

**THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Saturday, 15 Nov 1997)**

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YANGON, 14 Nov-The second Communal Kathina of- Thathanazeya Mingala Pariyatti Sarthintaik was held at Sarthintaik on Natchaung Ward in Tamway Township this morning, attended by Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe and Daw Kyaing Kyaing.

Present also were State Ovadacariya Sayadaw Myanmar Srilankayama Kyaungtaik Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Naninda, Thathanazeya Mingala Pariyatti Sarthintaik Sayadaw Bhaddanta Panninda and members of the Sangha, Vice-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Maung Aye and wife, Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo and wife, members of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Ministers Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin and Lt-Gen Tin Tun, Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Mayor U Ko Lay, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, officials of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, Secretary of YCDC U Kyaw Win and committee members and wellwishers.

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## **(2) Pujaniya at Buddha's Tooth Relic Pagoda on fullmoon day**

YANGON, 14 Nov Pujaniya of Buddha's Tooth Relic Pagoda was held this morning at Gandakudi of the pagoda.

Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt presented offertories to Sayadaws.

Laymen received the Nine Precepts at 5 am before the ceremony.

They recited the attributes of the Buddha and the Dhamma.

Afterwards, they presented dawn meal to the Lord Buddha Images and five Sayadaws.

Shwekya Thingan (mathoe thingan) robes woven during the night at the Matho Thingan weaving competition were offered to the pagoda and Buddha images in the Gandakudi.

The competition was sponsored by Yangon Division Law and Order Restoration Council.

The Pujaniya began at 6 am.

State Ovadaczariya Sayadaws, Chairman of State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Sayadaw Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Sobhita and member Sayadaws and other Sayadaws, Chairman of the Leading Committee to Hold the Pujaniya Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen Myo Nyunt, ministers, the chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board, Chairman of the Work Committee Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs U Aung Khin, deputy ministers, members of the leading committee and the work committee and guests were also present.

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## **(3) MIC Chairman receives US officials**

YANGON, 14 NOV Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin received William M Scholl of the Strategic and International Affairs Department of the United States and Mr Ernest H Preeg of the International Economics Department, a former ambassador, at his office yesterday afternoon.

The guests were accompanied by Charge d'Affaires ai of the US Embassy Mr Kent Wiedemann.

Discussions focused on foreign investment in Myanmar.

Secretary of MIC Brig-Gen Maung Maung and officials were also present.

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**(4) Commander-in-Chief of Armed Forces of Indonesia tees off with military officials**

YANGON, 14 Nov -Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Indonesia General Feisal Tanjung and party currently here on a goodwill visit at the invitation of Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Maung Aye, teed off with Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Win Myint, Quartermaster-General Lt-Gen Tin Hla, Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, senior Tatmadaw officers, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia Maj-Gen (Police) A Poerwanto Lenggono and Military Attache Col Hary Bambang at Yadanathiri Golf Club at Konemyinthta this morning.

On behalf of the Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) General Maung Aye, Lt-Gen Win Myint presented gifts to General Feisal Tanjung and party at the Club.

General Feisal Tanjung and party, accompanied by Commandant of National Defence College Maj-Gen San Aung, Ambassador Maj-Gen (Police) A Poerwanto Lenggono and Military Attache Col Hary Bambang, arrived at National Defence College in the afternoon.

They were welcomed there by Deputy Commandant Col Myint Aung and Tatmadaw officers.

On behalf of the Commandant Maj-Gen San Aung, Col Myint Aung extended greetings and briefed the question the college.

Then, Commandant Maj-Gen San Aung and General Feisal Tanjung exchanged souvenirs.

General Feisal Tanjung and delegation members visited the library and exhibition booths. General Feisal Tanjung signed in the visitor's book.

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**(5) Mrs Feisal Tanjung visits Pyidaungsu Aye Yeik Nyein, National Museum, Women's Home**

YANGON, 14 Nov-Mrs Feisal Tanjung, wife of Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Indonesia General Feisal Tanjung, and party, accompanied by Daw Yin Yin Waing, wife of Commandant of National Defence College and wives of the Indonesian Ambassador and the Military Attache, arrived at Pyidaungsu Aye Yeik Nyein at 9 am today.

They were welcomed by Head of Parks and Playgrounds Department U Nyunt Pe and officials.

Mrs Feisal Tanjung and party toured Pyidaungsu Aye Yeik Nyein and Mrs Feisal Tanjung signed in the visitor's book.

They next proceeded to People's Square and took souvenir photos.

The delegation then visited National Museum where they were welcomed by Director-General of Cultural Institute Department U Myint Thein Swe and officials who conducted them around the museum.

Mrs Feisal Tanjung signed in the visitor's book in the museum and went to Women's Home of Social Welfare Department on Thanlwin Street where they were welcomed by Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Brig-Gen Maung Kyi, officials and administrator.

Assistant Director U Aye Win of Social Welfare Department extended greetings and Staff Officer Daw Ohn Mar Tin explained about the Women's Home.

Then, Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Maung Kyi presented souvenirs to Mrs Feisal Tanjung and delegation members.

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#### **(6) Minister visits construction sites of bridges**

YANGON, 14 Nov Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, together with officials of Public Works, arrived at the site chosen for building of Ngamoeyeik Bridge (Thingangyun) beside the existing bridge this morning.

The minister was briefed by Managing Director U Tint Swe and Senior Engineer U Myint Lwin on salient points about construction of the bridge.

The minister gave instructions and inspected sites suitable for the approach bridge and approach roads.

Next, the minister inspected construction of Thunyanammitayama Shwethuwun Kyaungtaik in Kyi-pwaye Ward, Thingangyun Township.

The minister and party proceeded to the construction site of Maha Bandoola Bridge across Pazundaung Creek. They were briefed by U Myint Lwin on salient points about designated axis for the bridge. The minister inspected the designated axis.

Then, the minister and party went to Hline River Bridge (Shwepyitha).

They heard a report on designation of the axis for the bridge and approach roads by the Chief Engineer.

The minister inspected the construction site. He said the head of the State had already granted permission for construction of these three bridges.

He urged officials to begin the work which needs to be done in advance, saying as soon as the approval for designation of the axis is given, the construction work will start with momentum.

They went to the construction site of Aungzeya Bridge. Project Superintending Engineer U Khin Maung Aye reported on progress of work with charts.

The minister affirmed that machinery and construction materials will be provided to meet the set standard and complete construction work as scheduled.

Later, the minister inspected the construction work of the bridge.

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### **(7) Minister for Commerce inspects departmental work in Bago, Magway Divisions**

YANGON, 14 Nov- Minister for Commerce Lt-Gen Tun- Kyi inspected departmental work under the ministry in Bago and Magway Divisions on 12 and 13 November.

First, the minister, accompanied by Managing Director U Thein Myint of Myanmar Agricultural Produce Trading and officials, arrived at Rice Mill No 043 in Duyingabo, Aunglan, on 12 November morning and heard reports on storage of rice and operation of the mill by officials concerned.

He gave instructions to make arrangements for security of the mill and preparations for enabling the mill to operate at full capacity.

The minister also gave instructions on purchase of paddy for this year at Hsathwa Paddy Purchase Centre in Taungdwingyi.

On arrival at Magway, he was welcomed by Chairman of Magway Division Law and Order Restoration Council Col Thein Nyunt and the Commander and officials of No 88 LID and departmental officials.

The minister later explained matters related to purchasing paddy for 199798 at Magway Myanmar Department Stores in the afternoon.

Present were Col Thein Nyunt and authorities of Division and Townships, departmental officials, entrepreneurs and local populace.

The minister then inspected the department stores and gave instruction on display of goods.

The minister also inspected Magway Division MAPT Office, Stationery, Printing and Photographic Stores No 32, Medicines and Medical. Equipment Stores and Myanmar Karuna Foundation Clinic.

Yesterday morning, he met personnel under the ministry and rice and edible oil merchants at Khittaya Hall of No 66 LID in Pyay and explained programmes for purchase of paddy for 1997-98.

He replied to questions raised by those present.

The minister also inspected rice mills, bran oil mills and warehouses in Shwedaung, Thegon, Paungde, Nattalin, Zigon, Gyobingauk and Letpadan and gave instructions on purchase and systematic storage of paddy, minimisation of loss and wastage and maintenance of machines of the mills.

He urged officials concerned to strive for exceeding the set target.

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#### **(8) School building, bridge donated to Hmawby Thabyaygon Village in memory of late Minister for Information**

YANGON, 14 NOV - An inauguration ceremony of Hmawby Township Thabyaygon Village Primary School new building and village bridge donated by Daw Hla Mu and family in memory of the late Minister for Information Maj-Gen Aye Kyaw was held together with the family's Kathina at the village this morning.

First, member of Township Law and Order Restoration Council U Kan Oo and Township Education Officer Daw Khin Khin Lay formally opened the bridge and the school building respectively.

At the ceremony later held at the school hall, officials spoke.

Afterwards, Daw Hla Mu, wife of the late minister, presented the related documents on the new school building and the bridge to Township Education Officer Daw Khin Khin Lay and member of Township Law and Order Restoration Council U Kan Oo.

The family Kathina was held at Thabyaygon Village Monastery.

Daw Hla Mu, sons, daughters and grandchildren presented offertories to the Sayadaws and members of the Sangha, followed by sharing of merits.

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#### **(9) Myanmar delegation arrives back from Manila Social Development Ministerial Meeting**

YANGON, 14 Nov- Myanmar delegation led by Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Brig-Gen Maung Kyi arrived back here by air yesterday after attending the Fifth Asia-Pacific Region Ministerial Level Meeting on Social Development held in Manila from 9 to 11 November.

They were welcomed back by Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Soe Myint, Director-General of Fire Services Department

U Win Lwin, Director-General of Relief and Resettlement U Saw Thein, departmental officials and their families.

Delegation members Director-General U Than Po of Social Welfare Department and Staff Officer of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Capt Win Naing were also on the same flight.

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