



# Myanmar security forces kill 18 protesters

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*Myanmar security forces opened fire on protests against military rule on Myanmar security forces*

*opened fire on protests against military rule on Wednesday, killing at least 18 people, a human rights group said, a day after neighboring countries called for restraint and offered to help Myanmar resolve the crisis.*

1-1. Wearing yellow and white construction helmets, \_\_\_\_\_

1-2. Myanmar's protests against the military coup \_\_\_\_\_

2-1. Security forces fired rubber bullets, \_\_\_\_\_

2-2. and local media reported \_\_\_\_\_

3. Later, there were reports of live ammunition fired \_\_\_\_\_

4-1. It comes a day \_\_\_\_\_

4-2. but they failed to unite behind a call \_\_\_\_\_

5. Meanwhile inside the country, a prominent activist \_\_\_\_\_

6-1. Across the nation on Wednesday, \_\_\_\_\_

6-2. when police fired rubber bullets \_\_\_\_\_

6-3. that's \_\_\_\_\_

7. In Yangon, hundreds of people \_\_\_\_\_

8. As well as local media reports \_\_\_\_\_

9. Media also reported \_\_\_\_\_

10. The military has justified the coup, saying \_\_\_\_\_

11. Nearly 1,300 people have been detained, according to activists, \_\_\_\_\_

### [Vocabulary]

□ **satellite dish**: a piece of equipment which people need to have on their house in order to receive satellite television.

- *There'll be a satellite dish on board to link the film crew to the TV station here.*
- *I looked up on the roof and sure enough there was a large and expensive satellite dish.*

□ **let up**: to reduce pressure or intensity; If an unpleasant, continuous process lets up, it stops or becomes less intense

- *The traffic in this city never lets up, even at night.*
- *When the snow lets up so I can see, I will drive to the store.*

□ **security forces**: police or soldiers responsible for maintaining security

- *Clashes between the demonstrators and security forces led to two arrests.*
- *United Nations has expressed serious concerns over large number of killings by Indian*

*security forces.*

□ **rubber bullet**: a bullet made of hard rubber; designed for use in crowd control; A rubber bullet is a bullet made of a metal ball coated with rubber. It is intended to injure people rather than kill them, and is used by police or soldiers to control crowds during a riot.

- *Rubber bullets were used to break up the demonstration.*
- *A 14-year old Palestinian boy suffered serious injuries after being hit by a rubber bullet during a protest.*

□ **stun grenade**: a less-lethal explosive device used to temporarily disorient an enemy's senses. It is designed to produce a blinding flash of light of around 7 megacandela (Mcd) and an intensely loud "bang" of greater than 170 decibels (dB).

- *He was not at home, but they found a stun grenade, a loaded .22 calibre rifle, four knives, and ammunition.*
- *The stun grenade produces blinding light and deafening noise.*

□ **tear gas**: a gas that makes the eyes fill with tears but does not damage them; used in dispersing crowds

- *Police used tear gas to disperse the demonstrators.*

- *The police were condemned for firing tear gas.*

□ **ammunition:** bullets, bombs, etc. that can be fired from a weapon

- *He had only seven rounds of ammunition for the revolver.*
- *And by then, you know, our people were getting low in ammunition.*

□ **Association of Southeast Asian Nations:** an association of nations dedicated to economic and political cooperation in southeastern Asia and who joined with the United States to fight against global terrorism

- *Myanmar has been a member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) since 1997.*

• *This could hurt the interests of the Southeast Asian countries and all of the world's countries.*

□ **unite:** if people, groups, or countries unite, they join together, often to work together to achieve a particular goal

- *The two parties have been trying to unite since the New Year.*
- *The vast majority of nations have agreed to unite their efforts to bring peace.*

□ **oust:** to remove from or **dispossess** of property or position by legal action, by force, or by the compulsion of necessity

- *The president was ousted (from power) in a military coup in January 1987.*
- *Police are trying to oust drug dealers from the city.*

□ **ousted:** If someone is ousted from a position of power, job, or place, they are forced to leave it.

- *The chairman was ousted after he misappropriated funds.*
- *The leaders have been ousted from power by nationalists.*

□ **prominent:** important and well known

- *...the children of very prominent or successful parents.*
- *The order was given by a prominent member of the government.*

□ **sanction:** an official order to stop communication, trade, etc. with a country that has broken international law; an official order, such as the stopping of trade, that is taken against a country in order to make it obey international law.

- *Many nations have imposed sanctions on the country because of its attacks on its own people.*
- *The U.N. lifted economic sanctions against Iran.*

□ **Mandalay:** a city in central Myanmar north of Rangoon; the second largest city in the country and former capital of Burma and of Upper Burma; Buddhist religious centre. Pop: 927 000 (2005 est)

□ **Myanmar Now news agency**: news agency that produces in-depth investigations and has the latest news on Yangon and other major cities in Myanmar.

□ **detain**: to keep someone in a police station or prison and not allow them to leave

- *The act allows police to detain a suspect for up to 48 hours.*
- *He was arrested and detained for questioning.*

□ **Myingyan**: a city and district in the Mandalay Division of central Myanmar, previously, it was a district in the Meiktila Division of Upper Burma. It is currently the capital of Myingyan Township and lies along the National Highway 2. As of 2014, the city had a population of 276,096 and the district had 1,055,957.

□ **Magway**: the capital city of Magway Region (formerly Magway Division) of Burma (Myanmar), and home to Magway Airport.

□ **Monywa**: the largest city in Sagaing Region, Myanmar, located 136 km north-west of Mandalay on the eastern bank of the River Chindwin. Monywa is one of the largest economic cities in Myanmar.

□ **justify**: to show that there is a good reason for something, especially something that other people think is wrong

- *Circumstances may justify a lie.*
- *You were justified in your anger.*

□ **fraud**: the action of producing false documents or information in order to get what you want

- *They really need to change the way they treat fraud victims.*
- *Fraud appears to be becoming more widespread.*
- *voter fraud*

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