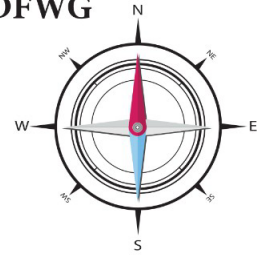

Week: March 1 to March 7, 2023

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Map of Myanmar Conflict (March 1-7, 2023)



Brief Overview

Sagaing

- 8 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 45 SAC soldiers killed
- 2 PDF killed
- 5 Children killed
- 19 Civilians arrested
- 11 Villages set on fire
- 421 Houses burned down

Karen

- 2 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 1 Civilian killed
- 3 Civilians arrested
- 1 House burned down

Kayah (Karenni)

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 2 Houses burned down

Bago

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 2 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 Child killed
- 3 Houses burned down

Mandalay

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 4 Civilians killed
- 10 Houses burned down

Tanintharyi

- 2 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 4 SAC soldiers killed
- 9 PDF killed
- 5 Civilians killed
- 3 Civilians arrested
- 3 Houses burned down

Magway

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 23 SAC soldiers killed
- 1 PDF killed
- 1 Civilian killed
- 12 Houses burned down

Mon

- 1 Clash between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 7 SAC soldiers killed
- 13 Houses burned down

Total:

- 17 Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs
- 81 SAC soldiers killed
- 12 PDF killed
- 6 Children killed
- 11 Civilians killed
- 25 Civilians arrested
- 11 Villages set on fire
- 465 Houses set on fire

March 1, 2023

Strikes

Civilians boycott products produced by the military in Longlon township, Tanintharyi region.

Civilians conduct peaceful protests, calling for the military dictatorship to step down in the Yinmarbin-Salingyi township, Yinmarbin North Side, and Myauing township, of the Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

PDFs raided and attacked the security gate of the SAC Military in the north of Myaing, Magway region, three soldiers were killed and two were injured.

Five of the SAC's troops died from a mine attack organized by PDFs between Yartaw village and Mankyeeoke village, Sagaing region.

Three members of SAC's troops died and four were injured in a mine attack by PDFs in Hlataw village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

A mine attack on the SAC's troops by PDFs was carried out in the Duyinsate village, Thaton township, Mon state.

A clash between the KIA troops and the SAC's troops caused civilians to flee from Tinelwan Village, Myintkyinar township, Kachin state.

In a clash between PDFs and the SAC's troops, two SAC soldiers died and another six were injured at the SAC KhaMaYa 440 Gate and 72 Gate, Daik-U township, Bago region.

Four members of the SAC's troops died in a clash with the PDFs near Zaloot village, Longlon township, Tanintharyi region.

Two members of the SAC's troops died in a clash with the PDFs in Boeaingone Ward, Chauk township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

SAC troops arrested and killed four civilians in Myingyan township, Mandalay region, and dumped their bodies on the side of the road.

The SAC's troops burned down 59 houses and killed two civilians in the Mokesoehonebutar village and Botel village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

All of the houses in the Kone village were set on fire and burned down by the SAC's troops in the Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

The junta's troops beheaded three civilians, including two teenagers, in Nyaingpintha village, proceeding to hang them on a fence and a table in the front yard in Minmu township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

Nothing to report

March 2, 2023

Strikes

Locals boycott and demonstrate against the SAC's 2023 election on Letpataung Hill and in Myaung township, of the Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Five members of the SAC's troops were killed in a clash with the PDFs between Kone village and Satawpyin village, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

Three members of the SAC's troops were killed in a clash with PDFs in Budalin township, Sagaing region.

Three members of the SAC's troops and one member of police troops were injured by a drone attack coordinated by PDFs in the local police station in Salingyi township, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between the PDFs, the SAC's troops, and local militias in Chatkyi village, Kanbalu township, Sagaing region.

In a clash between PDFs and the SAC's troops, 20 villagers were arrested in Tartai village of Shwehlay village tract, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

Nine members of the SAC's troops died in a clash with PDFs near Zeetaw village, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region. PDF troops conducted a mine attack on the SAC's troops near Twinma village, Myaing township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

The SAC's troops fired at Botelkone village with a mortar bomb, burning down a house and injuring a child in Thandaung township, Kayin state.

The SAC's troops fired at Ywartaw and Kyuntawgyi village with mortar bombs sending more than 10,000 civilians fleeing in Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

The SAC's troops arrested 18 people and killed 15 people in Tartai village of Shwehlay village tract, Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

Activists protested in front of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), claiming that the organization should do more for the displaced peoples of Myanmar in Mae Sot, Thailand. This is the seventh time that activists, locals, and Myanmar refugees have protested against UNHCR's lack of response.

March 3, 2023

Strikes

There were local boycotts and demonstrations all over the country against the SAC's 2023 elections. Places include the Latpataung Hill, Chaung-U township, the North villages of Yinmarbin township, the Shweyeki Strike of Yinmarbin township, and in general the North Side of Sagaing region. Additionally, the Kyangin township of Ayeyarwady region and the Pyigyitagon township of Mandalay region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

The military group responsible for burning village after village is attacked by PDFs in Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Three members of the SAC's troops died in a clash with PDFs on Monywa - Ye U Road SAC's checkpoint gate, in Budalin township, Sagaing region.

Two members of the SAC's troops died in a mine attack by PDFs in Yesagyo township, Magway region.

12 members of the SAC's troops were killed and another 30 injured in a clash with the PDFs in Mingin township, Sagaing region.

Four members of the SAC's troops died in a mine attack by the PDFs in Ingapu township, Ayeyarwady region.

Four members of the SAC's troops were killed in a clash with the PDFs in No(2) Sipintharywar Ward, Yesagyo township, Magway region.

Karenni Army and Karenni National Defense Force launched a surgical strike against the junta regime's artillery outpost occupied by No. 360 Artillery Unit and Light Infantry Battalion of 135 and 54 at 6:30 am on 27 February, capturing the regime outpost in a short period of time and seizing the regime's heavy weapons. 40 Members of the SAC's troops were killed and another 20 were injured compared to 15 PDF members injured. The operation took place on the Thai-Kayah Border.

The junta regime's media outlet announced that eight members of local People Defense troops were killed in a clash in Butalin township of Sagaing region, northwest Myanmar, on 02 March.

The PDFs launched a mine attack on the SAC's troops between Kanma township and Kantaw village, Myaing township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

A total of 193 people from two villages in Hpakant township were arrested by the Burma Army from Feb. 28 to March 1. The 193 people come from Shaw Raw Kha and Sa Pi Khu villages, Kachin state. "Some of them were released later but many were detained inside a company compound in Shaw Raw Kha village," a local said. They were arrested after the Burma Army caught a man allegedly planting landmines.

Villagers found 17 bodies of villagers who were arrested, killed, and used as human shields by junta troops on 01 March in Tataing village of Sagaing township, Sagaing region.

There are a total 21,668 IDPs (internally displaced persons) out of more than 20,000 IDPs taking refuge in Demoso township of Kayah state and facing food scarcity due to the ongoing transport cut-off by the junta regime.

The SAC's troops burned down Khinmon village and arrested villagers in Chaung-U township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

The National League for Democracy sacked four Executive Seniors for allegedly serving as witnesses against state counselor Aung San Suu Kyi in a scathing statement today. The sacked executives are the following: Phyo Min Thein, Sandar Min, Toe Lwin and Win Myint Aung.

March 4, 2023

Strikes

There were strikes against the PTT-Exploration and Production company, local people protested for them to "Stop paying blood money to Junta". regions include the Salingyi township, Latpatan Hill, and Taze township of the Sagaing region.

Locals protest and boycott the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE), calling to "Sanction MOGE, they are killing us with money". The protest takes place in the Pyigyitagon township of the Mandalay region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Seven members of the SAC's troops died in a clash with PDFs near Feel Restaurant in Kyaikto township, Mon state. At about 11:20 on March 3, the 60 soldiers of the SAC's troops responsible for burning the villages of Hlataw, Kyekan Taung, North, Sai Nainggyi and Bong Bawe, were attacked by mines between Bong Bong Bawe village and Ywaet village, Wetlet township, Sagaing region. Out of the 60, five soldiers were killed.

Three PDF fighters were injured and one was killed in a clash with the SAC's troops near Kawkareik township, KNU TatMaHar 6 Area, Kayin state.

PDFs organized a mine attack on the SAC's troops between Gwaypintaw village and Yayposar village, Myinmu township, Magway region.

Indaw Revolution announced that on March 2, at around 8:30 pm, two guerilla fighters around 20 years of age were killed in a mine accident meant to detonate a police car patrolling the streets in Indaw township, Sagaing region.

Human Rights Violations

Myawwat None village was entirely burned down by the SAC's troops, and four civilians died in Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

The SAC's troops killed five people and burned three houses down in Aoutkyaukwaut village, Longlon township, Tanintharyi region.

The SAC's troops fired at Ainnpatkwae village with a mortar bomb, injuring two and arresting another seven people in Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

The SAC's troops fired explosives at Naingsaigy village and Naingsailay village, burning down 56 houses and sending more than 4,000 people running in the Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Ottel village and Pintthar village were burned down by the SAC's troops in the Kentbalu township, Sagaing region.

Nine prisoners from Yamethin escaped the prison yesterday, of which two were re-arrested and beaten to death. The other five prisoners were rearrested while the other two prisoners remain on the hunt from Yamethin prison in Mandalay region.

Over 328 houses, two schools, and one religious monastery have been destroyed by the regime troops' arson attack, mostly in Dawei, Lawnglung, Palaw, and Tayetchaung townships.

Political and International Events

Nothing to report.

March 5, 2023

Strikes

There were strikes against the PTT-Exploration and Production company, local people protested for them to "Stop paying blood money to Junta".

Places include the Taze township, Salingyi-Yinmarbin township, and Latpathaung Hill of the Sagaing region.

Locals continue to boycott the 2023 SAC elections in Longlon township, Tanintharyi region and Kale township, Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Nine PDF fighters died in a clash with the SAC's troops in Winedin village, Khamaukkyi township, Tanintharyi region.

PDFs launched a mine attack on the SAC's troops between Maeu and Myaynhaell village, Monywa - Chaung U Road, Sagaing region.

There was a clash between PDFs and the SAC's troops at Kataiti village police station, Kamamaung township, Kayin state.

Six members of the SAC's troops were injured by a drone attack by PDFs by Shinmakarr police station, Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Seven members of the SAC's troops were killed and another 14 injured by drone bombardment on an army column in Myaing township, Magway region.

Five members of the SAC's troops were killed in a clash with PDFs on the Naba Road Intersection, Indaw township, Upper Sagaing Division.

Human Rights Violations

Myanmar's junta regime has handed three comrades of Albino Tiger of Company 1 a death penalty on Friday at the SAC's court in Myawaddy, border town with Thailand in Karen state.

The SAC's troops fired at Ainnpat village village with a mortar bomb in Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

A mine exploded killing a child and injuring another civilian near Tharsi village, Kyaukkyi township, Bago region.

From March 1st to March 5th, almost 10 villages were burned down in Wetlet township, Sagaing region, and 13 local residents were killed, according to surveyors.

Political and International Events

The Kayah state Democratic Party is facing difficulties in registering with the Union Election Commission. But the party's chairman U Poe, told Samdo Chan Digital that they will try their best. Khun Myint Tun, chairman of the Pao National Federal Council, said that they formed the

Pao People's Defense force and Pao National Defense Force. These two groups are coordinating with other groups and people working in the spring revolution to fight against the SAC

March 6, 2023

Strikes

Locals of the Sagaing region continue to protest for sanctions on the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise of the SAC. Locals continue to protest against the illegitimacy of the 2023 SAC's Elections in Kale township, Sagaing region.

Locals demonstrate against the Military junta in the northern part of the Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region. Locals organize an evening strike against the military junta in Longlon township, Tanintharyi region.

Locals protest for the downfall of the military junta in the Kyangin township, Ayeyarwady region and Wetlet township, Sagaing region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Two members of the SAC's troops were killed in a drone attack when they entered Saidu village and were stealing the possessions and occupying the property of the villagers in Gangaw township, Magway region.

PDFs launched a mine attack on the Shwebonthar ward police station, Yenangyaung township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

22 Civilians, including three CDM teachers, were arrested for allegedly supporting PDFs in Indaw township, Sagaing region within the three days from March 3rd to 5th and three of them were released yesterday.

Accidental bomb detonations killed one child in Khin-U township, Sagaing township and killed another child and injured another in Katha township, Sagaing region.

An old woman sustained heavy injuries in her abdomen after being hit by an explosion of a large weapon from a cannon shot by the SAC's artillery unit in Ye town, Mon state.

One child was killed when the SAC's forces fired a mortar bomb at Monhla village, Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

The SAC's forces arrested 50 civilians in Lakkapin village, Myinmu township, Sagaing region.

One civilian was killed and one house burned down when the SAC's troops raided Kyaysarkya village, Yinmarbin township, Sagaing region.

Political and International Events

Nothing to report.

March 7, 2023

Strikes

Locals continue to protest for sanctions on the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise owned by military officials.

Places include: Taze township, Kale township, and the North side of Sagaing region; Hpakan township, Kachin state; Myaing township, Magway region.

Election Updates

Nothing to report.

Military Clashes

Four members of the SAC's troops were killed by a mine attack organized by PDFs in No(1) Htinntan Ward, Yesogyo township, Magway region.

PDFs fired a mortar bomb at a police station in Banmauk township, Sagaing region.

Four members of the SAC's militia were killed in a mine attack organized by PDFs near Zeetaw village, Budalin township, Sagaing region.

Six of the SAC's forces were killed in a clash with PDFs between Sutpai Marina and Haupulaung, ThanLwin East Side, Shardaw township, Kayah state.

One PDF member was killed in a clash with SAC forces in Gangaw township, Magway region.

One member of the SAC's forces were killed by a drone attack organized by PDFs in Phalankai village, Myaing township, Magway region.

Human Rights Violations

One civilian died when the SAC's forces fired a mortar bomb at Tapaukkone village, Myaing township, Magway region.

Five PDF soldiers were arrested by the SAC troops in Samangyi village, Yedashe township, Bago region.

SAC soldiers fired at a car which was on Ye-Dawei road, which is on the way back to Yephyu township from Kalainaung town, Tanintharyi region.

Five people were injured and three were arrested when they continued driving the car after being told by SAC troops to stop driving.

They were workers for the SAC's township Department of Construction. SAC forces set fire to Kalon village, west side of Khin-U township, Sagaing region.

The SAC's forces fired a mortar bomb at villages in Nyaunglebin township, Bago region, burning three houses down and destroying another two houses.

Four women were arrested when the SAC's forces set fire to Kyauktalone village, Shwegu township, Kachin state.

Three teenage boys were arrested after wearing fake police uniforms and making satirical jokes and posts on TikTok, which went viral on the social media platform.

The junta regime has arrested a woman who shared Facebook posts titled "We will love again after the war is over" posted in February 2022 and Khin U Local Guerrilla Force's Facebook page about the regime burning down the village in February 2023, in Shwebo town of Sagaing region, Myanmar, on Monday.

The SAC's troops burned 12 houses down and a PDF camp in Kanparphyu village, Pauk township, Magway region.

Political and International Events

In Rakhine state, the ceasefire between the SAC's Forces and the AA has lasted for more than 3 months, but the SAC's Forces continue to tighten the checkpoints along the Yangon-Sitstwe highway, causing travel to be inconvenient for locals.

Thousands of the SAC's supporters took to the street to welcome the coup leader, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing in Kyauktalung town located in Taunggyi township of Shan state in eastern Myanmar.

On March 6th, U Myint Krayin, the Minister of Immigration and Manpower of the Military Council, announced that the nationwide census will be taken on October 1, 2024.

On the morning of March 7th, the Chinese Special Representative met with Min Aung Hlaing, the coup leader, in Nay Pyi Taw and discussed issues of peace. It was falsely stated by the military-controlled media that they had instead discussed border issues and economic issues.

Sources: PVTV, Khit Thit Media, Myanmar Pressphoto Agency, DVB Burmese, Mizzima, The 74 Media, RFA Burmese, Chindwin News Agency, Than Lwin Times, The Standard Time Daily, The Irrawaddy, BBC Burmese