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Vice President calls for accurate data in adopting development policies



Vice President U Henry Van Thio addresses the meeting for Data Accuracy and Quality of Statistics Committee at the Ministry of Planning and Finance in Nay Pyi Taw. PHOTO: MNA

VICE President U Henry Van Thio said yesterday that the government needs reliable statistics in formulating development policies of the country. The Ministry of Planning and Finance hosted a meeting of the Data Accuracy and Quality of Statistics Committee in Nay Pyi Taw, attended by the union

ministers, regional ministers and officials. "The common goal of every country is national development despite adopting different practices in political and economic systems. These countries have clear laws and frameworks for adopting policies, planning, implementation, and assessment

and monitoring on the plans," the vice president said at the meeting. To make the present liberal statistical system more stronger, Myanmar enacted the Statistics Law on 22 January 2019, and the draft for bylaw has been submitted to the Office of the Union Attorney-General. Meanwhile, the

Central Statistical Organization was implementing the National Strategy for Development of Statistics by keeping the NSDS's action plan as a living document. As a result, it was found that cooperation among the member clusters have become stronger. Myanmar has issued a report on main index in June 2018

, and a report on poverty in June 2019 based on the data in 2017. The vice president also said it was important to ensure that the statistics were correct and consistent, and that the relevant committees at the states and regions were to collect updated and quality statistics. **SEE PAGE-3**

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Pyidaungsu Hluttaw discusses report of Joint Committee on Amending 2008 Constitution

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PYIDAUNGSU Hluttaw starts discussing the report of Joint Committee on Amending the 2008 Constitution on the sixth-day meeting of Second Pyidaungsu Hluttaw's 13th regular session yesterday morning.

Tatmadaw representative replacement in the Joint Committee on Amending the 2008 Constitution

First the Hluttaw was informed of Tatmadaw representative to the Joint Committee on Amending 2008 Constitution Lt-Col Thant Zaw being replaced by Lt-Col Than Lwin Oo and as there was no objection toward it Hluttaw approved the replacement.

Hluttaw approves National Planning Bill and Union Budget Bill

Next, Union Minister for Health and Sports Dr Myint Htwe, Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Ohn Maung, Deputy Minister for Defence Rear-Admiral Myint Nwe, Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation U Hla Kyaw, Deputy Minister for Electricity and Energy Dr Tun Naing, Deputy Minister for Commerce U Aung Htoo, Deputy Minister for Education U Win Maw Tun, Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lin and Deputy Minister for Planning and Finance U Maung Maung Win responded to Joint Public Accounts Committee Report and discussion of the Hluttaw representatives on National Planning Bill and Union Budget Bill for first six months



Pyidaungsu Hluttaw is being convened in Nay Pyi Taw. PHOTO: MNA

of fiscal year 2019-2020 and Joint Public Account Committee Vice Chairman U Saw Than Htut of Kayin State constituency 2 tabled a motion for the Hluttaw to accept and approve the committee report 9/2019 and 10/2019. As there was no objection Hluttaw announced the acceptance and approval of the committee report 9/2019 and 10/2019.

Hluttaw approves Union Legal Aid Board 6-month work report

Afterwards Union Legal Aid Board secretary U Khin Zaw and Supreme Court Judge U Tha Htay responded to the discussion of the Hluttaw representatives on Union Legal Aid Board 6-month work report and Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker announced the Hluttaw putting the report on record.

Hluttaw discuss report of Joint Committee on Amending

2008 Constitution As a final agenda of the day Hluttaw representatives discussed the report of Joint Committee on Amending the 2008 Constitution.

Dr Maung Thin of Meiktila constituency said there was nothing in the report indicating how many sections were not in accordance to the democratic norms, contradict and refute one another, which enactments were being an obstacle toward establishing a multi-party democracy system, check and balance of the three pillars, protecting equal rights of citizens and holding of a free and fair election. Dr. Maung Thin discussed that representative in the Hluttaw should amend the Constitution in accordance with Chapter 12 of the Constitution.

U Ba Shein of Kyaukphyu constituency discussed that the points in the report and the findings, record and future work of

the joint committee shown in the table in the annex are seen as an attempt to draw up a new constitution based on the 2008 Constitution. In which case, he was in agreement toward drawing up a new constitution. Ethnic nationals want to discuss with the country's leaders on a politically equal term and establish a true federal union. For this, a new constitution is required. The constitution was to be drawn up for the people and not for the ruling powers and a new constitution that is in accord with the ground situation need to be drawn up said U Ba Shein.

U Thein Tun of Kyaunggon constituency discussed about welcoming and supporting the amending of the Constitution as prescribed in Chapter 12 Section 433, 434, 435 and 436 and of objecting on amending it in any other way.

U Sein Win of Maubin constituency discussed that at the

moment people were showing their desire for preparing and drawing up a draft constitution as soon as possible. So there is a requirement to draw up a bill amending the Constitution and supported the approval of the report.

Through the Speaker all Tatmadaw personnel were appealed to continue and magnanimously accept the ethnic nationals' expectation for a democracy federal union and people's expectation of a future democracy country. Only when the suggested draft is drawn up based on basic principles can there be a bill and thus the report should be approved said U Sein Win.

U Aung Kyi Thein of Chaungzong constituency, Daw Khin Swe Lwin of Chin State constituency 9, U Sai Ngaung Sai Hein of Maukmai constituency, U Sai Oo Khem of Hsenwi constituency, U Khin Maung Myint of Yaksawk constituency, U Nan Mon Htin of Machanbaw constituency, Daw Htu May of Rakhine State constituency 11, U Htay Lwin @ U D Lone of Namhsan constituency, U Sai Kyaw Moe of Mongpan constituency, U Sai Thant Zin of Hsipaw constituency, U G Phone Sar of Nagmon constituency, U Maung Myint of Mingin constituency and Daw Lwee Zar of Kayah State constituency 6 also discussed the report.

Hluttaw representatives will continue to discuss the report of the Joint Committee on Amending the 2008 Constitution on the seventh-day meeting of the Second Pyidaungsu Hluttaw's 13th regular session it is learnt. ■

(Translated by Zaw Min)

Over K12 bln of monsoon agri loans disbursed in Shwebo Township

THE MYANMA Agricultural Development Bank (MADB) began distributing monsoon agricultural loans in Shwebo Township from 6 May, and plans to disburse an estimated K12 billion in loans to 15,000 farmers in the township.

The Shwebo Township MADB has allotted over K7 billion in loans to 8,354 farmers in Shwebo Township, and the remaining farmers can avail the loan facility until the end

of August.

The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) has lent K5 billion for procurement of agricultural gears for farmers. Moreover, it is offering agri loans of K150,000 per acre for paddy and K100,000 per acre for other crops.

In the 2018 fiscal year, JICA provided loans to 60,000 acres of paddy farms and 17,000 acres of other crops.

In the 2019 FY, it plans

to cover over 70,000 acres of paddy fields and 20,000 acres of other crops.

Over K1 billion in monsoon agri loans for 2018 FY remain to be cleared, and 90 per cent of the loans have been recovered, said U Khin Maung Lwin, the manager of the MADB branch in Shwebo Township. — Moe Thauk (Shwebo)

(Translated by La Wonn)



Farmers gather outside the Myanmar Agricultural Development Bank (MADB) branch in Shwebo Township. PHOTO: MOE THAUK (SHWEBO)

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He also compared the development goals of other countries and the Myanmar Sustainable Development Plan (2018-2030) that would be evaluated by a national indicator in terms of improvement and effectiveness as the final draft of index has been finalized.

The 40 per cent of Sustainable Development Goals are put into 284 indicators of the draft. Relevant ministries, departments, non-governmental organizations and the development partners were collaborating for the emergence of a National Indicator Framework.

He also advised the relevant departments to share their statistics and data to be able to develop accurate and consistent statistics through harmonious definition and concepts among these departments.

The vice president suggested it was necessary to produce statistics on natural disasters, covering measures on emergency responses and actions and long-term prevention plans, while the departments concerned were urged to collaborate to win recognition by the international organizations on the official data of Myanmar in their publications.

He also said "Accurate and qualified statistics can help to



Union Minister U Thein Swe.
PHOTO: MNA



Union Minister U Han Zaw.
PHOTO: MNA



Union Minister U Thant Sin Maung.
PHOTO: MNA



Union Minister Dr Myo Thein Gyi.
PHOTO: MNA



Union Minister Dr Myint Htwe.
PHOTO: MNA



Union Minister U Soe Win.
PHOTO: MNA



Union Minister Dr Win Myat Aye.
PHOTO: MNA

develop trust between the government and the people and with the international community. The quality statistics could support the work of develop-

ment planners and researchers working in the socio-economic fields."

Vice Chairman of Central Committee Union Minister U

Soe Win explained about preparation for the draft of Statistics bylaw, and cooperation with private sector and relevant organizations in making the statis-

tics accurate and in working for development of the statistical sector.

Next, Union Ministers U Thant Sin Maung, U Thein Swe, Dr Myo Thein Gyi, Dr Myint Htwe, U Han Zaw and Dr Win Myat Aye, the deputy ministers, a member of Nay Pyi Taw Council, ministers of regional and states governments, and the heads of statistical working committees discussed measures being undertaken by their ministries to ensure accuracy and quality for the statistics.

Finally, Vice President U Henry Van Thio made concluding remarks on the work of the committee meeting.—MNA ■

(Translated by Aung Khin)

MoI clarifies rules for printing school textbooks

THE Ministry of Information held a meeting with private printers at the ministry yesterday to clarify the rules for printing textbooks for the 2020-2021 academic year.

At the meeting, Chairman of the School Textbook Printing Sub-Committee and Deputy Min-

ister for Information U Aung Hla Tun, said the printing of textbooks must not be merely seen as an ordinary task, but a responsibility of huge proportion. He also stressed the need to minimize mistakes and weaknesses in printing, based on the experience gained

from printing of books last year.

Then, Deputy Chairman of Sub-Committee and the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry, U Myo Myint Maung, provided details about the formation of the school textbook printing and distribution committee.

He reflected on the printing and distribution of textbooks in the past, and discussed the progress of work on textbooks for the 2020-2021 academic year. He also explained the rules for textbook printing in the 2020-2021 academic year.

The Director-General of the Department of Basic Education also took part in the discussion.

The representatives of the Myanmar Printers and Publishers Association (MPPA), the Mandalay Region Printing and Publishers Association, and attendees asked questions regarding the size of the books and the call for invitation of tender. Officials from the Ministries of Information and Education answered their queries.

The meeting concluded with remarks of U Aung Hla Tun.—MNA

(Translated by Alphonsus)



Deputy Minister U Aung Hla Tun delivers the speech at the meeting on Rules of text book printing for 2020-2021. **PHOTO: MNA**



Myanmar Daily Weather Report

(Issued at 7:00 pm Monday 29th July, 2019)

BAY INFERENCE: Monsoon is moderate to strong over the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL AFTERNOON OF THE 30th July, 2019:

Rain or thunder-showers will be scattered in Lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway regions and Kayah state, fairly widespread in Nay Pyi Taw, Upper Sagaing region and Shan state and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with isolated heavyfalls in Taninthayi region, Kachin, Rakhine and Mon states. Degree of certainty is (100%).

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing calls on Indian PM



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing meets with Indian Prime Minister Mr Narendra Damodardas Modi in New Delhi, India on 29 July. **PHOTO: OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF**

Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, who is already in India, called on India's Prime Minister and Chair of the National Security Council Mr Narendra

Damodardas Modi on 29 July at the latter's residence.

At the meeting, matters relating to expressing gratitude for Myanmar's cooperation to maintain peace and stability in

the border regions, promotion of bilateral cooperative measures and cooperation between the two Tatmadaws, providing more assistance for empowerment of Myanmar's Tatmadaw, the status

of bilateral cooperation and peace and stability of the Rakhine State were discussed.

Then, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing held separate talks with India's National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister Mr Ajit Kumar Doval, Deputy Minister of Defence Mr Shri Shripad Yesso Naik, Army Chief General Bipin Rawat, and Chief of Indian Navy Admiral Karambir Singh and discussed matters concerning strengthening bilateral friendship and friendship between the two armed forces, cooperative measures for promoting peace and stability of the border areas, cooperation being carried out for the socio-economic development of the ethnic races and people in the border areas, cooperation as a good neighbouring country in accordance with India's Act East Policy and cooperation with countries in the Indian ocean for the security of the Indian Ocean, according to the Office of the Commander in Chief of Defence Services. In the evening, Air Chief Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoahosted a dinner for Senior Gen-

eral Min Aung Hlaing and party at the Akash Officers Mess.

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and party went to the Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) in Ghaziabad yesterday morning. The Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) was established in Bangalore, India in 1954 and produced electronic equipment for the use of the defence services. There are a total of nine manufacturing units of BEL in India in addition to other units in foreign countries. The BEL manufactures a wide range of devices and equipment, including communications network security for ground, aerial and sea borders.

In the late afternoon, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and party left for Varanasi by the Indian Air Force special flight. They were welcomed by Brigadier Hukaum Singh Bainsla, SM and officials at the Lal Bahadur Shastri Airport, according to the Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services. — MNA (Translated by Win Ko Ko Aung)

Banks of Myanmar, Thailand meet for financial collaboration



U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Governor of Central Bank of Myanmar, holds talks with Governor of Central Bank of Thailand Veerathai Santiprabhob in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

MEETING on financial collaboration between Central Banks of Myanmar and Thailand was held at Central Bank of Myanmar in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

Present at the event were Governor of Central Bank of Myanmar, U Kyaw Kyaw

Maung, officials, Governor of Bank of Thailand Mr Veerathai Santiprabhob and Thai delegation.

During the meeting, they discussed financial collaboration which would assist the development of trade and investment, adopting a frame-

work for comprehensive use of Myanmar kyat and Thai bhat in border trade, creativity concerning financial matters, signing MoUs on payment system and challenges in implementing them. — MNA (Translated by Alphonsus)

KBS takes documentary on healthcare services

Crew members from Korean Broadcasting System (KBS), national public broadcaster of the of South Korea, are filming TV documentary about healthcare services at Yangon Children's Hospital yesterday.

They also visited a middle school in Hlegu Township, just outside Yangon, for 'school wash training' programme that demonstrated handwashing and teeth brushing on 29 July.

On the same day, the crew took records on the medical treatments for Kyauk Ai villagers provided by Dr U Yan Naing Swe, superintendent of

Hlegu Township and health workers.

The Korean TV crew are scheduled to shoot healthcare services for the elderly persons at the Hlegu Hospital today.

The documentary movie will present medical treatment programmes supported by the Korea Foundation for International Healthcare Myanmar Office, lifestyles and healthy practices of local people. It will be broadcast on the channel of KBS. — FDC ■

(Translated by Aung Khin)



KBS documentary crew record medical team giving treatments children in Basic Education Middle School in Hlegu Township. **PHOTO: FDC**

Amyotha Hluttaw Deputy Speaker receives mayor of Xiangyang, Hubei Province, PRC



Amyotha Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Aye Tha Aung meets with Xiangyang Mayor Mr Qie Yingcai in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

AMYOTHA Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Aye Tha Aung received Mr Qie Yingcai, Mayor of the city of Xiangyang in China's Hubei Province and party at the Amyotha Hluttaw J Hall in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

During the meeting, they

cordially discussed matters related to promotion of Myanmar-China interests and strengthening friendship, and parliamentary collaboration between the two countries.

Present at the meeting were the Myanmar-China In-

ter-parliamentary Friendship Association Chairman Dr Mya Thauang, secretary Naw Hla Hla Soe and officials from the Office of the Amyotha Hluttaw. — MNA ■

(Translated by Win Ko Ko Aung)

Union Minister for Planning and Finance meets Governor of Bank of Thailand



Union Minister for Planning and Finance U Soe Win holds talks with Governor of the Bank of Thailand Mr Veerathai Santiprabhob at the Ministry of Planning and Finance in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

UNION MINISTER for Planning and Finance U Soe Win received Governor of the Bank of Thailand Mr Veerathai Santi-

prabhob at his ministry in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

At the meeting, they discussed trans-border trade and

matters related to banking services for migrant workers. —MNA ■

(Translated by TTN)

How to be prepared against floods

The following are suggestions for department officials, humanitarian organizations and the general public may follow to reduce losses incurred from floods and related dangers.

- (1) Searching for source of floods and assessing possible solutions.
- (2) Ensuring canals in wards, villages and townships have smooth waterflow.
- (3) Digging out sand dunes that hamper flow of rivers.
- (4) Building embankments along river banks.
- (5) Repairing and maintaining levees.
- (6) Planting trees to prevent soil erosion along river banks.
- (7) Planting trees and plants to prevent top soil erosion.
- (8) Storing necessary items for repairing dams and embankments in advance (e.g. sand bags, water pumps, shovels, spades, bamboo).
- (9) Installing early warning systems and signals to notify flood warnings to residents in case water needs to be released from reservoirs and embankments from exceeding capacity.
- (10) Preparing people living near dams and embankments from possible breaching and flooding through cooperation between relevant departments, organizations and local residents.
- (11) Arranging for residents of annual flood-prone areas to relocate in time.
- (12) Selecting emergency routes beforehand in regions prone to floods.
- (13) Forming rescue teams and collecting adequate rescue equipment.
- (14) Assembling regional military vessels and rowboats and distributing them equally.
- (15) Distributing small boats, rafts, lifebuoys for families living near bodies of water and flood-stricken areas, especially life jackets where possible.
- (16) Disseminating information on dangers of floods to wards, villages and schools and practicing role plays for better preparedness.
- (17) Organizing early warning systems in townships, wards and villages.
- (18) Ensuring the public is aware of emergency contacts.
- (19) Having disaster response strategies in place.
- (20) Having special response strategies for townships, wards and villages located near dams and embankments.

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Two schools in NyaungU Tsp reopen after flooding

Two out of five schools in NyaungU Township, Mandalay Region, resumed classes after water levels in the Ayeyarwady River dropped on 28 July, according to the township's education office.

The five schools — four middle schools and one high school — were shut down temporarily to ensure the safety of teachers and students due to high water levels in the river.

Now, one high school and one middle school have reopened, while the remaining schools are expected to resume classes on 1 August, as the water levels in the river have gone down, said U Htay Aung, education officer, NyaungU Township education office. —Hlaing Win Lay (Bagan Myay)

(Translated by La Wonn)

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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 offences up to 27 July 2019 to the Ministry of Home Affairs to take action, as displayed below:

Sr	Nature of report	Details on seizure and legal action taken
1	Information received of Ye Naing Thu who lives in Yamonna 1 Ward, Dawbon Tsp, Yangon Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 17 July 2019, police searched the house of Ye Naing Thu, 34, son of U Ye Htut Tin, who lives in Yamonna 1 Ward, Dawbon Tsp, and arrested him together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened him with MaMaSa(Dawbon) MaYa(Pa) 31/2019 under Section 19(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
2	Information received of people using, selling and distributing in Phayaphyu Ward, Taunggyi Tsp, Shan State.	Police have opened 7 cases and arrested 10 men and a woman together with heroin and stimulant tablets in the previous weeks. On 17 July 2019, acting on a tip off, police searched the house of Kelvin, 41, son of U Myo Nyunt, in Phayaphyu Ward, Taunggyi, and arrested him and Zaw Moe Naing, 31, son of U Kyaw Swe together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened them with NaMaSa(Taunggyi) MaYa(pa)66/2019 under section 19(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
3	Information received of people using, selling and distributing in Manmane Village, No5 Ward, Lashio Township, northern Shan State.	Police have opened 3 cases and arrested 4 men together with heroin in the previous weeks. On 19 July 2019, acting on a tip off, police searched a motorcycle driven by Arzam, 30, son of U Myo Win, who lives in Kyarphyu Street, No1 area, No 3 Ward, on the road of Manmane Village, No 5 Ward, Lashio Tsp and arrested him with heroin. A case has been opened him with MaMaSa(Lashio) MaYa(pa)81/2019 under section 19(a) and 21(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
4	Information received of Phoe Thar(a)Naing Lin Htet who lives in Sehsu Village, Dekkhinathiri Tsp, Nay Pyi Taw, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 25 July 2019, police arrested Phoe Thar(a)Naing Lin Htet, 30, son of U Kyaw Swe, who lives in Sehsu Village, Dekkhinathiri Tsp together with heroin on the Nay Pyi Taw Council road near Sehsu Village, Dekkhinathiri Tsp. A case has been opened him with MaMaSa(Eigayhar) MaYa(Pa) 3/2019 under Section 16(c) and 20(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
5	Information received of Tin Lin who lives in Kankongyi Village, Mohnyin Tsp, Kachin State, using and selling illegal drugs.	On 27 July 2019, police searched the farm hut in the southwest of Kankongyi Village, Mohnyin Tsp, and arrested Tin Lin, 33, son of U Kyaw Yin, who lives in that village, together with stimulant tablets and heroin. A case has been opened him with NaMaSa(Nanmar) MaYa(Pa) 27/2019 under Section 16(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
6	Information received of Thet Naing Oo who lives in Nyaungpintha Village, Phaungpyin Tsp, Sagaing Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 21 July 2019, police searched the house of Thet Naing Oo, 33, son of U Maung Win, who lives in Nyaungpintha Village, Phaungpyin Tsp, and arrested him and Aung Kyaw Zaw, 41, son of U Kyaw Min, who lives in Zawgee Village, with heroin. A case has been opened them with MaMaSa(Phaungpyin) MaYa(pa)95/2019 under section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
7	Information received of Tun Naing Oo who lives in Myahnit Village, Kyunhla Tsp, Sagaing Region, using and selling illegal drugs.	On 21 July 2019, police searched the house of Tun Naing Oo, 40, son of U Myint Soe, who lives in Myahnit Village, Kyunhla Tsp, and arrested him together with heroin. Acting on an interrogating, police also searched the house of Myint Thaug Oo, 47, son of U Paw Ba but police did not find any narcotic drugs. A case has been opened them with NaMaSa(Thaphan-seik) MaYa(pa)5/2019 under section 16(c) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
8	Information received of Bo Hse who lives in Ywathit Village, Htigyaing Tsp, Sagaing Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 26 July 2019, police searched Bo Hse, 44, son of U Bo Thein, who lives in Ywathit Village, Htigyaing Tsp and Myo Htet, 37, son of U Tin Aung, who lives in Hsetkya Village at the Hintha creek bridge, Ywathit Village, Htigyaing Tsp, and arrested them together with heroin. A case has been opened them with MaMaSa(Htigyaing) MaYa(pa)32/2019 under section 16(c), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
9	Information received of Shine Ko Oo who lives in Aung Mingala Ward, Bokpyin Tsp, Taninthayi Region, using and selling illegal drugs.	On 23 July 2019, police searched the house of Win Naing, 39, son of U Kyaw Thein, who lives in Aung Mingala Ward, Bokpyin Tsp, and he ran away from his house. Police found Shine Ko Oo, 26, son of U San Hoe, who lives in the same village, to use and sell the drugs from there and arrested him together with 'WY' stimulant tablets, ICE, speciosa and a firearm. A case has been opened them with MaMaSa(Bokpyin) MaYa(pa)16/2019 under section 19(a), 20(a), 22(b) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
10	Information received of Phoe Khine and his wife Yawthuma who live in No 11 Ward, Pakokku Tsp, Magway Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 20 July 2019, police searched the house of Phoe Khine (a) Khine Win, 42, son of U Yan Shin, and wife Yawthuma (a) Ma Win Min Soe, 42, daughter of U Thaug Hla, who lives in 17th Street, No11 Ward, Pakokku Tsp, and arrested them together with 'WY' and '88/1' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened them with MaMaSa(Pakokku) MaYa(pa)8/2019 under section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
11	Information received of people using, selling and distributing in Kyaukwartu camp, Innet Village-tract, Thabeikkyin Tsp, Mandalay Region.	Police have opened one case and arrested a man and a woman with stimulant tablets in the previous weeks. On 23 July 2019, acting on a tip-off, police searched the house of Zaw Myo, 37, son of U Aung Win, and wife Ma Yi, 43, daughter of U Kyar, in Kyaukwartu camp(K-wetthit), Innet Village-tract, Thabeikkyin Tsp, and arrested them together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened them with NaMaSa(Dagaung) MaYa(pa)10/2019 under section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
12	Information received of Myint Swe who live in 133rd Street, Ponnagone Ward, Tamway Tsp, Yangon Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 24 July 2019, police searched the house of Myint Swe, 62, son of U Than Khin, who lives in 133rd Street, Ponnagone Ward, Tamway Tsp, and arrested him together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened him with MaMaSa(Tamway) MaYa(Pa) 29/2019 under Section 16(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
13	Information received of Angelay (a)Thiha Nge who live in No 22 Ward, Hline Tsp, Yangon Region, using, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 25 July 2019, police searched the house of Angelay (a)Thiha Nge (a) Thiha Sit Naing, 20, son of U Than Naing, who lives in Thayaraye St, No 22 Ward, Hline Tsp, and arrested him together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened him with MaMaSa(Hline) MaYa(Pa) 21/2019 under Section 16(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
14	Information received of Tin Kyway and his son Phoe Thayote who live in Myo Oo(Hopin) Ward, Yaksawk Tsp, Shan State (south), distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 21 July 2019, police searched the house of Tin Kyway, 54, son of U Tun, who lives in Myo Oo(Hopin) Ward, Yaksawk Tsp, and arrested him and his son Phoe Thayote (a) Tun Tun Oo together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened them with MaMaSa(Yaksawk) MaYa(Pa) 36/2019 under Section 16(c) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.

Additional statistical bulletin on drug seizures, acting on information

3. Out of the information sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs, so far a total of 703 cases have been opened files as of 27 July 2019. A total of 1099 people, including 924 men and 175 women had been arrested with seizures of 6495.6184 g of heroin, 1318.72 g of ICE, 39776.95 g of opium, 329.6 g of low-quality opium, 19569.27 g of speciosa powder, 7833.19 g of speciosa, 1.5 liters of liquid speciosa, 315466 stimulant tablets, 8363.22 g of marijuana, 0.1 liters of opium tincture, 513.26 g of opium blocks, 60 g of poppy seeds, 29.15 g of crushed stimulant tablet powder, 0.001 g of crushed ecstasy powder, 18 firearms, different kinds of 257 cartridges 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 weeks, multiple arrests were made in the border regions and joint-surveillance gates. Upon acting on a tip-off, in Kachin State, police arrested a man with 1200 stimulant tablets and a motorcycle in Tatkon Ward, Myitkyina Tsp. Police searched a man and three women on a three-wheel motorcycle in front of the Myitkyina Railway Station and arrested them together with 3542 stimulant tablets and 20 gram of heroin. Police arrested a man and a woman together with 800 stimulant tablets and 25 g of heroin and a motorcycle at the 21st mile inspection gate. Police searched two men with a vehicle at the Bala Minhtin inspection gate, Waingmaw Tsp, and arrested them with 2409 g of heroin and a vehicle. Police seized an ownerless seizure of 500 stimulant tablets and 2 g of heroin at a hut in Aungmyay 2 Village, on the road of Waingmaw-Bhamo. A man was arrested with 0.04 g of heroin and 50 g of low quality opium in Kanserya Ward, Tanai Tsp. A man and a woman were arrested with 330 g of heroin at NantSun old Village, Hopin Tsp. Police arrested eight men and a woman with 403 stimulant tablets, 0.1 g of heroin and six motorcycle in No 2 Ward, Nagmon Tsp. Police arrested two men with 1480 stimulant tablets and 45.4 g of heroin in Kanhla Vilage and a man with 7 g of opium block and 0.2 g of low quality opium in Kawaryan Vilage in Mogaung Tsp. Police arrested a man together with 40 stimulant tablets, 30 g of opium block and 0.1 litre of opium tincture in No1 Ward, Hsatmu-Village Tract, a woman with 740 stimulant tablets and 10 g of heroin in near Than Bridge, Hsatmu Vilage, and a man with 760 stimulant tablets and a motorcycle on the road of Hmawpon Village, in Phakant Tsp. Police searched and arrested a man with 1540 g of heroin and a motor vehicle at Kyauk inspection gate in Momauk Tsp. In Mansi Tsp, police arrested a man with 2112 stimulant tablets and a motorcycle on the road of Hanhtet-Manra near Hanhtet Village, two women with 1520 stimulant tablets in Thantantar Village, and a man with 17550 stimulant tablets and a cycle on the Manthar-Thantantar road, Manthar Village. In Kayah State, police arrested a man with 123 stimulant tablets and a cycle on Loilem-Hsihseng road, AungTeza Ward, Loilemlay Town. A woman from Kyauksu Village, Meisei Tsp was arrested with 860 stimulant tablets. In Kayin State, police arrested a man with 884 stimulant tablets in No 5 Ward, Myawady Tsp. In Mon State, police arrested a man with 981 stimulant tablets and a cycle in Tayanar Vilage, Kyaikmaraw Tsp. Police arrested a man with 58 stimulant tablets, 1.9 g of ICE and a cycle in Thatkaw Village and another man with 177 stimulant tablets and a cycle on the Welthon Village road, in Thanbyuzayat Tsp. During this two weeks, police found and seized an ownerless 14000 g of ICE in the 14 packets which floated in the sea to the shore of Magyichaung Village, Ye Tsp. A man was arrested with 385 stimulant tablets in Kabyarwa Village. In Rakhine State, police seized an ownerless 58500 stimulant tablets hidden in a bush near Aungthabyay Village, Maungtaw Tsp. Police arrested two women with 286 stimulant tablets in Ywarthitkay Village, a man with with 195 stimulant tablets in Maungni Village (middle), a man with 76000 stimulant tablets and a cycle on the Pazunkan road near Mingalargyi creek Kyaukhlaykha Village, a man with 47500 stimulant tablets in Mingalargyi 1 Village, a man with 19500 stimulant tablets and a cycle on the Natchaung-Khamaungseik road near Loungboat bridge in Thetkinehnyar Village and a man with 1365 stimulant tablets in Kahnyintan Village(south). Police searched two man and a cycle on the Myopat road Kalarbartauung Village in Kyaukpyu Tsp and arrested them with 47 stimulant tablets. Acting on a tip-off, a woman was arrested with 4 stimulant tablets in Zeditaung Village. Four men with 22 stimulant tablets and a cycle were arrested in Rakhinepaikseik Village. Police arrested two men and a woman with 607 stimulant tablets in Gutar Ward, Taungup Tsp. A woman was caught with a seizure of 7800 stimulant tablets and a motor vehicle on Taunggyi_Mai Pyin highway in Taunggyi Tsp, Shan State. A man was arrested with 1100 stimulant tablets and one motorbike on SetThay-Taunggyi road. Two men were arrested with 60 stimulant tablets and 140 g of opium in Thandaung Village. Two men were arrested with 1611 stimulant tablets and

one motor vehicle in at milepost 65/3), on Kalaw-Thazi road, Kalaw Tsp. A man was caught together with 16700 g of heroin and one motor vehicle in Kunhein Tsp. A man and a woman from Kochan Vialge, Lashio Tsp were seized with 4181 stimulant tablets. A seizure of 9750 stimulant tablets together with a motorbike was made in the tool box a motorbike in Tangyan Town. A man from Konkaw Village with 800 stimulant tablets, two men from Muse Tsp with 855 stimulant tablets and 10 g of heroin, two men from Nainton Village with 180000 stimulant tablets, 37884 g of heroin and a Land cruiser vehicle, two men near Tarlon Village with 2150 g of heroin and one motorbike, a man from Namhkam Town with 1620 stimulant tablets and 40 g of heroin, a man from Kitkai Tsp with 1900 stimulant tablets, 24 g of heroin and one motorbike, a man and a woman together with 6000 stimulant tablets and 430 g of heroin, two men from Nawngkhio Town together with 1970 stimulant tablets and two motorbikes, two men near the Oriental Gate together with 2200 stimulant tablets and one vehicle, two men from Laukfan Village together with 675 stimulant tablets, 0.5 g of heroin, 3.2 g of opium and 24 g of opium block, a woman from Ingyin Gone Village with 2648 g of stimulant tablets, a man from Hokho Village with 1710 stimulant tablets and one motorbike, a man and two women from Mongmit Tsp together with 850 stimulant tablets and 56.5 g of heroin, a woman from Mabein Tsp together with 1915 stimulant tablets were caught. A seizure of 1149800 stimulant tablets, 2160 g of heroin and two motorbikes were caught near Lawa Village. Two men were arrested with 80 Tramadol Capsule at the Kyaikdon airport. Upon acting on tip-off, two men were seized with 640 Tramadol Capsules, 65 bottles of Diazepam Injections and 60 Diazepam Tablets in No.3 Ward. A man from Honar Village was seized with 370 stimulant tablets and 15 g of opium. A man from Arkhar Village together with 152 stimulant tablets and 42 g of opium, a man from Meisat together with 1800 stimulant tablets and one motorbikes, two men from Tachilek Town together with 100000 stimulant tablets and two motorbikes, three men from Wankaung Ward together with 708 Ecstasy Tablets and one motorbike, a man from Sansei No.A Ward together with 114 Ecstasy Tablets, a man from Meiset-Tachilek road together with 12038 stimulant tablets, 25 g of opium and one motorbike, three men from Kanbalu Tsp together with 125 stimulant tablets, a woman from Malei Village together with 5613 stimulant tablets and one motorbike, two suspects from Nandawon ward, Monywa Town together with 110.15 g of heroin, 0.5 g of opium and one motorbike, two suspects from Katha Town together with 270 stimulant tablets and one power schooner, a man from on Katha-Inndaw road together with 330 g of heroin and one motorbike, three men and one woman from Kathatchaung Village together with 1060 stimulant tablets and 3.4 g of heroin, a man from Inndaw Tsp together with 18500 stimulant tablets and one motorbike, a man at the Nabar inspection gate together with 500 g of opium and one motorbike, two men from Pinlebu Tsp together with 8150 g of opium and two motorbikes, a man on Tamu-Kalay road together with 1380 stimulant tablets and one motorbike, two men from Homalin Tsp together with 165 g of heroin and one motorbike, two men from Naungpoaung Village together with 170 stimulant tablets, 121 g of opium and one motorbike, a woman from Dawei Town, Taninthayi Region together with 3600 stimulant tablets, a man from Longlon Tsp together with 435 stimulant tablets and 12 g of ICE were seized. A seizure of 14204 g of ICE was caught in the ground of the garden in Yebyu Tsp. Two suspects were found with 6022 stimulant tablets and one motorbike at the inspection gate. A man from the university ward was caught with a seizure of 93000 stimulant tablets, 2000 g of ICE, one Hilux vehicle and one motorbike. A woman from No.3 Zayarthiri Ward was caught with a seizure of 390 stimulant tablets. An ownerless seizure of 137500 g of speciosa and one boat in Tapain creek, Maetaw Village. An ownerless seizure of 225000 g of speciosa was found at the bank of the Chaungnyiko creek. An ownerless seizure of 77500 g of speciosa was caught in Sakhanthit Village. A man from Kawthoung was arrested with 180 g of speciosa. A man was seized with 11 stimulant tablets, 9 g of ICE and one boat. An ownerless 978 g of stimulant tablets was found near the South Dagon golf court. A man was seized with 106 stimulant tablets in Kyuntharyar Ward, Bago Region. A man from No. 20 Ward, Nat Shin Naung road, Toungoo Town, Bago Region was seized with 986 stimulant tablets and one motorbike. Two men were arrested with 114 stimulant tablets in Theingone Village, Pyu Town, Bago Region. Three men were arrested with 100 stimulant tablets and one motorbike in Pakokku Town, Magway Region. Three men from Aungmyethazan Tsp, Mandalay Region, were caught with a seizure of 110 stimulant tablets and one motorbike. Acting on tip-off, a seizure of 5316 stimulant tablets was caught at the guest house where the suspect stayed. A man was caught with a seizure of 200 stimulant tablets and one motorbike in 15x16 and 66 street. A seizure of 3.5 g of crushed stimulant tablet powder was caught at the suspect's house. A man from Aungmyethazan Town was caught together with 5 stimulant tablets, 81 g of marijuana, and 0.2 g of ICE.

Prevention can help eliminate hepatitis by 2030

MYANMAR observed World Hepatitis Day 2019 on 28 July in Yangon.

Some statistics on hepatitis, disclosed at the ceremony, set alarm bells ringing. It was revealed that 6.5 per cent of Myanmar's population is living with Hepatitis B, and 2.7 per cent has been diagnosed with Hepatitis C. In addition, one in ten people do not know that they are living with hepatitis and thus, fail to receive medical attention in time.

The figures were disclosed by the Department of Public Health, the Department of Medical Research, and the Myanmar Liver Foundation, based on a survey conducted in 2015.

The task to end the epidemic is herculean, and the government alone cannot handle it. And, it poses several challenges, such as lack of patient awareness about the transmission of diseases and affordable treatment.

The Ministry of Health and Sports has conducted a free vaccination programme nationwide for inoculating newborns and infants aged 2-6 months against Hepatitis B.

The Ministry opened treatment centres for Hepatitis C in seven hospitals in Yangon and Mandalay regions, and Nay Pyi Taw in 2017, and in Myitkyina and Mawlamyine in 2018.

The Ministry was able to provide treatment to 5,000 Hepatitis B patients as of May, 2019. It is comforting to know that the Ministry has plans to open new treatment centres in August and September.

The World Health Organization is working with health authorities in different countries, including Myanmar, for effective control of HCV, to reduce its incidence, and curb hepatitis-related mortality, with a Global Health Sector Strategy (GHSS) to eliminate viral hepatitis by 2030. Myanmar joined with the WHO in 2013 to fight the epidemic, with the same global goal as the UN: to eliminate the viral disease by 2030.

Viral hepatitis caused 1.4 million deaths in 2015, which is comparable with the annual deaths from tuberculosis and higher than the annual deaths from HIV.

In fact, the hepatitis epidemic drew little attention for many years until 2015, when the global burden of disease figure came out, and now, hepatitis is considered as the 7th leading cause of deaths worldwide.

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The Myanmar Liver Foundation has been working with the Ministry to organize hepatitis screening, administer vaccinations, and provide treatment to people through 23 township branches.

Efforts are needed to educate the public about the modes of transmission and prevention of the HCV infection. Prevention is, after all, better than cure, and we would like to urge everyone to proactively participate in efforts to ensure the viral disease is eliminated by 2030.

Silver Jubilee of the Teaching Department of Archaeology, University of Yangon

By Maha Saddhamma Jotika Dhaja, Sithu Emeritus Professor Dr. Khin Maung Nyunt

THE Silver Jubilee of the Teaching Department of Archaeology of Yangon University was celebrated at the Arts Hall on the Chancellor Road, University campus on 28th and 29th of July Sunday and Monday 2019 with most fitting programs. Ceremonial opening with Keynote Addresses, opening speeches and remarks, greeting and congratulations by Rector, Professors, and distinguished guests, group photos and coffee break. The following day Monday 29.7.2019 at 2-5 p.m. at the same venue was held Acariya Pujas, Homage paying to the teaching staffs by students old and new with offertories of cash and kind and blessings and appreciations by the teachers. Offering of Swam [ဆွမ်း] lunch to invite monks was held in the morning in memory of the Professors and teachers who had passed away. On Monday 29.7.2019, 2-5 p.m. Dinner was given in the Recreation Centre R.C on the Chancellor Road.

Three paper reading sessions took place on the opening day 28 July 2019 Sunday. After the programmes of opening ceremony and coffee break, three Paper reading Sessions took place. The first section 10.30 a.m. -12 a.m., 4 Papers were read namely —

- (1) Potential Approach to Settlement Patterns of Pre-historic Archaeological Sites in My-

anmar Thiessen Polygon Analysis by Dr. Kyaw Zeya, Professor of Archaeology teaching Department, Yatanabone University Mandalay.

(2) The Study on the Arrangement and Organization of Buddhist Monastic Complexes in Bagan on archaeological Points of View by Dr. Thin Yu Naing, Assistant Lecture, the teaching Department of Archaeology, Dagon University.

(3) Thara-dipa Aungcha wady) Palace city by Dr. Thein Aung, Professor, Department Head (Rector), Department of History, University of Dawee.

(4) Analysis and estimate of mural paintings on Lu-wun rock boulders by Dr. Maung Maung Lwin, Associate Professor, Department of Archaeology Yatanabone University.

General Discussion followed. After Lunch Break Paper Reading session followed 13-14 p.m.

(5) Different Burial Practices of Myanmar [From Pre-historic to Early Historic Period.] By Dr. Zaw Hpyo, Lecturer, the teaching Department of Archaeology, Yatanabone University.

(6) Pre-historic hunter gatherer adaption in Myanmar: Reappraisal on Paleolithic artefacts from central belt by Dr. Tin Htut Aung, Assistant Lecture, the teaching Department of Archaeology, Yangon University, and U Kyaw Win Thu, Associate Professor, Department of Metallurgy, Technical University [Ywama].

(7) Sprit Resettlement Ac-



Teaching Department of Archaeology of Yangon University celebrates Silver Jubilee on 28 July. PHOTO: SUPPLIED

tion Plan [SRAP] for Development Projects in Myanmar from the perspective of Intangible Cultural Heritage Management [I C H M], by U Win Naing Htun, Principal consultant and Director, Resource and Environment Myanmar Co, Ltd.

General Discussion

Session 3, 15-16.30 p.m., took place after coffee break.

- (8) Study of mural paintings of Bagan 11th Century A.D to late 18th Century A.D 16 dreams of King Kosala by Dr. Aye Aye U, Professor, the teaching Department of Archaeology, University of Dagon.
- (9), Archaeological Evidences

from Binnaka by Daw Lwin Lwin Kyaw, Lecture, the teaching Department of Archaeology, Yadanabon University,

(10), Study of stone Inscript-

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tion of Athawa Dhamma Mayar, by Daw Win Yee Hla, Lecture, the teaching Department of Archaeology, Yatanabon University,

(11) Alarm for Myanmar Artworks by Ma Wint Thu Thu Maung, M.A student, the teaching Department of Yangon University.

General Discussion

Paper Reading session as winded up and closed by Dr. U San Shwe, Professor and Head of Department, the teaching Department of Archaeology, University of Yangon.

A brief background of the teaching Department of Archaeology

We have now such departments at Yangon, Dagon, Mandalay and Yatanabon Universities. The writer wishes to clear up the teaching and digging Archaeology Departments.

Archaeology Digging De-

partment was one of the earliest departments opened by the British Colonial Government such as Forest Department, Agriculture Department, and Irrigation De-

partment etc. The Colonial Government wanted to know stone inscription and ink inscription of Myanmar abundantly discovered at old capital cities—

it. After Forchamer followed non Burmese Scholars such as Mr. Taw Sein Kho, Charles Douroise G. H Luce and J.S. Furnivall. Only later U Mya, U Lu Pe Win, U Aung Thaw appeared pre and post-World War II.

When the Epigraphic Office (ကျောက်တံဆွဲ) grew into Archaeology Department, staff and students and new recruits were sent to India, for digging raining. There was no academic teaching of Archeology.

Archaeology is a multidisciplinary subject. Geology, Plentiology, Anthropology, Pre-history etc. are roots of Archaeology. In digging up the past archaeology excavation you need systematic training in excavation. Hence both practical and academic aspects of Archaeology must go hand in hand. But unfortunately it was not so in Myanmar.

Twenty-five years ago today, the writer in the capacity of Director-General of Archaeology Digging Department and U Htun Aung Chain, the then Professor of History, worked together to open the teaching Department of Archaeology at Yangon University with the blessing and approval of the Government. First U Htun Thain introduced archaeology into Hons class and later M.A. The writer began with Diploma class. Later Degree courses were given B.A. B.A. (Hons). M.A. and Ph. D. The writer assigned his colleague U Nyunt Han to teach archaeology. The first Professor was U San Nyein. His successors were Daw Yee Yee Aung of History Department, Mandalay University and current Dr. San Shwe, Prof & Dept head. The writer taught the Diploma Class. When Ph.D programme was introduced, the writer introduces maritime and under water Archaeology which he is still teaching.

Happy coincidences have taken place in current auspicious year 2019. Firstly, Bagan has been admitted into UNESCO's World culture Heritage Sites and MraukU queuing up for similar admission. The Centenary of Yangon University is to be celebrated in 2020 December and it is now preparing and renovating actives — face lifting, repair, refurbishing. Now the silver Jubilee of the teaching Department of Archaeology most filling celebrated.

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Appointment of Judge for Sagaing
Region High Court

In accord with the provisions stated in article 308 section (b) sub-section (4) of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar; article 82 section (d) of the Union Government Law and article 45 of the Union Judiciary Law, article 18 section (d) of Region or State Government Law, U Phyo Phyo has been appointed as Judge for Sagaing Region High Court.

Sd/ Win Myint
President
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

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Union Minister concurrently
appointed

In accord with the provisions stated in article 232 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar; and article 12 of the Union Government Law, U Soe Win, Union Minister for Planning and Finance, has been concurrently appointed as Union Minister for Industry.

Sd/ Win Myint
President
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

One more political party applies for registration

While new political parties are scrutinized and registered in accordance with the law, a new party under the name the People Power Party submitted its registration to the Union Election Commission on 30 July, it is learnt.—MNA

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Import slips sought for over 700 YBS buses in exchange for deregistration

By Nyein Nyein

THE number of requests for import slips — which are issued for family-use cars in return for deregistration of old vehicles — for buses manufactured in the 1999-2003 model years have reached over 700, said U Hla Aung, Joint Secretary of the Yangon Region Transport Authority.

"The Yangon Region government has forwarded the requests for issuing of personal-use slips in return for deregistration of 1999-2003 model buses to the Ministry of Transport and Communications. The ministry had asked the YRTA about the number of old buses of 1999-2003 make registered with the Yangon Road Transportation Administra-

tion Department. We had told the government there are more than 700 such buses," said U Hla Aung.

The Yangon Region government has negotiated with the Ministry of Transport and Communications to allow the deregistration of YBS buses from the model years 1999-2003, as a special case.

"We still do not know how they will permit the deregistration of those 700 YBS buses. We have just submitted the number of 1999-2003 model YBS buses to the RTAD, which has, in turn, forwarded it to the Ministry," said U Hla Aung.

The government has been allowing deregistration of old vehicles since 2011. Only buses from the model year 1999 can be

deregistered as clunkers.

"Starting from 2011, owners of cars manufactured during or before model year 1995 have been allowed to swap them for a slip for family-use cars in Yangon. Now, the registration of old cars from model year 1999 can also be canceled, under the automobile policy released by the Union Government," said U Hla Aung.

"In addition, among the YBS buses, vehicles from the 1999-2003 model year have poor energy efficiency and bad air-conditioning. Therefore, their deregistration has been requested as a special case," according to the YRTA.

The announcement of the 2019 car import policy, which does not allow imports of right-hand

vehicles, led to a hike in the prices of second-hand cars with right-hand drive in late 2018, according to the automobile market.

At present, the market for new vehicles is booming, and imports of completely knocked down (CKD) and semi knocked down (SKD) versions of vehicles are on the upward trend on account of the US dollar exchange rate appreciation and Myanmar currency depreciation.

The system of local assembly of cars is likely to grab a greater market share in future. So far, 18 companies have been permitted to manufacture cars locally under the CKD and SKD system.

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)

K7bln Myanmar-Thai border bus terminal 25% complete

THE Myanmar-Thailand border highway bus terminal in Myawady Town, named the Sein Lei Myaing bus stop, which is being built at a cost of K7 billion, is 25 per cent complete.

The terminal is being constructed near Ayethukha Village at a distance of 3 kilometers from Myawady Town, Kayin State, under the project launched in September, 2018.

"The project has been undertaken with a K7billion budget, with the permission of the Kayin State Hluttaw, and it is expected to be completed in April, 2021. Earlier, there were no bus terminals, and

Myawady Town faced traffic problems daily. Therefore, we commenced the K7-billion modern highway bus station project in Myawady Town. Once the highway construction project is completed, we plan to launch an apartment project with an instalment payment system for residents," said U Myo Win Than, the managing director of the Sein Lei Myaing highway bus station project.

The bus station will include 53 buildings for large vehicles and 50 buildings for small vehicles, and is being developed on 9 acres of land.

— Htain Lin Aung (IPRD)

(Translated by La Wonn)



Builder workers work at the construction site of Myanmar-Thailand border highway bus terminal in Myawady. **PHOTO: HTAIN LIN AUNG**

Drugs confiscated in some townships

POLICE searched two motor bikes ridden by Stephen and Lan Pat Tun@ Lar Pat Law on tamu- kalay road, near Kan Hla village, Kalay township, on 29 July and discovered K242 million worth of 2.42 kilo heroine. In another incident, police searched the house of Pho Tay@ Tay Za Aung in Taung Yar Kan village in Pu Law Township on 28 July and seized 2000 WY tablets, 5 gram of ice and K400,000.

The police of Ye Phyu township searched three suspects: Kout Chan, Chan Tha La, Mg Win at Nat Sin Gyi village jetty

in the township on 28 July and seized 2095 WY tablets and 9 grams of ice from them.

On 29 July, the local police searched a rent house of Yazar Ko Ko and Daw Hnin Hnin Mar in Myo Chaung village in Kyaukdaga Township and seized 2065 WY tablets, K500,000 and a hand phone.

On the same day, two motor bikes ridden by Aung Thet Sein and Shwe Lone were searched in Kyautse. During the search, the police seized 25.9 kilo of raw opium. On 29 July, local police in Maungtaw, Rakhine State,

searched a house of Eman Hussein in Maung Ni village in Maungtaw. He was not found but his son Au Mor Fa Rote was there, and K331.5 million worth of 165,750 WY tablets were confiscated. On the same date, a motor bike ridden by Gorge Lay and Ma Nar Law Bo were searched by police at Wan Pha village in Mai Yaung Township. During the search, 19800 WY Tablets and a hand phone were confiscated.

Similarly, local police in Mongshu searched the house of Nan Aye Kyu @Arr Kyu in

Loi Saung Htaut village and seized 151 gram of heroine, 1240 WY tablets, 110,000 kyats and a hand phone were confiscated according to Myanmar Police Force. —GNLM

(Translated by Alphonsus)



Au Mor Fa Rote is seen with drugs seized at his house in Maungtaw. **PHOTO: MPF**

Myanmar to directly export live fish to external markets in September

IN a bid to boost income from the fishery export sector, Myanmar will directly ship live fish, prawns, and crabs to external markets in September.

Groupers, lobsters, shrimps, and crabs will be exported to Hong Kong, China (Taipei), Macau, South Korea, Japan, and China, said U Mike Aung Myint Tun, country manager, Super Search Investment (Hong Kong) Company Limited.

“The volume of live fish exports is much lower than frozen fishery products. The demand in domestic and foreign markets differs. Various kinds of fish of any size can be sold in the domestic market, while in the external markets, fish are required to meet market standards for quality and size. Live

fish export costs more, but it fetches a good price,” he said.

“Training courses on techniques for packaging live fish are being conducted,” he added.

To adopt an efficient packaging system for live fish, two foreign experts will share their know-how with 26 trainees from 26 to 31 July at the office of the Myanmar Fisheries Federation. The courses will be offered in Myeik and Kawthoung towns.

In the push to promote fisheries exports, Taninthayi Region has been prioritized, followed by Rakhine State, and Yangon Region. Air transport has been chosen for fresh fish exports, said U Mike Aung Myint Tun. — Pwint Thitsar

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)



Trainees conduct packaging live crabs during the training course. PHOTO: PWINT THITSAR

542 Mya Yee Nandar low-cost flats sold through draw of lots



MCDC's staff drawing lots to sell affordable apartments at the City Hall in Mandalay. PHOTO: MIN HTET AUNG (MANDALAY SUB-PRINTING HOUSE)

AROUND 542 units from Mya Yee Nandar affordable housing complex, built under the Mandalay City Development Committee's housing project, were sold through draw of lots on 30 July at the Mandalay City Hall.

“The apartments were sold to civil service personnel and pensioners from Mandalay Region through draw of lots. A total of 542 units, including 162 flats for pensioners, 205 units for staff with 25 years' experience, 155 for staff with less than 25 years' of experience, and 20 flats for staff with

less than 10 years' experience, were sold through draw of lots, an open system,” said U Zaw Win, the head of the MCDC's Engineering Department (Building and Warehouse).

“We are willing to sell the units to only those people who plan to live in the apartments. Therefore, we will allow applicants to join a second draw of lots for apartment units only after they deposit K500,000,” he added.

Eligible applicants can deposit K500,000 between 31 July and 2 August, and the second draw of lots for apart-

ment units will take place on 6 August.

The apartments measure 661 square feet and have been priced according to the floor. Ground floor units cost K26.7 million, first-floor units K24.7 million, second-floor units K22.6 million, third-floor units K21.6 million, fourth-floor units K20.6 million, and fifth-floor units K19.5 million, inclusive of three-per-cent commercial tax.—Min Htet Aung(Mandalay sub-printing house)

(Translated by La Wonn)

Japan-Myanmar trade expo to be held in Oct at YCC

By Nyein Nyein

A TWO-DAY ‘Japan-Myanmar Resource, Trade and Investment Expo 2019’, aimed at promoting bilateral investments and attracting businesses opportunities, will take place on 19 and 20 October at the Yangon Convention Center.

According to its organizers, the expo will significantly improve interaction and collaboration among the sponsors, exhibitors, and visitors, and will offer several opportunities for networking, creating new business partnerships, discovering new industry trends, and talent acquisition.

The expo is being organized by Synergy Focus International (SFI), with the support of the Embassy of Japan in Myanmar and the Japan External Trade Organisation (JETRO). It will showcase investment, culture, education, technology, and job opportunities in Myanmar.

The expo will feature over 150 exhibitors and is expected to attract more than 10,000 visitors. At the expo, young Myanmar people will be able to experience Japanese culture, the work environment in Myanmar, and explore job opportunities with different companies.

“This expo will help explore

business prospects and invite Japanese investors to Myanmar. Visitors will surely get to know Japanese culture and business as well,” said U Lin Kyaw Tun, the CEO of SFI.

“Japan and Myanmar have enjoyed over 60 years of diplomatic relations. This kind of expo will strengthen ties between the two countries and develop friendships among their citizens,” said Dr. Nu Nu Yin, senior consultant for the Japan-Myanmar Resource, Trade and Investment Expo 2019.

“I hope this expo will bring the business counterparts of the two countries together,” said Mr. Shinsuke Goto, the chief executive officer of organizing partner Trust Venture Partners Co. Ltd.

High ranking officials and private businessmen will exchange ideas at the expo. Besides seminars, business matching and inspection tours to Thilawa SEZ have been included in the program for the expo.

Companies engaged in insurance, banking, tourism, automobile, manufacturing, legal and consulting services, education and training, retail, recruitment, and employment, IT and communication, agriculture, and media are expected to participate in the expo.

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)

Additional statistical bulletin on drug seizures, acting on information

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A man was caught with 325 stimulant tablets, 240 g of opium blocks and 1600 g of marijuana in Chamyathazi Township, Mandalay Region. A man was caught with 603 stimulant tablets and one motorbike in Singu Tsp. A man was seized with 380 stimulant tablets and one motorbike near Shwe Pan Cemetery. A man was caught with 110 stimulant tablets, 76 g of stimulant tablets 170 g of Ketamine and one motor vehicle in Mogok Town. A man was caught with 900 stimulant tablets and one motorbike in Thabeikkyin Tsp. Three men from Kyaukse Tsp were seized with 1100 stimulant tablets and two motorbikes. Police seized a man together with 1570 stimulant tablets in Sawye Village, and a man with 1946 stimulant tablets in Myingyan Tsp. A suspect woman was caught with a seizure of 386 stimulant tablets and 8 g of ICE at the Insein Jail. Police seized three men together with 316 stimulant tablets, two men together with 100 stimulant tablets, 16.33 g of marijuana, a man together with 19289 stimulant tablets, a woman from Tamway Tsp together with 33800 stimulant tablets, 120 g of heroin, 1340 g of ICE, 290 g of marijuana and 3600 Tramadol Capsules, a man together with 20 stimulant tablets, a man together with 50 stimulant tablets and one motorbike, two men were arrested with 109 stimulant tablets and 0.5 g of heroin and 9 g of ICE. Upon acting in a tip-off, a seizure of 95 g of Ketamine, 40 g of cocaine and 96 ecstasy tablets at the Central Post Office in Kyauktada Tsp, Yangon Region. The suspect who sent the parcel containing 165 stimulant tablets at the EMS office, Sangyoung Tsp, was seized when he was about to send the parcel. Acting on a tip-off, a suspect was found together with 10 stimulant tablets and three men together with 31 stimulant tablets and one motorbike were caught.

There have been three seizures of ammunitions. Three men were caught with a seizure of 1960 stimulant tablets, one firearm, 26 5.56 cartridges and one motor vehicle in Kyauktaw Tsp, Rakhien State. A man was seized together with 94 stimulant tablets and one percussion lock firearm at Yanhla inspection gate, Kengtung Town, Shan State. Two men were caught with a seizure of 8 g of heroin and 59 stimulant tablets in Sagaing Region. Upon interrogation, two men were seized with 8 g of heroin and 59 stimulant tablets at their house.

There have been 459 cases being opened between 14-7-2019 and 27-7-2019. The total number of 635 people, including 565 men and 70 women, were arrested with a seizure of 1942673 stimulant tablets, 3.5 g of crushed stimulant tablet powder, 66658.7589 g of heroin, 0.1 liters of opium tincture, 31615.3 g of ICE, 40 of cocaine, 8914.3 g of opium, 440311 g of speciosa, 307 g of opium blocks, 85.2 g of low-quality opium, 2146.45 g of marijuana, 265 g of Ketamine, 65 bottles of Diazepam injection, 60 Diazepam Tablets, 918 Ecstasy Tablets, 4320 Tramadol Capsules, three firearms and 26 5.56 cartridges.

- 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:

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Announcement of Transferring Distributor For Registered Pesticides

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No	Trade Name	Active Ingredient	REG No.	Registration Type
1	Moon star 10 SP	Validamycin 10% SP	P 2017-3975	Provisional
2	Top Star 21.7 SC	Azoxystrobin 21.7% SC	P 2017-3978	Provisional
3	Reaction 2 WP	Bifenthrin 2% WP	P 2017-3979	Provisional
4	Bentid 50 WG	Diflubenzuron 50% WG	P 2017-3983	Provisional
5	Top Line 25 WP	Dimenthomorph 25% WP	P 2017-3985	Provisional
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UK says EU must compromise on Brexit deal

LONDON — British Prime Minister Boris Johnson on Monday urged EU leaders to drop their opposition to renegotiating Brexit, as the pound slumped on growing concerns about a no-deal departure.

Johnson, who took office last week, wants to change the exit terms struck by predecessor Theresa May but insists he will leave the European Union without any agreement at all if necessary on October 31.

Brussels has said it will not reopen the text.

“The withdrawal agreement is dead,” Johnson told reporters during his first visit to Scotland.

“I am confident we will get a deal but it is also right we prepare for no deal,” he said.

The government has not yet announced plans for Johnson to visit EU capitals, and a spokeswoman indicated he would not go until Brussels changes its stance.



The pound slumped on growing concerns about a no-deal departure. What moves currency markets? PHOTO: AFP

“He obviously wants to meet EU leaders and negotiate but not to be sat down and told that the EU cannot possibly reopen the withdrawal agreement,” the spokeswoman said.

The Confederation for British Industry (CBI), the country’s top business lobby group, said companies now needed to be on an “emergency footing” because of the growing likelihood of no deal.

The pound lost more than one percent of its value against the dollar

on Monday, hitting a two-year low.

In a report, the CBI warned that both Britain and the EU were not prepared for a no-deal Brexit and urged businesses to step up contingency plans.

The group’s head of EU negotiations Nicole Sykes tweeted that it was “like putting sandbags down for a flood”.

“Your kitchen’s still going to be underwater but MAYBE we can save the bedroom upstairs,” she wrote.—AFP ■

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2	GA – Top 3.1 SP	Glibberellic Acid 3.1% SP	P 2017-3965	Provisional
3	Q - Star 18 SL	Glufosinate – ammonium 18% SL	P 2017-3966	Provisional
4	Pulover 41 SL	Glyphosate IPA 41% SL	P 2017-3967	Provisional
5	3 View 2SC	Hexaconazole 2% SC	P 2017-3968	Provisional
6	Epokil 1EC	Lambda – cyhalothrin 1% EC	P 2017-3969	Provisional
7	HE Mancozy 80 WP	Mancozeb 80% WP	P 2017-3970	Provisional
8	Meta Gold 25 WP	Metalaxyl 25% WP	P 2017-3971	Provisional
9	Pencol 6 GR	Metaldehyde	P 2017-3972	Provisional
10	Preesto 14 EC	Pretilachlor 14 % EC	P 2017-3973	Provisional
11	Karu Q 25 EC	Proploconazole 25% EC	P 2017-3974	Provisional
12	Sorento	Abamectin 1.8% EC	P 2017-3976	Provisional
13	Kilace 50 WP	Acephate 50% WP	P 2017-3977	Provisional
14	Bigone 20 EC	Chlorpyrifos 20% EC	P 2017-3980	Provisional
15	Deltamax 2.7 EW	Deltamethrin 2.7% EW	P 2017-3981	Provisional
16	Gardner 5 DC	Difenconazole 5% DC	P 2017-3982	Provisional
17	Mycol 40 EC	Dimenthioate 40% EC	P 2017-3984	Provisional
18	Konan Gold 15 WP	Emamectio Benzoate 5% + Lambadacyhalothrin 10% WP	P 2017-3987	Provisional

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N Korean ambassador to Thailand to attend ASEAN security forum

BANGKOK — North Korea's ambassador to Thailand will attend the ASEAN Regional Forum in Bangkok on Friday in place of Foreign Minister Ri Yong Ho, who recently decided to skip the meeting, an ASEAN source said Tuesday.

Speculation had been rife that Ri might meet with US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo on the margins of the ministerial meeting of the 27-member regional security forum as the two countries seek to resume

stalled denuclearization talks. The source said, however, that North Korea will not send any delegation to the gathering and will instead be represented by Ambassador Kim Je Bong, who has been posted to Thailand since December.

Last week Thai Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Busadee Santipitaks said that North Korea had informed Thailand of Ri's absence from the regional security meeting.

It will be the first time in

10 years that North Korea has not sent its foreign minister to the annual ministerial meeting. Foreign ministers from such countries as China, Japan, South Korea, the United States and members of the 10-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations are expected to attend the gathering.

The security forum is one of the very few multilateral gatherings usually attended by North Korea's foreign minister.

—Kyodo News ■

China accuses US of being behind Hong Kong protests



File photo shows Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying. **PHOTO: KYODO NEWS**

Pompeo said China should "do the right thing" in dealing with protests in Hong Kong, in an interview with Bloomberg Television last week.

As evidence, Hua provided examples of recent U.S. "interference" in which, she claims U.S. Vice President Mike Pence, U.S. National Security Adviser John Bolton and Pompeo met with opposition figures multiple times throughout the weeks-long protests over a controversial extradition bill.

BEIJING — China's Foreign Ministry on Tuesday claimed the recent protests in Hong Kong are "the work of the U.S.," adding that the United States owes the world an explanation.

U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo "thinks that the recent violence in Hong Kong is reasonable because everyone knows that this is the work of the U.S.," spokeswoman Hua Chunying said at a regular press briefing.

Hua is referring to when

"There have been many American faces in the violent parade in Hong Kong, and even some American flags," Hua added. In urging the United States to "let go" of the Hong Kong issue, Hua warned, "Those who play with fire only get themselves burned." China's remarks come just hours before ministerial-level trade talks between the two nations scheduled to take place Tuesday and Wednesday in Shanghai.—Kyodo News ■

At least 17 killed in military plane crash in Pakistan's Rawalpindi

ISLAMABAD—A military plane crashed in the suburbs of Pakistan's Rawalpindi in the early hours of Tuesday, killing all five crew members and 12 civilians, a Pakistan Army spokesman said.

The army aviation corps plane was on a training flight

when it crashed in a residential area of the village of Mora Kalu, local media reported.

At least 12 other people were reportedly injured. The crash caused a fire in the area. The cause of the crash was not immediately known, but an in-

vestigation has been initiated. Prime Minister Imran Khan has expressed grief and sent condolences to the families of the victims.

Rawalpindi is adjacent to the capital Islamabad. —Kyodo News ■

INVITATION TO OPEN TENDER

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Investment, competition, SMEs and Myanmar business environment

By Zaw Min (GNLM)

QUALITY investment from countries will increasingly come in only when a business environment that has free and fair competition was created. The government was seen to have setup a good strategy toward easing and smoothing investments.

A good strategy toward easing and smoothing investments means handling investment applications smoothly and speedily without bias according to the basic principle of transparency, simplicity and predictability.

In addition to having cheap labour charges, abundance natural resources, having a sizable market and being at a strategic location, Myanmar has been attracting foreign investment by granting tax incentives. As other countries with similar situations will attract foreign investments in a likewise manner, our country would need to increase competitiveness.

Investment and competitiveness. Competitiveness plays an important role for the establishment of a good and effective market. As foreign direct investments enter, local businesses strive to increase competitiveness and to gaining more shares in the local market as well as entering into the

competition and are to view and grasp it as an economic opportunity.

Entry of big foreign investments will be a driving force for local investors to develop and innovate. Consumers on their side will also have more choices of products and services at prices that are competi-

not only quality foreign direct investments and local investments but also going abroad to bring in investment for a sustainable development.

Small but significant positive outcomes of investment and competition.

Automobile industry in Myanmar starts with local manufacture of cars and trucks of Mazda and Hino brand in the early 1970s. The industry had an opportunity of becoming a major industry in the region but for many reasons didn't become what it could. Human resources built up during that period were lost as the industry declines.

In the 1990s when market economy was practiced Suzuki came in to produce cars for local market but was constrained by many factors. However it started building up local human resources required for the industry providing employment opportunities for locals and this 1990 generation human resources trained in the industry becomes a foundation for the revival of auto industry in the country.

When Tan Chong, a Malaysian company plan to establish a Nissan car assembly plant in Myanmar several years ago, it recruited several hundred workers from Myanmar and trained them in their Malaysia plant where Nissan cars were produced. The aim was to develop human resources for their plant in Myanmar and had been using it in the plant that it had started in Myanmar since.

Market demand and easing of some restrictions is now bringing in more multi-national companies into the sector. The recent opening of SC Auto (Myanmar) Factory in Yangon Industrial Zone of Mingaladon Township was one such case. SC Auto (Myanmar) Factory is a 100 percent foreign-owned company based in Singapore, which produces the "SC Neustar" brand of buses/coaches in accordance with Myanmar

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region and the world market.

Through entry of foreign investments in the same line of businesses, investors in ongoing businesses will face more

tive, fair and affordable.

Increasing investment is an important development policy. As such governments were striving toward attracting



Rice shop and Wave Money agent. PHOTO: ZAW MIN



Mobile phone shop also offering sales of...



Convenient store selling phone top up car...

Investment Commission permit. The factory will create over 200 jobs and future expansion will increase this to 400. The factory has a capacity to produce up to 600 buses a year. In addition to producing buses for the local market, the factory plan to produce and export it to Hong Kong and Singapore as well.



accessories and repair works. PHOTO: ZAW MIN



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Toyota was another multi-national company in the auto industry that was entering the Myanmar market with a factory. The Toyota factory in Thilawa Special Economic Zone will be operated with 130 staffs and an investment of US\$ 52.6 million. It'll produce 2,500 Toyota Hilux trucks per year starting from

2021 under a Semi Knocked-Down (SKD) system.

The investment in the auto industry show human resources development that was driven by the investors but the government also play its part by opening up more vocational schools to have a skilled labour force ready for both local and

foreign investments.

Opening up of small car-washes and motorcycle washes are also another spill-over effect of the development of an auto industry. This was more of a grass root response that springs up from the re-

quirement of the developing market.

Similar outcomes can also be seen in Myanmar telecommunication sector. While the market was closed, consumer has no alternative except to rely on the state own enterprise MPT. With the entry of Telenor and Ooredoo, mobile phone service increases with cheaper SIM cards available to the consumer. The telecommunication infrastructure of telecommunication towers and networks were vastly improved with foreign investment. Support industry to construct and maintain telecommunication towers and networks develop with foreign companies entering the market with local construction and logistic companies providing local support creating employments and work related skills for the locals.

At the grass root level, mobile phone and accessory shops springs up creating SMEs that sought to serve the increasing demand and development in the telecommunication industry.

Through the necessity of training up skilled personnel to repair and maintain the millions of mobile phones that enter the market some phone and accessory shops were conducting mobile phone repair and maintenance courses for urban and rural youths who were unable to carry on with higher or even basic education to start up their own mobile

phone and accessory shops to sell, repair and maintain mobile phones and accessories.

Street corner or local mom and pop shops had an additional product, top up cards for mobile phone, to sell in their shops. With the financial sector using the telecommunication network for money transfer, some of these shops become agent for mobile money transfer scheme likes Wave Money.

The need for investment, competition and SMEs in business environment

While governments all over the world strives to entice investments to flow in, the governments also have the market ready for investment to enter and create competitive business environment.

And as the markets and industries develop, there'll be more opportunities for locals and local SMEs to provide necessary support services and products. Finally, as more services and products were available in the market, the consumers will have a wide range of choices and options to choose for their requirements.

This is evidence enough for the need to promote investment, competition and SMEs in a business environment.

(Reference: Increasing competition and Myanmar business environment by Myanmar Thuzar, Myanma Alin 5 July 2019.)



A car-wash in operation. PHOTO: ZAW MIN



Ayeyawady Girls' Team (White) and Nay Pyi Taw Girls' Team (Red) fight for the ball during the semi-final match of the MFF U-13 Tournament. **PHOTO: MFF**

Ayeyawady, Yangon to face in final match of U-13 State/Region Girls Tournament 2019 on 1 August

AYEYAWADY and Yangon sailed into the final match of the MFF U-13 State/Region Girls Tournament 2019 after defeating Nay Pyi Taw and Kachin respectively yesterday and the two teams will face each other in the final match on 1 August at the artificial turf grounds of the Myanmar Football Academy in Yangon.

Ayeyawady defeated Nay Pyi Taw 1-0 and Yangon beat

Kachin 2-4.

A team which will become a champion for 2019 will win K3 million award.

The second prize winner will be awarded with K2 million.

Nay Pyi Taw and Kachin teams which shared the third place will get K10 million each.—GNLM

(Translated by Tung Tun Naing)

Bale left out of Real Madrid squad for Munich friendlies

MADRID — Gareth Bale's future at Real Madrid took another twist when he was left out of the Spanish side's squad for two friendly matches in Munich, starting with Tuesday's game against his old club Tottenham Hotspur.

"Bale did not travel in order to resolve his future," Spanish sports daily Marca reported on Tuesday, adding that Real Madrid were still in talks with Chinese side Jiangsu Suning who had offered the Welshman a three-year-deal worth £1 million (\$1.1 million) a week.

However the Chinese club appear to have shut the door on Bale and sports daily As says he could be headed for a Premier League return.

"Bale wanted to stay (at Real Madrid) but Zidane has made that impossible," said As.

"The preferred destination for Bale is the Premier League which closes its transfer window on August 8. There are only 10 days to find a team there."

Real Madrid held up the proposed transfer to Jiangsu Suning on Sunday in a dispute over the fee and the Chinese club announced Monday they had signed Croatian striker Ivan Santini from Anderlecht instead.

Bale, 30, has been at the centre of transfer talk since Zinedine Zidane returned as coach of Real in March. The Frenchman has made no secret of his desire to offload Bale who joined Real Madrid in a then world record £85 million move from Tottenham in 2013. The Spanish press has been mooted a possible return to Champions League finalists Tottenham although Bale's salary demands are likely to be far beyond the pay structure at the north London club.

Bale's agent Jonathan Barnett has already insisted that any deal which sees the Welshman leave the Bernabeu would have to be a permanent one and not one that sees him shipped out on loan.—AFP ■



Gareth Bale did not travel with Real Madrid to Munich sparking further transfer debate. **PHOTO: AFP**

Evra reveals row with United chief Woodward

LONDON — Patrice Evra has revealed he threatened Manchester United executive vice-chairman Ed Woodward during a heated row over his future at the club in 2014.

Former France defender Evra retired from football on Monday after a glittering career that included an eight-year spell with United.

The left-back played for United from 2006 to 2014, winning five Premier League titles and one Champions League crown among a host of honours.

But the 38-year-old, who had a short-term deal with West Ham last season, didn't always enjoy a smooth ride at Old Trafford.

Evra had told Woodward he intended to leave United when his contract expired at the end of the 2013-14 season, but after initially accepting his decision, Woodward announced he had triggered a one-year contract extension against the player's wishes.

Evra went ballistic and threatened Woodward when he spoke to him about the deal.

Two months later the defender, then 33, joined Juventus for £1.2 million.

"Before the end of that season Ed told me: 'Patrice, you're going to stay for another year because we've got an option in your contract,'" Evra told Sky Sports on Tuesday.

"But I told him I needed to leave because of family reasons. He shook my hand and said he understood. Then in May I was having dinner in Dubai on my birthday and had a text from my

agent.

"He told me to go somewhere quiet and sent me a message with the statement from United saying they were pleased to renew my contract for another year. I went mad, I was really disappointed.

"I called Ed and swore on the phone, even threatened him. He said I couldn't talk to the director of football like that and that he was going to fine me.

"After that Ryan Giggs called and said I couldn't leave just because of one man, but it gave me an excuse to leave. I'd already said to my wife we were going to leave, but inside I didn't ever really feel I could. That gave me a little push."

Evra's revelation of the Woodward bust-up came on the same day he admitted his success in football was inspired by his humble childhood.

"I had nothing. We had nothing. But I was living as if I had everything," Evra wrote in the Players' Tribune.

"If I could tell you one secret about my life, this would be it. Anyone can be happy — anyone can love this game. Without this mindset, my friend, I would not be sitting here as a recently retired left back who played for France, Juventus and Manchester United.

"I would probably still be sitting outside a shop in Paris, begging for money to buy a sandwich.

"I'm not joking. When I grew up in Les Ulis, a commune in the Paris suburbs, I was living with my parents and some of my brothers and sisters. I have 24 of them.

"So we were about a dozen people in the same house. My father was providing a lot of our income through his job as an ambassador.

"That's what took our family from Senegal, where I was born, to Brussels and then to Les Ulis. But when I was 10 he divorced my mother. He took the sofa and the TV and even the chairs."—AFP ■



Patrice Evra has revealed a furious row with Manchester United executive vice-chairman Ed Woodward. **PHOTO: AFP**