

Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

14-27 December 2022



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Documented incidents

As reported on 14 December 2022: In Paletwa township and district, Chin state, the military restricted the transport of medicine, rice and construction materials, requiring approval by the local and township councils and the battalion in the area. **Source:** [Development Media Group](#)

As reported on 16 December 2022: In Ann township and district, Rakhine state, the military regime restricted the transport of medicines along with rice, construction materials and fuel. **Source:** [Development Media Group](#)

17 December 2022: In Gar Ga Law village, Kanbalu township and district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military and militia raided the village, torched a rural health centre, a monastery and 23 houses. Three civilians were killed and two arrested. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

As reported on 17 December 2022: In Dawei district, Tanintharyi region, the Myanmar military banned the transport of medicines and rice. **Source:** [Burma Associated Press](#)

20 December 2022: On the highway connecting Chaung-U town and Monywa town, Sagaing region, the local defence forces attacked an ambulance transporting two patients and one dead body of the junta police force to Monywa Hospital with a remote-control IED. **Sources:** [Mandalay Free Press](#) and [Myaelatt Athan](#)

22 December 2022: In Shwe Baung village and village tract, Madaya township, Aungmyaythazan district, Mandalay region, the Myanmar military physically abused, severely tortured, and arrested a Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM)-affiliated nurse from her temporary shelter. Her female neighbour was also arrested and the soldiers asked the two victims for the whereabouts of the nurse's husband. **Sources:** [Khit Thit Media](#), [Mandalay Free Press](#) and [Myaelatt Athan](#)

As reported on 23 December 2022: In Tigyaing town and township, Katha district, Sagaing region, a pharmacy owner was among 15 civilians arrested by the Myanmar military between 16 to 23 December 2022. **Source:** [Irrawaddy](#)

24 December 2022: In Maha Aung Myay town, township and district, Mandalay region, two female X-ray Technicians at City Hospital were arrested by the Myanmar military in plain clothes for alleged links to the local defence forces. **Source:** [Mandalay Free Press](#)

25 December 2022: In Kale town, township and district, Sagaing region, a doctor was arrested by the Myanmar military for allegedly cooperating with CDM-affiliated doctor(s) by providing health care to the local defence forces. **Sources:** [Chindwin News Agency](#), [Delta News Agency](#), [Democratic Voice of Burma](#) and [Facebook](#)

25 December 2022: In Chanayethazan town and township, Mandalay district and region, a male Urologist was arrested at gunpoint at the private Palace Hospital by the Myanmar military in plain clothes for allegedly supporting the local defence forces. The doctor formerly served at Mandalay General Hospital and also as a professor at Mandalay University of Medicine before being affiliated with the CDM. Military personnel reportedly impersonated a patient and attended the doctors clinic for two days before arresting him. **Sources:** [Mandalay Free Press](#) and [Radio Free Asia](#)

26 December 2022: On the highway connecting Sagaing town and Monywa town, between Wan Pyayt village and Ahr Lar Kat Pa village, Myinmu township, Sagaing district and region, an ambulance being used by the Myanmar military was damaged after driving over a mine laid by the local defence forces. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Khit Thit Media](#) and [Mizzima](#)

27 December 2022: In Kawkareik township and district, Kayin state, a male doctor linked to the local defence forces and affiliated with the CDM was killed during armed clashes between the Myanmar military and joint forces the Karen National Liberation Army and local defence forces. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Than Lwin Khet News](#)

27 December 2022: In Dawei town, township and district, Tanintharyi region, the secretary of an LNGO and his wife were arrested by the Myanmar military. **Source:** [Dawei Watch](#)

As reported on 27 December 2022: In Mandalay city, Mandalay region, five private hospitals were forced to temporarily close for four months from 31 December 2022 to April 2023 by the Myanmar military for allegedly employing CDM-affiliated health workers and providing health care to the local defence forces. **Sources:** [Delta News Agency](#), [Facebook](#), [Mandalay Free Press](#), [Mandalay Free Press II](#), [Myaelatt Athan](#), [Radio Free Asia](#), [Telegram](#) and [Voice of Myanmar](#)

27 December 2022: Near Kyauk Pyauk village and village tract, Ayadaw township, Monywa district, Sagaing region, a 59-year old traditional medicine practitioner was shot by three armed men. The military accused the local defence forces for the attack. **Source:** [Telegram](#)

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