

JULY 30 - AUGUST 5, 2022

his week, fighting between the Burma Army(BA) and the joint forces of the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) was reported in Kachin State (Waingmaw) and Sagaing Region (Banmauk). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and the People's Defence Forces (PDFs) in Sagaing Region (Tharyarkone Village, Kale and Indaw), Shan State (Nawnghkio), Magway Region (Myaing, Pauk), and Mon State (Kyaikmaraw). Additionally, the BA clashed with Cobra Columns in Karen State (Myawady), with Arakan Army (AA) in Rakhine State (Maungdaw), with the Karen National Liberation Army (KNLA) in Mon State (Kyaikto), and Karen State (Myawady). The BA's aerial attacks were reported in Sagaing Region (Depayin and Myinmu), Karen State (Myawady) and in Karen National Union (KNU)-controlled area of Nyaunglebin.

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's checkpoints, BA's bases and military convoy/vehicles were reported in Kachin State (Shwegu), Mon State (Mawlamyaing, Thanbyuzayat, and Ye), Sagaing Region (Ayadaw, Banmauk, Chaung-U, Kale, Monywa, Myaung, Myinmu, Shwebo, and Tigyaing), Mandalay Region (Amarapura), Tanintharyi Region (Yebyu), Rakhine State (Maungdaw), Bago Region (Paungde), and Magway Region (Gangaw and Saw). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Kachin State (Hpakant and Mogaung), Mandalay Region (Myingyan and Thaungtar), Bago Region (Pyay), Yangon Region (Insein, Mingaladon, South Dagon, and Twantay), Mon State (Ye), Magway Region (Tilin), Sagaing Region (Monywa, and Tigyaing), and Shan State (Muse).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- During this week, in Nawnghkio Township, Shan State, <u>security forces arrested</u>
 14 young people including some CDM teachers. All of them were accused of participating in anti-coup activities and/or supporting the PDF.
- According to the LSR-PDF, the BA arrested three displaced people from Laungshay Village, Saw Township, Magway Region on July 28, and violently beat and killed a 17-year old civilian Phyo Zayar Thaw.
- On July 29, in Thaton Township, Mon State, the BA's artillery shells killed a local man and injured two others from Htinyarlu Village.
- On July 30, in Yebyu Township, Tanintharyi Region, the <u>BA looted and burned down civilians' homes</u> in Akari Village. Some of the items they stole included two trucks, 20 motorbikes, food, money, and other valuable items.
- On July 30, Yangon Region, <u>a bomb exploded near Yangon City Hall, injuring 7 people</u>. After the explosion, security forces arrested two young people under suspiscion of placing the bomb.
- On July 30, in Launglon Township, Tanintharyi Region, the security forces arrested two local men, Shwe Thaung Phay and Zaw Gyi from Maungmakan Village, for no apparent reason.
- On July 31, in Ye Township, Mon State, the BA killed four Mon youths including a pro-democracy activist Min Lin Aung.

Crisis in Sagaing Region

- From July 28 to July 31, in Ye-U
 Township, the <u>BA burned down houses</u> in
 Tinthein Yan Village and destroyed about
 300 buildings.
- On July 30, in Khin-U Township, the BA fired artillery shells forcing civilians from three villages to flee to safety. The explosion killed an 80-year old female civilian.
- On August 1, in Myinmu Township, the
 BA attacked Latpankyin Village with four
 helicopters, trapping about 100 students
 and teachers at the village school. About
 60 kindergarten-age children were
 trapped without being able to escape.
- On August 3, Katha Township, the BA and its militia Pyu Saw Htee arrested 10 civilians from Kyauk Htone Gyee Tikenal Village.
 - On August 4, in Pale Township, the <u>BA burned down multiple houses</u> in Tharyarkone Village.

- On July 31, in Kamaryut and Pazundaung Townships, Yangon Region, security forces arrested four locals for participating in activities to show determination to fight against the regime. The activities included hitting pots and pans and honking.
- On July 31, in Demoso Township, Kayah State, the BA fired artillery shells near a displaced camp. The explosions killed a 13-year old girl and injured three others.
- On July 31, in Ye Township, Mon State, <u>security forces shot and killed a 21-year old local man</u>, Lin Aung, for approaching the police station at night.
- On July 31, in Yebyu Township, Tanintharyi Region, the BA forces raided Pagawzun Village, and shot a local man, Saw Shi, in his home. They also arrested multiple civilians from the village including a 80-year old man Kyi Maung. On August 2, Nay Lin Zaw and Htein Win, two of the arrested victims, were found dead at a nearby rubber farm.
- On August 1, in Hpapun Township, Karen State, the BA's militia BGF soldiers killed a local man and discarded his body by a river.
- On August 1, in Mandalay Township, Mandalay Region, security forces arrested an activist, Kyaw Win Sein, from Homelin Township, Sagaing Region, while he was waiting at a clinic to get medical care. The activist has a history of leading anti-coup protests.
- On August 1, in Aungmyaythazan Township, Mandalay Region, security forces raided a house and arrested about 10 people in the house. They then shot and killed three of the victims including Bo Aung Myay, leader of a Mandalay resistance force Myanmar Return Ranger Force (MRRF).
- On August 2, in Pauk Township, Magway Region, <u>security forces arrested two locals</u> Thike Myint and Win Toe for alleged connections with the PDF.
- On August 2, in Paletwa Township, Chin State, the BA fired at a school shuttle boat, killing two students, Nay Min Htun (13-year old) and Aung Than Myint (12-year old. They also injured two students and a school staff member.
- On August 3, in Mohnyin Township, Kachin State, <u>security forces arrested two</u> young people at a security checkpoint after checking their cell phones.
- On August 4, in Kyaikto Township, Mon State, the coup regime confiscated houses of three local pro-democracy activists, Ko San Lin, Aye Min Tun, and Win Ko.
- On August 5, in Myaing Township, Magway Region, the <u>BA and its militia Pyu Saw Htee burned down houses</u> in Kyauk Sauk Village and arrested 27 locals. <u>The soldiers pressured and interrogated the arrested victims</u> to get information on the identities and whereabouts of local PDF members.
- On August 5, in Minbya Township, Rakhine State, Shwe Sein Aung, a 63-year old local man from Minywa Village, <u>stepped on a landmine and is in critical condition</u> at the Minbya hospital.
- On August 5, in Pauk Township, Magway Region, the <u>BA burned down 7 houses</u> in Sanyekone Village.
- In Yesagyo Township, Magway Region, the BA had been camping in the area, forcing about 3,000 locals from 4 villages to flee to safety.

 On August 4, in Depayin Township, the BA forces arrested about 10 locals and destroyed some residential homes.

Other updates

- Urgent humanitarian assistance is needed in Kachin State (<u>Sadung</u>) and Kayah State (<u>Sotel Displaced Camp</u>).
- The regime <u>charged two Myanmar models Thinzar Wint Kyaw and Nan Mwe San</u> with an electronic law for posting adult photos and videos online.
- On August 4, the regime's court sentenced singer and activist Ei Toe to three years in prison for having connections with the PDF.
- On August 4, in Naypyitaw, the coup leader Min Aung Hlaing met with the Shan State Progress Party (SSPP) to talk about federal democracy in the country.



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