



Myanmar Situation Update (24 to 30 May 2021)

Summary:

The protests continued in different parts of Myanmar despite the crackdown by the junta. The clashes between the junta forces and the civil resistance fighters or Ethnic Armed Organizations also emerged in several places in Myanmar, such as in Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Shan, Sagaing and Yangon States/Regions.

The Karen Peace Support Network (KPSN) said that airstrikes by the junta in Karen State's Mutraw district have displaced 90% of the entire rural population in recent months and sparked a "humanitarian crisis". Around 70,000 residents from around 150 villages in Kayah State's Demoso and Loikaw and Shan State's Pekon Township have been displaced in the five days of fighting since Friday. 2

Karen National Union (KNU) said that 128 junta's troops died and 180 injured during clashes between junta's troops and the KNU in May. There were around 193 clashes between them from 5 to 26 May.³ Several civilian resistance forces have alerted people not to go outside unless they have urgent reasons to do so, as of increased risks to civilians⁴. At least 73 children were killed by regime forces across Myanmar from 15 February to 15 May, according to the Ministry of Human Rights of the National Unity Government (NUG).

Aung San Suu Kyi attended a court hearing on Monday for the first time after arresting her on 1 February. Prior to the hearing, Suu Kyi had only been permitted to speak with lawyers via video conference.

Japan permits the visa extension for another six months for Myanmar nationals due to the current situation, while the US designated Myanmar nationals for Temporary Protected Status (TPS), allowing many in the US to be shielded from deportation and obtain work permits.

¹https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/regime-airstrikes-have-displaced-90-of-rural-population-in-embattled-karen-district

²https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/more-than-70000-people-displaced-as-fighting-rages-in-eastern-myanmar.html

³ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1205889509848393

⁴https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-peoples-defense-forces-warn-of-increased-risk-tocivilians.html

The economy is falling down into the depths due to the military coup as well as the COVID-19 crisis. Myanmar people lose their jobs and the banking system is not fully functioning, the Central Bank is not issuing the limited cash to the bank, therefore, many people are waiting infront of ATMs which is common seen in many mornings.

Millions in Myanmar are struggling to buy food as due to price hike and millions of farmers were pushed into destitution and debt as there are more expensive inputs, declining crop prices and a possible dearth of affordable credit. According to estimates by NetBlocks, a nongovernmental organization that tracks internet access, the cost to Burma's economy exceeds \$24 million per day due to the internet shutdown and restrictions⁵. On the other hand, Myanmar's junta could lose tens of millions of dollars after French oil giant Total announced that it has suspended dividend payments.

Southeast Asian nations lobbied to remove the arms embargo call from the UN on Myanmar Junta but the Phillippine foreign minister denied knowledge of ASEAN blocking calls to the UN⁶.

School enrolling commenced on Monday across the country which was enforced by the junta but more than half of all teachers are on strike and some 90 percent of students have refused to enroll in Myanmar's education system, according to the members of the Myanmar Teachers' Federation (MTF)⁷.

According to the information compiled by ANFREL, at least 101 bomb blasts happened across Myanmar in the past week. It was reported that at least 7 people died and at least 20 were injured.

UN special envoy on Myanmar Christine Scharner Burgener called for member states to support Myanmar people and talk to NUG as its setup by the elected MPs during her press conference in Japan.

According to the Assistance Association for Political Prisoners (AAPP), as of 30 May, 840 people were killed by the junta. 4,409 people are currently under detention and 108 are sentenced. 1,881 warrants have been issued. 20 were sentenced to death and 14 to three years imprisonment.⁸

Timeline of events

Date	Developments
24 May	The junta arrested an American journalist serving as the manager editor in Frontier Myanmar magazine, a local based news station. Editor Danny Fanster was arrested at

⁵https://share.america.gov/burmas-internet-shutdown-has-dire-costs-infographic/

⁶ https://twitter.com/MayWongCNA/status/1398849110879313921?s=1005

⁷https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/some-90-percent-of-myanmar-students-refuse-to-attend-school-under-coup-regime-teachers-say

⁸ https://aappb.org/?p=15432

Yangon International Airport when he was leaving for Malaysia. He was taken to Insein jail, Yangon⁹.

Fighting between the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) and regime forces intensified again in two different locations in Momauk Township, Kachin State, forcing hundreds of people to flee their homes after artillery strikes hit their villages¹⁰.

Daw Aung San Suu Kyi was moved to an unknown location before making her first inperson appearance at a special court in Nay Pyi Taw and holding her first meeting with her legal team since the coup¹¹. In the meeting, she said the NLD will be there as long as the people are there because the party was founded for the people¹².

After a prolonged firefight with the civilian resistance fighters and junta's forces on the Kani-Mingin highway on 22 May, junta forces in nine vehicles attacked neighboring Myaunggone village in Sagaing and around 500 villagers fled their homes for the forest¹³.

Myanmar coup leader Senior General Min Aung Hlaing has reassured Beijing that his regime will protect foreign-funded enterprises in the country, including Chinese investment in his interview with Chinese media¹⁴.

Nay Pyi Taw Council chairman's lawyer was arrested after his client's trial in Nay Pyi Taw against incitement charges filed against him in Yangon¹⁵.

A total of 9 people including a woman have been sentenced to death after the military court found them guilty in a murder case in South Dagon township, which is under the martial law. The military troops arrested 11 people on 17 April and the remaining two underaged children will be sentenced separately¹⁶.

⁹ https://www.facebook.com/frontiermyanmar.net/posts/3094932030783637

¹⁰https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/hundreds-of-kachin-state-villagers-flee-myanmar-junta-artillery-strikes.html

¹¹https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/detained-myanmar-leader-daw-aung-san-suu-kyi-moved-kept-in-isolation.html

¹²https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/daw-aung-san-suu-kyi-says-nld-will-survive-as-long-as-the-people-do.html

¹³ https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/villager-killed-by-myanmar-junta-forces-residents.html

¹⁴https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-coup-leader-vows-to-protect-china-backed-enterprises.html

¹⁵ https://www.facebook.com/myanmarcouptranslatednews/posts/158589042943703

¹⁶ https://www.facebook.com/MizzimaDaily/posts/4420415367993334

Government schools in Dawei, Tanintharyi were targeted by bombs and fire, as school enrollment week for basic education students commenced¹⁷.

Protests against US oil giant Chevron to suspend payment to the junta were held in multiple locations on 21 and 22 May as part of "Anti-Chevron Day," in the lead-up to the company's annual shareholder meeting scheduled for 26 May¹⁸.

UN special envoy on Myanmar Christine Schraner Burgener warned possible civil war in the country, saying people are arming themselves against the military junta¹⁹.

25 May

At least five junta soldiers were killed during heavy fighting between civilian resistance forces and regime troops in Demoso Township, Kayah State while the junta's Home Affairs Minister arrived in Loikaw²⁰.

A veteran pro-democracy activist, who is a younger brother of the Myanmar regime's Home Affairs Ministry deputy minister and chief of police, died being torture while in military custody in Bago Region²¹.

Junta troops looted foodstuffs and personal belongings of residents in Sagaing Region's Kani Township during a series of raids on several villages while residents fled their homes. Due to the raids, about 5,000 residents from 12 villages in the area have been living in the forests for several days²².

Kachin villagers called to cancel the construction of the Chinese financed Myitsone Dam²³.

The junta has shared lists of over 1,200 online services and domain names conspicuously excluding Facebook and Twitter as it looks to curb anti-coup protests but allows Tinder²⁴.

 $^{^{17}\}underline{\text{https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/govt-schools-in-southern-myanmar-targeted-with-bombs-and-fire.html}$

¹⁸https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/protesters-demand-chevron-suspend-payments-to-myanmar-junta-ahead-of-shareholder-meeting

¹⁹ https://mizzima.com/article/un-special-envoy-myanmar-warns-possible-civil-war-country

²⁰https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/five-myanmar-junta-troops-killed-in-kayah-state-as-home-minister-visits.html

²¹https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-regime-police-chiefs-democracy-activist-brother-dies-in-custody.html

²²https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-juntas-troops-loot-villages-abandoned-due-to-firefights.html

²³ https://kachinnews.com/2021/05/27/kachin-villagers-want-myitsone-dam-project-scrapped/

²⁴https://asia.nikkei.com/Spotlight/Myanmar-Coup/Myanmar-allows-Tinder-but-axes-dissent-havens-Twitter-Facebook

There was a shooting between the junta's troops and the People Defense Force (PDF) in Chindwin River of Sagaing as PDF attacked the 6 ships of the junta which carried arms and food supplies²⁵.

96 new cases of COVID-19 were reported, which is the highest daily rise in coronavirus cases since the coup²⁶.

UN special envoy on Myanmar Christine Schraner Burgener said she still hopes to visit the country after seven weeks spent in the region waiting for the junta to allow her in²⁷.

26 May

At least 73 children were killed by regime forces across Myanmar from 15 Feb to 15 May, according to the Ministry of Human Rights of the NUG²⁸.

The Catholic Bishops Conference of Myanmar (CBCM) made an urgent appeal to relevant parties to spare the places of worship or people sheltering in them following the regime's recent deadly attack on a church in Kayah State²⁹.

IDPs in Mutaw (Hpapun) district in Karen State are suffering from diarrhea and malaria. There are death cases among the patients³⁰.

A shoot broke out between junta forces and resistance fighters in the village of Chaungzin in Sagaing Region's Myaing Township, forcing villagers to flee³¹.

There was fighting between the Kachin Independence Army (KIA) and the junta's troops in Kutkhaing, Kachin State³².

The Defense Ministry of the NUG released the soldiers rules of the People Defense Force (PDF)³³.

The Karenni People Defense Force (KPDF) seized the Shan-Kayah Border Gate after the fighting with Junta troops and the police office was burned down to ashes³⁴.

²⁵ https://www.facebook.com/TachileikNewsAgency/posts/4168444303177378

²⁶ https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-covid-19-cases-in-biggest-jump-since-february.html

²⁷https://www.mizzima.com/article/un-envoy-still-hopes-get-myanmar

²⁸ https://bit.ly/3vivHrP

²⁹https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-catholic-bishops-urge-warring-parties-to-spare-places-of-worship.html

³⁰ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ti4dRFb5IzY

³¹ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4456240561087433

³²https://burmese.kachinnews.com/2021/05/26/may-26-ld1/

³³ https://www.facebook.com/NUGmyanmar/photos/pcb.121454170075223/121453940075246/

³⁴ https://www.facebook.com/kachinwavesnews/posts/4360449003968178

The junta troops looted belongings of the residents Mindat, Chin State and 90 percent of the 25,000 population have fled their homes since 15 May³⁵.

The second-in-command of the Shanni Nationalities Army (SNA), Major General Sao Khun Kyaw, was assassinated by the military, according to the Kachin State ethnic armed group's spokesman³⁶.

Yadana gas field workers urged French oil giant, Total to prevent the military regime from receiving the government's share of gas revenue³⁷.

The Puma Energy company said that it will suspend the petrol sale in Myitkyina airport, Kachin state from 26 May onward as supplies are out of stock and trucks carrying the petrol have not been able to arrive on schedule³⁸.

VOA reported that the US has designated Myanmar nationals for Temporary Protected Status (TPS), allowing many in the US to be shielded from deportation and obtain work permits³⁹.

French oil & gas group Total and U.S. Energy Company Chevron suspended some payments from a gas joint venture that would have reached Myanmar's junta⁴⁰.

A senior official at the Japan-Myanmar Association said that Japan should play a bridging role to Myanmar's junta rather than following the Western policy of regime change⁴¹.

Myanmar was excluded from WHO annual assembly as it was facing the dilemma of who to recognise as Myanmar's legitimate representative following February's coup⁴².

³⁵ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4455972594447563

³⁶https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/ethnic-shanni-military-leader-assassinated-by-junta-group-claims.html

³⁷ https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/yadana-workers-urge-total-to-stop-military-receiving-gas-revenue</sup>

³⁸ https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/puma-halts-petrol-supply-to-myitkyina-airport

³⁹ https://mizzima.com/article/us-designates-myanmar-nationals-temporary-protected-status

⁴⁰https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/total-chevron-suspend-payments-myanmar-junta-gas-project-2021-05-27/

⁴¹https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/japan-should-not-follow-western-policy-myanmar-diplomat-op-ed-2021-05-26/

⁴² https://www.facebook.com/MizzimaMyanmarNews/posts/4292880104108097

27 May

Due to the shootout and deployment of more military troops in Myaung Township, more than 1,500 villagers have fled their homes since Wednesday and the number of IDPs in Sagaing Region has reached about 20,000⁴³.

A total of 28 people have been sentenced to 20 years in prison with hard labor after the military regime found them guilty of arson attacks on two Chinese-backed factories in Yangon Hlaing Tharyar Industrial Zone in March. The regime imposed martial law in the area after the factory fires⁴⁴.

Twenty seven guns and ammunition bound for Myanmar were seized by Thai authorities at Mae Sai near the Thai-Myanmar Border⁴⁵.

The chairperson of the USDP in Bilin Township from Mon State was shot dead by two unidentified motorcyclists⁴⁶.

At least five explosions occurred in Yangon's Thaketa and caused the death of one juntaappointed Ward Administrator⁴⁷.

A junta's troop was shot by unknown people shooting from a vehicle and died in front of Meiktila General Hospital while he was taking security⁴⁸.

Myanmar's artists who were charged with incitement after participating in anti-regime protests appeared at a special court inside Insein Prison in Yangon⁴⁹.

Prominent anti-coup protest leader Wai Moe Naing met with his lawyers for the first time since his arrest more than a month ago⁵⁰.

The Committee Representing Pyidaungsu Hluttaw (CRPH) and the Kachin Political Interim Coordination Team (KPICT) signed the interim agreement to discuss issues upon forming of Kachin State Government⁵¹.

⁴³https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/nearly-20000-displaced-in-upper-myanmar-amid-junta-forces-raids.html

⁴⁴https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/nearly-20000-displaced-in-upper-myanmar-amid-junta-forces-raids.html

⁴⁵ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4459473124097510

⁴⁶https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-military-backed-party-official-assassinated.html

 $^{^{47}\}underline{\text{https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-junta-official-killed-as-explosions-rock-yangon-township.html}}$

⁴⁸ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddyburmese/posts/4530341017010015

⁴⁹https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-celebrities-who-protested-coup-appear-in-court.html

⁵⁰https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/detained-protest-leader-wai-moe-naing-meets-with-his-lawyer-for-the-first-time-says-mother</sup>

⁵¹ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1206654359771908

A goalkeeper boycotting Myanmar's World Cup qualifiers has urged his teammates to "stand with the people" and raise the anti-junta three-finger salute while playing in protest at the country's military coup⁵².

NGOs called on more than 30 international banks to cancel or suspend investments in companies with connections to the junta⁵³.

The Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA) said the junta is seeking hard currency by auctioning thousands of tons of illegal timber seized by the NLD government. The staterun Myanma Timber Enterprise, which has been sanctioned by the US, announced an auction will be held on Thursday in Yangon⁵⁴.

Japan will let Myanmar citizens remain in the country legally even after their visas expire, in response to deteriorating political conditions in the Myanmar following the coup⁵⁵.

US Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken spoke with Vietnamese Foreign Minister Bui Thanh Son and raised the Myanmar crisis in discussions⁵⁶.

Nobel Peace Laureates call for the immediate release of Thin Thin Aung, activist working for democracy, peace, and human rights in Myanmar and all charges to be dropped⁵⁷.

28 May

The junta issued a letter to private schools in Myanmar not to appoint teachers from government schools who were involved in the Civil Disobedience Movement and those teachers responded that it has nothing to do with the junta's announcement and they don't care about that announcement⁵⁸.

The junta jailed the mother of an activist for three years for incitement under Article 505(a) of the Penal Code after troops failed to find her activist son⁵⁹.

The junta imposed stay-at-home orders upon two towns on the Indian border, Chin State's Tonzang Township and Sagaing Regions's Tamu Township after a spike in COVID-19 cases there 60 .

⁵² https://www.frontiermyanmar.net/en/goalkeeper-urges-myanmar-teammates-protest-at-world-cup-qualifiers/

⁵³ https://www.facebook.com/MizzimaMyanmarNews/posts/4296049040457870

⁵⁴https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-junta-auctions-illegal-timber-for-hard-currency-eia.html

⁵⁵ https://asia.nikkei.com/Spotlight/Myanmar-Coup/Japan-to-let-Myanmar-students-and-interns-stay-after-visas-expire

⁵⁶https://www.mizzima.com/article/us-secretary-state-raises-myanmar-crisis-discussions-vietnam

⁵⁷https://www.mizzima.com/article/nobel-peace-laureates-call-immediate-release-thin-thin-aung-and-all-charges-be-dropped

⁵⁸ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1207211493049528

⁵⁹https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/myanmar-regime-jails-mother-after-troops-fail-to-find-her-activist-sons.html

⁶⁰https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/burma/two-myanmar-towns-on-indian-border-locked-down-amid-covid-19-spike.html

The junta ordered a temporary suspension of domestic airline services to Chin's Kale, Thaninthari's Dawei, Myeik and Kawthaung and Shan's Tachileik from May 28 to June 7 to curb the spread of the COVID-19 in the country⁶¹.

U Myint Aung, the former minister of immigration from Magway Region, also a winning NLD candidate of the 2020 election, has been arrested by the junta troops⁶².

The NUG said its first batch of recruits have finished training for a new defence force, releasing video of them parading in uniform⁶³.

Following the assassination of Mon State's Bilin Township USDP chairman on 27 May, the USDP released a statement saying it had become inevitable to resort to self-defense if there is no legal protection⁶⁴.

Azin police outpost in Kyainseikgyi, Kayin State was abandoned by the police officers along with their families⁶⁵.

Unidentified attackers launched a surprise assault on a temporary base by regime troops in the pagoda compound of Yangon's Thaketa Township at night and local residents said at least four soldiers and a civilian were injured during the attack⁶⁶.

COVID-19 cases spiked in Htant Hin IDP camp at Thai-Myanmar border and there are a total of 109 positive cases as of 27 May⁶⁷.

The NUG and the Japan Parliamentary Group Supporting Democracy in Myanmar released a joint statement to cooperate in the future for the early recovery of democratic in Myanmar and agreed on 9 points⁶⁸.

The US expressed concerns on the detention of the American journalist in Myanmar and urged for his immediate release⁶⁹.

⁶¹https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4462069860504503

⁶²https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1208281112942566

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⁶⁴ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddyburmese/posts/4535396379837812

⁶⁵ https://www.facebook.com/knudooblayadistrictno6/posts/328665461956287

⁶⁶ https://www.irrawaddy.com/news/bur<u>ma/myanmar-junta-forces-temporary-base-attacked-in-yangon.html</u>

⁶⁷ https://www.facebook.com/KICNewsPage/posts/1691778324340315

⁶⁸ https://www.facebook.com/NUGmyanmar/posts/122020846685222

⁶⁹ https://www.reuters.com/world/us/us-calls-immediate-release-american-journalist-myanmar-2021-05-28/

A group called Revolution Tokyo Myanmar staged a flash protest outside the stadium where the national soccer teams of Japan and Myanmar are meeting to play a World Cup qualifier match on Friday's night⁷⁰.

UN Special Envoy on Myanmar Christine Schraner Burgener held a press conference in Tokyo calling for UN member states to support the NUG⁷¹.

The International Labour Organisation's (ILO) Credentials Committee is in a challenge to represent Myanmar as both the junta-run Ministry of Labour and the NUG submitted delegations to represent Myanmar at the conference⁷².

29 May

There are over 10,000 IDPs in one of the camps in Demoso, Kayah State. Food, medicine and shelters are needed⁷³.

Two junta-appointed village incharge and a community well-known person were found dead with knife wounds in Khin Oo village, Sagaing⁷⁴.

A civilian who worked under the NLD government in was shot by the junta in Loikaw, Kayah State⁷⁵.

The junta's troops raided the Kar Paung Kya village of Sagaing, destroying all the houses of the village, looting belongings and arresting four people including one person who had a stroke⁷⁶.

Karen National Union (KNU) interrupted and attacked military trucks which carried medical and food supplies in Phapon, Karen State, destroyed two trucks and killed four military forces⁷⁷.

The junta forced the military officials to submit their children to join the 2021-2022 school year and must submit their school intake copy receipts according to the CDM military official⁷⁸.

⁷⁰ https://www.facebook.com/MizzimaDaily/posts/4426354330732771

⁷¹https://asia.nikkei.com/Spotlight/Myanmar-Coup/Myanmar-coup-latest-US-calls-for-release-of-detained-journalist

⁷²https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/ilo-deliberation-on-who-represents-myanmar-a-chance-for-un-to-show-it-has-teeth

⁷³ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1208354712935206

⁷⁴http://burmese.dvb.no/archives/466784

⁷⁵ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1208369819600362

⁷⁶ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1209100756193935

⁷⁷ https://www.facebook.com/MizzimaDaily/posts/4432666296768241

⁷⁸ http://burmese.dvb.no/archives/466884

A MOU was signed between the NUG and Chin National Front (CNF) on the revolution against the junta and implementation of federal democracy⁷⁹.

Nine Southeast Asian nations have proposed to drop down a UN General Assembly draft resolution on Myanmar, including removing a call for an arms embargo on the country⁸⁰.

There were two bomb explosions near the border with Kanchanaburi, Thailand, but it was not known whether the incident was the work of a force opposed to the junta⁸¹.

30 May

The NUG released a press statement that they are taking every step to cooperate with the International Court of Justice (ICJ) for Rohingya people especially who fled to Bangladesh in 2016-17⁸².

A NLD campaigner's house was set on fire by unidentified men in Mandalay Region's Meiktila Township during the curfew as they could not arrest the activist⁸³.

Kachin Independence Army (KIA) attacked and seized the Manhton police outpost in Bamauk township, Kachin State and destroyed weapons that they seized⁸⁴.

A man was detained and beaten by the junta for taking pictures of a scene after the blast occured on the ground floor of his apartment block in Hlaing Township, Yangon Region⁸⁵.

Clashes between regime forces and local resistance fighters in southern Chin State's Kanpetlet Township have intensified for three days, according to the spokesperson for the Chinland Defence Force (CDF)⁸⁶.

International flight schedules to Myanmar have been suspended until the end of June in order to curb the spread of the COVID-19.

⁷⁹ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1208222806281730

⁸⁰ https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/southeast-asian-nations-oppose-arms-embargo-myanmar-report-2021-05-28/

⁸¹https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/2124011/bombs-explode-in-myanmar-near-border-with-kanchanaburi

⁸² https://www.facebook.com/NUGmyanmar/posts/122614289959211

⁸³ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4467728076605348

⁸⁴ https://www.facebook.com/khitthitnews/posts/1208941556209855

⁸⁵ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4468406559870833

⁸⁶https://myanmar-now.org/en/news/clashes-between-junta-and-local-resistance-escalate-in-kanpetlet-chin-state

There was intensified fighting between the civilian resistance forces and regime troops in Kathar of Sagaing State, at least five junta troops died and eight injured, and at least 5 civilian forces injured according to the locals⁸⁷.

The NUG launched its official website, nugmyanmar.org 88.

The KNU claimed that Thai army is giving a hand in delivering food supplies to the junta troops from 24 to 28 May⁸⁹.

Myanmar people and democracy supporters in New York gathered at Times Square to show their solidarity with the NUG and to oppose the junta⁹⁰.

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⁸⁷ https://www.facebook.com/thanlwinkhetnews/posts/1233694913729738

⁸⁸ https://www.facebook.com/NUGmyanmar/posts/122690766618230

https://www.facebook.com/KNUDOIHQ/posts/1446003552448630

⁹⁰ https://www.facebook.com/theirrawaddy/posts/4467497249961764