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## State Counsellor addresses Education Development Implementation Conference





State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi addresses the Education Development Implementation Conference (Basic Education Sector) in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA** 

TATE Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi addressed the Education Development Implementation Conference (Basic Education Sector) organized by the Ministry of Education at the Myanmar International Convention Centre 2 (MICC-2) yesterday morning.

Sayadaws from monastic education schools joined the Union Ministers, Union Civil Service Board Chairman, Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman, chairmen of Hluttaw affairs committees, Deputy Minister for Education, Nay Pyi Taw Council members, states/regions ministers for social affairs, members of National Education Policy Commission, National Curriculum Committee

and National Education Standards and Quality Assurance Evaluation Committee, heads of departments, rectors, head of education colleges, education heads

Student Associations and partner libraries and officials attended the conference.

In her address to the conference, State Counsellor Daw

National education expenditure to be 20 percent of the total national expenditure and efforts have been made toward increasing annual education expenditure."

of districts and townships, head masters/mistresses of schools, teachers, representatives from Tatmadaw schools and private schools, representatives of development partner organizations, All Myanmar Teachers Association, Aung San Suu Kyi said, "stability and development of a country depends on human resources and how much it can serve the country. For human resources to develop we'll have to establish and strengthen a 'quality education' and much investment is required for it. The 2015 National Education Law (Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 38/2015 – Law Amending the National Education Law) has specifically prescribed the aim of national education expenditure to be 20 percent of the total national expenditure and efforts have been made toward increasing annual education expenditure."

Development partner organizations have been assisting toward investment in the education sector as the Union is investing in the education sector. I don't think it is necessary to say that to successfully implement the National Education Strategic Plan (2016-2021) the unified cooperation among students, parents, teachers, school managements,

partners in education, local and international partner organizations are vital and important.

To survive and thrive in the world it is important not only to remember facts and data but to think, assess and resolve problems too. It is important to transform the students from the practice of rote learning to meaningful learning. When doing this, students are to be taught not only matters in the curriculum but also other related outside matters so that they can collect information, evaluate, resolve problems and conduct discussions. This collective studying habit need to be instilled in them starting from basic education schools with teaching and learning methods.

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## Second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session holds ninth meeting

By Aye Aye Thant (MNA)

THE second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session held its ninth meeting yesterday at the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting hall in the Hluttaw Building in Nay Pyi Taw. During the session, asterisk-marked questions were asked and answered, a report was read, a bill was approved, and a motion was discussed and decided upon.

#### **Asterisk-marked questions**

During the ninth meeting, asterisk-marked questions were raised by seven Hluttaw representatives and they were answered by the Deputy Minister for Construction, U Kyaw Lin

U Kyaw Aung Lwin of Sedoktara constituency asked the Union government whether it plans to construct a suspension or Bailey bridge across the Mone Creek in the northern part of Sedoktara Township. The Deputy Minister replied that starting from fiscal year 2019-2020, funds will be ear-



Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker UT Khun Myat. PHOTO: MNA

marked for the construction of the bridge. Depending on the availability of funds, construction work will be implemented, he said.

U Sai Kyaw Moe of Mongpan constituency asked if the government will upgrade the Thanlwin Suspension Bridge (Tasan) linking southern and northern Shan State to a reinforced concrete bridge, with a load-bearing capacity of 70 tons. The Deputy Minister said the government plans to construct a Steel Truss Frame bridge with load capacity of 60 tons. Construction will start in the fiscal year 2018-2019 with Union funds, he said. The work will be completed if sufficient funds are obtained in Fiscal Year 2019-2020, he added.

U Kyaw Htay of Leshi constituency asked the government when it plans to construct a bridge across the Chindwin River on the Htamanthi-Leshi-India border road. The Deputy Minister replied that the bridge is in-

cluded in the long-term Master Plan, and the Sagaing Region's Government is coordinating and discussing the matter with the Ministry of Construction.

"The bridge will be an estimated half-mile in length. During the rainy season, the Chindwin River flows rapidly. So, powerful machinery is required to build the bridge and there are restraints on the availability of funds. If the Sagaing Region Government can allocate funds in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020, the Ministry of Construction will use the best and most powerful machinery available to construct the bridge," said the Deputy Minister.

U Pe Than of Myebon constituency asked about plans to tar the road connecting the Minbya-Myebon town and village ahead of the opening of the Kyatsin Bridge on that road.

The Deputy Minister said due to insufficient funds in the current fiscal year, priority is being given to upgradation of wooden bridges to reinforced bridges. "Therefore, it is not possible to tar the remaining 15/2 miles of the road in time for the opening of the Kyatsin Bridge. Funds will be requested in the next fiscal years and depending on their allocation, the tarring of the remaining portion of the road will be implemented," said the Deputy Minister.

The Deputy Minister for Construction also responded to questions raised by Daw Thandar of Einme constituency, U Kyaw Shwe of Yanbye constituency, and Daw Ni Ni May Myint of Taungup constituency.

#### Pyithu Hluttaw Investment and Industrial Development Committee Report read

After the session on asterisk-marked questions, the Pyithu Hluttaw Investment and Industrial Development Committee Report was read by committee member U Aye Min Aung, also known as U Min Min.

The Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker asked Hluttaw representatives who wanted to discuss the report to enrol their names.

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## Second Amyotha Hluttaw's tenth regular session holds ninth meeting

By Aung Ye Thwin

THE tenth regular session of the Second Amyotha Hluttaw held its ninth meeting at the Amyotha Hluttaw's meeting hall yesterday morning.

At the Hluttaw session, U Kyaw Ni Naing of Shan State's Constituency 11 asked the government if it plans to supervise the construction of a mini airfield where small planes accomodating up to some 10 passengers can takeoff and land in the Kokant Self-Administered Zone of Shan State. And if there is a plan for routine flights under supervision exercised by the Department of Civil Aviation.

The Deputy Minister for Transport and Communications, U Kyaw Myo, said the ministry will consult with the department of Civil Aviation. After giving its approval, the department of Civil Aviation will help with technology and aviation affairs, and the ministry will need to get approval from the Union Government about the project.

U Sai Pan Pha of Kayah State's Constituency 12 raised a question on building of My-



Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than. PHOTO: MNA

anma Posts and Telecommunications (MPT) towers in Nan Man, Mae Sae Nam, and Ho Jit village tracts in Mansi Township, Kayah State. The Deputy Minister for Transport and Communications said currently there were no plans to set up MPT towers.

Daw Thiri Yadana of Mon State's Constituency 12 asked if there were any plans to conduct field inspections in Belin Township to mitigate the loss and damages caused by floods, while drawing up longterm schemes in conjunction with the Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River System and the Environmental Conservation Department. U Kyaw Myo replied that work would be carried out to mitigate the damage caused by floods after getting details on loans and estimated costs of the short-term scheme that would be conducted in three years by the Mon State government.

Afterwards, the Deputy Minister replied to questions raised by Daw Naw Sar Muu Htoo of Kayin State's constituency 11, U Hwei Tin of Chin State's constituency 11, and U Zung Hlei Thang of Chin State's Constituency 4.

Later, Amyotha Hluttaw Bill Committee member Daw Nan Ni Ni Aye clarified the Myanma Gemstone Bill 2017 that was sent by the Pyithu Hluttaw with amendments.

Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than obtained the decision of the Amyotha Hluttaw on the amendments made by the Hluttaw.

Regarding the bill, U Kyaw Thiha of Mandalay Region's constituency 12 tabled a motion to discuss the difference of opinion between the Amyotha Hluttaw and the Pyithu Hluttaw. Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than asked members to submit the points for discussion at the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.

Afterwards, the Chairman of the Amyotha Hluttaw Bill Committee, U Zaw Min, read out and explained the report on the amendments of the Bar Council Act. The Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker obtained a paragraph-by-paragraph decision and approval of the bill by the

Hluttaw.

U Soe Moe of Ayeyawady Region's constituency 1 tabled a motion to approve the bill, and U San Myint of Ayeyawady Region's constituency 3 supported it. After taking the decision of the Hluttaw, the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker announced that the bill was approved.

Later, Daw Thiri Yadana of Mon State's Constituency 12 tabled a motion asking the Union Government to take serious legal action against wildlife trafficking. Hluttaw representatives took part in the discussion.

U Maung Maung Ohn of Ayeyawady Region's constituency 5, Daw Than Than Aye of Magway Region's constituency 7, Daw Shwe Shwe Sein Lat of Bago Region's constituency 3, and U Soe Thein alias U Maung Soe of Thaninthayi Region's constituency 10 also participated in the discussion and supported the motion.

The tenth meeting of the Second Ayotha Hluttaw's tenth regular session will be held on 5 December.

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## State Counsellor, Israeli Ambassador exchange views on bilateral relations

Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counsellor and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs received H.E. Mr. Ronen Gilor, Ambassador of the State of Israel to Myanmar on 4th December 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nay Pyi Taw. During the meeting, they cordially discussed and exchanged views on matters relating to promotion of bilateral relations and cooperation, strengthening people-to-people contacts and enhancing agriculture, health care and vocational training sectors.—
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State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi meets with Ambassador of the State of Israel to Myanmar Mr. Ronen Gilor in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA** 

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Youngsters and students need to be trained so that they are not afraid of problems. If there is work, there is a problem. Problems are not something to be feared. It is important just to find the best way to overcome it. This needs to be taught since they are young.

At the moment, our government is systematically eradicating corruption. Corruption is an affront to the country and slows down the development of the people. Morality and ethics need to be strengthened since young. For the honor of the country and development of the people, the value of being corruption free should be taught in basic education schools so that it is well understood. Educative, informative and entertainment methods are being employed using appropriate words and sentences for the respective ages to teach the vices of corruption, and its evil effect to the surrounding. In addition, having upright and honest behaviour, connection between doing things for self and for all, having good morality and ethics also need to be taught. These programs are good not only for the children but also for the country.

In order teach and train children to raise their thinking capabilities and knowledge, teachers themselves need to read and study while instilling the good habits of interest in reading and seeking of knowledge to the students. They are to be trained and practiced so that they can learn on their own knowledge and skills using libraries.

Conducting literary talks, discussions, debates, copying or cutting articles from newspapers, journals and magazines and posting on notice boards will

example.

encourage students and youngsters to become more interested in literature.

Becoming a knowledgeable and learned person is not enough to become a valued son or daughter of a country. They need to understand and follow rules and regulations. As per the saying "the value of a person is in his/ her discipline," disciplined people bring honor to their country. National discipline should start at schools. This discipline controls the people from not breaking the rules of society and the laws of the country. Rules and laws need to be obeyed and followed everywhere. This habit needs to be obtained through practice. The subject of civic duty is taught in almost every country under various names. Moral, ethics and civic duty should be effectively taught in our country so that training is provided for obtaining good habits. Valuing and respecting time is a habit that is very valuable in being disciplined. We need to instill in our youth to value and respect time. All need to know that to value and respect time is to value our society and our neighborhood. We need to make the students know this. Our people are weak in valuing and respecting time. At the same time schools need to teach the simple practice of not littering. This is important for our whole country. If the elders and teachers are littering the children will follow and do the same. The good habit and practice need to be instilled for the sake of our country. Even though not littering and valuing time seems not much of a big deal, these are very important so teachers must not litter and value time so that the students and children will follow the good

Schools need to develop the students both physically and mentally. Interest in sports need to be raised since the students are voung. Age wise sporting events need to be held. Teachers need to be healthy and strong in order to produce healthy and strong students. Some still think sport is for boys. Both boys and girls need to be healthy and strong. I think we are seeing more successful woman/girl athletes. Sports or physical training teachers need to be beefed up in basic education schools. Sports or physical training not only build up the physiques, but also the habit of working as a group or team. A policy needs to be established to have more male teachers rather than female teachers only. Now, 90 percent of the teachers are female. It is important to have more male teachers. Education is related to all. Giving education or being a teacher is a noble thing. This is not a job for women only as men also need to participate in it. This is what I would like to urge.

For all round development of the children, they need not only be trained and taught sports but also in arts and music. Arts support a person's peacefulness and tranquility. It teaches them to feel and appreciate the beauty of their surroundings. It also creates an opportunity to become acquainted with like-minded people.

Now is the time when we are establishing a true Democratic Federal Union and peace is very important. People who are not peaceful and tranquil do not appreciate and value their surrounding's tranquility and peace. That is why we need to create a peaceful and tranquil situation where teachers can teach and students can learn. We need to sympathize and understand the life of teachers serving in remote and far-off places. Only with this understanding and sympathy we

will know how to support them. Only when their lives are peaceful and calm can they teach, train and develop peaceful and calm youths and students. Equal education opportunities are to be created without differentiating between the hilly regions and low lands. Teachers should see it as a challenge to serve in remote and far-off places. View it as an opportunity to serve the country in the most effective way. Young teachers should have this enterprising spirit. I'd like to appeal to the teachers to nurture the concept that it is more valuable and honorable to provide education in far-off and remote places.

Teaching the school curriculum alone is not enough for a teacher. They need to teach their students how to live safely. Information programs on the danger of drugs need to be arranged in basic education schools.

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State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi visits exhibition of student projects at conference on Implementation Education Development (Basic Education Sector) in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA** 

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State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi poses for photo together with union ministers and dignitaries at the Education Development Implementation Conference in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA** 

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At the time when technology is advancing at a rapid pace, the pros and cons of technology need to be taught to the students. It is important for teachers and parents to cooperate and work together in conducting such works. Not only drugs, but smart phones are also bringing much data and information. There are things that are appropriate and inappropriate for the youths. All of these are reaching the youngsters. Parents and teachers need to know what they are seeing, hearing, reading so that parents and teachers can guide them on what to accept and what to reject.

We have a historic duty to train and produce youths who will serve the country well in the future. This is the requirement in the world. In our country, we need to support vocational education as it is in much demand. There should be students who will go on to universities as well as students who take up vocational education. Vocational education is not a second rated or low level education. It is valuable not only for those who are acquiring it but also for the country and the world so it needs to be developed and raised as required at the present

"Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all" is the Sustainable Development Goal 4 of the world's development index that we must strive towards and implement during the 15 years period of 2016 to 2030. In doing this, we need to create equal opportunities for children with disabilities as well as children with special requirements.

Teachers should not think that students at school are the only ones that they are responsible. They need to strive towards creating education opportunities for youths and children who are outside of the schools. Teachers and parents need to work together in this. If teachers found youngsters out of schools while others are attending schools, they should be questioned. What are they doing? Are they not attending school? Are they unable to attend school? The teachers need to be curious and interested in this. It is not good to see schoolage youngsters or children out of school. We all need to strive toward having all youngsters and children in schools.

In the past, I heard that

jects but also in sports, music, arts and agriculture too. Youths should be trained for all-round development. Teachers need to train our youths and children to have the guts to speak out and do things. Democracy starts in the school room and democratic habits and practices should be nurtured and taught. Thoughts and ideas that are valuable and beneficial not only for them but also for the country need to be trained and taught. I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you all about my satisfaction in meeting with primary and high school students recently. Both spoke out their minds freely without being timid or cowed. When asked, they answer whatever they have in their minds. There are some who

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people are proud of creating a silent and soundless environment where lessons are taught and learnt at schools. We should not encourage students to fold their arms and listen humbly to whatever they are taught. I don't mean to say they shouldn't listen when they are being taught. I mean that teaching shouldn't be one way with the teacher talking to the students only. We've reached the age where students interact with teachers by raising questions. Students should participate in the teaching/learning by being keen and interested in the lessons. Not only should this be in normal classroom sublook a bit shy but they are not afraid or scared. This is not the same. It is normal for some to be shy. But they are proud of what they know. Even though they may know only a little, they are proud. That is why the job of teachers is noble. It is the biggest ability of the teacher to teach and train students who value and are proud of themselves. Please help our youngsters and children to face their lives with courage and optimism. To transform the National Education System of Myanmar the skill to innovate and evaluate, select cultural and ethical values and create job opportunities for oneself need to be nurtured and trained. Only then can the education be an education that benefits the socio-economic development of Myanmar.

Children need to be healthy and strong to have a "quality education." Only when they are healthy and strong can they learn enthusiastically of what they want to learn. Schools should teach students how to live a healthy, strong and nutritious life. When I ask parents, especially in rural areas, they put education in front of health. This is interesting. Parents want a good future for their children and want them to have a good education. That is why I always cautioned them. Educated but an unhealthy person wouldn't live a long in life. That is why both education and health should be valued at the same level. Teachers need to teach this. Parents need to understand this. Giving health education is giving a good life.

Teachers play a vital or key role in education. Teachers need to be full of knowledge as well as having a good heart. Education is a thing that is transferred. The transfer should be both heart and mind. Learn and increase your knowledge through life-long learning and pass it on to the students so that they become better than you. Don't leave anything for yourself. A good teacher produces students who are better than the teacher. Those in the management and administration of education should have the ability to lead, guide, administer and manage teachers. They must be fair and unbiased. Skilled and outstanding educators or teachers should be assigned in appropriate places. Here the responsibility is on the government too. The government needs to be fair and unbiased in administering and managing the education department. We need to teach teachers to be fair and unbiased in the school rooms. They must not look at who the parents are. Some teachers favor outstanding students which is natural. But they also need to care more for those who are in need of coaching and teaching. Why are they not catching up? What problems are they facing? Why they are not interested? It is an important duty for the teachers to fulfill the shortcomings of the students. A dutiful teacher is one who makes good students better and pulls along those who are lagging behind.

Education is the equalizer that levels differences and reduce poverty. It increases family income. It raises individual and family health. It sustains peace, helps economic development and national unity. It is hoped that this conference will bring forth discussions that will establish a firm and effective basic education system that is beneficial for the country.

Elders usually say to youngsters may you be healthy, wealthy, free from dangers. But to educate is to make a person do things or accomplish things for his/ her self. They need knowledge or education to be healthy both physically and mentally as well as to be wealthy and free from dangers. I want to conclude and say that we should learn for life and then give education to our youngsters so that they may be healthy, wealthy and free from dangers. Thank you. After her speech, the State Counsellor took commemorative group photos with conference attendees and then viewed the education exhibits displayed in the hall. — MNA■

## Dollar slides as US-China agree to suspend new trade tariffs

By Nyein Nyein

THE value of US dollar has declined against the Myanmar Kyat in the aftermath of a US-China agreement to temporarily suspend any new trade tariff, according to the forex market.

Yesterday, the buying rate of the US dollar was around Ks1,500, while the selling rate was around Ks1,510-Ks1,520 for 1 dollar according to local private banks.

"A truce in the trade war between the United States and China was the main factor behind the dollar's depreciation against the local currency," said Dr. Aung Ko Ko, a member of the NLD Central Economic Committee.

"The US and China have agreed to halt the trade war. If the trade war between the world's largest economic powers stops, hopefully, global trade will be able to get back to normal. Resulting from

this development, the dollar exchange rate has dropped in the local forex market," said U Than Lwin, a senior consultant of KBZ.

"As Myanmar's economic outlook probably indicates a slowdown, dollar demand is falling. Once the economy grows, the demand is likely to increase. However, at present, the dollar exchange rate has only slipped a bit. It has not plunged to the previous lower rate level," he said.

"We cannot predict whether dollar values will go up or down in the domestic market. As the US forex rate usually depends on supply and demand in the floating exchange market. Meanwhile, Sino-Myanmar border trade has currently slowed. Chinese investors have also delayed plans to set up factories in the country. Otherwise, such projects would mean an inflow of dollars through foreign direct investment," said U Than Lwin.

"Additionally, the export

sector plays a vital role in the forex market. It is somehow related to the appreciation and depreciation of dollar values in the local currency market," said Dr. Aung Ko Ko.

"It is important to have a trade surplus. However, the fiscal deficit will continue as the country is trying to bridge the infrastructure gap. The trade deficit will inevitably rise. But, we need to take measures to reduce it," he added.

Also, we have to push for a trade surplus as it has an impact on our foreign currency reserves, he added.

If the foreign currency reserve will be sufficient, it will help stabilize the currency's value, Dr. Aung Ko Ko said.

On 8 November, the Central Bank of Myanmar allowed foreign banks to lend to local corporates, which also led to a drop in the US dollar exchange rate

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)

## Over 200,000 cattle exported in one year

SINCE authorities have permitted the export of live cattle, Myanmar exported over 200,000 cattle to neighboring countries within one year, said U Aung Htoo, Deputy Minister for Commerce.

Myanmar exported 28,000 buffaloes and 186,000 bulls between December 2017 and 16 November 2018, generating revenue of over US\$ 260 million, according to U Aung Htoo at the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting on 28 November.

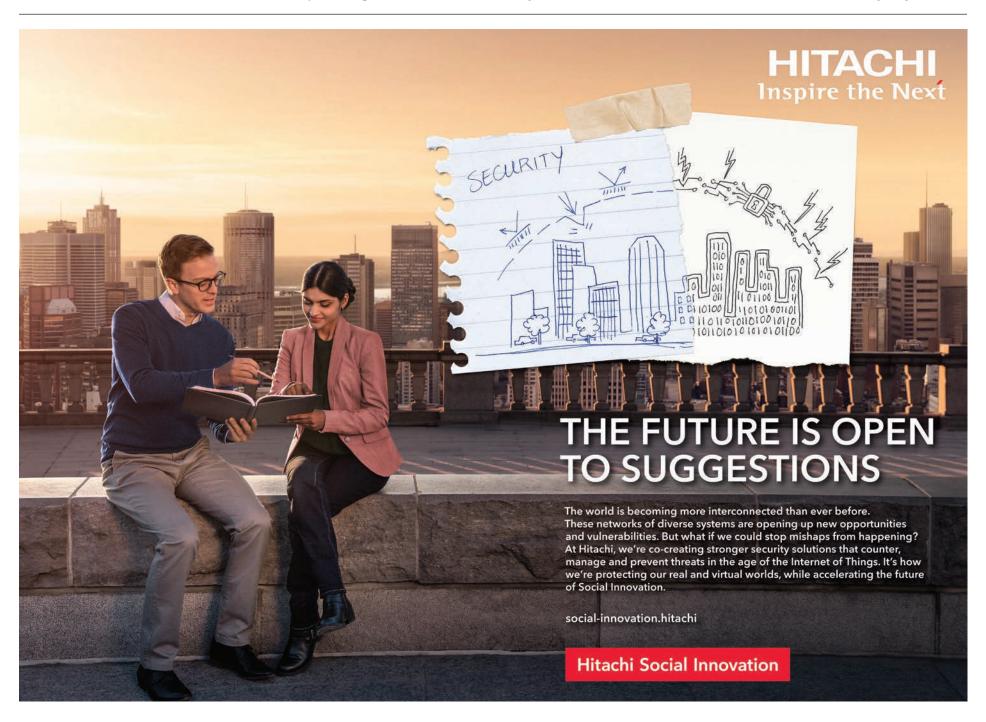
Moreover, the Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department is negotiating with a team with officials from General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of Yunnan Province to sign a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for clearance disease cattle exports, he added.

According to the 2018 cattle census, there are 11.5

million cattle in Myanmar, including 1.8 million buffaloes and 9.7 million bulls. The exported cattle must be above 5 years old and have vaccination certificates, health certificates, and farming registration certificates, said the Union Minister.

Along the Muse border gate, the current price of a live cow is Ks 1.7 million to Ks 2.1 million, while live buffalo is sold for Ks 2.1 million to 2.2 million.

According to a local farmer, the price of cattle rose after authorities permitted the legal export of live cattle. Currently, 490 cattle, 295 dairy cows, 160 buffaloes, 150 goats and 1,128 pigs are being raised in the Hlinethaya livestock breeding zone. Country-wide, over 174,000 buffaloes, 700,000 cows, 130,000 goats, 1,400,000 pigs, 48,000,000 chickens and 4,100,000 ducks have been raised.—GNLM (Translated by Hay Mar)



## MPU discusses budget bill for regions, states

THE MYANMAR Parliamentary Union (MPU) held its 6/2018 meeting in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday to discuss the final draft of the budget bill for the regions and states.

The meeting was attended by the Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and the Pyithu Hluttaw, U T Khun Myat, the Speaker of the Amyotha Hluttaw, Mahn Win Khaing Than, the Deputy Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and the Pyithu Hluttaw, U Tun Aung (also known as U Tun Tun Hein), speakers and deputy speakers of the region and state Hluttaws, the directors-general of the Hluttaw

offices, and officials.

Speaking at the meeting, U T Khun Myat called on speakers of the Hluttaws to discuss and approve the final draft of the budget bill as it has been added with reasonable recommendations from regional and state parliaments.

The meeting was held at a time when the speakers and deputy speakers of the Hluttaws and deputy directors-general were attending the fourth forum for leadership, organized by the UNDP.

UTKhun Myat also stressed the important role of Hluttaws in putting checks and balances



Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U T Khun Myat delivers the speech at the Myanmar Parliamentary Union meeting in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA** 

on the two other branches of democracy, the executive and the judiciary, in the interest of the people.

Afterwards, the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker, Mahn Win Khaing Than, urged the legislative sector at the regional and state level not to get involved in other branches as the rights for speakers of the regional and state Hluttaws have been set.

While carrying out their duties, representatives must take care to prevent any burden on the people, he added.

Afterwards, Deputy Speaker U Tun Aung reported on the implementation of the resolutions of the 5/2018 meeting.

The head of the office of MPU and Director General of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw's Office, U Kyaw Soe, explained the budget bill and Hluttaw affairs.

Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U T Khun Myat and Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than gave the concluding remarks.— MNA ■

# Seminar on innovation in Israel held in Nay Pyi Taw

THE Israeli Embassy in Yangon organized a seminar on 'Innovation in Israel' at the Ayeyawady Hall in the MGallery by Sofitel Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday evening.

The seminar was held to strengthen economic and technological relations between Myanmar and Israel. Israeli Ambassador to Myanmar, Mr. Ronen Gilor, opened the seminar by lighting a candle. He also addressed the gathering.

The Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Pyithu Hluttaw U T Khun Myat also delivered a welcoming message.

The Speaker said Myanmar was the first Southeast Asian country to recognize Israel as an independent and sovereign state.

The two countries also established diplomatic relations in 1948 after Myanmar's independence, he said.

Afterwards, Professor Jacob Bortman from Ben-Gurion University gave a lecture on Israel's innovations.

The Deputy Minister for Planning and Finance, U Sett Aung, lawmakers, departmental officials, and guests also attended the event. — Kyaw Htike Soe ■

## Senior General Min Aung Hlaing receives Yunnan Provincial Party Committee Secretary

Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received Mr. Chan Hao, Secretary of the Yunnan Provincial Party Committee of the Communist Party of the People's Republic of China at the Zeyathiri Beikman hall in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

Present at the meeting with the Senior General were Lt-Gen Tun Tun Naung, Lt-Gen Soe Htut and high ranking officers from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) while Mr. Chan Hao was accompanied by the Chinese Ambassador Mr. Hong Liang. During the meeting matters relating to development of Yunnan Province, status of increasing and strengthening relations between the two militaries, strengthening bilateral trade, border security and stability, co-



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing meets with Mr. Chan Hao, Secretary of the Yunnan Provincial Party Committee of the Communist Party of the People's Republic of China, in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: OFFICE OF THE C-IN-C** 

operation in education, health and transport sector development for ethnic nationals living in the border region, status of progressing along the path toward multi-party democracy selected by the people of Myanmar, works conducted to establish eternal peace and exchange of friendly visits between the two militaries were discussed according to news released by the Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services. — MNA



## Myanmar Christian Fellowship's peace team arrives in Letpadan Township

A peace team of the Myanmar Christian Fellowship arrived at Pyinkadon Village, Letpadan Township, Bago Region, yesterday.

The peace team was welcomed by Bago Region Hluttaw representatives U Myo Aung and U Win Ko, an official from

the township education office, teachers, students, and local people.

The peace team met with locals at the middle school in the Pyinkadone Village and performed songs of peace.

Afterwards, the second leader of the team U Htut

Htut, Naw Toe Mar, and writer Zayyamin Shin gave talks on peace.

The peace team continue their trip today to Hinthada Town, Ayeyawady Region.—
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## Tiddim (Zomi) Group confers Gal Hang Pah Tawi Na Award on Senior General

THE Tiddim (Zomi) Group of Chin State conferred the Gal Hang Pah Tawi Na Award on Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing yesterday.

The Zomi delegation led by Rev. Fr. Joseph Thang Nen Zo Mung presented the award to the Senior General at the Bayint Naung Yeiktha in Nay Pyi Taw.

Also present at the ceremony were Lt-Gen Tun Tun Naung of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) and senior military officers, Rev. Fr. Thang Muan Lian, pastors and officials.

First, Rev. Fr. Joseph Thang Nen Zo Mung said Christmas prayers, read out about the award and presented the award to Senior General Min Aung Hlaing.

Afterwards, U Lian Khant Tuang read about the Chin Hero and U Kham Suan Mung presented the sword commemorating the award to the Senior General.

Rev. Fr. Joseph Thang Nen Zo Mung expressed delight for conferring the award to the Senior General, saying that the day to confer the ward on the Sen-



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing accepts the Gal Hang Pah Tawi Na Award from Rev. Fr. Joseph Thang Nen Zo Mung Tiddim (Zomi) Group of Chin State. **PHOTO:OFFICE OF THE C-IN-C** 

ior General is the day to open a new chapter for the history of the Chin ethnic people.

He pledged that Chin people will stand with the Tatmadaw for ever as the Tatmadaw took an important role in putting the country on the road to democracy successfully.

Gal Hang Pah Tawi Na Award is the highest honorary title of the northern Chin people and the award went to the Commander-in-Chief for the Tatmadaw's stance in the political transition period and taking role in transition for the people and his excellent performance for the country and the people, according the news release of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services. — MNA ■

(Translated by JT)

## Meeting on implementation of recommendations on Rakhine held

A meeting of the Committee for Implementation of Recommendations on Rakhine State, UN agencies and parter organizations was held in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

Speaking at the meeting, the Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief, and Resettlement, Dr. Win Myat Aye, said the Union Government has formed a central committee and work committees to implement projects to ensure stability and development in Rakhine State. The government also formed a commission to implement the recommendations on Rakhine State and sought advice from it, he said.

"These moves show our strong willingness to see stability and development in Rakhine State," said the Union Minister.

The Union Government has established the Union Enterprise for Humanitarian Assistance, Resettlement and Development in Rakhine State (UEHRD) and carried out development works with participation from local and foreign partners and UN agencies, he said.

Progress has been achieved in implementing the recommendations thanks to the participation of local and foreign experts, he said.

The Union Minister also said that the government is granting citizenship and freedom of movement in accordance with the existing laws of the country, without discrimination.

So far, National Verification Cards (NVCs) have been issued to 13,215 people in Rakhine State and over 700 adults and 576 children have been granted citizenship, in accordance with the law.

The Union Minister urged the displaced people from Rakhine State to apply for citizenship and freedom of movement through the National Verification Process, adding that they just need an authorized document to move freely.

The Union Government is also working with experts from the United Nations to adopt a strategy to close existing IDP camps in Rakhine State, he said.

The authorities are also providing health and education services to the people without leaving anyone out, while providing humanitarian aid to people under the Red Cross Movement scheme, the minister said.

For repatriation of the displaced people from Rakhine State, measures are being taken to cooperate not only with UN agencies but also with the ASE-AN Secretariat and the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management (AHA Centre), said Dr. Win Myat Aye.

For the socio-economic development of local people, the Kyaukpyu Special Economic Zone and the deep seaport project are in the pipe line, and ef-

forts are being made to start a cash-for-work program, he said.

"We are ready to cooperate with anyone who is willing to work with genuine goodwill for the development and stability of Rakhine State," said Dr. Win Myat Aye.

During a discussion at the meeting, the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, Mr. Knut Ostby said, "I would like to recognize the Government and the Committee for its commitment to prioritize the recommendations and commend them for their leadership in their implementation. The world recognizes this as a tremendous task. Allow

me to assure you that we stand ready to support you. When we last met on 13 August, I said in my opening remarks that we are prepared to redouble our efforts in supporting the government to implement the recommendations"

Ambassadors, representatives from UN agencies, partner organizations, deputy ministers, and departmental officials took part in the discussion. Union Minister Dr. Win Myat Aye concluded the meeting by thanking the international community for their recommendations on Rakhine.

The discussion at the meet-

ing will be put on record and constructive advice would be taken into account, he said.

While the committee implements the recommendations on Rakhine State, it has to take into account the social harmony of the communities and ways to free the region of conflict in the long run, he said. While paying attention to the recommendations given by Dr. Kofi Annan's commission, the authorities are implementing works which are relevant to the ground situation, he added.— MNA

(Translated by Myat Thandar Aung)



The meeting of the Committee for Implementation of Recommendations on Rakhine State, UN agencies and parter organizations held in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA** 

## Ensuring the differentlyabled have equal access, rights

HE world's population has crossed over 7 billion. More than one billion people, or approximately 15 per cent of the world's population, live with some form of disability. Of them, 80 per cent live in developing countries.

Globally, the number of people aged 60 years and above is expected to touch 2 billion by 2050. As the rate of disability among older people is higher, the number of disabled people is also expected to rise

The WHO also underlines that only one in ten people have access to assistive technology.

Persons with disabilities (PWDs) have a harder time accessing healthcare and education, entering the society, politics, and economy, and finding employment. PWDs face higher rates of poverty and unemployment and earn lower incomes.

Myanmar, since signing the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in December 2011, has been working to empower her over

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two million PWDs so that they can participate fully in societal life, and their entire community benefits.

Myanmar's legislature passed the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Law in 2015 and bylaws on 27 December

Additionally, the National Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities was formed on 14 September 2017. It is serving as a beacon of hope to the PWD community, taking crucial first steps for their betterment.

We must make efforts to make PWDs believe that they enjoy equal rights and ensure they enjoy these rights.

Creating job opportunities for the disabled is very important so that they can live with dignity and inde-

People with disabilities are still facing difficulties and

challenges in obtaining equal rights. Barriers faced by persons with disabilities are, therefore, a detriment to the society as a whole, and increased accessibility is necessary to achieve progress and development for all.

The capabilities and abilities of people with disabilities need to be recognized and programmes to increase the capability and ability of people with disabilities according to work types need to be conducted.

To help them become strong and healthy members of the nation, the most important factor is respect. Every individual has the right to respect. In terms of the international outlook on human rights, dignity is one's inborn feature. Paying no respect to another's dignity is self-destruction of one's dignity. We should help everyone to stand on his or her own values.

We all need to work together to ensure that people with disabilities have access to all aspects of society.

## Talks held on Simple ways to advance national development

By Shin Min, Photo: Aye Than

'RTV aired a live program on talks under the velopment through simple ways - in which Deputy Minister for Commerce U Aung Htoo, General Manager of YESC U Tin Aung, Secretary of YCDC Daw Hlaing Maw Oo, and Executive of UM-FCCI U Zeya Thura Mon were the speakers.

Moderator: Please elaborate on the measures against blackouts, power supply program for places away from the electricity grid, and current supply of power.

U Tin Aung: With regard to the blackouts, as I have mentioned in the previous discussions, Yangon was designated as power accessible area in accord with the norms of the World Bank assessment. So, let me concentrate on Yangon area in this talk on grounds of being an official of YESC.

Power interruption is one of

the main factors of our Indicator. We are trying to reduce the frequency of blackouts. So we must first ensure uninterrupted power supply. Formally, copper wires were used in Yangon area. So we replaced them with insulated wires. Non-insulated wires are vulnerable to trees or branches. Moreover, wires are small. As you know power supply load of Yangon has been growing rapidly. So, small wires were prone to breakages. When fallen wires touched the trees or their branches, there occur electric shocks, followed by power failures. Some wires and cables have automatic protection system, but some have not. Sometimes the protection system automatically cut off power supply. So we are replacing the old wires with insulated ones. Up to 200 miles of wires have been replaced. Over 6000 miles of wires must be replaced in the whole Yangon. We will replace 500 more miles in this fiscal year. We will continue the project in the coming years.

If the whole Yangon is installed with insulated wires, there will be fewer electric shocks. So, there will be less power failures. Another thing is that we are also installing sectionalizer, auto re-closer and fault passage indicators to lessen the duration of



power failures. Up to now we have installed 18 auto re-closers in Yangon. More devices will be installed. Four sectionalizers have been installed. About 30 such equipment through transmitting messages.

the cause of power cut off, such households, of them only 4.4 as over current, the volume of million or over 41 percent have current or overload in real time reached a power supply. The remaining over 6 million households So, the control office can pinpoint or nearly 59 percent have no powhas been installed in other regions the precise location where the er supply. We are working hard to

According to indicator, business development relates to factories, power supply, loan, trade contracts. Normally, the indicator records all activities from the start to the end.

and states of the country.

These devices can shorten the duration of power failures. If there occurs a power failure, auto closer will restart power supply. They have SIM Cards like those inside cell phones.

SIM Cards can report to the control office about the place where the power cut off occurs,

fault occurs without conducting field check. So the breakdown can be repaired in a short time. As the new system includes auto re-closer function, it will restart the power by itself for two times. In this way the length of a blackout can be lessened.

With regard to power supply, the nation has nearly 11 million supply electricity to them.

**Moderator:** Your suggestion on the measures for economic growth of Myanmar, please.

U Zeya Thura Mon: Business facilitation will lead to economic development. But businessmen need skills, otherwise they cannot be in competitive power. According to indicator, business power supply, loan, trade contracts. Normally, the indicator records all activities from the start Internationally, we get 44 out

of 100 and stood at 171st place. New Zealand and Singapore stood first and second respectively, each scoring over 80 points. They have better procedures and cost effective methods. We also should improve our procedures and cost effective measures, as we already have a favorable situation like them. But we could fail to reach their level in a short period, because, we stood still for many years in the past. We need to amend our regulations.

Leaders of indicators under the vanguard of the deputy minister are working hard to fulfill the above mentioned requirements. We have achieved accomplishments to a certain degree. Traders and entrepreneurs should apply them. For example, it cost USD 200 and took a week to get a permit. Now a permit can be obtained in three days at a cost of just USD 50. But if an agent is hired he would

time and a price of USD 200. So entrepreneurs cannot know the developments and changes the government has created. So if entrepreneurs can fully utilize all the favorable conditions produced by the government, there will be a promising business environment for entrepreneurs in Myanmar. **Moderator:** To what degrees

say that a permit needs a week's

are participation of the private sector in the power generation and distribution of the country this year?

U Zeya Thura Mon: As my job concerns the power sector, I am totally interested in this subject. WB complained that it could not find the information about the charge for power supply in our website. DICA, an entity of the Doing Business Indicator, issued a list which contains business related facts including the perunit charge for electricity. It also contains the means to start a business, which are available online. The relevant department posted the list online in just a week's time. So we got praise for that. WB asked us about the number of power failures. So we calculated the number with the help of engineers to post it online. Those are among the recent changes and U Tin Aung: The Ministry of

Electricity and Energy is taking steps to ensure transparency. It has posted all its functions, project and future programs on its website. For example, cost, duration and other facts about of the power supply program is available on the website. Currently Yangon Electricity Corporation is preparing to set up its own website. Likewise, Mandalay is also preparing to establish a website. So there will be three main websites in connection with power sector. There are vinyl covered notice boards stating all necessary information for the public on how to apply for fixing an electricity meter box. All Townships use notice boards to dissemination information for the public. These are all the measures for transparency.

(To be continued) (Translation: TMT)



#### **Myanmar Daily Weather Report**

(Issued on Tuesday 4th December, 2018)

SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS RECORDED AT 09:30 hrs MST: During the past (24) hours, light rain has been isolated in Taninthayi Region, Mon State and weather has been generally fair in Lower Sagaing and Magway regions, Northern Shan State and partly cloudy in the remaining regions and states. Night temperatures were (2°C) above December average temperatures in Mandalay, Magway and Taninthayi regions, Eastern Shan, Chir and Rakhine states, (3°C) above December average tempera tures in Bago Region, Kayah, Kayin and Mon states and about December average temperature in the remaining regions and states. The significant night temperatures were (5°C) in Haka (6°C) each in Hsipaw, Heho, Tiddim and Ramthlo, (8°C) each ir Putao and Mogok. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded was Kawthoung (0.08)inch.

**BAY INFERENCE:** Weather is partly cloudy over the North Bay and Eastcentral Bay and partly cloudy to cloudy over the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in Bay of Bengal.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL AFTERNOON OF 5 December 2018: Light rain will be isolated in Taninthayi Region, Kayin and Mon states. Degree of certainty is (80%). Weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining regions and states.

STATE OF THE SEA: Sea will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters. Wave height will be about (3-5) feet in off and along Myanmar Coasts.

**OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT TWO DAYS:** Likelihood of slight decrease of night temperatures in Upper Sagaing Region Kachin, Northern Shan and Chin states

FORECAST FOR NAYPYITAW AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 5 December 2018: Partly cloudy.

FORECAST FOR YANGON AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 5 December 2018: Partly cloudy.

FORECAST FOR MANDALAY AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 5 December 2018: Partly cloudy.

#### **EARTHQUAKE NEWS**

(Issued at 16:45 hour MST)

A slight earthquake of magnitude (4.2) Richter Scale with its epicenter inside Myanmar (about (13) miles northwest of Phaungpyin), latitude 24.33°N, longitude 94.62°E, depth (20)kilometers about (21) miles northeast of Tamu, seismological observatory was recorded at (16)hr (14)min (50)sec MST on 4 December 2018

## **Invitation to young** writers for Sunday **Special**

The Global New Light of Myanmar is accepting submissions of poetry, opinion, articles, essays and short stories from young people for its weekly Sunday Next Generation Platform. Interested candidates can send their work to the Global New Light of Myanma at No. 150, Nga Htat Kyee Pagoda Road, Bahan Township, Yangon, in person, or by email to **ce@globalnewlightofmyanmar.com** with the following information: (1) Sector you wish to be included in (poetry, opinion, etc.), **(2)** Own name and (if different) your penname, **(3)** Your level of education, (4) Name of your School/College/University, (5) A written note of declaration that the submitted piece is your original work and has not been submitted to any other news or magazine publishing houses, (6) A color photo of the submitter, (7) Copy of your NRC card, (8) Contact information (email address, mobile number, etc.).— Editorial Department, The Global New Light of Myanmar

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## Visitors throng Mandalay Shwenandaw Monastery

LOCAL and foreign visitors have been thronging the Mandalay Shwenandaw (Golden Palace) Wooden Monastery, located in Aungmyethazan Township, which is currently undergoing renovation work.

"Local and foreign tourists love to visit the monastery and its vicinity. The visitors are interested in observing the delicate art inside and outside the monastery, especially its paintings and sculptures. The structure of the Mandalay Shwenandaw Monastery is systematic. Myanmar people are proud of the ancient art and sculpture of their forefa-



Tourists visit Mandalay Shwenandaw Monastery, Mandalay. **PHOTO: SUPPLIED** 

thers," said a tour guide.

The Golden Palace Monastery, also known as Shwenandaw Kyaung, is currently being renovated by the World Monuments Fund and the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture. The Ministry is working to conserve paintings and sculptures at the 130-year-old monastery.

Built by the Konbaung Dynasty, the interiors and the facade of the monastery are decorated with intricate wood carvings in teak. The structure incorporates 150 major wooden pillars, 54 carved pillars, and five brick staircases. The roof and walls of the monastery are also decorated with teak carvings, depicting tales from Buddhist mythology. Inside the monastery, there are 10 scenes from the jatakas, or stories about the previous lives of the Buddha.-Than Zaw Min (IPRD) ■

(Translated by Hay Mar)

### Bat cave natural conservation area to open in Kanbalu Township

THE Sagaing Region Government will open a bat cave natural conservation area in Kanbalu Township on 26 December, said an official from the Sagaing Region Forest Department.

To conserve the cave area, which is mainly inhabited by bats, the government has already earmarked a total of 30,308 acres of land for bat cave conservation, including 3,674 acres of land in Mandalay Region's Thabeikkyin Township, since 2016.

The opening ceremony for the conservation area in Kanbalu Township is set for 25 and 26 December, said an official from the Sagaing Region Forest Department.

At a media conference held during the project's implementation period, Sagaing RegionChief Minister Dr. Myint Naing had said, "The bat cave natural conservation area will be opened to help students and travellers observe and learn about biodiversity, interaction between ecosystems, and the



Photos of wildlife and flower patterns displayed at gallery in bat cave natural conservation area, Kanbalu Township. **PHOTO: AUNG THANT KHINE** 

importance of mutual support in the living world to make it sustainable."

"An education centre will also be constructed for people to learn to cherish the nature of our landscape. The center will be built with regional funds," he said.

The entrance gate of the bat

cave natural conservation area was constructed near milepost 65/0 on the Shwebo-Myitkyina Road

The authorities have planted over 12,000 varieties of trees along the road to the conservation area. A gallery of wildlife and flower patterns and staff housing

have also been constructed in the conservation area. The Htar Wara Mining Company has also built a concourse for VIPs and some dormitories in the conservation area. It plans to build three lakes for boat-riding.— Aung Thant Khine

(Translated by Hay Mar)

## Authorities crack down on illegal cross-border potato imports

THE authorities are taking strict action against illegal importation of potatoes from China through the border gates to protect local growers, according to the Myanmar Trade Promotion Organization (MYANTRADE).

Work expands so as to protect local producers. Myanmar only imports some agricultural products when domestic production is insufficient, and after those imports are approved by the Agricultural Department.

The Ministry of Commerce

is working with other related departments to control illegally, imported potatoes entering the domestic market to protect the market share of local growers and revenues.

The ministry has so far helped maintain the potato pedigree, provided technical assistance, and inputs to help domestic growers compete with imports from other countries.

There are over 90,000 acres of potato plantations across Myanmar. The country produces

about 600,000 tons of potatoes every year. The country's potato consumption is estimated at 350,000 tons.

To help farmers, the Agricultural Department also conducted an inspection in collaboration with the Consumer Affairs Department and is now taking legal action against those selling low quality or fake fertilisers and pesticides.

The Commerce Ministry is reportedly drafting a law to safeguard domestic products

against competition from imports. It also mulling anti-dumping and countervailing duties to prevent anti-competitive import practices such as "dumping," whereby foreign companies undercut domestic producers by flooding the market with cheap surplus goods, often of inferior quality. The laws are intended to regulate the quality of imports and protect local producers from price gouging.

—Ko Khant

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)

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Deputy Minister U Aung Hla Tun delivers the speech at dinner in honour of 7th Media Development Conference in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA** 

## Dinner hosted in honour of 7<sup>th</sup> Media Development Conference in Nay Pyi Taw

A dinner to welcome the 7<sup>th</sup> Media Development Conference was held at the Park Royal Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

It was attended by Deputy Minister for Information U Aung Hla Tun, Permanent Secretary and directors-general of the departments of the Ministry of Information, MPs, Chairman and members of the Myanmar Press Council, organizations which are working for development of media sector in Myanmar, guests and media personnel.

Before the dinner,

Deputy Minister U Aung Hla Tun and Head of DW Akademie for Asia and Europe Mr. Michael Karhausen extended greetings.

Afterwards, the dignitaries enjoyed the dinner together.— MNA ■

(Translated by JT)

## Yangon International Automobile Exhibition 2019 from 23 to 27 January

YANGON International Automobile Exhibition 2019 to be held under the title "Navigating the Automotive Industry of Tomorrow" in Yangon Convention Center (YCC) from 23 to 27 January 2019.

The exhibition would be jointly organized by Grand Prix International Public Company Limited (GPI Myanmar Company Limited) based in Thailand and Automotive Association of Myanmar-AAM.

At the press conference held in Yangon

yesterday, Chairman of the Yangon International Automobile Exhibition, Mr. Anothai Eamlumnow said "This exhibition will introduce innovation of world top automotive companies. Audiences will get international experiences and knowledge."

The exhibition come after Automotive Association of Myanmar decided to cooperate with the GPI Myanmar Co Ltd in holding the event, believing that the event would bring benefits to the association and Myanmar

people, said Chairman of Automotive Association of Myanmar-AAM U Aung Win

BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Volvo, Toyota, Suzuki, Nissan, Honda, Ford, Chevrolet, Hyundai, KIA, Jaguar, Land Rover and DFM such as 20 international automobile companies will be displayed in the exhibition. The exhibition has also offered test driving for visitors and opportunities to explore future vehicle technology.—Sandi Phyo  $\blacksquare$  (Translated by Myat Thandar Aung)

### Over 600 birds rescued in Wakema Tsp

A village conservation team rescued over 600 birds from illegal poachers in the Kyaungkapyin village-tract in Wakema Township, Ayeyawady Region.

The Kyaungkapyin Village Birds Conservation Team seized the birds, which included three species of sparrows and three species of weaver birds, from illegal poachers on 30 November. Among them, over 100 birds had died of starvation, while the rest were released on 1 December.

"We released the live birds, which were seized from poachers in the presence of foreign tourists. Our team also seized one bird trap and 12 cages, which have been destroyed," said U Sein Myint, the vice chairman of the Village Birds Conservation Team from Wakema Township.

"We will continue our efforts to conserve the birds. We also plan to produce organic paddy in the bird conservation



area and build a bird watching area,"

The Kyaungkapyin conservation team was formed in July this year as the area is home to several species of birds.—Nyi Tu ■

(Translated by Hay Mar)

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## 2018 conference on education development implemention (basic education sector) holds in Nay Pyi Taw



Union Minister Dr. Myo Thein Gyi delivers the speech at the Education Development Implementation Conference (Basic Education Sector) in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA** 

UNION Minister for Education Dr. Myo Thein Gyi attended the 2018 Education Development Implemention Conference (basic education sector) for the first day held at the International Convention Centre-II, Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

In his opening speech, Union Minister for Education Dr. Myo Thein Gyi said that the Ministry of Education has made concerted efforts to get every child of school age into schooling and to have access to education without any discrimination while upgrading some schools to promote opportunities for higher learning. The Ministry of Education has been striving to complete the full course of primary schooling for the children, to reduce school dropout rate and to graduate from high schools while conducting empowerment programmes such as ICT skills and teaching quality

for the teachers.

As for the children, they are needed to have mutual understanding and respect for diversity, cooperation, to enhance reading through libraries while promoting sports and music programmes, a spirit of accountability and innovation for sustainable development, he added.

Then Deputy Director General (Admin) for Department of Basic Education U Ye Lin Myint read a paper entitled, "Better management affairs and reducing lawsuits for the education staff".

Rector of the University of Pyay Dr. Aung Aung Min read a paper entitled, "Making analysis from the human resource's point of view". Director for Department of Basic Education U Toe Win read a paper entitled, "Implementing to set up School Quality Assurance Framework". Deputy Di-

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rector for Department of Basic Education Dr. Kyaw Win Soe read a paper entitled, "Making an efficient use of school development funds aiming to empower teaching and to meet the requirements of the Basic Education School, and parent-teacher cooperation". Deputy **Director for Department** of Basic Education Daw Thit Thit Khaing read a paper entitled, "Carrying out to make a success of encouraging reading habits while striving to flourish library culture and development of school libraries".

At the conference, the participants were then divided into groups of five, discussed the topics and reviewed the results of the discussion.

The 2018 Education
Development Implemention Conference (basic
education sector) will be
held until 5 December. —

(Translated by WKKA)

## Myanmar delegation attends 54<sup>th</sup> Governors Conference in Sri Lanka

THE Myanmar delegation, led by U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM), attended the 54th SEACEN Governors' Conference/ High-Level Seminar and 38th Meeting of the SEACEN Board of Governors, which was held in Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka, from 29 Novem-

ber to 2 December.

During the meeting, the attendees exchanged views and discussed rapid changes in technology, as well as their future impact on currency, on inflation in emerging and developing economies, policy challenges in small countries when they practice open door borders, along with ways

to solve the challenges.

Dr. Indrajit Coomaraswamy, a Sri Lankan economist and the current Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, was selected as the chairman of SEA-CEN for 2019. The Myanmar delegation returned to Yangon on 3 December.— MNA

(Translated by JT)



CBM Governor U Kyaw Kyaw Maung attends the  $54^{\rm th}$  SEACEN Governors' Conference in Colombo. **PHOTO: MNA** 

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Loan Agreement No. MY-P14 dated 16/October/2015

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 The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has received ODA Loan from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The Bid is invited by Department of Power Transmission and System Control (DPTSC) for Package 2: Supply and Installation for 500kV Transmission Line as follows;

Sr. No	Invitation for Bid	Descriotions	Issuing Date	Submission Deadline Date and Time	Non-refundable Document Fee
1	MY-P14, JICA, ODA Loan	Package 2: Design, Supply and Installation for 500kV Transmission Line between Phayargyi and Hlaingthayar Substation	6 <sup>th</sup> /12/2018	5 <sup>th</sup> /03/2019 (13:00hr)	Purchase order with Myanmar Kyats which is equivalent to USD 1,000

- 2. The Eligible Nationality of the Bidder shall be Japan in the case of single contractor. In case of a joint venture, such joint venture will be eligible provided that the nationality of lead partner is Japan, that the nationality of the other partner is Japan and/or the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and total share of work of Japanese partners in the joint venture is more than fifty percent (50%) of the contract amount. This scheme is based on applicable guidelines of Japanese ODA loan.
- 3. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the website (<a href="http://www.moee.gov.mm">http://www.moee.gov.mm</a>) or the documents from the Material Planning Department, Department of Power Transmission and System Control, Ministry of Electricity and Energy, Office No.27, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.
- 4. Bid Documents must be delivered to the address above mentioned on or before the deadline date and time.
- 5. The Bid must be accompanied by a bid security of not less than two hundred million Japanese Yen (JPY 200,000,000).
- 6. Technical Bid will be opened on 5th/03/2019 at 13:00 hr at the Department of Power Transmission and System Control, Ministry of Electricity and Energy, Office No.27, Nay Pyi Taw in the presence of representatives from Bidders.
- 7. Any Request for the extension of bid submission deadline shall not be allowed.

#### **Tender Commitee**

Department of Power Transmission and System Control Ministry of Electricity and Energy, Office No.27 Nay Pyi Taw Myanmar Telephone: 067-3410282, 3410209

BY OPEN TENDERS IN US DOLLARS PARTICULARS OF THE OPEN TENDER SALES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(a) DATE & TIME - (13-12-2018) (09:00)A.M

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## The Terminator insists US will help battle climate change

KATOWICE (Poland)
— Governments must protect citizens from the killer effects of climate change, movie tough guyturned-statesman Arnold Schwarzenegger told AFP, insisting the United States was committed to a greener future despite Donald Trump reneging on the Paris agreement.

In an interview on the sidelines of a UN climate summit in Poland this week, the Terminator actor and three-time Mr. Universe winner said he was on an "environmental crusade" and urged everyone to join in the climate fight.

Schwarzenegger added a sprinkle of stardust to Monday's opening session of COP24 climate talks in Poland, where nations must agree on a rulebook to limit global temperature rises and the devastating economic and health im-



Arnold Schwarzenegger. PHOTO: AFP

pacts global warming will bring.

"I think governments' responsibility is to protect people. That's why we have armies to avoid an attack. Well here is the biggest attack," he told AFP.

"Seven million people die every year because of (air) pollution, 25,000 of them die alone in America. If we don't want to fight that then there is something wrong with us."

In his two terms as Cal-

ifornia governor between 2003-2011, Schwarzenegger helped shape America's richest state into a green powerhouse.

He signed legislation giving local and state officials the tools to bring down greenhouse gas emissions by reducing urban sprawl and promoting renewable energy and green technology. The 71-year-old said the US was committed to act on climate change regardless of President

Trump's controversial decision to take the richest country in the world out of the Paris accord.

"Just because Donald Trump dropped out of the Paris agreement it doesn't mean that America dropped out," he said.

"All of our states that were always environmentally friendly are still going in the same direction. All of our cities in America are going in the same direction, they are still in the Paris agreement.

"People are investing in green technology. It's a booming industry and people should understand that we all have to work together. America is in and our crazy leader is not, so be it."

## 'Protect economy, protect environment'

During his presidential campaign Trump promised to protect the nation's coal workers and even reopen mines that had been mothballed.

The COP summit is being held in the Polish mining city of Katowice, and the Polish government is pushing for a "just transition" that gradually reduces coal usage while protecting the miners whose livelihoods depend on it. Schwarzenegger said the idea that fossil fuel-dependent economies would suffer as they transition to renewables was a fallacy.

"Green technology creates a huge amount of jobs and the reality is that we don't have to choose

between one and the other. You can protect the environment and protect the economy at the same time," he said.

The Advanced Energy Economy Institute said California employed more than half a million people in green energy in 2016 — several times the amount of US coal workers nationally. Schwarzenegger, who converted his prized Hummer truck to run on electric, said California's prosperity showed environmental and economic success were intrinsically linked.—AFP

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SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY AGENT FOR: M/S MCC TRANSPORT (S'PORE) PTE LTD

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SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY AGENT FOR: M/S NEW GOLDEN SEA SHIPPING LINES

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### Republic of the Union of Myanmar Office of the President Press Release No. 26/2018

11<sup>th</sup> Waning of Tazaungmone, 1380 ME (3 December 2018)

## Additional statistical bulletin on drug seizures, acting on information

- 1. In order to prevent and eradicate the dangers of narcotic drugs and psychotropic drugs, the Office of the President has formed the **Drug Activity Special Complaint**Department on 26 June 2018 to systematically accept and respond to reports on drug abuses and other related cases from the general public.
- 2. With orders from the Office of the President, the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department relayed information on reports on drug-related offenses up to 1 December 2018 to the Ministry of Home Affairs to take action, as displayed below:

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No		Details on seizure and legal action taken  On 25-11-2018, police searched Myint Maung's house in Parowt Village, Netyaytwin Village-Tract, Indaw Tsp. Police discovered Myint Maung, 29, together with WY		Information received of soil	On 28-11-2018, police searched Aye Mee(a) Nan Moe Nyunt's house at No. 210, Area 3, Ward 3, Mongyai Tsp. Police discovered Aye Mee(a) Nan Moe Nyunt, 38, Aye Li, 40, from Manfine Village, Aike Myint, 32, Sai Kham Khine,
1	Village, Netyaytwin Village- Tract, Indaw Tsp, Sagaing Region, selling illegal drugs. Information received of Zaw	psychotropic tablets and heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Indaw) MaYa(Pa) 122/2018 under Section 19-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.  On 26-11-2018, police searched Zaw Oo's house in Budalat	9		40, from Mongyai Tsp and Aike Khine, 45, together with WY psychotropic tablets and heroin. A case has been opened against five suspects with MaMaSa (Mongyai) MaYa(Pa) 11/2018 under Section 19-A/20-A/21 of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
2	Oo from Budalat Village, Indaw Township, Sagaing Region, selling illegal drugs.	Village, Indaw Tsp. Police discovered Zaw Oo, 34, together with opium. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Indaw) MaYa(Pa) 137/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.			On 29-11-2018, police were patrolling near Sadubonemika Monastery, Chanmyatharzi Ward, Taunggyi Tsp. Police
3	Information received of U Phoe Kyar from Minthitsar Ward, Mawlu Town, Indaw Tsp, Sagaing Region, selling illegal drugs.	On 30-11-2018, police searched Phoe Kyar's house in Minthitsar Ward, Mawlu Town, Indaw Tsp. Police discovered	10	Information received of sell- ing illegal drugs in Wards in Taunggyi Tsp, Shan State	arrested Kyaw Kyaw Lin(a) Kyaw Gyi, 22, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with NaMaSa (Taunggyi) MaYa (Pa) 71/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Similarly, police were patrolling in East Circular Road, Mingalar Oo Ward. Police arrested Zaw Min Tun, 28, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with NaMaSa (Taunggyi) MaYa (Pa) 72/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
4	Information received of selling illegal drugs in Pyu Tsp, Bago Region, selling illegal drugs.	On 28-11-2018, police searched Htawgyi(a) Phyo Thu Aung's house in Tarchar Ward, Pyu East Group, Pyu Tsp. Police discovered Htawgyi(a) Phyo Thu Aung, 27, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Pyu) MaYa(Pa) 6/2018 under Section 19-A/20-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.			
5	at the building under con- struction beside of BEMS (2), Piketan Ward, Ziphyu	On 30-11-2018, police searched Ko Myo Thet (a) A Yoe's house at the building under construction beside of BEMS (2), Piketan Ward, Ziphyu Thaung Village, Ye Tsp. Police discovered Ko Myo Thet (a) A Yoe, 36, and Lin Lin, 36, together	11		So far 25 cases have been opened as of last weeks, 22 men and 3 women have been arrested, together with heroin and stimulant tablets.  On 30-11-2018, further investigation led to patrol in Ward 4, Kutkai Tsp and police discovered with Aike Yine(a) Aike Sine, 28, from Lwekhan Village, Kutkai Tsp, together with heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Kutkai) MaYa (Pa) 134/2018 under Section 19-A of the
6	Phyo living in 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Homelanbudar Ward,	house in 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Homelanbudar Ward, Sangyoung Tsp. Police discovered Wai Phyo(a) Wai Phyo Aung, 35, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with			Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Further investigation led to continue patrolling. Police arrested Aung Mine, 40, together with 10 g of heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Kutkai) MaYa (Pa) 135/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
7	Information received of Yan Lin Aung (a) Kywet Ni living in Sangyiwa Ward, Mingal- adon Tsp, Yangon Region, selling illegal drugs.	8/9, Aungtheikthi Street, Sawbwargyikone Ward, Insein Tsp. Police discovered Yeyint Kyaw, 25, Yan Lin Aung (a)		Information received of	On 1-12-2018, while police were patrolling on "Wa" Phayak- yaung Street, Manmine Village, Area 4, Ward 5, Lashio Tsp, one motorcycle driven by Zay Gong, 46, was stopped for investigation. Police discovered Zay Gong, together with heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Lashio) MaYa (Pa) 225/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
8		On 27-11-2018, police searched U Ba Htoo's house in Poneingyi Village, Kyaukgu Village-Tract, Indaw Sub-tsp. Police discovered U Ba Htoo, 63, together with WY psychotropic tablets and opium. A case has been opened with NaMaSa	12	selling illegal drugs in "Wa" Phayakyaung Street, Man- mine Village, Area 4, Ward	Further investigation led to continue patrolling. Police arrested Tin Oo(a) Won Khite Chin, 24, from Area 9, Ward 7 and Ar Yone, 50, together with heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Lashio) MaYa (Pa) 226/2018 under Section 16-C/21 of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Similarly, police searched Sai Myint Naing, 25, from Area 18, Ward 7, together with heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Lashio) MaYa (Pa) 227/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.

Information received of Daw Ngwe and her son, Aike Sein living in Mingalar Ward, Banyin Group, Hsihseng Tsp, Shan State (South).

On 1-12-2018, police searched Sai Sein (a) Aike Sein's house in Mingalar Ward, Banyin Group, Hsihseng Tsp. Police discovered Sai Sein (a) Aike Sein, 38, together with opium. A case has been opened against three suspects with NaMaSa (Banyin) MaYa(Pa) 30/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Further investigation led to search in the farm owned by Daw Nan Ngwe (a) Daw Ngwe. Police discovered Daw Nan Ngwe (a) Daw Ngwe, 58, and Sai Thein Han, 40, together with opium. A case has been opened against two suspects with NaMaSa (Banyin) MaYa(Pa) 31/2018 under Section 19-A/21 of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.

- 3. Out of the information sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs, so far 418 cases have been opened as of 1-12-2018, and 542 men and 102 women have been arrested with seizures of 5,475.37 g of heroin, 25.01 g of ICE, 38,569.74 g of opium, 329.6 g of low-quality opium, 12,263.28 g of opium powder, 7,273.99 g of speciosa, 184,920 stimulant tablets, 3701.03 g of marijuana, 0.1 liters of opium tincture, 227.4 g of opium blocks, 60 g of poppy seeds, 1.65 g of crushed stimulant tablet powder, 0.001 g of crushed ecstasy powder, 12 firearms, 194 different bullets, and 1 grenade. Efforts for fighting the drug trafficking has been stepped up and the ministry will report on further exposed cases.
- 4. In addition to the investigations and arrests conducted on drug related complaints mentioned above, the Tatmadaw and Myanmar Police Force have also carried out separate investigations on drug complaints, search and arrests at border gates, and searches of vehicles acting upon given information.

During the previous week, multiple arrests were made in the border regions and joint-surveillance gates. On the road of Tonepalwe Village, Mansi Tsp, Kachin State, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 9,750 stimulant tablets. In Seikmu Village, Phakant Tsp, one man was arrested with 200 stimulant tablets. Further investigation led to the arrest of another man with 4,150 g of heroin, 340,000 stimulant tablets, 11,200 g of opium blocks and one motorcycle in Mhawshan Village. In Thapyaykone Village, Bhamo Tsp, one man was arrested with 54.5 g of heroin and 2,925 stimulant tablets. At Golden Hotel, Myoma (1) Ward, Mudon Tsp, Mon State, two men were arrested with 29,025 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. In No (4) Ward, Thandwe Tsp, Rakhine State, one man was arrested with 122 stimulant tablets and 5 g of marijuana. In three miles- Kyein Chaung road, Maungtaw Tsp, while two men were stopped for investigation, the suspects dropped a bag and ran away. 243,750 stimulant tablets were found from the bag. At Tadar Police Outpost, Maungtaw Tsp, one Probox car was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with four stimulant tablets and one car. Naungpar Village, Lashio Tsp, Shan State, five men were arrested with 2,591 stimulant tablets.

At junction of Haunglek, Say Kham Ward, Tachilek Tsp, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 11.6 g of Katemine and one motorcycle. On the road of Shwenyaung-Yaksawk, Shintel Village, Taunggyi Tsp, two men were arrested with 1,600 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. On the road of Loilem-Taunggyi, Hotint Village, Loilem Tsp, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 2,000 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. On the road of Mandalay-Muse, near 80/4 mile post, Nawnghkio Tsp, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 44 g of heroin, 3,960 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. On the road near Sankar Village, Shwe Nyaung Tsp, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one man was arrested with 3,800 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle. On the road of Tamu-Kalay, near Chanmyae Monastery, Tamu Tsp, Sagaing Region, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then two men were arrested with 100 capsules of Tramadol, 10 bottles of Tramadol and one motorcycle. In Netluhtatepan Ward, Monywa Tsp, one man and two women were arrested with 5,346 stimulant tablets. In Chanmyathazi (South) Ward, Chanmyathazi Tsp, Mandalay Region, two men were arrested with 3,005 stimulant tablets and 1.2 g of heroin. On the road of Kyaukse-Mandalay, Kyaukse Tsp, two men were arrested with 1,065 stimulant tablets. In Wunzin Ward, Meiktila Tsp, one man was arrested with 2,130 stimulant tablets. In 107 Ward, Dagon (South) Tsp, Yangon Region, one man and two women were arrested with 295 stimulant tablets and 20,370 g of marijuana. In (1) Ward, Shwepyitha Tsp, one man was arrested with 5,230 stimulant tablets. There has been one seizure of ammunitions. In Taungnaut Village, Kyaukme Tsp, Shan State, one man was arrested with 72,000 stimulant tablets and 21 bullets. There has been one arrest involving foreigners. On the road of Tamu-Kalay, Bonekan Village, Khampat Sub-tsp, Tamu Tsp, Sagaing Region, one motorcycle was stopped for investigation then one Indian man who illegally entered to Myanmar was arrested with 150 g of heroin, 1,000 stimulant tablets and one motorcycle.

There have been 190 cases being opened between 25-11-2018 and 1-12-2018, and 241 men and 28 women have been arrested. Seizures were made of 4,622.679 g of heroin, 55.81 g of ICE, 3,463.5 g of opium, 6 g of low-quality opium, 80 g of speciosa powder, 741,088 stimulant tablets, 21144.53 g of marijuana, 11,200 g of opium blocks, 100 capsules of Tramadol, 10 bottles of Tramadol, 11.6 g of Ketamine and 21 bullets.

5. To seize further drugs and to arrest drugs dealers, people are urged to inform the Ministry of Home Affairs, region and state governments and to inform huge cases of drug trafficking and other suspicious cases directly to the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department of the Office of the President via following contact numbers:

#### Contacts

Auto telephone No. — 067-590200 Fax Phone No. — 067-590233

Email Address — <u>antinarcotics@presidentoffice.gov.mm</u>

## Second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session holds ninth meeting

#### **FROM PAGE-2**

#### Hluttaw decides on Myanmar Mine Rules

Next, Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee member U Nay Myo Tun submitted the Myanmar Mine Rules bill, returned with amendments by the Amyotha Hluttaw. Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker obtained the decision of the Hluttaw and approved it.

Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee member Dr. Wai Phyo Aung then tabled a motion on two disagreements between the two Hluttaws on the bill, and the Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker announced the approval of the Hluttaw and follow-up on it.

Hluttaw decides to keep in view and on record motion on waste management

A motion tabled by U Sai Ngaung Hsai Hein of Maukmai constituency, urging the Union Government to define and set priority work guidelines on waste management, was discussed by Daw Mar Mar Khine of Thaton constituency, Dr. Daw Khin Sithu of Loikaw constituency, U Thein Tun of Kyaunggon constituency, U Win Myint Oo (also known as U Nay Myo) of Nyaungshwe constituency, U Tin Hla from Danuphyu Constituency, Dr. Daw Kyi Moh Moh Lwin of Singaing constituency, U Saw Victor Clyde of Thandaunggyi constituency, U Aung Theik of Seikpyu constituency, Dr. Daw Pyone of Indaw constituency, Dr. U Myint Thein of Nyaunglebin constituency, U Khin Maung Thi of Loilem constituency, Dr. Daw Khin



Dr. Wai Phyo Aung. **PHOTO: MNA** 

Nyo of Dedaye constituency, U Nyunt Aung of Monywa constituency, and U Nan Mon Htin of Machanbaw constituency.

U Sai Ngaung Hsai Hein had called for the guidelines so that relevant organizations can set up garbage dumping fields



U Sai Ngaung Hsai Hein. **PHOTO: MNA** 

and pits for garbage collection and disposal, so that all wards and villages in the country are equally and consistently clean prior to the implementation of the National Waste Management Strategy.

The Deputy Minister for

Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, Dr. Ye Myint Swe, spoke at length on the matter and proposed that the motion be put on record and to keep it in view as decisions had already been taken and future work plans were already

As the Hluttaw representative who tabled the motion still sought the approval of the Hluttaw, the matter was put to vote. The votes were 172 for, 179 against, and 2 abstaining on the motion, and an announcement was made to put the motion on record and keep it in view.

The Second Pyithu Hluttaw's tenth regular session's tenth-day meeting will be held today.

(Translated by Zaw Min)

## SPORT

Swiss side Young Boys.

On their travels, they had

looked as if they were getting back to form as October turned

to November, with the side producing fine displays in drawing

at Chelsea and beating Juven-

mances were just papering over

the cracks. United recovered

from a two-goal deficit to draw

at Southampton on Saturday

and Romelu Lukaku scored his

Yet perhaps those perfor-

# Mourinho aiming to stop rot as Man Utd season unravels

MANCHESTER (United Kingdom) — Jose Mourinho needs to lift Manchester United's morale quickly as a deflating run of performances threatens to throw their season off track completely but he faces a daunting task against a revitalized Arsenal.

Mourinho's team have not looked themselves at Old Trafford for much of the season, with their past two matches producing an insipid goalless draw against Crystal Palace and an unconvincing late Champions

first club goal since 15 September but there was much to be League alarmed about. vic-Mourinho claimed his tory players, with the exception of Marcus Rashford, were meek, lacking the spirit of what he called "mad dogs". According to Duncan Castles, a British journalist close links to Mourinho's agent Jorge Mendes, the United manager compared midfielder Paul Pogba to "a virus" after another poor performance at Southampton, saying the France international lacked respect for both his teammates and fans. —AFP  $\blacksquare$ Manchester United's Portuguese manager Jose Mourinho gestures from the touchline during the English Premier League football match between Southampton and Manchester United at St Mary's Stadium in Southampton, southern England on 1 December,



(FromL) 2018 FIFA Ballon d'Or awarded for best player of the year, Men's Ballon d'Or Real Madrid's Croatian midfielder Luka Modric, Women's Ballon d'Or Olympique Lyonnais' Norwegian forward Ada Hegerberg and Under-21 Ballon d'Or (Kopa trophy) Paris Saint-Germain's French forward Kylian Mbappe pose at the end of the 2018 FIFA Ballon d'Or award ceremony at the Grand Palais in Paris on 3 December, 2018. **PHOTO: AFP** 

## Modric sees off French stars to end Messi, Ronaldo grip on Ballon d'Or

PARIS (France) — Luka Modric saw off competition from a host of French World Cup stars as the Real Madrid and Croatia midfielder won the 2018 Ballon d'Or on Monday, ending the 10-year stranglehold on the award by Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi.

Modric, 33, was announced as the winner of the prestigious prize in a glitzy ceremony held in Paris. Ronaldo was second, with France and Atletico Madrid striker Antoine Griezmann completing the podium.

Paris Saint-Germain's teenage forward Kylian Mbappe came fourth, leaving Messi to settle for fifth position. Another Frenchman, Modric's Madrid teammate Raphael Varane, was seventh, just behind Liverpool's Egyptian forward Mohamed Salah.

"As a kid we all have dreams. My dream was to play for a big club and win important trophies," Modric said.

"The Ballon d'Or was more

than just a dream for me and it is really an honour and a privilege to hold this trophy."

Mbappe, who does not turn 20 until later this month, picked up the consolation prize of the Kopa Trophy for the best young player.

The gala ceremony also saw a women's Ballon d'Or named for the first time, with Lyon's prolific Norwegian striker Ada Hegerberg taking that award.

Modric — the oldest winner since Italy's Fabio Cannavaro, also 33, in 2006 — was crowned after an outstanding year in which he starred in the Real side that retained the Champions League before heroically helping drag his country to the final of the World Cup for the first time in their history.

Croatia lost 4-2 to France in Moscow in the final in July.

The prize comes after Modric claimed the Golden Ball for the best player at the World Cup before picking up UEFA's prize for player of the season and FIFA's best player award in September.

Ronaldo and Messi were among 30 nominees for the Ballon d'Or, organised by France Football magazine and which takes votes from 180 journalists from around the world.

The Portuguese star played with Modric in the Madrid side that won the Champions League before moving to Juventus in a typically prolific year, while Messi has again been outstanding with Barcelona.

The pair had won the prize five times each in the last decade but both are now in their 30s and neither stamped their authority on the World Cup.

Messi finishes outside the top three in the voting for the first time since 2006.

The World Cup was always likely to play a key role, and France had hoped to see one of their stars take the award on home soil.—AFP

## Nuremberg hold Bayern Leverkusen 1-1 in German Bundesliga

BERLIN — Georg Margreitter's second-half equalizer secured newly promoted Nuremberg a 1-1 draw with Bayer Leverkusen in the 13<sup>th</sup> round of Bundesliga action on Monday.

Despite a rain-soaked pitch, Bayer Leverkusen gained the upper hand on the road and came to their first chances in the opening period when Karim Bellarabi's effort called Nuremberg goalkeeper Fabian Bredlow into action.

The visitors rattled the crossbar through Sven Bender before Kevin Volland pulled wide from a promising position moments later. Leverkusen's efforts paid off at the hour mark after Kai Havertz curled the ball from eight meters into the top right corner to break the deadlock

After the restart, Heiko Herrlich's men continued to work out opportunities but neither Kevin Volland nor Julian Brandt made the most of their chances. However, the hosts restored parity out of the blue as Georg Margreitter benefitted from a rebound to hammer home the equalizer with a deflected shot from the edge of the box with 56 minutes played.

"Die Werkself" pressed relentlessly for the winner but their efforts lacked accuracy in the closing period. Nuremberg also had a chance to wrap up the win but Leverkusen keeper Lukas Hradecky denied substitute Adam Zrelak from an acute angle.

With the draw, Bayer Leverkusen climbed to the 13th place on the Bundesliga standings meanwhile Nuremberg stay in the 15<sup>th</sup> position. — Xinhua ■