## Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

22 March-04 April 2023



Past incident reports: 22 March-04 April; 08-21 March; 22 February-07 March; 08-21 February; All.

Past analysis reports: April and September 2022; 1 February 2021 to 10 January 2022; 1 January to 31 March 2022.

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## **Documented incidents**

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**05 April 2023:** In Si Thar village and village tract, Shwegu township, Bhamo district, Kachin state, the rural health centre and station hospital, a school and 20 civilian houses were damaged during the air strikes and ground attacks by the Myanmar military. No casualties were reported. **Sources: Khit Thit Media, Mandalay Free Press, and Telegram** 

**05 April 2023:** In Pakokku town, township and district, Magway region, junta security forces arrested a male civilian for allegedly providing medicines to the local resistance forces. **Source: Telegram** 

**06 April 2023:** In Mingaladon town and township, Yangon (North) district, Yangon region, at the military airbase in the compound of Yangon International Airport, a military clinic building was burnt and damaged in a handmade electroshock rocket missile attack by the local resistance forces. **Source: Irrawaddy** 

As reported on 06 April 2023: In Rakhine state, it has been over eight months the junta has restricted the transport of medicines into and within the state, with an alleged intention to block the access to the Arakan Army to medicine supplies. The blockade impacted civilians. To obtain an approval for the transport of medicines for one time, up to 1,400 USD bribery was required. Source: Narinjara

**06 April 2023:** In Ah Lel Seik village and village tract, Indaw township, Katha district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military seized medical and surgical supplies from a civilian house with an alleged reason of health care provision to the local resistance forces. **Source:** <u>Telegram</u>

**07 April 2023:** At an undisclosed location in Kayah state, two medical rescue team members were killed during Myanmar military airstrikes. **Sources:** Chindwin News Agency and Facebook

**08 April 2023:** In Ta Laing village and village tract, Sagaing township, district, and region, the roof and walls of a rural health centre were damaged during airstrikes by the Myanmar military. The Myanmar military land force destroyed medicines and instruments in the clinic. A school building and 10 civilian houses were also damaged, and three female and two male civilians at the clinic were injured. The junta claimed that the attacks targeted the base camp of local resistance forces, and that they seized weapons from the school building. **Sources:** Facebook, Mandalay Free Press and Telegram



As reported on 09 April 2023: In Demoso township and district, Kayah state, one of seven hospitals organised by the Karenni Nationalities Defense Force temporarily suspended activities due to heightened armed clashes. Source: Delta News Agency

**09 April 2023:** In Hpakant town and township, Mohnyin district, Kachin state, a LNGO president was arrested by junta authorities. **Sources: Democratic Voice of Burma and Kachin News Group** 

**As reported on 15 April 2023:** At the Yangon International Airport, Yangon (North) district, Yangon region, according to leaked information, the junta authorities were planning to arrest a medical doctor leaving for Bangkok. **Source:** Facebook

As reported on 16 April 2023: In Shwegyin township, Bago district and region, junta authorities restricted the transport of medicines and food items to IDPs sheltering in the township. Source: Radio Free Asia

**17 April 2023:** In an undisclosed location, Loikaw township and district, Kayah state, a local clinic in an IDP camp was damaged in Myanmar military airstrikes. There were no casualties. **Source: Than Lwin Times** 

**18-19 April 2023:** In Ma Gyi Kan village and village tract, Myaing township, Pakokku district, Magway region, the rural health centre was damaged in two-day airstrikes and ground attacks by the Myanmar military. At the time of the attack, a doctor and a female nurse along with 28 civilians were arrested and a 16-year-old male civilian killed. Some of the arrested civilians were reported to be patients or patient attendants. Other health care workers managed to escape. Vehicles were torched and civilian houses were ransacked. The junta claimed that the attacks aimed at the base camp of the local resistance forces. **Sources:** <u>Irrawaddy</u>, <u>Khit Thit Media</u>, <u>Mizzima</u>, <u>Myanmar Now</u>, <u>Myanmar Now II</u>, <u>Radio Free Asia</u>, <u>Radio Free Asia II</u> and <u>Telegram</u>

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