

# Attacks on Health Care in Myanmar

12-25 June 2024



A total of 188 incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care were reported in Sagaing, Magway, and Mandalay regions in 2023, an increase from 118 in 2022 and 165 in 2021, according to the Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC). Nearly 40% of incidents in these regions reported damage to health facilities. Incidents were most frequent in November, which was consistent with an increase in the overall intensity of conflict between the Myanmar armed forces and resistance groups in Sagaing in that month. From April, local resistance forces increasingly used drones armed with explosive weapons to attack Myanmar armed forces occupying health facilities. The Ye-U Traditional Medicine Hospital in Ye-U township, Sagaing region, which was occupied by the Myanmar armed forces, was damaged on seven separate occasions in July, September, October, and November, with all of these incidents attributed to armed resistance groups. On at least two occasions health facilities were damaged due to the large-area effects of explosive weapons, which shattered the windows of hospitals. [Read more](#)



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## Documented incidents

**13 June 2024:** In Ye-U town, township and district, Sagaing region, a traditional medicine hospital occupied by the Myanmar military was attacked with drop-bombs by the PDF using armed fixed-wing drones. Three soldiers were reportedly killed. **Source:** [Khit Thit Media](#)

**13 and 14 June 2024:** In Kyaiko town and township, Thaton district, Mon state, five health LIGO volunteer aid workers and three civilian men were arrested by the junta police force on accusations of links to the PDF. **Sources:** [Karen Information Centre](#) and [Radio Free Asia](#)

**14 June 2024:** Near Aung Thar Wa Ra village, Thin Baw U village tract, Tanintharyi township, Myeik district, Tanintharyi region, a makeshift hospital and two buildings of the ethnic armed group Karen National Defence Organisation (KNDO) were damaged and a female nurse and a woman killed by bombs dropped by a Myanmar military fighter jet. The attack occurred following the take-over of a base camp of the Myanmar military camp by KNDO in the area. **Sources:** [Dawei Watch](#), [Karen Information Centre](#) and [Than Lwin Times](#)

**As reported on 17 June 2024:** In Shwe Pyi village and village tract, Singu township, Thabeikkyin district, Mandalay region, a sub-rural health centre was occupied by the Myanmar military. **Source:** [Khit Thit Media](#)

**As reported on 17 June 2024:** In Maungdaw township and district, Rakhine state, about 600 Mro ethnic IDPs sheltering inside a Buddhist monastery and schools have been facing shortages of food and medical supplies. Due to the presence of both junta forces and the Arakan Army, aid workers are unable to rescue the IDPs because they do not know which conflict party is responsible to grant them such a permission. **Sources:** [Radio Free Asia I](#) and [Radio Free Asia II](#)

**As reported on 19 June 2024:** In Madupi town, township and district, Chin state, a township hospital was damaged by bombs dropped by Myanmar military fighter jets during between 09-17 June, during the mission of Chin ethnic armed groups under the command 'Chin Brotherhood' to take over the base camps of Myanmar military battalions near the town. The hospital was functioning until the fighting broke out in this area. **Sources:** [Khonumthung Burmese](#) and [Mandalay Free Press](#)

**21 June 2024:** In Shwe Hlay village and village tract, Thandwe township and district, Rakhine state, a station hospital, a school, a monastery, and a police station were damaged by bombs dropped by a Myanmar military fighter jet. The hospital was functioning before the armed clashes between the Myanmar military and the Arakan Army in the area. **Sources:** [Development Media Group](#), [Dwarawaddy – Sandoway](#) and [Sittway Thu](#)

**25 June 2024:** In Nawngkhio town and township, Kyaukme district, Shan state (North), a township hospital, a toll gate, a police station, a meteorological station, and a fire brigade office occupied by the Myanmar military were attacked and taken over by a joint force of an ethnic armed group Ta'ang National Liberation Army and the PDF. The hospital was functioning at the time of the attack. **Sources:** [Ayeyarwaddy Times](#), [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#), [Shan News](#) and [Telegram](#)

**25 June 2024:** In Kyaukme town, township and district, Shan state (North), a district hospital, the Myanmar military light field artillery battalion, and ten junta government offices were taken over by a joint force of an ethnic armed group Ta'ang National Liberation Army and the PDF. The hospital stopped functioning just before the heightened clashes. The offices were functioning at the time of the attack. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#), [Mandalay Free Press](#) and [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

**As reported on 25 June 2024:** In Kyaukpyu town, township, and district, Rakhine state, sales of medicines and consumables such as cotton, gauze, bandage, methylated spirit, and povidone-iodine by pharmacies and clinics were banned by the junta. The Myanmar military inspected pharmacies and clinics for holding the banned items; and if found, the items were confiscated. **Source:** [Western News](#)

**25 June 2024:** In Mogoke town and township, Thabeikkyin district, Mandalay region, an LNGO-owned ambulance was found with a large pool of blood and flat tyres; and three male LNGO volunteer aid workers who operated the ambulance missing. The ambulance operated a short-distance in-town trip on 25 June; safely dropped off the patient at the hospital; and the damaged ambulance was found in the morning on 26 June. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#) and [CJ Platform](#)

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