

Country/entity	Myanmar
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	12-Point Agreement of Union Peace-making work committee and the All Burma Students' Democratic Front (ABSDF) Union-level Peace Talks
Date	10 Aug 2013
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	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Myanmar ceasefires process with ethnic armed groups
Parties	All Burma Students' Democratic Front; Union Peace-making work committee (Myanmar Government)
Third parties	-
Description	Short ceasefire agreement agreeing to Nationwide Ceasefire, forming an independent monitoring team, to carry on discussions for the purposes of inclusion and removing ABSDF members from the blacklist, to have the right to liaise with NGOs, and engage with news agencies, among other aspects.

Agreement document [MM_130810_12-Point Agreement of Union Peace-making work committee and ABSDF Union-level Peace Talks.pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#) | [Download PDF](#)

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Groups

Children/youth No specific mention.

Disabled persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

Racial/ethnic/national group No specific mention.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) Page 1, 5. To continue holding discussions on democratic affairs, national equality and autonomy which are proposed by ABSDF;

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/secession No specific mention.

Accession/unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society Page 1, 3. To officially invite political forces, political parties and organizations and persons for their inclusiveness in the country's political processes;

Page 1, 8. To have rights to liaise with local and foreign based NGOs and CBOs in line with the existing laws;

Traditional/religious leaders No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality
Page 1, 5. To continue holding discussions on democratic affairs, national equality and autonomy which are proposed by ABSDF;
Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of association
Page 1, 6. To have rights to independently hold discussions and meetings on the results of ABSDF's political talks, political stands and processes with the people and people-based organizations in accord with the laws;

Page 1, 8. To have rights to liaise with local and foreign based NGOs and CBOs in line with the existing laws;

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship	No specific mention.
Democracy	Page 1, 5. To continue holding discussions on democratic affairs, national equality and autonomy which are proposed by ABSDF;
Detention procedures	No specific mention.
Media and communication	Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media roles Page 1, 9. To have rights to engage with news agencies and media freely and independently;
Mobility/access	No specific mention.
Protection measures	No specific mention.
Other	No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
Regional or international human rights institutions	No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law	No specific mention.
State of emergency provisions	No specific mention.
Judiciary and courts	No specific mention.
Prisons and detention	No specific mention.
Traditional Laws	No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction No specific mention.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision
Page 1, 1. To make efforts for ensuring nation-wide cease-fire through the accountability and responsibility by both sides;

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces	Page 1, 11. To agree to draft Code of Conduct in principle which are to be abided by both army;
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.
Terrorism	No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	No specific mention.
Amnesty/pardon	Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Relief of other sanctions Page 1, 7. To hold continued discussions on the removal of ABSDF members from the blacklist and the cancelation of the charged members in accord with the law;
Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	Page 1, 4. To carry out continued discussions and scrutinizing by the remaining political prisoners scrutinizing committee for the release of all political prisoners;
Vetting	No specific mention.
Victims	No specific mention.
Missing persons	No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation Page 1, 12. To set the date for second Union-level talks in the coming November;

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 1, 2. To agree to form an independent monitoring team in principle for ceasefires and local peacemaking processes;

Related cases No specific mention.

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