



## Murder

- **5 February:** SPDC Army soldiers shot villager Saw Law Ray Htoo near the Salween River. He later died at a hospital in Mae La Oo refugee camp on the Thai-Burma border.<sup>2</sup>
- **16 February:** DKBA soldiers tortured and killed a Burmese migrant worker who was returned to Myawaddy Township, Karen State, by Thai immigration authorities.<sup>3</sup>
- **19 February:** SPDC Army soldiers fired a mortar into a school in an IDP camp in Ta U Plaw, Papun District, Northern Karen State. The attack killed a 15 year old boy and injured two other students.<sup>4</sup>
- **23 February:** SPDC Army soldiers from LIB 427 kill a 52-year-old man in Northern Karen State.<sup>5</sup>
- **9 March:** SPDC Army soldiers from LIB 440 kill a 38-year-old man from Sha Shee Bo Village in Northern Karen State.<sup>6</sup>
- **15 March:** SPDC Army soldiers from Pla Ko camp kill a local villager in Thandaung Township, Northern Karen State.<sup>7</sup>
- **22 March:** SPDC Army troops from LIB 369 attacked Kaw Hta village, Ler Doh Township, Pegu Division, killing a 37-year-old woman and two five-year-old children aged five.<sup>8</sup>

## Enslavement

- **1 January:** Lt Col Saw Lik Theint of DKBA Battalion No. 7 ordered local villagers in Pa-an, Hlaing Bwe and Pai Kyone Townships, Karen State, to reconstruct an army camp.<sup>9</sup>
- **5 January:** SPDC Army forces stationed in Daung Khali village of Na Sa Ka Area 7 of Maungdaw Township, Arakan State, forced local villagers to build the Burma-Bangladesh border fence.<sup>10</sup>
- **4 February:** SPDC authorities forced villagers from Htan Janu Village, Yebyu Sub-Township, Tenasserim Division, to participate in local militia training.<sup>11</sup>
- **17 February:** SPDC authorities forced villagers from Yar Phuu Village, Yebyu Sub-Township, Tenasserim Division, to participate in local militia training.<sup>12</sup>

## Forced displacement

- **23 January:** It was reported that some 2,000 Karen villagers had fled into the jungles of Eastern Burma since 17 January, when the SPDC Army LIB 367 shot and killed at least two villagers, burned 13 homes, and recruited villagers to perform forced labor in Kyaukkyi Township, Pegu Division.<sup>13</sup>
- **5 February:** Seven SPDC Army battalions burned more than 68 homes and a mobile health clinic in Toe Hta and Ka Di Mu Der in Kyaukkyi Township, Eastern Pegu Division.<sup>14</sup> As a result, 2,100 Karen villagers fled into the jungle.<sup>15</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Irrawaddy (11 Feb 10) Karen Villagers Flee as Burma Army Escalates Attacks; Free Burma Rangers (12 Feb 10) 2,100 Displaced, Villages Burned, Schools Abandoned as Seven Burma Army Battalions Attack

<sup>3</sup> Irrawaddy (19 Feb 10) Returned Burmese Migrant Killed by DKBA

<sup>4</sup> KHRG (24 Feb 10) SPDC mortar attack on school in Papun District

<sup>5</sup> Free Burma Rangers (31 Mar 10) FBR Report: Follow-up story: to story of Children Shot and Killed by Burma Army

<sup>6</sup> Free Burma Rangers (31 Mar 10) FBR Report: Follow-up story: to story of Children Shot and Killed by Burma Army

<sup>7</sup> Free Burma Rangers (31 Mar 10) FBR Report: Follow-up story: to story of Children Shot and Killed by Burma Army

<sup>8</sup> Free Burma Rangers (26 Mar 10) FBR REPORT: Children Shot and Killed by the Burma Army

<sup>9</sup> KIC (07 Jan 10) Villagers forced to reconstruct army camp

<sup>10</sup> Kaladan News (11 Jan 09) Nasaka collects toll and army uses forced labour in north Arakan

<sup>11</sup> IMNA (24 Feb 10) Select villages conduct militia trainings, neighbors fear for the future

<sup>12</sup> IMNA (24 Feb 10) Select villages conduct militia trainings, neighbors fear for the future

<sup>13</sup> Reuters (23 Jan 10) Over 2,000 Karens flee Myanmar army raids-aid group; AFP (24 Jan 10) Karen flee Myanmar army attacks: rights groups; Mizzima News (27 Jan 10) Villages burnt, Karen villagers hide in jungles

<sup>14</sup> Free Burma Rangers (12 Feb 10) 2,100 Displaced, Villages Burned, Schools Abandoned as Seven Burma Army Battalions Attack; Irrawaddy (11 Feb 10) Karen Villagers Flee as Burma Army Escalates Attacks; Mizzima News (12 Feb 10) Army sets ablaze Karen villages, 1,000 villagers flee

<sup>15</sup> Free Burma Rangers (12 Feb 10) 2,100 Displaced, Villages Burned, Schools Abandoned as Seven Burma Army Battalions Attack; Irrawaddy (11 Feb 10) Karen Villagers Flee as Burma Army Escalates Attacks; Mizzima News (12 Feb 10) Army sets ablaze Karen villages, 1,000 villagers flee

## Imprisonment

- **7 January:** SPDC military intelligence in Thanbyuzayat, Mon State, arrested monk Uk Kong Sah aka Nai Ajjae, 28, for his alleged involvement in a graffiti campaign against the 2010 elections. The monk was disrobed, tortured, and subsequently taken to Rangoon for further interrogation.<sup>16</sup>
- **11 January:** Police detained Aung Min, a 27-year-old villager from Chaungzon Township, Mon State, in connection with the arrest of monk Uk Kong Sah.<sup>17</sup>
- **13 January:** The Rangoon's Insein Township Court sentenced NLD members Shwe Gyo, Sein Hlaing, and Ma Cho aka Myint Myint San to three years in prison under the Unlawful Association Act.<sup>18</sup>
- **27 January:** The Rangoon Western District Court sentenced DVB reporter Ngwe Soe Lin, 28, to 13 years in prison for making a video that documented the plight of children made orphans by cyclone Nargis.<sup>19</sup>
- **10 February:** The Rangoon Southern District Court sentenced Burma-born US citizen Nyi Nyi Aung aka Kyaw Zaw Lwin, 40, to three years in prison on charges of forgery, possession of foreign currency, and violation of immigration laws.<sup>20</sup>
- **15 February:** The Rangoon Eastern District Court sentenced women activists Naw Ohn Hla, Myint Myint San, Cho Cho Lwin, and Cho Cho Aye, aka Ma Cho, to two years in prison with hard labor for offering Buddhist monks alms, including religious literature.<sup>21</sup>
- **17 February:** The Rangoon Western District Court sentenced Buddhist monk U Gaw Thita to seven years in prison for violation of immigration laws, possession of foreign currency, and unlawful association.<sup>22</sup>
- **1 March:** Police in Buthidaung, Arakan State, arrested Kyaw Maung aka Nurul Haque, 48, for having attempted to talk with UN Special Rapporteur on human rights in Burma Tomás Ojea Quintana on 17 February. On 4 March, a court in Buthidaung sentenced Kyaw Maung to six months in jail and a 300,000-kyat (US\$300) fine.<sup>23</sup>

## Torture

- **2 January:** DKBA and SPDC Army soldiers in Kyar Inn Seik Gyi Township, Karen State, tortured villagers from Asoon Village for allegedly assisting six DKBA defectors.<sup>24</sup>
- **4 February:** SPDC Army soldiers from LIB 282 in Ale Sakhan Village in Yebyu Township, Tenasserim Division, detained three local villagers who complained of extortion by the regime-backed militia to the local authorities. One of the villagers, Tun Lein, died shortly after being taken to the local military camp.<sup>25</sup>
- **9 February:** Pyi Sone, a 28-year-old villager died at a local hospital from injuries inflicted eight days earlier by 20 policemen from Rogo police station near Moulmein, Mon State.<sup>26</sup>

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<sup>16</sup> Irrawaddy (12 Jan 10) Death Sentences a Disgrace: All Monks' Alliance; Kaowao News (14 Jan 10) 2010 Election: Buddhist Monk and Youth Arrested, Tortured; IMNA (14 Jan 10) Second arrest, villager taken in connection to arrested of monk; IMNA (19 Jan 10) Monasteries shaken by rumors of arrests

<sup>17</sup> Kaowao News (14 Jan 10) 2010 Election: Buddhist Monk and Youth Arrested, Tortured; IMNA (14 Jan 10) Second arrest, villager taken in connection to arrested of monk

<sup>18</sup> Mizzima News (13 Jan 10) Three activists sentenced to three years each; DVB (14 Jan 10) Activists sentenced 'without evidence'

<sup>19</sup> BBC (29 Jan 10) Burma jails journalist Ngwe Soe Lin for 13 years; AFP (29 Jan 10) Myanmar journalist jailed for 13 years; Mizzima News (28 Jan 10) DVB reporter sentenced to 13 years

<sup>20</sup> AFP (10 Feb 10) Myanmar jails US man; AFP (10 Feb 10) Myanmar court jails US man for three years: lawyer; NYT (10 Feb 10) Myanmar sentences American to prison; BBC (10 Feb 10) Burma jails US citizen who was 1988 student activist; DVB (10 Feb 10) US citizen given 3 years' hard labour in Burma; Mizzima News (10 Feb 10) Burmese-American sentenced to three years in prison; Irrawaddy (10 Feb 10) Burmese-American Activist Gets Three Years in Prison

<sup>21</sup> AP (16 Feb 10) Myanmar sentences 4 activists as UN envoy visits; VOA (16 Feb 10) Burma sentences 4 activists to hard labor as UN Human Rights envoy visits; Mizzima News (16 Feb 10) Naw Ohn Hla, three others get two years in prison; DVB (16 Feb 10) 'Prayer' activists sentenced

<sup>22</sup> AP (20 Feb 10) Myanmar gives monk 7 years in jail as envoy visits; AFP (19 Feb 10) Burma jails Buddhist abbot: opposition; DVB (19 Feb 10) Charity Monk Jailed; VOA (20 Feb 10) Burma Imprisons Buddhist Monk; Mizzima News (18 Feb 10) Abbot sentenced to seven years in prison

<sup>23</sup> Kaladan News (05 Mar 10) Rohingya jailed for trying to talk to UN envoy

<sup>24</sup> DVB (04 Jan 10) Locals tortured following Karen defection

<sup>25</sup> Kaowao News (11 Feb 10) Villager killed after challenging Burmese Militia

<sup>26</sup> DVB (10 Feb 10) Police mob beat drunk man to death

## **Rape and sexual violence**

**22 February:** Three SPDC Army soldiers raped a 21-year-old Rohingya woman in Poenyoleak Village, Buthidaung Township, Arakan State.<sup>27</sup>

## **Persecution of Muslim Rohingya**

On 15 March, in his report to the UN Human Rights Council, the UN Special Rapporteur on human rights in Burma Tomás Ojea Quintana said that Rohingya in Northern Arakan State continued to face “systematic and endemic discrimination” at the hands of the SPDC, which resulted in the denial of their “basic and fundamental human rights.” Ojea Quintana said the SPDC continued to deny Rohingya their right to citizenship and subjected them to restriction of movement, limitations on permission to marry, and forced labor. In addition, the SPDC continued to refuse to issue birth certificates to many Rohingya children. As a result, these children face discrimination with regard to education, healthcare, and employment.<sup>28</sup>

## **Child soldiers**

**19 January:** An SPDC Army soldier from LIB 83 recruited two underage boys from Taungdwingyi Township, Magwe Division, after promising them that they would receive a US\$60 monthly salary.<sup>29</sup>

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<sup>27</sup> Kaladan News (26 Feb 10) Arakanese Rohingya woman rape in Buthidaung

<sup>28</sup> HRC, 13<sup>th</sup> session, Progress report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, Tomás Ojea Quintana\* 10 March 2010, UN Doc A/HRC/13/48 Para 86-94

<sup>29</sup> Irrawaddy (27 Jan 10) Burmese Soldiers Still Recruit Underage Youth; DVB (02 Feb 10) Abducted boys returned home