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(1) Secretary-1 inspects renovated primary schools in Yangon Division

YANGON, 23 Nov - Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary- 1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt this afternoon inspected No 19 and 24 Basic Education Primary Schools in Bahan Township, No 3, 32 and 18 BEPSs in North Okkalapa Township and No 4 BEPS in Kamayut Township, which had been already renovated.

On arrival at No 19 BEPS on Yedashe Lanthit in Shwenatha Ward, Bahan Township, Secretary-] Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt was welcomed by Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Soe Win Maung, officials of the Office of the State Peace and Development Council, department heads, district, township and ward authorities, director-general of Basic Education Department and officials, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, township education officer, Headmistress Daw Tin San and teachers, members of Parent-Teacher Association and school children.

(2) Secretary-1 attends ceremony to offer soon to 1,000 monks

YANGON, 23 Nov - A ceremony to offer soon to 1,000 monks was held by Yuzana families under the sponsorship of the Ministry of Religious Affairs at Soonsarsaung, Kaba Aye, at 10.30 am today.

Members of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee and 1,000 novices soon to be ordained were at the ceremony.

Present also were Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, ministers, deputy ministers, department heads, donors and guests.

(3) Kachin Baptist Mission Hall is solid proof of freedom of religion in Myanmar

YANGON, 23 Nov - An opening ceremony of the Kachin Baptist Mission Hall was held at the premises on Shwepyi Aye Street, Sangyoung Township, this morning,

attended by Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt.

Also present were Minister for Health Maj-Gen Ket Sein, Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Minister for Religious Affairs Maj-Gen Sein Htwa, Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt, Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Sein Win, Minister for Home Affairs Col Tin Hlaing, Deputy Minister for PBANRDA U Kyaw Tin, officials of the State Peace and Development Council, departmental heads, Chairman of Myanmar Baptist Mission Headquarters Rev Dr Joshua Young, Chairman of Preachers Association of Myanmar Baptist Mission Headquarters Rev U Win Tin, Chairman of Kachin Baptist Mission Headquarters Rev Htau Sho Luan, Pastor U M Zaw Yaw of Yangon Kachin Baptist Mission and members, and guests.

(4) Dinner of old students in commemoration of 33rd Founding Anniversary of the Institute of Economics

YANGON, 23 Nov-Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt attended dinner of old students in commemoration of 33rd Founding Anniversary of the Institute of Economics held on the lawns of the Institute of Economics (Yangon) this evening.

Present were Member of the State Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen Win Tin, Deputy Ministers for Education Dr Than Nyunt and Brig-Gen Soe Win Maung, officials of the Office of the State Peace and Development Council, Director-General of Higher Education Department U Myo Nyunt, heads of departments, rectors of universities and institutes, principals, Rector of Institute of Economics U Maw Than and heads of departments, guests, wellwishers, faculty members and old students.

(5) 43rd blood donation ceremony on 29 November

YANGON, 23 Nov-The Myitta Byuha Association is to organize the 43rd blood donation ceremony at the Seikkan Dhammayon of the Botahtaung Pagoda in Seikkan Township at 8 am on 29 November.

Wellwishers are invited to come and donate blood for the needy patients at various hospitals.

(6) Ceremony to ordain 1,000 novices

YANGON, 23 Nov - A ceremony to ordain 1,000 novices was held by Yuzana families under the sponsorship of the Ministry of Religious Affairs at Maha Pasana Cave, Kaba Aye, at noon today.

Present were ministers, deputy ministers, departments, division, district and township authorities, officials of the Religious Affairs Department and the Department for the Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana, Yuzana U Htay Myint, families of donors, families of 1,000 novices and guests.

The congregation received the Five Precepts from Vice-Chairman of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Masoeyein Taikthit Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Silindabhivamsa.

The Sayadaws and members of the Sangha recited the Parittas.

Minister for Religious Affairs Maj-Gen Ket Sein supplicated on religious affairs.

Vice-Chairman of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Maha Aungmyaybonsankyaung Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Panindabhivamsa delivered a sermon, followed by sharing of merits gained for good deeds. The ministers, the deputy ministers and Yuzana families offered alms to the Sayadaws and newly-ordained monks.

(7) Communication facilities inspected

YANGON, 23, Nov-Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Soe Tha and officials of Myanma Posts and Telecommunications inspected post office, telegraph office and telephone exchange in Kyaiklat Township yesterday morning.

Officials reported on work and income.

In meeting with MPT staff, the minister spoke of public confidence, making concerted efforts for high work efficiency and fulfilling requirements.

The minister and member of the State Peace and Development Council and Commander of South-West Command Brig-Gen Thura Shwe Mann were briefed on Asia-Europe cable communications under water by officials at Pyidaungsu Shweyatu Yeiktha.

The minister and the commander inspected the site for communications station in Kyaiklat and post office, telegraph office and telephone exchange in Dedaye. They discussed extension of telephones and better trunk calls.

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This morning, Minister U Soe Tha inspected communication facilities in Yangon Division. He went to Htaunkkyant Microwave Station and Auto Exchange and inspected installation of equipment.

Arrangements for installation of cellular and CDMA radio telephone system were discussed.

The minister also inspected Indaing Auto Exchange and Mayangon Cellular Telephone Station.

(8) Yangon Command team champ in C-in-C's Soccer

YANGON, 23 Nov Yangon Command team won the championship trophy of the 36th Defence Services Commander-in-Chief's Trophy Soccer Tournament beating Tatmadaw Self Defence and Sports Institute team 2-1 at the Aung San Stadium today.

Zaw Moe of Yangon Command team won the best player award, Khin Zaw of Yangon Command the best goalkeeper award, Tin Naing Htwe of Yangon Command the best

defender award, Win Min Oo of Tatmadaw Self Defence and Sports Institute the best midfielder award and Eastern Command (1) team the fair play,award.

Among the spectators at today's final match were Secretary-2 of the State Peace and Development Council Chief of the Bureau of Special Operations Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Secretary-3 of the State Peace and Development Council Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Win Myint, Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Khin Maung Than, Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Sein Win, Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen Than Tun, Chief of Staff (Navy) Captain Kyi Min, senior military officers and military attaches.

Lt-Gen Win Myint presented the championship trophy to Yangon Command team.

(9) Extempore contest held in Dawbon Township

YANGON, 23 Nov - As a gesture hailing the 53rd Anniversary of Armed Forces Day, an extempore contest was sponsored by Dawbon Township Union Solidarity and Development Association of Yangon East District at No 1 Basic Education High School in the township this morning.

Present were Minister for Immigration and Population member of the Central Executive Committee of USDA U Saw Tun, secretaries and executives of Division, District and Township USDAs, township authorities, guests, USDA members and members of the panel of judges.

The minister delivered an opening speech.

Ma Myat Thanda Lwin won first prize, Ma Ei Ei Tun second and Ma Kyi Kyi Mar third.

All other contestants were awarded consolation prizes.

(10) Minister visits Institute of Dental Medicine, Thingangyun Sanpya Hospital

YANGON, 23 Nov Minister for Health Maj-Gen Ket Sein visited the Institute of Dental Medicine on Thanthuma Road this morning.

He was welcomed there by Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo, Acting Director-General of Medical Science Department Dr Myo Myint, Deputy Director-General of Health Department Dr Wan Maung, Rector Dr Paing Soe and faculty members.

The minister heard a brief account on the institute, progress of work in construction of buildings and set-up of the institute presented by Dr Paing Soe.

Later, the minister toured the institute.

The engineer of Regional Group-9 of Public Works explained salient points about construction work, and the minister gave instructions.

Next, the minister and party proceeded to Thingangyun Sanpya Hospital. They were welcomed there by Director-General of Health Department Dr Hla Myint, Medical Superintendent Dr Aung Htut, professors and specialists.

The minister heard a report on the hospital and progress of work presented by

Dr Hla Myint and Dr Aung Htut.

The minister gave instructions on dutifully fulfilling obligations and effective prevention and treatment.

Later, the minister and party inspected the hospital.

(11) Telecommunications through FDS-1 system explained

YANGON, 23 Nov Telecommunications through FDS- 1 system by E/O Networks of the United States sponsored by Tri-Star Group Investment Ltd was explained at the Traders Hotels on 21 November morning.

Managing Director of Tri-Star Group Investment Ltd Mr Gabriel Tom delivered a welcoming address.

Vice-President of E/O Networks Mr Leif Hoglund explained FDS-1 system.

E/O Networks, when permitted, will render telecommunications services with charges payable in kyats.
