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(1) Successful-retrieval of King Dhammazedì's bell will be the pride of Myanmar

YANGON, 29 Sept - A meeting to retrieve the bell of King Dhammazedì was held this afternoon attended by Patron of Committee for Retrieval of the Bell Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt.

Chairman of Work Committee for Retrieval of the Bell Secretary of Yangon City Development Committee U Kyaw Win briefed the meeting on participation of departments and private organizations in making arrangements to retrieve the bell and the progress of work.

Maj Min Naing-of Subgroup 1 and Maj Myint Aung of Sub-group 2 explained progress of work.

Member of the Work Committee expert U Win Aung of Aung & Associates

and Joint Secretary U Soe Win Shein briefed the meeting on future programme.

Other participants then presented suggestions.

The Secretary- 1 attended to their needs, saying he is satisfied to see departments, private organizations and the public rendering assistance sectorwise for retrieval of the bell.

He expressed his belief that the work could be more effectively conducted in the coming open season.

A chamber of the stone inscriptions of King Dhammazedì was found near eastern stairway of Shwedagon Pagoda tallying with historical records, he said.

A circular-shaped brick platform presumed to be the place of the bell was also found near the chamber, he added.

Successful retrieval of the bell, which sank in the river and had remained submerged over 400 years, will be the pride of Myanmar in the world, he said.

He spoke of the need to work with added momentum in trying to retrieve the bell and to lay down future programmes.

The meeting at the City Hall was also attended by Patrons of the Committee for Retrieval of the Bell Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, Chairman of YCDC Mayor U Ko Lay and Deputy Minister for Culture U Soe Nyunt, Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, officials of the State Law and Order Restoration Council and other officials.

The Secretary-1 and party inspected arrangements for retrieval of the bell at the confluence of Yangon and Bago Rivers and Pazundaung Creek.

(2) Secretary-2 inspects development in Myingyan, Kyaukse Townships

YANGON, 29 Sept - Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order, Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo inspected development in Myingyan and Kyaukse Townships and held discussions with departmental personnel yesterday.

He was accompanied by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Minister for Science and Technology U Thaug, Director of Medical Services Brig-Gen Mya Thein Han and officials concerned.

The Secretary-2 and party left Mandalay by helicopter yesterday morning and arrived Myingyan at 9.15 am. They were welcomed by Director-General U Aung Thein of General Administration Department, Chairman of Myingyan District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Kyi Aye, chairmen of Myingyan, Taungtha and Nahtogyi Township Law and Order Restoration Councils, departmental personnel, teachers and members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association and Red Cross Bridge.

(3) Minister for Forestry receives President, MD of Korea Long Term Credit Bank

YANGON, 29 Sept Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe received President and CEO of Korea Long Term Credit Bank Mr Kwang Hyun Kim and Managing Director Mr Chang Kwon Kim at International Business Centre this afternoon.

Present also were officials of the ministry.

(4) Construction of No 2 Ahlon Wharf inspected

YANGON, 29 Sept-Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win inspected construction of No 2 Ahlon Wharf near Kwinchaung in Ahlon Township this morning.

The Minister was welcomed by Managing Director of Myanmar Part-Authority U Tin Oo, Managing Director of Asia World Co Ltd U Tun Myint Naing and officials.

U Tun Myint Naing reported on progress of work and requirements.

Managing Director U Tin Oo then gave- a supplementary report.

The minister called for completion of the wharf earlier than schedule and fulfilled the requirements.

He then inspected the site.

(5) Minister for Livestock and Fisheries receives MD of Pisciculture Magnenat

YANGON, 29 Sept Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thaung received Managing Director of Pisciculture Magnenat Mr Karl Imhof Wiget and party of Switzerland at his office this afternoon.

Present also were Deputy Minister U Aung Thein, Director-General of Directorate of Livestock Breeding and Fisheries U Kyaw Lwin, Deputy Director-General of Fisheries Department U Than Tun and Head of Office U Myint Shwe.

(6) MAPT's Milling, Management Basic Course opens

YANGON, 29 Sept - Myanmar Agricultural Produce Trading of the Ministry of Commerce opened Milling and Management Basic Course No 3/97 at the MAPT Head Office on Pansondan. Street here today, with an address by Minister for Commerce Lt-Gen Tun Kyi.

The Minister said this course is for the newly-appointed personnel who have received AGTI diploma. The trainees are required to discharge duties correctly and to avoid misconduct and to work hard with fresh mind and vigor, he added.

He further stated the trainees are the administrative managers and they will have to discharge duties in the interest of the ministry and the nation and to observe discipline.

Present also were advisers to the Ministry of Commerce, directors-general and managing directors of the ministry, departmental officials and trainees.

Thirty-five trainees are attending the seven-week course.

(7) Minister inspects Power Sub-station in Thazi

YANGON, 29 Sept - Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein, together with officials of the Ministry of Energy, arrived at 132 KV, 45 MVA Power Sub-Station of the Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise in Thazi yesterday morning.

They were welcomed by Manager of Power Sub-station U Sein Lin and employees, township electrical engineers from Yamethin, Pyawbwe and Thazi and executives of the Union Solidarity and Development Association.

The minister and party inspected the power control room and the switch yard at the sub-station.

Officials reported on power supply.

The minister gave instructions.

At the meeting hall of the sub-station, he met employees- and members of USDA.

He attended to the requirements, and elaborated on the projects being undertaken by the ministry.

He urged all to strive all-out for fulfilling the needs of power supply, and spoke of matters pertaining to USDA.

(8) Cash for Fund-raising and Prize-distribution Subcommittee

YANGON, 29 Sept - A cash donation ceremony of Fund-raising and Prize-distribution Subcommittee of Fifth Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions was held at City Hall here today.

Present were Chairman of the Subcommittee Joint Secretary of Yangon City Development Committee Col Myint Aung, Chairman of Myanmar Music Asiayon Accordion U Ohn Kyaw, heads and deputy heads of the departments, officials and donors.

Col Myint Aung, U Ohn Kyaw and Head of Budget and Accounts Department U Than Sein accepted K 500,000 donated by the City Bank of YCDC, K 300,000 by Ministry of Construction, K 200,000 by Ministry of Mines, K 100,000 each by Internal Revenue Department and the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs, K 31,500 by the Ministry of

Finance and Revenue, K 100,000 by Revenue Department of YCDC, 50,000 by City Planning and Land Administration Department of YCDC, K 20,000 by Markets Department of YCDC, K 40,000 by Veterinary and Slaughter House Department of YCDC, K 50,000 by Engineering Department and K 5,000 by Motor Transport and Workshop Department of YCDC.

Col Myint Aung thanked the officials.

(9) Minister visits dockyard of Fisheries Department

YANGON, 29 Sept Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Aung Thaung, accompanied by Deputy Minister U Aung Thein, Director-General of the Directorate of Livestock Breeding and Fisheries U Kyaw Lwin, Deputy Director-General of the Fisheries Department U Than Tun and officials, inspected the dockyard of the Fisheries Department in Gyaung-waing Village, Kyimyindine Township, and gave instructions this morning.

At the office hall, the minister and party heard a report presented by U Chit Myaing, in charge of the dockyard, on history of the dockyard, repairs of departmental and private ships, management and financial condition and income and expenditure.

The minister spoke of the need to carry out tasks with added momentum and make the surrounding area beautiful and pleasant.

He also gave instructions on security, fire prevention and extension of repair work.

Then, the minister and party inspected the welding workshop, diesel engine workshop, spareparts warehouse, storage of fuel and warehouses.

(10) Economic lectures on ASEAN at Trade Department

YANGON, 29 Sept-The Ministry of Commerce will organize three economic talks on ASEAN at the Trade Department on Strand Road.

Retired Ambassador and Adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs U Hla Maung will lecture on economic development of South-East Asian industrialized countries on 10 October, Chairman of Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry U Khin Maung Yi on economic aims for the Year 2020 of ASEAN chambers of commerce on 24 October, and Adviser to the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development Dr Khin Ohn Thant on implementation of CEPT Scheme for AFTA in Myanmar on 7 November.

The ministry organized 45 economic lectures from 17 August 1994 to 22 November 1995 for local entrepreneurs and departmental personnel.

