

**THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Thursday 25 Sept, 1997)**

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YANGON, 24 Sept Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe inspected factories in Mandalay Sanpya Industrial Myothit and attended to the requirements of officials.

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 Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe, Adjutant General Lt-Gen Win Myint, Quartermaster-General Lt-Gen Tin Hla, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung, Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung and officials, he left here by Tatmadaw aircraft this morning and arrived Mandalay at 10.15 am.

The Senior General and party were welcomed by Chairman of Sagaing Division Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Hla Myint Swe, Chairman of Mandalay Division Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Ye Myint, Commander of No 33 Light Infantry Division Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, Deputy Commander of Central Command Brig-Gen Tin Soe, Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor of Mandalay Col Sein Win Aung, senior military officers, division-level officials and members of Union Solidarity and Development Association.

They inspected Hi-Tesh Myanma Wood-based Industry on 62nd Street in the Myothit.

Chairman U Aung Win Khine of the company briefed them on aims of the factory, its history, export of finished products, market condition and production situation.

Maj-Gen Ye Myint also joined in the discussions.

Senior General Than Shwe gave suggestions.

He then inspected parquet production division, furniture, door and window frame production division, furniture parts production division and finished-products.

At Kyaw Kyaw Aung Finished-Rattanware and Rattan Furniture Factory, he looked into the requirements in production of finished rattan products, production of cane-rind strips for use in manufacturing rattan furniture and production of various types of rattan furniture.

Factory owner U Kyaw Aye presented rattan chairs for Defence Services Hospitals to Lt-Gen Win Myint.

The Senior General and party inspected steel bending division and concrete mixers at Hsinbyudaw Concrete Factory.

Later, they visited the Myothit in a motorcade.

They also observed along the dyke of Taungthaman Inn, Kanna Road which has been extended link Sagaing Bridge, progress in building of Mandalay Kandawgyi Belt-way Road and the condition of Kandawgyi.

They then arrived Tatmadaw Guest House in Mandalay Nanmyo.

Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo also inspected construction of four-storey Mingala Market on 30th Street between 72nd and 73rd streets in Yanmyolon Ward, Chanayethazan Township, which is covered by Mandalay Region Development Project in the afternoon.

Accompanied by \Ministers Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, U Pan Aung and U Thaug, Mayor Col Sein Win Aung and officials, he looked into the requirements of personnel of the project.

The ground floor of the new market will house 372 shops and the first floor 264 shops. The second floor will accommodate 28 apartments and the third floor 24 apartments. Mech, Hnin Hnin Khine, Shwelethsaung and Thein Construction companies undertake the project. The project, which started on 1 October 1996, is projected to complete on 31 December 1997.

The Secretary-2 and party looked into the requirements in building the five-storey Yadanabon Market in the township.

A total of 3,730 shops will be housed on the ground floor to second floor. The third and the fourth floors will include spacious halls. The project, which is being implemented by Earn Spark Myanmar Co Ltd, is projected to complete on 31 December 1998. It began on 1 July 1996.

They looked into the requirements of No 9 Basic Education Primary School, a modern three-storey building, which was donated under Sandagu Tower Housing Project, being implemented by MCDC and MGW Ltd, in Maha Aungmyay Township.

Later, they observed housing projects on eastern and western sectors of Kandawgyi and Myodaw Park which is being built by MCDC.

Ministers Maj-Gen Kyaw Than and U Thaung inspected Shwe Myamnar Store of Myanma Heavy Industries on 80th Street between 26th and 27th streets.

The Secretary-2 also inspected basic education schools in Mandalay.

Accompanied by, Ministers Brig-Gen Lun Maung and U Pan Aung, Mayor Col Sein Win Aung and officials, he visited No P2 BEPS in Aungmyaythazan Township.

The mayor briefed them on requirements of the school and systematic relocation of the school and the headmistress on the school's history, current condition and furniture requirement.

Minister U Pan Aung stressed the need to follow the Senior General's guidance given to students of University for Development of National Races, to uplift the primary education level, to improve the qualifications of teachers, to teach in accord with principles of the Ministry of Education, to uplift the patriotism of students, to raise physical and mental ability of students, to bring out outstanding athletes and to implement the education j for all programme with the help of USDA members.

Lt-Gen Tin Oo urged teachers to strive to implement the social objective -uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation and to ensure peaceful pursuit of education for students. Teachers and parents should cooperate in developing schools without relying only on the Government, he said, urging education employees to play a leading role. The Government is attending to the needs of the education sector from primary level to institutions of higher learning level, he said.

Leading Committee for Development of Schools was formed with Mandalay Mayor as the chairman. for progress of schools in the city, he said. stressing the need to cooperate among teachers, parents and the public for successful implementation of the committee's tasks.

The Secretary-2 and party observed reconstruction of No 2; BEPS at the new site in Aungmyaythazall Township and No I BEPS in Maha Aungmyay Township.

The mayor explained the setting of funds for the latter by a donor and assistance being rendered by MCDC.

U Pan Aung also took part in the discussions.

The Secretary-2 attended to the needs.

They then inspected Yaytaguntaung International Golf Course Project, which is being undertaken by MCDC.

The mayor explained the progress of work and future plans.

Ministers Brig-Gen Lun Maung and U Pan Aung also gave suggestions.

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## **(2) Cash donations for Tooth Relic Pagoda**

YANGON, 24 Sept-Cash donations for Buddha's Tooth Relic Pagoda were presented at the pagoda on Dhammapala Hill, Mayangon Township, this afternoon. Chairman of Leading Committee for Construction of Tooth Relic Pagoda Secretary- 1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt accepted the donations.

Present were Vice-Chairman of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Arcinabhivamsa (Dawei) and Joint Secretary Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Labasami (Hinthada), Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Deputy Minister U Aung Khin, senior military officers, officials of Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, heads of departments, officials and donors.

Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Labasami administered the Five Precepts.

The Secretary- 1 presented US \$ 500 on behalf of recipient of Maha Saddhammajotikadhaja and Excellent Performance in Social Field (First Class) and winner of the 1997 ASEAN Information Award writer and film director Sayagyi Thukha (U Thein Maung) to Minister Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt.

Altogether 13 well-wishers presented K 973,031 and US \$ 500 to the Secretary-1 and Minister Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt.

The Secretary and the minister presented certificates of honour to the donors.

Donations include K 39,000 each by Director-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs U Ba Thwin and wife Daw Thein Tint, Deputy Director-General U Than Hla and wife Lt-Col Daw Aye Myint, Daw Mya Kyi and sons and daughters and U Chit-Daw Yin Yin of Mayangon Township and U Pe Than Tun-Daw May Than Nu, K 117,000 by U Ye Htut-Daw Ohnmar Myint and family, K 10,000 by U Tin Nyunt of Nantthagon, Insein Township and K 446,031 by the- public.

Sayadaw Bhaddanta Arcinabhivamsa delivered a sermon and merits were shared.

The Secretary-1 then inspected finishing of decoration and greening of pagoda environs

The Secretary-1 inspected the construction of two-storey building of International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University.

Officials reported on lay out plans of the university, architectural model, arrangements for buildings. power supply, greening, cleanliness of the lake and drafting of curriculum of the university and organizational set up.

The Secretary- 1 then went to Kaba Aye Hill and inspected arrangements for construction of two-storey building where member Sayadaws of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee will reside.

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### **(3) Ministers inspect rafts with water pumps**

YANGON, 24 Sept-Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung and Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, accompanied by the managing directors and the directors-general, arrived at Myanmar Shipyards in Kamayut Township this morning.

The ministers inspected rafts made of iron-frame with water pumps. They will be used in pump-water projects of Water Resources Utilization Department.

Managing Director of MS reported on the rafts. The ministers inspected water pumps and pipe of Marubeni Corporation of Japan.

The raft equipped with four pumps, each has 420 HP. The pumps can irrigate 3,200 acres.

A total of 7 rafts are under construction at the shipyards and two of them were sent to Chitthu Village in Yesagy Township in the first week of this month. The rest will be sent to pump-water projects in Sagaing, Myingyan and Pakokku Townships.

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### **(4) Paunglaung Hydel Project to generate 911m kwh per year on completion**

YANGON, 24 Sept - Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein, accompanied by officials of the ministry, inspected Paunglaung Hydro-electric Power Project in Pyinmana Township yesterday morning.

He was welcomed there by Brig-Gen Maung Bo of Pyinmana Station, project personnel, engineers of Kajima Corporation of Japan, engineers of other ministries who are attending an on-job training and local authorities.

Managing Director U Zaw Win of Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise and Project Manager U Wan Kyi briefed the minister on building of diversion tunnels and

progress, of the project. The minister urged the personnel to expedite building of No 2 diversion tunnel and other tasks covered by the project after completing No 1 diversion tunnel.

The minister and party inspected digging of No 1 diversion tunnel which will soon open up from one entrance to another. MEPE began digging the two diversion tunnels, each 33 feet wide, 46 feet high and 3,300 feet long, on 18 September 1996. No 1 diversion tunnel will be completed in a few days.

On completion, the plant, with an installation capacity of 280 mega-watts, will generate an average of 911 million kilo-watt-hours per year.

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**(5) Swiss francs 200,000 for flood relief**

YANGON, 24 Sept-International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies presented Swiss francs 200,000 (US \$ 133,333.35) for flood relief in Myanmar to Myanmar Red Cross Society this afternoon.

President of MRCS Dr Hla Bu reported on flood and representative of the federation Mr Anthony E Joseph presented the donation to Honorary Treasurer U Tun Myint.

U Tun Myint presented a certificate of honour and Dr Hla Bu thanked the donor.

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**(6) ROK Ambassador donates US \$ 30,000 for flood relief**

YANGON, 24 Sept Ambassador of the Republic of Korea Mr Kyong Bo Choi handed US \$ 30,000 to member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Soe Myint as a donation for flood relief in Myanmar at the minister's office this morning.

Director-General U Win Lwin of Fire Services Department, Director-General U Saw Thein of Relief and Resettlement Department, Head of Office U Maung Pi and other officials were present.

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**(7) German company official calls on Minister for H & T**

YANGON, 24 Sept -Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba received Project Director Mr Peter Conlan of Doulos International of Germany at his office this afternoon.

The project director proposed a scheduled visit of 300 tourists of 35 countries on a luxury liner to Myanmar.

Also present were Director-General U Khin Maung Lat and Managing Director U Soe Thein of the ministry.

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#### **(8) Prizes given away to winners in International and Paloktok Journal painting contests**

YANGON, 24 Sept Prizes were given away to winners in a painting contest of pre-primary schools and day nurseries, co-sponsored by the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement and Paloktok Children's Journal, and the 27th International Children's Painting Contest at Pre-Primary School No I in Bahan Township this afternoon.

After an address, Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Soe Myint presented prizes and certificates to winners of Myanmar in the 27th International Children's Painting Contest held in Tokyo special prize winner Ma Hnin Thiri Wai of Mandalay Pre-Primary School (PPS) No 2, silver medallist Ma Le Yi Han of Thingangyun Township and bronze medallists Tin Phone Aung of Kayin State, Ma Khaing Khaing Tun of Yangon PPS No 6 and Ma Phyu Thant Mon of PPS No 1.

Chief Editor Dr Tha Tun Oo of Paloktok Journal, officials of departments under the ministry and members of non-governmental organizations also gave away prizes to winners in the various categories of Paloktok Journal painting contest.

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#### **(9) Deputy Minister for Education tours Mandalay, Sagaing Divisions**

YANGON, 24 Sept Deputy Minister for Education Col Kyi Maung and officials inspected schools in Mandalay and Sagaing Divisions from 19 to 23 September.

The deputy minister met school heads of primary, middle and high schools and discussed effective implementation of Education For All and all-round development of the students.

He also spoke of cooperation with Union Solidarity and Development Association, Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Red Cross and Auxiliary Fire Brigade.

The deputy minister attended prize distribution and opening of library of Nathet Village BEHS in Myaung Township and inauguration of two-storey building of BEHS in Amarapura.

He also attended opening ceremony of computer course of the school.

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