Education in Danger
Monthly News Brief

Incidents of threats and violence affecting the provision of education. Insecurity Insight publishes data on incidents where teachers were killed, kidnapped or arrested (KKA) and incidents where schools were damaged or destroyed by a perpetrator including state and non-state actors, criminals, individuals, students and other staff members. **Access the data via our website or on HDX.**

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The **Global Coalition to Protect Education from Attack** (GCPEA) provided technical guidance on definitions of attacks on education. More on definitions used by **Insecurity Insight** and by **GCPEA**. ***** = GCPEA incident.

Safety, security and access incidents
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Africa
Burkina Faso
05 June 2021: In Solhan village and department, Yagha province, Sahel region, a school, a dispensary, houses, and a market were set on fire by unidentified perpetrators, killing more than 138 people.***** **Source: RFI**

Democratic Republic of the Congo
01 June 2021: In Irumu territory, Ituri province, 40 students were kidnapped by the ADF (Allied Democratic Forces). Through FARDC's (Armed Forces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo) intervention, 26 hostages were reportedly released the next day while nine others remain captive. **Source: ACLED**[1]

01 June 2021: In Mayi-Moya village, Beni territory, North Kivu province, ADF militants killed five people including a female teacher and kidnapped dozens of school children from their classrooms during an incursion. **Source: Radio Moto**

08 June 2021: Near Kasindi town, North Kivu province, a male teacher was assassinated by a group of men armed with knives, in what appears to have been a kidnapping attempt. As a result, educational activities in all the schools in Kasindi were stopped. **Source: Radio Moto**

Mali
07 June 2021: In Manga village, Djenne commune, Mopti region, a teacher was abducted by suspected Katiba Macina (JNIM) militants.***** **Source: ACLED**[1]

07 June 2021: In Mahina village, Bafoulabé Cercle, Kayes region, schools were closed after a building used by local teachers was set on fire. The incident was the fifth of its type in recent months. **Source: Studio Tamani**

18 June 2021: At Toroli village, Koro commune, Mopti region, a male teacher from the Dogon community was abducted by suspected Katiba Macina (JNIM) militants.***** **Source: ACLED**[1]

Niger
22 June 2021: At Fantio village, Tera department, Tillaberi region, a school director and a retired education official were suspectedly killed by ISWAP (Greater Sahara) militants on motorcycles who also seized livestock.* **Sources:** ACLED[1], **The New Arab** and **Voa News**

Nigeria
03 June 2021: In Oba-Ile village, Akure LGA, Ondo state, a school bus of the Chimola School was hijacked by eight gunmen on motorcycles. The driver was dragged out and threatened, and a female bus attendant was abducted. There were no students on the bus at the time and the attendant was later released. The bus was seized and driven away by one of the gunmen. **Sources: Eons Intelligence I**, **Eons Intelligence II**, **Global Gist**, **Sahara Reporters**, **The Guardian**, **Vanguard I** and **Vanguard II**

08 June 2021: In Shadadi community, Abuja Municipal LGA, Federal Capital Territory, a female teacher with Government Secondary School (GSS) was abducted from her residence by kidnappers who demanded a N10 million ransom. **Sources: Daily Trust** and **Naija Campus Jams**

09 June 2021: In Lamingo community, Jos North LGA, Plateau state, a lecturer of the Department of Theatre Arts, University of Jos, was abducted from his residence by gunmen. **Sources:** ACLED[1], **Council on Foreign Relations, Daily Post** and **Oluwadairo**

10 June 2021: In Zaria city, Sabon Gari LGA, Kaduna state, the Nuhu Bamalli Polytechnic main campus was raided by gunmen, who fired their weapons sporadically, wounding two students, of which later died from his wounds. At least eight students and two lecturers were abducted.* **Sources: Garda, Premium Times Nigeria** and **Reuters**

17 June 2021: In Birnin Yauri community, Yauri LGA, Kebbi state, about 100 bandits invaded the Federal Government Girls College, whilst shooting and displaying guns. They overpowered the security guards, hijacked a van and abducted 80 female students and four teachers. A policeman was killed and two students were injured. On 18 June, four students and a teacher were freed as Nigerian troops engaged the perpetrators in the forest, though one student reportedly died from the exchange of fire. The next day, the bodies of three students were recovered from the forest, alongside an injured soldier.* **Sources: CBS, Eons Intelligence, HumAngle I, HumAngle II, HumAngle III, HumAngle IV, Independent, Punch, Sahara Reporters** and **The Guardian**

South Sudan
15 June 2021: Between Otallo and Ajwara villages, Pochalla county, Great Pibor Administrative Area, a primary school teacher was critically injured in a road ambush launched by armed bandits, as the former was on his way to a teachers' training in Pochalla town. **Source: Radio Tamazuj**

20 June 2021: In Machi town, Kapoeta South county, Eastern Equatoria state, gunmen shot and killed the security guard of a Save the Children-supported school during a robbery, fleeing with learning kits and food items. **Sources:** AWSD[1]**, Radio Tamazuj** and **Save the Children**

Sudan
12 June 2021: In Port Sudan city, Red Sea state, a university professor was assaulted and killed with a machete by a group of people during a tribal conflict. **Source:** ACLED[1]

Asia and Pacific
Afghanistan
30 May 2021: In PD5 of Farah city and province, a university teacher was shot dead by gunmen. **Source:** ACLED[1]

14-20 June 2021: In one unspecified district, Kandahar province, about 25 schools have been damaged amidst an escalating conflict, potentially preventing almost 28,000 students from returning to their classrooms when they reopen.* **Source: Save the Children**

14-20 June 2021: In Faryab province, an unspecified number of schools were burned to the ground and a Save the Children-supported school was destroyed by rockets and stray bullets amidst an escalating conflict..* **Source: Save the Children**

Kyrgyzstan
31 May 2021: Near Oktyabr district, Bishkek city, a dual Turkish-Kyrgyz citizen who is the founder of Sebat schools and university in Kyrgyzstan was allegedly abducted by Turkey's special services on behalf of the Turkish government, according to his supporters and family. Kyrgyz police launched an investigation.* **Sources: ACLED**[1] **and 24KG**

Pakistan
20 June 2021: In Parangabad area, Mastung district, Balochistan, a school van carrying female teachers was fired at by armed men, wounding four teachers.* **Sources: 24 News SHD, Ary News and The Indian Express**

Middle East and North Africa

Iraq
31 May 2021: In the Al Blur area of Al-Muqdadiya district, Diyala governorate, a teacher was shot dead by unidentified perpetrators near his home. **Source: ACLED**[1]

05 June 2021: In Makhmur town and district, Erbil governorate, a Turkish drone targeted a kindergarten near a school in a UN-supported camp for Kurdish IDPs, killing three civilians and wounding two more.* **Source: France 24**

Saudi Arabia
13 June 2021: In Aseer province, a drone carrying a bomb launched by Houthi rebels from Yemen crashed into a school, causing no injuries, but damaging the roof of the building.* **Sources: Asharq Al-Awsat and The New Arab**

Syrian Arab Republic
09 June 2021: At Markada town, Al Hasakah governorate, a teacher was detained by SDF (Syrian Democratic Forces) on charges of affiliation to IS. **Source: ACLED**[1]

09 June 2021: Near al Sawaghiya village, Idlib governorate, Syrian artillery units fired a shell at al Abrar IDP Camp, damaging a number of tents including two serving as a school and a mosque.* **Source: SNHR**

12 June 2021: At Shadadah town, Al Hasakah countryside, a number of teachers were arrested for conscription during a security campaign carried out by SDF.* **Source: ACLED**[1]

22 June 2021: At Sabka town, Ar Raqqa countryside, a number of students were arrested by regime forces for conscription.* **Source: ACLED**[1]

Yemen
25 June 2021: At Al Humayqan town, Az Zahir district, Al Bayda governorate, a school was hit by artillery shells.* **Source: CIMP**

The Americas

Colombia
09 June 2021: In Corinto town, Cauca department, two Colombian teachers who were leaders of the Nasa indigenous group, were shot several times. Their bodies were found by authorities with a letter blaming the attack on retaliation from the ELN. **Sources: ACLED**[1]**, El Espectador and El Tiempo**

19 June 2021: On La Carbonera road, Venadillo city, Norte de Santander department, an Environmental Engineering Professor was shot dead by armed men. **Source: ACLED**[1]

Haiti
Around 21 June 2021: In Croix-des-Bouquets commune, Ouest department, a Professor and Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Saint-Francois d'Assise d'Haiti was kidnapped by the 400 Mawozo gang who demanded 500,000 US dollars as a ransom. **Source:** ACLED[1]

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