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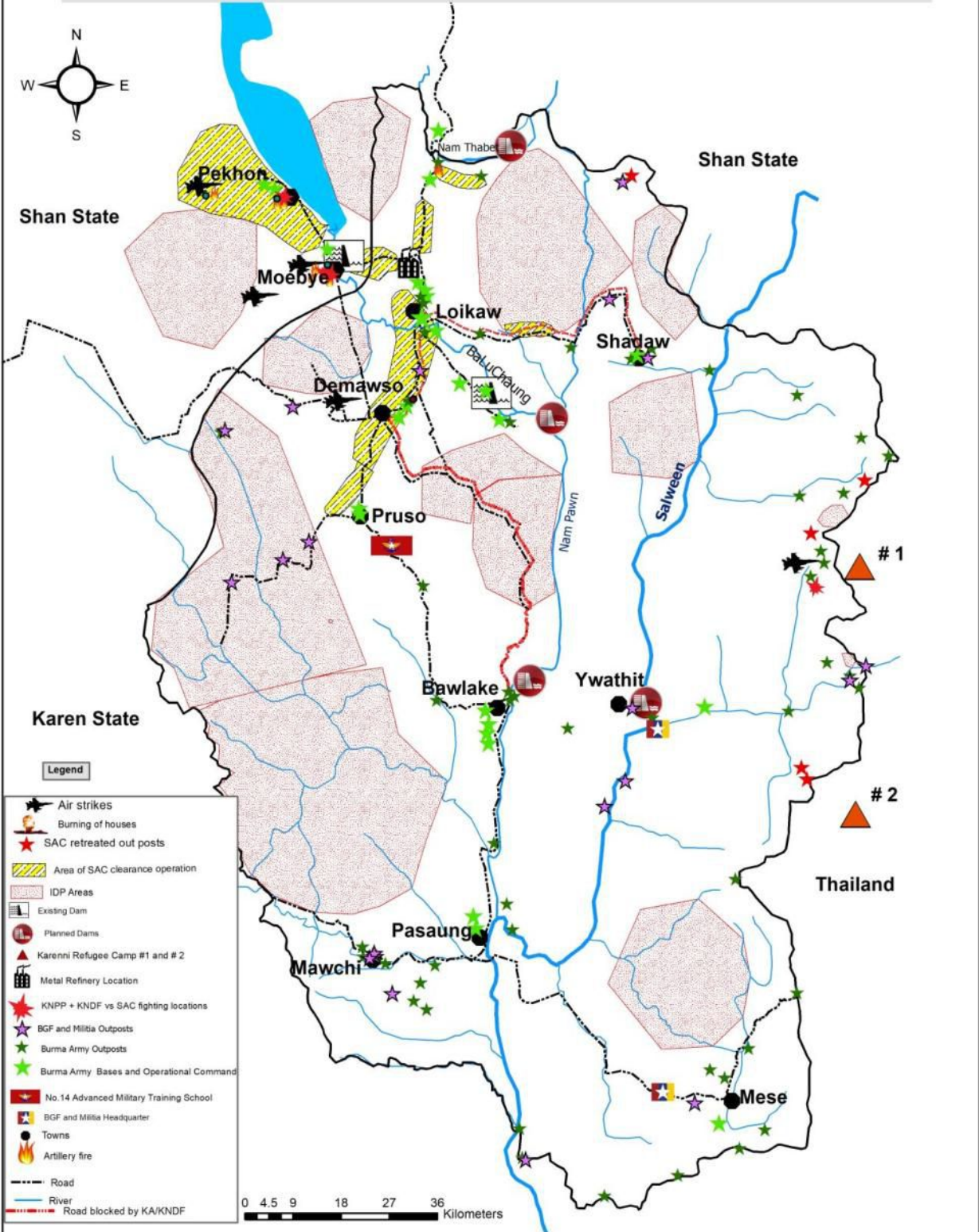
Bi-weekly situation update by the Karenni Civil Society Network, May 22–Jun 4, 2023
Summary of SAC human rights violations in Karenni State and Pekhon Township

No		Feb 1 2021 – May 21 2023	May 22–Jun 4 2023	Total
1	People killed	348	7	355
2	People arrested	355		355
3	People injured	408	15	423
4	Buildings damaged/destroyed			
	Loikaw township	165		165
	Demawso township	600		600
	Pekhon township	328	9	344
	Pruso township	67		67
	Bawlake township	23		32
	Shadaw township	1		1
5	Dismissal of CDM education staff			
	Pruso township	526		526
	Demawso township	1,123		1,123
	Mese township	78		78
	Pasaung township	152		152
	Shadaw township	54		54
	Pekhon township	648		648
	Bawlake township	42		42
	Total dismissed	2,623		2,623

Summary of displacement

No	Township	Estimated no. of IDPs by May 21, 2023	New IDPs May 22–Jun 4, 2023	Total displacement
1	Loikaw	52,311		52,311
2	Demawso	83,265		83,265
3	Pruso	4,403		4,403
4	Pasaung	4,000		4,000
5	Pekhon	56,000		56,000
6	Shadaw	2,395		2,395
7	Mese	1,000		1,000
8	Bawlake	4,741		4,741
	Total	208,115		208,115

Location of SAC operations and human rights violations May 22-Jun-4, 2023



Seven civilians killed, fifteen injured by SAC airstrikes and shelling in Pekhon and Loikaw townships

During the past two weeks, the SAC has stepped up airstrikes and artillery attacks on civilian areas of Pekhon and Loikaw townships, killing seven civilians and injuring eleven. The SAC has directly targeted residential quarters of Moebye town, as well as IDP camps in the area, as part of their operations to seize Moebye town from the Karenni resistance forces. They also bombed a security post of the Kayan New Land Army west of Moebye, to warn them against assisting the Karenni forces.

On May 22, at noon, KA and SAC troops clashed near a SAC outpost on the Thai-Karenni border. After the clash, at 3 pm, SAC aircraft bombed the area twice. On the same day, at 2 pm, a 60-year-old driver U Oh Myint was hit and killed by a bullet under his right shoulder on the main road between Moebye and Pekhon.

On May 23, at 9:30 pm, there were two SAC airstrikes on a Moebye IDP camp, with bombs damaging two houses.

On May 24, two SAC jet fighters dropped bombs six times on the area between Dawtawee and Pasaylar villages in Demawso township, killing five KNDF soldiers.

On May 26, combined Karenni forces of the Moebye PDF, KNDF and URF clashed with SAC troops in Ngyaw Wine quarter, Moebye town, killing 20 SAC soldiers and capturing two.

On May 27, a clash between Phekon PDF and SAC troops in Phekon township killed three Phekon PDF soldiers and injured eight others. On the same day, there was a clash between Moebye PDF and SAC troops in Ngyaw Wine and Paw Oo quarters, Moebye town. During the clash, SAC troops fired several artillery rounds and dropped aerial bombs eight times, killing four civilians including a three-year-old girl, and damaging a temple and some houses.

On May 28, at 4:30 am, a SAC fighter jet bombed an IDP camp two times in western Moebye township, injuring four civilians and damaging three houses. Moreover, at 8 pm, a SAC artillery shell exploded in Koemiko village, Loi Lay Lay town, injuring a seven-year-old child in the right hand and another nine-year-old child in the head and chest.



KNLA security gate destroyed by SAC airstrikes, Pekhon township



A girl injured by SAC shelling, Loikaw township

On May 29, at 10 am, a vehicle driving on the road between Pasaung and Bawlake was shot at, killing a 30-year-old woman and injuring a man in the car. On the same day, at 9 pm, SAC troops fired 20 mortar shells indiscriminately from Moebye-based LIB 422 into Sekan quarter, Moebye town, killing an 11-year-old girl and injuring four civilians.

On June 1, at 4 am, a SAC fighter jet bombed a Kayan New Land Army (KNLA) security gate two times west of Moebye town and bombed another five areas in Kaung E, Pekhon, Set Daung Yar, Loi Lo and May Ni Khone in Pekhon township with five fighter jets.

On June 3, at 5:45 am, SAC LIB 422 fired five artillery shells into Se Khan quarter 2, Moebye town, killing a 22-year-old man. The shells also ignited a gasoline shop in the same quarter, injuring two men and incinerating two motorbikes. On the same day, a 40-year-old woman stepped on a landmine in Southern Demawso township while looking for bamboo shoots in the jungle and lost a leg.

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