



RECAP



WEEKLY COUP UPDATE BY THE KACHIN ALLIANCE

APRIL 9 – 15, 2022

This week, the Burma Army (BA) continued to conduct airbombardment in Karen State (Lay Kay Kaw). Fighting between the BA and Kachin Independence Army (KIA) occurred in Kachin State ([Tsawlaw](#)). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Karenni State ([Loikaw](#) and [Hpruso](#)), Sagaing Region ([Kale](#), [Khin-U](#), [Shwebo](#), [Tamu](#), and [Yinmarbin](#)), Chin State ([Matupi](#)), Magway Region ([Pauk](#), [Pakokku](#), [Htilin](#), and [Yesagy](#)). Additionally, the BA clashed with the KNLA in Karen State ([Lay Kay Kaw](#), and [Myawady](#)), with KNDF in Karenni State ([Demoso](#)), with AA in Rakhine State ([Myebon](#)), and with SNA in Sagaing Region ([Hkamti](#)).

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's bases and military vehicles were reported in Sagaing Region ([Budalin](#), [Kale](#), [Monywa](#), [Pale](#), and [Ye-U](#)), Kachin State ([Shwegu](#), and [Hpakant](#)), Yangon Region ([Thaketa](#), [Kawhmu](#), and [Kayan](#)), Magway Region ([Pakokku](#), [Pwintphyu](#), and [Natmauk](#)), Tanintharyi Region ([Yebyu](#)), Bago Region ([Nattalin](#), [Paungde](#), and [Taungoo](#)), Shan State ([Pinlaung](#)), Mon State ([Ye](#)), and Mandalay Region ([Kyaukse](#)). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Sagaing Region ([Indaw](#), and [Monywa](#)), Kachin State ([Hpakant](#)), Magway Region ([Htilin](#)), Mon State ([Kyaikmaraw](#)), Ayeyarwady Region ([Hinthada](#)), Mandalay Region ([Sintgaing](#), and [Chanayethazan](#)), Yangon Region ([Hlaingtharya](#), [Lanmadaw](#), and [Kamaryut](#)).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Over the week, the BA raided, looted, burned houses and shops, and arrested civilians in Mon State ([Thaton](#)), Shan State ([Ywangan](#)), Sagaing Region ([Kale](#), [Kyunhla](#) and [Yinmarbin](#)), Magway Region ([Pauk](#)), Mandalay Region ([Madaya](#)). Bomb explosions and shootings by unknown groups were reported in Kachin State ([Myitkyina](#), and [Mohnyin](#)), Sagaing Region ([Wetlet](#), and [Monywa](#)), Karen State ([Hpa-an](#)), Yangon Region ([Yangon](#)), and Mandalay Region ([Chanayethazan](#)).
- On April 9 in Kyangin Township, Ayeyarwady Region, [security forces arrested a NLD Hluttaw Representative, Soe Myint](#) for alleged connection with the National Unity Government (NUG).
- On April 9 in Pindaya Township, Shan State, [security forces confiscated the home of a NLD Hluttaw Representative](#), Tun Tun Naing. His sister's house was also confiscated.
- On April 10 in Myitkyina Township, Kachin State, two civilians from Hokap Village [received letters threatening that their lives will be in danger](#) if they do not work for the coup regime.
- On April 10 in Ywangan Township, Shan State, security forces [violently arrested 8 civilians for their alleged connections with the PDF](#).
- On April 10 in Pakokku Township, Magway Region, security forces [arrested around 10 young civilians, and checked their phones for any anti-coup related posts](#). The people who posted anti-coup posts were still kept in the police station while the people who did not were asked 30,000 kyats each for their release.

Burmese New Year (April 13-17)

Resistance groups and revolutionists warned the people of Myanmar to not celebrate Thingyan (the four-day water festival celebrating the new year). [The Myanmar public by and large refused to partake in the annual Thingyan water festival](#) activities organized by the junta. At the same time, the coup regime constructed water stations, concert stages, and other festive events in an attempt to portray a peaceful country. Bomb explosions and shootings at Thingyan events were reported in Kachin State ([Myitkyina](#)), Mandalay Region ([Chanayethazan](#), [Natogyi](#), [Nyaung-U](#), and [Patheingyi](#)), Karen State ([Hpa-an](#)), Ayeyarwady Region ([Maubin](#), [Patheingyi](#), [Pyapon](#), [Hinthada](#), and [Kyaunggon](#)), Yangon Region ([Dagon Myothit North](#), [Dagon Myothit South](#), [Hlaingtharya](#), and [Thanlyin](#)), Mon State ([Kyaikto](#)), Shan State ([Muse](#)), Magway Region ([Magway](#)), and Bago Region ([Paungde](#)). On April 17, the New Year Day, [the anti-junta public demonstrations took place in](#) Monywa, Sarlingyi, Kalay of Sagaing Region and Phakant of Kachin State.

- On April 10 in Magway Township, Magway Region, security forces stopped a motorcycle with a male and female civilian, then [shot and killed the male civilian and arrested the two female civilians](#).
- On April 10 in Pauk Township, Magway Region, [the BA burned down multiple houses in Zidaw Village and arrested about 80 civilians](#).
- On April 11 in Lanmadaw Township, Yangon Region, [security forces arrested 9 civilians including neighborhood leaders without giving a reason](#).
- On April 11 in Hpakant Township, [an unknown assailant shot and killed a civilian](#), U Maung Oo, in his own home. It is unknown why he was targeted. Some locals speculated that the victim's relations to the slain village administrator may have been the motive.
- On April 11 in Kalay Myo Township, Sagaing Region, the [BA burned down a school and about 100 houses](#) in Nat Chaung village.
- On April 12 in Kalay Myo Township, Sagaing Region, the BA randomly fired artillery shells into Ashae-si Village and [killed a 66-year old male civilian](#). Another artillery shell fell in Kalay on the same day which resulted in [a civilian getting injured and their home destroyed](#).
- On April 13 in Yinmarbin Township, Sagaing Region, [the BA's artillery shells injured a civilian from Latlote Village](#).
- On April 13 in Kalay Township, Sagaing Region, the body of Ko Yathu, a 21-year old Kale PDF soldier, was [found with signs of being burned and tortured by the BA](#).
- On April 13 in Pauk Township, the BA [accused Ko Phyo Aung of supporting food and money to PDF, and arrested him](#). According to locals, Aung is just a farmer and had no relations with the PDF.
- On April 13 in Hpapun Township, Karen State, [the BA randomly fired artillery shells into Melnyu Village and injured four civilians including two young children](#).

Forced Displacement

- Urgent humanitarian assistance for the Internally Displaced Persons is needed in Kachin State ([Putao](#)).
- On April 11 in Pauk Township, Magway Region, [the BA burned down houses in multiple villages in the area forcing about 10,000 civilians to flee their homes](#).
- On April 14 in Loikaw, Karenni State, [the fighting between PDF and the BA trapped about 100 civilians in Chikel Village](#).
- The IDPs who returned to their homes in Nam San Yang village in Waingmaw faced [water shortage due to increased gold mining](#) in the surrounding areas.
- Since December 2021, there has been 3 village torching in Nat Chaung village, [displacing nearly 5000 civilians](#).



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