

## **Burmese Democratic Futures Working Group – BDFWG**

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#### **Weekly Summary (September 08 - 14, 2024)**

##### **Civilian Casualties / Deaths / Losses During the Second Week of September**

During the second week of September, reports indicated that 46 civilians lost their lives as a result of military airstrikes and artillery attacks across various regions in Myanmar. This included the tragic loss of one child and three women.

Rakhine State recorded the highest number of fatalities, with 20 deaths. Other regions affected included Southern Shan State with six deaths, Bago Region with five, and Kachin State and Tanintharyi Region, each with four fatalities. Additionally, Mandalay Region and Sagaing Region reported three deaths each, while Chin State experienced one casualty.

The data reveals that two individuals were killed due to artillery attacks, while the majority, 40 people, lost their lives as a result of air and drone strikes.

##### **Civilians' Houses Burnt Down**

The reports indicate that the Military Council has destroyed a total of 445 houses across two states and one region in Myanmar. Specifically, 425 houses were reported destroyed in Sagaing Region, while Chin State and Kachin State each saw the loss of 10 houses.

### **Arrest of Civilians by the Military Council**

In the second week of September, a total of 45 civilians were arrested across three states and two regions in Myanmar. The breakdown of arrests includes 23 individuals in Sagaing Region, 13 in Rakhine State, 5 in Mon State, 3 in Chin State, and 1 in Irrawaddy Region.

### **Aerial Assaults on Civilians by the Military Council**

During the second week of September, the Military Council carried out 29 airstrikes across two regions and six states in Myanmar. The strikes occurred 12 times in Northern Shan State, 5 times in Chin State, and 3 times in Rakhine State. Additionally, there were 2 airstrikes each in Bago Region, Kachin State, Karen State, and Mandalay Region, along with one strike in Karenni State.

### **The Conflicts and Casualties in the First Week of September**

In the second week of September 2024, a total of 60 engagements, including drone attacks, took place across various regions in Myanmar. Tanintharyi Region recorded the highest number of incidents with 17, followed by Sagaing Region with 9. Karenni State had 7 instances of conflict, while Kachin State and Magway Region each reported 5. Northern Shan State saw 4 battles, and both Mandalay Region and Rakhine State experienced 3. Bago Region, Karen State, and Mon State each noted 2 incidents, while Chin State had 1. There were no reports of fighting in Southern Shan State, Yangon Region, and Irrawaddy Region.

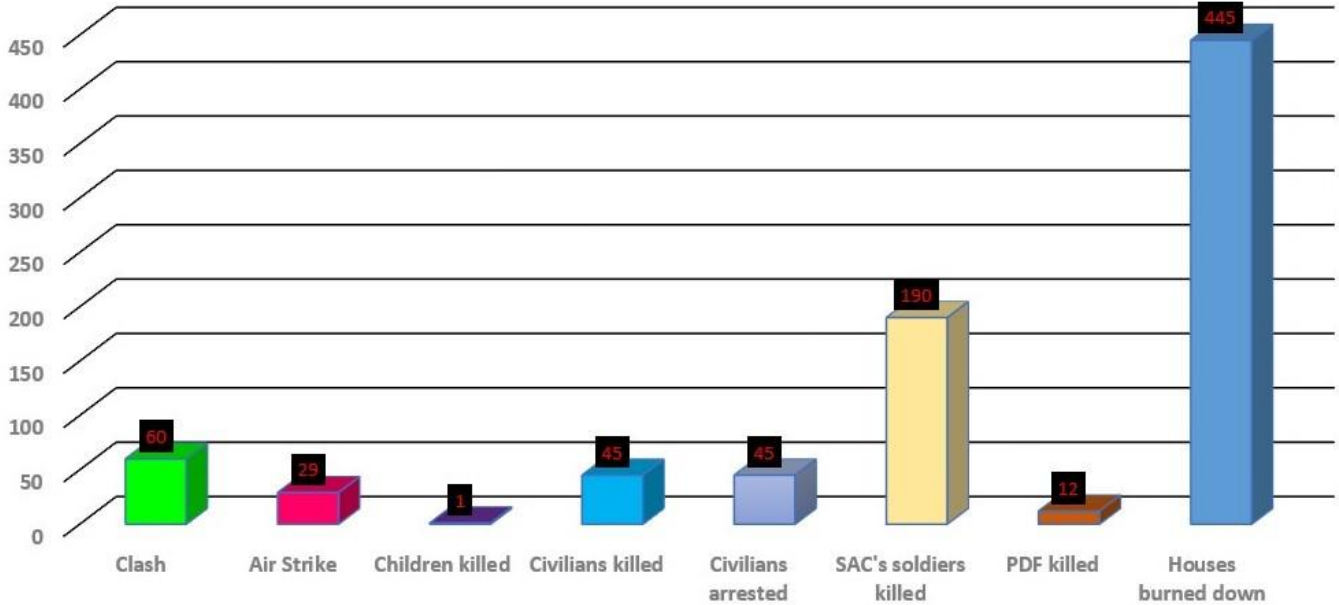
During this period, it was reported that 190 soldiers from the Military Council were killed in the confrontations, while 12 members of the Joint Revolutionary Forces also lost their lives.

### **Operations by KIA and Joint Forces**

On September 11, Hsengtaung police station was attacked and captured by KIA and PDF joint forces in Phakant Township, Kachin State

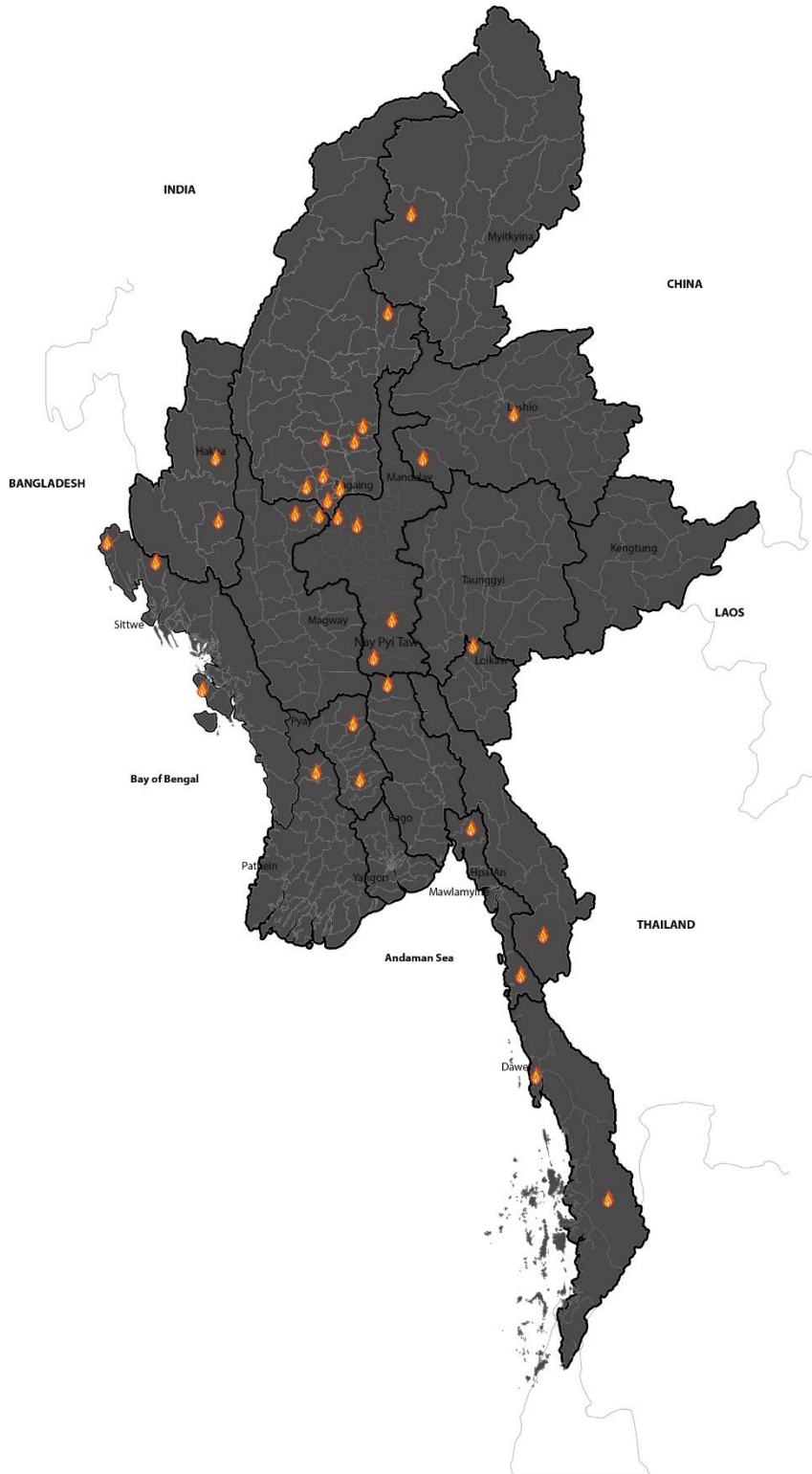
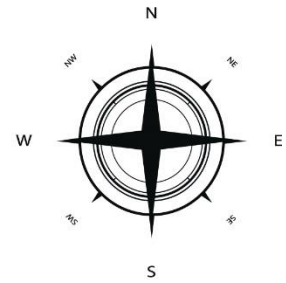
All information provided is based on local news reports published between September 8th and 14<sup>th</sup>.

**September 08-14**



States	Clashes between SAC and PDF/EAOs	Air Strike	SAC's soldiers killed	PDF killed	Children killed	Civilians killed	Civilians arrested	Villages set on fire	Houses burned down
AYEYARWADY							1		
BAGO	2	2	11			5			
CHIN	1	5				1	3		10
KACHIN	5	2				4			10
KARENNI	7	1	30						
KAYIN	2	2	8						
MAGWAY	5		7						
MANDALAY	3	2	4			3			
MON	2		7	1			5		
RAKHINE	3	3	50			20	13		
SAGAING	9		51	11	1	2	23	8	425
SHAN (North)	4	12				6			
TANINTHARYI	17		22			4			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>445</b>

Map of Myanmar Conflict ( September 08-14, 2024 )



### **Other Notable News in the Second Week of September**

The Union Election Commission (UEC) has granted registration to the Mon Unity Party (MUP), which is led by individuals collaborating with the Military Council. Following a central committee meeting held from February 11 to March 15, 2023, the MUP submitted its application for registration to the UEC under the Military Council's framework.

From September 5 to 9, Mrs. Marjana Spolgeric Egger, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), and her team visited Myanmar, where they met with military leader General Min Aung Hlaing. The ICRC issued a statement indicating that their visit was prompted by the ongoing conflict and violence in Myanmar, highlighting the urgent humanitarian needs that require attention.

On September 11, General Tin Aung San, Deputy Prime Minister of the Military Council and Minister of Defense, departed for China to participate in the Beijing Shenzhen Forum, which will take place in Beijing.

On September 12, a memorandum of understanding was signed between the National Unity Government and the All Burma Students Democratic Front (ABSDF) to collaborate in the political, public organizing, military, and financial sectors.

**Sources - The Irrawaddy, RFA, Ayeyarwaddy Times, D Day News, Myanmar Pressphoto Agency, Khit Thit Media, Narinjara, Mizzima, Myanmar Now, DVB, BBC, MeKong News, Than Lwin Times, PVTV, Khonumthung Burmese.**