

**THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Wednesday, 10 Sept, 1997)**

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**(1) Regional development making good progress in northern Shan State**

YANGON, 9 Sept-Chairman of the Work Committee for Progress of Border Areas and National Races Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, accompanied by Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Soe Myint, Minister at the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Brig-Gen Myo Thant, Minister for Labour Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Sein Win, Deputy Minister for Health Col Than Zin, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Col Tin Hlaing, Deputy Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs U Kyaw Tin, Deputy Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thein, Director-General of the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Pe Nyein, departmental heads and officials, left here by Tatmadaw aircraft yesterday morning and arrived at Lashio in Shan State at 9.45 am.

They were welcomed there by Chairman of Shan State (North) Law and Order Restoration Council Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Deputy Commander Brig-Gen San Thein, military and civil officials, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, families and local national races.

The Secretary-1, the ministers and party, together with Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, proceeded to Laukkai, Laukkai District.

On arrival there, they were welcomed by Brig-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo of North East Command, tactical operations commanders, district and township authorities, departmental personnel, members of USDA, Kokang national leader U Phone Kya Shin and members and local national races.

The Secretary-1 and party were briefed by the chairman of Shan State (North) Law and Order Restoration Council and officials on renovation of old roads and building of new ones and progress of work and future tasks in connection with the sectors of education, health, communication, information, public relations, energy, agriculture, irrigation, livestock breeding, on project

for cultivation of opium substitute crops in Kokang region, on progress of work for building of Chinshwehaw-Laukkai Kon-gyan road and on matters relating to service personnel.

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## **(2) Mandalay-Lashio-Muse Union Highway will directly benefit people in distant border areas**

YANGON, 9 Sept-Chairman of the Work Committee for Development of Border Areas and National Races Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt addressed the ceremony to commission the Lashio-Muse section of Mandalay-Lashio-Muse Union Highway Project at the 105th Mile, Mongyu, in Muse Township at 8.30 am today.

Also present on the occasion were ministers, Chairman of Shan State (North) Law and Order Restoration Council Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, deputy ministers, department heads, members of the State, District, Township and Ward/ Village Law and Order Restoration Councils, departmental personnel, nationalities leaders, guests of the People's Republic of China, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, teachers, students, local people and Managing Director of Asia World Co Ltd U Tun Myint Naing and officials.

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## **(3) Ngamoeyeik Creek Bridge (Parami) inaugurated**

YANGON, 9 Sept-Two-lane Ngamoeyeik Creek Bridge (Parami) linking South Okkalapa and Dagon Myothit (North) townships was inaugurated this morning. The opening ceremony of the bridge was held in conjunction with the pile driving ceremony of another bridge which will be built beside the Ngamoeyeik Bridge.

Chairman of Central Supervisory Committee for Ensuring Smooth and Secure Transport Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo attended it.

Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun said when Dagon Myothit was being established, the Ministry of Construction built one-lane bailey bridge across Ngamoeyeik Creek for enabling people in Dagon Myothit (North) Township to easily travel to downtown and other parts of the City.

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## **(4) Five new double-deckers commissioned into service on Yangon-Pathein line**

YANGON, 9 Sept-Five new double-deckers have been added to Yangon Pathein run this morning in Pathein with an address by Chairman of Central Supervisory Committee to Ensure Smooth and Secure Transport Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

Adding the new double-deckers to Inland Water Transport's delta fleet has ensured smooth and secure transport and convenience for passengers,'he said.

The State Law and Order Restoration Council, he said, has imported and built 103 new boats to improve inland water transport. This success is due to the Ministry of Transport's systematic implementation of the guidance given by Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Senior General Than Shwe, the Secretary-2 said.

The Government is also building new roads and railroads, he said, adding due to concerted efforts by the people and the Government a network of roads linking many towns have emerged in Ayeyawady Division, which had relied on water transport in the past. Many roads have been built on these routes and cars are now using the completed bridges, he said. Construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Bo Myat Tun Bridge), Maubin Bridge and Pinlelay Bridge will be completed soon, he said. Completion of these projects will widen the scope of road transport in the Division and ensure speedy transport, he added.

The Government is spending large sums of money on transport and communication sector as it is vital in implementing political, economic and social objectives of the State, he remarked.

Senior General Than Shwe has given guidance for progress of the transport sector, which is connected with national unity and socio-economic development, he pointed out.

Member of the Central Supervisory Committee to Ensure Smooth and Secure Transport Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win said each boat can carry 24 passengers in first class cabins and 300 on deck and 30 tons of freight. Equipped with modern facilities, each boat has a cruising speed of 11 nautical miles and is worth \$ 1.57 million, he added. They will run on Yangon-Pathein line, he said.

Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Law and Order Restoration Council Commander Maj-Gen Nyunt Tin also spoke.

The Secretary-2 Looked into regional requirements.

They arrived back here in the evening.

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## **(5) Minister for H&T receives general managers of CFH**

YANGON, 9 Sept - Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba received six general managers led by General Manager of Central Floating Hotel Mr Duncan T Maclean at his office today.

Present also were Director-General of the Directorate of Hotels and Tourism U Khin Maung Latt and Managing Director of Myanmar Hotels and Tourism Services U Soe Thein.

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**(6) Minister for Industry-2 receives Ambassador of Russian Federation**

YANGON, 9 Sept - Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kaw Than received Ambassador of the Russian Federation Gleb A Ivashentsov at his office this afternoon.

Present also were Deputy Minister for Industry-2 U Thein Tun and Head of the Office U Chit Lwin.

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**(7) Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw signs Book of Condolence for late Mother Teresa**

YANGON, 9 Sept - Minister for Foreign Affairs H E U Ohn Gyaw signed the Book of Condolence at the Indian Ambassador's Residence, No 35, Thantaman Street, this evening at 1600 hours in memory of the late Mother Teresa.

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