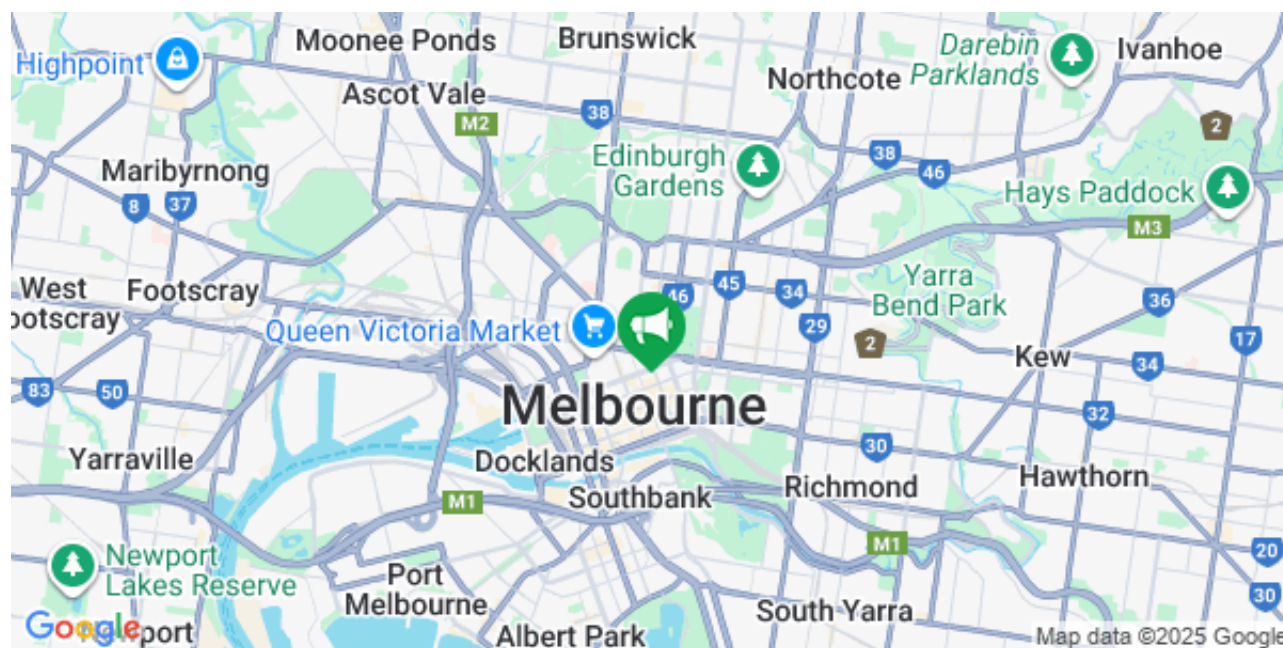


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Australia Tactical: Protests slated in Melbourne, Sydney on December 13; allot for disruptions

Current Situation:

- In **Melbourne**, members of the Community and Public Sector Union (CPSU) Victoria are slated to hold a rally at the State Library from 12:30 (local time) on December 13.
- The rally aims to denounce proposed changes at the State Library, including job cuts and diversion of funds toward digital projects.



- In **Sydney**, activists from the local Burmese diaspora associated with the All-in-One Piece Movement are slated to protest at 160 Martin Place at 13:00-15:00 on December 13.
- The protest aims to denounce the detention of political leaders in Myanmar, including former State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi and former President U Win Myint, and to call for the boycott of the slated general elections.



Source: [CPSU Victoria](#), [Facebook](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

The turnout in the gathering in Melbourne is likely to range in the mid-to-high dozens, given the mobilization capabilities of CPSU Victoria. Participation in the Sydney protest is anticipated to range in the low-to-mid dozens, considering the limited resonance of the issue in Australia. As part of the standard security protocol, the authorities are likely to bolster security measures at the aforementioned locations in Melbourne and Sydney by deploying police personnel to monitor the proceedings. Both demonstrations are anticipated to transpire peacefully, considering the low sensitivity of the issues in the country. Localized pedestrian and vehicular travel disruptions are anticipated in the vicinity of the protest sites due to the expected turnout and related security measures on December 13.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Melbourne and Sydney on December 13 are advised to allot for travel disruptions in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated protests.