



Incident Report

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Toungoo Incident Report: Car accident injured people in Thandaunggyi Township, July 2017

This Incident Report describes a car accident that occurred at the crossroad between E--- village and Thandaunggyi Town that killed one person and injured eight people from E--- village, Thandaunggyi Township, Toungoo District. The car is owned by Lance Corporal Aung Min Naing from Tatmadaw Bu Yin Naung army camp. However, his car was driven by an unknown person. The driver of the car hit Naw O--- and broke her left hand and left rib but she has not received proper treatment for her injuries.

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The following Incident Report was written by (1) a community member in Toungoo District who has been trained by KHRG to monitor local human rights conditions. It is presented below translated exactly as originally written, save for minor edits for clarity and security.¹ This report was received in July 2017 along with other information from Toungoo District, including one other incident report, nine interviews, one situation update, 186 photographs and 4 video clips.²

Part 1 – Incident Details

Type of Incident	Car accident
Date of Incident(s)	July 7 th 2017

¹ KHRG trains community members in southeastern Burma/Myanmar to document individual incidents of abuse using a standardised reporting format; conduct interviews with other villagers; and write general updates on the situation in areas with which they are familiar. When writing incident reports, community members are encouraged to document incidents of abuse that they consider to be important, by verifying information from multiple sources, assessing for potential biases and comparing to local trends.

² In order to increase the transparency of KHRG methodology and more directly communicate the experiences and perspectives of villagers in southeastern Burma/Myanmar, KHRG aims to make all field information received available on the KHRG website once it has been processed and translated, subject only to security considerations. For additional reports categorised by Type, Issue, Location and Year, please see the Related Readings component following each report on KHRG’s website.

Incident Location (Village, Township and District)	Crossroad between Taw Pya Gyi village and Thandaunggyi Town, Thandaunggyi Township, Toungoo District
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Victim Information	
Name	Naw O---
Age	52
Sex	Female
Nationality	Karen
Family	Yes
Occupation	Plantation worker
Religion	Christian
Position	Villager
Village	E---

Perpetrator Information				
Name(s)	Rank	Unit	Base	Commander's Name
Aung Min Naing	Lance Corporal	Bu Yin Naung military [Tatmadaw]	Bu Yin Naung military camp, Thandaunggyi Township	Maj. General Soe Tint Naing

Part 2 - Information Quality

1. Explain in detail how you collected this information.

I heard news of the incident from villagers so I went to meet with the injured villagers in E--- village to conduct this interview.

2. Explain how the source verified this information.

This news is true because a victim of the accident herself informed me about what happened and talked about her perspectives.

Part 3 – Complete Description of the Incident

Describe the Incident(s) in complete detail.

A car accident occurred on July 7th 2017 at the crossroad between E--- village and Thandaunggyi [Town], Thandaunggyi Township, Toungoo District. The car in this accident is owned by Tatmadaw Lance Corporal Aung Min Naing from Bu Yin Naung army camp. [However, the driver was not Aung Min Naing]. This car accident happened due to the careless driving by the individual who drove Aung Min Naing's car. One person died and eight people were injured in the accident. Naw O--- who is 52 years old was one of the eight people who were injured. Naw O--- was seriously injured from

the accident, as her left hand and one of her left ribs were broken. The injured people were sent to Bu Yin Naung military hospital on July 7th 2017 on the same day the accident happened. According X-ray results conducted by Bu Yin Naung military hospital, Naw O---'s left hand was broken. Nevertheless, Naw O--- was informed that she did not have to be hospitalised because the hospital determined it was a minor injury. She was provided with medication, bandages were applied to her [left] hand, and she was asked to return home and rest.

The medicines that were provided by the hospital are Paracetamol and pills for curing stomach problems. She made an appointment to go to Bu Yin Naung military hospital after 10 days. As her injury became more painful, she went to Toungoo Hospital instead. She was told that the medicines that were given to her by Bu Yin Naung military hospital were not fit to treat her condition so she was advised by doctor Naw Sha Yo Paw from Toungoo Hospital not to take that medicine anymore. Therefore, she stopped taking the medicines that were provided by the Bu Yin Naung military hospital.

All victims who were injured from this car accident were sent to Bu Yin Naung military hospital, which did a medical check with X-rays but told them they did not need to be hospitalised and asked them to go home. According to Naw O---, some victims thought that they had to be hospitalised, so they brought their beds and some basic things they might need [on the same day the accident happened] to the hospital but they were told that they did not have to. Villagers said that they [Aung Min Naing] did not provide any financial aid and take proper responsibility for their treatment.



This photo was taken on July 27th 2017 in E--- village, Thandaunggyi Township, Toungoo District. This show a photo of Naw O--- who was seriously injured since her left hand and one of her left ribs were broken from a car accident on the crossroads between E--- village and Thandaunggyi Town. *[Photo: KHRG]*

Part 4 - Permission for Using the Details

Did the victim(s) provide permission to use this information? Explain how that permission was provided.

The victim gave permission to use this information to let everyone know what happened and to maintain the truth.

Further background reading on the situation in Toungoo District can be found in the following KHRG reports:

- “Toungoo Incident Report: Killing Case in Thandaunggyi Township, January 2017,” (September 2017)
- “Toungoo Incident Report: Threats and arbitrary demands by Burma/Myanmar Police in Thandaunggyi Township,” March 2015
- “Toungoo Incident Report: Arbitrary arrest and detention, and violent abuse in Thandaunggyi Township, December 2005” (August 2014)
- “Toungoo Incident Report: Stone mining in Thandaunggyi Township, June 2013,” (July 2014)
- “Toungoo Incident Report: Tatmadaw transport rations and ammunition in Thandaunggyi Township, December 2013,” (May 2014)

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