Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

25 January-07 February 2023



Past incident reports: 11-24 January; 28 December 2022-10 January 2023 14-27 December; All.

Past analysis reports: April and September 2022; 1 February 2021 to 10 January 2022; 1 January to 31 March 2022.

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Documented incidents

23 January 2023: In Pu Tein Pyin village, Kyauk Hmaw village tract, Yinmabin township and district, Sagaing region, two ambulances along with a religious building and nine civilian houses were torched by the Myanmar military during a raid on the village. **Source:** <u>Radio Free Asia</u>

24 January 2023: In Monywa town, township, and district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military seized an ambulance owned by the LNGO Pyi-taw-thar during a raid at Shwe Let Pan monastery. Three monks and five civilians were arrested and the ambulance was later used for election campaign activities. **Sources:** <u>Democratic Voice of Burma</u> and <u>The 74 Media</u>

25 January 2023: In Thaketa township, Yangon district, Yangon region, the junta authorities inspected private hospitals and clinics to see if they employed Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM)-affiliated health workers. **Source:** <u>Mekong News</u>

26 January 2023: In Dagon Myothit township, Yangon district and region, around 100 junta authorities and military and police forces inspected the Grand Yangon Private Hospital. The ward administrators and police forces also inspected two private clinics Kyal-sin-thit and Aye-chan-say reportedly to see whether they employed CDM-affiliated health workers. **Source:** <u>Mekong News</u>

Reported on 26 January 2023: In Yangon district and region, the junta authorities asked for employee lists from private hospitals and clinics, closely monitored local pharmacies, and issued warnings not to employ CDM-affiliated health workers. The police and intelligence forces reportedly impersonated patients to track down CDM-affiliated health workers. **Source:** <u>Delta News Agency</u>

26 January 2023: In Pa Du village and village tract, Sagaing township, district and region, an armed group entered a station hospital, threatened the guard, and took away a portable X-ray machine, an operating table, an oxygen concentrator, and medicines. The hospital was not functioning at the time of the attack. The junta authorities accused the local resistance forces of this attack. **Source: <u>Telegram</u>**

27 January 2023: In Kan Pauk village and village tract, Yebyu township, Dawei district, Tanintharyi region, the Myanmar military arrested a male and female volunteer aid worker of the LNGO Aryu-dar-na who provide oxygen and blood donation services. **Source:** <u>Dawei Watch</u>

27 January 2023: In Koke Ko Kone village, Kyauk Pyin Thar village tract, Kawlin township and district, Sagaing region, two military helicopters opened fire on the village while two other military helicopters airlifted security forces into the area. The reason for the attack was believed to be directed at a hospital operated by the exile government. The hospital building was not affected. **Sources:** <u>Myaelatt Athan</u> and <u>People's Spring</u>

27 January 2023: In Taunggyi town, township and district, Shan state, the junta authorities inspected private hospitals to see if they employed CDM-affiliated health workers. **Source: Facebook**

28 January 2023: In Htantabin township, Yangon district (North) and Thingangkyun township, Yangon district (East), Yangon region, the junta intelligence and police forces inspected private hospitals and clinics, including Htantabin specialist clinic, to see if they employed CDM-affiliated health workers. **Source:** <u>Delta News Agency</u>

29 January 2023: In Tabayin town and township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military torched two pharmacies and 20 civilian properties, houses, shops and a private boarding school. **Sources:** <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Khit Thit Media</u>

29 January 2023: In Hlaingtharya town and township, Yangon district (North), Yangon region, two men on a motorbike threw an IED into an LNGO ambulance garage. The bomb did not explode and was defused by the Myanmar military. The LNGO was believed to be cooperating with the military junta. **Sources:** <u>Democratic Voice of Burma</u> and <u>Mekong News</u>

31 January 2023: In Ung village and village tract, Mindat township and district, Chin state, heavy artillery fired by the Myanmar military damaged a health centre, a house, and a vehicle, and injured four women. **Sources:** <u>Khonumthung Burmese</u>, <u>Myanmar Now</u> and <u>Radio Free Asia</u>

03 February 2023: At Sin-sa-khan IDP Camp, Loikaw township and district, Kayah state, bombs dropped by the Myanmar military air forces damaged a makeshift clinic and school. **Sources:** <u>Chindwin News Agency</u>, <u>Delta News Agency</u> and <u>Kantarawaddy Times</u>

04 February 2023: In Shwe Pyi Aye town, Homalin township, Hkamti district, Sagaing region, three IEDs were found at the entrance of a station hospital. They were removed by the Myanmar military who accused the local resistance forces of planting the devices. At the time, the local defence forces were occupying most parts of the town. **Source:** <u>Telegram</u>

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