


# Political Prisoner Profile

<b>AAPP CASE NO.:</b>				
<b>NAME OF POLITICAL PRISONER:</b>	<b>Naing Ye Wai</b>			
<b>GENDER:</b>	Male	<b>Ethnicity:</b>	Burmese	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	-	<b>Age:</b>	-	
<b>RELIGION:</b>	-			
<b>PARENTS NAME:</b>	U Kyaw Win			
<b>EDUCATION:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> year (Biochemistry)			
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	President of Yadanabon University's Students Union			
<b>LAST ADDRESS:</b>	Mandalay			
<b>ARREST DATE:</b>	<b>2015:</b> July 1			<b>PHOTO DATE:</b>
<b>SECTION OF LAW:</b>	Sections 143, 147 and 505 (b) of the Penal Code, and Section 18 of the Peaceful Assembly and Peaceful Procession Act.			
<b>SENTENCING HISTORY:</b>	<b>2015:</b> 9 October: Sentenced to a total of 15 months arrest, with had been reduced to a period of six months left.			
<b>COURT HEARING:</b>	Amarapura Township Court			
<b>NAME OF PRISON:</b>	Obo Prison			
<b>RELEASE DATE:</b>				
<b>IMMEDIATE HEALTH CONCERNS:</b>	After being denied bail on August 21, Naing Ye Wai went on hunger strike. As a consequence, he and his fellow student protesters, Aung San Oo, Git Too and Nyan Linn Htet were moved to punishment cells for one day.			
<b>CURRENT STATUS SUMMARY:</b>	<p><b>2015:</b> Naing Ye Wai was arrested on July 1, for allegedly using spray paint to write political slogans on the front of Yadanabon University on June 26. On August 21 his request for bail was denied which prompted Naing Ye Wai to go on hunger strike in protest of the decision. As a result, he and his fellow student protesters were moved to punishment cells within Obo Prison for one day. On October 9 Naing Ye Wai, together with the other three students, was sentenced and received a total sentence of 12 months. Naing Ye Wai received an extra three months sentence under Section 18 for participating in a protest in February, totaling his sentence up to 15 months. Three months of this sentence have been served while awaiting trial in detention since their arrest on 1 July. Under pressure of the MNHRC the sentence was reduced by six months. Hence, Naing Ye Wai has six months imprisonment left. He is currently imprisoned in Obo Prison, Mandalay.</p>			
<b>CAREER BACKGROUND:</b>	Naing Ye Wai, son of U Kyaw Win, is President of Yadanarpon University's All Burma Federation of Student Unions (ABFSU) in Mandalay. He participated in the protest march from Mandalay to Rangoon against the controversial National Education Law and was arrested during the Letpadan crackdown, but was later released. He has since participated in sporadic protests demanding the release of students and their supporters who remain in jail awaiting the verdict of an ongoing trial.			
<b>ARREST DETAILS:</b>	<p><b>2015:</b> On October 9 Naing Ye Wai, together with his colleges, had been sentenced and are imprisoned in Obo Prison since then. He faces a remaining imprisonment period of six months.</p> <p>On July 1, Mandalay Yadanarbone University members Naing Ye Wai, Aung San Oo, Jit Tu and Nyan Linn Htet were arrested at around 3pm by Amarapura police officers. They have been charged under Section 18 of the Peaceful Assembly and Peaceful Procession Law, and Sections 143, 147 and 505 (b) of the Penal Code.</p> <p>On June 26, the group spray-painted messages on the university grounds calling on the quasi-civilian government to step down and demanding the release of jailed student activists involved in the education reform movement. The students also spray-painted the words, "Amend the constitution's article 436". The students will not appeal as they state that as long as a quasi-civilian government is in charge, these cases will reappear.</p>			

**DETAILS OF IMPRISONMENT:**

Naing Ye Wai, together with his fellow students, is currently imprisoned in Obo Prison, Mandalay. Ko Naing Ye Wai was arrested on July 1 and was sent back to Obo Prison, where he had been detained before, after the hearing the court's sentence. His request for bail was denied on August 21.

**\*Profile prepared by the Assistance Association for Political Prisoners (Burma) on October 19, 2015\*.**