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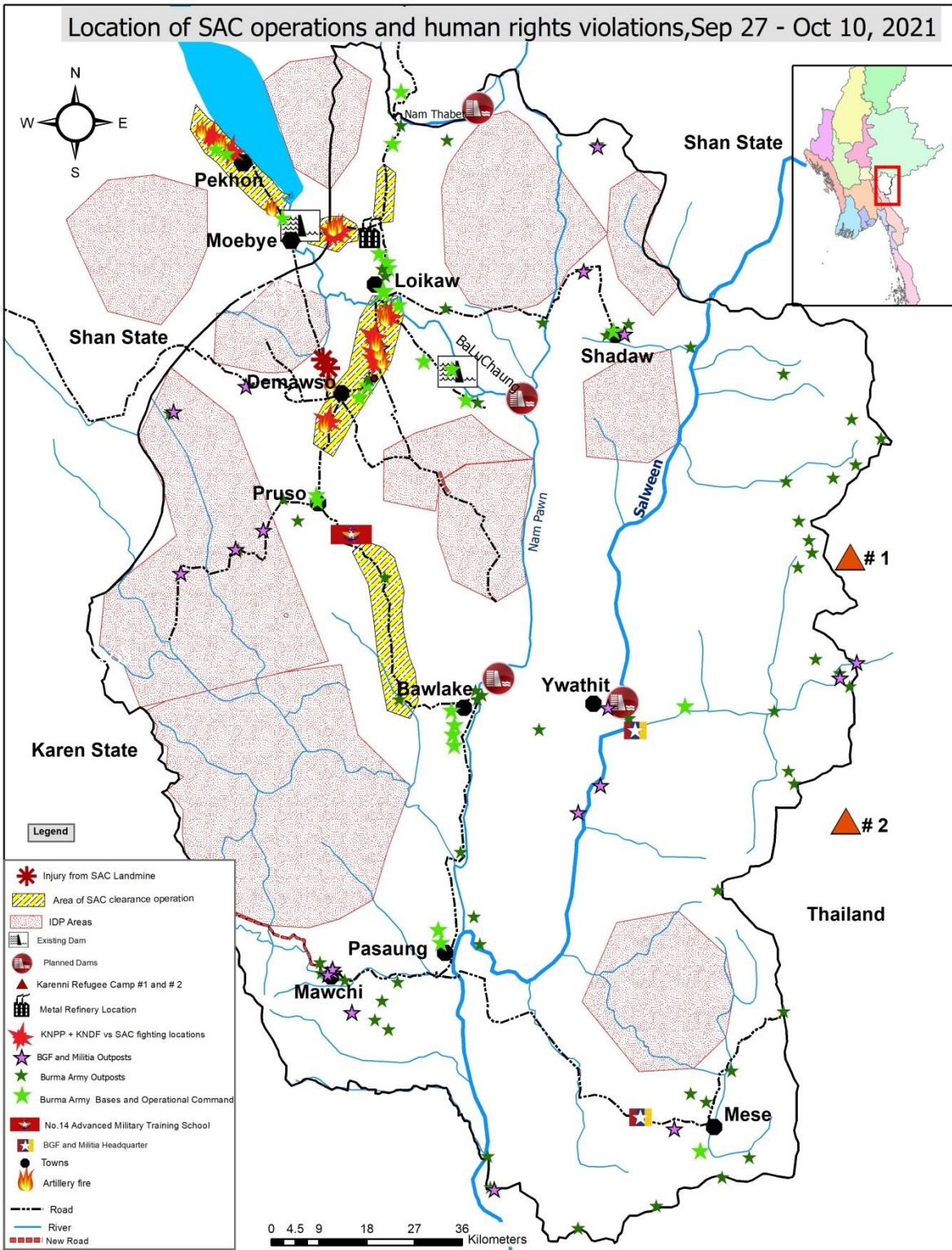
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**Bi-weekly situation update by the Karenni Civil Society Network, Sep 27–Oct 10, 2021**  
**Summary of SAC human rights violations in Karenni State and Pekhon Township**

No		Feb 1- Sep 26	Sep 27 – Oct 10	Total
1	People killed	88	9+25 <sup>1</sup>	122
2	People arrested	184	9	193
3	People injured	113	16	129
4	<b>Buildings damaged/destroyed</b>			
	Loikaw township	18	15	33
	Demawso township	231	3	234
	Pekhon township	54	4	58
5	<b>Dismissal of CDM education staff</b>			
	Pruso Township	526		526
	Demawso Township	1,123		1,123
	Mae Set Township	78		78
	Pasaung Township	152		152
	Shadaw Township	54		54
	Pekhon Township	648		648
	Bawlake Township	42		42
	<b>Total dismissed</b>	<b>2,623</b>		<b>2,623</b>

<b>Summary of displacement</b>				
No	Township	Estimated no. of IDPs by Sept 26	New IDPs Sep 27 – Oct 10	Total displacement
1	Loikaw	27,311	5,000	32,311
2	Demawso	68,265		68,265
3	Pruso	3,403		3,403
4	Pasaung	4,000		4,000
5	Pekhon	31,000		31,000
6	Shadaw	729		729
7	Mae Set	1,000		1,000
8	Bawlake	3,741		3,741
	<b>Total</b>	<b>139,449</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>144,449</b>

<sup>1</sup> 25 fatalities have been added to match the more accurate total reported by the Progressive Karenni People Force (PKPF), which is carrying out ongoing data collection on the ground



- **Ongoing arbitrary arrests**

The total number of people arrested in Karenni State and Pekkton township since the coup has increased from 184 to 193 during the past two weeks.

On September 30 after a clash in Gone Thar, Loikaw township, patrolling SAC troops arrested and detained seven innocent youth, accusing them of being PDF.

On October 7, the SAC arrested a vehicle driver and his assistant while they were carrying passengers from Loikaw to Shadaw.

- **Ongoing SAC clearance operations, shelling of civilian areas, shooting of villagers**

The SAC has continued to carry out clearance operations to try and secure its bases and supply routes in Karenni State, bringing in reinforcements from Kalaw, southern Shan State, and sending military supplies down to Bawlake and Pasaung. However, their patrols and supply convoys have been attacked by Karenni resistance forces, and dozens of their troops have been killed and injured. They have retaliated by shelling and firing indiscriminately into civilian areas, including Loikaw town, and shooting returning IDPs on sight.

On September 27, the Pekhonn PDF attacked a convoy of 45 SAC military trucks heading to Pekhonn town from Kalaw town in Pinlaung township, bringing reinforcements to Demawso township. As a result, at least 20 SAC soldiers were injured. After the clash, the SAC troops indiscriminately shelled and opened fire into nearby villages, injuring two innocent villagers.

On September 29, combined Karenni troops from KA, KNDF and PDF clashed with SAC troops near Gone Thar village in Loikaw Township from 12 midday to 5 pm. During the clash, 30 SAC soldiers were killed and 30 were injured. A military truck carrying ammunition was burnt. Four PDF were killed and one KNDF was injured.

On September 29, a villager from Thay Hsu Leh village IDP camp in Demawso township, stepped on a land mine planted by SAC and was seriously injured while he was trying to collect rations from his house.



*A Thay Hsu Leh villager stepped on a land mine planted by SAC*



*A house in Gone Thar village damaged by artillery shells*

On September 30, SAC troops and combined Karenni troops clashed in Gone Thar village in Loikaw Township at 2 pm for 10 minutes. The SAC took control of a mountain outside Gone Thar village and shot into the village with artillery and small guns, damaging 10 houses.

On October 2, SAC troops heading south from Loikaw to carry out clearance operations clashed with the Karenni Army (KA) and KNDF between Htu Lwi Belar village and Ngwe Taung village in

Demawso Township. The clash took place at 5 pm and lasted 1 hour, killing 2 SAC soldiers and injuring several.

On October 2, at Gone Thar village in Demawso township, a female villager who had returned to Gone Thar village stepped on a landmine planted by SAC and lost her right leg.

On October 4, a convoy of 35 SAC military trucks heading from Loikaw town to Demawso town was ambushed by KA and KNDF troops at San Pya 6-Mile village and 5-Mile village in Demawso Township. SAC troops stationed along the main road from Loikaw to Demawso also clashed with combined Karenni troops. The clashes took place at 1 pm in Daw Poe Si village and at 3:30 pm in Daw Khlent Li village. During those clashes a SAC truck was destroyed and four of their soldiers were killed.

On October 5, due to shelling by SAC, 2 houses in Kauk Palauk village in Demawso township were destroyed and one male villager was injured.

On October 6, shells fired by SAC troops hit houses in Nam Baw Wa (b) Section and Acre-500 Section of Loikaw town, and Ye Ni Kan village, Loikaw township, killing one civilian and injuring eight civilians.

On October 6, SAC in Pruso Township shot and killed a villager from Htee Por Hso village who had returned home from an IDP camp to take care of his cows underneath his house.

On October 9, SAC troops shot 2 IDPs who had returned to their homes in 6-Mile village in Demawso township, killing one and injuring the other.

- **Ongoing displacement**

SAC's deliberate targeting of civilians is continuing to cause new displacement. After SAC shelling into Gone Thar village on September 30, which damaged 10 houses, about 5,000 villagers from four sections of Gone Thar fled into the jungle as IDPs.

Further displacement will be inevitable if SAC continues collective punishment of civilian populations in retaliation for attacks by Karenni resistance forces. On October 9, the KNPP declared at the closing ceremony of their 71<sup>st</sup> military training that they would continue to fight together with the KNDF and the Karenni people till they reach the goal of a genuine federal union which guarantees self-determination and self-rule for the Karenni people.

- **Covid situation in Karenni State**

Covid cases in Karenni State (from the SAC health ministry):

<b>Date</b>	<b>Covid positive cases</b>	<b>No. of deaths from Covid</b>
Jun 15-Jul 18, 2021	157	3
Jul 19-Aug 1, 2021	463	20
Aug 2-Aug 15, 2021	425	27
Aug 16-Aug 29, 2021	492	16
Aug 30-Sep 12, 2021	796	27
Sep 13- Sep 26, 2021	780	28
Sep 27- Oct 10, 2021	776	25

These figures do not include the cases in IDP camps, where there are increasing reports of Covid infection, so the actual numbers are sure to be higher.

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