

THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Wednesday 28 May, 1997)

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YANGON, 27 May-Patron of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in Chief of Defence Services .Senior General Than Shwe delivered an address at the opening of Management Course No 10 for USDA Executives in Pyidaungsu Hall at the Central Public Relations Unit in Hmayby at 9 am today.

Excerpts from the address

It is necessary to bring about marked progress in national economy.

There will be proportional progress in the social sector encompassing education, health and culture as much as the economy develops.

Farmers will have to extend the acreage and grow not only the staple paddy crop but also cash crops such as cotton, sugarcane and beans and purses.

USDA members are to play a role in providing agricultural education and knowledge to farmers who do not grow cash crops in spite of suitable conditions for them.

There is plenty of work that will enable USDA executives to possess qualities such as correct outlook and thinking power.

Nation today has to deal with atrocious acts of destructive elements. The association needs to be strong to be able to defend the nation with political awareness.

Entire nation is to be organized to implement the political, economic and social programmes being laid down today to ensure material progress.

USDA executives urged to nurture themselves by getting themselves better informed of international, national and regional affairs.

(2) Lucky GoldStar presents elevator to Shwedagon, holds display of systems & technology

YANGON, 27 May Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt today attended presentation of LG elevators and escalators by LG Industrial Systems Company Limited of the Republic of Korea and Fortune International United.

(3) Myanma Industrial Development Bank holds second annual meeting

YANGON, 27 May - Myanma Industrial Development Bank today held its second annual meeting for fiscal 1996-97 at MIDB with an address by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

MIDB will assist the Government and the people in building a peaceful, modern and developed nation in a way, he stated.

The Government is providing required assistance for development of industries in Myanmar and for enhancing MIDB functions, he noted, saying ensuring systematic organizational set-up of MIDB and speedy banking services depend on officials at different levels of the bank and staff.

The bank has achieved success to a certain degree in at services in the first and second years, he said, stressing the need to strive for its further success and to accept MIDB principles as work guidelines.

Chairman of Myanma Industrial Development Committee Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung briefed the meeting on efforts to develop the agriculture sector for the progress of the nation, setting up of MIDB to provide financial assistance, which is the main factor for progress of both the industrial and agriculture sectors, efforts must be made by banking services and MIDB staff for progress of the industrial sector.

Chairman of MIDB Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than also gave a speech.

Later, annual report of the Board of Directors, financial report and audit report were read and approved.

The meeting ended with concluding remarks by the Minister.

Members of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, ministers, deputy ministers, officials of MIDC and Myanmar Industrial Development Work Committee, guests and shareholders were also present.

(4) MIC Chairman receives President of Bangna Tapioca Flour

YANGON, 27 May- Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Deputy Prime Minister Vice Admiral Maung Maung Khin received President of Bangna Tapioca Flour Co Ltd of Thailand Mr Preecha Temprom at his office this afternoon.

They discussed establishment of paddy and tapioca plantations and agrobased industries in Myanmar.

Also present were officials of Government Office and MIC.

(5) MIC Chairman receives official of French Business Association

YANGON, 27 May - Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Vice Admiral Maung Maung Khin received Mr Bruns Desies of French Business Association of France at his office at 3.30 pm today.

They discussed establishment of French Entrepreneurs, Association in Myanmar.

Present also were officials of the Government Office and Myanmar Investment Commission.

(6) Deputy Prime Minister receives Ambassador of Canada

YANGON, 27 May-On behalf of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen Tin Tun, received Ambassador of Canada Mr Manfred G von Nostitz who has completed his tour of duty at Dagon Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence this afternoon.

Together with Lt-Gen Tin Tun were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw and Director-General Thura U Aung Htet of Protocol Department.

(7) Ministry of Transport holds coordination meeting on work review and objectives of the plan

YANGON, 27 May - Ministry of Transport held its coordination meeting on work review for 1996-93 and objectives of the plan for 1997-98 at the meeting hall of Myanmar Port Authority yesterday, with an address by Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win.

Present were Deputy Minister U Sann Wai, Auditor-General U Aung Khin Tint, Director-General of Auditor-General's Office Daw Khin Than, Tin and other officials.

The minister spoke of cooperation for export of other products to earn foreign exchange in accord with the guidance of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, endeavours to gain growth rate of 10 percent and above, implementation of infrastructure in the First Five Year Plan, undertaking to meet the monthly targets and cooperation with respective departments.

Directors-general, managing directors and principals of departments, enterprises and schools under the Ministry of Transport reported on review and objectives of the plan. Deputy Minister U Sann Wai took part in the discussions.

The meeting came to a close with the concluding remark by the minister.

(8) Heroin seized in Lashio

YANGON, 27 May Members of Lashio antidrug squad and personnel of Tatmadaw Intelligence Unit and Customs Department, seized 0,2768 kilo of heroin from two passengers travelling from Lashio to Mandalay at Nawngkhio Checkpoint on 29 April.

They stopped and searched the bus and seized the heroin hidden in 11 soap boxes from Haw Chin Thang, 27, son of U Nan Do Thang, Region 13, Pinlon Ward, Kalay, and Gin Za Kyin, 32, son of U Tuan Zam Lian, Region 11, Pinlon Ward, Kalay.

Further investigations revealed that the two culprits bought the heroin from Daw Bauk Nang (a) Daw Zon Wang of Region 20, Ward 5, Lashio.

The personnel searched her house on 30 April and seized 0.00025 kilo.

Legal action is being against the three in accord with the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances law.