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WEEKLY COUP UPDATE BY THE KACHIN ALLIANCE

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During the forty-sixth week since the coup, the Burma Army (BA) conducted air bombardments in Shan State ([Lashio](#)) and Magway Region ([Gangaw](#)). Fighting between the BA and Kachin Independence Army (KIA) occurred in [Momauk](#), [Mohnyin](#), Kachin State. Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Kachin State ([Mohnyin](#), [Shwegu](#)), Sagaing Region ([Chaung-U](#), [Kani](#), [Kawlin](#), [Myaung](#), [Mingin](#), [Pale](#), [Tigyaing](#), [Taze](#), [Wetlet](#)), Magway Region ([Gangaw](#), [Myaing](#), [Yesagyo](#)), Mon State ([Ye](#)). Additionally, the BA clashed with the KNU/KNLA in [Kyainseikgyi](#) and [Myawaddy](#), Karen State, in [Loilin Lay and Demoso](#) in Kayah State, and in [Bilin](#), Mon State, and with MNDAA in [Muse](#) and [Lashio](#), Shan State. This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Kachin State ([Hpakant](#)), Ayeyarwady ([Yegy](#)), Mandalay Region ([Chanmyathazi](#)) and [Sagaing](#) (Sagaing Region). The bombing of military-owned Mytel telecommunication towers continued in Sagaing Region ([Ayadaw](#)).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- On December 11 in Yesagyo Township, Magway Region, the BA fired artillery shells at a village and [set fire to multiple residential homes](#).
- On December 11 in Taungdwingyi Township, Magway Region, the [security forces forced businesses](#) that participated in the Silent Strike against the coup regime on December 10 to continue to close their businesses.
- On December 11 in Tabayin Township, Sagaing Region, [the locals discovered six bodies](#) in Nagatwin Village. The victims were killed and buried by the BA earlier that week. Three bodies among the six had their hands tied behind their backs.
- On December 11 in Yinmarbin Township, Sagaing Region, [the BA fired artillery shells into a village](#) killing one civilian and destroying two residential homes.
- On December 12 in Kani Township, Sagaing Region, [the BA set fire to multiple homes, shops, and motorcycles in Larpo Village](#).
- On December 13 in Taungdwingyi Township, Magway Region, the security forces planned to arrest Ko Star who had alleged connection with the PDF, but when he was not home, [they arrested his sisters Thoon Taw Tharzin \(12-year old\), Su Lab Yadanar \(22-year old\), and his mother Than Than Soe \(62-year old\) instead](#).

Violence in Kachin State

- On December 13 in Hpakant Township, [about 30 security forces arrived in police vans to arrest 5 civilian youths](#).
- On December 13 in Putao Township, [the security forces arrested a 30-year old male civilian for no apparent reason](#).
- On December 16 in Myitkyina Township, the security forces fired [several rounds of gunshots at a car passing by the Manau Park and the area was then filled with military trucks and tanks](#).
- On December 16 in Machanbaw Township, [the coup regime forcibly took about 40 acres of civilian-owned land](#). They put concrete fences up without consulting the land owners and forcibly claimed the land theirs.
- On December 17 in Myitkyina Township, [the regime forces confiscated the house of Dr. Tu Hkawng, the head of the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources under National Unity Government \(NUG\)](#).

- On December 13 in Ayadaw Township, Sagaing Region, [the BA burned down Kelbar Village](#), forcing the villagers to flee to the nearby jungle. [The newly displaced people \(approximately 2,000 people\) are in dire need of food, shelter, and medicine.](#)
- On December 14 in Taungup Township, Rakhine State, [the security forces arrested Min Ko Oo, a charity worker in the community, for alleged connection with the PDF.](#)
- On December 14 in Minkin Township, Sagaing Region, [the BA set fire to about 20 houses and killed locals' livestocks.](#)
- On December 15 in Lamaing Township, Mon State, [the security forces arrested Min Thein Tun Oo, a local business man, for unknown reason.](#)
- On December 15 in Myawaddy Township, Karen State, the fighting between the BA and the KNLA in in Lay Kay Kaw Village [forced thousands of civilians to flee their homes.](#)
- On December 16 in Myaing Township, Magway Region, [the BA set fire to Ngar Myaung Village and burned down at least 30 houses.](#)
- On December 16 in Minbu Township, Magway Region, [the security forces arrested 12 civilians including 4 student leaders](#) for organizing anti-coup protests and activities.
- On December 16 in Thabeikkyin Township, Mandalay Region, [the security forces shot and killed Thiha Ko, who was on his way back from grocery shopping.](#)
- On December 16 in Thayarwady Township, Bago Region, [the security forces arrested three civilians for alleged connection with the NLD.](#)
- On December 17 in Gangaw Township, Magway Region, the BA [deployed helicopters to attack Hnan Khar Village](#). The attack killed at least 20 people.
- On December 17 in Taungdwingyi Township, Magway Region, [the security forces arrested 7 civilians for singing Twe Thit Sar, a song used widely at anti-coup protests and rallies.](#)
- On December 17 in Myawaddy Township, Karen State, [the BA fired artillery shells at the Melhtawtalay Village. The villagers have had to escape to safety.](#)

Other Updates

- In Salingyi Town, Monywa Township, Sagaing Region, [about 10,000 civilians have had to flee their homes and are in dire need of food, shelter, and medicine as they hide out in the jungle.](#)
- In Kachin State, there has been an increase in [illegal operations of gold and jade mining. The reckless mining is extremely dangerous to the environment and the livelihoods of people who live in the region.](#)
- On December 16 in Letpadan Township, Bago Region, [Nyein Chan Ko, a reporter from a local newspaper BagoweeklyJournal, was sentenced to three years in prison.](#)



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