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Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

14-27 June 2023



Incident reports: 31 May-13 June; 17-30 May; 03-16 May; 19 April-02 May; 05-18 April; 22 March-04 April; All.

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

14 June 2023: In Taw Kone village, Shar Say Bo village tract, Tantabin township, Taungoo district, Bago region, a local clinic, and a local school and its boarding house were damaged by artillery fire launched by the Myanmar military, injuring three boarding students. **Source:** Khit Thit Media

15 June 2023: In Pauk Ma village, Sar Taung village tract, Sagaing township, district, and region, a sub-rural health centre was destroyed in a two-day arson attack of around 300 civilian houses in this area by the Myanmar military. **Sources:** Khit Thit Media and Mandalay Free Press

As reported on 16 June 2023: In Mese town and township, Bawlakhe district, Kayah state, junta health workers and other government servants had to flee from their duty station due to the takeover of the town by the local resistance forces and ethnic armed organisations, and airstrikes by the Myanmar military. Sources: Delta News Agency and Facebook

- **17 June 2023:** In Wetlet town and township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, the main building of the township hospital was damaged due to handmade-electroshock rocket missile attacks allegedly by the local resistance forces. The roof, ceilings, and windows of the building were damaged. There were no casualties. **Source: Telegram**
- **17 June 2023:** In Tha Mee Hla (East) village, Ta Ku village tract, Tanintharyi township, Myeik district, Tanintharyi region, a combat medic officer and four soldiers of the Myanmar military were killed in the armed drones and ground attacks by the local resistance forces. The victim was not killed during a battle or during rescuing/attending the injured. **Sources: Delta News Agency and Tanintharyi Times**
- **19 June 2023:** In Tamwe town and township, Yangon (East) district, Yangon region, the junta police raided a private pharmacy and arrested a male pharmacy employee for taking part in the strike marking the birthday of the ousted State Counsellor. **Source: Democratic Voice of Burma**
- **19 June 2023:** In Mandalay city and region, a doctor was arrested by the junta security forces following his personal post on social media regarding the strike marking the birthday of the ousted State Counsellor. The victim ran his own private general practitioner clinic; he was not a government servant. **Sources:** <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Irrawaddy</u> and <u>Mandalay Free Press</u>
- **20 June 2023:** In Oke Shit Pin town, Padaung township, Pyay district, Bago region, a doctor was abducted by the junta security forces following his social media post about the strike marking the

birthday of the ousted State Counsellor. The victim ran his own private general practitioner clinic. **Sources:** <u>Democratic Voice of Burma</u> and <u>Telegram</u>

21 June 2023: At a military checkpoint in Yinmabin township and district, Sagaing region, a male aid worker of an LNGO was arrested by the Myanmar military. The LNGO delivered aid to IDPs and a charity clinic serving the people in three townships in Sagaing region. **Sources:** Facebook, Mizzima and Radio Free Asia

As reported on 22 June 2023: At the military checkpoint on the highway connecting Monywa town and Mandalay town, near Nat Yae Kan village and village tract, Chaung-U township, Monywa district, Sagaing region, ambulances without recognised vehicle registration were not allowed to pass and patients had to be transferred to the buses; this added the cost to patient transport. Before the coup, the vehicles used by LNGOs in the process of registration were permitted for patient transport. Source: Democratic Voice of Burma

As reported on 23 June 2023: In Tonzang town and township, Tiddim district, Chin state, the Myanmar military were based in the township hospital and high school. Source: Mizzima

23 June 2023: At the entry of Ohn Hne Chaung village, Let Pan Chay Paw village tract, Nyaung-U township and district, Mandalay region, a 60-year-old traditional medicine practitioner, who was also a member of the military political party, was found dead with gunshot wounds and knife-cut wounds. He was reportedly on his way back after delivering medical care in a nearby village. The junta accused the local resistance forces of this attack. **Source:** Myaelattathan

24 June 2023: In Bawlakhe town, township, and district, Kayah state, the local resistance forces and ethnic armed groups attacked the Myanmar military occupying the traditional medical hospital. **Source: BBC Burmese**

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