



National Commission for Prevention, Control and Management of
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Severe admonishment of the terrorist military council for the deaths of inmates
in prisons as a result of contracting COVID-19 disease.

At this moment in time, alarming death rates are being observed in Myanmar due to COVID-19 disease. It has come to our attention that the terrorist military council has shown no empathy towards its own citizenry and is using the COVID-19 pandemic as part of its armament in preserving its illegal hold on power. There is also abundant evidence that they are using all sorts of means and methods to deter the public, as part of their human rights, from being able to seek medical assistance.

It is also noted, nowadays, that the general public has been put into a situation with nowhere to run or hide with so much angst and dread every day.

To make matters worse, reliable sources from news agencies inform us that the infectivity rate and deaths from COVID-19 disease in inmates in most prisons are so menacingly high that it is of a major concern.

This is intentional on the military council's part so that the political prisoners who had been arbitrarily detained would die from COVID-19 disease. To prevent these unnecessary deaths, we demand that all political prisoners be released unconditionally in order that they can be given medical assistance without delay.

If the military council does not comply with our demand, we hereby give the terrorist military council a stern warning that they will have to suffer the consequences from their inhumane acts if any of the inmates were to come to harm and that according to the wishes of the people they will be pursued in the law courts and legal justice sought.

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