

THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Tuesday 3 June, 1997)

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YANGON, 2 June, - Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe attended to the requirements in implementing regional development tasks in Shan State (South) and Pyinmana Township in Mandalay Division from 30 May to 2 June.

Accompanied by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung, Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein, Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe, Quartermaster-General Lt-Gen Tin Hla, Deputy Minister for Education Col Kyi Maung and officials, he arrived Namhsam Township in Shan State (South) at 10 am on 30 May.

They were welcomed by Chairman of Shan State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Tin Htut and personnel concerned. Officiating Commander of Namhsam Air Base Col Tin Oo and officers briefed them on development undertakings in Namhsam.

The Senior General looked into their requirements.

Senior General Than Shwe and party inspected town development and regional battalions.

On 31 May, the Senior General and party attended inauguration of Zawayi Dam in Yaksauk Township. The Senior General inspected the dam and its functions. He stressed the need to apply pump-water

irrigation system in Yaksauk township as canal system cannot be used in most of the areas in the township.

In keeping with the Senior General's advice, the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation will build Nantlat Dam in Shwenyaung-Township which will irrigate 5,000 acres, Okpo Dam which will irrigate 2,000 acres and a dam in Hopong valley to prevent the area from flooding and to irrigate 2,000 acres.

The Senior General and party inspected development undertakings in Yaksauk and Bahtoo Tatmyo.

Chief of Armed Forces Training Maj-Gen Saw Lwin and officials welcomed them.

Commander of Bahtoo Station Brig-Gen Moe Hein, Commandant of Defence Services (Army) Officer Training School Col Aung Kyi and personnel concerned briefed them on progress of work.

Senior General Than Shwe gave counsel to Tatmadawmen and families of Bahtoo Station and Mining schools.

The next day, they went to Kalaw.

The Senior General addressed trainee officers of Command and General Staff College in Kalaw.

Commandant of CGSC Brig-Gen Soe Tint briefed the Senior General on salient points of the college. They then inspected development of the college and Kalaw.

He also viewed wall magazine which is a collection of articles contributed by Tatmadaw of the railway project and documentaries.

Brig-Gen Pyi Zon explained progress in building the railroad.

Managing Director of Myanmar Railways Thura U Thaung Lwin, Commander Maj-Gen Tin Htut and Minister U Win Sein also joined in the discussions.

On their way to Pyinmana Township by helicopter, they observed the completed Pyinmana-Pinlaung Road.

They arrived Pyinmana at 10 am and were welcomed by Chairman of Mandalay Division Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Ye Myint, Brig-Gen Maung Bo of Pyinmana Station and officials.

Brig-Gen Maung Bo briefed them on points of Pyinmana region and Commander Maj-Gen Ye Myint and Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun on progress in building Pyinmana-Pinlaung, Pyinmana-Taungnyo and Pwaybte-Natmauk roads.

Senior General Than Shwe said Pyinmana-Pinlaung, Pyinmana-Taungnyo and pyawbwe-Natmauk roads are being built to ensure smooth and speedy flow of goods and easy access to regions in Shan State, Mandalay Division and Magway Division. He stressed the need to maintain the paved sections of the roads and to strive for early completion of the remaining sections.

Completion of the 71mile Pyanmana-Pinlaung link road cuts 126 miles in travelling from Pyinmana to Pinlaung via Pyawbwe and Kalaw along the old route which is 197 miles long.

Paving of the 44.5-mile section of the 66 miles long Pyinmana-Taungnyo Road has been completed. Stone laying along the remaining 21.3 miles has already been completed.

Pyawbwe-Natmauk Road is 61.4 miles long. Stone paving has been completed on over 40 miles of the road and asphaltting has been completed on 15 mile section.

After inspecting Pyinmana, they helicoptered to Meiktila Township and arrived there at 3.30 pm.

During the inspection tour, Senior General Than Shwe urged Tatmadawmen to participate more in endeavours such as agriculture and transport for the benefit of the people.

(2) Secretary-1 lays cornerstone for construction of Multi-party Democracy General Election Commission new office

YANGON, 2 June - A foundation laying ceremony for the construction of new building for Multi-party Democracy General Election Commission Office was held at the commission office at Natmauk Road in Bahan Township this morning.

Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt attended the ceremony and laid the cornerstone.

(3) Locomotives and rolling stock arrive

YANGON, 1 June - Chair. man of committee for ensuring smooth freight

handling and full operation Minister at the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Min Thein inspected unloading of locomotives, coaches and spare parts from mv Magway at No 5 Sule Wharf this morning.

(4) Ministers inspect renovation of ancient religious edifices in MraukU

YANGON, 2 June-Minister at the Office of Prime Minister U Than Shwe, Minister for Culture U Aung San and Chairman of Rakhine State Law and Order Restoration Commander Maj-Gen Aung Htwe inspected Myaungbwe Creek Project in MraukU, Rakhine State, on 30 May.

Myaungbwe Creek Bridge Project is covered by Yangon Sittway Road Project and being undertaken by the Special Bridge Construction Groups. At the project office, Senior Engineer U Aye briefed them on progress of work and future programmes.

The ministers and the commander gave suggestions on completion of the project as scheduled, worksite safety and other tasks.

The bailey iron-beam bridge being built on reinforced concrete foundation will be 740 feet long.

On 31 May, they visited Yadana Manaung Pagoda and Thakya Manaung Pagoda in MraukU.

They later inspected work for renovation of Koethaung Pagoda and preservation of ancient Buddha images.

They also inspected renovation of Mingaung Shwetu Pagoda, excavation of ancient MraukU Palace site and MraukU Archaeology Museum.

(5) National Convention Convening Commission meets

YANGON, 2 June -The National Convention Convening Commission held its meeting at the meeting hall of the Commission this afternoon.

It was attended by the Chairman of the National Convention Convening Commission Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Vice-Chairmen Lt-Gen Maung Thint and Brig-Gen Myo Thant and members.

Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt delivered an address.

Officials of Various committees reported on matters pertaining to the National Convention which were coordinated by members of the National Convention Convening Commission.

(6) Social Welfare Department opens tailoring course

YANGON, 2 June-A tailoring course jointly organized by the Social Welfare Department and Xinxing and Carnival Company Limited began at the department's training school on Kyaikwaing Pagoda Road in Mayangon Township this morning with an address by Minister for Social Welfare Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Soe Myint.

(7) Deputy Minister for Culture receives Senior Counsellor of Russian Federation

YANGON, 2 June - Deputy Minister for Culture U Soe Nyunt received Senior Counsellor of Cultural Relations Department Mr Gerontiy P Lazovik of Russian Federation at his office this morning. They discussed mutual cooperation in culture and technology between the two countries.

Present also were officials of the ministry and Russian Embassy.

(8) Yen two million presented for BEPS in Thanlyin

YANGON, 2 June-Opening of Parami Restaurant and cash donation for No 2 Basic Education Primary School in Bogyoke Village in Thanlyin Township were held at the restaurant at the seventh floor of the City Central Plaza yesterday.

Present were Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Deputy Minister Dr Than Nyunt, Deputy Minister for Information U Thein Sein, directors-general of Higher and Basic Education Departments, Chairman Mr Hiroyuki Hiraoka of Linz Corporation of Japan and members of the board of directors, Managing Director U Kyaw Swe of Parami Enterprise Co and guests.

Chairman Mr Hiroyuki Hiraoka presented Yen two million for construction of BEPS.

The minister presented certificate of honour to him. He said the government has spent large sums of money spent large sums of money for uplift of basic education and efforts

are being made for material sufficiency and effective teaching, especially physically, mentally and intellectually.

The minister expressed thanks for donation and called for further bilateral cooperation.

Managing Director U Kyaw Swe, proprietor of Parami Restaurant; extended greetings and cash donations were made for welfare societies of the Office of the Minister, Myeik Parahita Tiger Orphanage, Information and Public Relations Department, Dailies, Myanma News Agency (Internal) and television stations.

(9) Fashion show staged at Mandalay City Hall

YANGON, 2 June - A fashion show jointly sponsored by the Tong Tah Company Limited and Trendy Modelling and Advertising Agency was staged at the City Hall in Mandalay at 7 pm on 31 May.

Personnel of the Mandalay Division, District and Township organizations, President Mr Peter Loh, Managing Director U Khin Maung Lat and directors of the Tong Tah Company Limited attended the demonstration.

Male and female models of the Trendy Modelling and Advertising Agency then staged a fashion show in Myanmar and national races costumes and modern attire.
