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WHO IS ZEYAR THAW



He **rapped for freedom**
and **was executed** for it.



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FROM MUSICIAN TO ACTIVIST

Born in Yangon in 1981, **Zeyar Thaw** founded **ACID** an influential **Burmese hip-hop group**.

In a country where political speech is controlled
He dared to rap what many feared to say.

He put in jeopardy his successful career
to deliver his message





BEHIND BARS FOR HIS WORDS

In 2008, the **junta silenced his voice** so no one could hear it.

Sentenced to six years' imprisonment for lyrics that told the truth.

Zeyar Thaw wasn't jailed for violence, but **for bold, defiant verses.**

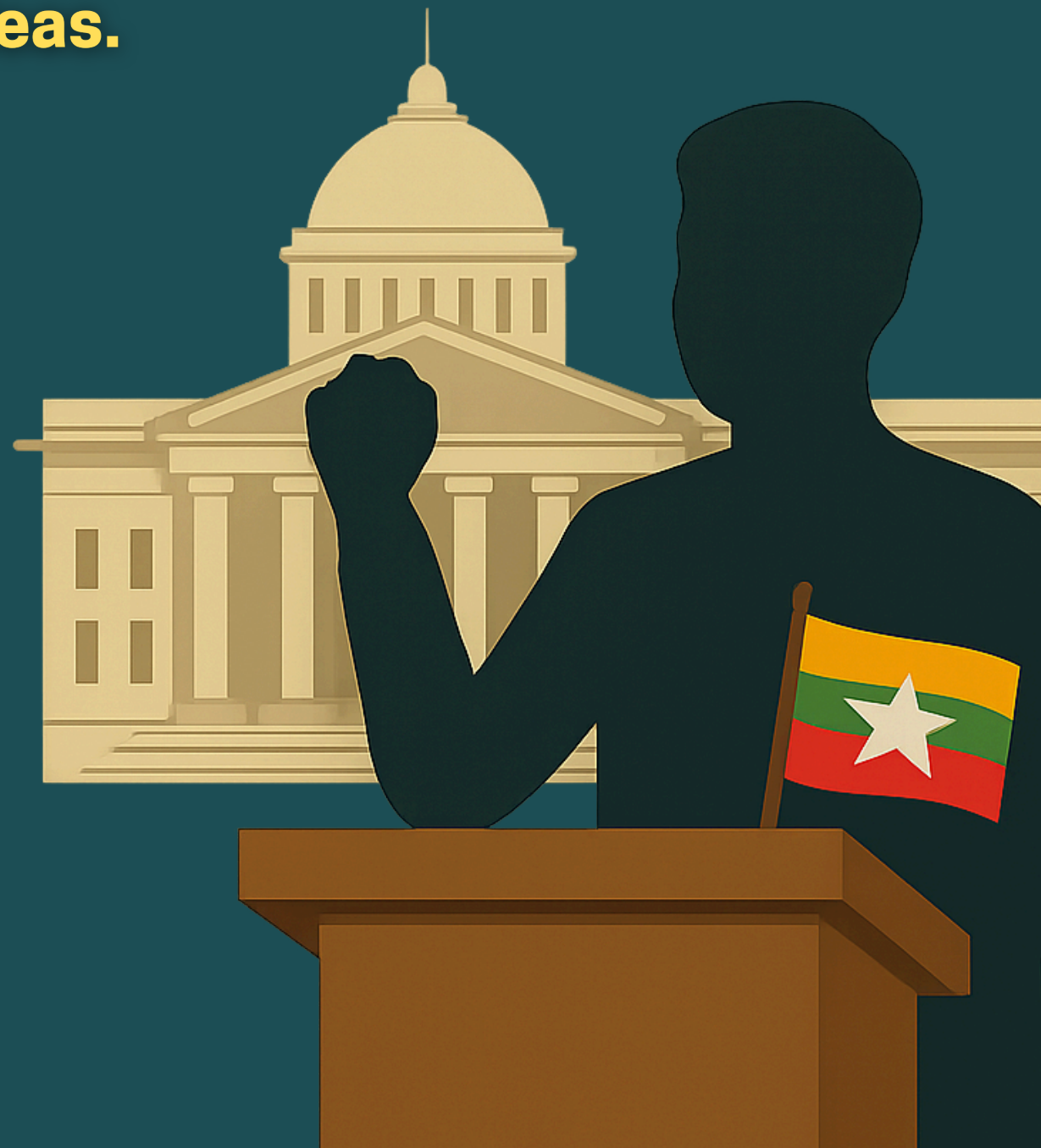
A VOICE THEY COULDN'T MUTE

Even **behind bars**, Zeyar Thaw **stayed a menace** to the regime.

Not with weapons, but **with ideas.**

Amnestied in 2011,
he **was elected MP**
alongside important figures
like Aung San Suu Kyi

Becoming a lawmaker
during the **short Myanmar's**
democratic opening



NO PLACE FOR DISSENT



In 2021, the **military seized power**

Parliament fell

Zeyar Thaw was hunted and arrested

Tortured and **sentenced to death**
in a secret trial.

STRONG TILL THE END

In 2022, **he was executed**

Not for what he did but **for refusing to be silent**



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