

Country/entity	Myanmar
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Military Code of Conduct between the Government of Burma and Ethnic Armed Organisations (EAO) in Accordance with the National Ceasefire Agreement (NCA)
Date	18 Nov 2015
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Myanmar Conflict (1948 -)

Internal conflict, mostly along ethno-political fault lines, has been a constant feature of Myanmar since its independence in 1948. The conflict has two distinct dynamics. First a struggle between an authoritarian government and a pro-democracy opposition which has the characteristics of authoritarian conflicts; and second a struggle between the government and ethnic armed groups which has the characteristics of an identity conflict. The two oldest and strongest militias fighting the government are the Karen National Union (KNU), which has remained active since the late 1940s, and the Kachin Independence Organisation, which was formed in the early 1960s. In total, there are more than a dozen mostly ethnic-based guerrilla groups active throughout the country. Especially in the period of junta dictatorship that lasted until 2011 the government attempted to crush the rebellions, which led to numerous human rights violations. With the start of democratic reforms in the aftermath of the 2010 elections, peace negotiations have taken place and resulted in the signing of various agreements, although conflicts remain active.

Close
Myanmar Conflict (1948 -)

Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Myanmar ceasefires process with ethnic armed groups

Parties	<p>Government of Burma represented by Representatives of the Government</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lt. Gen. Ya Pyit, Commander, No. 2 Special Operation 2. U Khin Maung Soe, Union Minister 3. Lt. Gen. Ye Aung, Chief, Military Law 4. Maj. Gen. Tun Tun Naung, Commander, No. 1 Special Operation 5. Maj. Gen. Aung Kyaw Zaw, Commander, No. 3 Special Operation 6. Maj. Gen. Min Naung, Commander, No. 4 Special Operation 7. U Myint Soe, Retired Lt. Gen. 8. Maj. Gen. Aung Soe, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Interior 9. Col. Wun Na Aung, Office of the Ministry of Defense (Army) 10. Dr. Min Zaw Oo, Director, MPC <p>Ethnic Armed Organizations, represented by;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maj. Gen. Saw Isaac Poe, Quartermaster General, KNLA and Permanent Central Committee, KNU 2. Maj. Gen. Saw Nay Soe Mya, Adjutant General, KNU/KNLA (PC) 3. Dr. Shwe Kah, Joint Secretary, CNF 4. Col. Saw Kyaw Than Htay, Chief Liaison Officer, DKBA 5. Lt. Col. Khun Aung Mang, PNLO 6. Salai Yaw Aung, ABSDF 7. Lt. Col Khine Myo Chit, ALP 8. Col. Hsaung Han, RCSS 9. Padoh Saw Ta Doh Moo, KNU 10. Sai Liang, RCSS
Third parties	-
Description	Agreement affirming commitment to the National Ceasefire Agreement and affirming the parametres of conduct between government and Ethnic Armed Organisation groups.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation	No specific mention.
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Equality	No specific mention.
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Particular groups of women	No specific mention.
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International law	No specific mention.
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New institutions	No specific mention.
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Violence against women Violence against women→Sexual violence
Page 2, Chapter 2, Code of Conduct Regarding the Civilians
7. The Tamataw and EAOs agreed to comply and implement the following terms in order to protect the civilians.
... (M) There shall be no sexual harassment, sexual violence, and rape or sexual slavery against women.
(N) There shall be no killing of children or the mutilation of their body parts, or the recruitment of children into military services, or rape or other sexual violence, arrest and kidnapping against children.

Transitional justice No specific mention.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development No specific mention.

Implementation No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.
