



War updates from Amhara Region, Ethiopia – June 2nd to 8th, 2025

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Overview

For the week of June 2nd to 8th, 2025, fighting between the *Amhara Fano self-defense force* (Fano) and *Prosperity Party regime joint forces* (regime forces) has continued in various parts of Amhara Region in Ethiopia.¹²

- This week battle events and rights violations were recorded in more than 41 woreda/city administrations across 10 zonal administrations in Amhara Region. These zones included the North Wollo, South Wollo, North Shewa, East Gojjam, West Gojjam, Awi, North Gojjam, South Gonder, Central Gonder and West Gonder

¹Regime forces are primarily comprised of the *Ethiopian National Defense Force* (ENDF) often with backing from regional riot dispersal, militia and police.

²The Fano are organized under sub-regional commands based on geographic location which are comprised of divisions. The major sub-regional commands operate under a consolidated structure known as the *Amhara Fano National Force* (AFNF) which includes the Amhara Fano in Wollo (Bete-Amhara) [AFW], Amhara Fano Unity in Gonder (AFUG), Amhara Fano in Gojjam (AFG), Amhara Fano in Shewa (AFS). The remaining sub-regional commands operate under the *Amhara Fano People's Organization* (AFPO) which are mainly comprised of the Amhara Fano Shewa Province Command (AFSPC), the Amhara Fano Gonder Province Command (AFGPC) and the Amhara Fano Wollo (Bete-Amhara) Command [AFWC].

Zones.

- Civilian casualties were recorded in 14 woreda/city administrations across 7 zonal administrations in Amhara Region. These included Lasta, Kobo, Habru, Gidan, Borena, Berehet, Hulet-Eju-Enese, Dejen, Gonji-Qolela, Bahir-Dar-Zuriya, Libo-Kemkem, Dera, Estie, Gonder-Zuriya Woredas in North Wollo, South Wollo, North Shewa, East Gojjam, Awi, South Gonder and Central Gonder Zones.
- Widespread arrests were recorded in Habru and Lasta Woredas of North Wollo Zone in Amhara Region. Abductions were recorded in Kobo city of North Wollo Zone.
- In Alamata city of North Wollo Zone, militants affiliated to the *Tigray People's Liberation Front* (TPLF) reportedly destroyed a symbolic statue with tacit approval from the stationed Prosperity Party Command Post.

North Wollo Zone

Raya-Alamata Woreda

- On June 1st, an armed confrontation occurred between Fano and TPLF forces in the Qilisha area.
 - According to reports, the clash began when Fano forces (under the AFNF) were traveling through the area and were intercepted by TPLF militants. The TPLF reportedly demanded that the Fano forces halt their movement. In response, the Fano forces stated that there was no reason for conflict and attempted to avoid escalation. However, the TPLF militants allegedly continued to harass the Fano forces, asserting that movement through the area could not occur without their authorization.
 - Tensions escalated, leading to a gunfire exchange which left one TPLF soldier

killed, and others injured.³

Lasta Woreda

- On June 1st, indiscriminate artillery shelling by regime forces resulted in civilian casualties and property destruction in Kebele 017.
 - Following repeated failed attempts by regime forces to advance into Wondanchi and Yibabar (Gidan Woreda), as well as Enjafat (Lasta Woreda), the regime resorted to sustained artillery bombardments targeting surrounding areas, including Kebele 017 and Enjafat Kebele in Lasta Woreda. It is recalled that on May 29th, a strong defensive-offensive operation by the Tirari and Tekezze Divisions (under the AFNF-AFW) successfully repelled the regime's assault on Wondanchi and Yibabar, forcing them to retreat.
 - Despite the setback, on June 1st, the regime launched renewed artillery attacks from Wondach town, resulting in civilian casualties. Among the victims was 74-year-old Ato Arega Madu, a father of five, who was killed when artillery fire struck his home in Enjafat town (Kebele 017). His house was also completely destroyed in the attack.
- On June 5th, a significant armed confrontation occurred between Fano and regime forces in Yibar-Meda.
 - This fighting marks a continuation of recurring military activity in the region. The engagement on the Fano side was led by the Lasta General Asaminew Tsige Corps – Tirari Division (part of the AFNF-AFW). The regime forces reportedly launched a coordinated assault from three main directions in Jemedo-Mariam, Beklo-Manekiya, and Muja-Mariam. Their strategic objective was to seize control of key localities, including Lasta-Bilbila,

³See June 2, 2025 [report](#) from Ethio-Focus News.

Ayna-Bugna, and Lalkiew-Gazgibla, by advancing through the corridors of Wondanch, Yibar, and Enjafat. A decisive clash occurred at the Yibar–Meleye junction, where sources reported more than 15 regime soldiers killed, including a commanding officer who was in possession of an ICOM communication radio, and another 18 wounded during the battle.

- On June 6th, Fano forces launched an ambush against regime forces in the Dibiko area of Dabo town.
 - The operation was executed by the Eshet Division of the Lasta Asaminew Corps (part of the AFNF-AFW). The target was a military convoy traveling from Lalibela to Gashena, consisting of one Isuzu truck, two Sinotruks, and one Casoni infantry vehicle. The ambush took place in the Giorgis area and lasted from 6:00 am to 8:10 am, a total of approximately 130 minutes.
 - Sources confirmed more than eight regime soldiers killed, and over 15 others wounded. Following the operation, regime forces retreated to Lalibela and the wounded were evacuated using two ambulances.
 - In apparent retaliation, regime troops reportedly arrested and assaulted a civilian in Dabo town. A man identified as Ato Nigussie Dessie, a father of three, was allegedly stopped while carrying straw. The man was beaten under the false pretense of being a Fano member, and he was subsequently taken to Lalibela where he remains in custody.
- On June 7th, Fano forces successfully ambushed regime troops in the Qola-Aqat area.
 - The ambush was executed by the Lasta Asaminew Corps, Wubante Abate Division (under the AFNF-AFW), under the leadership of commander Arbegna Maregu Asfaw. The ambush occurred at approximately 8 am as a

regiment of regime forces was traveling from Gashena via Taja. Fano forces struck at Qola-Aqat (along the Dibiko-Gashena route), resulting in the deaths of more than seven regime soldiers, including the regiment's commanding officer. Three additional soldiers were wounded during the attack.

- A second ambush followed shortly thereafter, targeting regime forces traveling from Meqet who were attempting to rescue the first regiment. This subsequent ambush occurred in the areas of Woqeta, Arbit, and Aqat. During this follow-up engagement, Fano forces captured three kalashnikov rifles and 190 rounds of ammunition. One Fano fighter was reported to have sustained minor injuries.

Gubalafto Woreda

- On June 2nd, Fano forces launched a coordinated attack on a regime military camp in the Eziet-Ber area.
 - The assault was jointly carried out by several divisions including the East Amhara Corps One's Asaminew, Hawjano and Baleshritu Divisions, along with East Amhara Corps Two's Tatek Division. During the operation, Fano forces broke through a heavily fortified regime position that had been held for several months in the Eziet-Ber area. The attack resulted in significant human and material losses for regime forces.
 - According to sources, hundreds of regime soldiers were killed in the battle. The Fano also reportedly captured more than 20 kalashnikov rifles, over 3,000 cluster munitions, and other assorted weapons. Additionally, Fano sources reported that the regime's indiscriminate artillery shelling during the conflict caused further harm to civilians in the area.

Kobo City

- On June 1st, a civilian was killed in the Kidame-Gebeya area of Kobo city.
 - The victim was reportedly a disabled man who earned a living working as a barber. Sources allege that the killing may have been carried out by Fano forces (under the AFNF). These sources indicate that Fano fighters frequently pass through the Kidame-Gebeya area, particularly at night. According to the same reports, on the night of the incident, Fano forces faced an unexpected offensive by regime troops, who had reportedly received prior intelligence about their movements. The confrontation occurred after the Fano fighters crossed the area.
 - It is alleged that, during their retreat, Fano forces killed the civilian, believing him to be an informant for the regime. The victim was accused of providing intelligence to regime forces regarding Fano movements in the area. As of now, Fano sources have not issued any official statement regarding the incident, and the claim remains unconfirmed.
- As of June 3rd, regime forces have been observed using public schools as sites for gathering and pressuring students to join the military in Kobo city.
 - This marks a significant escalation in the regime's forced conscription campaign targeting youth across Kobo city.
 - On the same date (June 3rd), regime forces entered Ewuqet-Chora Secondary School—one of the city's public schools—where they attempted to recruit students into the ENDF. By assembling students within the school premises, regime personnel encouraged them to enlist in the regime's military campaign against Fano forces and other opposition groups.

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- As of June 5th, regime forces have escalated their efforts by conducting systematic, house-to-house conscription operations. These actions have primarily targeted daily laborers and other vulnerable populations.
 - Young people who have recently returned from Saudi Arabia have also become specific targets. Kobo city and its surrounding areas are known for high rates of youth migration to Saudi Arabia, and many returnees have recently resettled in the region. Instead of receiving support, these returnees are now being forcibly conscripted into the military.

Raya-Kobo Woreda

- On June 3rd, heavy fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime forces in areas west of Kobo city.
 - The AFNF-AFW Special Operations Unit carried out an attack which began at 7 am and continued throughout the day. The battle spanned from Kobo city outward, involving a significant number of infantry and armored vehicles. Fano forces reportedly destroyed supply convoys moving in three directions to Tekulesh and reportedly killed or wounded numerous regime troops, including an unidentified colonel. Major clashes occurred in and around Aribet, Etsebelet, and the outskirts of Tekulesh. The intensity and scale of the confrontation suggest it was one of the fiercest battles in the area in recent months.
 - As of the latest reports, regime artillery fire from the Hormat River area continues to target western parts of Kobo city.

Habru Woreda

- On the night of June 3rd, Fano forces reportedly carried out a targeted operation in Mersa city.
 - The operation was conducted by the Lij Eyasu Corps, Yeju Division, Qagn unit (under the AFNF-AFW) and led to the death of a regime official. The target was Mulugetta Semaw, head of the Urban and Infrastructure Office under the Mersa City Administration.
 - According to sources, the official was responsible for causing severe human suffering in the area. Despite repeated warnings from Fano forces, he allegedly continued engaging in unlawful activities, which ultimately led to the decision to take action against him.
- On June 4th, regime forces committed acts of violence against civilians resulting in multiple casualties in Mersa city.
 - Among the victims was a student of the EOTC's Senbet (Sunday school) program. Eyewitnesses report that he was brutally beaten and left on the streets, crying out for help before succumbing to his injuries. Local gari (carriage) drivers were also severely beaten, including one identified by the name Gashaw. In addition, young street vendors—such as those selling sugar cane—were attacked, and some were arrested.
 - On the same day, regime forces set fire to residential homes, allegedly under the pretext that the occupants were relatives of Fano members.
 - These actions appear to be retaliatory measures following the killing of a regime official on June 3rd.
- On June 5th, a major battle took place between Fano and regime forces in Wurgessa and surrounding areas of Habru Woreda.

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- The fighting began in the early morning and continued until nightfall, spanning Wurgessa and the nearby areas of Gatira-Giyorgis and Genfo-Chefe. On the Fano side, the operation involved several divisions of the Lij Eyasu Corps, including the Yezu, Ras Ali, and Rambo Divisions (under the AFNF-AFW). The units were led by commander Arbegna Solomon Ali.
 - According to sources, the clash resulted in the deaths of an unspecified number of regime soldiers, including a military officer with the rank of captain, and more than 17 others were reportedly wounded. Additionally, Fano forces captured a significant cache of weapons, including kalashnikovs and other assault rifles.
 - On the night of June 7th, Fano forces carried out a targeted operation against regime officials in Mersa city.
 - The action was conducted by the Yezu Division's special commando unit (under the AFNF-AFW). According to sources, the operation resulted in the killing of Ato Molla Teseme, head of the city's Revenue Bureau. He was reportedly neutralized using non-conventional commando techniques. Molla had allegedly imposed excessively high taxes on the local business community in an effort to revive a failing welfare system. Reports suggest that those unable to meet these tax demands faced coercion, abduction, or extrajudicial killings at the hands of regime forces including militias. Fano sources report issuing multiple warnings to Molla to halt these practices. After continued non-compliance, the Yezu Division took what it described as "final action" on June 7th.
 - It is worth recalling that on June 3rd, Fano forces conducted an operation targeting Ato Mulugeta Semaw, the head of Mersa city's Infrastructure Bureau. He had been accused of continued abuses against civilians, despite

receiving repeated warnings to end such actions.

Gidan Woreda

- On June 5th, shelling from regime forces resulted in civilian casualties in Wondach town.
 - Prior to the incident, Fano forces repelled an offensive by regime forces advancing from Beklo-Manekiya and Muja toward the areas of Wondach, Yibar, and Enjafat located in Gidan Woreda and surrounding areas of Lasta Woreda. The Fano struck back effectively at positions where regime troops had previously inflicted civilian casualties.
 - In retaliation, regime forces launched indiscriminate artillery strikes towards Wondach town resulting in civilian casualties. Among the victims was 45-year-old Qesis Bihonegn Aschale, a religious leader and father of three (and head of a family of seven), who was fatally struck while plowing his farmland. The victim was a resident of Dequsa-Michael-Debir in 015 Wodebiye Kebele.
 - This region has witnessed repeated clashes as regime forces attempt to push deeper into these strategic areas. However, the Fano continued to mount successful defensive and counter-offensive operations to halt the regime's advances.

Alamata City

- On the night of June 6th, TPLF militants destroyed the Wonchif Square in Alamata City.
 - The Wonchif Square, along with its central obelisk, was constructed by residents of Alamata to commemorate their resistance against the former

TPLF-imposed administration and to honor those who lost their lives during the struggle.

- According to reports, on the night of the attack, TPLF armed groups blocked all major routes leading to the square using heavy weaponry and military patrols. This operation took place under the watch of the Prosperity Party Command Post in the area. Following the blockade, the destruction of the square and its obelisk was carried out.
- The following day (June 7th), residents of Alamata city expressed anger and frustration over the incident. They attempted to petition the Command Post regarding the actions of the TPLF and began efforts to reconstruct the square and the obelisk. However, the Command Post prevented any reconstruction activities and issued warnings against initiating any form of resistance or anti-TPLF movement in the area. According to sources, the actions taken by the TPLF militants in Alamata were carried out with the full knowledge, approval, and support of the Command Post.

South Wollo Zone

Borena Woreda

- On June 3rd, intense clashes erupted between Fano forces and regime forces in Beta, Ehad-Gebeya and Wulicho.
 - The operation on the Fano side was led by the Nigus Michael Corps, specifically the Mebreq Division (under the AFNF-AFW), and took place in multiple strategic locations within the woreda. The battle commenced at approximately 9 am and led to the elimination of a substantial number of regime forces. Sources indicate 15 regime soldiers were killed and an

additional 35 were wounded. On the Fano side, one member sustained a hand injury.

- In a significant development, Fano forces reportedly freed civilians who had been detained in Beta and Ehud-Gebeya. According to sources, they seized livestock and supplies, including cattle, goats, sheep, teff, and other food grains. They captured 50 quintals of teff, 12 goats, 2 oxen, and several quintals of sugar and biscuits from the regime forces, which were transported to a Fano-controlled warehouse.
- Since June 4th, intense fighting has taken place between regime forces and Fano in Borena Woreda.
 - The AFNF’s operations have been led by the Nigus Michael Corps’ Mebreq Division, Engineer Desalegn Division, and Qagn unit (all under the AFNF-AFW), with reports indicating multiple battlefield successes. After a week of fierce fighting, on the fourth day of a search operation, Ayalew Melese, head of the Woreda Militia Office, was found injured and returned to the woreda. Additionally, Lema Awoke and three unidentified individuals were found dead in the Wolcha mountain area.
 - Sources also reported an incident on the night of June 4th, where regime forces—including ENDF and riot dispersal—accidentally fired upon one another, resulting in injuries on both sides.
- On June 7th, militia forces who attempted to advance toward the Bata area accompanied by ten donkeys transporting food supplies and ammunition were forced to retreat due to significant injuries sustained during the ambush.
 - Upon learning of the retreat, regime forces reportedly suffered losses, particularly after losing control of the Bata area, which spans Kebeles 025,

023, and 024. A joint attack by the Engineer Desalegn Division, the Mebreq Division and the Qagn unit succeeded in recapturing these areas—along with Kebele 020 forcing regime troops to withdraw toward the woreda’s central town by 10 pm.

- The regime reportedly suffered heavy casualties, with many wounded left unattended throughout the day. According to sources, four ambulances and one pickup truck were later seen transporting the injured to the town. Relative calm has now been restored in the area.
- In an apparent act of retaliation, regime forces allegedly executed a civilian, identified as Getachew Amare, in Kebele 025.

Legehida Woreda

- On June 4th, Fano forces carried out a successful ambush in the Yedo area of Legehida Woreda.
 - The operation was conducted by members of the Nigus Michael Corps, Dagim-Kitet-Were-Ilu Division (under the AFNF-AFW), targeting a regime army patrol in Yedo, just outside the town of Siba. According to sources, the surprise attack resulted in the killing of more than nine regime soldiers and injuries of five others.
 - In retaliation for the ambush, regime forces reportedly burned down two homes belonging to families accused of affiliations to Fano members in Siba town. Regime troops beat local residents with sticks when they attempted to intervene, prompting widespread anger within the community.

North Shewa Zone

Berehet Woreda

- Between May 29th and June 1st, intense armed clashes occurred between Fano forces and regime forces in Kebeles 04 and 05.
 - Members of the Kessem Division's Tesfa Brigade (under the AFNF-AFS), launched targeted operations against regime forces in several locations, including Gorgo, Dire, and Ablosh-Abogordo. In these engagements, the Fano reportedly inflicted significant losses on regime units.
 - In apparent retaliation, regime forces shelled civilian areas using mortars. The Shegan Health Center, a public medical facility, was struck during the bombardment, along with nearby civilian properties in 05 Kebele. One elderly woman sustained injuries as a result of the attack.

Moretina-Jiru Woreda

- On the night of June 1st, fierce clashes broke out between Fano forces and regime forces in Moretina-Jiru Woreda.
 - The confrontation was triggered when regime troops began advancing in three coordinated movements starting at 8 pm. One force moved from Lemi through Belbelit toward Gan-Mariam-Yigof Kebele, but encountered resistance from the members of the Muhamed Bihonegn Corps' Tessema Ergetie Division (under the AFPO-AFSPC) and were forced to retreat after heavy fighting. Simultaneously, another contingent of regime forces attempted to cross the Jema River from Zoma via Geren and entered Baye-Kola. However, Fano fighters—acting on intelligence—successfully intercepted and inflicted serious casualties, forcing the regime forces to withdraw with their dead and wounded.

A third column moving from Fetira to Jema was also ambushed in a counter-operation. This force was compelled to retreat in disarray.

- Through timely coordination and tactical planning, the Fano units managed to neutralize the multi-pronged regime offensive, marking a significant defensive success in Moretina-Jiru Woreda.⁴

Efratana-Gidim Woreda

- On June 4th, Fano forces launched a coordinated ambush against regime forces in the Kerkamie area.
- The ambush was executed jointly by the Atse Yekuno-Amlak Division, commanded by Fitawrari Leminew Zewde and the 7/70 Division (both under the AFNF-AFS), under the command of Arbegna Sayed Demis, who serves as Deputy Leader and Military Commander of the AFNF-AFS. The ambush took place at approximately 6 am along the federal highway connecting Ataye and Dessie. The regime convoy, traveling from Ataye to Karakore on a routine patrol, was intercepted in the Kerkamie area. The targeted convoy included senior officials from North Shewa Zone and Efratana-Gidim Woreda, who were en route to Kori-Meda Kebele for militia recruitment efforts. Despite being accompanied by security escorts, the officials were overwhelmed during the ambush and suffered considerable losses in Kerkamie.
- As a result of the attack, although the exact number of casualties remains unclear, sources reported numerous militias were killed or injured in the ambush against regime forces. According to Fano sources, a key security figure identified as Sayed Ibrahim, a prominent member of the OLA and believed responsible for orchestrating the eleventh attack on Ataye, was killed during the operation.

⁴See June 2, 2025 [report](#) from Tana Satellite TV 2.

Mojana-Wadera Woreda

- On the night of June 6th, the AFPO-AFSPC launched an offensive against the AFNF-AFS Negodguad Division in the Wayu area of Mojana-Wadera Woreda.
 - The confrontation was intense and reportedly escalated into hand-to-hand combat. While the exact number of casualties remains unclear, sources confirm that both sides suffered significant losses.
 - According to local sources, the AFPO-AFSPC had been mobilizing with the intent to launch further operations against the Kessem Division (under the AFNF-AFS) operating in the region.
 - It is worth noting that the AFNF-AFS has previously carried out similar offensives against the Negodguad Division, resulting in the latter being forced to withdraw from several areas, including parts of Basona-Worana Woreda.

Mida-Woremo Woreda

- On June 8th, intense fighting broke out between Fano and regime forces in the Tegora area of Meragna city.
 - The fighting involved the Muhmaed Bihonegn Corps' Taytu Division (part of the AFPO-AFSPC). The confrontation resulted in significant losses for the regime. Near Meragna, a joint force of regime troops was effectively neutralized, including 7 personnel (three militias, three ENDF soldiers and one police officer). Additionally, 7 other ENDF soldiers were reported to have sustained serious injuries.
 - In a related development, internal clashes were reported among regime forces stationed in Tegulet-Sela-Dingay, located in Mojana-Wadera Woreda. According to sources, elements of the regime military—reportedly supported

by forces in Mojana-Wadera and Tarmaber—engaged in fighting amongst themselves as confusion and internal conflict escalated around the besieged city.

East Gojjam Zone

- Between May 30th and June 1st, confirmed reports indicate that several regime soldiers defected from the military and safely joined the Haddis Alemayehu Division (under the AFNF-AFG) in Baso-Liben and Aneded Woredas. In just three days, at least ten regime soldiers surrendered to Fano fighters, along with their firearms, in areas where the division operates. Similar reports have emerged from other woredas, where regime soldiers have persistently defected from the military to join Fano groups in the Gojjam sub-region.

Hulet-Eju-Enese Woreda

- On June 1st, Fano fighters conducted an operation involving a brief exchange of gunfire in Keraniwo town. Reports indicate that the operation took place in the Motta neighborhood. The operation was reportedly carried out by the Mebreku Tefera Brigade, under the Tefera Damte Division (part of the AFNF-AFG). The Fano fighters infiltrated the town and managed to kill three police officers and two militia members during the brief gunfire exchange.
- On June 4th, intense fighting took place in the Motta town neighborhood.
 - The fighting was initiated by combined brigades of the Tefera Damte Division (under the AFNF-AFG). According to sources, Fano fighters carried out an attack by encircling the town from various directions. The battles occurred in Arate, Derek-Wenz, Buach-China camp, and Kernewari exit point.

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- Reports indicate that the coordinated Fano offensive resulted in several human and material losses on the side of regime forces. Although exact figures are unknown, casualties were also reported among Fano fighters during this heavy confrontation. Sources reported at least 60 regime soldiers killed, including those in command positions, and 25 others injured. The Fano reported capturing more than 14 firearms along with thousands of rounds of ammunition of various types.
 - Sources additionally reported civilian casualties during the confrontation in the Motta neighborhood. Among others, it was confirmed that a four-year-old child was killed in the crossfire.
 - Fighting that began earlier in various kebeles of the woreda continued into June 5th and 6th.
 - After intense gunfire exchanges on June 4th, regime forces reportedly entered areas controlled by Fano within the woreda. The regime forces pushed the Fano fighters out of their strongholds in the Asteriyo and Arate areas. The Mebreku Tefera Brigade, part of the Tefera Damte Division (under the AFNF-AFG), engaged in consecutive days of confrontation with regime forces on June 5th and 6th in an attempt to retake the newly controlled areas. However, due to the deployment of large ground and mechanized forces, regime forces resisted the Fano offensive and maintained control over these areas.
 - There are also reports of civilian casualties in the battle areas, primarily resulting from indiscriminate shelling by artillery deployed by regime forces. On June 6th, Fano fighters reportedly carried out gunfire in Asteriyo Kebele, asserting that they disrupted a planned regime meeting with residents. During this fire exchange, regime forces reportedly shelled indiscriminately with

long-range artillery, leading to civilian deaths in the Asteriyo neighborhood.

- On June 7th, regime forces withdrew from Asteriyo Kebele after days of tensions and persistent gunfire exchanges. Over the previous three to four days, regime forces were reported to have maintained control of this kebele by deploying significant ground and mechanized forces, however on the night of June 6th, the regime forces completely left the area, surrendering the kebele to Fano fighters operating in the area.

Sinan Woreda

- On June 3rd, heavy fighting occurred in the Yedeman area.
 - On that day, regime forces reportedly mobilized from Rebu-Gebeya and Debre-Markos city for logistical exchange. The Sinan-Abajime Brigade, under the Qegn-Geta Yoftahe Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), reportedly launched a surprise confrontation against the mobilized soldiers in the Yedeman area. This sudden attack led to a heavy exchange of gunfire, as both sides brought in reinforcements. The fighting persisted for several hours, characterized by heavy artillery shelling and resulting in multiple casualties.
 - Sources reported three injuries from the Fano side, while on the regime forces' side, at least 47 regime soldiers were killed, 29 more were injured, and a significant amount of firearms and other military equipment were captured.

Dejen Woreda

- On June 2nd, heavy exchanges of gunfire took place in Tirsch, Jebea-Mikael, and Enajima Kebeles.
 - According to sources, two separate units of regime soldiers were incidentally present in the Tirsch and Enajima areas on that day. Prior to the incident,

militias and riot dispersal forces had mobilized toward rural areas in pursuit of previously defected militias. On June 2nd, ENDF soldiers reportedly moved from Yetnora Kebele toward Quyi town, passing through these villages for logistical transportation. At some point, Fano fighters launched automatic gunfire, startling the soldiers that were involved in the logistics movement. In response, the ENDF soldiers began retreating and indiscriminately opened fire.

- Due to misidentification, the soldiers initially targeted and mistakenly engaged militia and riot dispersal members who had previously moved into these areas, believing they were Fano fighters. Consequently, several casualties resulted from the gunfire exchange between the ENDF and militia groups. Taking advantage of this incident, the Zambereha and Debay Choke Brigades—under the Belay Zeleke Division (part of the AFNF-AFG)—intensified their offensive against regime soldiers, leading to further casualties. Sources reported at least 13 regime soldiers killed and two others injured during the exchange between Fano and regime forces alone.
- On June 7th, heavy fighting took place in Teskare-Mariam and other rural villages within Dejen Woreda.
 - The fighting was initiated by regime forces who mobilized from the Gubiya and Yetnora bases toward the Fano presence in the Teskare-Mariam area. Reports indicate that the Zambereha Brigade, under the Belay Zeleke Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), mounted a strong resistance to defend against the advancing regime forces. Despite significant resistance, it was reported that regime forces managed to enter Teskare-Mariam at some point and remained in control for a few hours. Subsequently, the Fano forces regrouped and launched a counteroffensive, forcing the regime forces to withdraw from the area.
 - Sources reported substantial human and material losses among regime forces

during this confrontation. While the exact figures remain unknown, sources also reported that minimal casualties occurred on the Fano side.

- During the confrontation and retreat, regime soldiers reportedly killed a civilian in the village of Enabrga and critically wounded two additional civilians in Teskare-Mariam. The injured victims were identified by sources as Bezaw Mihret and Tadele Gezahagn, who were shot and left critically injured by the regime forces.

Enarj-Enawga Woreda

- Between June 2nd and 3rd, intense fighting took place in the Arara desert area.
 - The fighting was initiated by regime forces. The Soma and Abay-Sheleqo Brigades, both under the Samuel Aweke Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), reportedly confronted the regime soldiers to prevent their advance. Sources reported that the fighting was intense, with casualties reported on both sides. Despite encountering heavy resistance from the Fano fighters, the regime forces managed to enter Arara Kebele by deploying substantial ground and mechanized forces. The fighting continued in the following days as Fano fighters launched successive offensives to push the regime soldiers out of the area. According to reports, the regime forces were able to penetrate into the Abay desert, an area connecting the Wollo and Gojjam sub-regions.
 - After days of control, sources reported that the regime forces withdrew from the area on June 6th and returned to Debre-Work town.

Aneded Woreda

- On June 8th, fighting took place in various kebeles within Aneded Woreda.
 - The clashes were initiated by regime forces mobilizing toward Fano positions

in the Yeweje and Yemegej areas, aiming to locate and suppress Fano fighters. Forewarned of the regime's movement, members of the Tedla-Gualu Brigade, under the Haddis Alemayehu Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), reportedly confronted the regime forces to defend the area and prevent their advance. The fighting is reported to have begun in the morning and lasted for at least two hours.

- During this confrontation, sources reported at least five regime soldiers killed and three more injured, while casualties among the Fano fighters remain unreported.

West Gojjam Zone

Wemberima Woreda

- On June 1st, there was a gunfire exchange in the neighborhood of Wededad town. The gunfire was initiated when regime forces mobilized from Wededad towards the Fano presence in the Gomer area. The Shindi-Wemberima Brigade, under the Ras-Bitwedded Mengesha Atikem Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), reportedly confronted the advancing regime soldiers before they reached Gomer. The gunfire exchange was reportedly brief and light, subsiding when the regime soldiers retreated to their base in Wededad. Casualties resulting from this exchange remain unidentified.

Dembecha Woreda

- On June 5th, Fano fighters launched a sudden attack against regime forces in the neighborhood of Dembecha town.
 - The attack was reportedly carried out by the Engineer Kiber Temesgen Brigade, part of the Qegn-Geta Yoftahe Nigussie Division (under the

AFNF-AFG). Fano fighters targeted regime forces that were moving from Dembecha town toward Jiga. They reportedly fired upon a regime military vehicle in the Yechereka Kebele, resulting in a brief exchange of gunfire. The gunfire was light and subsided within a short period.

- Sources reported at least two regime soldiers were killed, while no casualties were reported from the Fano side.

Sekela Woreda

- On June 6th, Fano fighters carried out an operation in the Gishabay town neighborhood. The operation was reportedly executed by the Giwon Brigade, under the Gojjam Agew Midir Division (part of the AFNF-AFG). According to sources, on that day, Fano fighters suddenly infiltrated the town and opened fire, resulting in the deaths of two state militia members. Fano fighters also claimed that they managed to capture three militia members during this operation.

Jabi-Tehnan Woreda

- On June 8th, fighting took place in the neighborhood of Jiga town. The clashes were initiated by regime forces attempting to disperse Fano fighters who had set up a checkpoint and were collecting duties in the Wenge area. The Arenzaw-Damot Brigade, a group under the Ras-Bitwedded Mengesha Atikem Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), reportedly confronted the regime forces. As a result, Fano forces managed to push the regime forces back to their original positions.

Awî Zone

Jawî Woreda

- Between June 1st and 2nd, Fano fighters conducted an operation in Fendika town. The operation was reportedly carried out by members of the Jawî-Metekel Division (under the AFNF-AFG), who infiltrated the town and captured regime militia members, although the exact number remains unreported. Sources indicate that the Fano fighters conducted this operation overnight without engaging in a firefight with regime forces.
- On the night of June 4th, regime forces that had recently deployed in Jahimala and Kumbir Kebeles completely withdrew from these areas and retreated to their base in Fendika town. During the retreat, sources reported that the regime forces encountered no resistance or ambush from the Fano side. However, out of caution for a possible attack from Fano, the regime forces moved cautiously from these rural areas toward Fendika town, including using drones for surveillance.

Ayo-Guagusa Woreda

- On June 4th, intense fighting took place in the Amber and Lalibela areas.
 - The fighting was initiated by regime forces who mobilized from Ehudit town. Reports indicate that the regime forces mobilized overnight in an attempt to encircle and suppress Fano fighters operating in the area. The Werkabay Brigade, under the Ras-Bitwedded Mengesha Atikem Division (under the AFNF-AFG), confronted the regime forces to repel the offensive. The fighting was intense, lasting for an extended period and involving heavy weaponry shelling. Sources also reported that the clashes covered an expanded territory and resulted in significant casualties. Although initial reports suggested the regime forces had the upper hand, the combined counteroffensive by Fano

fighters eventually overwhelmed the regime soldiers, forcing them to retreat toward Ehudit town. Fano fighters pursued the retreating forces and launched a continued offensive targeting the regime presence, allowing them to control the town for several hours.

- During this confrontation, sources reported inflicting considerable casualties among the regime soldiers, with at least 40 killed and 40 others injured, while additional soldiers were captured along with a substantial amount of military equipment.

North Gojjam Zone

Bahir-Dar-Zuriya Woreda

- On June 2nd, gunfire exchange took place in Yinesa Kebele.
 - A few days prior, regime soldiers had entered Yinesa and other neighboring kebeles in search of Fano fighters. However, the regime forces did not encounter the Fano fighters as they had previously left the area after receiving intelligence about the regime's movements. Following this, the regime forces perpetrated abuses and caused property destruction, followed by the forced disarmament of civilians.
 - On June 2nd, the Tanaw Mebrek Brigade, under the 1st Division (part of the AFNF-AFG), regrouped and launched an offensive against regime soldiers in Yinesa Kebele. During this operation, sources reported that Fano fighters killed at least four regime soldiers, particularly state militias and riot dispersal forces. Additionally, Fano fighters claimed that two more regime soldiers were executed by their forces following a mutual disagreement.
 - Enraged by the Fano attack, regime soldiers killed three civilians in Chenta village. There are also reports that regime soldiers burned a residential home

belonging to Priest Genetu in Dilshit village. The three killed civilians were identified by sources as follows:

1. Habtamu Getinet
2. Alemu Zeleke
3. Bekele Molla

Gonji-Qolela Woreda

- On June 4th, fighting took place in Addis-Alem town and in the Gimb-Geregera area.
 - The confrontation was initiated by regime forces, who mobilized toward Gimb-Geregera to suppress the strong presence of Fano fighters. The Yohannes Alemayehu Brigade and its commando unit (under the AFNF-AFG) reportedly confronted the regime soldiers to prevent their advance. The battle primarily took place in the Gimb-Geregera neighborhood, defending against the regime's push toward the Fano-controlled areas. Fano fighters also attacked Addis-Alem town, where regime forces were stationed, to disrupt reinforcement movements to other battlefronts. The regime forces were reportedly compelled to retreat toward their base in Addis-Alem town.
 - Sources reported at least five regime soldiers killed and three others injured.
- Fighting that began earlier in various kebeles of the woreda continued into June 5th and 6th.
 - Reports indicate that regime forces managed to enter rural kebeles. Between June 4th and 6th, regime forces reportedly mobilized into Zegansa, Gimb-Geregera, Serdo, and Zema Kebeles. The Yohannes Alemayehu Brigade, under the Tefera Damtie Division (part of the AFNF-AFG),

reportedly confronted regime forces, and pushed the regime forces back in most locations except Zema.

- On June 6th, the Mebreku Tefera and Yohannes Alemayehu Brigades, both under Tefera Damtie Division, engaged regime forces in the Zema area, reportedly inflicting several casualties. During this confrontation, regime forces reportedly employed mechanized units and persistently shelled artillery into residential areas. Sources reported civilian casualties and property damage, though details are yet to be further investigated.

North Mecha Woreda

- On June 8th, reports indicated long-range and heavy artillery shelling in the Merawi neighborhood. According to sources, the artillery fire was launched by regime forces from their encampment in an area commonly known as China camp, near Merawi town. Witnesses reported hearing at least four rounds of artillery shelling, allegedly targeting remote rural villages. No casualties have been reported as a result of the artillery shelling, and there has been no response from Fano fighters to the attack.

South Gonder Zone

Dera Woreda

- On June 1st, intense and widespread fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime forces across a vast area encompassing Gelawdewos and Aferwanat Kebeles.
 - The conflict centered around the villages of Sedne, Bisanat, Tele, Derba, Wechit, Sana, Qumisa, and Shiweta, characterized by the use of heavy weaponry such as mortars and heavy machine guns. The regime forces initiated the offensive with the intent of encircling Fano units in six distinct

locations. However, this campaign was met with fierce resistance from the Fano, resulting in substantial casualties for the regime. Recognizing the need for additional manpower and firepower, on June 2nd, the regime deployed reinforcement troops. One contingent traveled from Debre-Tabor city to Gelawdewos via Mahderemariam town, while another was dispatched from Bahir-Dar city via Hamusit town, both aiming to bolster the struggling regime forces. The Fano defense was spearheaded by multiple divisions and brigades, including the Wubante Abate Tewelwari Division, the Guna Division (comprising the Gebremesqel and Meqdela Brigades), and the Tana-Gelawdewos Division (particularly the Aferwanat Brigade, with the Wubante battalion playing a significant role). These Fano units engaged the regime's joint forces in a protracted battle that lasted from 12 am to 11:30 pm local time. The fighting initially began on Sedne mountain and subsequently spread across the wider landscape, encompassing Sana, Tele, Dereba, Wechit, Sana-Mikael, Qomisa, Libanos, Shiweta, Wubante mountain, and Gelawdewos. The regime forces, deploying from Anbesame, Arb-Gebeya, Gindatemem, Debre-Tabor, Estie, Licha, and Andabet town, persistently attempted to encircle the Fano positions but faced staunch resistance, leading to prolonged fighting across the region.

- While precise casualty figures remained elusive, a steady stream of critically injured soldiers was observed being transported to medical facilities for urgent treatment, suggesting a significant toll on both sides.
- On June 4th, Fano forces launched a surprise offensive against regime forces near Gelawdewos town.
 - The targeted regime troops were en route from Arb-Gebeya town to Debre-Tabor city. The Aferwanat Brigade of the Tana Gelawdewos Division

(under the AFNF-AFUG) spearheaded the attack, which resulted in significant casualties for the regime forces. Arbegna Tadele Mire and Abraham led the ambush from the Aferwanat Brigade.

- In a separate incident on the same day (June 4th), regime forces reportedly killed civilians in Dewel-Qusquam. These killings were allegedly carried out under the false pretense that the civilians were providing intelligence to Fano members.

Fogera Woreda

- On June 1st, intense fighting broke out between Fano and regime forces in Wej town. The Engineer Simegnaw Bekele Division, specifically the Christian Tadele Brigade (under the AFNF-AFUG), initiated a significant offensive against regime forces who were garrisoned within the town. The fighting was reportedly fierce, and regime forces sustained substantial casualties as a result of the Fano attack.
- On June 4th, Prosperity Party cadres in Fogera Woreda organized a meeting with local farmers in Sheleqo-Medhanialem Kebele.
 - The political cadres, under the protection of riot dispersal forces, convened the gathering approximately one kilometer from Wereta town with the stated intention of persuading privately armed farmers to surrender their firearms. However, the Engineer Simegnaw Bekele Division (under the AFNF-AFUG), having learned of the regime's planned meeting, launched a surprise attack directed at the political cadres. This sudden assault effectively disrupted the gathering, forcing an abrupt adjournment before any substantial discussion could take place with the assembled farmers. The political cadres narrowly escaped the attack and retreated back to the relative safety of Wereta town.

Debre-Tabor City

- On June 4th, a military convoy encountered an automotive incident resulting in numerous fatalities in Tejabahir-Achena village. The incident involved a military convoy transporting a large number of regime forces from Debre-Tabor city towards Mekane-Eyesus town, when it veered off course and plunged into a deep ravine in Tejbahir-Achena village, located in close proximity to Debre-Tabor city. The accident resulted in the deaths of numerous regime soldiers, including their commanding officer. Both the deceased and injured soldiers were subsequently transported to a hospital in Debre-Tabor for medical attention and further processing.

Mena-Megetewa Woreda

- On June 3rd, intense combat took place between Fano forces and regime troops in Kopi Kebele.
 - The regime forces, with the apparent objective of encircling the Etege Tehaytu Division (under the AFPO-AFGPC), advanced towards the village. However, the Fano fighters, having received advance intelligence of the regime's approach, strategically positioned themselves to defend their territory. This preparation allowed them to inflict substantial casualties on the advancing regime forces.
 - During the ensuing battle, the leader of the regime's riot dispersal forces, a sergeant, was killed in action by the Fano fighters. The Fano forces also suffered losses, with four members killed in the engagement, however the number of wounded Fano fighters remains undetermined.

Estie Woreda

- On June 4th, regime forces implemented a complete disruption of telecommunication services throughout the region situated between Andabet and Estie Woreda. This telecommunications blackout took effect at 12 pm local time. In a separate incident on the same day, a civilian named Masre was reportedly killed by regime forces in Qechin-Meda Kebele. These actions, occurring in tandem, raise concerns about the regime's efforts to control information flow and suppress dissent in affected areas.

Libo-Kemkem Woreda

- On June 5th, intense combat took place between Fano forces and a joint contingent of regime forces in Arnogari Kebele.
 - This joint force comprised militia units, riot dispersal forces, federal police, and regular army troops, all of whom launched a coordinated offensive against Fano positions. The Fano forces responded with a coordinated counter-offensive, leading to heavy casualties among the regime troops. This successful defensive and counter-offensive operation involved multiple Fano divisions including the Tiquir-Anbessa, Mebreq, Fanaye Wube, Gondere-Begashaw, and Zoz-Anba-Nigusu Divisions (under the AFNF-AFUG). A high-ranking regime military commander, identified as Colonel Weldye Mengesha, was critically injured and subsequently admitted to a hospital in Gonder city. Additionally, another top military authority, whose rank was not specified, was killed, along with numerous other members of the regime's joint forces. During the fighting, Fano fighters seized a significant amount of military equipment from the regime, including a heavy machine gun mounted on a military pickup truck. They also destroyed three military ural

trucks, preventing encircled regime forces from escaping. A military radio communication system and a large quantity of ammunition were also captured.

- According to reports, 14 members of the regime’s joint forces were captured by the Fano forces, and an estimated 200 regime soldiers were either killed or critically injured. The Fano forces sustained some casualties, with two members killed and six suffering injuries ranging from minor to critical in severity.
- In an apparent act of retaliation regime forces killed two civilians including a priest and his daughter in Arnogari town following the intense fighting.

Central Gonder Zonex

- On June 4th, intense and widespread fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime troops across a vast territory stretching from Addis-Zemen town to Gonder city.
 - The conflict encompassed areas including Tseda, Megech, Minzro, Fenter, Biralá, Ayer-Marefiya, Maksegnit, Addis-Zemen, and Belessa. This coordinated offensive was launched by Fano forces affiliated with the newly established Dagmawi Tewodros 5th Corps (under the AFNF-AFUG), coinciding with the arrival of high-ranking Prosperity Party officials, including General Abebaw Tadesse, Temesgen Tiruneh, and Arega Kebede, in Gonder city. The fighting reached its peak during the night.
 - Fano fighters infiltrated Maksegnit town (Gonder-Zuriya Woreda) overnight, successfully regaining control of the local police station. During this operation, 75 political prisoners who had been detained by the regime forces were liberated. The police members, including the station commander, Inspector Molla, were reportedly killed in the fighting. The head of the

Maksegnit town peace task force sustained severe injuries and was admitted to a hospital in Gonder for treatment. The Tiquir-Anbesa Division spearheaded the assault in Maksegnit town, achieving a decisive victory over the regime forces, with the Nisir-Belessa Division playing a significant supporting role. The Atsewochu Division's Dejach Asnaqe Brigade (under the AFPO-AFGPC) also played a key role. Fierce fighting also erupted in Minzro, Chinchaye, and Bahir-Ginb Kebeles (Gonder-Zuriya Woreda), beginning in the afternoon.

- The battle in Megech (Gonder city) was particularly fierce. Fano forces launched a direct assault on a regime military camp, resulting in its destruction and subsequent seizure by the Fano, who forced the regime troops to retreat. Fighting also broke out in the Teda sub-city and, in the eastern part of Gonder city, the conflict extended from Fenter to the Angereb River. The Gondere-Begashaw Division, including the Qagnew, Tewodros, and Fasil Brigades, engaged regime forces in the eastern part of Gonder city, while the Tadlo-Birhan Division conducted offensives in the southern part. Notably, Fano forces breached a heavily fortified military dugout near the Atse Tewodros airport.
- In East Belessa Woreda, fighting raged in Degoma and Guhala towns. Members of the Zoz-Anba-Nigussu Division launched an offensive in Degoma, while the Nisir-Belessa Qitaw Ejigu Division targeted three different military camps in Guhala, inflicting heavy casualties on the regime forces. The Fano forces also effectively blocked regime troop movements from Degoma to other locations.
- Fano forces initiated attacks in three locations between Addis-Zemen and Enfranz town. In Qoladiba town (West Dembiya Woreda), members of the Nadew Brigade, part of the Tadlo Birhan Division, infiltrated the area on the night of June 3rd, and assassinated the militia forces coordinator, Masresha

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- Bayu. The Aysheshim Brigade of the Begemidir Division, entered Ayimba town (West Dembiya Woreda) and launched a separate offensive against regime forces stationed there.
- Finally, the Mebreq Division and Shaleqa Fanaye Wube Divisions also launched offensives, contributing to the overall intensity of the widespread conflict.
 - Fano forces launched a new offensive against regime forces in Addis-Zemen town, administrative center of Libo-Kemkem Woreda (South Gonder Zone). This military campaign is dedicated to the memory of Commando Belay, a Fano fighter recently killed in action by regime forces.
 - In a related development, reports have emerged detailing alleged acts of violence committed by regime forces against civilians in areas near Maksegnit town. Farmers in Gera-Mikael and Gera-Giyorgis Kebeles have reportedly been subjected to beatings and torture. Furthermore, numerous houses have been deliberately set ablaze by regime forces, allegedly on the grounds that the owners are Fano sympathizers.
- On the evening of June 4th, intense fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime troops across numerous locations within Central Gonder Zone.
 - The widespread conflict encompassed areas stretching from Werhala town in West Belessa Woreda to Tseda and Kebele 18 within Gonder city. Intense combat was reported in 13 different locations between Gonder city and Addis-Zemen town, resulting in significant losses for the regime forces.
 - This coordinated offensive was launched through the joint efforts of two commands in Gonder: the Gondere-Begashaw Division (from the AFNF-AFUG 5th Corps) and the Atsewochu Division (from the

AFPO-AFGPC). The two divisions launched a coordinated attack in Tseda sub-city, inflicting substantial casualties on regime forces.

- In addition, Fano forces also launched an offensive against regime troops in Genfo-Quch village and at the Desalegn hotel in Gonder city. During the operation in Genfo-Quch, the Fano forces reportedly captured several Gonder city officials, although their identities remain unspecified. Fierce clashes also took place around Atse Tewodros airport.
- The widespread fighting and the Fano offensive effectively thwarted the regime's planned public demonstration intended to promote the successes of the Prosperity Party in Gonder city. The event was cancelled in the face of the Fano's surprise attacks, highlighting the disruption and instability caused by the ongoing conflict.

Statement from the Amhara Fano National Force (AFNF) in Gonder [June 2, 2025]

- On June 2nd, the AFNF-AFUG officially announced the formation of its 5th Corps. In a gesture of historical significance and respect for national heritage, the newly established corps has been named the Atse Tewodros Corps, in honor of Emperor Tewodros II. This large and powerful corps comprises seven major divisions, each representing a significant component of the Fano forces in the region. The constituent divisions include the Gondere-Begashaw, Mebreq, Tiquir-Anbesa, Nisir-Belessa, Tadlo-Birhan, Zoz-Anba-Nigussu, and the Fanaye Wube Divisions, collectively representing a substantial military force within the AFNF structure.

West Dembiya Woreda

- On June 1st, intense fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime troops in Ayimba town. The regime forces reportedly employed heavy artillery in their offensive, repeatedly shelling the town. This initial clash set the stage for a

widening conflict, and on June 2nd, the fighting spread to Chandiba and areas straddling the border between West Dembiya and Chilga Woredas. The fighting in Chandiba commenced in the afternoon, escalating the already precarious situation. Due to the ongoing nature of the conflict, it has not yet been possible to determine the extent of casualties suffered by either side.

East Dembiya Woreda

- On June 3rd, heavy fighting broke out between Fano forces and regime troops in Seqelt Kebele.
 - The fighting involved the Begemidir Division (under the AFPO-AFGPC) and was concentrated around Mequamiya-Maryam village. Simultaneously, intense clashes also occurred in the vicinity of Ayimba town, indicating a broader pattern of escalating violence in the region. During the fighting in Seqelt Kebele, Fano forces reportedly inflicted significant casualties on state militias, with at least 15 militia members confirmed killed. While the specific number of casualties sustained by the regime's regular army forces remains unknown.

Tach Armachiho Woreda

- On June 4th, intense clashes occurred between Fano forces and regime troops in Bure Kebele.
 - The fighting was undertaken by the Gobe Melke Division, under the Dejazmach (4th) Corps (part of the AFNF-AFUG) near Ashire-Tegede town.
 - During the fighting, the local Prosperity Party-appointed administrator and the militia forces coordinator were reportedly killed by Fano fighters. In addition,

the chairman of Bure Kebele also lost his life in the conflict. It is further reported that the Fano killed over seven militiamen in Bure.

West Gonder Zone

Metemma Woreda

- On June 4th, intense fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime troops in Ashamit and Vantola Kebeles. Regime forces attempted to encircle the Fano forces in two separate locations however the regime forces instead suffered heavy losses. The regime forces reportedly suffered significant losses during these clashes with over 15 regime soldiers either killed or critically injured in Vantola village alone. The scale of the casualties was such that locals were compelled to bury the deceased regime soldiers in four mass graves.
- On June 5th, intense fighting erupted between Fano forces and regime troops in Humer-Awlala, also known as Akushra.
 - The regime forces suffered significant losses during the engagement. Fano fighters captured 22 regime soldiers. In addition, the Fano seized a substantial cache of weaponry, including over 24 small arms and heavy weapons, encompassing a sniper rifle and a machine gun. The Fano forces also acquired the regime forces' radio communication equipment.
 - A high-ranking regime military authority, who was directing the troops via radio, was reportedly killed during the fighting. The military losses inflicted upon the regime forces resulted from a coordinated effort that included a direct assault on the regime's military camp, as well as a surprise ambush launched against regime forces operating near the camp.

Qwara Woreda

- On June 5th, Fano forces launched a surprise attack targeting regime forces near Gelego town.
 - The Fano fighters ambushed a unit of the special republican guard commando forces, who were preparing to conduct a special operation against Fano positions in the area. These commando forces were traveling in two heavily armed military trucks when the attack occurred. The surprise attack against the commando unit took place near Shimel-Egir village. The operation was conducted by the Nebro Brigade of the Qwara-Omedla Division (under the AFNF-AFUG). The republican guard commando forces were reportedly en route from Gelego town to secure and control a strategic area encompassing Belago, Bemur, Qutir 4, and Nefs-Gebeya Kebeles. Following the ambush, the regime deployed mechanized forces from Gelego town to Shimel-Egir village to respond to the attack and reinforce their position.
 - The ambush proved highly effective, resulting in the deaths of the majority of the special commando forces. The surviving soldiers on the trucks sustained critical injuries, with over 30 commandos suffering severe wounds.

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