# WEEKLY COUP UPDATE BY THE KACHIN ALLIANCE

### MAY 28 - JUNE 3, 2022

his week, fighting between the Burma Army and the joint forces of the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) was reported in Shan State (Kyugote Pansai). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Sagaing Region (Kanbalu, Myaung, Taze, Kani, Kalay, and Wetlet), Magway Region (Gangaw), Mon State (Ye). Additionally, the BA clashed with MNDAA in Shan State (Kyugote Pansai); with the joint forces of the KNLA/KNU in Karen State (Lay Kaw Kaw), Mon State (Thaton); and with the joint forces of KA/KNDF in Karenni State (Hpruso). Furthermore, the BA continued to conduct airbombarment in Sagaing Region (Myaung).

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's bases and military vehicles were reported in Magway Region (<u>Seikphyu</u>, <u>Yesagyo</u>, <u>Pakukku</u>, <u>Gangaw</u>, and <u>Myaing</u>), Mon State (<u>Kyaikto</u>), and Kachin State (<u>Sumprabum</u>). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Mandalay Region (<u>Mahar Aung Myay</u>), Magway Region (<u>Pauk</u>), Sagaing Region (<u>Ayadaw</u>), Kachin State (<u>Monyin</u>), and Mon State (<u>Mawlamyine</u>)

## Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Over the weekend in Sagaing Region, <u>the BA burned down over 100 houses</u> in Zayet Gone and Makyee Kan villages in Myaung, 5 villages in Ayadaw, one in Debeyin, around 50 houses in Lae Ngauk village, Yinmabin.
- Between May 26 and 30 in Ayadaw, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA burned down over</u> <u>100 houses</u> from Lain Hla, Thit Cho, Oak Chit Gyi, Oak Shin Gyi, Phote Kone, Hintha, Shwe Twin Kone villages.
- On May 27 in Inndaw, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA shot and killed a man</u>, accusing the victim of being a PDF.
- On May 28 in Pyay, Bago Region, <u>the BA arrested a 14-year-old girl</u> from Paung Talae for sharing a post on Facebook. Security forces are reported, of late, to be monitoring social media accounts that Like and/or Share posts associated with NUG and PDF.
- On May 29 in Khin U, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA torched over 70 houses and a</u> <u>mosque</u> in Thayetkone village.
- On May 30 in Kyauktaga, Bago Region, <u>the BA killed a social worker from</u> <u>Phado</u> two days after he was arrested.
- On May 30 in Yangon, the BA drove over and arrested 5 student activists amidst their demonstration.
- On May 30 in Kalay, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA arrested 2 young men</u> accused of being CDF members at Kyi Kone village.
- On May 30 in Paletwa, Chin State, <u>the BA arrested 5 civilians from Abaung Thar</u> <u>village for interrogation</u> after fighting with the Arakan Army. Two were released later.
- On May 31 in Hpakant, Kachin State, <u>4 men were brutally tortured and killed</u> by an unknown assailant. <u>The 4 victims were a village administrator of Metlin</u> Chaung village and his 3 relatives.

### Forced Displacement and Humanitarian

- On May 30 in KIO controlled areas, sanitary pads and kits for women in IDP camps were urgently in need.
- On May 30 in Kyauk Taw, Rakhine State, the BA threatened the IDPs by shooting and shelling artillery around Mahamuni and Nyaung Chaung IDPs camps.
- On May 30 in Khin U, Sagaing Region, urgent shelters were needed for about 4000 displaced civilians whose houses were burned down.
- On May 31 in Debeyin, Sagaing Region, urgent food assistance was needed for over 2000 displaced people.
- On May 31, <u>the UNOCHA stated that there</u> were over 1 million IDP population (including women and children) in Myanmar.
- On June 1 in Karenni State, it was reported that <u>humanitarian aid from the UN and</u> <u>WFP were not enough to reach the</u> <u>population</u> in need.
- On June 2 in Laiza, Kachin State, <u>some</u> <u>IDPs were suffering diarrhea</u> because of contaminated water.

- On May 31 in Yinmarbin, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA shot and burned 4 civilians in</u> Lae Ngauk village.
- On May 31 in Yangon, <u>a bomb went off near a crowded bus stop in downtown,</u> killing one and injuring 9 others.
- On May 31 in Kantbalu, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA shot and killed 5 civilians and</u> <u>arrested 3 others</u> from Kangyi village.
- On May 31 in Kyauk Taw, Rakhine State, <u>a 75-year-old woman from Yuktha</u> <u>village died of a landmine explosion</u>.
- On May 31 in Minmu, Sagaing Region, <u>the BA raided Guru village, torched 3</u> houses, shot and injured 2 villagers and arrested 30 others.
- On May 31 in Kalay, Sagaing Region, the BA's mortar fragments hit and injured 4 <u>IDPs</u>, including a 5-year-old child in Nat Myaung's monastery.
- On May 31 in Nawnghkio, Shan State, there was <u>a bomb exposion in township</u> education office and injured at lease 5 people.
- On June 1 in Myingyan, Mandalay Region, <u>the BA raided more than 8 villages and</u> <u>arrested 12 civilians</u>.
- On June 2 in Myitkyina, Kachin State, <u>an explosion was reported in a Government</u> <u>Staff housing</u>.
- On June 2 in Hpakant, Kachin State, <u>the Natmaw village administrator was</u> <u>brutally killed</u> by an unknown assailant.
- On June 3 in Gangaw, Magway Region, <u>the BA torched houses in Khaung Tong</u> village.
- On June 3 in Kyaukpadaung, Mandalay Region, <u>the BA torched farm sheds</u> at Shawtaw village.

# **Other Updates**

- On May 29, <u>the BA expanded communications blackout cutting off phone and internet services</u> to <u>Monywa, Kani, Palae, Yinmarbin and Salingyi in Sagaing</u> Region and Myaing, Yesagyo, Gangaw and Pauk in Magway Region.
- On May 30 in Kachin State, more than 400 IDPs (85 families) who had been displaced since 2011, returned to their villages with the help of religious organizations.
- On May 31, <u>the junta revokes publisher's license for selling a book</u> about the military's brutal crackdown of the Rohingya.
- On May 31 in Rakhine State, the BA moved large quantities of weapons, marine vessels and other military supplies by air and sea.
- On May 30, the NUG, KNPP, KNU and CNF issued a statement objecting ASEAN's decision to provide humanitarian aid through the junta, and calling on the UN and ICRC to negotiate with ASEAN, India and Thailand to allow crossborder aid.
- On May 31 in Kawlin, Sagaing Region, over 100 schools were opened under the guidance of NUG.



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- On June 3 in Taze, Sagaing Region, the number of displaced people were increasing and <u>many of them were</u> <u>suffering malaria and in urgent need of</u> <u>medical assistance.</u>
- On June 3 in Kyauktaw, Rakhine State, people from Paletwa of Chin State fled to the Nyaung Chaung and Maha Muni IDPs camps for refuge due to fighting between BA and Arakan Army on May 26.
- On June 3, it was reported that the BA approved execution orders for the death sentences of former NLD lawmaker Phyo Zeya Thaw and veteran activist Jimmy along with two others.