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Daily overview

What happened, what matters today and what needs monitoring. Priority and confidence are set by rule from the event records, explained on the last page.

UN Secretary-General says he does not oppose ASEAN engagement with the junta but violence must stop, as the ICJ prepares to rule on genocide charges.

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said he has never opposed engagement with the military government, which ASEAN leaders agreed to pursue as "calibrated engagement", but that violence must stop, while calling for the release of Aung San Suu Kyi and political prisoners (Event 5). The ICJ is scheduled to rule on November 19 regarding whether the military's 2017 campaign against the Rohingya constituted genocide (Event 6). Meanwhile, the military continues airstrikes and offensives across Rakhine, Mon, and Karenni states (Events 7, 13, 27).

55	1	37	12	16	69
EVENTS	P1 CRITICAL	P2 HIGH	REGIONS AFFECTED	OUTLETS REPORTING	REPORTS ANALYSED
■ +7% vs 7-day avg 51.6	▼ -52% vs 7-day avg 2.1	▲ +24% vs 7-day avg 29.9	▲ +19% vs 7-day avg 10.1	■ -4% vs 7-day avg 16.6	■ +13% vs 7-day avg 61

Comparison: this window against the daily average of the previous seven days (11 Nov - 17 Nov); events and alerts compare with the 7 earlier editions in that period, reports with the analysed articles collected each day.

Priority matrix

	HIGH confidence 3+ outlets	MODERATE 2 outlets, or 1 rated High	LOW 1 outlet not rated High
P1 CRITICAL	-	-	4
P2 HIGH	5 6	2 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	3 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 38 39 40
P3 MONITORING	-	41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50	51 52 53 54 55 56 57

Event numbers by priority and corroboration. Confidence measures how many independent outlets carried the event, not whether a claim is true.

Timeline: when the developments happened

Sat 14 Nov	Sun 15 Nov	Mon 16 Nov	Tue 17 Nov	Earlier	Upcoming	Not stated
40	25 27 29 54	2 3 5 7 10	55	4 9 15 34 44	6	8 11 12 13 14
		24 28 36 51		45 47 48		16 17 18 19 20
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						31 32 33 35 38
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By incident date as reported, not publication time. Reports in this window may describe incidents up to 3 days earlier.

Executive intelligence summary

The most important developments of the last 24 hours.

P2 HIGH EVENT 2 · ARMED CONFLICT

Drone Attack Near Resistance Battalion Security Gate in Pakokku Kills Two Civilians

WHAT HAPPENED According to the information officer of the 4th Battalion, Company 1 in Pakokku District, junta forces attacked the battalion's security gate with three drones on November 16, killing a father (45) and his son (18) from Htun Kyay village. Two kamikaze drones then struck a civilian-owned shop near the gate, destroying the building.

WHERE AND WHEN Pakokku (Magway) · 16 Nov · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Drone attack; two civilians reported killed.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - single outlet: DVB Burmese (relaying the military's own account (state media or a military statement)) (an outlet rated High for reliability). Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

P2 HIGH EVENT 3 · ARMED CONFLICT

Former militia leader and KTV owner killed at home in Zigon

WHAT HAPPENED Ko Zaw Wan (alias Wet Tho), a former militia leader and owner of Thanyawzin KTV, was reported killed at his home in Zigon with more than 20 stab wounds. Local residents attribute the killing to personal disputes over women, while a PDF member cited the victim's oppression of civilians and alignment with the SAC.

WHERE AND WHEN Zigon (Bago) · 16 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS One person reported killed (stabbed).

CONFIDENCE LOW - single outlet: Myaelatt Athan. Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

P1 CRITICAL EVENT 4 · HUMANITARIAN

Military Four Cuts strategy causes humanitarian crisis in Chin-Magway border

WHAT HAPPENED The Myanmar Military has employed the 'Four Cuts' strategy and offensives since May to retake Kanpetlet, Mindat, and Kyin Dwe, leaving thousands of displaced persons facing food and health crises. Additionally, airstrikes in Ponnagyun Township on November 13 killed 12 civilians and destroyed five bridges on November 14.

WHERE AND WHEN Kanpetlet, Mindat (Chin) · Ponnagyun (Rakhine) · 13 Nov · reported 16 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS 12 civilians reported killed in an airstrike, per aapp.

CONFIDENCE LOW - single outlet: Khonumthung News (relaying the account of AAPP). Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

P2 HIGH EVENT 5 · INTERNATIONAL

UN Secretary-General Calls for Release of Aung San Suu Kyi

WHAT HAPPENED UN Secretary-General António Guterres called for the immediate and unconditional release of Aung San Suu Kyi and all political prisoners during a press conference in Manila. He also urged the junta to allow unhindered humanitarian aid and condemned airstrikes causing civilian casualties.

WHERE AND WHEN Not located · 16 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS ASEAN's agreement to pursue calibrated engagement, which the UN chief did not oppose while saying violence must stop, could shift the bloc toward normalising relations with the junta (Event 5).

CONFIDENCE HIGH - reported by 4 independent outlets (Bangkok Post, DVB English, Myanmar Now, RFA, The Irrawaddy); The Irrawaddy carries the same report as Myanmar Now. Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

P2 HIGH EVENT 6 · HUMAN RIGHTS

ICJ to Rule on Whether Myanmar Military Committed Genocide Against Rohingya

WHAT HAPPENED The International Court of Justice will rule on November 19 regarding whether Myanmar's 2017 military campaign against the Rohingya constituted genocide. The ruling is expected to provide legal guidance on proving genocidal intent and state responsibility, potentially impacting other international cases including those regarding Gaza.

WHERE AND WHEN Not located · scheduled for 19 Nov · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Notable development.

CONFIDENCE HIGH - reported by 3 independent outlets (DVB Burmese, Rohingya Khobor, The Straits Times).

Security and conflict situation

Military activity, airstrikes and territorial developments not covered above.

P2 HIGH EVENT 7 · ARMED CONFLICT

Junta Airstrike Injures Two Civilians at Agricultural Science Institute in Kyauktaw

WHAT HAPPENED At least three junta jet fighters dropped five or more 500-pound bombs on the Agricultural Science Institute in Kyauktaw town on November 16, injuring two civilians. The attacks have caused widespread fear and disrupted daily life, with residents reporting frequent aerial bombardments of civilian areas.

WHERE AND WHEN Kyauktaw (Rakhine) · 16 Nov · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Airstrike or drone strike; civilians harmed.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - reported by 2 independent outlets (DMG, The Irrawaddy).

P2 HIGH EVENT 13 · ARMED CONFLICT

Myanmar Military Airstrikes Kill Nine Civilians Across Four States and Region

WHAT HAPPENED From November 15 to 17, the Myanmar Military conducted airstrikes targeting civilians and churches in Karenni, Rakhine, Karen, Mon states, and Tanintharyi Region, resulting in nine deaths and 29 injuries. Notable attacks included the destruction of churches in Demoso and Hpapun, and strikes in NMSP-controlled Mon State.

WHERE AND WHEN Hpapun (Karen) · Demoso (Karenni) · date not stated in reports · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Airstrike or drone strike; civilians harmed.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - single outlet: Myanmar Now (an outlet rated High for reliability).

P2 HIGH EVENT 18 · ARMED CONFLICT

Myanmar Military Destroys Seven Public Bridges in AA Controlled Rakhine State

WHAT HAPPENED Between September 1 and November 17, the Myanmar Military used airstrikes and mines to destroy at least seven public bridges in areas controlled by the AA in Rakhine State, including targets in Kyauktaw and Minbya. These attacks have caused civilian casualties, disrupted goods transport, and hindered emergency healthcare access.

WHERE AND WHEN Kyauktaw, Minbya (Rakhine) · date not stated in reports · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Airstrike or drone strike; casualties reported (killed or wounded).

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - single outlet: DVB Burmese (an outlet rated High for reliability). Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

P2 HIGH EVENT 23 · ARMED CONFLICT

PDF-Zoland Launches Mine Attack on Convoy Carrying Major General Kyaw Kyaw Han

WHAT HAPPENED PDF-Zoland launched a mine attack on a convoy of seven cars and one Skat vehicle traveling from Falam to Tedim. The convoy included Deputy Minister of Border Affairs Major General Kyaw Kyaw Han and approximately 25 personnel; casualties are currently being verified.

WHERE AND WHEN Falam, Tedim (Chin) · date not stated in reports · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Casualties reported (killed or wounded).

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - single outlet: DVB Burmese (relaying the account of PDF-Zoland) (an outlet rated High for reliability). Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

No.	Priority	Development	Where / when	Outlets
24	P2 HIGH	**Myanmar Military Airstrike Hits Monastery in Taung Phila Village Injuring Two** Airstrike or drone strike; civilians harmed	Chaung-U, Monywa (Sagaing) 16 Nov	1 (DVB Burmese)
27	P2 HIGH	**Myanmar Military Airstrikes Kill Five Civilians in Mon State** Airstrike or drone strike; civilians harmed	Mon 15 Nov	1 (KIC)
28	P2 HIGH	**Myanmar Military Airstrike Kills One Woman in Mindon Township** Airstrike or drone strike; civilians harmed	Mindon (Magway) 16 Nov	1 (Myaelatt Athan)
29	P2 HIGH	**Intense Fighting Between Myanmar Military and KNLA in Myawaddy Township** Casualties reported (killed or wounded)	Myawaddy (Karen) 15 Nov	1 (KIC)
31	P2 HIGH	**Intense Fighting and Airstrikes Between Myanmar Military and AA in Sittwe** Airstrike or drone strike	Sittwe (Rakhine) date not stated in reports	1 (Ayar Times)
33	P2 HIGH	**Myanmar Military Burns Homes and Launches Airstrikes in Kawlin and Kanbalu** Airstrike or drone strike	Kanbalu, Kawlin (Sagaing) date not stated in reports	1 (Ayar Times)
40	P2 HIGH	**Junta conducts airstrikes in Kyauktaw and Anjanapura townships** Airstrike or drone strike	Kyauktaw (Rakhine) 14 Nov	1 (DMG)
41	P3 MONITORING	**Analysis of Stability and Potential for Renewed Conflict in Northern Shan** Routine or local report	Shan date not stated in reports	1 (The Irrawaddy)
47	P3 MONITORING	**KPF Captures Militia Officer and Two Soldiers in Kachin State** Routine or local report	Khaunglanhpu (Kachin) 11 Nov · earlier development	1 (Myanmar Now)
49	P3 MONITORING	**Junta Forces Allegedly Force Soldiers to Use Drugs in Kanbalu** Routine or local report	Kanbalu (Sagaing) date not stated in reports	1 (DVB Burmese)
55	P3 MONITORING	**Arakan Army Warns of Retaliation Over Junta Attacks on Civilians** Routine or local report	Mrauk-U, Ponnagyun (Rakhine) 17 Nov	1 (DMG)

Political, humanitarian and economic updates

Non-military developments not covered above.

P2 HIGH EVENT 8 · ECONOMY

Heavy Rains Destroy Onion Crops in Sagaing and Magway Driving Prices

WHAT HAPPENED Continuous heavy rainfall and flooding in Sagaing and Magway regions, specifically in Pakokku and Monywa, have destroyed onion plantations and nurseries. This supply shortage has caused onion prices to spike, with some varieties rising from 8,500-10,400 kyats to 14,500-20,000 kyats per viss as of November 14.

WHERE AND WHEN Pakokku (Magway) · Monywa (Sagaing) · date not stated in reports · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Economic development.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - single outlet: DVB Burmese (an outlet rated High for reliability).

P2 HIGH EVENT 9 · HUMANITARIAN

Floods Destroy Over 2,000 Acres of Paddy in Southern Shan

WHAT HAPPENED Torrential rains between November 8 and 14 caused widespread flooding and landslides across seven townships in Southern Shan State, including Mongnai, Laihka, and Nyaungshwe. The floods destroyed over 2,000 acres of paddy and displaced more than 700 people, with Taunggyi recording its highest single-day rainfall in 52 years.

WHERE AND WHEN Laihka, Mongnai, Nyaungshwe (Shan) · 08 Nov · earlier development · reported 17 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Civilians harmed; 700 reported displaced.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - one independent source: DVB Burmese, DVB English; DVB Burmese carries the same report as DVB English (an outlet rated High for reliability).

P2 HIGH EVENT 10 · INTERNATIONAL

KNU and KNPP Reject Separate Peace Talks with Military Regime

WHAT HAPPENED The KNU and KNPP have rejected Thailand's proposal for separate peace talks with the Myanmar military regime, insisting that any negotiations be conducted collectively through the Steering Council for the Emergence of a Federal Democratic Union (SCEF). The KNU further conditioned dialogue on the regime curbing violence and allowing humanitarian aid access.

WHERE AND WHEN Sagaing · 16 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Diplomatic development.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - one account: all reports (DVB English, KIC) relay the account of KNU (an outlet rated High for reliability). Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

P2 HIGH EVENT 11 · INTERNATIONAL

Malaysia Urges ASEAN to Increase Diplomatic Engagement With Myanmar

WHAT HAPPENED Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim urged ASEAN member states to increase diplomatic engagement with Myanmar to ease internal tensions and restore stability. He advocated for inclusive diplomatic channels involving non-state stakeholders and reaffirmed support for the Five-Point Consensus.

WHERE AND WHEN Not located · date not stated in reports · reported 16 Nov

WHY IT MATTERS Diplomatic development.

CONFIDENCE MODERATE - one account: all reports (DVB English, RFA) relay the account of Malaysia (an outlet rated High for reliability). Figures and claims are the sources' own and not independently verified.

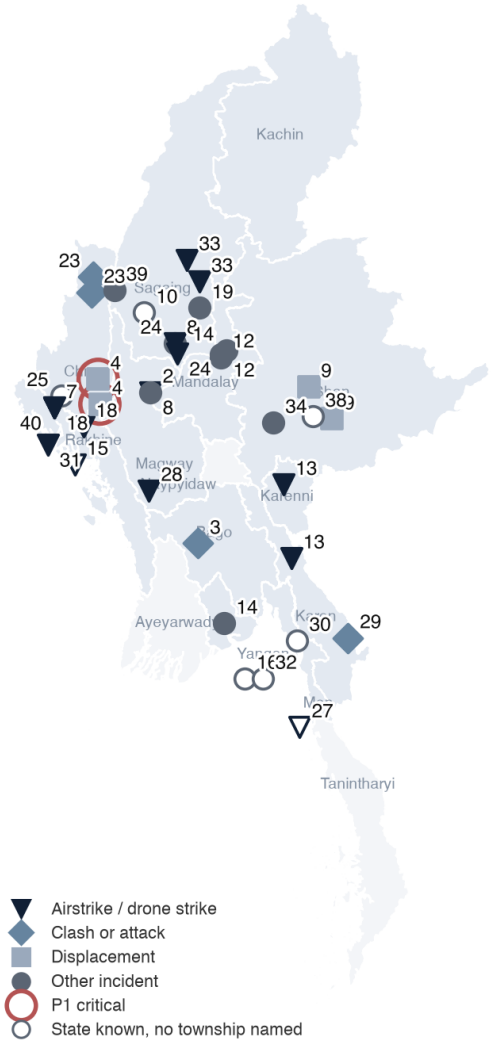
No.	Priority	Development	Where / when	Outlets
12	P2 HIGH	**Militia Members Accused of Extortion and Forced Conscription in Mandalay** Notable development	Amarapura, Pyigyitagon (Mandalay) date not stated in reports	1 (RFA)
14	P2 HIGH	**Man Arrested for Robberies and Killing Three People in Mandalay** 3 reported killed	Patheingyi (Mandalay) · Yankin (Yangon) date not stated in reports	1 (DVB Burmese)
15	P2 HIGH	**Report on Attacks Against Health Care and Facilities in Myanmar** Airstrike or drone strike; civilians harmed	Rakhine 16 Oct · earlier development	1 (ReliefWeb)

No.	Priority	Development	Where / when	Outlets
16	P2 HIGH	**Thai and Chinese Onions Enter Myanmar Markets Amid Rising Domestic Prices** Economic development	Yangon date not stated in reports	1 (The Irrawaddy (Burmese))
17	P2 HIGH	**Junta Labor Minister Seeks Foreign Currency Remittances From Workers in Malaysia** Economic development	Not located date not stated in reports	1 (The Irrawaddy)
19	P2 HIGH	**Floods Cause Crop Damage and Humanitarian Crisis in Khin-U** Civilians harmed	Khin-U (Sagaing) · Singu (Mandalay) date not stated in reports	1 (DVB Burmese)
20	P2 HIGH	**Deutsche Bank Approved Halliburton Financing Linked to Myanmar Military Junta** Economic development	Not located date not stated in reports	1 (Myanmar Now)
21	P2 HIGH	**UN Secretary-General Warns Myanmar Humanitarian Crisis is Becoming Intolerable** Civilians harmed	Nationwide date not stated in reports	1 (DVB Burmese)
22	P2 HIGH	**Analysis of Singapore Potential Approach as 2027 ASEAN Chair** Diplomatic development	Not located date not stated in reports	1 (DVB Burmese)
25	P2 HIGH	**Bo Kyi Supports War Crimes Case Against Myanmar Military in Philippines** Notable development	Chin 15 Nov	1 (DVB English)
26	P2 HIGH	**Min Aung Hlaing Faces Criminal Charges in ICC and Six Countries** Civilians harmed; notable development	Nationwide date not stated in reports	1 (The Irrawaddy (Burmese))
30	P2 HIGH	**US Offers Reward for Information on Tai Chang Scam Centers** Diplomatic development	Karen date not stated in reports	1 (SHAN)
32	P2 HIGH	**Locals Resist Forced Conscription Arrests in Nay Pyi Taw and Yangon** Civilians harmed	Yangon date not stated in reports	1 (Ayar Times)
34	P2 HIGH	**Women's Groups Criticize ASEAN Envoy for Delivering Aid via Military Junta** Diplomatic development	Taunggyi (Shan) 28 Oct · earlier development	1 (Ayar Times)
35	P2 HIGH	**ASEAN Leaders Consider Restoring Myanmar's Political Representation Based on Consensus Progress** Diplomatic development	Not located date not stated in reports	1 (Ayar Times)
36	P2 HIGH	**Thailand Urges ASEAN to Restore Formal Political Engagement with Myanmar** Diplomatic development	Not located 16 Nov	1 (Bangkok Post)
38	P2 HIGH	**Flooding in Pungeing causes paddy price drops in Shan State** Economic development	Shan date not stated in reports	1 (SHAN)
39	P2 HIGH	**Seven arrested with 39.38 kg of heroin near Kalay town** Notable development	Kalay (Sagaing) · Tedim (Chin) · Kutkai (Shan) date not stated in reports	1 (Khonumthung News)
42	P3 MONITORING	**Ministry Warns Regular Power Supply Uncertain for Next Twenty Years** Routine or local report	Nationwide date not stated in reports	1 (DVB Burmese)
43	P3 MONITORING	**Myanmar Military Arrests 106 Suspected Online Scammers in Yangon** Routine or local report	Thaketa (Yangon) date not stated in reports	1 (Myanmar Now)
44	P3 MONITORING	**Karenni Joint Forces Launch Coordinated Anti-Drug Operation in Karenni State** Routine or local report	Karenni 12 Nov · earlier development	1 (DVB Burmese)

No.	Priority	Development	Where / when	Outlets
45	P3 MONITORING	**Police Chief Orders Action Against Stations Refusing Public Complaints** Routine or local report	Bahan (Yangon) 13 Nov	1 (DVB Burmese)
46	P3 MONITORING	**Myanmar Military Begins 30th Conscription Intake Amid Bribery Reports** Routine or local report	Mandalay date not stated in reports	1 (DVB English)
48	P3 MONITORING	**Analysis of Spring Revolution and Military Failure to Establish Democracy** Routine or local report	Ngazun (Mandalay) 19 Jun · earlier development	1 (Myanmar Now)
50	P3 MONITORING	**Analysis of China's Proposed High Level Autonomy Model for Myanmar** Routine or local report	Mongla (Shan) date not stated in reports	1 (The Irrawaddy (Burmese))
51	P3 MONITORING	**Two Men Throw Sound Bomb at Bar in Muse** Routine or local report	Shan 16 Nov	1 (SHAN)
52	P3 MONITORING	**Myanmar Military Arrests Eleven People in Yangon Over One Week** Routine or local report	Yangon date not stated in reports	1 (Ayar Times)
53	P3 MONITORING	**Analysis of Min Aung Hlaing's Constitutional Amendments to Establish Family Dynasty** Routine or local report	Not located date not stated in reports	1 (Ayar Times)
54	P3 MONITORING	**Rice Shortages and Rising Food Prices Reported in Taungup Rakhine State** Routine or local report	Rakhine 15 Nov	1 (DMG)
56	P3 MONITORING	**DPLA executes man for raping and killing girl in Lawksawk** Routine or local report	Lawksawk (Shan) date not stated in reports	1 (SHAN)
57	P3 MONITORING	**CPU/CPA pledges to accelerate military and political operations with allies** Routine or local report	Chin date not stated in reports	1 (Khonumthung News)

Regional situation

Where the day's events were reported. Event numbers refer to the pages before.



Region	Events	P1/P2
Rakhine	7	5
Shan	7	3
Sagaing	6	5
Yangon	5	2
Chin	4	3
Mandalay	3	1
Magway	2	2
Karen	2	2
Bago	1	1
Mon	1	1
Karenni	1	0
Kachin	1	0

15 events name no locatable place (nationwide, international or unstated) and are not mapped.

Intelligence assessment and watchlist

Implications, uncertainties and what to monitor in the next 24-72 hours.

International pressure remains high with the upcoming ICJ ruling and UN demands for prisoner releases, yet diplomatic approaches are diverging between ASEAN members and the UN. The military continues airstrikes, which analysts and relief workers cited in the reports link to ground losses, particularly in Rakhine state. Economic stability is further threatened by a combination of weather-driven agricultural failure and sanctions-induced currency gaps.

Key information gaps

- The number of casualties in the attack on Major General Kyaw Kyaw Han's convoy is not established, as they are currently being verified (Event 23).
- Regarding the drone attacks in Pakokku, the deaths of a father and son are reported only by the information officer of the battalion whose gate was attacked, who blames junta drones (Event 2).
- In the killing of Ko Zaw Wan, local residents claim a personal dispute while a PDF member claims it was due to the victim's alignment with the SAC (Event 3).

Watchlist

1	The ICJ ruling on the genocide case against Myanmar on November 19 (Event 6).
2	Any response from the junta to the UN's call for the release of Aung San Suu Kyi (Event 5).
3	Potential ASEAN consensus on restoring Myanmar's political representation (Event 35).
4	Verification of casualties following the PDF-Zoland mine attack on Major General Kyaw Kyaw Han's convoy (Event 23).

Scheduled dates

19 Nov	International Court of Justice rules in The Gambia v. Myanmar (Rohingya genocide case)

Dates announced in earlier reports (platform calendar), next 14 days.

Sources and method

69 analysed reports collected in the window (16 Nov 21:30 - 17 Nov 2026 21:30 Myanmar time), grouped into 55 events with the weekly report's clustering; 3 were carried by two or more independent outlets. Event numbers missing from the cards were merged into another event or dropped by the review. Events each outlet carried (an outlet is counted once per event, so these do not add up to the reports, which include copies and reports of events outside the window): DVB Burmese 15, Ayar Times 7, DVB English 6, Myanmar Now 6, The Irrawaddy 4, DMG 4, SHAN 4, Khonumthung News 3, RFA 3, KIC 3, The Irrawaddy (Burmese) 3, Myaelatt Athan 2, Bangkok Post 2, Rohingya Khobor 1, The Straits Times 1, ReliefWeb 1.

Priority: P1 critical = 10 or more reported killed, a change of control reported by two or more outlets, a major political development reported by two or more outlets, or 5,000 or more displaced. P2 high = fighting with deaths, airstrikes, harm to civilians, a claimed change of control, displacement, or a significant diplomatic, economic or political development. P3 monitoring = other reports. Confidence: HIGH = three or more independent outlets, MODERATE = two, LOW = one; when every report of an event relays one party's account (state media, say), it counts as one source. A single source is MODERATE when an outlet behind it is rated High or better (4.0+) for reliability in the platform's source register, since one outlet reporting alone may simply have a source others lack. Figures are as reported; the platform does not verify claims independently. Headline, assessment and watchlist are written by the platform's language model from these events only. Most outlets are exile or resistance-aligned media.