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Message of Greetings from President U Win Myint to 68th Anniversary of Kayah State Day

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Dear esteemed Kayah ethnic brothers and sisters,

On this auspicious occasion of Kayah State Day which has great significance, I wish to extend my Message of Greetings for the good fortune and auspiciousness of all Kayah ethnic nationals and Union citizens living in Kayah State.

When the states and divisions were

established after achieving independence, in accordance with Section 180, sub-section (1) of the 1947 Constitution, Karreni State was absorbed into Kayah State and then in accordance with the 1951 Constitutional Amendment Act, Section 8 (1951 Act number 62), it was stipulated that in all instances where the term "Karreni state" occurred, the term

"Kayah State" should be substituted in the Constitution of the Union of Burma.

Thus, the first Kayah State Day celebration was held on 15 January 1952 to mark the first usage of the term "Kayah State" in place of "Karreni State". Today marks the 68th anniversary. Nine Kayah racial groups together with other ethnic races have been living in close friend-

ship together since ancient times for many years.

The Union Government has established a ministry for the development and preservation of traditions, cultures, language, literature and rights of national ethnic races providing encouragement and support.

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President meets with locals in Leshi, Lahe townships



President U Win Myint is welcomed by Naga ethnic people in Leshi Township in Sagaing Region yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

PRESIDENT U Win Myint met with Hluttaw representatives, departmental officials, heads of local tribes, town elders and civil communities in Leshi and Lahe townships in Sagaing Region yesterday. His entourage included Union Ministers Lt-Gen Ye Aung, Dr Myo Thein

Gyi, Dr Myint Htwe, U Han Zaw, Nai Thet Lwin, Chief of Myanmar Police Force Police Lt-Gen Aung Win Oo and officials.

They left Nay Pyi Taw by a special military flight at 7:30 am, and arrived at Homalin Airport in Sagaing Region.

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State Counsellor receives Chief of Cambodian Armed Forces



State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi shakes hands with General Vong Pisen, Commander-in-Chief of Royal Cambodian Armed Forces in his official visit to Myanmar, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nay Pyi Taw on 14 January 2020. **PHOTO: MNA**

DAW Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counsellor of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar received H.E. General Vong Pisen, Commander-in-Chief of Royal Cambodian Armed Forces in his official visit to Myanmar, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nay Pyi Taw on 14 January

2020 at 2 p.m.

During the meeting, the State Counsellor and the Commander-in-Chief cordially exchanged views on all-round bilateral cooperation to the mutual benefit of the two peoples.

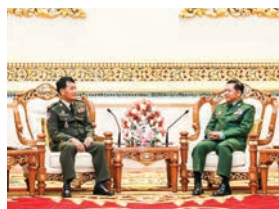
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They were welcomed by Sagaing Region Chief Minister Dr Myint Naing, Regional Hluttaw Speaker U Than, Commander of Northwest Command Maj-Gen Soe Tint Naing.

The President and party took military helicopters to Leshi Township where they were welcomed by Hluttaw representatives, heads of local tribes and local ethnic people.

President U Win Myint held a meeting at the Taungzalat Hall in Leshi Township with Hluttaw representatives, departmental officials, heads of local tribes, town elders and civil communities.

During the meeting, the President called for cooperation of local people in development works together with the government.

He also advised the civil service personnel to perform their duties well with the participation of local ethnic people, Hluttaw representatives and departmental officials local development programmes.

U Chit Nyo, the town elder of Leshi, reported on local development programmes.

The President replied that the programmes are to be implemented in line with budget allocations, and to submit reports on requirements through the Region government.

The President and party then proceeded to Lahe Township by military helicopters.

He held a meeting at the Malar Taung Hall with Hluttaw representatives, departmental officials, heads of local tribes, town



President U Win Myint meets with Hluttaw representatives, departmental officials, heads of local tribes, town elders and civil communities in Lahe Township. **PHOTO: MNA**

elders and civil communities.

At the meeting, the President explained the government's efforts on harmonious developments of States and Regions, as well as the self-administered zones and far-flung areas as Myanmar is a Union comprising many national races who have been living on the same land since a very long period of time.

The President added he constantly supported languages, literatures, cultures and traditions of ethnic people.

He also emphasized the needs of peace and stability for the development, with the collaborative efforts of local people, including departmental officials, Hluttaw representatives and judicial staff.

He continued saying that the government has expected to

set up an administrative system that can grant independence and security to all the citizens, and that can ensure rule of law for the people, and their intrinsic and basic rights.

The President said justice plays an important role in the administrative sector, and the lack of justice could lead to instability, and it is an important foundation for building democracy.

Those in the legislative pillar were also advised to develop appropriate laws with the local contexts to ensure the rights for all citizens and national people.

The judicial pillar is to follow the existing laws with fairness and justice in maintaining democracy for basic rights of citizens, the President added.

He also suggested the civil service staff to retain loyalty to

the country, to abide by civil service laws, bylaws and principles as their role is very crucial for the democratic reform processes.

The President finally called for harmonious cooperation of the three estates in executive, legislature and judiciary sectors.

Chairman of Leading Body of Naga Self-Administered Zone U Kay Sai, Lahe Township Pyithu Hluttaw Representative U Thet Naung, Nanyun Township Pyithu Hluttaw Representative U Wan Hla, Lahe Town Elder U Chit Tin and Lahe Township Naga Literature and Culture Committee Chairman U Paung Khu presented local development programmes.

The President replied to fulfill the requirements in line with budget allocations of ministries.

The President and party

then visited the Training School for Development of Nationalities Youths from Border Areas in Lahe Township, and gave instructions on study, healthy practices, avoidance of gambling and abstaining from narcotic drugs.

The President also presented cash awards to the students and staff members before he inspected the school library, dining hall and dormitory.

The President and party proceeded to the Vocational Training School of Domestic Science for Women in Lahe Township, and presented cash to the trainees and staff members.

The President and party arrived at the People's Hospital, comforted the patients and gave them food and cash.—MNA ■

(Translated by Aung Khin)



President U Win Myint presents cash assistance to a patient at the People's Hospital in Lahe Township yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**



President U Win Myint inspects dormitory of the students and staff members at the Training School for Development of Nationalities Youths from Border Areas in Lahe Township yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

State Counsellor receives UN Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict



State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi meets with the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict Ms Virginia Gamba, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA**

STATE Counsellor and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs Daw Aung San Suu Kyi received the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict Ms Virginia Gamba, at 10 am

on 14 January 2020 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nay Pyi Taw. During the meeting, they exchanged views on the role of peace process mediators with regard to children in armed conflict,

implementation of Myanmar's Child Rights Law, preventing grave violations against children during armed conflict, and reintegration of child victims of armed conflict to their respective communities. —MNA

State Counsellor receives Ambassador of Kingdom of Cambodia



State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi meets with Mr Chhouk Bunna, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Cambodia, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nay Pyi Taw on 14 January 2020. **PHOTO: MNA**

DAW Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counsellor of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar received Mr Chhouk Bunna, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Cambodia to Myanmar at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nay Pyi Taw on 14

January 2020 at 11 a.m. During the meeting, they discussed to enhance cooperation in various sectors, including existing bilateral relations and cooperation through exchanges of high level visits,

commemoration of the 65th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, and to promote tourism cooperation not only between the two countries but also in the region.—MNA

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They also discussed matters related to the enhancement of the close relationship existing

between the two countries and peoples, collaboration in tourism sector, and commemoration of the 65th anniversary of

the establishment of diplomatic relations between Myanmar and Cambodia.

Also present at the meet-

ing were U Soe Han, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Senior Officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs,

Ambassador of Cambodia to Myanmar and delegates from the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces.—MNA

Union Defence Minister receives UN Special representative for Children and Armed Conflict

UNION MINISTER for Defence Lt-Gen Sein Win received the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict Ms Virginia Gamba at his office in Nay Pyi Taw

yesterday. At the meeting, they discussed matters concerning continued cooperation with the Country Task Force on Monitoring and Reporting-CTFMR in efforts to end child soldier recruitment, strengthen-

ing the bilateral cooperation machinery, ways for keeping minors off the Tatmadaw recruitment list, and further action after they are excluded from the list.—MNA

(Translated by GNLM)



UEC Chairman receives Director of DIPD

UNION Election Commission received Mrs Lisbeth Pilegaard, Director of Danish Institute for Parties and Democracy-DIPD and part at the UEC Office in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

At the meeting, they discussed preparations for holding the free and fair general elections in 2020 with transparency, meeting with political parties in regions and states, promoting the role

of women in political processes and signing MOUs related with elections.

Also present at the meeting were members of the UEC and officials of the UEC Office.— MNA



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It has given more focus and attention to least developed states in order to support and uplift their level of development.

Because of the natural beauty of Kayah State consisting of mountains, forests, rivers, streams, waterfalls, natural caves and the honesty, generosity and friendliness of the local ethnic people, it has become increasingly well known by domestic and foreign tourists as a destination for recreation and travel. Thus it has great potential to become a state for eco-tourism. Since Loikaw, the capital of Kayah State has been awarded the ASEAN Clean City award, I wish to solemnly urge all Kayah ethnic nationals to make collective efforts so that the whole Kayah State will become a model state.

Furthermore, Kayah State has great potential to become a state for investments, trade and tourism to come in as it has many border trading posts

from Thailand in the east. As our Union Government has been working hard to supply electricity to the whole country, at the moment 50 per cent of the whole population now has electricity. With regard to Kayah State, more than 88.7 per cent of the people are consuming electricity. As such, the state is now ready for the development of industries.

As soon as our Union Government assumed office, we have been striving hard to implement the following three Goals: -

- Establish rule of law and uplift the socio-economic status of the people.
- National reconciliation and internal peace.
- Amendment of the Constitution which is the foundation for establishing the Democratic Federal Union.

At one time, differences of political ideology and mistrusts among ethnic national races were settled through the use of arms, instead of using discussions and compromise. As the root cause of

armed conflicts was based on political problems, due to the inability to solve this problem through political dialogue and compromise, for over 70 years we have not come anywhere near achieving internal peace. As a result, the whole country is still suffering painfully from the bitter experiences of internal armed conflicts.

In order to achieve sustainable peace which has been the aspiration for many years, to solve political problems through political means, and for the establishment of the Democratic Federal Union acceptable to all ethnic national brothers and sisters, we have been convening the Union Peace Conference – 21st Century Panglong sessions and peace talks; as a result, we have already reached agreement on (51) points of common agreement.

If we all strive hard together in unity with genuine Union spirit as our guiding force, in the not too distant future we will be able to build a peaceful, modern and

developed Democratic Federal Union free from armed conflicts all across the Union.

I fervently believe that we will achieve total success in building the Democratic Federal Union, by overcoming all obstacles and difficulties, if all the ethnic nationals within Kayah State and all Union nationals strive together collectively in unity with the Union Government. By firmly holding on to the good foundations of peace and development already achieved, I urge all ethnic nationals to work in unity with collective efforts for the establish of the Democratic Federal Union which we have all yearned for so many years. With these exhortations I send my Message of Greetings to welcome and honor the 68th anniversary of Kayah State Day.

Sd/-
Win Myint
President

Republic of the Union of Myanmar Office of the President Order 3/2020

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Formation of Myanmar National Human Rights Commission

1. Under sections 4 and 9 of the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission Law, the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission was formed with the following persons with the aim of uplifting and protecting the fundamental rights of citizens included in the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

(a)	U Hla Myint Myanmar Representative to the ASEAN inter-governmental Commission on Human Rights	Chairman
(b)	Dr Nanda Hmun Permanent Secretary (Rtd.) of Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture	Vice Chairman
(c)	U Paw Lwin Sein Ambassador (Rtd.)	Member
(d)	U Kyaw Soe Director (Rtd.) of Bureau of Special Investigation	Member
(e)	Dr Than Myint Director-General (Rtd.) of Department of Medical Science	Member
(f)	Daw Nu Nu Yin Permanent Secretary (Rtd.) of the Office of the Union Attorney General	Member
(g)	Dr Tin Maung Maung Than Head of Section (Rtd.) of Ministry of Industry No.2	Member

(h)	Dr Myint Thu Myaing Professor/Department Head of Department of Law of Yangon University	Member
(i)	U Tin Aung Head of Department (Rtd.) of Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army)	Member
(j)	Daw Tin Kyi Oo Deputy Director-General (Rtd.) of Office of the Auditor General of the Union	Member
(k)	U Kyaw Myint Deputy Director-General (Rtd.) of General Administration Department	Member

2. The Myanmar National Human Rights Commission that formed under the Order 23/2014 dated 24-9-2014 and Order 20/2018 dated 25-4-2018 is revoked as of today.

Sd/ Win Myint
President
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

Local, foreign travellers throng Bagaya Kyaung in Inwa



People visit Bagaya Kyaung (monastery) in Inwa region, Tada-U Township, Mandalay Region. PHOTO: THAN ZAW MIN (IPRD)

THE more than 180-year-old Bagaya Kyaung (monastery) located in Inwa region, Tada-U Township, Mandalay Region, is currently crowded with local and foreign tourists.

“The wooden monastery was constructed over 180 years ago. A number of local and foreign travellers as well as students are visiting the monastery every day. The monastery is more crowded on the weekends. Students visit Bagaya Kyaung to explore its architecture and the artwork of ancient Myanmar artists. The monastery was constructed during the reign of an ancient king and is full of interesting things in terms of cultural heritage,

rare ancient architecture, sculptures, statues, and pillars. On account of this, it has become a famous tourist attraction in Myanmar,” said a local from Inwa.

The Bagaya monastery was built in the 1196 Myanmar Era during the reign of King Bagyidaw. It is supported by 267 teak posts, measuring 60ft in height and 9ft in circumference. The monastery measures an imposing 188 feet in length and 103 feet in width.

Five brick stairs have been constructed around the monastery, and it has been decorated with many ancient floral and animal motifs. —Than Zaw Min (IPRD)
(Translated by Hay Mar)

Pyithu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker receives DIPD Director

PYITHU HLUTTAW Deputy Speaker U Tun Tun Hein received Director of Danish Institute for Parties and Democracy (DIPD) Mrs Lisbeth Pilegaard at his office in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

During the meeting, they discussed measures related to strengthening democratic system in Myanmar, internal peace, organizing free and fair elections, assistance in capacity building for political parties, women and youth and their

more active participations in politics.

The meeting was also attended by Pyithu Hluttaw Government Guarantees, Pledges and Undertakings Vetting Committee Chairwoman Dr May Win Myint, Amyotha Hluttaw Agriculture, Livestock Breeding and Fishery Development Committee Chairman U Aung Kyi Nyunt, and officials from the Pyithu Hluttaw office.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)



Pyithu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Tun Tun Hein and Director of Danish Institute for Parties and Democracy (DIPD) Mrs Lisbeth Pilegaard pose for a documentary photo in Nay Pyi Taw. PHOTO: MNA

Union Attorney General receives UN Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict

UNION ATTORNEY General U Tun Tun Oo received UN Secretary-General's Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict at his office in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday afternoon.

During the meeting, they discussed Myanmar's enact-

ment of Child Rights Law on 23 July 2019 and enforcement of this law, educative programmes for this law, cooperation with UN agencies in rule of laws and justice projects and collaboration in the Country Tasks Force on Monitoring and Reporting.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)



Union Attorney General U Tun Tun Oo holds talks with UN Secretary-General's Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. PHOTO: MNA

Joint Committee on Amending 2008 Constitution holds meeting 2/2020



Meeting 2/2020 of the Joint Committee on Amending the 2008 Constitution held in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. PHOTO: MNA

THE Joint Committee on Amending the 2008 Constitution held its 2/2020 meeting at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Building D in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

The meeting was attended by the Chairman of the Joint Committee and the Deputy Speaker of both Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Pyithu Hluttaw, U Tun Aung (a) U Tun Tun Hein,

Deputy Chairman of the Joint Committee Amyotha Hluttaw, Deputy Speaker U Aye Tha Aung, Joint Committee Secretary Dr Myat Nyana Soe, Joint Secretary U Htay Win Aung (a) U Pyone Cho, committee members including Hluttaw representatives from political parties, independent MPs and officials from Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Office.

The Joint Committee adopted resolutions from discussions at the meeting, and the amendment bill will be finalized in line with the Chapter 12 of Amendment of the Constitution before submitting it to the 15th regular session of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)

Thailand-Myanmar Joint Technical Committee holds third meeting

THE 3rd Joint Technical Committee on Coordination and Assignment of Frequencies Along Thailand-Myanmar Common Border Meeting (JTC-3) was held at the Bagan Umbra Hotel in Bagan yesterday.

With the aim of coordinating the matters related to frequencies along the Thailand-Myanmar common border, Directorate of Communications under the Min-

istry of Transports and Communications of Myanmar and National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NBTC) of Thailand have formed a Joint Technical Committee-JTC.

The JTC meetings is held annually and hosted alternatively between the two countries.

At the third JTC meeting in Myanmar, Director-General U Myo Swe of Directorate of

Communications made greeting remarks, followed by Executive Director Mr Saneh Saiwong of Spectrum Management Bureau of NBTC expressing words of thanks.

With the cooperation between the two nations' organizations, to continuously tackle the frequency interference at the two nations' common border was one of the agendas of the JTC



meeting.

Nearly 90 attendees at the meeting included officials from Directorate of Communications, and representatives from com-

munications operators, MRTV, Myawaddy TV, broadcasting sectors and NBTC. The meeting continues till 16 January.—MNA
(Translated by Kyaw Zin Tun)



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing meets Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF) Commander-in-chief General Vong Pisen at the Zeyathiri Beikman in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF**

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing welcomes Cambodian General with Guard of Honour

Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing welcomed Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF) Commander-in-chief General Vong Pisen at the Zeyathiri Beikman in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday with a Guard of Honour.

After taking salutes of the Guard of Honour, they inspected it before bilateral introduction of senior military officials from both sides.

The Cambodian General signed the visitors' book of the Zeyathiri Beikman and held dis-

cussions with the Senior General at the meeting hall.

During the meeting, they made agreements on bilateral cooperation between the two armed forces, training programmes, military medicines, sports and culture, and information exchanges in anti-terrorism actions, cross border crimes, fighting against trafficking in persons, anti-narcotic drugs and arms trafficking, according to the report from the Office of Commander in Chief of Defence Services.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)

NRPC successfully concludes two-day workshop

THE National Reconciliation and Peace Center (NRPC) concluded the two-day workshop in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday, with a wide range of topics on peace making process of the country.

The second-day workshop was attended by Secretary of Peace Commission Retired Lt-Gen Khin Zaw Oo, Vice Chairman of Joint Monitoring Committee at Union Level (JMC-U) U Maung Maung Nyein, Committee's Secretary Col Wunna Aung, Executive Director U Aung Naing Oo, Permanent Secretaries of the ministries, the Directors-General, the Managing Directors, officials from Shan, Mon, Kayin and Kayah governments and the invited guests.

Col Wunna Aung explained the reasons and objectives for the formation of JMC, its basic principles, procedures,

implementation, signatories of ethnic armed organizations in JMC, and the responsibilities of JMC.

Executive Director U Aung Naing Oo clarified the works of JMC in monitoring, scrutinizing and conflict settlements, technical assistance, opportunities and challenges in ceasefire efforts.

JMC-U's Vice Chairman U Maung Maung Nyein presented the committee's strategy, important points, trust-building, benefits of round-table talk and ongoing developments.

Director-General U Zaw Htay of the Ministry of Office of the State Counsellor briefed on the histories of ethnic armed organizations, peace-making efforts of successive governments, emergence of NCA during the administration of former President U Thein

Sein, points of agreement in NCA, important of political dialogues, formations of UP-DJC and JMC, preparations for organizing the Union Peace Conference - 21st Century Panglong, making more agreements on the peace-making processes beyond 2020, interim programmes, basic principles for local developments, national reconciliation, transformation into federal system, expectation of States, persuading the non-signatories EAOs and other challenges.

The attendees discussed cooperation of their departments in peace-making process and future plans which were coordinated by Retired Lt-Gen Khin Zaw Oo before concluding the workshop in the afternoon.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)



The 2nd day workshop of National Reconciliation and Peace Center (NRPC) holds in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

Union Minister U Thein Swe receives UN Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict



Union Minister U Thein Swe holds talks with Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict Ms Virginia Gamba in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

UNION Minister for Labour, Immigration and Population U Thein Swe received Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict Ms Virginia Gamba and party at his ministry in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

At the meeting, the two sides discussed matters on issuing household certificates and citizenship registration cards to minors released by the Tatmadaw and the families and children in camps of the internally displaced persons-IDP, progress in making efforts for closing IDP camps thanks to the cooperation of the UN and donor countries, assistance from European Union in peace making processes, efforts for bringing peace to the Rakhine State after managing conflicts in the state, implemen-

tation of the five-year project on eradication of child labours in Myanmar in accordance with the Child Labour Law which was written in accordance with the UN's provisions, the ministry's close monitoring on dangerous jobs in efforts for preventing child labour there, establishing machinery for forced labour, building infrastructures in ethnic areas and issuing citizenship registration cards to the ethnic people in preparation for development tasks after achieving peace with ethnic armed organizations, job opportunities, conducting vocational trainings and cooperation from the UN in working on eradication of child labour, forced labour and creating job oppowrtunities. —MNA

(Translated by Tun Tun Naing)

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Additional statistical bulletin on drug seizures, acting on information

- In order to prevent and eradicate the dangers of narcotic drugs and psychotropic drugs, the Office of the President has formed the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department on 26 June 2018 to systematically accept and respond to reports on drug abuses and other related cases from the general public.
- With orders from the Office of the President, the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department relayed information on reports on drug-related offenses up to 11 January 2020 to the Ministry of Home Affairs to take action, as displayed below:

Sr	Nature of report	Details on seizure and legal action taken
1	Information received of Kyaw Oo who lives in Paukkon Ward, Bhamo Township, Kachin State, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 6 January 2020, police searched the house of Kyaw Oo (a) Kyaw Kyaw Oo, 37, son of U Phoe Kyaw, who lives in Paukkon Ward, Bhamo Township, and arrested him together with heroin. A case has been opened against him with MaMaSa (Bhamo)MaYa(pa)4/2020 under Section 16(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
2	Information received of Aung Khin who lives in Tatkon Village, Wuntho Township, Sagaing Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 5 January 2020, police searched the house of Aung Khin, 42, son of U San Win, who lives in Tatkon Village, Wuntho Township. Police found only his brother Aung Lin, 35, son of U San Win, and arrested him together with heroin. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSa (Wuntho)MaYa(pa)1/2020 under Section 16(c) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
3	Information received of Thein Win who lives in Mawtake Village, Indaw Township, Sagaing Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 7 January 2020, police searched the house of Thein Win, 45, son of U Thein Aung, who lives in Mawtake Village, Indaw Township, and arrested him together with heroin. A case has been opened against him with MaMaSa (Indaw)MaYa(pa)3/2020 under Section 16(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
4	Information received of Daw San Thi who lives in Hankaphyu Village, Kayathuri Township, Taninthayi Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 6 January 2020, police searched the house of Daw San Thi, 42, daughter of U Htin, who lives in Hankaphyu Village, Kayathuri Township, and arrested her together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against her with MaMaSa (Bokpyin)MaYa(pa)1/2020 under Section 19(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
5	Information received of Ma Moe Thu who lives in Hmaw Hset Ward, Dala Township, Yangon Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 7 January 2020, police arrested Ma Moe Thu, 30, daughter of U Kyin Htwe, who lives in Hmaw Hset Ward, Dala Township, together with 'WY' stimulant tablets on Bo Ottama Street in the same ward. A case has been opened against her with MaMaSa (Dala)MaYa(pa)1/2020 under Section 19(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
6	Information received of Aung Ko Ko Htet (a) Ko Htet who lives in Danyawady 2 Street, No 19 Ward, Hlinethaya Township, Yangon Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 9 January 2020, police searched the accommodation of Aung Ko Ko Htet (a) Ko Htet, 21, son of U Maung Zaw, who lives in Danyawady 2 Street, No 19 Ward, Hlinethaya Township, and arrested him accompany with Maung Yan (a) Shwe Wah, 20, son of U Myo Min Than, Naing Lin Tun (a) Ashaegy, 22, son of U Thaug Naing Oo, who live in the same hostel together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSa (Hlinethaya)MaYa(pa)7/2020 under Section 19(a), 20(b) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
7	Information received of Kyaw Zeya and his wife Ma Sanda Win who live in Bo Tun Zan Ward, Dawbon Township, Yangon Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 9 January 2020, police searched the house of Kyaw Zeya (a) Kyaw Zeyar Tun, 35, son of U Kyaw Win, and his wife Ma Sanda Win, 32, daughter of U San Win, who live in Bo Tun Zan Ward, Dawbon Township, and arrested them together with 'WY' stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSa (Dawbon)MaYa(pa)1/2020 under Section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.

8	Information received of Ma Khine Khine and Arnoe who live in Thinbawkyin Ward, Dawbon Township, Yangon Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.	On 10 January 2020, police searched the house of Ma Khine Khine (a) Khine Thinza, 26, daughter of U Tun Win, who lives in Thinbawkyin Ward, Dawbon Township, and arrested her accompany with Tin Maung Tun, 53, son of U Tin Tun, who lives in the same house, Arnoe (a) Zaw Lat Tun, 23, son of U Tun Win, his wife Hsu Yee Htaik, (a) Hsu Yae Htaik, 23, daughter of U Hla Win, and Soe Thu Lwin, 22, son of U Kyaw Lwin who live in the same ward, and Aung Htut Paing, 23, son of U Mya Han, who lives in 2/North Ward, Thakayta Township, together with 'WY' stimulant tablets and ICE. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSa (Dawbon)MaYa(pa)2/2020 under Section 19(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
9	Information received of some people using, distributing and selling illegal drugs in No 5 Ward, Lashio Tsp, Shan State.	Police have opened four cases and arrested five men together with heroin in the previous weeks. Acting on a tip-off, on the road of No 5 Ward, Lashio township, police searched a motorcycle driven by Aik Aie, 20, son of U Hla Aung, and La Hsein, 32, son of U Zaw Hla who live in No 10 Ward, Lashio Township, on 10 January 2020. Police arrested them together with heroin and stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSa (Lashio)MaYa(pa)5/2020 under Section 19(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
10	Information received of some people using, distributing and selling illegal drugs in Panhike 8 Ward, Namtu Tsp, northern Shan State.	Police have opened ten cases and arrested 11 men and a woman together with heroin and stimulant tablets in the previous weeks. Acting on a tip-off, police searched the house of Ma Aye Khaung, 38, daughter of U Aung Zeya, who lives in Panhike 8 Ward, Namtu Township, on 10 January 2020, and arrested her together with heroin. A case has been opened against him with MaMaSa (Namtu)MaYa(pa)3/2020 under section 19(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.

- Out of the information sent to the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department, so far a total of 939 cases have been opened files as of 11 January 2020. A total of 1,451 people, including 1,210 men and 241 women had been arrested with 7389.0714g of heroin, 1,347.42 g of ICE, 40,339.02166 g of opium, 661.27 g of low-quality opium, 53230.76 g of speciosa powder, 12097.32 g of speciosa, 2.5 liters of liquid speciosa, 461,035 stimulant tablets, 10310.42 g of marijuana, 0.1 liters of opium tincture, 520.28 g of opium blocks, 60 g of poppy seeds, 55.45 g of crushed stimulant tablet powder, 0.001 g of crushed ecstasy powder, 19 firearms, different kinds of 257 cartridges and one grenade. Efforts for fighting the drug trafficking has been stepped up and the department will report on further exposed cases.
- To seize further drugs and to arrest drugs dealers, people are urged to inform the Ministry of Home Affairs, region and state governments and to inform huge cases of drug trafficking and other suspicious cases directly to the **Drug Activity Special Complaint Department** of the Office of the President via following contact numbers:

Contacts

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GAqP key for ensuring export market, food safety

THE Union Government has taken steps to bring aquaculture in Myanmar in line with international standards by allowing farmland to be used for other purposes, but farmers can exploit this opportunity only by employing Good Aquaculture Practices (GAqP).

Besides, aquaculture farms that have obtained permission for exporting to European Union countries would need to ensure GAqP to be able to continue exports.

The government is also obliged to raise awareness about GAqP in the private fishery sector through its staff and provide assistance related with fishing technology to fishery department staff to promote the sector.

The government's push for GAqP is aimed at not just producing food for export, but also ensuring safe and healthy food for local consumption.

To conserve fish resources and ensure food safety, not only fish farms, but also those involved in the food production chain are required to follow the rules and regulations set by the government.

Some farms got the opportunity to export aquaculture products to the EU after good laboratory results for chemical residues in aquaculture products from Myanmar.

To ensure the safety of all food, the European market requires suppliers to have Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP) and Good Aquaculture Practices (GAqP) certificates.

Earlier, only fish caught in the wild were permitted for export to the EU market.

As export of Myanmar's farmed fish is now allowed to

the European Union, breeders are making preparations to ensure Myanmar fishery products meet the regulations of importing countries, including the European Union (EU), according to the Myanmar Fisheries Federation (MFF).

Hence, those who are taking a leading role in both public and private fishery sectors are urged to take advantage of this situation, make the best use of their experiences, and use innovative methods to put the country's fishery sector on the right path.

Earlier, breeders did not understand GAqP. Now, they have come to understand the EU import standards and are willing to produce fishery products using GAqP to find more foreign markets.

The government is also obliged to raise awareness about GAqP in the private fishery sector through its staff and provide assistance related with fishing technology to fishery department staff to promote the sector.

Meanwhile, farming systems, including mixed farming, which cannot guarantee export quality and food safety should be banned as soon as possible.

To penetrate the global market, GAqP is a must for breeders.

Eating Habits of Myanmar people

By Lokethar

WHEN Myanmar people, especially the older folks, meet each other the traditional greeting is "Saar-pee-bee-lar", meaning literally "have you eaten?". It seems rather odd that in a country in which affordable food is found in abundance, that would be the form of traditional greeting. May be it's the indirect way of asking about some ones health as eating regular meals would be an indication of good health. The generally accepted greeting nowadays is, of course, Mingalar-bar.

Myanmar people, especially the younger ones, love to eat "snacks" between their main meals. Any time is snack time, if the chance arises. Not surprisingly, Myanmar has a large variety of indigenous snacks, of the Burmese and of the other National races. Snacks are popular "eats" when friends get together.

There are many types of Myanmar snacks. They are mostly rice or glutinous rice based eatables. There are the crispy deep fries of Bottle Gourd or Potatoes or Onions or Chick Peas or Small Prawns etc. In fact temporary shops lining some of the streets of the city, can be

found selling these deep fries. If the deep fries are fried in good clean oil they are very much edible and when taken with a dip of the appropriate sauce, is quite tasty. Then there are the

could be added. Mohinga is tasty and to an extent, nutritious as well. There are a varieties of Mohinga dishes including those that are of the National races. All kinds of Mohinga are liked

so on. The Western style fast food "shops" and "outlets" have been set up all over the country starting with the big cities. The fast food culture has caught on rather quickly in Myanmar and many persons, especially of the younger generation, have now become more or less "addicted" to the fast foods. There has even emerged food delivery services of the common Western style fast foods. Considering the fact that fast food overconsumption in the developed countries had resulted supposedly, in young people gaining weight and in many instances seen as being "obese," it should be a lesson to our young generation to limit fast food intake. It would be bad for them if they grow up to be "obese with disease" instead of being "well built and fit".

Generally speaking, for future people of Myanmar to be "well built and fit" it would take more than just limiting "Fast Foods". It would include eating nutritious food for their daily meals.

"athokes" which are more or less salad like mixtures of vegetables and noodles or rice or "deep fries" with ripe Tamarind and Chilli sauce. Then there is Mohinga which is a very common and popular "snack".

Mohinga, is a rice noodle dish taken with a fish based soup and "deep fries" of either bottle gourd, or chick pea or onions with a sprinkle of coriander leaves and a twist of lemon juice. For those who like it "spicy" a spoonful of fried chilli flakes

by almost all people. In fact you can get Mohinga at most Food Courts or Tea Shops early in the morning and late in the evening; and through out the day in the special Mohinga shops.

However, since the early nineteen nineties I presume, Western style fast foods of all varieties made their way into Myanmar. The fast foods include fried/ grilled meats and fishes of all kinds, potato fries, burgers of all sorts, fried or soupy noodles of all sorts, pizzas and

the rural areas, who form the largest percentage of the population, consume rice as their main food. This was the case in some now developed countries in Asia. Their people were not well built physically. But, according to them, after reducing the consumption of rice and eating more protein and vegetables which are the requirements of a "balanced meal", they have over a generation, greatly improved their growth and physical

dant and some, liked by the rural folks, even grow naturally in Myanmar. However the rural folks can be guided to grow a variety of nutritious vegetables for their own consumption and possibly to sell in the local markets.

If the nutritionists are few and visits by them to all the rural areas are not possible, they could perhaps advise the rural folks through nationally broadcast TV programs. One thing though, they may have to devel-

If meat protein is hard to come by for some poorer rural folks, the nutritionists could recommend alternatives to meat protein.

development. We may have to do the same with the help of "nutritionists". They can recommend making up balanced meals with whatever ingredients are available. If meat protein is hard to come by for some poorer rural folks, the nutritionists could recommend alternatives to meat protein. "Vegetables" are abun-

op their programs based on the availability of the types of raw food resources in the particular area or region concerned, and come up with a "plan" of "balanced meals" suitable for the folks living there.

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Working Group on Cultural Heritage Education

- ◆ Educational talks were conducted for the general public living in wards.
- ◆ From 16 to 29 January 2019, an awareness-raising talk was conducted for people in Myo Thit Ward and Htammarit Ward. Awareness on Nomination Process Workshop 1/2018 Chapter 2 was conducted.

Intangible Cultural Heritage Documentation Sub-Committee

- ◆ A field documentation report was compiled.
- ◆ The construction of a Rakhine traditional boat (called "Laung") was recorded in Aung Tat Ward.
- ◆ A field study was conducted into the bamboo handicraft work and a hand-carried balance (called "Theik") in Aung Tat, Myo Thit and Yadanapon Wards.
- ◆ Rakhine traditional naming customs were studied and documented.
- ◆ Patchwork art (called "Thingazar") was documented in Kyet Zay Ward in Mrauk-U and the construction of a fixed wooden vessel was studied.
- ◆ A field visit was organized to study the construction of a Rakhine traditional house.
- ◆ Historical evidence was collected and documented on the brewing of Rakhine traditional rice liquor.

Maintenance team

- ◆ Cleaning work was undertaken around the Old Palace Site.
- ◆ The roof of the circular path around Koe Thaug Temple was repaired and maintenance work was undertaken on Thet Kya Mar Aung Temple.
- ◆ Drawings were prepared to undertake maintenance of ancient monuments.

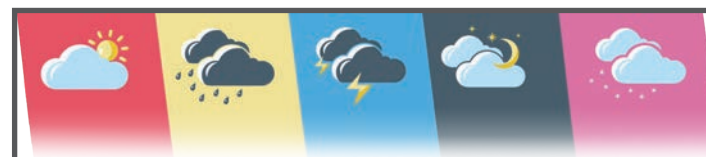
Excavation Team -

- ◆ Excavation and maintenance of Mound No. 5 of Vesali Ancient City to the east of the ancient palace site and excavation and research of A-Myint Hill Fort and Wall were undertaken.

Border Affairs and Relations with Bangladesh

Regiment Commander and Regional Commander Level Meetings

- ◆ In Maungdaw Township, Rakhine State, 1 Regional Commander-level meeting was held on 21 January 2019.
- ◆ On the Bangladesh side, 3 Regiment Commander-level meetings were held on 3, 11 and 18 March 2019.



Myanmar Daily Weather Report

(Issued at 7:00 pm Tuesday 14th January, 2020)

BAY INFERENCE: Weather is generally fair over the North Bay and a few cloud over the Andaman Sea and elsewhere over the Bay of Bengal.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL NOON OF THE 15th January, 2020: Light rain are likely to be isolated in Kachin State. Degree of certainty is (60%). Weather will be partly cloudy in Upper Sagaing and Taninthayi regions, Chin, Rakhine and Mon states and generally fair in the remaining regions and states.

STATE OF THE SEA: Sea will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters. Wave height will be about (4-6) feet in off and along Myanmar Coasts.

OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT TWO DAYS: Likelihood of slight decrease of night temperatures in Shan State.

FORECAST FOR NAY PYI TAW AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 15th January, 2020: Fair weather.

FORECAST FOR YANGON AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 15th January, 2020: Fair weather.

FORECAST FOR MANDALAY AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 15th January, 2020: Fair weather.

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Varsity gets Bio Museum

A BIO Museum was inaugurated yesterday at the University of Forestry and Environmental Science (Yezin) in Nay Pyi Taw's Zeyarhthiri Township.

Jointly established by the university and the Japan Wildlife Research Centre (JWRC), the museum was formally opened by the acting rector of the university, Dr. San Win, and Dr. Sanei Ichikawa of the JWRC.

"The purpose of establishing this museum is to motivate students to carry out biodiversity conservation," said Dr. San Win.

The idea of establishing the research museum came after a survey showed that youths are growing less interested in conservation of biodiversity as they cannot easily access equipment for conducting research on the subject, he added.



Dr Sanei Ichikawa from Japan Wildlife Research Centre delivers the speech at the opening ceremony of Bio Museum at the University of Forestry and Environmental Science (Yezin) in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

The Convention on Biodiversity in 1998 also reflected this fact, he said.

The UFES (Yezin) and JWRC have jointly produced over 20 ob-

jects for doing research on biodiversity.

The University is also collaborating with seven foreign institutions, including Kyoto Uni-

versity, Himalayan University Consortium (HUC), University of Sustainable Development, and the University of Forestry of Viet Nam. — Zin Oo (Myanma Alin)

Illegal wine imports causing revenue loss: liquor association

THE government is losing revenue on account of illegal wine imports, according to a media conference held by the Myanmar Liquor Association (MLA).

"We've found that we cannot eliminate the illegal market in some places yet. So, we need to resolve the issue of illegal wine imports. You may also be well aware that traders are illegally importing wine through the border gates without paying any taxes whatsoever. Whether it is in the case of import or export, entrepreneurs need to conduct their businesses under the same policy so that there will prevail fairness on the part of producers who are paying taxes," said U Win Thaw, joint secretary of the MLA.

"The MLA is ready for fair competition in terms of transparency. We also have complete confidence in our products. The government generally imposes tax amounting to only about



Myanmar Liquor Association (MLA) holds a press conference in Yangon. **PHOTO: MYINT MAUNG**

one-fifth of the real income. Some of the products do not require payment of any taxes at all. We've found that the government is losing revenue daily because of the illegal market," he added.

The tax is being raised year after year on locally produced liquor. The government earned over K200 billion from tax on liquor in the 2018-2019 financial year.

According to official statis-

tics on income tax for the year 2019, the Myanmar Liquor Association was among the top 10 taxpayers in Myanmar. —Myint Maung

(Translated by Hay Mar)

Two houses destroyed by kitchen fire in Mawlamyine

A KITCHEN FIRE gutted two houses on 14 January on Hninsi 3rd street in Zayarthiri Ward of Mawlamyine Town. There were no casualties.

According to investigators, the fire started in U

Tun Hla's house on Hninsi 3rd street after he forgot to turn off the kitchen stove. The fire quickly got out of control and spread to his neighbour's house.

The kitchen fire de-

stroyed U Hla Tun's house, measuring 35x14x15 feet, and U Maw Si (a) U Thet Myo Min's house, measuring 45x18x15 ft.

The Fire Services Department rushed to the scene and

put out the blaze within 20 minutes.

The police have filed a case against U Tun Hla, 41, under Section 285 of the Penal Code. —Moe Tauk (Shwebo)

(Translated by Hay Mar)

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Endorsement of Myanmar Standards Adoption

IN accordance with duties and function of section 5, article b and vested mandate of section 33 article (b) of Law on Standardization, National Standards Council endorses the following 82 standards to adopt as Myanmar Standards.

No.	Myanmar Standards
1.	MMS IEC 60227-1 : 2007 Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltage up to and including 450/750V- Part 1 : General requirements
2.	MMS IEC 60227-3 : 1997 Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltage up to and including 450/750V- Part 3: Non - sheathed cables for fixed wiring
3.	MMS IEC 60227-4 : 1997 Polyvinyl chloride insulated cable of rate voltage up to and including 450/750V-Part 4 : Sheathed cables for fixed wiring
4.	MMS IEC 60227- 2 : 1997 Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltage up to and including 450/750V - Part 2 : Test Methods
5.	MMS IEC 60227- 6 : 2001 Polyvinyl chloride insulated cables of rated voltage up to and including 450/750V - Part - 6 Lift cables and cables for flexible connections
6.	MMS IEC 60228 : 2004 Conductors of insulated cables
7.	MMS IEC 60335-2-2 : 2009 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-2: Particular requirements for vacuum cleaners and water-suction cleaning appliances
8.	MMS IEC 60335-2-6 : 2014 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety-Part 2-6: Particular requirements for stationary cooking ranges, hobs, ovens and similar appliances
9.	MMS IEC 60335-2-8 : 2012 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-8: Particular requirements for shavers, hair clippers and similar appliances
10.	MMS IEC 60335-2-21 : 2012 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-21: Particular requirements for storage water heaters
11.	MMS IEC 60335-2-28 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-28: Particular requirements for sewing machines
12.	MMS IEC 60335-2-29 : 2016 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-29: Particular requirements for battery chargers
13.	MMS IEC 60335-2-31 : 2012 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-31: Particular requirements for range hoods and other cooking fume extractors
14.	MMS IEC 60335-2-45 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-45: Particular requirements for portable heating tools and similar appliances
15.	MMS IEC 60335-2-52 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-52: Particular requirements for oral hygiene appliances
16.	MMS IEC 60335-2-55 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-55: Particular requirements for electrical appliances for use with aquariums and garden ponds
17.	MMS IEC 60335-2-56 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-56: Particular requirements for projectors and similar appliances
18.	MMS IEC 60335-2-65 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-65: Particular requirements for air-cleaning appliances
19.	MMS IEC 60335-2-73 : 2006 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-73: Particular requirements for fixed immersion heaters
20.	MMS IEC 60335-2-74; 2006 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety - Part 2-74: Particular requirements for portable immersion heaters
21.	MMS IEC 60335-2-79 : 2016 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-79: Particular requirements for high pressure cleaners and steam cleaners
22.	MMS IEC 60335-2-88 : 2002 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-88: Particular requirements for humidifiers intended for use with heating, ventilation, or air-conditioning systems
23.	MMS IEC 60335-2-98 : 2008 Household and similar electrical appliances - Safety- Part 2-98: Particular requirements for humidifiers
24.	MMS IEC 60947-2 : 2016 Low- Voltage Switchgear and Control gear- Part – 2: Circuit – Breakers
25.	MMS IEC 60929 : 2011 AC and /or DC -Supplied electronic control gear for tubular fluorescent lamps - Performance requirements
26.	MMS IEC 60968 : 2015 Self-ballasted fluorescent lamps for general lighting services - Safety requirements
27.	MMS IEC 60969 : 2016 Self-ballasted compact fluorescent lamps for general lighting services - Performance requirements
28.	MMS IEC 61008-1 : 2010 Residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral overcurrent protection for household and similar uses (RCCBs) - Part 1: General rules
29.	MMS IEC 61008-1 : 2012 Amendment 1 -Residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral over current protection for household and similar uses (RCCBs) - Part 1: General rules
30.	MMS IEC 61008-1 : 2013 Amendment 2- Residual current operated circuit-breakers without integral over current protection for household and similar uses (RCCBs) - Part 1: General rules
31.	MMS IEC 61058-1: 2016 - Switches for appliances- Part 1:General requirements
32.	MMS IEC 62271-200 : 2011 -High-voltage switchgear and control gear- Part 200: AC metal-enclosed switchgear and control gear for rated voltages above 1 kV and up to and including 52 kV
33.	MMS IEC 62552-1 : 2015 -Household refrigeration appliances- Characteristics and test methods Part : 1 General Requirements
34.	MMS IEC 62552-2 : 2015 -Household refrigeration appliances- Characteristics and test methods Part : 2 Performance Requirements
35.	MMS IEC 62552-3 : 2015 -Household refrigeration appliances- Characteristics and test methods Part : 3 Energy consumption and volume
36.	MMS UNECE 30:2007 Uniform Provisions Concerning the Approval of Pneumatic Tyres for Motor Vehicles and their Trailers
37.	MMS UNECE 54:2013 Uniform Provisions Concerning the Approval of Pneumatic Tyres for Commercial Vehicles and their Trailers
38.	MMS UNECE 75:2010 Uniform provisions concerning the approval of Pneumatic Tyres for Motor Cycles and Mopeds
39.	MMS Codex Stan 317:2014 Standard for Durian
40.	MMS Codex Stan 204:1997 Standard for Mangosteens
41.	MMS ASEAN Stan 18:2010 Standard for Melon
42.	MMS ASEAN STAN 20:2011 Standard for Cashew Kernels
43.	MMS ASEAN STAN 15:2009 Standard for Young Coconut
44.	MMS CODEX STAN 218:1999 Standard for Ginger
45.	MMS CODEX STAN 153:1985 Standard for Maize (Corn)
46.	MMS CODEX STAN 184:1993 Standard for Mangoes
47.	MMS ASEAN STAN 23:2011 Standard for Onion
48.	MMS ASEAN STAN 36:2014 Standard for Peanuts
49.	MMS ASEAN STAN 3:2006, Rev.1:2012 Standard for Pineapple
50.	MMS 3 : 2019 Standard for Sesame
51.	MMS ASEAN STAN 32:2013 Standard for Turmeric
52.	MMS ASEAN STAN 55:2017 Standard for Yam
53.	MMS ISO 712 : 2009 Cereals and cereal products – Determination of moisture content – Reference method
54.	MMS ISO 2000 : 2014 Rubber, raw natural — Guidelines for the specification of technically specified rubber (TSR)
55.	MMS ISO 68 - 1 : 1998 ISO general purpose screw threads - Basic profile - Part 1 : Metric screw threads
56.	MMS ISO 261 : 1998 ISO general purpose metric screw threads -- General plan
57.	MMS ISO 262: 1998 ISO general purpose metric screw threads -- Selected sizes for screws, bolts and nuts
58.	MMS ISO 724: 1993 ISO general - purpose metric screw threads -- Basic dimensions
59.	MMS ISO 724 : 1993/Cor 1 : 2009 ISO general - purpose metric screw threads -- Basic dimensions Technical Corrigendum 1
60.	MMS ISO 965 - 2 : 1998 general purpose metric screw threads -- Tolerances -- Part 2 : Limits of sizes for general purpose external and internal screw threads -- Medium quality
61.	MMS ISO 965 - 3: 1998 ISO general purpose metric screw threads -- Tolerances -- Part 3 : Deviations for constructional screw threads
62.	MMS ISO 965-3:1998/Cor 1 : 2009 ISO general purpose metric screw threads -- Tolerances -- Part 3 : Deviations for constructional screw threads/Technical Corrigendum 1
63.	MMS ISO 965 - 4:1998 ISO general purpose metric screw threads - Tolerances -- Part 4 : Limits of sizes for hot - dip galvanized external screw threads to mate with internal screw threads tapped with tolerance position H or G after galvanizing
64.	MMS ISO 965 - 5:1998 ISO general purpose metric screw threads - Tolerances -- Part 5 : Limits of sizes for international screw threads to mate with hot - dip galvanized external screw threads with maximum size of tolerance position h before galvanizing
65.	MMS ISO 1502 : 1996 ISO general-purpose metric screw threads — Gauges and gauging
66.	MMS ISO 17064 : 2016 Wood-based panels- fibre board, particleboard and oriented strand board(OSB)- Vocabulary
67.	MMS ISO 12466- 1 : 2007 Plywood Bonding quality Part 1 : Test methods
68.	MMS ISO 12466- 2: 2007 Plywood Bonding quality Part 2 : Requirements
69.	MMS ISO 8905:1988 Sawn timber; test methods; determination of ultimate strength in shearing parallel to grain
70.	MMS ISO 8906:1988 Swan timber; test methods; determination of resistance to local transverse compression
71.	MMS ISO 2299: 1973 Swan timber of broadleaved species; Defects; Classification Trilingual edition

YCDC has revised land lease rates upwards in line with market price: Yangon Mayor

By Nyein Nyein

THE rent on Yangon City Development Committee's land has been raised during the incumbent government's term, said Yangon Mayor U Maung Maung Soe.

"The land lease rates have increased in line with the market price. It is a fold increase," he said.

Yangon Region Auditor General Daw Khin Than Hla told the regional Hlut-taw on 8 January that a report on the Yangon Region government's spending in the 2017-2018 financial year showed wastage of money as the YCDC's land lease was priced too low.

"The Auditor General's report pointed out low rent rates of YCDC land. However, it was way back in the 2017-2018FY. We have already modernized land grants and the rates have been revised, depending on regulations of the lease agreement. Furthermore,

the Auditor General's report also revealed a percentage increase along with the market price. We have raised them by quite a margin after the 2017-2018 report. The rates have been raised by percentage and fold," said U Maung Maung Soe.

"The YCDC has discussed the land lease rate with entrepreneurs. The low rate is attributed to previously signed contracts," said the Yangon Mayor.

"The rent rates fixed in the previously signed contract were too low compared with the market price. Some contracts need to be revised. Some businesses, like the Yangon water boom, are still under discussion as they cannot afford to pay in line with the market price. This has been forwarded to the cabinet," said U Maung Maung Soe.

"Three rates are charged for YCDC land, depending on the location.

The rate is set at K1,323 per square feet for land in Group I locations, which include Seikkyikhanaungto, Hlinethaya, Shwepyitha, Mingaladon, and four Dagon townships. The rate is K2,645 per square feet in Group II areas, including Insein, North Okkalapa, Thakayta, Dawbon, Kyimyindine, Thingangyun, Ahlon, and South Okkalapa townships. A rent of K3,168 per square feet is charged in Group III locations — Tamway, Kamayut, Sangyaung, Mingala Taungnyunt, Hline, Mayangon, Yankin, Pazuntaung, Botahtaung, Lanmadaw, Pabedan, Kyauktada, Latha, Dagon, Seikkan, and Bahan townships," said U Ko Ko Lin, head of the YCDC's Playground, Park, and Garden Department.

The YCDC considers and revises the contract every year. As the municipal authorities revised contracts, the land rent income



Yangon Mayor U Maung Maung Soe delivers the speech at the Yangon City Development Committee in Yangon. **PHOTO: SUPPLIED**

from the People's Park and the Zaykabar Compound was K1 billion higher than in the previous years, he said. "Earlier, rental earned from the People's Park was just K2.2-2.5 million per year. The YCDC committee members elected by the people discussed and revised the rent. In the 2018-2019 financial year, the rent for People's Park was K1.469 billion per year. Similarly, the lease for Zaykabar

Compound was raised to K340.227 million from K25 million per year," said U Ko Ko Lin.

Some businessmen have appealed against the increase in rent, said Daw Hlaing Maw Oo, secretary of the YCDC. "We are calculating and carefully considering whether the rate should be fixed according to the prevailing market price. Some appeals and requests have been submitted to the

committee. The prices can also vary depending on the business type, such as business park, restaurant, or commercial office," she said.

U Maung Maung Soe also said that the Auditor General's finding report 2017-2018 FY also contains incorrect information and the amended report shall be explained.

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV ALVAN VOY.NO. (SCY 1071)

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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV IAL 001 VOY.NO. (055N/S)

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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S INTER ASIA LINES**

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV NASICO EAGLE

Consignees of cargo carried on MV NASICO EAGLE VOY.NO. (08/2019) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 15-1-2020 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of WILMAR where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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Huge sinkhole swallows bus, kills six in China

BEIJING (China) — An enormous sinkhole swallowed a bus and pedestrians in northwest China, sparking an explosion, killing six people and leaving four more missing, state media said Tuesday.

Footage showed people at a bus stop running from the collapsing road as the vehicle — jutting into the air — sank into the ground.

Several people disappeared into the sinkhole as it spread, including what appeared to be a child. The incident also triggered an explosion inside the hole, video showed.

Sinkholes are not unknown in China, where they are often blamed on construction works and the country's rapid pace of development. The incident occurred at around 5:30 pm (0930 GMT) on Monday in Xining, the capital of Qinghai province, the state-run broadcaster CCTV said.

A search and rescue operation involving more than 1,000 people and 30 vehicles was underway, according to the official Xinhua news agency. An investigation into the cause has been opened. Video footage published by state broadcaster CGTN

showed a person being pulled from the hole by rescue workers. The collapse left an 80-square-metre (860-square-foot) pit in the street outside a hospital.

The 16 injured were taken to hospital and are in a stable condition, Xinhua added, citing a local emergency management official. An earlier report indicated that 10 people were missing but Xinhua said four were unaccounted for.

In 2016, at least three people fell into a huge sinkhole in central Henan province, which swallowed a section of road and passersby. — AFP ■

Expression of Interests sought for Private Sector Participation in Myingyan Steel Mill No.(1) Heavy Industrial Enterprise, Ministry of Planning, Finance & Industry

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar through the Ministry of Planning, Finance and Industry, is seeking expressions of interest from private sector entities interested in participating in the recommissioning and operation of the Myingyan Steel Mill.

The Myingyan Steel Mill is located near Sar Khar village, Myingyan Township in the Mandalay Region of Myanmar. The mill is approximately 3.3 miles west of milepost 450/0 on the Yangon Myingyan Highway. The production capacity is estimated to be approximately 1,883,000 tonnes per year.

The Government is willing to consider a range of proposals for different types of public private partnerships including the possibility of limited disposal of certain designated Product lines Currently located at the Myingyan Steel Mill.

The details of the current plant and assets will be set out in a Request for Proposals which will be available to bidders who express an interest in putting forward a proposal and have experience in respect of the commissioning or operation of a steel mill.

The interested parties may send a letter expressing interest on company letterhead and duly signed by an authorized signatory with company seal. The letter should be titled "Expression of Interest: Myingyan Steel Mill – Tender Process 001/2020" and be addressed to:

Managing Director,
Office No.30, No.(1) Heavy Industrial Enterprise,
Ministry of Planning Finance and Industry,
Zeya Htani Road, Nay Pyi Taw.

The last date for selling the EOI form is (14 February 2020)

The last date and time for receiving expressions of Interest (17 February 2020), (03:00) PM.

For any clarification, please call

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Email - hie1.steel@gmail.com

PESTICIDES DISTRIBUTOR CHANGING

We, **Anhui Santo Chemical Co.,Ltd**, would like to change the Distributor of the following products, from **Myanmar Waisa Chemical Co.,Ltd** to **Myanmar Golden Sun Crop Science Co., Ltd**. If any object or enquiry, please contact to Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, Department of Agriculture, Yangon, from here to next (2) weeks.

No	Trade Name	Active Ingredient Name	Registration Type	Registration Number
1	KAWSIN	Copper Oxychloride 45% + Kasugamycin 2% WP	Experimental Registration	E2019-4516
2	NITRO	Sodium Nitrophenolate Compound 1.8% SL	Provisional Registration	P2019-4573
3	S-KILL	Aluminium Phosphide 560g/kg Tablet	Provisional Registration	P2019-4572
4	G-LIT	Gibberellic Acid 3% EC	Provisional Registration	P2019-4558
5	METHOMORPH	Dimethomorph 80% WDG	Provisional Registration	P2019-4517
6	HYDRAW	Copper Hydroxide 77% WP	Provisional Registration	P2019-4518

Myanmar Golden Sun Crop Science Co.,Ltd
Tel: 09-784772103

Notice for the Change of Pesticide Distributor

FMC Corporation, USA obtained the below registration with the distributor name of JJ-Pun Trading Company Limited. FMC Corporation USA is changing the distributor right of below product to Myanmar Arysta LifeScience Company Limited.

No.	Current Product Name	Active Ingredient Name	Registration Type	Registration Number
1	Ferterra™ 0.4 GR	Chlorantraniliprole 0.4 % w/w GR	Provisional	P2019-4765

We invite objections to Co-Secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, Department of Agriculture, Yangon from all parties within a period of fourteen (14) days from the publication of this notice, with copies of such documents and other proofs in support of their objections.

Transferring Distributor & Trade Name for Registered Pesticides

Distribution & Trade Name registration processes of pesticide produced by ACI Formulation Limited are transferring from Net Work Marketing Limited to Myanmar Bloom Trading & Manufacturing Group Limited. Any Objection regarding to this transfer can notify at Myanmar Pesticide Registration Board for the following Pesticide within (14) day.

No	Trade Name	Active Ingredients	Registration Types	Registration Number
1	Hexa 5 EC	Hexaconazole 5% EC	Provisional	2012-1501

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CHANGING DISTRIBUTOR OF REGISTERED PESTICIDE

This is a notification of the change of distributor of below fungicides, registered by Bayer AG, under the Myanma Pesticide Registration Board, from AGT (Agro Tech Co., Ltd.) to **Myanma Golden Farm Co., Ltd**. Any objection to this change can notify to Joint Secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogone, Insein, within 14 days.

Trade Name	Active Ingredient	Reg.Type	Reg. Number
Antracol 70 WP	Propineb 70% WP	Fungicide	F2010-488
Invento 66.8 WP	Iprovalicarb 5.5%+ Propineb 61.3% WP	Fungicide	F2011-562

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Aung Myin Hmu helps develop garment sector in Myanmar

By Shin Naw

EITHER we go to various regions and states of Myanmar or we come to Yangon from other parts of the country, industrial zones are a common sight on the outskirts of Yangon. Once these places grew under the influence of quietness, but nowadays they come alive with industrial images.

With a total of 29 industrial zones located on the outskirts of Yangon, nearby streets are swarming with factory workers during the rush hours. Garment is the largest among the industries in Yangon.

There are 389 CMP and CMP related factories in Myanmar until November in 2019. There are 338 garment factories with 214,895 workers employed.

According to the first-time survey of strength of workers conducted from February to April in 2018, more than 90 per cent of migrant workers are women migrant workers coming to urban areas from rural ones. Most of them don't have good contacts with networks capable of offering assistance.

Those who lack occupational experience have become difficult in getting jobs following an increase in basic lowest salary. To exploit them becomes an easy job.

Aung Myin Hmu Project is offering livelihood programmes and support services to women migrant workers in order to go into a proper and secure profession in Yangon. Aung Myin Hmu is a consortium formed by Business Kind Myanmar and CARE International in Myanmar. Aung Myin Hmu is providing services with the help of Legal Clinic Myanmar.

With the financial assistance from Livelihood and Food Security Trust Funds, Aung Myin Hmu Project is working in partnership with the Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Popula-



An instructor is giving lecture at Aung Myin Hmu Garment Skills Training Centre. PHOTO: AMH

tion, private organizations and CSOs.

Ma Hnin Phyu Phyu Aung, a manager of Aung Myin Hmu of Aung Myin Hmu Training Centre, said, "Our training centre is offering sewing courses for those hunting for jobs and migrant workers. At the end of the course, it will connect the trained workers to the employment. Aung Myin Hmu is providing courses such as sewing machine operator, quality control, cutting, spreading, mechanic, finishing/ironing and CAD/CAM. We teach the trainees technical knowledge, relationship, salary management, labour contract.

There are differences before and after trainings. Those who have attended the trainings dare to speak something and they are not ashamed of themselves. They are ready to go into a worksite as they make practices.

In the past, they did not know where to get work in the factory and how to apply for a job when they left their rural areas. They are poised to face either a worksite or an interview after attending our courses because they make practice in the basic

training.

Our trainees can operate many types of machines. Our trainees can control up to five or six machines at a time when the workers can operate three to four machines in other worksites. Anyone either from Yangon or other regions and states can attend our training centre.

The one who is going to attend our training centre must be 18 years old. We mainly choose those who want to work in the garment sector. Our training is free of charge. One training will run for 40 days during which technical knowledge are provided. When the course finishes, we connect trained workers to factories.

Aung Myin Hmu's courses mainly focus on technical know-how intended for the workers to go into a worksite quickly. These courses are aimed not only at providing employment to those who are in search of jobs but also at fulfilling the requirement of skilled workers.

Aung Myin Hmu serves a bridge between the employers and those who want to work."

Senior Manager Ko Sai Thet Aung of Bogart Lingerie (Yan-

gon) Factory said, "Our factory started in 2012 and it began operating in 2013.

In the past, we provided training, but we don't have curriculum. Only operators were trained by machines.

We found a little difficulty in manufacturing. We have no time to draw up curriculum and it is not easy to draw up curriculum. When we meet Aung Myin Hmu, it prioritizes practice and training. It has curriculum.

Later, we established the training centre in partnership with Aung Myin Hmu. A total of nearly 20 batches have been concluded so far.

Ma Thin Thin Moe from Shwedaung, Pyay District in Bago Region, who is working in GDP garment factory in South Dagon, said, "Job opportunities are very rare in the countryside. The employment in the rural areas earns us a little.

I come to Yangon to hunt for a job of good pay. When I arrived in Yangon, I first worked for shoe factory because I was not able to operate sewing machine. I spotted Aung Myin Hmu Project through Facebook. I rang up Aung Myin Hmu Project and

attended its training. I had to attend the training for about two months.

The lessons concerning labour law were taught in the afternoon. The training centre hunted for a job for me, but I went into a job after enquiries were made. I earn about K270,000 a month. Working hours are from 8 am to 8 pm.

Together with my friends, I am staying at a hostel exclusive of meals. Sometimes we buy meals and curry. Sometimes we cook meals and curry. Garment is one of the thriving industries in Myanmar and it is enormously growing in economic sector in Myanmar.

Export is on the increase. Garment workers are expected to increase from 400,000 to 1.5 million between 2014 and 2024. Garment export volume increased by 28 per cent in 2017, with a profit of over US\$2 billion.

But later development became slower.

However, thousands of women from the rural areas are migrating to Yangon to work in the garment sector.

Translated by Htut Htut (Twantay) ■■■

Nestlé hands DHL Supply Chain contract to manage entire warehousing operations in Myanmar

NESTLÉ, the world's largest food company has appointed DHL Supply Chain (DHL), the global market leader for contract logistics solutions, to manage warehousing operations for its food products in Myanmar, which include household brands such as Coffee mate®, MILO® and Nescafé®.

Total operations for Nestlé products spans 4,000 sqm, which accounts for more than 60% of total warehouse space in DHL's first multi-user warehouse in the country. The recently-unveiled warehouse is conveniently located next to Nestlé's new manufacturing facility, situated in Dagon Seikkan Industrial Zone in Yangon, the country's trade and commerce epicenter.

Kevin Burrell, CEO DHL Supply Chain, Thailand Cluster (Thailand, Viet Nam, Myanmar and Cambodia) said, "Myanmar is an exciting market to be in, and we have been very successful in ensuring that our capabilities are customized to meet our customers' needs, enabling them to grow their business footprint here."

As the country shapes up to be a bigger player in intra-regional trade, and with the local economy projected to grow by more than 6 per cent next year, we can expect more investment from various international players, who will need our expert local knowledge and executional excellence to optimize their supply chain."

"We are committed to continue investing in Myanmar's food and beverage industry, in order to deliver nutritious, high quality and safe products to local consumers under great brands such as Nescafé, Milo, Bear Brand, and Cerelac. With a wide portfolio of food & beverage products for different consumer segments, it is a top priority that we partner a

logistics provider who not only understands our strict adherence to the highest standard of food safety and storage, but can also deploy an array of strategic warehousing options to ensure our products are kept in the best conditions, in order to deliver a seamless customer experience," said Victor Seah, Chairman and CEO Nestlé Indochina.

Well-connected by land transport and in close proximity to the downtown area, the warehouse runs on a fully integrated warehouse management system that can monitor Nestlé's inventory, in real time. It is also outfitted with eight loading docks and raised floors, as well as round-the-clock surveillance cameras, to ensure operational efficiency.

In addition to this new collaboration and the long-standing partnership that has spanned more than two decades, DHL Supply Chain is also managing Nestlé's warehouses and supply chain operations in other parts of Asia Pacific such as Australia, India, Malaysia, New Zealand, Taiwan, Thailand and Viet Nam. —GNLM



Mr Kevin Burrell, CEO of DHL Supply Chain Thailand Cluster (Left) and Mr Terry Ryan, CEO of DHL Supply Chain Asia Pacific (2nd to Left) hand the first invoice to Mr Victor Seah, CEO of Nestlé Indochina (2nd to Right) and Mr Stephen Knight, Country Manager of Nestlé Myanmar (Right) to mark the partnership between Nestlé Myanmar Trading Ltd and DHL Supply Chain Myanmar at DHL Supply Chain Myanmar, Dagon Seikkan Warehouse, Yangon. Photo: DHL/ Nestlé

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Ayeyawady United ties with Shan United at MPT MNL Youth (U-19) 2020

THE Week-1 match of the MPT Myanmar National League Youth (U-19) 2020 between Ayeyawady United F.C. and Shan United F.C., held yesterday at the Salin Stadium, ended in a 1-1 draw, according to the league's website.

The goal for Ayeyawady United was scored by Saung Oo Hlaing at the 22nd minute and the goal for Shan United was scored by Thura Aung at the 42nd minute.

In other matches yester-

day, Chin United beat MFF by 3-1, Yaw Myay was defeated by Kachin United by 1-2, and Yadanarbon F.C. claimed a 5-0 win over Zwekapin F.C.

The other matches of Week-1 of the tourney will continue on 15 and 16 January.

On 15 January, Southern Myanmar will compete against Yangon United at the Salin Stadium, Sagaing United will play against University F.C. at the University Stadium, and Rakh-

ine United will take on Chinland F.C. at the Yangon United Sports Complex.

On 16 January, Mawyawadi F.C. will play against Silver Stars at the Salin Stadium, Magwe F.C. will compete against ISPE F.C. at the South Dagon Stadium, and Hantharwady United will take on Myawady F.C. at the Padonmar Stadium.

All the matches will be played at 3:30 pm on the scheduled dates. — Kyaw Khin ■



The players of Ayeyawady United F.C. and Shan United F.C. vie for the ball in the Week-1 of the MPT Myanmar National League Youth (U-19) 2020 at the Salin Stadium on 14 January. **PHOTO: MNL**

MPT MNL 2020: Match fixtures to be rescheduled

SOME matches fixed for the second and third weeks of the MPT Myanmar National League 2020 will be rescheduled as the grass field at the recently renovated Thuwunna Stadium is not yet ready for hosting games, according to a meeting held yesterday at the office of the Myanmar National League at the stadium.

The meeting was attended by MNL CEO U Soe Moe Kyaw, director of the stadium U Kyaw Lin Htwe, and officials.

The renovation of Thuwunna Stadium began in the second week of November, 2019 and has been completed, but some time is needed before games can be hosted at the stadium.

On 11 January, the Thuwunna Stadium hosted an MPT MNL 2020 match between Zwekapin United and Yadanarbon F.C. But, the two teams were not comfortable with the newly renovated stadium.

With officials deciding to wait for some more time before holding matches at the stadium, some matches from the second and third weeks of the tourney have been rescheduled.

In Week-2, two matches — Chin United vs Magwe United and Zwekapin United vs Yangon United — which were previously scheduled at the Thuwunna Stadium will now be held at the YUSC. With the change in venue for the match between Zwekapin United and Yangon United in Week-2, another match between the two teams scheduled for Week-17, which was previously scheduled at the YUSC, will now take place at the Thuwunna Stadium.

In Week-3, the match between Zwekapin United and Ayeyawady United which was scheduled at the Thuwunna Stadium will now take place at the Patheingyi Stadium. The match which will be held on 26 January (Sunday) instead of 24 January (Friday) so fans from Patheingyi can come and watch it.

As the Zwekapin United vs Ayeyawady United match from Week-3 has been changed, the Week-19 match between the two teams which was previously scheduled at Patheingyi Stadium will take place at the Thuwunna Stadium. — Kyaw Khin ■

ACL qualifiers: Philippines' Ceres Negros beat Shan United 3-2

SHAN United F.C. was defeated by Philippines team Ceres Negros with a 3-2 score in the preliminary stage match of the 2020 AFC Champions League yesterday at the Rizal Memorial Stadium in Manila, according to Shan United's Facebook page.

The goals for Ceres Negros were scored by Lopez Mendy at the 5th minute, Maranon at the 40th minute, and Porteria at the 79th minute, while the goals for Myanmar were scored by Zin Min Tun at the 73rd minute and Maximin at

the 87th minute.

Shan United lined up with goalkeeper Thiha Sithu and players — Ye Min Thu, David Htan, Hein Thiha Zaw, Nanda Kyaw, Keith, Zin Min Tun, Maximin, Daniel, Yan Naing Oo, and Abubakar.

As the winner of the match, Ceres Negros will meet Thailand's Port F.C. in the preliminary stage 2, the second round of the qualifiers, scheduled for 21 January.

As the losing team, Shan United will remain in the AFC

Cup 2020 group stage.

In 2008, Shan United met Ceres in Round 1 and beat them in a penalty shoot-out, but all the five matches between the two teams over the last two years have been won by Ceres. — Kyaw Khin ■

Regions, states Wushu competition opens in Mandalay

THE opening ceremony of the 2020 Regions and States Wushu competition was held yesterday at the Mandalay Thiri Stadium in Mandalay.

The event was attended by Mandalay Region Hluttaw Deputy Speaker Dr. Khin Maung Htay and cabinet members, secretary of the Myanmar Olympic Committee and director-general of the Sports and Physical Education Department, U Myo Hlaing, deputy director-general U Kyaw Oo, principal of the Institute of Sports and Physical Education (Mandalay), U Myo Myint Aung, deputy director of the Sports and

Physical Education Department (Mandalay), U Khin Zaw, secretary of the Myanmar Wushu Federation, deputy director U Tun Tun Oo, referees, officials from the planning and research division of the Sports and Physical Education Department, team managers, coaches, and athletes from 13 Wushu teams from states and regions, officials with the organizing committee, invited guests, students from the Institute of Sports and Physical Education, basic education schools, private schools, and monastic schools, and Wushu enthusiasts.

At the event, acting Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Zarni Aung made the opening remarks. Then, Wushu athletes took their sports oath.

Thereafter, the acting Mandalay Region Chief Minister, Mandalay Region Hluttaw Deputy Speaker, cabinet members, and director-general and deputy director-general of the Sports and Physical Education Department greeted the athletes.

A total of 196 athletes took part in the competition. — Tin Maung (Man Sub-Printing House) ■

(Translated by Kyaw Zin Tun)



The 2020 Regions and States Wushu competition is in progress at the Mandalay Thiri Stadium in Mandalay on 14 January. **PHOTO: TIN MAUNG (MAN SUB-PRINTING HOUSE)**