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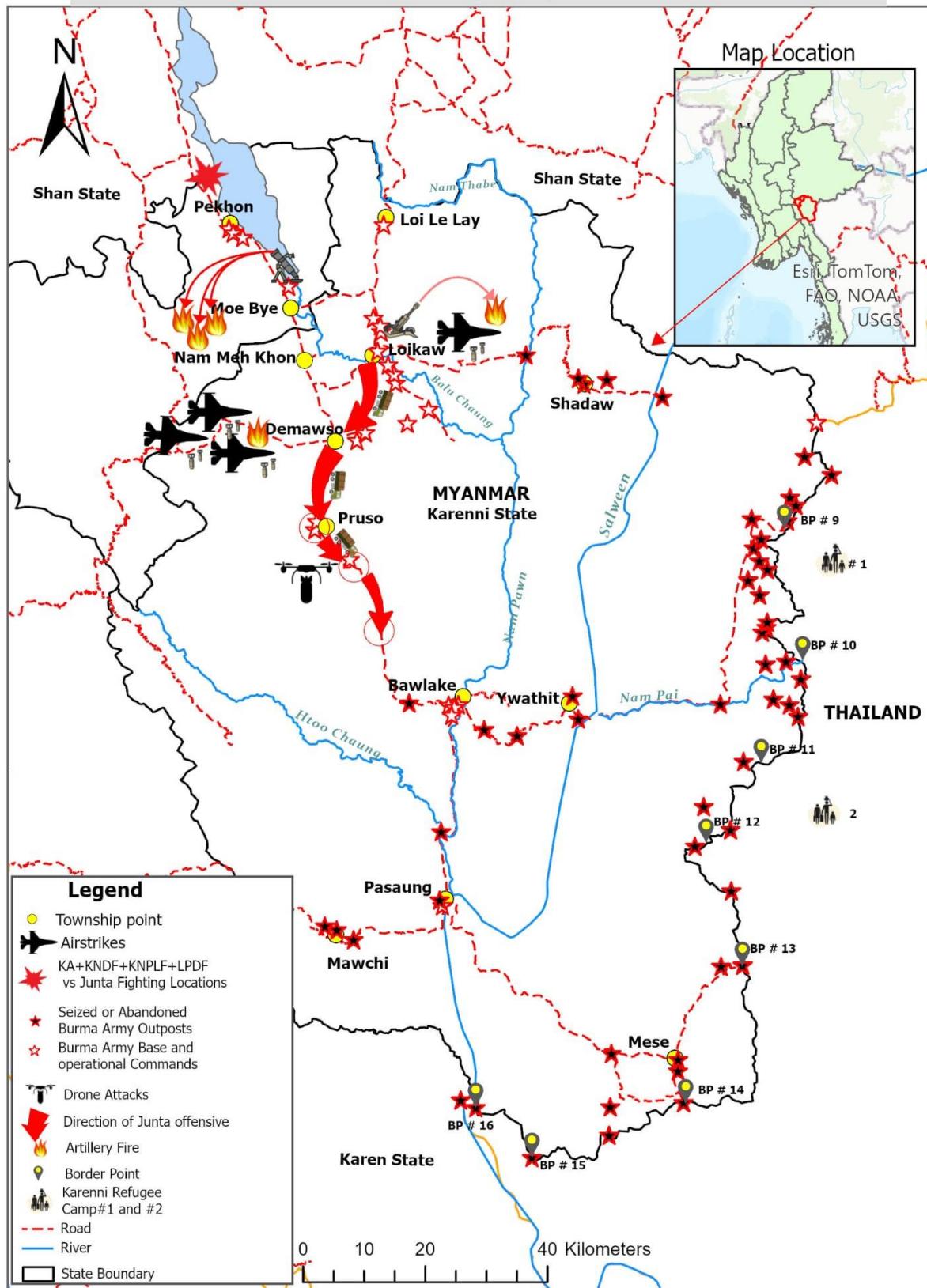
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Monthly situation update by the Karen Civil Society Network, December 1-31, 2025
Summary of junta human rights violations in Karen State and Pekhon township

No		Feb 1 2021 – Nov 30, 2025	Dec 1-31, 2025	Total
1	Civilians killed	714	3	717
2	Civilians arrested	592		592
3	Civilians injured	948	6	954
4	Buildings damaged/destroyed			
	Loikaw township	1584	2	1586
	Demawso township	691	3	694
	Mese township	34	3	37
	Pekhon township	808	36	844
	Pruso township	162		162
	Bawlake township	35		35
	Shadaw township	56		56
	Pasaung township	190		190

Location of Junta operations and human rights violations Dec 1-31, 2025



Artillery bombardment injures 3 civilians in Loikaw during sham election

In the lead up to their sham election, the military council continued their advancements into Karen State, particularly at the Shan-Karen border, resulting in confrontations with combined revolutionary forces. However, on December 25, in admission of their failure to control large parts of Karen State, the military council excluded the three Karen townships of Mese, Shadaw and Pasaung from the list of townships where the third phase of the election would be held. On December 28, in the first phase of the sham election, polling was held in Loikaw and Bawlake under tight security. During polling, the military council carried out heavy artillery bombardment within and around Loikaw town, causing serious injuries to three civilians.

Timeline of conflict incidents during December

On the evening of December 2, in the Pinlaung-Pekhon township border area of southern Shan State, after daily fighting, the junta military council troops and their allied Pa-O National Organization (PNO) troops entered South Salone village and burned down homes of locals.

On December 3, two men, aged 45 and 40, living in Pankang ward, Loikaw township, were injured when their tractor hit a landmine while returning from work in a field. The tractor they were driving was also damaged.

On December 6, at around 10 pm, an airstrike by the junta military council on the Palong IDP camp in eastern Loikaw township damaged an IDP school building.

On December 7, at around 8 pm, a military council jet fighter bombed a non-combatant area in the western part of Demawso township three times, damaging a car and some houses. The junta's LIB 102 based in Ngwe Taung, eastern Demawso township, also opened fire with heavy weapons on that day.

On December 12, a man from Salin Moe Ngan village was found dead in his car in the western part of Pi-king village, Pekhon township.

On December 14, a man displaced from a camp in Pruso township who had been seriously injured in a drone attack by the junta military council while collecting paddy at around 3 pm on October 26, died after receiving treatment for more than a month.

On the morning of December 18, the junta's LIB 422 based in Moebye fired heavy weapons into villages west of Moebye, which exploded near the villages.

On December 26, at night after 9 pm, the junta's LIB 422 based in Moebye fired three rounds of artillery fire at the outskirts of the town.

On the morning of December 28, the troops of the military council continuously fired heavy artillery into and around Loikaw town, where their sham election was being held. Two shells exploded in the town, seriously injuring three men aged 28, 29, and 30.

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