

MAY 7 - 13, 2022

his week, fighting between the Burma Army and the joint forces of the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) and the People's Defense Forces (PDF) was reported in Kachin State (Mohnyin and KIA-controlled area Brigade 4). There were also clashes between the BA and PDFs in Magway Region (Myaing, Yesagyo), Shan State (Pekon), Sagaing Region (Kale, and Yinmarbin), Chin State (Falam, and Mindat), and along the Shan-Karen State border. Additionally, the BA clashed with the joint forces of KNLA in Karen State (Thandaunggyi, and Kyaikhto), with PLA in Mandalay Region (Mogoke), and with KNDF in Kayah State (Demoso, Horuso, and Bawlake). Furthermore, the BA continued to conduct airbombarment in Sagaing Region (Kani).

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's bases and military vehicles were reported in Sagaing Region (Budalin, Pale, Indaw, Mingin, Monywa, Kani, Khin-U, Shwebo, and Yinmarbin), in Karenni State (Bawlake), along the Chindwin River in Mandalay and Sagaing Region (Taninthani). This work violence against

Monywa, Kani, Khin-U, Shwebo, and Yinmarbin), in Karenni State (Bawlake), along the Chindwin River in Mandalay and Sagaing Region, Magway Region (Tilin, Seikphyu), Mon State (Kyaikto), and Tanintharyi Region (Tanintharyi). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Kachin State (Mohnyin, and Myitkyina), Mandalay Region (Chanmyaethazi, Mahaaungmyay, Kyaukpadaung, Pyigyitagon, and Thabeikkyin), Sagaing Region (Lay Shi), Ayeyarwady Region (Myanaung), and Bago Region (Minhla).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Urgent humanitarian assistance for the Internally Displaced Persons is needed in <u>Sagaing Region</u>, <u>Magway Region</u>, <u>and Chin State</u>, Kachin State (Machanbaw), Rakhine State (Kyauktaw), and Karenni State.
- Over the week, the BA raided, looted, burned houses and shops in Sagaing Region (<u>Budalin</u>, <u>Wetlet</u>, and <u>Yinmarbin</u>), and Magway Region (<u>Pauk</u>, and <u>Yesaqyo</u>).
- In the KNU-control area of Bilin Township, Mon State, the joint forces of BA and BGF arrested about 100 civilians to be used as human shields in battles.
- On May 8 in Shwedaung Township, Bago Region, security forces arrested the 2year old child and wife of Soe Myat Min, who was being detained and interrogated.
- On May 8 in Dawbon Township, Yangon Region, <u>security forces arrested at</u> least three young civilians after a male civilian was shot by an unknown gunman.
- On May 9 in Mogoke Township, Mandalay Region, the BA's random shooting injured two civilians.
- On May 10 in Kalay Myo Township, Sagaing Region, the BA's artillery shells fell on a civilian home and injured two people.
- On May 10 in Ye-U Township, Sagaing Region, the BA raided Monetine Bin Village and arrested about 50 villagers who could not flee. About 20 people (mostly women and children) were released on the next day. On May 12, when the BA burned down the village and left, <u>villagers found 31 burned bodies amidst</u> <u>the destruction</u>.

Violence in Magway Region

- On May 8 in Yesagyo Township, security forces shot a civilian, Wai Phyo Kyaw, who was riding his motorcycle on his way home. He was severely injured but did not get arrested.
- On May 8 in Pakokku Township, <u>security</u> forces forcefully arrested Ma Thin Thin for allegedly supporting the PDF.
- On May 9 in Pauk Township, <u>security</u> forces arrested two civilians for alleged connection with the PDF.
- On May 9 in Gangaw Township, security forces arrested a young female civilian Nandar Hlaing after they found anti-coup posts on her social media.
- On May 11 in Pakokku Township, <u>security</u> <u>forces arrested 10 civilians</u> under suspicion of participating in CDM and other anti-coup activities.
- On May 11 in Pauk Township, the BA soldiers arrested a civilian, Aung Hlaing Moe, who was traveling from one town to another.
- On May 13 in Myaing Township, the BA arrested about 30 civilians, and their artillery shells burned down 40 houses and killed five civilians.

- On May 10 in Shwedaung Township, Bago Region, the security forces <u>arrested</u> <u>Zeyar Min for no apparent reason and killed him during a violent interrogation</u>. His family was informed about his death on May 13.
- On May 11 in Pyigyitagon Township, Mandalay Region, <u>security forces bulldozed</u> 50 civilian homes without issuing a proper warning.
- On May 11 in Thaton Township, Mon State, the <u>BA's artillery shells killed a civilian</u> couple, Chit Po and Thazin Hlaing, who were working in a rubber farm.
- On May 11 in Thanbyuzayat Township, Mon State, <u>security forces arrested Ko Te Hein, son of the Mon State Hluttaw leader Tin Ei</u>, for allegedly supporting the PDF.
- On May 11 in Yinmarbin Township, Sagaing Region, the BA raided Nabudaw Village, killed a PDF soldier, and burned down six houses in the village.
- On May 12 in Shwebo Township, Sagaing Region, the BA burned down about 400 houses in three villages in the area, forcing thousands of villagers to flee. In Yinmarbin Township, the BA shot and injured two civilians from Pyanhlae Village and forced thousands to flee the area.
- On May 13 in Pale Township, Sagaing Region, the BA's artillery shells fell on Myatheinthan Monastery and injured multiple monks.

Other Updates

- On May 9, the regime court sentenced Soe Thet Htut, <u>Director of College Students Association from Myeik</u>, Tanintharyi Region, to 2 years in prison.
- On May 11, <u>Shan Human Rights Foundation</u> released a statement that in Ywangan Township, Shan State, the BA has caused 10 innocent civilian deaths, 25 arrests, and 7 housefires between February and April.



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