

**BURMA ON KNIFE EDGE:
BURMESE RIOT POLICE BEGIN TO ATTACK MONKS**

Sept 26, 07. Thousands of Buddhist monks and other protesters have been marching in Rangoon despite warnings, and a bloody crackdown by police. For the third day, an estimated 100,000+ demonstrators took to the streets.

Troops responded by firing tear gas and live rounds over the protesters' heads, sending people running for cover.

A clampdown on the media by Burma's military government has banned gatherings of five people or more, and imposed a night-time curfew.

The police have now begun a crackdown. At least 100 monks were beaten, and three deaths have been reported. Demonstrators were dragged away in trucks. Opposition leaders have been arrested.

There are now fears of extreme action by the military government.