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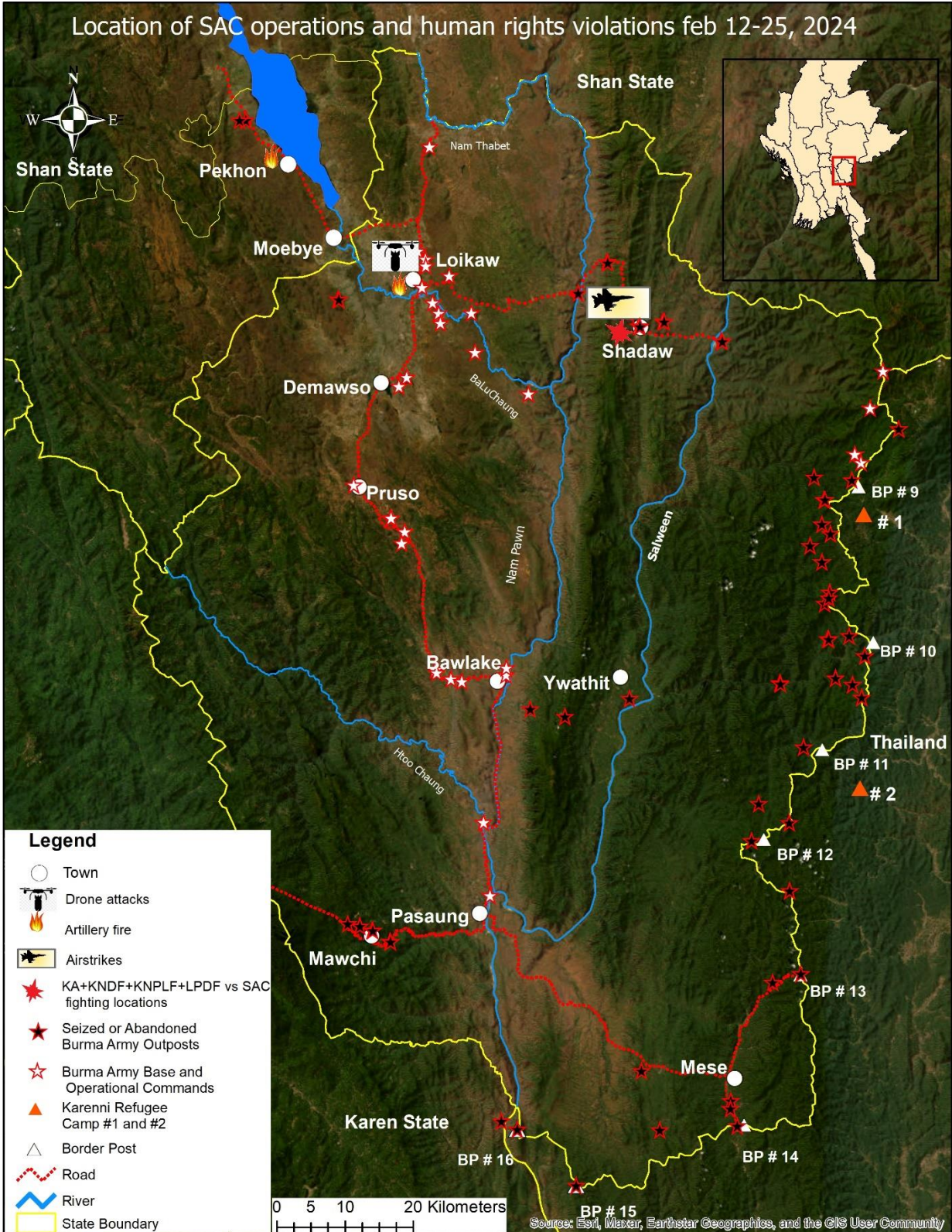
**Bi-weekly situation update by the Karenni Civil Society Network, Feb 12-25, 2024**  
**Summary of SAC human rights violations in Karenni State and Pekhon Township**

No		Feb 1 2021 – Feb 11, 2024	Feb 12-25, 2024	Total
1	Civilians killed	508	3	511
2	Civilians arrested	373		373
3	Civilians injured	563	1	564
4	<b>Buildings damaged/destroyed</b>			
	Loikaw township	1419	5	1424
	Demawso township	645		645
	Mese township	31		31
	Pekhon township	382		382
	Pruso township	151		151
	Bawlake township	33		33
	Shadaw township	56		56
	Pasaung township	32		32

**Summary of displacement**

No	Township	Estimated no. of IDPs by Feb 11, 2024	New IDPs Feb 12-Feb 25, 2024	Total displacement
1	Loikaw	92,311		92,311
2	Demawso	83,265		83,265
3	Pruso	14,403		14,403
4	Pasaung	24,000		24,000
5	Pekhon	56,000		56,000
6	Shadaw	2,395		2,395
7	Mese	5,000		5,000
8	Bawlake	5,241		5,241
	<b>Total</b>	<b>282,615</b>		<b>282,615</b>

# Location of SAC operations and human rights violations feb 12-25, 2024



**Indiscriminate SAC airstrikes and shelling kill three civilians, cause widespread damage in Shadaw, Loikaw and Pekhon after resistance forces seize Shadaw town**

Since mid-February, the SAC has suffered further loss of territory to Karenni resistance forces, losing its tactical command base in Shadaw town, and abandoning two outposts east of the Salween River in Shadaw township. In retaliation, SAC troops have carried out indiscriminate airstrikes and shelling in Shadaw, Pekhon and Loikaw, killing three civilians and causing widespread damage.

On February 12, at 6 am, the Karenni combined forces attacked and seized the SAC tactical command base in Shadaw town killing 160 SAC troops, including a Lt. Col., a Major and several police deputy superintendents, and capturing 29 SAC soldiers. Three KNDF soldiers were killed in the clash. During the attack, the SAC bombed Shadaw town over 200 times, causing large-scale damage.

On February 13, at 2:30 pm, despite there being no clashes in Pekhon township, the SAC indiscriminately fired artillery shells into Shwe San village, killing a 17-year-old IDP student, and two women residents aged 30 and 50. On the same day, SAC troops from LIB 135 and IB 54 abandoned two outposts east of the Salween River; they were airlifted out by four helicopters.



SAC incendiary bombs, Loikaw town



Abandoned SAC outpost east of Salween, Shadaw township

On February 14, the Interim Executive Council Karenni State announced the start of a passenger vehicle service running four days a week between Demawso, Mawchi and Mese townships.

On February 21, despite there being no clashes in Loikaw town, the SAC dropped incendiary bombs using drones and fired artillery shells, causing five places in Shwe Taung, Mingalar, and Poe Zar quarters of Loikaw town to burn down. At 8 am on the same day, a 30-year-old man from an IDP camp who had returned to clean his home in Demawso township stepped on a SAC landmine, losing his right leg, and injuring his hand, face and stomach.

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