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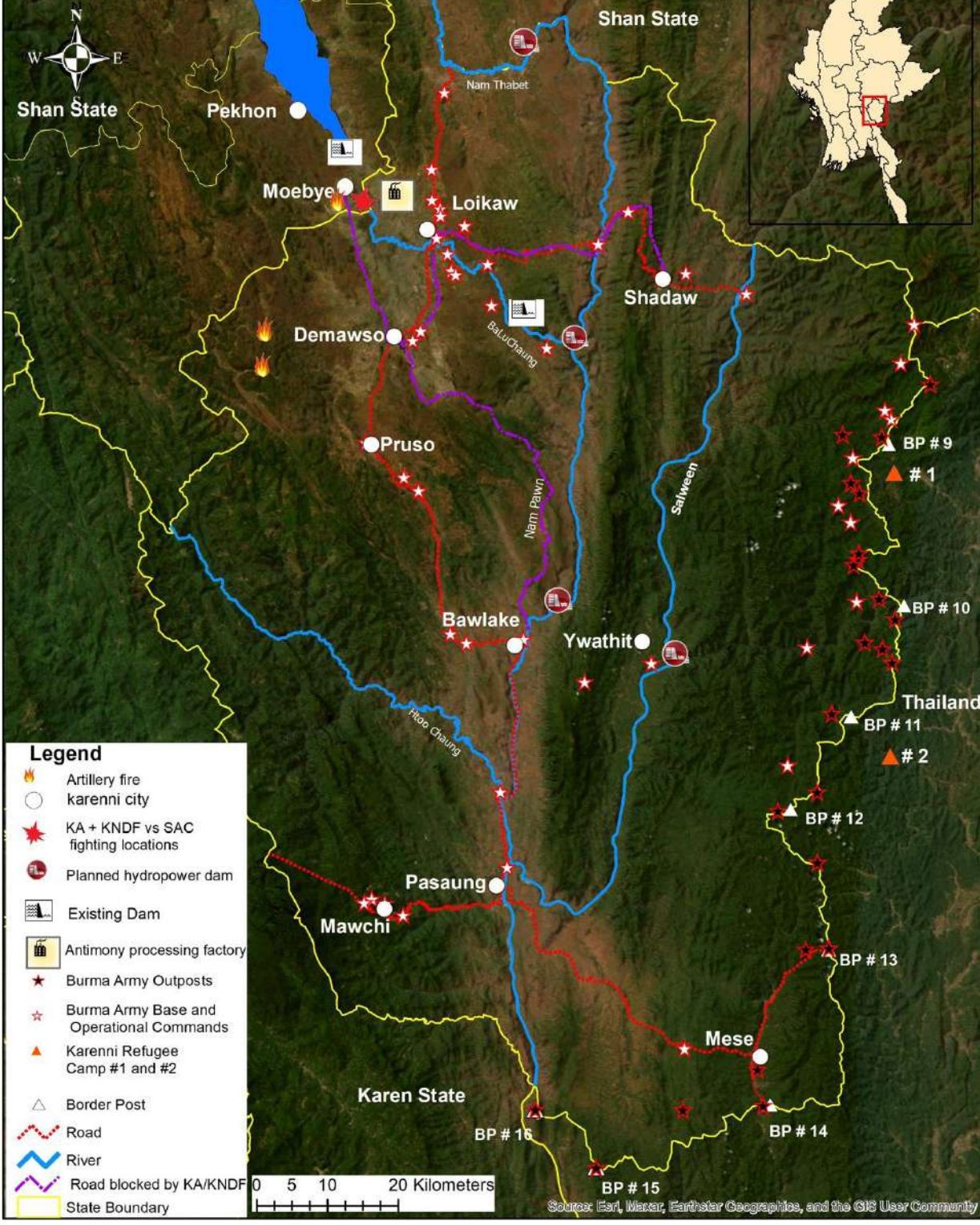
**Bi-weekly situation update by the Karenni Civil Society Network, Sept 25- Oct 8, 2023
Summary of SAC human rights violations in Karenni State and Pekhon Township**

No		Feb 1 2021 – Oct 8, 2023	Oct 9 – 22, 2023	Total
1	Civilians killed	414	2	416
2	Civilians arrested	355		355
3	Civilians injured	464	1	465
4	Buildings damaged/destroyed			
	Loikaw township	167		167
	Demawso township	620		620
	Mese township	31		31
	Pekhon township	376		376
	Pruso township	151		151
	Bawlake township	33		33
	Shadaw township	16		16
	Pasaung township	32		32
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 Oct 8, 2023	New IDPs Oct 9 – 22, 2023	Total displacement
1	Loikaw	52,311		52,311
2	Demawso	83,265		83,265
3	Pruso	4,403	10,000	14,403
4	Pasaung	24,000		24,000
5	Pekhon	56,000		56,000
6	Shadaw	2,395		2,395
7	Mese	5000		5,000
8	Bawlake	5,241		5,241
	Total	232,615		242,615

Location of SAC operations and human rights violations Oct 9 -22, 2023



10,000 newly displaced in Southern Pruso due to SAC airstrikes

The SAC airstrikes in early October in Southern Pruso have led to the new displacement of about 10,000 villagers in Taw Khu village tract. This area had not been directly targeted before, so IDPs from other areas had sought refuge there, but the airstrikes have now driven the local residents into the jungle. Meanwhile, during the past two weeks, SAC troops have continued indiscriminately shelling into IDP areas of western Demawso and into Moebye town, in ongoing efforts to clear the resistance forces from the main supply routes into Karenni State.

On October 9, at 6 am, combined Karenni forces clashed with SAC troops in Don Du quarter, Moebye town, killing at least 10 SAC soldiers. One Moebye PDF soldier was killed and two badly injured. During the clash, there was indiscriminate artillery shelling into Moebye town from Phekon-based SAC LIB 336 troops under MOC 7, and Moebye-based SAC LIB 422 troops under the Eastern Division Military Command.

On October 15, at 7 pm, the SAC fired seven mortar shells into IDP areas in western Demawso township, damaging some IDP shelters.



A villager who died from SAC torture



A seven-day-old baby who died after SAC shelling

On October 19, a 30-year-old man in Loikaw who had been arrested and beaten by SAC troops of IB 72 on October 3, 2023, died of his injuries in Mandalay hospital.

On October 20, a 33-year-old man stepped on a landmine in Daw Nye Khu village, Pruso township. He lost one of his legs and was injured in his face and hand.

On October 21, at 8 pm, SAC troops indiscriminately fired shells into Shee Tu Daw IDP camp, western Demawso township. A seven-day-old newborn baby died shortly after the shelling, apparently of shock.

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