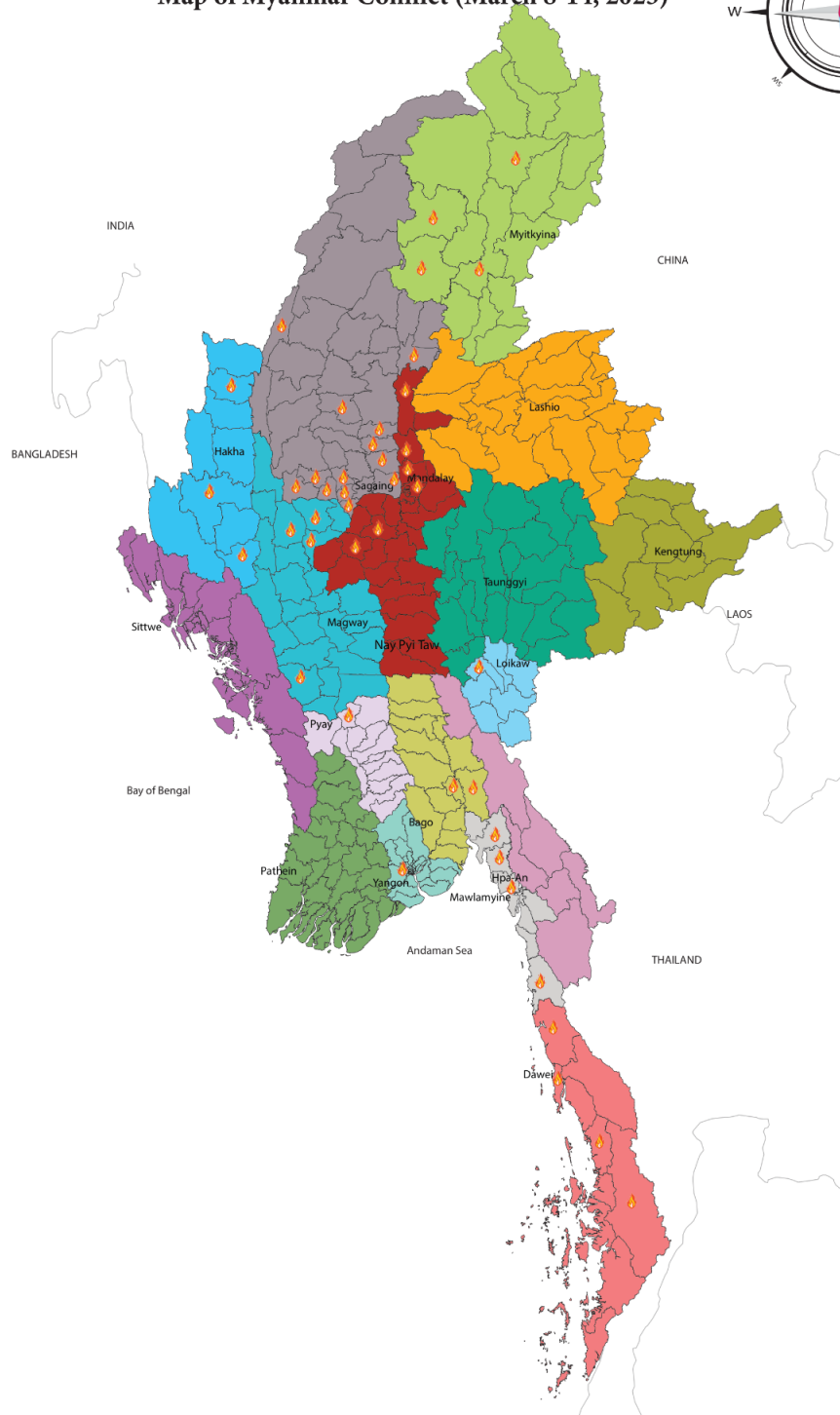
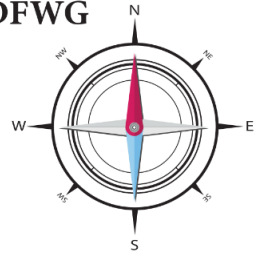

Week: March 8 to March 14, 2023

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Map of Myanmar Conflict (March 8-14, 2023)



Brief Overview

Ayeyarwady

- 1 Civilian arrested
- 8 Houses burned down

Bago

- 4 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 Civilians arrested
- 47 Houses burned down

Chin

- 4 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 24 SAC soldiers killed
- 3 Houses burned down

Kachin

- 4 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 12 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 Civilians arrested
- 19 Civilians arrested
- 52 Houses burned down

Kayah (Karenni)

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs

Magway

- 3 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 3 SAC soldiers killed
- 4 Civilians killed
- 58 Civilians arrested
- 7 Houses burned down

Mandalay

- 31 Civilians arrested
- 4 Villages set on fire
- 38 Houses burned down

Mon

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 6 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 Children killed
- 4 Houses burned down

Sagaing

- 5 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 16 SAC soldiers killed
- 8 Civilians killed
- 3 Civilians arrested
- 202 Houses burned down

Shan (South)

- 23 Civilians arrested
- 20 Houses burned down

Tanintharyi

- 4 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 17 SAC soldiers killed
- 4 PDF killed
- 1 Child killed
- 1 Civilian killed
- 6 Civilians arrested
- 8 Houses burned down

Yangon

- 1 Civilian arrested

Total:

- 22 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 82 SAC soldiers killed
- 4 PDF killed
- 3 Children killed
- 15 Civilians killed
- 144 Civilians arrested
- 4 Villages set on fire
- 389 Houses burned down

March 8, 2023

Strikes

Locals protest for the fall of the military dictatorship in the following regions: Yinmarbin township and Salingyi township, Sagaing region; LaungLon township, Tanintharyi region; Kyangin township, Ayeyarwady region; Pakokku township, Magway region.

Election Updates

The announcement was made on March 8 after 17 parties registered with the Union Election Commission to participate in the election to be held by the military council. According to the official Union Election Commission (UEC) list, there are five union-level parties and 12 state-level parties.

Military Clashes

SAC troops were caught in a drone attack, organized by PDFs by Ye Tadargyi Gate, Mon state.

SAC troops were caught in a mine attack, organized by PDFs in Yesagyo township, Magway region.

In a clash between SAC troops and PDF soldiers, 15 members of SAC's troops were killed and two PDF soldiers were killed in the Nyaungpinsout Immigration Office, Monywa township, Sagaing region.

Two SAC's soldiers were killed and another injured in a clash with PDF forces by the Mohnyin Police Station, Kachin state.

A funeral service was held for ten comrades of Battalion 05 of the Karenni Army and Karenni Nationalities Defense Force (KNDF) who were hit and killed by the junta's airstrikes.

SAC troops were caught in a mine attack, organized by PDFs in Maezali Kone, Ingapu township, Ayeyarwady region.

Chin armed groups used drones to hit a military helicopter flying above Htantlang township, Chin state, which then flew back to Hakha heavily damaged and trailing smoke.

Human Rights Violations

CCTV footage shows that an unknown man attempted to throw a bomb inside a 69 Hotel in Muse township, northern Shan state of Myanmar. But, he missed and the bomb instead dropped in the parking lot in front of the hotel. The explosion caused damages to two motorcycles and the windows and walls of the motel.

The regime arrested and prosecuted four women under the Anti-Terrorism Act on the claims that they were sharing social media posts related to local anti-junta resistance forces and the anti-junta movement. These women were from Tanintharyi Town, Myeik District, Taningtharyi region.

It was reported that a female member of the National League for Democracy (NLD) from Taze town was arrested by the Military Council while she was fleeing to Pharpyin village, Hpakan township, Kachin state.

The SAC's forces fired a mortar bomb at Kyonemein village, killing a teenage boy and teenage girl in Thaton township, Mone state.

Political and International Events

The EU has sanctioned Burma's Deputy Minister of the Interior for violating human rights against women and girls. It is stated that this action is taken because of the responsibility for sexual violence.

March 9, 2023

Strikes

Local people demonstrate against the 2023 elections held by the SAC in Taze township, Sagaing region.

People continue to demonstrate for the fall of the military dictatorship in the following regions: Yangon region; Kanbalu, Kani and Kale township, Sagaing region; Kyangin township, Ayeyarwady region.

Locals protest to sanction the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE) on the North Side of Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region and Myaing township, Magway region.

Election Updates

The Kachin state People's Party (KSPP) applied for registration to the Union Election Commission (UEC), which was newly formed by the SAC after the coup in accordance with the new political party registration law enacted by the SAC.

Local PDFs from more than 20 villages met in the Magway region to discuss opposing the 2023 elections held by the SAC.

Military Clashes

In a clash between PDFs and SAC forces, 10 houses were burned down in Kyawal Kya village, Madaya township, Mandalay region.

PDFs organized a mine attack on SAC troops in Monywa township, Sagaing region.

In a clash between CDF-Paletwa and the SAC's forces, five SAC soldiers were killed and another 11 were injured at Matupi township, Chin state.

In a clash between PDFs and SAC troops, one PDF fighter was killed and another four injured while two members of the SAC were killed in Nyaungpinkwin village, Tanintharyi township, Tanintharyi region.

Three members of the SAC's troops were killed in a clash with PDFs in YwartharYwar village, Singu township, Mandalay region.

PDFs organized a mine attack on the SAC's forces between Chaung-U and Myinmu village, Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

In a clash between PDFs and SAC troops, five members of the SAC's forces were killed and another two injured between Yephyu village and Tarpalaet village, Tanintharyi township, Tanintharyi region.

There was a clash between the PDFs and the SAC's forces between Kane Kan Kone village and Sa Khi Yar village, Paletwa township, Chin state.

PDFs organized a mine attack on the SAC's forces between Ah Lal Ka Pa village and Wan Pyae village, Monywa township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

Seven civilians were arrested by SAC forces in Hpakan township, Kachin state.

Two civilians were killed by SAC troops in Nabutaw village, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

The owner of the food business called 'Zalonegyi' was arrested by SAC forces because he was assumed to have made contact with the NUG or other revolutionary groups in Chanayethazan township, Mandalay region.

Two women were killed and another five civilians injured when SAC troops fired mortar bombs at two villages in Pauk township, Magway region.

A fighter jet of the SAC's forces dropped bombs on Htanpaukkone village, Myaing township, Magway region.

The SAC's forces fired mortar bombs at Winekyo village and Pyinyay village, injuring three civilians in the Shwegyin township, Bago region.

Three women were arrested, two were from Pyay township, Bago region and the other from Pathein township, Ayeyarwady region because they shared anti-junta posts on facebook.

Political and International Events

Mr Igor Driesmans, EU Ambassador to ASEAN, is meeting with Acting President Duwa Lashi La, discussing ways to return democracy in Myanmar and helping facilitate humanitarian aid to those displaced by the war.

The regime has sent a massive convoy of military reinforcements to Hakha, the capital of Chin state, from Kalaymyo with 30 trucks and armored tanks.

In the eastern part of the country, Myanmar's regime sent over 400 soldiers, constantly sending both soldiers and weapons by air to the Hparuso army bases in Kayah state.

Although initial reports claimed that the explosion of a landmine hit a car which some leaders of Karen National Union were in, a new report emerged stating that the car belonged to Border Guard Force (BGF) on the side of the regime. The location of the car explosion was between Halingbwe and Pai Kyone, Kayin state.

March 10, 2023

Strikes

Demonstrations continue, as local people protest against the 2023 elections. regions where protests happen include: Kyangin and Longlon township, Ayeyarwady region; Yinmarbin, Salingyi, and Kale township.

In Pyinoolwin township, Mandalay region, locals protest to sanction MOGE.

Military Clashes

A bomb exploded in the police station near Shwekyarpin ward, Zabuthiri township, Nay Pyi Taw region.

There was a clash between KIA forces and SAC forces on Puta-O Myintkyina road, Kachin state.

Six members of the SAC's forces were killed in a clash between PDFs and the MPDF forces on Aryu hill and Sonenanthar village, Ye township, Mon state.

Three SAC soldiers were killed and another injured when PDFs fired mortar bombs at the SAC's forces in Phonekan village, Pakokku township, Magway region.

In a clash between KA forces and SAC forces, 14 SAC soldiers were killed in Dawtakhae village, Thailand - Karenni Border, Kayah state.

There was a clash between PDFs and SAC forces at Well 2 (owned by MOGE), Myaing township, Magway region.

There was a drone attack on the SAC's forces by PDF forces in Yawpu village, Madaya township, Mandalay region.

Human Rights Violations

Five houses were burned down by SAC forces in Panyait village, Longlon township, Tanintharyi region.

Two women were killed and another five civilians when SAC troops fired mortar bombs at Nyaungwin Myautsu village, Pauk township, Magway region.

Almost 200 houses were burned down by SAC troops in Hmawkyauk village, Tigyaing township, Sagaing region.

One woman was arrested by SAC soldiers on the claims that she was supporting the local PDFs in Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

KNU President General Saw Mu Tu Sai Po, the chairman of the Karen Armed Forces Unity Committee, held a public meeting with the Karen Armed Forces. Commander-in-Chief General Sawjarni and officials, KNU/KNLA PC Chairman General Saw Tho Lai; DKBA military strategy commander Colonel Saw San Aung and BGF No. (2) battalion commander Major Saw Vra In and Colonel Saw Luang were present.

Some of the battalions said that the NUG-certified People's Defense Forces (PDF) battalions based in Yinma Pin District, Sagaing Division are short on weapons and are being asked to equip them as soon as possible. It is said that there are more than 30 NUG-certified PDF battalions in Ma Pin District, most of which have not yet received enough weapons.

March 11, 2023

Strikes

Locals continue to protest for sanctions against MOGE; for foreign companies to stop paying blood money to the Junta. Places where protests occurred include: Myaing township, Magway region; Taze township, Mandalay region; Yinmarbin-Salingyi township and Latpataung Hill, Sagaing region.

Locals continue to demonstrate for the downfall of the military dictatorship in Chang-U and Yinmarbin township (north side), Sagaing region and Kyangin township, Ayeyarwady region.

Military Clashes

PDFs organized a mine attack on SAC troops, killing three SAC members in King village, Myauing township, Sagaing region.

Three police members were hit by a mine attack on the SAC's forces organized by PDFs in Sartaung, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

PDFs organized a mine attack on SAC forces in Thabeikkyin township, Mandalay region.

Human Rights Violations

Three women, including a CDM school teacher, were arrested by the SAC under the claims of violating the Anti-Terrorism Act. The women were from Indaw township, Sagaing region.

When SAC troops invaded a village in Budalin township, Sagaing region, they sent more than 9,000 of local civilians running.

SAC forces advancing near Dawtamagyi village, Demoso township, Kayah state, caused more than 5,000 locals to flee.

SAC troops killed one civilian in King village, Myauing township, Sagaing region.

One person was killed and almost 20 houses were burned down when SAC forces started an airstrike on Nantnein village, Pinlaung township, South Shan state.

More than 3,000 people were sent running when SAC troops fired mortar bombs in Lalhit village, Tanintharyi township, Tanintharyi region.

Two young people were killed by SAC troops near Hmawmghlan village, Hpakan township, Kachin state.

March 12, 2023

Strikes

Locals demonstrated for the fall of the military regime, in Longlon township, Tanintharyi region and Kanbalu township, Sagaing region.

Locals protested for international sanctions on MOGE in Kale township, the east side of Yinmarbin and the northside of Salingyi in the Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Chin armed groups killed six junta soldiers and wounded 21 after the SAC sent many reinforcements to the western side of the Chin state,

There was a drone attack on the police station by PDF groups in Paung township, Mon state.

Local PDFs attacked a SAC camp by Pale-Kandaung-Gangaw road, Plae township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

Two women and one man were arrested on March 11 in Shwebo town of Sagaing region on the basis of supporting local anti-junta resistance forces by sharing their Facebook posts.

Two women were arrested by the SAC's forces in Kalaneang Town, Yebyu township, Tanintharyi region.

A school and three houses were set on fire by the SAC's forces in Tedin township, Chin state.

SAC troops raided villages in the Pinlaung township, along the Shan-Kayah Border, sending around 15 villages running.

Junta troops were reported to have killed 30 people and three monks who lived in the monastery, and took care of IDPs from the region in Namnanh village located in Pinlaung township, of the southern Shan state.

The SAC's forces raided and organized a drone attack on Lu Ah village, Mone township, Nayunglebin District, Bago region. In the conflict, a teenager and man were injured, and another 1000 people were sent running.

A woman was killed unjustly by the SAC's forces on the east side of Taze township, Sagaing region.

One KIO member and more than 10 people were arrested by the SAC's forces in Pharphyin village, Hpakan township, Kachin state.

Political and International Events

It was reported that seven ethnic armed groups will hold informal talks with the Military Council's National Unity Peacemaking Coordination Committee (NSPNC) in hopes of negotiating conditions for peace with the Military Council.

March 13, 2023

Strikes

Local people continued to protest for international sanctions on MOGE in Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

Local people continued to demonstrate for the fall of their military regime in Taze township, Sagaing region and Longlon township, Tanintharyi region.

Election Updates

The Rakhine National Party (ANP) will re-register with the Union Election Commission under the SAC this month, party officials confirmed.

Military Clashes

Four members of the SAC's forces were killed and one civilian was injured when a local PDF group called PDF Zoland attacked SAC troops stationed in the hospital in Tedin township, Chin state.

Five members of the SAC's forces were killed when local PDF forces attacked troops guarding the entrance of Monywa Technology University located in Myay Nell village, Monywa township, Sagaing region.

There was a drone attack on the SAC's forces by PDFs near Hanlin village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Five members of SAC troops were killed when local PDFs organized an attack on the unit deployed in Kyindway Town, Kanpetlet township, Chin state.

Seven members of SAC troops were killed in a clash with KIA forces near Swapkhar village, Sumprabum township, Kachin state.

Two members of SAC troops were killed in a mine attack by PDF forces in Ngar Yhan village, Chaung-U township, Sagaing region.

19 members of SAC troops were killed and another six were arrested as fighting between junta troops and ethnic Karenni armed groups escalated.

Four members of SAC troops were killed and another six were injured in a bomb blast planted in the office of the military's intelligence unit known as Sa-Ya-Pha on Mingyi Hill, Pyay township, Bago region.

Two members of SAC forces were killed in a clash with PDFs near Phowintaung village, Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between PDFs and the SAC's troops at the electrical substation in Natsaung village, Taungtha township, Mandalay region.

There was a drone attack on the police station by PDFs, killing one policeman in the city police station of Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

One member of the SAC's forces was killed, he was a sergeant that was shot by local PDFs in Nyaung Chay Htauk village, Shwegyin township, Bago region.

Human Rights Violations

Eight people were arrested by SAC troops at Mhaaw Wam Ward, Hpakan township, Kachin state.

One woman was arrested by SAC troops in Blazon Condo, Kamaryut township, Yangon region.

The SAC's troops raided eight villages sending thousands of people fleeing in Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

The SAC's forces enter into 12 villages, sending people fleeing in search of safe places in Shwegyin township, Bago region.

An official of the Civilian Defense and Security Organization (CDSOM) confirmed to MPA that the SAC military began to patrol at about 6:00 a.m. this morning in the villages of Myaung township, Sagaing region, resulting in more than 15,000 residents fleeing to safety.

Political and International Events

The UN Security Council will hold a closed-door discussion on the Myanmar issue on March 13, according to a letter distributed to journalists in advance by the United Nations. The UN Secretary General's special representative for Myanmar, Mrs. Nolin Hayesar, will present a report to the Security Council. The report will be discussed.

March 14, 2023

Strikes

Local peoples boycott the 2023 SAC elections and demonstrate for the downfall of the military regime in Kyangin township, Ayeyarwady region.

Local people continue to protest for people to “stop paying blood money to the Junta” in Kentbalu township and the north side of Yinmarbin, Sagaing region.

Election Updates

As of March 13, there are 19 political parties that have applied for party establishment and registration, according to the lists of the Union Election Commission.

Military Clashes

One office staff was killed and three others injured during a drone attack on the township General Administrator's Office and Electricity Manager's Office in Natogyi township, Mandalay region.

One member of the SAC militia was killed during a clash with PDFs in Tamu township, Sagaing region.

Five members of the SAC's forces were killed in a clash with PDFs in GTC, Monywa township, Sagaing region.

PDFs fired a mortar bomb into Shwe Hlan Bo football field in Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

According to local residents, SAC troops captured and beheaded two defense personnel from Than Bo village, Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between PDFs and SAC forces at the SAC's military security checkpoint on Pathein-Monywa road, Mindon township, Magway region.

One PDF soldier was killed when PDFs launched a drone attack on SAC troops at the police station, general administration office, and Office of Information and Public Relations in Pale township, Sagaing region.

PDF soldiers fired a mortar bomb into light-infantry regiment No. 604 near Aungnancho village, Lewe township, Naypyitaw region.

The Pekhon People Defense Force released a media statement, confirming that dozens of junta soldiers were killed in an intense clash at around 3:00 pm on 12 March in the east of Moe Bye township, on the Shan–Kayah border. Three PDF fighters were killed during the conflict.

Human Rights Violations

50 Civilians were arrested by SAC soldiers in Sanphae village, Pauk township, Magway region.

Eight civilians were arrested by the SAC's forces in Sanphae village, Pauk township, Magway region.

The 66th Division of the military raided a mountain refugee camp in Mobre township on the Shan–Kayah state border with a force of around 50. A total of 10 people, including the elderly and children, were taken as human shields. Two elderly civilians and one young teen were killed, according to the information officer of the 2nd Battalion of Pekon PDF.

The funeral service of the three monks who were brutally slaughtered by the regime was held today in Pinlaung township of southern Shan state.

Political and International Events

Noeleen Heyzer, the UN Secretary General's special representative for Myanmar, reported on the Myanmar situation at the Security Council on the evening of March 13.

On March 13, UN special representatives for human rights warned that the Burmese military council is using social media as a weapon to attack those who are actively advocating for democracy.

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