

The Boycott List

Burmese Military Companies: Products and Brands



In order to make it easier for embassies, international aid departments, corporations, NGOs and individuals to avoid purchasing goods and services from military companies, we have produced this briefing paper listing the products and brand names owned and used by military companies. This includes wholly owned companies, and joint ventures.

Military owned and controlled companies are an important source of revenue for the Burmese military. Buying goods and services from the military increases their revenue and this revenue is used to fund their operations, building their military capacity. The Burmese military are being investigated for crimes against humanity by the International Criminal Court, and have been accused of genocide at an ongoing case at the International Court of Justice.

In September 2019 the United Nations Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on Myanmar published the final update of its report on the economic interests of the military. It mainly detailed alleged subsidiaries or affiliates of the Myanmar Economic Corporation and Myanmar Economic Holdings Ltd, two conglomerates owned and controlled by the Burmese military. The report called for sanctions on these companies.

“The implementation of the recommendations in this report will erode the economic base of the military, undercut its obstruction of the reform process, impair its ability to carry out military operations without oversight and thus reduce violations of human rights and international humanitarian law, and serve as a form of accountability in the short-term,” said Mission Chair Marzuki Darusman.

The products and brands listed are mainly from Myanmar Economic Holdings Ltd, Myanmar Economic Corporation and Myanmar War Veterans Organisation. We have not been able to obtain information on the economic interests of the military political party, the Union Solidarity and Development Party apart from the as yet undeveloped plot 19 at Thilawa Port Terminal.

This list is as comprehensive as we are able to make it based on information currently available, but we make no claim that every single military product is listed here. We have included some products/brands that we believe are not currently being produced, as in the past there have been temporary shut downs of factories and products/brands have been brought back or relaunched.

We welcome information on errors or omissions.
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Sources of information will be treated in confidence.

Military Products and Brands

Banking and Finance

Aung Myint Moh Min Insurance
Aung Thitsar Oo Insurance
Innwa Bank
Myanmar Mobile Money
Myawaddy Bank
Mytel Pay

Cigarettes

Premium Gold
Red Ruby

Communications

MECtel
Mytel

Construction

Berger Paint
Elephant King Cement (Sin Minn Cement)
Myin Pyan Cement (Flying Horse Cement)
Rhino Cement
Rhinoceros Cemec (Cement)
Sigma Cable
Tristar Steel

Entertainment/Tourism

Central Hotel Yangon
Diamond White Restaurant Yangon
Hanthawaddy Golf Course
Indoor Skydiving
Kha Yae Pin Ballroom (Mingaladon)
Myawaddy Tours and Travel
Myawaddy Travels and Tours
Nan Myaing Café (Pwin Oo Lwin)
Okkala Golf Resort
Royal Sportainment Bowling Alley
Royal Sportainment Complex
Royal Sportainment Ice Skating
Shwe Gandamar Ballroom (Pathein)
Shwe Gandamar Grand Ballroom (Yangon)

Food and Drink

Adipati Rice (AAPT Rice)
Akasi Long Grain Rice
Andaman Gold Blue
Andaman Gold Special
Army Rum
Black Shield Stout
Dagon Beverages
Dagon Dairy Plant
Dagon Extra Strong Beer
Dagon Fresh Lemon Sparkling
Dagon Fresh Soda
Dagon Gin
Dagon Lager Beer
Dagon Light Lager Beer
Dagon Malta Fresh
Dagon Rum
Dagon Single Malt Lager Beer
Dagon Super Lager Beer
First Choice Tinned River Cat Fish
First Choice Tinned Beef Curry
First Choice Tinned Fried Bamboo Shoot and True Pea
First Choice Tinned Fried Fish Paste
First Choice Tinned Haricot Beans in Tomato Sauce
First Choice Tinned Mango Pickle
First Choice Tinned Chicken and Potato Curry
First Choice Tinned Butter Bean
First Choice Tinned Hilsa
Fleur Marguerite Sunflower Rice
Kirin Ichiban
Mandalay Beer
Mandalay Brewery
Mandalay Spirulina Anti-aging Beer
Mandalay Strong Beer
Mandalay Super Fresh Lager
MEC Myanmar Rice
Milky Sweetened Condensed Milk
Moon Dairy Creamer
Myanmar Beer
Myanmar Brewery
Myanmar Premium Beer
Nan Myaing Coffee

Nay Pyi Taw Water
Ngwe Pin Lei Premium Marine Products
Pyin Oo Lwin Coffee
Royal Karaweik Sugar
Seven7 Condensed Milk
Shwe Phe Oo Teamix
Sugarmec
Sun Condensed Milk

Health and Beauty Products

Dagon Hand Sanitizer
Dentomec Toothbrushes
Dentomec Toothpaste
Life Coconut Oil (moisturiser)
Padonma Soap
Thant Sin Hand Sanitizer
Star Mask Disposable Face Mask

Health Services

ARJ Syringes
Defence Services General Hospital
Defence Services Liver Hospital
Defence Services Medical Research Centre
Defence Services Obstetrics, Gynaecology and Child Health Hospital
Defence Services Orthopaedics Hospital
Gas Factory (Mandalay) Oxygen Cylinders
Kan Thar Yar Hospital
Military Institute of Nursing and Paramedical Science
No.2 Military Hospital
Thamadaw Special Clinic

Industrial Estates/Offices

Indagaw Industrial Zone
Myawaddy Bank Luxury Complex
Ngwe Pinlae Industrial Estate
Pyinmabin Industrial Estate

International Trade

Ahlon International Port Terminal 1, Yangon
Container Transport and Port Clearance Yard (Ywama)
Five Star Shipping Company – ships owned: Chindwin, Coco Gyun, Sawei, Ha-Kha, Han Thar, Hpa-an, Htone-Ywa, Kengtung, Kyaukpyu, Lashio, Loikaw, Maan Aung, Mawlamyine, Myit Kyi Na, Pagan, Pha Shwe Gyaw Ywa, Shweli, Sittwe, Taung Gyi, Thanlwin, U Thar, Yaan Byae.

Hlaing Dry Port, Inland Container Depot (IDC) and Logistics Centre
Hteedan International Port Terminal, Yangon
Inland Container Depot (IDC) Hlaing Thar Yar
Lann Pyi Marine
MEC Container Transport
Thilawa Shipbreaking Yard
TMT Port Terminal, Yangon

Manufacturing

Burpat synthetic enamel paint
Burplast emulsion paint
Heaven Kitchenware (metal kitchen utensils, spoons, pots, storage)
Life Coconut Charcoal Briquettes
MEC Marble (produce a range of vases, statues and plant containers)
Ngwe Pinlae Fishmeal
Silver Sea Paper Carton Box Production
Thunder Sulphuric Acid
Tristar Tyres
Vega Plastics/Vega Plastic Factory (produces a wide range of plastic household items including tables, chairs, tissue boxes, shelving, buckets, cups, bins, food containers, baskets and boxes)

Media

Knowledge Light Magazine
MWD Books
MWD Documentary TV Channel
MWD Education, Knowledge and Sports TV Channel
MWD Family TV Channel
MWD Media
MWD Movies TV Channel
MWD Music TV Channel
MWD Series TV Channel
MWD Shopping TV Channel
MWD Variety TV Channel
Myawaddy (MWD) TV Channel
Myawaddy Television
Myawady Daily
Myawady Magazine
Ngwe Tar Yi Magazine
Tayza (children's cartoon magazine)
Thazin FM Radio
The Union Daily
Yandanarpon Daily

Retail

547 Minimarts
Adipati Rice Mill Shops
Golden Land Duty Free Shops
Kha Yae Pin Mart (Mingaladon)
Myawaddy Petrol Shop (Station)
Ruby Mart (Yangon & Pyin Oo Lwin)
Satake Showroom
Shwe Gandamar
Starmart Mandalay
Starmart Nine Mile Showroom

Trading Companies

Adipati Agricultural Produce Trading
Myawaddy Trading Ltd
Ngwe Pinlae Cold Store
Ngwe Pinlae Fisheries Company Ltd
Ngwe Pinlae Livestock Breeding and Fisheries Company
Shwe Gandamar International Trading
Shwe Innwa Gems

Transport

Adipati (AAPT) Waterway Transport
Bandoola Taxi
Bandoola Transportation
City Liner Bus Services
Parami CNG Station
Parami Express
Parami Taxi
Pathein Thu Express
Sales and Service Centre, Mingalardon Township, Yangon (vehicle repairs and spare parts)
Shan Ma Lay Express
Shwe Mann Thu Highway Bus Station
Shwe Mann Thu Express (also spelt Shwe Man Thu)
Shwe Myaing Thu Express
Than Myan Thu Express

More Resources

UN Fact-Finding Mission on Myanmar exposes military business ties, calls for targeted sanctions and arms embargoes:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=24868&LangID=E>

Burma Campaign UK 'Dirty List' of international companies doing business with the military or involved in projects linked to human rights violations and environmental destruction:

<https://burmacampaign.org.uk/take-action/dirty-list/>

Global Witness – Resetting Myanmar Policy:

<https://www.globalwitness.org/en/campaigns/myanmar/resetting-myanmar-policy/>

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