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his week, the Burma Army (BA) continued to conduct airbombarment in Kachin State (PutaO) and Karenni State (Moebye, and Demoso). Fighting between the BA and Kachin Independence Army (KIA) was reported in Kachin State (PutaO, Mansi, and Karmaing). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Chin State (Mindat, and Falam), Shan State (Pekon), Magway Region (Laung Shay, Saw/Laung Shay, and Pauk), Sagaing Region (Kalay, Ye-U, Khin-U, Minkin, Kani, Pale, and Chaung-U), Bago Region (Nattalin) and Tanintharyi Region (Tanintharyi). Additionally, the BA clashed with the KNLA/KNU in Karen State (Kawkayeik) and with the KNDF in Karenni State (Demoso) and Shan State (Moebye). The ambush attack on BA's troops, BA's bases and military vehicles was reported in Bago Region (Daik U, and Paung Ti), Sagaing Region (Yinmabin, Monywar, Debeyin, Kani, Kawlin, and Ayartaw), Tanintharyi Region (Yay Phyu), Mandalay Region (Aung Myay Thar San, and Mattaya), Magway Region (Pakokku), Kachin State (Moemauk, and PutaO), Shan State (NaungCho) and Yangon Region (Hmawbi). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Yangon Region (Kalay), Bago Region (Taungngoo, PaungTe, and Kawa), and Magway Region (Pakukku).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Over the week, the BA raided, looted, torched houses/shops and arrested civilians in Sagaing Region (<u>Ye-U</u>, <u>Taze</u>, <u>Shwe</u> <u>Bo</u>, <u>Kalay</u>, <u>Monywar</u>, and <u>Dipeyin</u>) and Shan State (<u>Pekon</u>).
- On February 17 in Lashio, Shan State, a landmine explosion killed and injured several IDPs from Pan Nan village. By February 19, four victims, including a 5-year-old girl, died, and four others were injured.
- On February 18 in Taze, Sagaing Region, the bodies of four villagers killed and buried by the BA were found.
- On February 19 in Kani, Sagaing Region, the BA killed a man from Din Pauk village.
- On February 19 in Moemauk, Kachin State, two men were shot dead in front of a BA base.
- On February 19 in Monywa, Sagaing Region, the BA shot and arrested a young man riding a motorbike in Aung Chan Thar quarter.
- On February 20 in Pakukku, Magway Region, the BA shot two men riding a motorbike nearby and killed one of them.
- On February 21 in Pekon, Shan State, the BA arrested five civilians including two Catholic priests who went to pick up the displaced civilians.

Displacement

- Urgent humanitarian assistance for Internally Displaced Persons is needed in Karen State (<u>Myawaddy</u>) and Sagaing Region (<u>Kalay</u>).
- On February 19 in Kani, Sagaing Region, over 7000 civilians from Chai village fled for safety because the BA came to their village.
- It was reported on February 20 in Myawaddy, Karen State that <u>about</u> 300 displaced children were sick and having diarrhea. They need urgent medical assistance.
- UNHCR reported on February 22 that there are about 91,900 people displaced in Karenni (Kayah) State, and they are in urgent need for humanitarian assistance.
- On February 24 in Kalay, Sagaing Region, the BA fired artillery and attacked a displaced camp where over 100 IDPs took shelter.

- On February 21 in Chauk, Magway Region, the BA arrested 20 underage teenages from and tortured them.
- On February 22 in Monywa, Sagaing Region, the BA arrested at least sixteen youth and ten business owners.
- On February 22 in Kalay, Sagaing Region, the BA arrested, tortured and killed two civilians from Nga Hpa village.
- On February 23 in Pinlebu, Sagaing Region, the BA fired artillery into Saiyagyi village, and killed a 40-year-old civilian.
- On February 23 in Demoso, Karenni (Kayah) State, the BA's bomb killed two civilians and injured four from Daw Kami and Silidon villages.
- On February 23 in Kalay, Sagaing Region, the BA burned and killed a displaced family of three in Chaung Gwa village.
- On February 24, the BA's court sentenced 9 university students, who were arrested in Dawek, Tanintharyi Region, to 9 years in prison with hard labor.
- On February 25 in Shwebo, Sagaing Region, the BA fired artillery into Ngapi Oh village. The incident burned down houses and killed a woman and an elderly man.

- It was reported on February 25 that <u>all the villagers from</u> <u>Lungsha Yang village, PutaO,</u> <u>Kachin State left their home</u> and fled to the forest in fear of escalating fighting/war.
- About 170,000 displaced people from Karenni (Kayah) State were facing food shortages and needed urgent humanitarian assistance.
- It was reported on February 24 that around 20 IDPs in Lay Kay Kaw, Karen State were tested positive for the COVID 19, and they needed urgent medical assistance.

Other Updates

- The junta team made an appearance before ICJ in Rohingya Genocide case on February 21 in the Hague.
- On February 21, <u>anti-regime forces called the Myanmar people to join a mass protest</u> on February 22 as the 'Regathering for the Six Twos Revolution'.
- The EU added 22 officials from Myanmar's junta and four companies to the bloc's sanctions list on February 21.
- On February 23, the junta's Election Commission threatened two major parties (NLD and SNLD) with disbandment unless they submit their financial accounts.



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