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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) and the People's Defense Force (PDF) was reported in Kachin State ([Sumprabum](#), and [Hpakant](#)). Over the week, there were clashes between the BA and PDFs in Magway Region ([Htilin](#), and [Myaing](#)), Sagaing Region ([Myaung](#), [Ye-U](#), [Katha](#), [Kani](#), and [Yinmarbin](#)), and Shan State ([Pekon](#)). Additionally, the BA clashed with the joint forces of the KNLA/KNU in Karen State ([Myawaddy](#), and [Thandaungyi](#)), and Mon State ([Ye](#)); with the joint forces of KA/KNDF in Karenni State ([Shadaw](#), and [Demoso](#)), and Shan State ([Pekon](#)). Furthermore, the BA continued to conduct airbombardment in Sagaing Region ([Minkin](#), and [Kalay Myo](#)), and Karen State ([Lay Kay Kaw](#)).

The ambush attacks on BA's troops, BA's bases and military vehicles were reported in Sagaing Region ([Tigyaing](#), [Kani](#), [Yinmarbin](#), [Shwebo](#), [Butalin](#), [Tamu](#), [Ye-U](#), [Ayadaw](#), [Salingyi](#), [Katha](#), and [Minmu](#)), Kachin State ([Hpakant](#), and [Tanai](#)), Shan State ([Kutkai](#)), Magway Region ([Myaing](#), [Pwint Phyu](#), [Htilin](#) - [Yaymyatni](#), [Yesagyo](#)), Mandalay Region ([Singu](#), and [Thabeikkyin](#)), Bago Region ([Paungde](#)) and Chin State ([Mindat](#)). This week, violence against regime informants and collaborators, and around government offices and junta's assets was reported in Kachin State ([Bahmo](#)), Mon State ([Ye](#)), Magway Region ([Banks](#) in [Pakokku](#)), Yangon Region ([Hlaing](#)), Tanintharyi Region ([Launglone](#), and [Yebyu](#)), Ayeyarwaddy Region ([Kyaiklat](#)) and Mandalay Region ([Nyaung U](#), [Chan Aye Tharsan](#)).

Humanitarian Crisis and Human Rights Violations

- Over the week, the BA raided, looted, torched houses in Sagaing Region ([Kalay Myo](#), [Kani](#), [2 from Butalin](#), Myaung - [Pannyo village](#), Ye-U - [Muutharkone](#), [2 villages of Yinmarbin](#), Khin-U - [Myothit](#)), Magway Region (Myaing - [Pandai law village](#), [Let-yetma](#) village), Mandalay Region (Thabeikkyin - [Kayansatkone village](#)), and Shan State ([Pekon](#), [Ywargan](#), and [Nyaung Shwe](#)).
- From May 7-16, [the BA burned down about 150 houses from villages of Yekeyyun](#), Yesagyo, Magway Region.
- On May 13 in Myaing, Magway Region, [the BA arrested about 30 people and killed 5](#) people.
- On May 15 in Kutkai, Shan State, [the MNDAA arrested 4 people from Pan Law Lisu IDP camp](#) for forced conscription.
- On May 16 in Nattalin, Bago Region, [a landmine explosion killed a civilian and injured two other](#).
- On May 16 in Rathedaung, Rakhine State, [the BA arrested 3 youth from Pylone Chanthar IDP camp](#).
- On May 16 in Pauktaw, Magway Region, [the BA burned and killed 2 men from Myay Ni](#) village.
- On May 16 in Indawgyi, Kachin State, [a landmine explosion severely injured](#) a mother and a 15-year-old daughter.
- On May 16 in Yebyu, Tanintharyi Region, [the BA arrested 3 young men](#) in Kanpauk village and released one at a later time.

Forced Displacement

- Urgent humanitarian assistance for the Internally Displaced Persons is needed in Karenni State ([Pekon](#)) and Mon State.
- Since May 13, [the intense fighting along Moebye-Shwe Nyaung highway forced](#) about 10,000 people from 20 villages to be displaced.
- On May 18 in Ye, Mon State, [as the BA troop approached the villages, hundreds of villagers fled](#) for safety.
- In PutaO, Kachin State, [the BA forbid the Sumpiyang villagers from going 2 miles beyond the village, resulting in the villagers facing difficulties](#) for their livelihood.

- On May 17 in Obo prison, Mandalay, [the BA court sentenced U Aye Thein, a farmer activist to 3 years](#) in prison.
- On May 18 in Pakokku, Magway Region, [the BA arrested a man](#) accused of being in contact with PDFs.
- On May 18 in Myaing, Magway Region, [the BA tortured and arrested a young man](#), accusing him of being a PDF fighter.
- On May 18 in Paungde, Bago Region, [the BA arrested a man and showed the family his body](#) the next day.
- On May 18 in Namsan, Shan State, [the BA court sentenced a local journalist to 5 years](#) in prison with hard labor.
- On May 19 in Mogok, Mandalay Region, [the BA shot 2 young men riding a motorbike nearby, killing one and injuring the other](#).
- On May 20 in Thandwe, Rakhine State, [the BA court sentenced a young man to one year in prison](#) because of his demand for the release of the political prisoners.
- On May 20 in Thandwe, Rakhine State, [the BA court sentenced two men to 3 years in prison with hard labor](#); they were accused of being in contact with PDFs.
- On May 20 in Pauk, Magway Region, [the BA arrested 4 firefighters](#) accused of supporting the PDFs.

Violence in Sagaing Region

- Bomb explosions by unknown groups were reported in [Monywa](#).
- On May 15 and 16 in Khin-U, [the BA torched 17 houses from Taiktaw village and 6 from Innpat village, and killed 2 men](#).
- On May 18 in Kalay Myo, [the BA torched over 100 houses including schools at Lechar village](#).
- On May 19 in Katha, [the BA burned down houses at Inn Ywar village and shot artillery at the village, killing 2 monks and injuring 16 civilians](#).
- On May 19 in Katha, [the BA's artillery injured 10 monks from Paylankone village](#).
- On May 19 in Ye-U, [the BA's artillery killed 5 displaced civilians](#) and injured 2 from Tartaing village.
- On May 19 in Ye-U, [the BA torched 22 houses at Thayettaw village, and the villagers found 40 burnt bodies](#) later.

Other Updates

- On May 16, [the KIO announced that it will attack the BA-affiliated Border Guard Force and militias](#) in Kachin State.
- On May 16 in Kyaikmayaw, Mon State, [the BA court sentenced the former Mon State Chief Minister another 22 years](#) in prison.
- On May 20, [the leader of RCSS/SSA met the junta leader](#) in Naypyitaw.



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