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Bi-weekly situation update by the Karenni Civil Society Network, Dec 19, 2022 to Jan 1, 2023

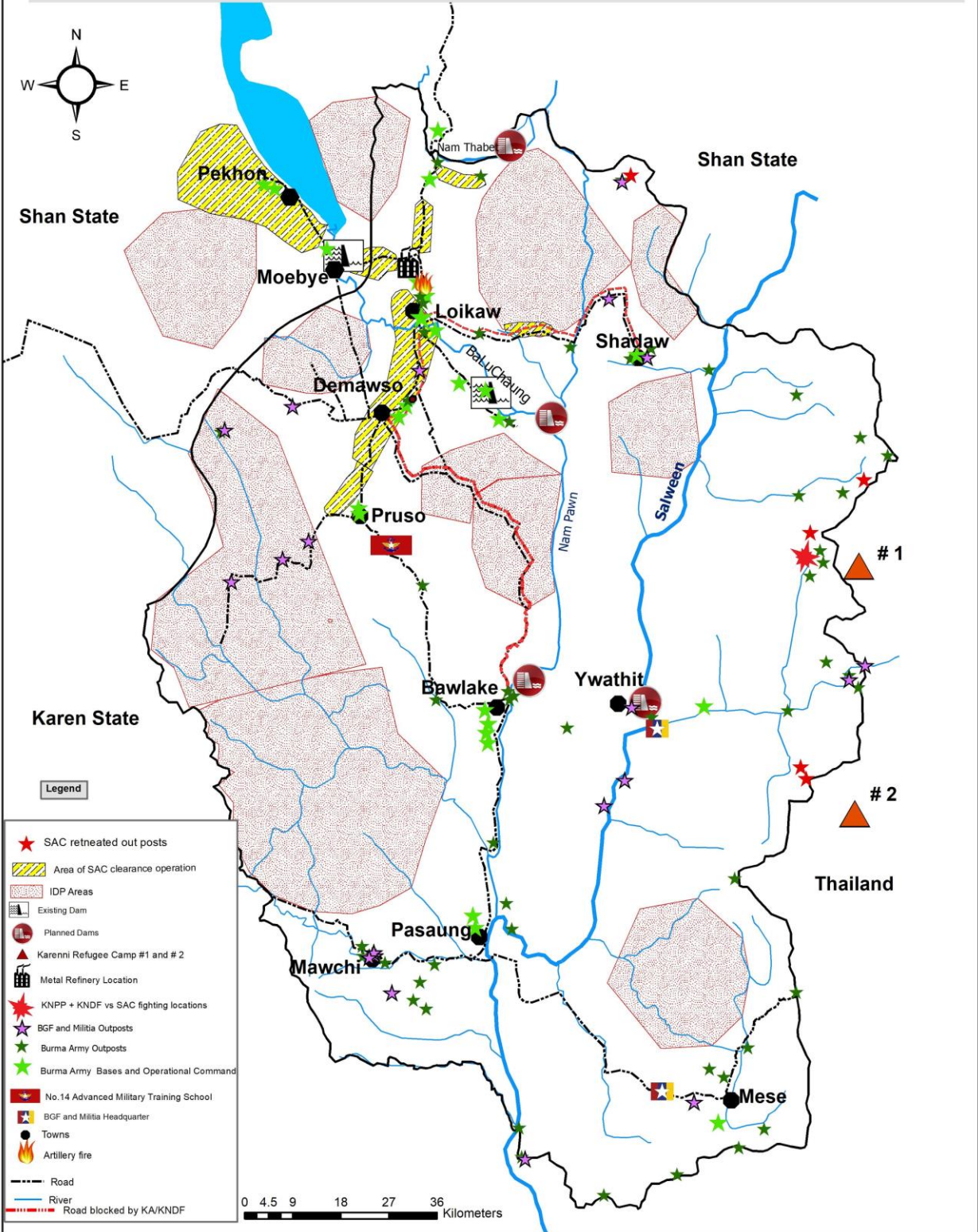
Summary of SAC human rights violations in Karenni State and Pekhonn Township

No		1 Feb 2021 – Dec 18 2022	Dec 19-Jan 1, 2023	Total
1	People killed	288		288
2	People arrested	334		334
3	People injured	315	1	316
4	Buildings damaged/destroyed			
	Loikaw township	101	1	102
	Demawso township	413		413
	Pekhonn township	277		277
	Pruso township	59		59
	Bawlake township	2		2
	Shadaw township	1		1
5	Dismissal of CDM education staff			
	Pruso township	526		526
	Demawso township	1,123		1,123
	Mese township	78		78
	Pasaung township	152		152
	Shadaw township	54		54
	Pekhonn township	648		648
	Bawlake township	42		42
	Total dismissed	2,623		2,623

Summary of displacement

No	Township	Estimated no. of IDPs by Dec 18	New IDPs Dec 19– Jan 1, 2023	Total displacement
1	Loikaw	52,311		52,311
2	Demawso	78,265		78,265
3	Pruso	4,403		4,403
4	Pasaung	4,000		4,000
5	Pekhonn	56,000		56,000
6	Shadaw	2,395		2,395
7	Mese	1,000		1,000
8	Bawlake	3,741		3,741
	Total	202,115		202,115

Location of SAC operations and human rights violations Dec 19, 2022 - Jan 1, 2023

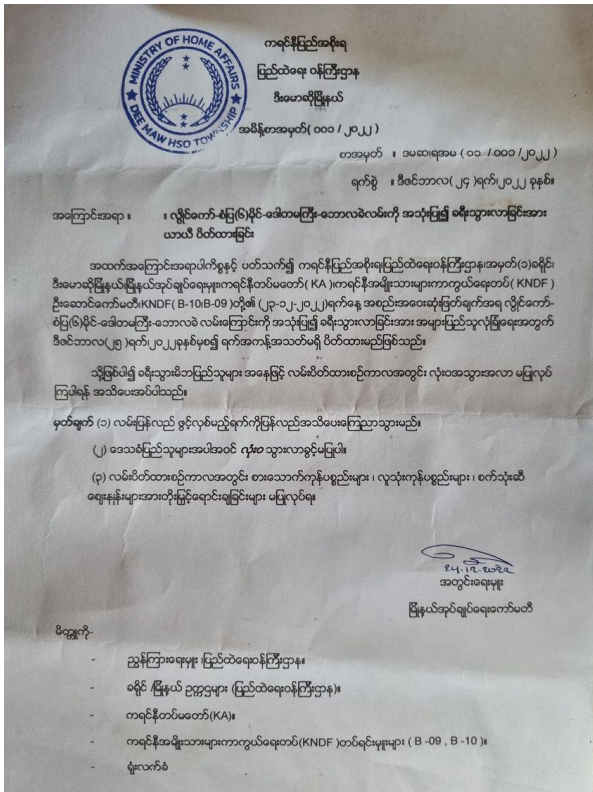


SAC fires shells indiscriminately in Loikaw amid tank and troop build-up in Demawso

During the last week of December, the SAC sent tanks and troop reinforcements to Demawso along the Loikaw-Demawso and Demawso-Moebye main roads. On December 20, fighter jets flew several times over Loikaw and Phekon township. On December 23, fighter jets flew over eastern Demawso township. To block the SAC from sending supplies to their front lines, the KA and KNDF have since December 25 closed the main road between Loikaw and Bawlakeh via 6 Miles and Dawtamagi.

On December 20, a 40-year-old widow who had been displaced for over one year from Seledone village, Demawso township, committed suicide due to depression and poor health.

On December 24, the Karenni Government's Demawso township administration chief, in coordination with the KA and KNDF, released a statement announcing that no one was allowed to travel or transport goods along the road between Loikaw-Sanpya 6 Miles-Dawtamagi-Bawlake from December 25 onwards. It stated that until notice of re-opening, civilians were strictly forbidden from using the road, and prices of food products, consumer goods and petrol should not be increased during the road closure.



Statement of road closure by KA and KNDF



IDP student hiding from aircraft flying over Loikaw

On December 26, at around 8pm, although there was no fighting, SAC indiscriminately fired artillery shells into Lwehtamu village, Loikaw, damaging one house and injuring a 50-year-old man in his right arm.

On December 31, at around 11 am, three different SAC military camps east of the Salween - namely Ayekone camp, 2888 camp, and Karkay camp -- were attacked by KA drones and snipers. The number of SAC casualties is not yet confirmed. KA troops retreated safely after the attacks.

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