



The Republic of Union of Myanmar

National Unity Government

Ministry of Health

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1. The terrorist Military Junta repeatedly attacked the healthcare sector since the coup on 1st February 2021. Since the beginning of 2023, the inhumane attacks of the Military junta, targeted intentionally the health facilities, especially by means of the airstrike, were escalating.
2. During the first two months of 2023 (January and February), the Ministry of Health, National Unity Government issued the Statement on the inhumane airstrikes upon the hospitals in Myanmar with the announcement 2/2023 on 28th February 2023.
3. The terrorist Military increasingly attacked and launched airstrikes in April 2023. As the result of airstrikes on 11th April 2023 at Pa Zi Gyi Village, Kanbalu township, Sagaing Region, a total of 168 civilians were dead including children, pregnant women, and aged people, and 16 civilians were severely injured.

4. The following attacks on the health sector have been found during the first 18 days of April 2023 by the Military Junta;
 - 4.1 The soldiers of the terrorist Military destroyed and burnt down the outpatient department, two patient-wards, a drug store, and the operation theater at Nyaung Pin Thar Hospital situated in Tigyaing Township, Katha District, Sagaing Region on 2nd April 2023.
 - 4.2 On 5th April 2023, the terrorist Military Council launched airstrikes three times and heavy artillery attacks resulting in the destruction of Si Thar Station hospital, school, and about 20 houses at Si Thar village, Shwe Gu township, Kachin state. Si Thar Station Hospital was totally destroyed and all the medicines and medical equipment were lost.
 - 4.3 There was an incident on 7th April 2023 at a frontline place of the Karenni and Shan border area while the emergency medical team has been providing health services, the terrorist junta launches airstrikes at least five times without any combat attack in the place, causing the death of two healthcare workers at the scene, three healthcare workers were injured and four motorcars including the ambulance were also broken.
 - 4.4 On 18th April 2023, the terrorist junta attacked the Man Gyi Kan hospital situated in Man Gyi Kan village, Myaing township, Magway Region by airstrike with Mi 35 then dropped troops and raided. The terrorist military council fired and destroyed this hospital resulting in the destruction of the hospital donated by the people of Japan for the Japan-Myanmar friendship including medicines, medical equipment and the X-Ray machine of about 800 Lakh MMK. A 15-year-old boy was

killed by the junta, and also a total of 100 people including the patients, patient attendances, and the villagers, were hostaged and the houses, motorcars, and motorcycles were also destroyed. On 19th April 2023, the junta council attacked the Man Gyi Kan village again with Mi 35 and arbitrarily brought 15 innocent civilians.

5. From 1 February 2021 to 28 February 2023, the military junta brutally killed (70) healthcare workers, arrested (836) healthcare workers, occupied, attacked and destroyed health facilities (188 times), destroyed (59) ambulances, and stolen or highjacked (49) ambulances.

(Reference: <https://insecurityinsight.org/country-pages/myanmar>)

6. Those inhumane attacks of the terrorist military, targeted intentionally the health facilities and health system, are breaking Geneva Conventions, the UN Security Council's Resolutions, and International Humanitarian and Human Rights laws. We strongly urge the international community to take urgent action in order to immediately halt the military junta's escalating war crimes and crimes against humanity in Myanmar.
7. Despite many difficulties and challenges the Ministry of Health, the National Unity Government is facing, we will put our ultimate effort to continue providing our services together with our heroes, healthcare professionals. Until the military dictatorship is uprooted and we, together with the public, will strive towards building a Federal Democratic Union.

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