

Flygtningenævnets baggrundsmateriale

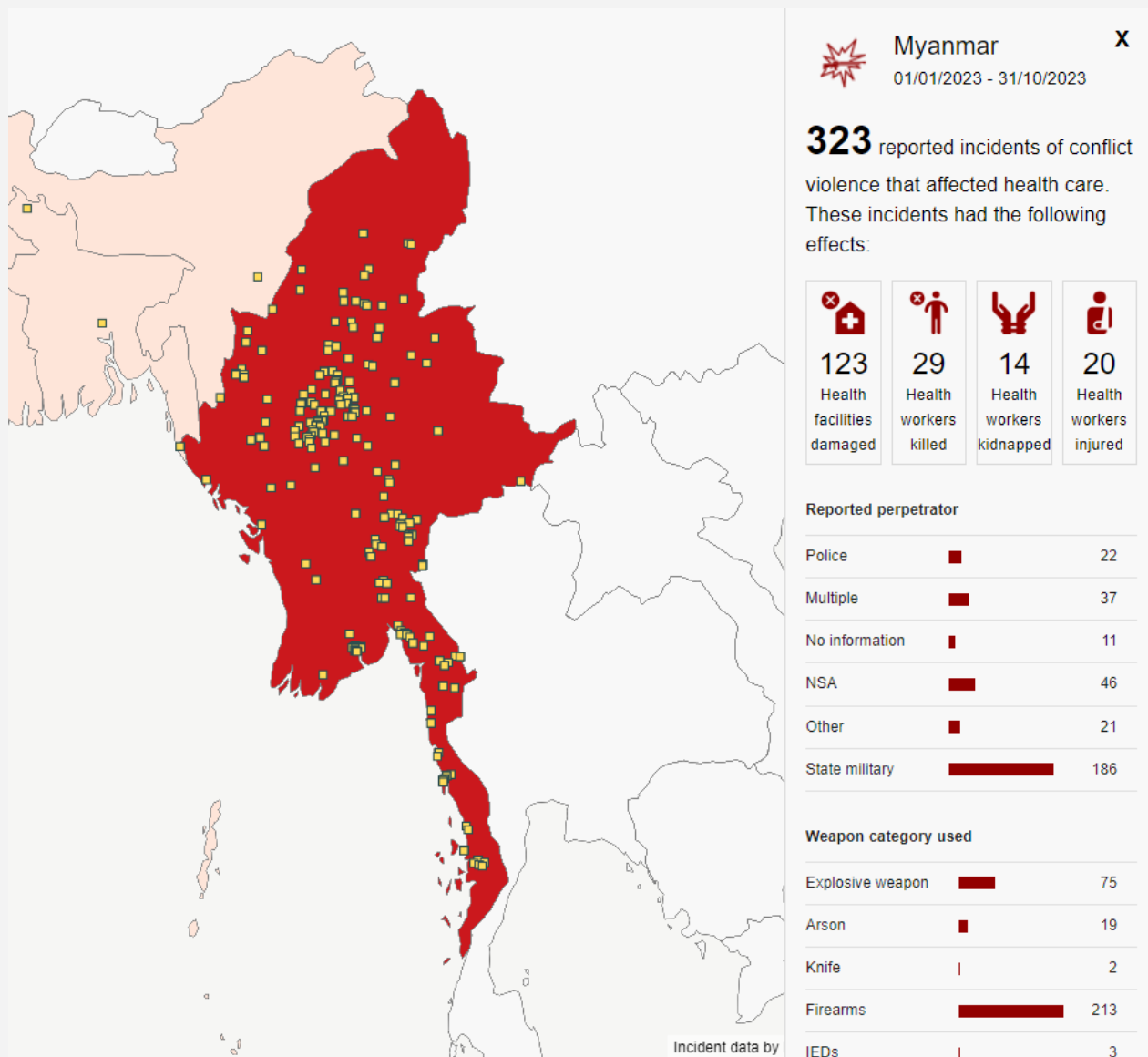
Bilagsnr.:	681
Land:	Myanmar
Kilde:	Insecurity Insight
Titel:	Attacks on Health care 15-28 November 2023
Udgivet:	7. december 2023
Optaget på baggrundsmaterialet:	30. januar 2024

Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

15-28 November 2023



Insecurity Insight has identified at least 323 attacks on Myanmar's health care system between 01 January-31 October 2023. In these incidents, 29 health workers have been killed and health facilities have been damaged 123 times. These attacks undermine health care providers' ability to effectively meet patient needs, maintain safe staffing levels and impact the population's access to health care. Numbers may change if or when further information is made available. Explore this [interactive map](#) to see where incidents happened. Access the data on [HDX](#).



Past incident reports: [01-13 November](#); [18-31 October](#); [04-17 October](#); [20 September-03 October 2023](#); [All](#)

Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC) factsheets: [2022](#); [2021](#); [2020](#)

Please [get in touch](#) if you are interested in curated datasets, if you have made a public statement that you would like us to include in our Bi Monthly News Brief, to report an incident or if you have additional information on an incident we have reported on. Join our [Myanmar](#) mailing list for regular updates. Help support the protection of health care by sharing this resource. Please copy and paste this link: bit.ly/15-28Nov2023MMRHealth

Documented incidents

As reported on 17 November 2023: In Kyain Seikgyi town, township, and district, Kayin state, a hospital that was taken over and occupied by the Myanmar military on 02 November following clashes between a joint force of ethnic armed groups and local resistance forces and the Myanmar military in the area stopped functioning. From 02 November, the hospital functioned only for limited hours during daytime. Starting from 10 November, the hospital was closed down and local civilians fled in the fear of further clashes. **Source:** [Karen Information Centre](#)

17 November 2023: In Minbya town and township, Mrauk-U district, Rakhine state, the operation theatre building of a fully-functioning hospital was severely damaged by artillery fires allegedly launched by the Myanmar military during armed clashes between the Myanmar military and a joint forces of three ethnic armed groups (the Arakan Army, the Ta'ang National Liberation Army, and the Myanmar National Democratic Alliance Army). No patients or health worker injuries were reported. After the incident many patients left the hospital, with some relocated to other hospital buildings, and the hospital had to function in a low profile. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Narinjara](#), and [NP News](#)

17 November 2023: In Minbya town and township, Mrauk-U district, Rakhine state, an INGO clinic suspended its activities after the operation theatre building of a nearby fully-functioning hospital was severely damaged by artillery fires allegedly launched by the Myanmar military during armed clashes between the Myanmar military and a joint forces of three ethnic armed groups (the Arakan Army, the Ta'ang National Liberation Army, and the Myanmar National Democratic Alliance Army). **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Narinjara](#) and [NP News](#)

17 November 2023: In Pauktaw town and township, Sittwe district, Rakhine state, a fully-functioning hospital stopped functioning due to intensifying clashes between ethnic armed groups and the Myanmar military. Pro-democratic media reported that the hospital stopped functioning due to land, air, and navy attacks by the Myanmar military after the town had been taken over by the ethnic armed group. Patients and health workers evacuated from the hospital were reportedly amongst 100 to 200 people banned from leaving the town by the Myanmar military. Pro-military media reported that the hospital had been evacuated and medicines and consumables had been taken away by the ethnic armed groups before the attack. **Sources:** [Development Media Group](#), [Facebook](#), [Radio Free Asia](#) and [Telegram](#)

17 November 2023: In Kula village, Ku Lar village tract, Nagzun township, Myingyan district, Mandalay region, a non-CDM-affiliated health assistant and her female companion were taken from a fully-functioning rural health centre by an armed group. Their bodies were found with gunshot wounds on 18 November. The junta accused local resistance forces of this attack. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Mizzima](#) and [Telegram](#)

17 November 2023: In Maubin town, township, and district, Ayeyarwady region, a 200-bed hospital was occupied by the Myanmar military starting from 17 November 2023 after heightened armed clashes in other states and regions. **Source:** [Ayeyarwaddy Times](#)

17 November 2023: In Pan Hseng town, Muse township and district, Shan state (North), a hospital was damaged in an armed drone attack. There were no casualties since the hospital stopped functioning just before the attack due to heightened clashes in the area. The perpetrator was not reported. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Mizzima](#), and [Myanmar Transparency News](#)

18 & 19 November 2023: In Budalin town, township, and district, Sagaing region, a hospital was damaged by artillery fire on 18 November. The same day, health workers at the hospital received warnings from local resistance forces urging them to leave the hospital no later than 1 pm on 19 November. At least 20 health workers, including two doctors, an unspecified number of nurses, a medical superintendent, an X-ray technician and a laboratory technician left, causing patients to flee the hospital. On 19 November, the Myanmar military seized medicines and equipment from the

hospital and sealed the building. These events took place after armed clashes between local resistance forces and the Myanmar military in the township. Other public services in the town, including the fire brigade, immigration, and Myanmar economic bank, stopped functioning. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#), [Irrawaddy](#), [Myaelatt Athan](#), [Myanmar Now](#) and [Voice of Myanmar](#)

20 November 2023: In an unnamed IDP camp, Demoso township, Loikaw district, Kayah state, a volunteer female medic and ten elderly civilians were severely injured by bombs dropped from jet fighter(s) by the Myanmar military. **Source:** [Kantarawaddy Times](#)

20 November 2023: In Namhkan town and township, Muse district, Shan state (North), a hospital was entered by Ta'ang National Liberation Army (TNLA) fighters. Pro-democracy media reported that nurses were forcefully asked to provide medicine to the armed group, leading some to leave their duty station. In addition, TNLA soldiers were reportedly receiving treatment at the hospital and allegedly occupying it. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Shan News](#) and [Shwe Phee Myay News Agency](#)

21 November 2023: In Nat Ye village, Kyauk Htu town, Saw township, Gangaw district, Magway region, a defence service nurse and her Myanmar military soldier husband were arrested by the military from their home with accusations of links to local resistance forces. **Source:** [Zalen](#)

22 November 2023: In Taze town and township, Ye-U district, Sagaing region, a hospital, staff houses, police station, and a football ground occupied by the Myanmar military were attacked by local resistance forces who seized medicines and weapons. Artillery was reportedly launched at the hospital building. The hospital was functioning before armed clashes in the township. **Sources:** [Mizzima](#), [Myanmar Now](#), [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#), [VOA Burmese](#) and [Voice of Myanmar](#)

As reported on 23 November 2023: In Kawkareik town, township, and district, Kayin state, a 100-bed hospital was closed down after most health workers left their duty station due to a warning issued by the Karen National Union (KNU) on 17 November 2023, urging government servants to leave the town. **Source:** [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

23 November 2023: In Mawlamyine town, township, and district, Mon state, a male pharmacy owner and another male civilian were arrested by the Myanmar military on accusations of providing support to local resistance forces. **Source:** [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

24 November 2023: In Salingyi town and township, Yinmabin district, Sagaing region, a hospital, police station, and general administrative office occupied by the Myanmar military were attacked by local resistance forces using small firearms. The hospital was functioning before the heightened armed clashes in Myanmar. **Sources:** [Mizzima](#) and [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

25 November 2023: In Loikaw town, township, and district, Kayah state, LNGOs were banned from provision of ambulance, rescue and relocation services. The service was restricted from 11 November after armed clashes broke out in the town. **Sources:** [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#) and [Radio Free Asia](#)

26 November 2023: In Salingyi town and township, Yinmabin district, Sagaing region, a hospital occupied by at least 150 Myanmar military soldiers was attacked by local resistance forces, using small firearms. **Source:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#)

26 November 2023: In Man Awng village and village tract, Namhkam township, Muse district, Shan state (North), the buildings of a hospital were severely damaged and a female hospital guard and a child were injured due to bombs dropped from jet fighter(s) by the Myanmar military. The hospital was newly built in 2020 but was not functional due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the 2021 military coup. **Sources:** [Irrawaddy](#), [Myanmar Now](#) and [Radio Free Asia](#)

As reported on 28 November 2023: In Namhkan town and township, Muse district, Shan state (North), most health workers left a hospital and patients had to seek health care elsewhere after wounded Ta'ang National Liberation Army (TNLA) members were treated by TNLA medics at the hospital and some TNLA soldiers positioned themselves at the hospital for security reason.

Source: [Democratic Voice of Burma](#)

28 November 2023: In Taze town and township, Ye-U district, Sagaing region, a hospital , police station, general administrative office, and football ground occupied by the Myanmar military were attacked by local resistance forces. The Myanmar military used artillery and airforce in the clashes.

Source: [Radio Free Asia](#)

This Bi-Monthly News Brief comprises threats and violence as well as protests and other events affecting the delivery of and access to health care. It is part of the Attacks on Health Care project by Insecurity Insight. It is prepared from information available in local, national and international news outlets and online databases. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all events that affected the provision of health care and have not been independently verified. All decisions made, on the basis of, or with consideration to, such information remains the responsibility of their respective organisations. This document is part of the Attacks on Health Care project by Insecurity Insight. It is funded and supported by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) of the UK government through the RIAH project at the Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute at the University of Manchester, by the generous support of the American people through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and by the Tides Foundation. The opinions expressed in it do not reflect in any way the position of the UK government, USAID, the U.S. Government or the Tides Foundation who are not responsible for the content expressed in this document.

Insecurity Insight. 2023. 15-28 November 2023 Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar. Switzerland: Insecurity Insight. bit.ly/15-28Nov2023MMRHealth

