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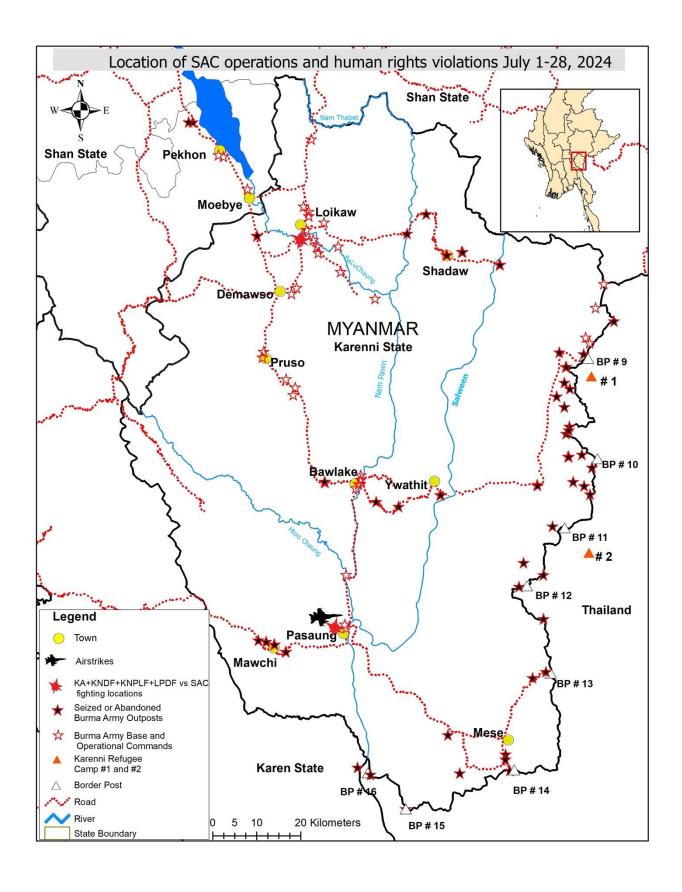
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Bi-weekly situation update by the Karenni Civil Society Network, Jul 1-28, 2024 Summary of SAC human rights violations in Karenni State and Pekhon Township

| No | | Feb 1 2021 – Jun 30, 2024 | Jul 1-28, 2024 | Total |
|----|--------------------|---------------------------|----------------|-------|
| 1 | Civilians killed | 543 | | 543 |
| 2 | Civilians arrested | 374 | | 374 |
| 3 | Civilians injured | 633 | | 633 |
| 4 | Buildings | | | |
| | damaged/destroyed | | | |
| | Loikaw township | 1485 | 60 | 1545 |
| | Demawso township | 645 | | 645 |
| | Mese township | 31 | | 31 |
| | Pekhon township | 505 | | 505 |
| | Pruso township | 151 | | 151 |
| | Bawlake township | 33 | | 33 |
| | Shadaw township | 56 | | 56 |
| | Pasaung township | 138 | | 138 |

Summary of displacement

| No | Township | Estimated no. of IDPs | New IDPs | Total |
|----|----------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | by Jun 30, 2024 | Jul 1-28, 2024 | 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 |
| | Total | 282,615 | | 282,615 |



Over 1,500 villagers flooded out by SAC water release from Moebye dam

During July, fierce fighting has continued between SAC and resistance forces in Loikaw and Pasaung. In a deliberate act of collective punishment, SAC troops released water from the Moebye dam on July 25, causing over 1,500 villagers downstream of the dam to lose their homes.

On July 4, at 5 am, the Karenni combined forces launched an attack on SAC troops carrying out an offensive in Nan Baw Wan, Kyitaryar and Mine Lone quarters of Loikaw town. Fighting in the town continued throughout July. SAC retaliated with shelling and burning of buildings, causing about 60 houses in Loikaw town to be burned down during the month.

On July 11, the Karenni combined forces launched an attack on SAC based IB 134 in Pasaung town, which caused casualties on both sides. Due to the heavy clashes, the SAC launched airstrikes on Pasaung town. It appears that chemical bombs were dropped, as Karenni soldiers close to bomb explosions suffered dizziness and nausea.

On July 24, fifty SAC troops based at the Military Training School no. 14 in Pruso township carried out an offensive in surrounding villages, killing and seizing 10 villagers' cows.

On July 25, in the morning, an unprecedented release of water from the Moebye dam by the Moebye-based LIB 422 caused water levels to rise by 8 feet. At least 1,500 people, including internally displaced persons (IDPs), have lost their homes and flood victims urgently need assistances. The flood may have damaged more than 1,000 acres of farmland, according to a statement by the Interim Executive Council.

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