


Political Prisoner Profile

AAPP CASE NO.:	0405			
NAME OF POLITICAL PRISONER:	Kyaw Ko Ko			
GENDER:	Male	Ethnicity:	Burmese	
DATE OF BIRTH:	1981	Age:		
RELIGION:	Buddhist			
PARENTS NAME:	U Kyaw Aye (father)			
EDUCATION:	Economic Masters degree at the University of Economics, Ywarthargyi			
OCCUPATION:	Leader, All Burma Federation of Students Union (ABFSU)			
LAST ADDRESS:	No.159, Banyardala street, MaAuKong, Mingala Taung Nyunt Township, Rangoon.			
ARREST DATE:	2015: 29 October 2008: 16 March		PHOTO DATE: April 2008	
SECTION OF LAW:	2010: Section 6 (illegal association) and 505 (b) of the Penal Code 2008: Video Act 32 (a & b) (video acts)			
SENTENCING HISTORY:	2010: May 21: Section 6 - sentenced to two years, and Section 505 (b) – sentenced to three years 2009: February: Video Act 32 (a & b) – three years			
COURT HEARING:	Mayangone Township Court			
NAME OF PRISON:	Insein prison			
RELEASE DATE:	2012: January 13			
IMMEDIATE HEALTH CONCERNS:				
CURRENT STATUS SUMMARY:				
<p>On October 29, 2015 Kyaw Ko Ko, who was evading arrest for his involvement in the Letpadan student protests, was arrested in at San Pya market located in Thingangyun Township, Rangoon. He is currently in police custody, his whereabouts is unknown.</p>				
CAREER BACKGROUND:				
<p>Kyaw Ko Ko is a student leader of the All Burma Federation of Student Unions (ABFSU) which he helped to reestablished on 28 August 2007. He was arrested on Mach 16, 2008 for his involvement in the Saffron Revolution in September 2007. He was detained in Insein Prison until he was officially sentenced to three years for “video acts” in February 2009.</p> <p>In 2010 Kyaw Ko Ko was sentenced again after he had already begun serving his initial sentence. Persons are not protected from double jeopardy in Burma. He was sentenced to three years and two years under Article 505 (b) and 6 of the Penal Code. He therefore accumulated an eight-year sentence to be served in Insein Prison. He was released under a presidential amnesty on January 13, 2012.</p> <p>On October 29, 2015 Kyaw Ko Ko was arrested for his involvement in the Letpadan student protests in March 2015. He is currently in policy custody.</p>				
ARREST DETAILS:				
<p>2015: Kyaw Ko Ko was evading arrest for his involvement in the Letpadan student protests in March 2015. He was arrested in Rangoon on October 29, 2015 by police, and remains in their custody.</p> <p>2008: Kyaw Ko Ko was arrested at his hiding place on 16 March 2008. At the time, nobody knew where the military intelligence had taken him, and the authorities did not inform his family. Nyan Linn Aung, another leader of the ABFSU, was arrested together with Kyaw Ko Ko. He was arrested at home in front of his colleague and fellow activist Shwepyithar Myo-U Zate. Kyaw Ko Ko had escaped arrest with the help of people twice before.</p>				
DETAILS OF IMPRISONMENT:				
<p>2008: Kyaw Ko Ko was detained in Insein prison whilst undergoing trial for his involvement in the Saffron Revolution. He was sentenced in February 2009 to three years under Section 32 (a & b) of the Video Act. Whilst he was serving his first sentence, he was charged and sentenced again under Sections 6 (illegal association) and</p>				

505 (b) of the Penal Code, receiving an additional five year sentence. He was released on January 13, 2012 under a presidential amnesty.

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