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WEEKLY COUP UPDATE BY THE KACHIN ALLIANCE

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This week, fighting between the Burma Army and the joint forces of the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) was reported in Kachin State ([Waingmaw](#)), Shan State ([Nantu](#)), and Sagaing Region ([Katha](#), and [Inndaw](#)). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Sagaing Region ([Yinmabin](#), [Taze](#), [Kantbalu](#), [Palae](#), [Minkin](#), [Kani](#), [Phaungpyin](#), and [Kawlin](#)), Kachin State ([Shwequ](#)), Shan State ([Nawngkhoi](#)), Magway Region ([Htilin](#), [Yesagyo](#), [Myaing](#), [Pauk](#), and [Gangaw](#)), and Tanintharyi Region ([Pulaw](#)). Additionally, the BA and its allies clashed with the joint forces of the KNLA/KNDO in Karen State ([Hpapun](#) and [Myawaddy](#)) and Mon State ([Kyaikto](#)); with the Cobra force in Karen State ([Myawaddy-Wawlay](#)); with the joint forces of KA/KNDF in Karenni State ([Demoso](#), [Hpruso](#), and [Shadaw](#)); with the AA in Rakhine State ([Maungdaw](#)), Chin State ([Paletwa](#)); and with the Chin Defense Force (CDF) in Sagaing Region ([Kalay](#)). The BA's aerial attacks were also reported in Kachin State ([Monyin district](#)), Sagaing Region ([Katha](#), [Kyunla](#), and [Butalin](#)), Karen State ([Myawaddy-Wawlay](#)), and Bago Region ([KNU-Mone](#)).

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's checkpoints, BA's bases and military convoy/vehicles were reported in Sagaing Region ([Ayardaw](#), [Yinmabin](#), [Chaung-U](#), [Salingyi](#), [Shwebo](#), [Myinmu](#), [Khin-U](#), and [Inndaw](#)), Mon State ([Ye](#)), Tanintharyi Region ([Thayet Chaung](#)), Magway Region ([Htilin](#)), Ayeyarwady Region ([Kyaiklatt](#)), and Mandalay Region ([Madaya](#)).

This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Kachin State ([Hpakant](#) - informant), Karenni State ([Bawlake](#) - asset), Sagaing Region ([Monywar - Police Station](#), and [Tamu - court](#)), Yangon Region ([Twante - informants](#), [Hlaing](#), [Mayan Gone - court](#), [South Dagon - administrator](#), [Insein - main prison](#), and [North Okkalapa - administrator](#)), Magway Region ([Saw - informant with family](#), and [Pakokku](#)), Mandalay Region ([Amarapura - informant](#), [Chan Mya Tharsi - Police station](#), [Pathein Gyi - staff](#), and [Pyi Gyi Tagon - informant](#)), Ayeyarwady Region ([Myaungmya - GAD office](#)), and Tanintharyi Region ([Yay Phyu](#) - administrators).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Over the week, bomb explosion by unknown groups were reported in Kachin State ([Myitkyina](#), [Mogaung-a highschool](#)), [Nay Pyi Taw](#), Sagaing Region ([Khin-U](#)), and Yangon Region ([Hlaing Tharyar](#))
- On August 19 in Bago, [the BA court sentenced a journalist's wife](#) to 10 years in prison. She was detained when she visited her husband on November 27, 2021.
- On August 19 and 20 in Pauk, Magway Region, [the BA raided and torched 3 villages](#).
- On August 20 in Amarapura, Mandalay Region, [the BA arrested lecturers from Yadanar Pone university](#) who participated in CDM.
- On August 20 in Yangon, [the BA arrested 2 young people who participated in the famous 8888 umbrella strike](#).
- On August 20 in Mogaung, Kachin State, [a landmine killed a civilian and injured his wife](#). They were out searching for vegetables at the time.
- On August 20 in Demoso, Karenni State, [the BA's artillery shell killed a 12-year-old boy](#).
- On August 21 in Gangaw, Magway Region, [over 1000 people from 4 villages fled](#) because the BA troops moved into their villages.

Crisis in Sagaing Region

- On August 21 in Inndaw, [the BA arrested a man who was hospitalized with malaria together with his two companions](#). They were accused of being PDF members.
- On August 21 in Phaungbyin, [the BA shot randomly around the villages](#) along the Chindwin river from their ships, and injured two locals including a child.
- On August 22 in Phaungbyin, [the BA raided and torched houses in Thanga village and killed at least 4 people](#).
- On August 22 in Khin-U, [a bomb explosion by unknown groups in downtown killed a young man](#) and injured two people.
- On August 23 in Khin-U, [the BA's artillery shell hit a few villages and injured 5 villagers](#).

- On August 22 in Karenni State, [the IDPs were struggling because of the increasing food and commodity price.](#)
- On August 22 in Twante, Yangon Region, [the BA detained and tortured about 20 residents](#) a few hours after 4 informants were shot dead.
- On August 23 in Hpakant, Kachin State, [the displaced people from Sezin village were in urgent need of food and healthcare assistance.](#)
- On August 24 in Hpakant, Kachin State, [the BA killed 6 men who were trapped at Sezin village.](#)
- On August 24 in Paletwa, Chin State, [a woman was killed in a landmine explosion](#) while she was looking for her husband who had disappeared for 3 days.
- On August 24 in Mandalay, after more than one month of interrogation, [the BA court sentenced a former journalist to three years in prison.](#) He was charged under Section 505 A.
- On August 24 in Myeik, Tanintharyi Region, [the BA shot and killed two men who came back from work](#) by motorbike.
- On August 25 in Mandalay, [a resistance group \(Tiger Force Mandalay\) publicly apologized after mistakenly killing a married couple](#) instead of a BA police officer. They promised to accept any punishment in a future criminal prosecution under a civilian government.
- It was reported on August 25, [the BA arrested a gems merchant for allegedly supporting the NUG and seized his assets](#), including land, buildings, machinery and 193 tons of raw jade, estimated to be nearly 12 billion kyats.
- On August 26 in eastern Demoso, Karenni State, the majority of 7 to 8-year-old children (and some adults) from a [displaced camp were reported to be suffering from a skin disease.](#)

- On August 24 and 25 in Kyunla, [the BA attacked Tepinseik village by land and airstrikes](#), trapping about thousands of villagers at the monastery and schools, killing 2 civilians and injuring 2.
- On August 25 in Yinmabin, [over 2000 civilians from 7 villages fled](#) because the BA troops were randomly shooting around.
- On August 26 in Monywa, [the BA shot and killed a local man from Lezin village and killed and burned two other people.](#)

Other updates

- On August 24, the BA [arrested former British ambassador to Myanmar, Vicky Bowman, and her husband](#), and charged them with violating the Immigration Act.
- It was reported on August 25 that in Karenni State, [the Karenni State Police \(KSP\) which was formed after the coup handled \(235\) cases in one year.](#)
- On August 25, [the Karenni National Progressive Party \(KNPP\) stated that the BA had abandoned a total of 13 bases](#) in Karenni State since the coup.



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