hpakant), and Shan State (Kutkai). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Yangon Region (Mandalay), Chin State (Mindat), Sagaing Region (Myaing and Pauk, Nat Chaung of Kalay, Yinmabin, Monywar, Kani, Chaung U, Taungta, and Tamu), Magway Region (Chauk), and Shan State (Hsensi). Additionally, the BA clashed with the joint forces of KNDF and KA in Karenni State (Loikaw and Demoso), with MNDAA in Shan State (Mongkoe), with KNLA in Karen State (Lay Kay kaw, Myawaddy, and Kawkareik), Mon State (Thaton, Belin), and Bago Region (Taungngu). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices, junta's assets and Mytel tower was reported in in Sagaing Region (Kalay, Palaik, Monywar and Taze), Magway Region (Minbu, Kamma, Pakokku, Magyikan and Magway), Yangon Region (Dagon Seikkan), Bago Region (Kyauk Gyi and Pyay), and Ayeyarwady Region (Kyonpyaw). The bombings of military vehicles and troops were reported in Sagaing Region (Taze, Ayadaw, Hti Chaingk, Kani, Sar Lin Gyi, Monywar, Pale, Pale-Gangaw, and Gangaw), Magway Region (Saw), Pyinmana in Naypyitaw, Mon State (Thaton), Yangon Region (Thongwa), and Karen State (Kawkareik).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Due to continued intense armed clashes in the Karen area, on December 19, thousands of residents of villages from Myawaddy Township, Karen State crossed a river along the Thai-Burma border to seek shelter in Thailand. The UN refugee agency recently stressed the need for urgent assistance and protection for displaced people from Myawaddy. About 3,900 people sheltered in Thailand and 10,000 others were internally displaced.
- The BA arrested 19 residents in Pekon Township, Shan State two months ago. Recent reports indicate that 2 of 19 residents have been killed. The BA did not return the bodies.
- On December 19 in Pathein, Ayeyarwady Region, the police shot and killed a 60-year-old woman.
- On December 19 in Moe Nyo, Bago Region, the BA shot motorbikes passing by and killed a 25-year-old young man from Letbadan and injured a man.
- On December 20 in Madaya, Mandalay Region, the BA raided a village and detained the residents.
- Between December 20 and 22 in Ye-U Township, Sagaing Region, the BA torched houses in Yay Myat village.

Violence in Karenni State

- On December 17 in Loikaw Township, the BA destroyed at least 20 houses in Daw Saw Wea and Kunnar villages. Then on December 20 the BA torched another 19 houses in Kunnar village while retreating.
- On December 19 about 150 Karenni IDPs relocated to Demoso Township due to water and firewood scarcity at the place where they had been taking shelter since late May.
- On December 24 in Loikaw Township, the BA's artillery killed a villager and injured another one.
- On December 24 in Hpruso Township, the BA killed and burned at least 39 civilians including women and children. According to autopsy reports, most of the bodies had their hands tied to the backs, and were violently beaten and stabbed.
On December 21 in Naypyidaw, a teacher from Lewe died in the BA's custody. The victim was arrested the previous day for participating in the strike.

On December 22 in Gangaw, Magway Region, the BA torched houses in San Myo village; the villagers had fled ahead of the BA arrival. The displaced villagers are in urgent need of food, medicine and warm clothes.

On December 23 in Kalay Myo, Sagaing Region, the BA conducted airstrikes in Nat Chaung Village and killed at least 4 civilians. The BA also torched over 30 houses in the village.

December 24 in Mandalay, the junta abducted four lawyers who worked on the defence teams for political cases on December 19.

December 24, the junta sentenced a 22-year-old CEC member of Yangon University Students Union to three years in prison with hard labour on December 22.

On December 24 in Gangaw, Magway Region, two recently displaced elders from Hnan Hka village died of extreme cold in their shelters. The displaced villagers are in urgent need of blankets, warm clothes, food and medicines.

Other Updates

- On December 19, the BA troops raided two jade trading compounds in Mandalay.
- On December 20, the military junta shut down the office of UN Special Envoy for Myanmar in Naypyitaw.
- On December 22, a landslide (waste heap) collapsed in Tharyarkone, jade-mining Hpakant, Kachin State. Four bodies were recovered and dozens were still missing. A similar incident occurred in Seng Ja Bum three days ago, and 5 people were reportedly killed.
- On December 22, the junta's ministry issued a joint statement pushing China to restart the implementation of several stalled joint projects.

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