

**JULY 9 - JULY 15, 2022** 

his week, fighting between the Burma Army and the joint forces of the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) was reported in Kachin State (Waigmaw - Nang Zaw Yang, Sadung, and Danai), Sagaing Region (Inndaw-Mezar), and Shan State (Kutkai). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Sagaing Region (Kalay, and Wintho), Tanintharyi Region (Dawei), Magway Region (Yesagyo, Htilin, Seikphyu, and Myaing), and Shan State (Pekon). Additionally, the BA clashed with the joint forces of the KNLA/KNDO in Karen State (Myawady-Wawlay, Kawkayeik), Bago Region (Kyaukgyi), Tanintharyi (Pulaw); and with the Chin Defense Force (CDF) in Chin State (Matupi, Hakha). Furthermore, the BA's aerial attacks were reported in Kachin State (Waigmaw), and Sagaing Region (Debayin).

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's checkpoints, BA's bases and military convoy/vehicles were reported in Sagaing Region (Salingyi, Myinmu, Monywar-Chaung U, and Ayardaw), Kachin State (Mansi, Myitkyina, and Shwegu), Magway Region (Seikphyu, Gangaw, Htilin, Yesagyo - Pakokku, and Salin), Shan State (Pindaya, and Pekon), Mandalay Region (Mandalay), Tanintharyi Region (Yebyu, Thayet Chaung, and Dawei), Karen State (Thandaung), Karenni State (Demoso), and Chin State (Kanpetlet).

This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Kachin State (Mogaung, and Myitkyina), Sagaing Region (Tamu, and Kalay), Shan State (Moemeik, Ywarngan), Tanintharyi Region (Launglon, and Yebyu), Yangon Region (Mayangone, Mayangone-Nine Mile, and North Dagon), Bago Region (Pauk Khaung), and Mandalay Region (Kume, Mandalay, Myittar). Over the week, public demonstrations against the junta were reported in Sagaing Region (Kani), and Yangon Region (Yangon).

## **Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations**

- Over the week, there were bomb explosions by unknown groups in Yangon (Sanchaung and Hlaing Tharyar), and Shan State (Momeik).
- On July 8 in Mrauk-U, Rakhine State, <u>4 children were injured from a landmine explosion</u> while they were herding cows.
- On July 8 in Myaing, Magway Region, the <u>BA killed six civilians</u> and <u>set fire to</u> around 100 oil wells.
- On July 9 in Ann, Rakhine State, <u>a 15-year-old student died of a landmine explosion</u> while out looking for bamboo shoots for food.
- On July 9 in Launglon, Tanintharyi Region, a PDF shot a house of a man who
  was accused of being a regime informant, <u>killing a 7-year-old girl and injuring the
  mother.</u>
- On July 9 in Yegyi, Ayeyarwady Region, the <u>BA arrested 51 Rohingyas</u> in 2 trucks coming from northern Rakhine. The soldiers claimed that the arrest was made because the trucks did not stop at the checkpoint of Gwa town.
- On July 9 in Myaing and Pauk, Magway Region, the BA arrested and killed 7 civilians (5 from Kabar Phyu and 2 from Taung Yoe villages). The victims were roped around their necks and dragged by a truck.
- On July 9 in Mandalay, the BA arrested another two lawyers for unknown reasons.

## **Crisis in Sagaing Region**

- On July 9 in Tamu, the BA arrested a local woman, accusing her of being in contact with the PDFs.
- On July 10 at midnight in Shwebo, the BA shot artillery at Kyar village, injuring 7 villagers.
- On July 10 in Wetlet, the BA's artillery shells killed a civilian and injured at least 6.
- On July 11 in Debayin, the BA raided and torched houses at Pauk Taw village. The villagers from nearby villages fled their homes for safety.
- On July 11 in Monywa, the BA raided a wedding ceremony and arrested the bride and groom with another person who were accused of being PDF members.
- On July 11 in Pale, the BA killed four civilians including a teenage girl during a raid at Taung Ywar Thit village.

- On July 9 and 10 in Kyaikto, Mon State, the villagers from Zee Pyaung and Pyinkado Kone village tracks fled for safety from the BA's random artillery shellings.
- On July 10 in Seikphyu, Magway Region, the BA killed a woman from Pine village.
   At the time, The victim was returning to the village to feed the pigs after they fled from the raid the previous day.
- On July 11 in Momauk, Kachin State, the BA shot around randomly and injured a man lying nearby.
- On July 13 in Mogok, Mandalay Region, the BA arrested 5 civilians for unknown reasons.
- On July 13 in Hpakant, Kachin State, the BA arrested 7 women and a man for participating in the protest against the junta at Seng Tawng town.
- On July 13 in Mogaung, Kachin State, the BA arrested a CDM teacher from Kanyin Myaing village for teaching at Kaung For You Education school (online school organized by anti-junta groups) via online. On July 14, the BA arrested at least 10 more teachers, CDM participants, associated with Kaung for You.
- On July 13 in Chin State, the <u>BA blocked supplies to Matupi and Mindat</u>, and the residents were running out of food.
- On July 13 in Myaing, Magway Region, the BA torched about 100 houses at Htay Aung village.
- On July 13 in Pakokku, Magway Region, the BA arrested 3 people, accusing them of supporting PDFs.
- On July 13 in Gangaw, Magway Region, the BA arrested another young man, accusing him of supporting PDFs.
- On July 14 in Pakokku, Magway Region, over 7000 displaced civilians from 6 villages were facing lack of food and shelter and were in urgent assistance. They were displaced because their villages were torched by the BA.
- On July 14 in Myeik, Tanintharyi Region, the <u>BA arrested 4 teachers and lecturers</u>, who participated in <u>CDM</u>, accusing of being in contact with an illegal organization.
- On July 14 in Karenni State, the displaced people were in need of food and medical assistance urgently. After over a year of intense fighting, the IDPs were short of assistance.
- On July 14 in Kyaukkyi, Bago Region, the BA's artillery shell killed a man and injured two children.
- On July 15 in Pulaw, Tanintharyi Region, <u>about 2000 displaced civilians needed urgent assistance</u> for food and shelter.
- July 15, Demoso, Karenni (Kayah) State, mobile clinics of Canaan Hospital may stop their operations because of insufficient medicines. They were providing healthcare to remote villages and displaced camps twice a week.



## **Kachin Alliance**

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- It was reported on July 12 that in Myaung, the BA raided Shwe Pan village and raped four women on June 29.
- On July 12 in Ye-U, a <u>BA troop arrested</u> over 10 civilians from Sithar Myay village, and torched the entire U-Phyu village (which has 40-50 houses).
- On July 12 in Inndaw, the BA arrested 15 civilians from 5 villages, made them wear their military uniforms and brought them with their troops.
- On July 12 in Kantbalu, the BA used around 40 civilians as human shields while troops defused a bomb.
- On July 13 in Inndaw, a <u>BA troop arrested</u> another 10 civilians from Nat Mahotegyi and Thanbo villages.
- On July 13 in Inndaw, the BA torched over 100 houses at Ale-seik village.
- On July 13 in Ayardaw, the BA torched about 40 houses at Sintale village, and the villagers had to flee for safety.
- On July 13 and 14 in Tamu, two civilians were killed. One killed by the BA-backed Pyu Saw Hti group and the other by an unknown assailant.
- On July 14 in Pinlebu, <u>dead bodies of two</u> men who were arrested by the BA on July 10 were found near Saiya village.
- On July 15 in Debayin, over 10,000 people from a dozen villages fled for their safety from the BA's airstrikes.

## Other updates

- Over the week in Sagaing Region, under NUG's Ministry of Education, the exams for basic education students were held in <u>Yinmabin</u> and <u>Kani</u>, and <u>about 40 schools</u> <u>were opened in Tigyaing</u>.
- On July 11, a memorandum of understanding for a nuclear energy cooperation agreement was signed between the BA and Russian Atomic Corporation (ROSATOM). The agreement included a nuclear energy training program.
- On July 14, Pete Vowles, a British envoy to the country, with the charge d'affaires ad interim at the British Embassy in Yangon tweeted that he was forced to leave country by the junta.
- On July 15 it was reported that since the coup, illegal rare earth mining surged in northern Kachin State areas along the border with China controlled by a BA allied militia.