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Executive Summary

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ANNEX: COLLECTED ARTICLES BY SOURCE

Source: Democratic Voice of Burma

- [Rescuers race to reach 7 trapped in a Laos cave after flash floods block exit](#) (2026-05-26 05:33)

Rescuers are racing against time to reach seven people who have been trapped in a cave in central Laos since last week. A group of villagers in Xaisomboun province went into the cave to look for gold on May 19, but heavy rain triggered flash flooding that blocked the exit, according to Laos and Thai [...] The post Rescuers race to reach 7 trapped in a Laos cave after flash floods block exit appeared first on DVB.

- [Cambodia's new conscription law takes effect in wake of conflict with Thailand](#) (2026-05-26 05:24)

Cambodia's new conscription law, which establishes penalties of up to five years in prison for those who evade military service, has come into effect, the country's Prime Minister Hun Manet said Monday. The law was signed on Saturday by Senate president Hun Sen in his capacity as acting head of state while King Norodom Sihamoni [...] The post Cambodia's new conscription law takes effect in wake of conflict with Thailand appeared first on DVB.

- [Cambodian king pardons former opposition leader](#) (2026-05-26 05:14)

Cambodia's king has pardoned former opposition leader Kem Sokha for a treason conviction, just weeks after he lost an appeal to overturn that verdict, according to a royal decree released on Monday. Kem Sokha, 72, co-founder of the defunct Cambodia National Rescue Party (CNRP), has been held under house arrest since he was found guilty of treason [...] The post Cambodian king pardons former opposition leader appeared first on DVB.

- [Two killed by airstrikes during Chin State counteroffensive; Middle East crisis deepening hunger in Myanmar](#) (2026-05-25 23:26)

Two killed by airstrikes during Chin State counteroffensive The Chin People's Army (CPA), which is the armed wing of the Chin People's Union (CPU), stated on Saturday that two civilians were killed by airstrikes carried out by the Burma Air Force in Chin State's Matupi Township on May 19. It added that a total of [...] The post Two killed by airstrikes during Chin State counteroffensive; Middle East crisis deepening hunger in Myanmar appeared first on DVB.

- [Chiang Mai kicks off Thailand's 2026 Pride season with push for an 'Inclusive City'](#) (2026-05-25 21:56)

Thousands of activists, residents, and allies took to the streets on May 24 as Chiang Mai officially became the first city in Thailand to kick off the 2026 Pride season. Marching under the theme “Inclusive City,” participants celebrated recent legislative victories while calling for greater equality and comprehensive legal protections for LGBTQ+ communities nationwide. Beyond [...] The post Chiang Mai kicks off Thailand’s 2026 Pride season with push for an ‘Inclusive City’ appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar military steps up fight for rare earth area and border routes](#) (2026-05-25 21:33)

Myanmar’s military has launched renewed offensives into several border regions, including a frontier area with critical rare earth deposits and other vital trade routes, a month after a new pro-military administration took formal control of the war-torn country. New military chief Ye Win Oo, who took office in March after his long-time predecessor stepped down to [...] The post Myanmar military steps up fight for rare earth area and border routes appeared first on DVB.

- [Veteran activist wins Citizen of Burma Award 2026; Fortify Rights urges ICC to issue warrant for ARSA leader](#) (2026-05-24 23:43)

Veteran activist wins Citizen of Burma Award 2026 Pro-democracy activist and former political prisoner Min Ko Naing was honored with the Citizen of Burma Award 2026 by the U.S.-based organization of the same name in Chiang Mai, Thailand, on Saturday. Min Ko Naing, which means “Conqueror of Kings,” was born Paw Oo Tun. He fled [...] The post Veteran activist wins Citizen of Burma Award 2026; Fortify Rights urges ICC to issue warrant for ARSA leader appeared first on DVB.

- [Bangladesh offers sweetened terms in offshore tender to tackle energy crunch](#) (2026-05-24 15:45)

Bangladesh launched an international tender on Sunday for oil and gas exploration in 26 offshore blocks in the Bay of Bengal, offering more attractive terms to foreign companies as it seeks to tackle worsening domestic gas shortages and reduce reliance on costly LNG imports. The South Asian country has faced declining gas reserves and rising [...] The post Bangladesh offers sweetened terms in offshore tender to tackle energy crunch appeared first on DVB.

- [Veteran activist Min Ko Naing honored with 17th Citizen of Burma Award](#) (2026-05-24 08:20)

Prominent Myanmar pro-democracy leader Min Ko Naing was named the recipient of the 17th Citizen of Burma Award during a ceremony held at the Chiang Mai University Convention Center in Thailand on Saturday. Established in 2010 by the U.S.-based Citizen of Burma Award Organization, the annual accolade recognizes individuals and organizations that make outstanding self-sacrifices [...] The post Veteran activist Min Ko Naing honored with 17th Citizen of Burma Award appeared first on DVB.

- [A letter to UN Special Envoy Julie Bishop during her visit to Myanmar](#) (2026-05-23 23:06)

Conscience at the Threshold of Silence Guest contributor Alan Clements Dear Ms. Bishop, Warm greetings. You are preparing once again to enter Myanmar—your fourth visit as the United Nations Special Envoy to a country shattered by military terror and yet still illuminated by the extraordinary courage and resilience of its people. Few diplomatic journeys in [...] The post A letter to UN Special Envoy Julie Bishop during her visit to Myanmar appeared first on DVB.

- [A look at the International Criminal Court after charges brought against Philippine senator](#) (2026-05-23 05:36)

Efforts to arrest a Philippine senator wanted by the International Criminal Court (ICC) on a charge of murder as a crime against humanity led to a burst of gunfire on May 13 and a standoff in the Senate building. No one was hurt during the tense scene in Manila. It came two days after the [...] The post A look at the International Criminal Court after charges brought against Philippine senator appeared first on DVB.

- [Philippines vows to arrest fugitive senator wanted by ICC ‘without delay’](#) (2026-05-23 05:24)

The Philippines’ National Bureau of Investigation said on Thursday it would apprehend a top politician wanted by the International Criminal Court (ICC) “without delay” , a day after a court rejected his petition seeking to block his arrest. The justice minister earlier on Thursday gave the green light for law enforcement agencies to arrest Senator Ronald “Bato” dela Rosa, the [...] The post Philippines vows to arrest fugitive senator wanted by ICC ‘without delay’ appeared first on DVB.

- [Why ASEAN must stop lending legitimacy and drop the junta](#) (2026-05-23 05:03)

Guest contributor Khin Ohmar Five years ago, Myanmar’ s military staged an illegal coup attempt, illegally arresting and imprisoning legitimately elected leaders on bogus charges. Since then, this junta has killed over 17,871 civilians across 328 of Myanmar’ s 330 townships, conducted 9,794 aerial bombardments, and displaced more than 3.7 million people. Twelve million more face acute [...] The post Why ASEAN must stop lending legitimacy and drop the junta appeared first on DVB.

- [India-Myanmar military ties solidify as Chin State burns](#) (2026-05-22 23:31)

Guest contributor Shalini Perumal While diplomacy in Naypyidaw rang with promises of regional stability, airstrikes in western Myanmar told a vastly different story. On May 4, 2026, Burma’ s newly appointed Commander-in-Chief, General Ye Win Oo, hosted a high-profile Indian military delegation led by Navy Chief Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi in the capital. As they gathered [...] The post India-Myanmar military ties solidify as Chin State burns appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar military recaptures two strategic border towns](#) (2026-05-22 11:26)

The regime in Naypyidaw states it has regained control of two towns near the borders of India and Thailand on May 19-20, marking a significant advance in a counteroffensive against resistance forces, which seized 104 towns since the 2021 military coup. That number has dwindled to 80 as regime forces have recaptured 24 towns. Read [...] The post Myanmar military recaptures two strategic border towns appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar migrant worker identified among eight killed in Bangkok train-bus collision](#) (2026-05-22 09:01)

A 36-year-old Myanmar migrant worker, Aye Aye Myint, has been identified as one of the eight people killed in a devastating bus and freight train collision at the Makkasan level crossing in Bangkok, Thailand, on May 16. The crash also left more than 30 people injured. Aye Aye Myint, originally from Myanmar's Kyonhpe village in [...] The post Myanmar migrant worker identified among eight killed in Bangkok train-bus collision appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar exile artists showcase '4 Elements' exhibit in Thailand](#) (2026-05-22 07:48)

A new art exhibition titled 4 Elements is shining a spotlight on the resilience and creativity of Myanmar artists forced into exile. Hosted by the advocacy and arts collective A New Burma, the exhibition features painting, poetry, film, and performance art developed during a three-month residency in Chiang Mai, Thailand. The showcase, which opened on [...] The post Myanmar exile artists showcase '4 Elements' exhibit in Thailand appeared first on DVB.

- [Burma Campaign UK dismisses rumours on sanctions; Yacht firm prosecuted for Myanmar teak imports](#) (2026-05-22 00:44)

Burma Campaign UK dismisses rumours on sanctions Burma Campaign UK told DVB that the British government hasn't revealed any sanctions against the Arakan Army (AA) over its alleged mass killings and human rights violations against the Rohingya, as well as other ethnic minorities, in its territory. The rumors about possible sanctions against the AA emerged [...] The post Burma Campaign UK dismisses rumours on sanctions; Yacht firm prosecuted for Myanmar teak imports appeared first on DVB.

- [China shipped a little fuel to Southeast Asia in April but curbs still bite](#) (2026-05-21 22:21)

China exported small quantities of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel to Southeast Asia and other regions in April, as fuel exports fell to the lowest in a decade on Beijing's curbs to safeguard against energy market disruptions caused by the Iran war. China is Asia's fourth largest fuel exporter and its restrictions have further tightened [...] The post China shipped a little fuel to Southeast Asia in April but curbs still bite appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar military recaptures two strategic border towns](#) (2026-05-21 22:10)

Myanmar's pro-military administration in the capital Naypyidaw states it has regained control of two towns near the country's borders with India and Thailand, marking a significant advance in the civil war as it seeks to reassert control of regions long held by resistance forces.

A report in the regime-run Myanmar Alinn newspaper on Thursday said [...] The post Myanmar military recaptures two strategic border towns appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar introduces placement tests in bid to lure dropouts back to school](#) (2026-05-21 08:43)

Myanmar's regime in Naypyidaw has launched a new initiative to draw children who abandoned their education following the February 2021 coup back into the state school system, offering a specialized placement test for primary and middle school dropouts. Announced on Wednesday by the Ministry of Education's Department of Basic Education, the initiative targets children aged [...] The post Myanmar introduces placement tests in bid to lure dropouts back to school appeared first on DVB.

- [Martin Smith on Governance in Myanmar \[AUDIO\]](#) (2026-05-21 08:08)

This week, we share episodes 5-6 from season 2 of the Transnational Institute (TNI) series of interviews with author and journalist Martin Smith, whose work includes the book *Burma: Insurgency and the Politics of Ethnicity* and the documentary *Dying for Democracy*. Smith is the a co-founder of the Prospect Burma educational trust, a former independent expert [...] The post Martin Smith on Governance in Myanmar [AUDIO] appeared first on DVB.

- [Rising crime threatens tourism in Bagan's UNESCO World Heritage Site](#) (2026-05-21 05:45)

Residents of the UNESCO World Heritage site of Bagan are expressing mounting alarm over a severe decline in tourism, driven by a surge in crime and kidnappings orchestrated by unidentified armed groups in the surrounding areas. Nyaung-U Township residents, whose livelihoods depend heavily on the tourism industry, told DVB on the condition of anonymity that [...] The post Rising crime threatens tourism in Bagan's UNESCO World Heritage Site appeared first on DVB.

- [Former Civil Disobedience Movement members remain on 'blacklist' despite regime's reinstatement offer](#) (2026-05-21 05:30)

Civil servants who participated in the Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM) and recently attempted to rejoin the workforce in Naypyidaw report being subjected to intense surveillance, stringent travel restrictions, and arbitrary arrests, despite promises of amnesty from the military regime. Following a Jan. 31 announcement by the regime's National Defence and Security Council (NDSC), former civil [...] The post Former Civil Disobedience Movement members remain on 'blacklist' despite regime's reinstatement offer appeared first on DVB.

- [Military recaptures Myanmar-Thailand border town and regains control of another in northern Chin State](#) (2026-05-20 23:46)

Military recaptures Myanmar-Thailand border town Regime forces regained control of Tanintharyi Region's Mawtaung town in Myeik District from the Karen National Liberation

Army (KNLA), the armed wing of the Karen National Union (KNU), and reportedly killed 24 resistance members on Tuesday. Mawtaung, located along the Burma-Thailand border 248 miles (399 km) southeast of the Tanintharyi [...] The post Military recaptures Myanmar-Thailand border town and regains control of another in northern Chin State appeared first on DVB.

- [UK yacht firm prosecuted in US over ‘illegal’ Myanmar teak imports](#) (2026-05-20 07:02)

In a victory for environmental and human rights advocates, whistleblower group Justice For Myanmar (JFM) is applauding the successful prosecution of U.K. luxury yacht manufacturer Sunseeker International and its U.S. subsidiary for violating sanctions by importing Myanmar teak. The U.S. Department of Justice announced earlier this month that Sunseeker International Limited and Sunseeker USA Sales [...] The post UK yacht firm prosecuted in US over ‘illegal’ Myanmar teak imports appeared first on DVB.

- [Rights groups demand ASEAN reject Myanmar regime as Malaysia moves to restore ties](#) (2026-05-20 04:23)

A deep schism is emerging within the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) over how to handle Myanmar’s ongoing crisis since the 2021 military coup. As prominent human rights organizations issue scathing rebukes demanding the total isolation of the military regime following its “sham” elections, Malaysia is breaking ranks to actively restore diplomatic ties with [...] The post Rights groups demand ASEAN reject Myanmar regime as Malaysia moves to restore ties appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar’s scam centers just became a US national security threat](#) (2026-05-20 00:37)

Guest contributor James Shwe On May 19, a little noticed hearing in Washington quietly opened a new front in Myanmar’s struggle for freedom. The U.S. House Select Committee on the Strategic Competition between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party held a hearing on “China linked scam networks” and released a major report, Crime, Corruption, and [...] The post Myanmar’s scam centers just became a US national security threat appeared first on DVB.

- [Naypyidaw orders TNLA surrender 4 towns in Shan State; Min Aung Hlaing blames farmers for ‘failing’ yields](#) (2026-05-19 23:04)

Naypyidaw orders TNLA to surrender 4 towns in Shan State Sources close to the military regime in Naypyidaw told DVB that its officials demanded that leaders of the ethnic Palaung Ta’ ang National Liberation Army (TNLA) relinquish their control over northern Shan State’s Namhkam, Namtu, Mongngawt and Monglon towns, during a meeting between TNLA and the [...] The post Naypyidaw orders TNLA surrender 4 towns in Shan State; Min Aung Hlaing blames farmers for ‘failing’ yields appeared first on DVB.

- [Cardinal Bo draws attention to Myanmar’s ‘polycrisis’](#) (2026-05-19 12:55)

For the Church, the ‘still small voice’ of God speaking through the wind and fire must be heard Benedict Rogers for UCA News Just over ten days ago, in a characteristically brave and bold address to the Australian Catholic Bishops’ Conference in Sydney, Myanmar’ s Cardinal Charles Bo drew attention to what he called the “polycrisis” that has gripped his [...] The post Cardinal Bo draws attention to Myanmar’ s ‘polycrisis’ appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar actor demands ‘Proof of Life’ for Aung San Suu Kyi](#) (2026-05-19 12:08)

Myanmar actor Khar Ra, who walked away from a decade-long career in the entertainment industry to protest the 2021 military coup, has brought his fight for democracy to Canada. Recently arriving in the Canadian capital, the prominent star took a leading role in a protest outside the Myanmar Embassy and Parliament Hill in Ottawa. Read [...] The post Myanmar actor demands ‘Proof of Life’ for Aung San Suu Kyi appeared first on DVB.

- [Ta’ ang National Liberation Army told to surrender four towns in Shan State](#) (2026-05-19 07:25)

Sources close to the military told DVB that regime officials told leaders of the ethnic Palaung Ta’ ang National Liberation Army (TNLA) to relinquish their control over northern Shan State’ s Namhkam, Namtu, Mongngawt and Monglon towns, during a meeting between TNLA and the regime in Kunming, China, on May 12. A regime official told DVB on [...] The post Ta’ ang National Liberation Army told to surrender four towns in Shan State appeared first on DVB.

- [Myanmar artist Chuu Wai paints ‘Together We Build’ mural to depict migrant solidarity in Thailand](#) (2026-05-19 05:47)

A new public art installation celebrating the resilience, dignity, and indispensable contributions of migrant workers from Myanmar in Thailand is set to be unveiled on May 23. Titled Together We Build / , the ambitious mural is the latest project by Chuu Wai, one of Myanmar’ s most prominent contemporary women artists. Teaming up once [...] The post Myanmar artist Chuu Wai paints ‘Together We Build’ mural to depict migrant solidarity in Thailand appeared first on DVB.

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Source: Myanmar Now

- [Bank licensed by TNLA set to begin operations in June](#) (2026-05-25 08:48)

The move comes as the ethnic Ta' ang armed group continues to face pressure over control of captured territory

- [Thousands flee as Myanmar regime forces raid villages near Bagan](#) (2026-05-25 07:29)

Local residents say the level of displacement in the area is the worst they have ever seen, with nearly 20,000 now left homeless

- [Two civilians killed as Myanmar junta escalates offensives north of Monywa](#) (2026-05-22 09:36)

The victims were fleeing advancing regime forces when a gyrocopter dropped an explosive on their vehicle, sources said

- [Fears of deportation put Myanmar workers at risk of exploitation in Thailand, say experts](#) (2026-05-22 07:36)

Victims of abuse know their immigration status often matters more to Thai authorities, making them reluctant to seek help

- [Myanmar resistance forces lose towns on India, Thai borders](#) (2026-05-21 10:50)

The fall of Tonzang in Chin State and Mawdaung in Tanintharyi Region come as the junta continues to use overwhelming force to retake territory across the country

- [KIA drone strike kills Myanmar junta troops near Hpakant](#) (2026-05-21 07:26)

The regime forces were reportedly preparing to launch an offensive on a KIA-controlled village when they came under attack

- [UN special envoy to visit Myanmar amid junta push for international legitimacy](#) (2026-05-21 06:09)

It will be Julie Bishop's fourth visit to the country in her UN role, and her first since the regime's formation of a nominally civilian administration

- [UN says \\$610m shortfall in life-saving Rohingya refugee aid](#) (2026-05-21 04:32)

Bangladesh registered more than 140,000 Rohingya arrivals in 2025, as many continue to flee violence in Myanmar

- [Myanmar resistance forces capture police station in Sagaing's Depayin Township](#) (2026-05-20 10:46)

The police station was used by the regime as a base of operations for troops carrying out attacks on civilian targets in the area

- [Buddhist abbot detained, beaten for defying Myanmar junta ally in Kachin State](#)
(2026-05-19 09:58)

The abbot was taken into regime custody last week for refusing to allow the Shanni Nationalities Army to station troops at his monastery