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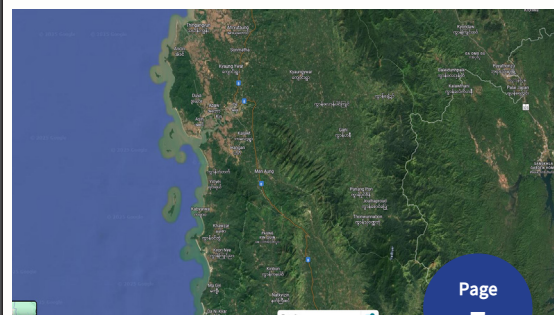


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(Editorial for the Mon Forum – September, 2025)

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HURFOM routinely reports on between 40 to 50 human rights violations each month. In September, 2025, we produced more than 30 articles documenting human rights violations spread across 14 townships in Mon, Karen and Tenasserim Regions.

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Sein Bone villages and schools in these areas are unable to operate.

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“Some villagers who can't run away are still left in Yar Phu village. Yesterday (September 8th), the army launched an artillery attack and advanced into Yar Phu village. Armed clashes break out very often. The army is still launching artillery attacks,” said a displaced villager from Yebyu Township.

As the conflict continues displaced villagers are experiencing numerous live-

lihood and health problems. They are urgently in need of food and medicine.

“The displaced villagers in Ye Twon were supported with rice. Now, it is the rainy season and some children are suffering from illness. As we have to stay in others’ houses, we have to be careful with our behavior,” said a displaced villager.

HURFOM was informed that both the junta’s army and the revolutionary forces broke into empty houses and stole things of value.

“As no one is left in the village, they do as they like. Even if we go back we aren’t allowed to enter the village. Every belonging is made by our hard labor. But we can do nothing,” said a local man from Thar Yar Mon village.

Armed conflict is also getting intense in Phar Chaung village track, Kan Bauk region since the last week of August and about 500 residents from Zell Eain Zu, Taung Yin Inn and Phar Chaung villages have fled from their homes.

Arbitrary arrests

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“As I heard the sound of gunfire near our village, I was packing my belongings. The army entered the village and they stopped their truck in front of my house. They said “You all are supporting the rebels” and tied my hand and arrested me,” said a woman from Kywel Tha Lin village.

Injuries and Casualties

During the armed conflict in Yebyu Township, four civilians including two children were killed by junta artillery fire and landmine explosions, and ten others were injured.

From September 6th to 9th, the junta’s regiment shot and killed a truck driver, the driver’s assistant and a three-year-old baby girl. They also injured a local man.

A landmine explosion killed a three-year-old child and injured three other villagers.

“All the villagers ran away but we decided to stay. That’s why my daughter has to face the horrible incident. It broke my heart,” said the mother.

On July 8th, the junta’s regiment targeted Kaw Hline village with artillery attacks and artillery shells exploded in nearby plantations. The explosions killed three children and a villager and severely injured their mother.

Property Destruction

Since August 8th, indiscriminate artillery attacks launched by the Ka Lane Aung based 282nd Light Infantry Battalion destroyed at least six houses including a monastery.

“As soon as the situation is getting stable, the regiment starts launching artillery attacks. Some artillery shells dropped in the plantation while some others hit houses in the village. The houses were destroyed and the villagers were injured. Now, the junta launches the artillery attack first before they start the military advance,” said a local source.

From August 24th to September 2nd, the regiment that conducted military operations in Phar Chaung village track, Kan Bauk area destroyed and burnt down about 20 houses in Taung Yin Inn village.

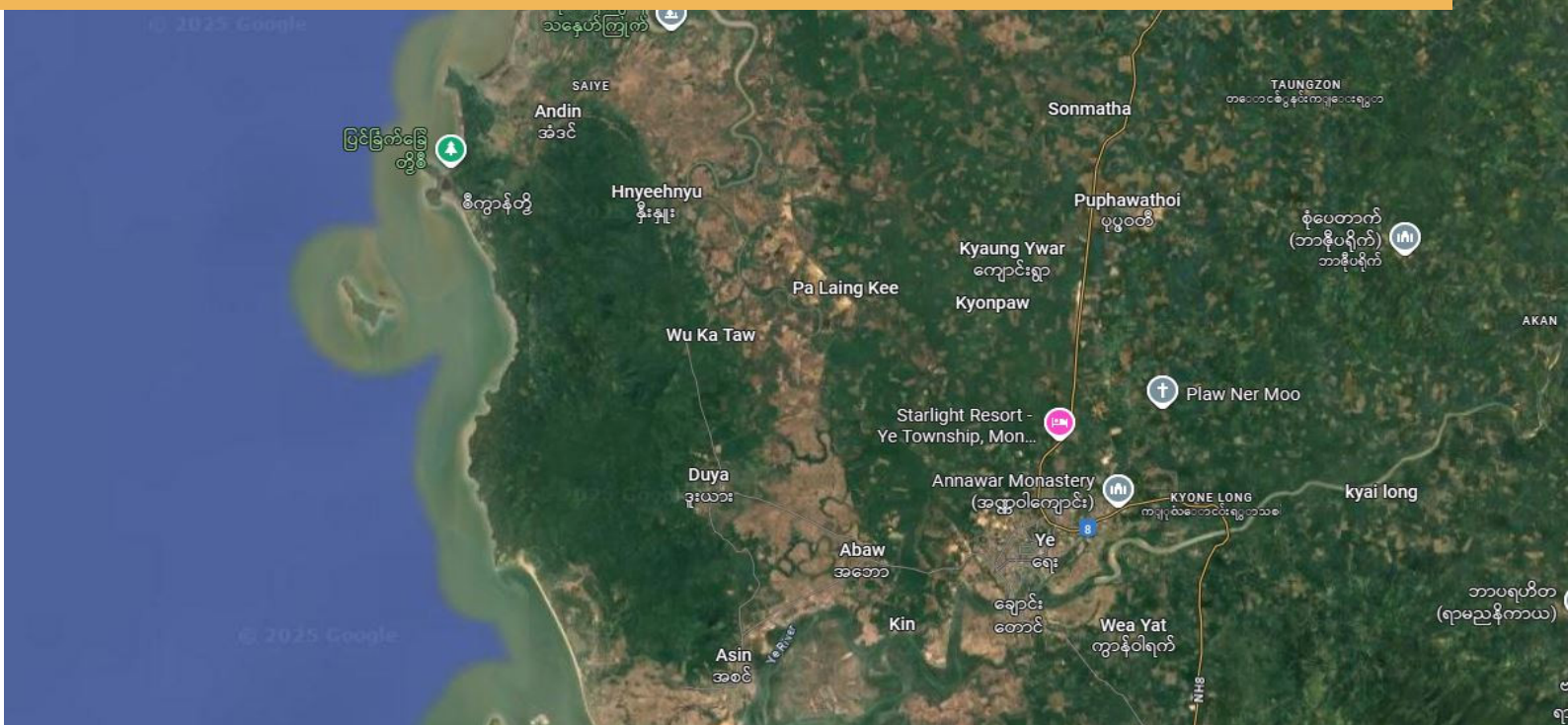
According to a report by the FE5 Tanintharyi, in July, junta artillery and air-strikes destroyed more than 40 residential houses.

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Military movement and presence frighten local villagers in Phar Lane area, Ye Township



On September 19th, 2025, the junta's army had battled with the joint resistance forces in Phar Lane area, Ye Township, Mon State.

After the battle, the army has been active around Ah Baw, Du Yar, Gu Ga Taw, Paline Thane, Hnee Hnuu, Thar Gram and An Dinn village. Moreover, the junta's troops have been "hiding in ambush" in and nearby rubber plantation so that the local villagers and plantation workers are worrying about their security and safety.

"After the battle, the army didn't allow us to go to the plantations for three days. They are still active in and out of the village as of today (September 25th). Don't talk about going to plantation. We even dare not go outside the house," said a Phar Lane resident.

The plantation workers reported HURFOM they had to stop going to their workplace as the junta's army arrested plantation workers and villagers who went to the plantation.

"We have heard about the arrest so we've stopped going to our plantation for two days. Now, we've just started tapping of rubber plants so we can't stop our work for a long time. Checking and interrogation aren't a problem but we're afraid of being arrested and extorted," said a rubber plantation worker.

Villagers reported HURFOM the junta's army arrested six local plantation workers after the September-19 clash and extorted their family members from 200,000 MMK to three million MMK for each release.

"The soldiers are "hiding in ambush" in the plantations," said a plantation worker.

In early September, the administrator warned the plantation workers not to sleep at night in the plantation. Restrictions and military presence have been disrupted the plantation works and also creating problems and financial hardship for the plantation workers.

Nearly 300 undocumented Burmese citizens arrested on Thai – Burma border within two months



In July and August, 2025, the Thai authority arrested nearly 300 undocumented Burmese citizens who tried to enter Thailand at the border of Kanchanaburi District, Thailand and Three Pagoda Pass area, Kyarinnseikyi Township, Karen State, Burma.

According to a Kanchanaburi based news agency, 115 undocumented Burmese citizens were arrested in July and 179 were arrested in August, 2025. Young men and women, children and elderly persons were included in the 294 persons arrested. The ongoing political crisis and limited livelihood options has forced people to attempt to enter Thailand.

“They didn’t know that the Thai authorities had tightened the border security. They just believed what the brokers told them. But the brokers don’t take any responsibility when they are arrested. They paid a huge amount of money for transportation fees,” said a Three Pagoda Pass resident.

From January to August, 2025, nearly 1,500 undocumented Burmese citizens who tried to enter Thailand illegally were arrested as the Thai Border Guard Force tightened security along the Thai – Burma border.



junta's regiment military operation leaves behind two dead in Yar Phu village

On September 6th, 2025, a junta's regiment advanced into Yar Phu and Kywe Ta Lin villages, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division and conducted military operations in the area. The regiment left Yar Phu village for Ka Lane Aung Town and Ma Yan Chaung village on September 12th.

Following the military retreat, villagers found two male dead bodies in Kwat Thit Ward. According to local sources, the bodies showed signs of being fatally shot.

The victims were 17-year-old and 25-year-old brothers from Kwat Thit Ward, Yar Phu village.

"On September 6th when the regiment advanced into the village, there was a shooting incident. The two brothers sent their grandfather to the displaced persons camp and went back home again. After that, we lost contact with them," said a Yebyu resident.

Villagers speculate they were shot on their return home. Their bodies were cremated on September 15th.

"Some said three dead bodies were found. One being a female and the victim was beheaded. But we can prove only two dead bodies," said a villager.

During the military operation, many empty houses of the displaced villagers were burgled and at least ten villagers were arrested.

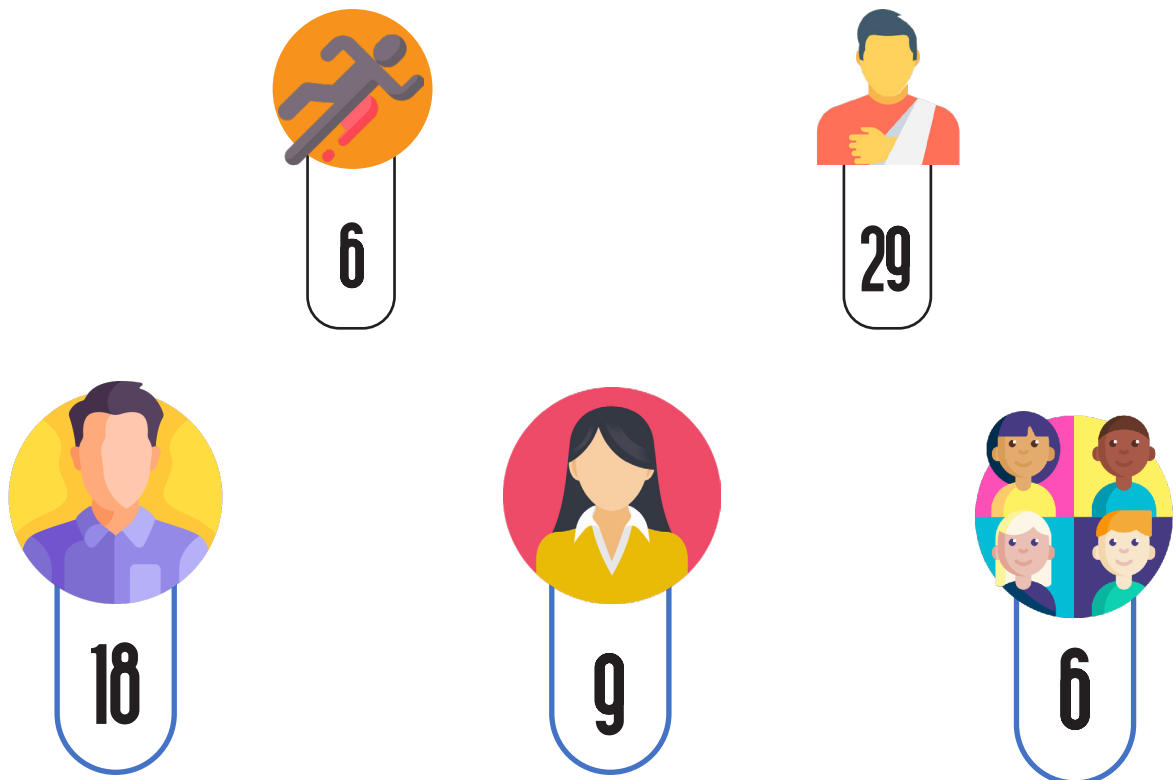
HURFOM was informed that the regiment is currently stationed in Kyauk Ka Din which is near Yar Phu village.

NUMBER OF LANDMINE EXPLOSIONS, INJURIES, AND FATALITIES IN MON STATE, KAREN STATE, AND TANINTHARYI REGION

From January to September 2025



NUMBER OF DEAD & INJURED

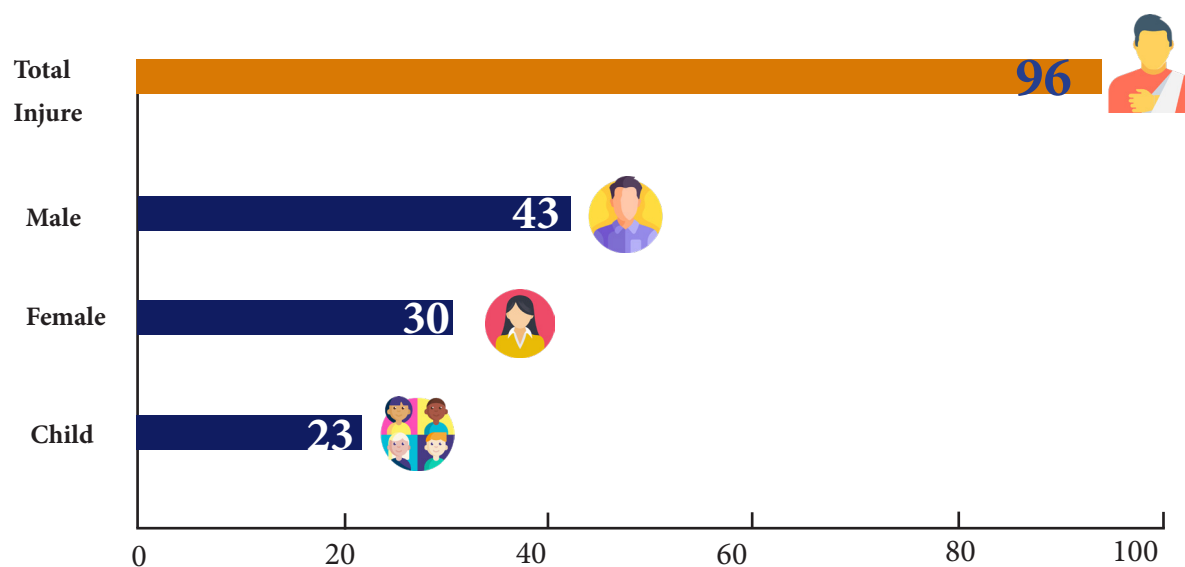


Male- 18(16 injured/ 4 Killed) , Female – 9 (8 injured, 1 killed),

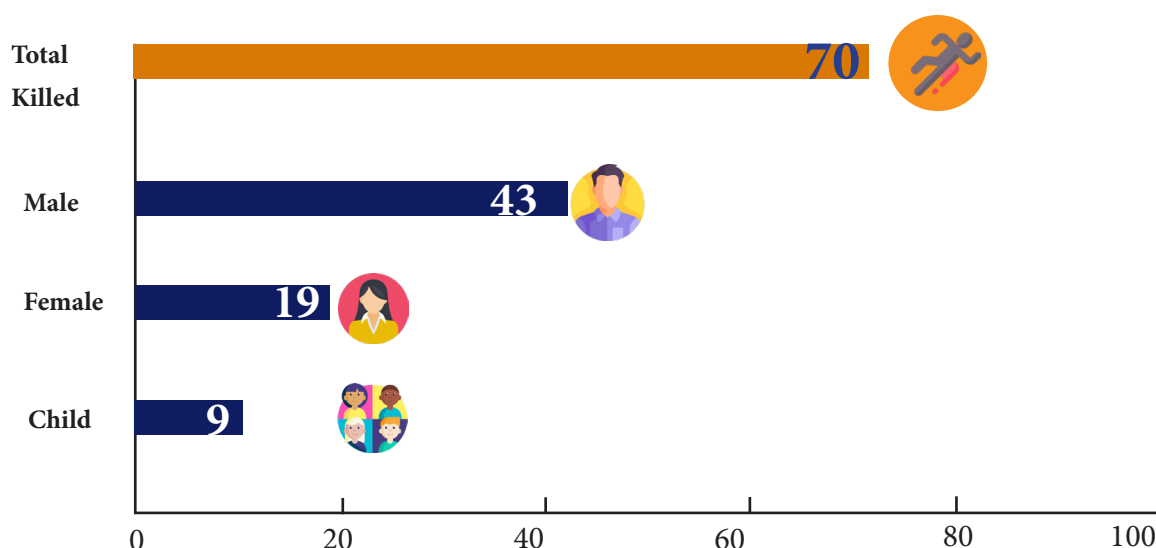
Child - 6 (5 injured, 1 killed)

LIST OF CASUALTIES AND INJURIES CAUSED BY ARTILLERY SHELLING

From January to September 2025



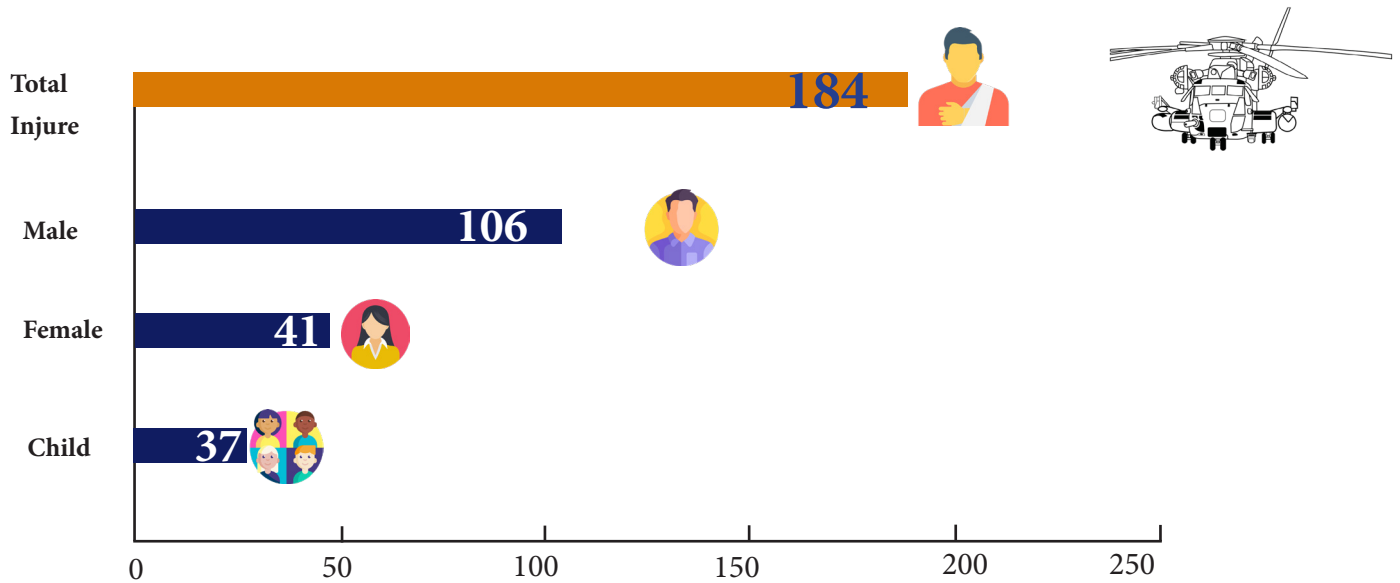
Total injured – 96, Female- 30, Male- 43 and Child – 23



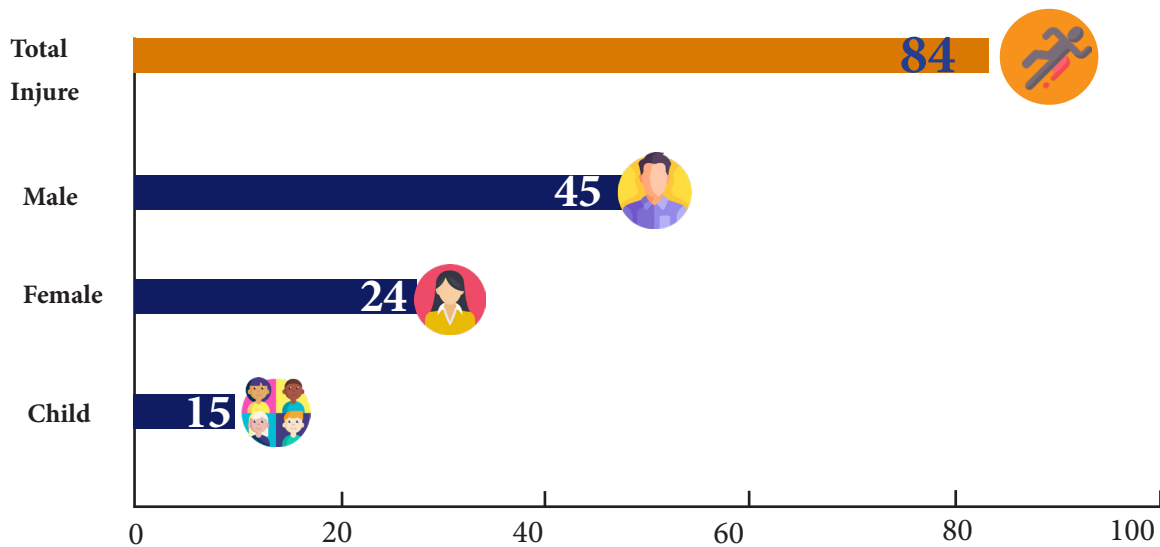
Total Killed – 70, Female- 19, Male- 43 and Child – 9

LIST OF CASUALTIES AND INJURIES CAUSED BY DRONE & AIR STRIKE

From January to September 2025



Total injured – 184, Female- 41, Male- 106 and Child – 37

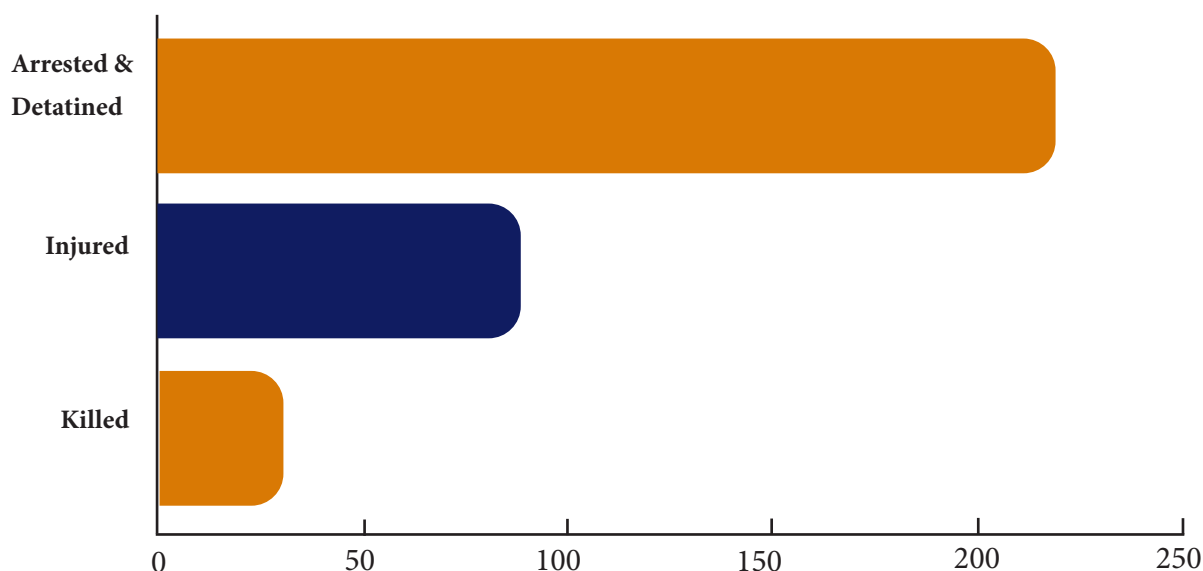


Total Killed – 84, Female- 24, Male- 45 and Child – 15

SCALED UP HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

HURFOM fieldworkers continue to take great risks to document the human right sviolations being perpetrated in Mon State, Karen State and Tanintharyi region. By the end of **September 2025**, HURFOM recorded at least **110 people arrested**, **97 detained**, **78 injured**, and **38 killed** across all target areas.

September 2025



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Pro-Democracy Protesters, Politicians & Activists
Sentenced by the Junta

Human Rights Violation Data Records in Mon State

September 2025

Artillery Attack

a) At about 5 pm on August 24 th , 2025, the Maw Ka Nin based 106 th Light Infantry Battalion targeted San Pya village, Ye Township, Mon State with indiscriminate artillery attack even though there was no active armed clash in the area.

A 60-year-old man was hit by debris from an artillery explosion and sustained a serious injury to his right knee.

b) At about 5 pm on September 2 nd , 2025, the Mudon based 318 th Artillery Regiment launched three artillery attacks targeting a security gate operated by the Democratic Karen Benevolent Army (DKBA).

The security gate is located at the top of the Sa Bell Gu Bridge at the entrance of Kaw Doon and Kaw Pa Naw villages, Kyikemayaw Township, Mon State.

The artillery attacks hit an express bus and a family van and the ensuing explosion killed three travelers and injured ten others.

A 20-year-old and a 40-year-old men and 30-year-old woman were killed on the spot and eight out of ten injured victims sustained serious injuries.



Killed
(3)



Injured
(1)



Killed
(3)

(2) Conscription law and arbitrary arrest

a. In the second week of August, 2025, the military junta conducted arrests at the entrance, exit and in downtown wards of Thaton Town, Thaton Township, Mon State.

Nearly 30 young men were arrested. according to local sources. According to local sources the junta demanded a ransom of five million MMK to release each detainee. Those who cannot pay will be sent to military training.

b. On September 1 st , 2025, an informant who worked for the military junta was shot and killed by the resistant forces in Mudon Town, Mudon Township, Mon State.

After the incident, the junta's forces have tightened security in downtown areas such as Kan Gyi and Chaung Hna Kwa roads and entrance and exit of the town and arrested many young men.

"But we don't know the exact number of the arrested," said a Mudon resident. However, the locals are worrying that the military junta would forcefully send the arrested young men to the 16 th Batch of the military training for conscripts.

c. On September 9 th , 2025, the junta's army raided six gold mines in Ta Gay Chaung Pyar and Hgnat Pyaw Taw villages, Kyike Hto Township, Mon State and arrested more than 30 gold mine workers including men and women.

The underaged and adult workers were released after paying a certain amount of ransom; however, the young workers are still in detention. Moreover, the junta's army has also barred them from having contact with their family members.

The arrested were firstly detained at the King Mon Camp in Kyike Hto; however, no one knows their current whereabouts now. Therefore, the locals think they were forcefully collected as conscripts.

d. On September 28 th , 2025, Administrator U Kyaw Oo and Hundred-Household Leader U Than Win from Myo Ma (1) Ward, Lamine Town, Ye Township,

Mon State were shot and killed.

After the incident, the junta's army blocked the Lamine – Thaung Pyi, the Lamine – Maw Ka Nin and the Lamine – Kawdut roads and arrested at least ten young boys. The army also arrested 30-year-old Nai Ah Kee, a resident of Maw Ka Nin after accusing him of having a connection with the murder case.

“The incident happened yesterday and today, the army came straight to Nai Ah Kee's house and arrested him without any strong reason. They said Nai Ah Kee's uncle was the major of the revolutionary force so he must have connections with the case. Then, they also arrested more than ten young boys -- 14 or 15 years old,” said a Maw Ka Nin resident.

d. In Mawlamyine, Mon State, ten local men were forcibly arrested and taken for military conscription as part of the junta's 18th batch of the People's Military Service training course. The arrests occurred on the evening of September 23, near the traditional hospital, located between Myain Tharyar Ward and Phak Khin Ward. Witnesses reported that junta soldiers surrounded the area around 6:30 p.m., detained the men, and drove them away in a black private car to the Southeastern Military Command.

“They also arrested construction workers. They had been watching them closely and then suddenly took ten of them. All are originally from the Ayeyarwady Region but were living in Zayar Myaing Ward. Some are married, and four are over 40 years old,” explained a resident from Phak Khin Ward.

(3) Livelihood

a. Even though there has been no official announcement from the military junta, on August 26th, 2025, delivery agencies across Burma released statements that they had to limit the types of items they could deliver in some states and regions due to the instruction from the junta's Ministry of transportation and communication.

In Mon, Karen and Tenasserim areas, electronic items with the potential for use related to ammunition, as well as power banks, solar items, gold, silver and cheques,

items related to illicit drugs, mobile phone, cosmetics, medicine and commodities have been banned for transporting by delivery services.

b. Farmers in Ye Township, Mon State grow and harvest rubber, betel nut and fruits. They are now busy preparing their plantations for the upcoming dry season.

However, Administrators have verbally warned them not to allow workers to sleep/ stay overnight, which is disrupting their operations. In addition, migrant workers do not have any other accommodation, other than the workplace.

c. On September 19th, 2025, the junta's army had battled with the joint resistance forces in Phar Lane area, Ye Township, Mon State.

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(4) Etortion

The military junta has issued an order that wards and villages in Chaung Zone Township, Mon State must send at least two conscripts to every military training.

According to local sources, local administration teams are struggling to meet the order, including having to hire substitutes for conscripts.

Each substitute costs between three to five million MMK so local administrators have increased the "conscription fee" up to 10,000 MMK per household since August, 2025.

"We had to pay 5,000 MMK previously. They've increased the fee up to 10,000 MMK since last month. Commodity prices are going up and we have a tough livelihood so it isn't okay to pay the "conscription fee". But if we refuse to pay the fee, we have to worry about our sons," said a local woman.

5) Killing

a. On September 22 nd , 2025, a couple living at a rubber plantation in Kha Loud Cha village near Ah Nin village, Thanbyuzayat Township, Mon State were shot and killed. Villagers found the bodies.

30-year-old U Aung Thet Mon and his 28-year-old wife Mi Nan Htaw were assumed to be shot and killed on the evening of September 21 st , according to a source close to Mi Nan Htaw.

“Before the incident, the couple went shopping in Htin Shuu village and immediately returned to their plantation. On September 22 nd , Mi Nan Htaw’s brother went to the plantation and found their dead bodies. Both of them had no enemy and they just worked at their plantation,” said a family member.



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Human Rights Violation Data Records in Karen State

September 2025

(1) Artillery Attack and killing

a) On September 3rd, 2025, the military junta used drones to attack a school operated under the Karen Education and Culture Department (KECD) in Naung Ta Khee village, Peta Kha village tract, Pine Kyone Township, Hpa-An District, Karen State.

The attack injured three schoolteachers and a student, according to the statement by the Karen National Union.

There was no active armed clash in the area, yet the 7082 nd Kaw Thu Lay Basic Middle School was attacked by a kamikaze drone, which injured a male schoolteacher, a female schoolteacher, and a young student. The attack also destroyed the school office and the school roof.

b) On September 13 th , 2025, the military junta's indiscriminate artillery attack killed 50-year-old U Win Aung, who was fishing in a stream near Than Pa Yar village, Kyarinnseikyi Township, Karen State.

His body was found by the villagers in the morning of September 14 th .

The artillery attacks also caused casualties and residential damage. As a result, residents from Than Pa Yar and nearby villages have been fleeing their homes.

c) On September 23, junta troops from Light Infantry Battalion No. 545 launched artillery strikes targeting Koh Dae Sai and Koh Wah Boe villages in Kyon Paing village tract, Kyon Doe Township, Kawka-reik District, Karen State. According to local residents, the shelling left seven villagers injured and badly damaged the Buddhist monastery in Koh Dae Sai.

“Yesterday afternoon, the army fired artillery shells directly into the monastery in Koh Dae Sai. Two people were injured, and the monastery itself was badly destroyed,” explained one male resident from the village.



Injure
(5)



Injure
(3)



Injure
(1)

(2) Arrest and torture

On August 28 th , 2025, a 21-year-old male from Taung Pauk village, Kyarinnseikyi Township Karen State, was arrested and beaten by the members of the New Mon State Party (AD – Anti Military Dictatorship) after being accused of abusing substances.

Min Ja Rai Nyan was spraying insecticide at his plantation in the village at 11 am when four members of the NMSP (AD) reached his residence. Then, they accused him of abusing substances.

“While spraying insecticide in his plantation, the members of the NMSP (AD) reached and said nothing but handcuffed him. A man

called Nai Ohm Gyi ordered two members to beat him. Another member pointed a gun at him,” said a local source.

The NMSP (AD) dragged him to the Township Office in Taung Pauk village, Mawlamyine District to have a urine test for illicit drug use.

Fled and IDPs

a. Since the third week of September 2025, the junta’s army had cooperated with the Democratic Karen Benevolent Army (DKBA) and launched a military operation alongside the Mudon – Kyarinnseikyi Motorway, which connects Mudon Township, Mon State and Kyarinnseikyi Township, Karen State.

During the operation, there were confrontations with the joint revolutionary forces and the Chaung Hna Kaw based junta’s regiment launched indiscriminate artillery attacks.

Residents from Than Pa Yar, Hta Kha Name, Pha Yar Gone, Chaung Hna Kwa, Ma Yit and Aung Chan Thar villages alongside the motorway have to flee home.

(b) Fighting in the area has intensified since the first week of September when junta columns advanced towards Kyon Paing and Inn-Gyi villages. The Karen National Liberation Army (KNLA), along with allied resistance forces, has continued to engage them up until September 21. During these clashes, junta artillery units based in Kyon Doe have repeatedly fired indiscriminately, hitting civilian areas and religious sites.

Field reports indicate that junta troops, including officers, have suffered casualties in these battles. Resistance forces also reported losses. Meanwhile, the impact on civilians has been devastating.

An estimated 4,000 villagers from at least four communities have fled their homes since last week, adding to the already more than 2,000 who had previously been displaced. Families continue to flee in fear, with no meaningful protection in place

© Kyarinnseikgyi Township, Karen State The military junta has stationed troops inside Than Payar Village, located along the Mudon–Kyarinnseikgyi–Payar Thone Zu (Three Pagodas Pass) road in Kyarinnseikgyi Township, forcing hundreds of civilians from Mon and Karen communities to flee their homes in fear.

Residents explained that heavy artillery attacks and military offensives have driven most of the villagers across the Za Mi River, where they now face urgent shortages of food, shelter, and other basic necessities.

“It is very frightening. In this recent clash, one villager was hit by artillery and his body was torn apart—his head could not even be found. Now the soldiers are inside the village, and there are heavy casualties on both sides,” said a local source.

(4) Rule of Law

(a) Nearly 300 undocumented Burmese citizens arrested on Thai – Burma border within two months In July and August, 2025, the Thai authority arrested nearly 300 undocumented Burmese citizens who tried to enter Thailand at the border of Kanchanaburi District, Thailand and Three Pagoda Pass area, Kyarinnseikgyi Township, Karen State, Burma.

According to a Kanchanaburi based news agency, 115 undocumented Burmese citizens were arrested in July and 179 were arrested in Au-

gust, 2025. Young men and women, children and elderly persons were included in the 294 persons arrested. The ongoing political crisis and limited livelihood options has forced people to attempt to enter Thailand.

“They didn’t know that the Thai authorities had tightened the border security. They just believed what the brokers told them. But the brokers don’t take any responsibility when they are arrested. They paid a huge amount of money for transportation fees,” said a Three Pagoda Pass resident.

(b) In the first week of September, 2025, more than 97 undocumented Burmese citizens who tried to enter Thailand via the Three Pagoda Pass border route in Kyarinnseikyi Township, Karen State were arrested by the Thai authorities.

From January to August, 2025, hundreds of undocumented Burmese citizens were arrested by the Thai authorities every month.

More than 300 were arrested in January. 497 were arrested in February, March and April. 256 were arrested in June, and 115 were arrested in July. In August, 2025, 231 individuals were arrested. Those arrested include young and elderly persons, women and children. Most were attempting to cross the border to find work in Thailand. Some were planning on transiting through Thailand to Malaysia for work.

Each person pays up to 15,000 Thai Baht to the brokers as a ‘transportation fee’, however brokers do nothing for their clients if they are arrested.

Human Rights Violation Data Records in Tanintharyi

Division September 2025

1. Arbitrary Arrest

a). At about 2:30 pm on August 9 th, 2025, a junta's regiment advanced into Pyin Htein village, Long Lone Township, Tenasserim Division. The regiment arrested four villagers and robbed two homes, taking cash and mobile phones.

The man beaten by the regiment has been admitted to the Dawei General Hospital. The three other men were released on August 11th.

b) At about 10 pm on August 23 rd , the junta's regiment advanced into Pyin Hteinvillage and arrested 40-year-old Ko Khin Maung Htwe and Ko Karen. They also looted homes, taking rice, cooking oil and food.

“Everyone had to flee as the regiment advanced into the village. The two arrested men were released at the Office of the Long Lone Township General Administration Department,” said a Pyin Htein villager.

c) On August 19 th , 2025, an 18-year-old young man from Thar Yar Mon village, Township, Tenasserim Division encountered with a military regiment in Kaw Hline village and the regiment arrested him. The army claimed



they found evidence in his mobile phone that he had a connection with revolutionary armed groups.

The young man has still been detained as of August 28 th and the army do not allow family members to meet him.

d) Since early August, 2025, there has been constant military tensions and intense armed clashes along the “Ma Hwelve Taung – Ka Lane Aunge” motorway of the 8 th Union Highway Road in Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division. As a result, more than 4,000 residents from six nearby villages have had to flee their homes.

25 displaced villagers were arrested on August 28th when they attempted to return to their homes.

“15 villagers from Thar Yar Mon, seven villagers from Mile-60, and three villagers from Yar Phu Yaw Thit, 25 in total, have been arrested. Five women are among the arrested,” said a local source.

e) On September 14 th, 2025, the joint revolutionary forces attacked the junta’s security gate stationed on the “Pagoda Hill” in Htein Thit Ward, Long Lone Town, Long Lone Township, Tenasserim Division.

In the morning of September 15 th , the junta’s regiment stationed at the immigration office in Long Lone Town advanced into Tha Byar village and searched the residents’ houses.

Then, the regiment arrested Ko Soe Phay, Ko Maung Hla Htwe, Ko Min Ho and his son, According to local sources.

2. Killing

a. Since early August 2025, there have been constant and intense confrontations between the junta's army and the Mon and Karen joint revolutionary armed groups along the Ka Lane Aung – Ma Hwelve Taung Road, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division. Villagers have had to flee their homes.

The entire Thar Yar Mon village fled on August 26th, 2025, and a 96-year-old woman who lived outside the village was found dead.

b. Since the second week of August, 2025, military junta's regiments have advanced into villages in Tha Yet Chaung Township, Tenasserim Division. According to local sources, their incursion has killed two villagers and destroyed 76 houses.

On August 17th, the regiment destroyed a car and a house in Oak Tu village and on August 22nd, it torched 60 houses in Saw Phyar village. The regiment also burnt down and destroyed 15 houses in Moe Shwe Gone village on August 25th.

On the morning of August 27th, villagers found two bodies of Moe Shwe Gone villagers near the village monastery and school.

c. Since August 26th, 2025, the Ka Lane Aung – Ma Hwelve Taung Road part of the Ye –Dawei Highway Road, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division has been blocked due to heavy armed clashes and constant military tension. However, revolutionary forces said they would allow drivers and travelers to use the roadway for three days beginning September 6th, 2025.

A few hours after the allowance, an armed clash between the military junta and the revolutionary groups broke out at Ma Yang Chaung village and a truck driver and a driving assistant were killed in the clash. Their

truck was burnt and destroyed, according to a local source.

d. On September 6th, 2025, a junta's regiment advanced into Yar Phu and Kywe Ta Lin villages, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division and conducted military operations in the area. The regiment left Yar Phu village for Ka Lane Aung Town and Ma Yan Chaung village on September 12th.

Following the military retreat, villagers found two male dead bodies in Kwat Thit Ward. According to local sources, the bodies showed signs of being fatally shot. The victims were 17-year-old and 25-year-old brothers from Kwat Thit Ward, Yar Phu village.

3. Landmine

a. In the early morning of August 30th, 2025, 30-year-old Ko Thein Htike Oo, aka Ko Mon and his wife both from Man Yan Chaung village, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division were returning from shopping in Ka Lane Aung Town.

Ko Thein ran over a landmine beside a motorway between Ma Yan Chaung and Kaw Hline village. He sustained a serious injury to his leg, while his wife was uninjured.

b. On September 1st, 2025, a family from Ma Yan Chaung village, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division stepped on a landmine beside the Ye-Dawei Highway Road. Their two-year-old baby was killed in the resulting explosion.

According to local sources, 50-year-old father U Ko Oo and his 50-year-old wife Daw Zar Chi Moe returned to their village from a camp for displaced persons to collect food.

They stepped on a landmine between Kaw Hline and Ma Yan Chaung village. The explosion injured the couple and killed their two-year-old baby boy.

“It’s the same place where the landmine explosion occurred recently. They saw a motorbike laid down and blocked the road. When going to remove the bike, the wife followed the husband carrying their baby. Then, the landmine exploded. The baby boy was killed instantly,” said a local source.



Injured

1



Injured

1



Killed

1

4. Artillery Attack

a. On September 8th, 2025, despite there being no active armed clash in the area, the military junta targeted Yar Phu village, Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division with indiscriminate artillery attacks that killed a three-year-old child and severely injured a 40-year-old man.

The regiment based in Ma Yan Chaung village launched three artillery attacks with shells that exploded on houses in Yar Phu village.



Injured

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Killed

2



Killed

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5. Property Destruction

a. On September 7th, 2025, the junta's army advanced into Yan Taung and Thin Kyune village, Tha Yet Chaung Township, Tenasserim Division, and torched 38 houses in total.

According to local sources, the regiment consisting of more than 100 troops conducted a military operation at Moe Shwe Gone village and its surroundings commencing at approximately 9 am. The regiment encountered landmines believed to have been placed by the resistant forces near Yan Taung village.

6. Airstrike

a. At about 10 am on September 15th, 2025, the military junta dropped bombs and shot machine guns on Pa Kar Ri village, located in the Dawei Eastern Forest area, Dawei Township, Tenasserim Division. The attack destroyed the village monastery and three houses.

On September 14th, junta's regiments based in the Pa Kar Ri Regional Police Station and the Yat Kan Sin Monastery were attacked by the joint resistance forces.

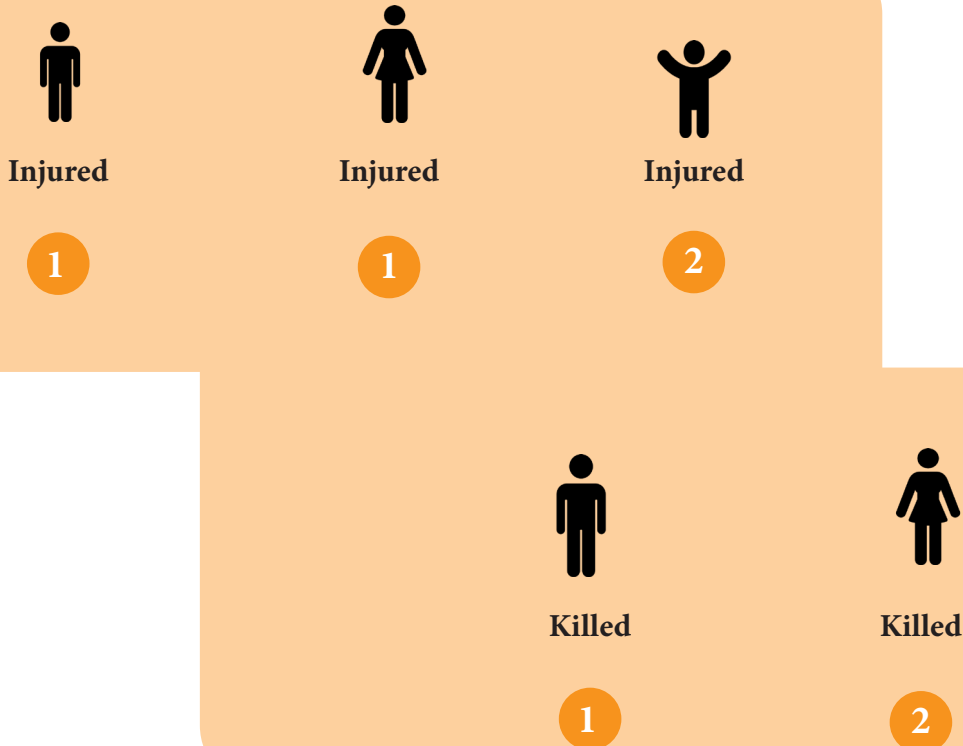
Armed conflict continued until the next day, when the junta targeted the Yat Kan Sin Monastery with airstrikes and machine gun attacks.

Their attack destroyed the roof and ceiling of the monastery and pagodas in the premises. At least three nearby houses caught on fire and were destroyed.

b. At about 11 am on September 17th, 2025, even there was no active armed clash in nearby areas, the military junta used Y12 aircraft to drop bombs on Pa

Kar Ri, Pa Khat and Yay Wine villages of Dawei Township, King Shay, Oak Tu, Saw Hpyar and Mell Nell Oh villages of Tha Yet Chaung Township and Way D, Tha Pyay Shaung, Kyat Yet Twin and Kyauk Twin villages of Long Lone Township, Tenasserim Division.

The air assault killed three villagers and injured five others including three children.



c. Education

a. military advance in Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division, creating heavy and constant armed conflict with the joint revolutionary forces. The army has also launched indiscriminate artillery attacks targeting residential areas forcing residents to flee their homes.

The result is that schools in Yebyu have had to close. There are constant military tensions in Kywe Ta Lin, Ma Yan Chaung, Thar Yar Mon, Ye Bu Yaw Thit, Yar Phu, Ywell Tie, Kyauk Ka Din, Ah Lell Sa

Khan, Pha Yar Tone Zu and Sein Bone villages and schools in these areas are unable to operate.

“Most children can’t go to school. If the condition is getting stable, every student will go back home and join the schools. But the armed clashes are still happening at the moment. No one dares to go home,” said one parent from Yebyu Township.

8. Fled and IDPs

In the evening of September 14th, 2025, joint revolutionary forces attacked the junta’s regiment that was temporarily based in the “Yat Kan Sin” Monastery in Pa Kar Ri village, Dawei Eastern Forest area, Dawei Township, Tenasserim Division.

During the battle, Pa Kar Ri Police Station launched indiscriminate artillery attacks on Pa Kar Ri and Pa Khat villages, forcing more than 3,500 villagers to flee home.

“Killing civilians by indiscriminate artillery attacks has already happened two or three times in Pa Kar Ri. The artillery shells exploded on the houses and killed the villagers. So, no one dares to stay in the village when the battle breaks out,” said one social worker helping the displaced community.

9. Rape Cases

a. During the rainy season (from June to September) in 2025, an eight-year-and-six-month-old girl from Kyauk Sin village, Long Lone Township, Tenasserim Division was raped at least six times by 50-year-old U Zaw Zaw who lived in the same village.

“Saying “Let’s go to chop bamboos” or “Let’s go to pluck vegetables”, he

called the girl to accompany him into the forest. The girl's parents knew him very well so they let her go. At the last time on September 3rd, her mother found the girl looked unwell and the dry leaves stuck to her back. Then, she asked the girl and knew what happened to her," said a source close to the family.

b. On September 27th, 2025, a junta soldier (private class) raped a 75-year-old woman. The elderly was from Oak Tu village, Tha Yet Chaung Township, Tenasserim Division.

A regiment based in Tha Yet Chaung Township had advanced into Thin Kyune and Yan Taung villages on September 21st and stationed themselves for four days in the villages. Then, they advanced into Oak Tu village.

As the regiment advanced, most villagers fled their homes; however, those who were unable to flee remained in the village. That was the situation for elderly women who had suffered from a leg amputation.

"The rape incident occurred at about 4 pm. The woman lived with her younger sister but the sister was away at the time. The soldier was drunk when he entered her house. The elderly victim has since moved away from Oak Tu village," said a local source.

Human Rights Violation Data Records in Mon State, Karen State, and Tanintharyi Region by the Human Rights Foundation of Monland (HURFOM) September 2025

Number of IDPs, Killed and Injured

Mon State



7300



13



20

Karen State



21500 +



10



25

Tenasserim



33580



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