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Five-Point Road Map of the State Administration Council

1. The Union Election Commission will be reconstituted and its mandated tasks, including the scrutiny of voter lists, shall be implemented in accordance with the law.
2. Effective measures will be taken with added momentum to prevent and manage the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. Actions will be taken to ensure the speedy recovery of businesses from the impact of COVID-19.
4. Emphasis will be placed on achieving enduring peace for the entire nation in line with the agreements set out in the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement.
5. Upon accomplishing the provisions of the state of emergency, free and fair multiparty democratic elections will be held in line with the 2008 Constitution, and further work will be undertaken to hand over State duties to the winning party in accordance with democratic standards.

As trainees have taken oaths to be loyal to the State and Tatmadaw with sacrifice of life, they have to take pride in steadfastly serving State defence duty: Vice-Senior General



State Administration Council Vice-Chairman Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Soe Win inspects the Defence Services (Army) Combat Forces School in Bahtoo on 5 April 2022.

VICE-CHAIRMAN of the State Administration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Soe Win inspected the Defence Services (Army) Combat Forces School (Bahtoo) yesterday morning.

At the three-storey building

of the school, the Vice-Senior General inspected lectures virtually given by an official from the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission to the trainees of the infantry commanding officer, company commander and platoon commander courses and other practical and theoretical works and viewed around

the training halls, library and the exhibition hall of the history of the school and left necessary instructions.

Commandants of the Defence Services (Army) Combat Forces School (Bahtoo) and the Defence Services (Army) Officers Training School (Bahtoo) reported on training sessions

and implementation of the four-military building tasks. The Vice-Senior General fulfilled the needs of training and school administration.

In meeting with trainee officers from the infantry commanding officer, company commander and platoon commander courses at the Aung San

Hall of the school, the Vice-Senior General urged them not to forget that they are Tatmadaw members serving the duties round the clock by taking the four-point oath daily.

He noted that as trainees have taken oaths to be loyal to the State and the Tatmadaw

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Statement to appreciate teachers' efforts

TEACHERS are honoured as part of the Five Infinite Venerables, and the manner of paying respect to the teachers can be only seen in Myanmar as a tradition. The teachers teach their pupils based on their goodwill like their own children and dutifully serve a teacher's duties. They must train their pupils and students in the best discipline. They see that they grasp their lessons well. They instruct them in the arts and sciences, they provide for their safety in every quarter, and they introduce them to their friends and associates.

As the COVID-19 infection rate is controlled to a certain extent, the basic education high, middle and primary schools under the Department of Basic Education have reopened across nation for the 2021-2022 academic year starting 1 June.

Those who want to seek good sake of one party, political extremist NLD members and supporters, NUG, CRPH and PDF committed arson attacks at the schools using mines, homemade bombs and grenades to fail the teaching processes, and threatened the teachers in addition to the incitements, social punishment and threats against education staff to join CDM while the officials made preparations for the reopening of schools and during the current teaching period. Their doings left some casualties, and the State Administration Council has expressed its deepest condolences and sympathy to the victims' families.

The SAC also appreciates the concerted efforts of teachers, who understand two virtues, Hiri — shame at doing evil —and Otappa—fear of the results of doing evil—for teaching the new generations of the country amid such difficulties and challenges.

The security forces will take extraordinary measures to ensure the safety of teachers who are making efforts in the academic sector for the next generations in order to promote the education qualification. The people should keep security awareness and cooperate with the security members in community peace and peaceful learning of children.

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State Administration Council*

Inviting Investment for Edible Oil Crops

5 April 2022

- To fulfill the needs of national development, the Myanmar Investment Commission will prioritize the investment activities related with production of edible oilseeds, contract farming for edible oil crops, production of various types of edible oil.
- Both foreign and Myanmar citizen investors are welcomed to invest in said investment sector and the Myanmar Investment Commission, the concerned Ministries and the Governments of respective States and Regions will provide necessary assistance expeditiously to the investors.
- It is hereby announced that the following is the contact detail for the more information:

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Ministry of Investment and Foreign
Economic Relations

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5 April 2022

Investment Facilitation and Promotion for Edible Oil Crops

- The Myanmar Investment Commission has announced to prioritize the investment activities relating to production of edible oil seeds, contract farming for edible oil crops, and production of various types of edible oil.
- In this regard, Ministry of Investment and Foreign Economic Relations (MIFER) will coordinate and facilitate such investments from both home and abroad with the concerned Ministries, the Governments of respective States and Regions including Nay Pyi Taw Council.
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Ministry of Investment and Foreign Economic Relations

COVID-19 vaccines delivered to different states, regions

IN collaboration with civil society groups, COVID-19 vaccines are transported to other states and regions in line with the Cold Trail Standards, which the Air Force provides.

Covaxin and Astra Zenec COVID-19 vaccines, which can be given to ten people at a time, are being transported by Cold Chain Delivery Logistics trucks and by military

planes to Myeik Township of Taninthayi Region, following the quality control standards, officials said.

On 5 April, 7,712 doses of Astra Zenec vaccines and, 1,586 doses of Covaxin vaccines to Dawei Township, 3,178 doses of Astra Zenec vaccines, and 1,405 Covaxin vaccines to Dawei Township and 2,370 Astra Zenec vaccines and 219 Co-

vaxin vaccines to Kawthoung Township were transported by Cold Chain Delivery Logistics Vehicles.

Officials added that the authorities from each township had received all the vaccines. They would be distributed to the public as soon as possible in accordance with the target population groups. —MNA



58 new cases of COVID-19 reported on 5 April, total figure rises to 611,984

MYANMAR'S COVID-19 positive cases rose to **611,984** after **58** new cases were reported on 5 April 2022 according to the Ministry of Health. Among these confirmed cases, **590,358** have been discharged from hospitals. Death toll stands at **19,433** without casualties.—MNA

To build the Union based on Democracy and Federal System

TO build the Union based on Democracy and Federal System, furthermore, the EAOs need to cultivate an attitude in which a Union Spirit regarding the entire Union as one family as well as one home without doing unilateral propositions, and need to partake in the peace process as soon as possible.

(Excerpt from Speech Delivered by Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Maha Thray Sithu Min Aung Hlaing at the Parade of the 77th Anniversary Armed Forces Day on 27 March 2022.)

Instructor officers must be skilful in military arts and knowledgeable in conducting training: Vice-Senior General



State Administration Council Vice-Chairman Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Soe Win meets the training instructors, officers, other ranks and family members at the Bahtoo Station yesterday.

THE defence strategy of the State is the people's militia strategy with all-inclusive of the entire people centring the Tatmadaw, so they all need to live in the harmonization of the people, said Vice-Chairman of the State Administration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Soe Win in meeting with training instructors, officers, other ranks

and families of Bahtoo Station at Aung San Hall of the Defence Services (Army) Combat Forces School (Bahtoo) yesterday afternoon.

In his speech, the Vice-Senior General noted that instructor officers must be skilful in military arts and knowledgeable in conducting training. Despite the difference in badges depending on functions and organizational setup, they all serve the State

defence duties by taking the four-point oath in the same missions and visions. They all have to abide by the laws in implementing the assigned responsibilities and orders. They must protect the life and property of the people in their administrative areas.

The State's defence strategy is the people's militia strategy with all-inclusive of the entire people centring the Tatmadaw, so they all need to live in the har-

monization of the people. It is necessary to assist in implementing the Pankhinn project to issue citizenship scrutiny cards to all eligible voters for the coming free and fair election and security and other essential measures. Likewise, it is necessary to expose and wipe off the danger of terrorists who attempt to disturb the efforts of the State for the prosperity of the nation and efficiency of food and water.

The government, the security forces, government personnel and ethnic people will join hands in wiping off the terrorists and making efforts to successfully hold the free and fair election the people long for. As the Tatmadaw members and families are partially serving the vital duty of the State at any time, they need to take care of their health and fitness individually.

Only when they are healthy and fit will they serve the assigned duties. They all have to successfully overcome challenges and difficulties for serving the interests of the State and the Tatmadaw through unity. The Vice-Senior General fulfilled the requirements submitted by the Tatmadaw members and families. After the meeting, the Vice-Senior General presented foodstuff for instructor officers, officers, other ranks and families of the station to the commandant.

Daw Than Than Nwe, the wife of the Vice-Senior General, presented cash assistance for the maternal and child welfare association to the wife of the commandant and Lt-Gen Aung Zaw Aye of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) domestic foodstuffs to an officer. — MNA



The Vice-Senior General presents foodstuffs.



The wife of the Vice-Senior General gives cash assistance.

As trainees have taken oaths to be loyal to the State and the Tatmadaw ...

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with the sacrifice of life, they have to take pride in steadfastly serving the State defence duty. The Vice-Senior General urged them to strive for serving the stability and prevalence of law and order for the State with diligence and perseverance despite facing difficulties and hardships.

He continued to say that

they all must pursue the training lessons to have the skills for professionally applying the experiences in discharging the duties in the measures of the State. If so, they will have the skills to protect the life and property of the people safely. On the other hand, it is necessary to emphasize administrative and welfare measures for the sub-



The Vice-Senior General views the Library.



The Vice-Senior General look into the historical record photos of the Combat Forces School.

ordinates and families to serve the assigned duties conveniently. They all have to build mutual trust and understanding to supervise associates with goodwill.

The Vice-Senior General presented foodstuffs for train-

ees and instructor officers to the commandant. At the same time, Lt-Gen Aung Zaw Aye of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) gave the sports equipment to the trainees through the deputy commandant.

The Vice-Senior General and party had lunch together with the trainees at the mess hall of the infantry commanding officer trainees of the Defence Services (Army) Combat Forces School (Bahtoo). — MNA

MoI Deputy Minister inspects IPRD works in Waingmaw, Mandalay townships

DEPUTY Minister U Ye Tint of the Ministry of Information, accompanied by Kachin State

Social Affairs Minister U Win Ye Htun, inspected the Waingmaw Township IPRD office, met staff

and checked the Sub-Printing House in Myitkyina Township on 4 April morning.



The MoI deputy minister meets the IPRD staff.

In the afternoon, the deputy minister met the region director, district staff officers and staff, head of Sagaing Zone MRTV retransmission stations, in-charge and Staff of Mandalay News Department, and Sub-Printing House (Mandalay) of News and Periodicals Enterprise.

On 5 April morning, the deputy minister arrived at the Upper Myanmar Printing-House of the Printing and Publishing Department and inspected preparing to print school textbooks and gave the instructions to supervise to be good quality printing while meeting with the in-charge and staff of the printing house.

Afterwards, the deputy minister inspected the Aungmyethazan Township IPRD office, Public Library and Sarpay Beik-

man Library and Book shop and gave instructions to work hard on the services for the benefit and satisfaction of people.

He noted that the staff should be proud of being government employees and serve the duties by showing loyalty. It also needs to cooperate with the relevant departments to produce the youths with the proper characteristics and capacity to become good persons that the country relies on.

He finally talked about the awareness of fire dangers and instructed them to avoid any weakness of security and information issues in departments, factories and offices during the upcoming Thingyan holidays and coordinated the submissions of the officers and staff. — MNA

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Over 220,000 students take physics exam on fifth day of 2022 matriculation



Maei Town, Taungup Township, Rakhine State



Hopan Township, Shan State (North)



Katha Township, Sagaing Region



Maei Town, Taungup Township, Rakhine State

THE fifth day of the 2022 matriculation exam was held yesterday morning, with 227,682 students taking the examination for the physics subject nationwide.

This year, 20 foreign examination centres and 1,232 local examination centres were opened in the country,



Myawady Township, Kayin State,



Kengtung Township, Shan State (East)

totalling 1,252 examination centres, with 252,441 students registered to sit the exam.

On the fifth day of the exam, 227,682 students took the physics exam, accounting for 90.19 per cent, according to the Ministry of Education.

— MNA

Myanmar hosts 9th National Contact Points of ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (ARASFF), 7th Steering Committee of ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (ARASFF-SC) meetings online



MYANMAR hosted the ninth meeting of the National Contact Points of the ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (ARASFF) and the seventh meeting of the Steering Committee of the ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (ARASFF-SC) online on 4 and 5 April.

The meetings were presided by Deputy Director-General Dr Thanda Kyi of the Planning

Department under the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation, and attended by the relevant officials of the Agriculture Department, Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department, Fisheries Department, FDA and Consumer Affairs Department.

During the meetings, the delegates of member countries discussed food safety issues and other matters. — MNA

The online meetings of the ninth National Contact Points of ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed and the seventh Steering Committee of ASEAN Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed in progress.

Daily newspapers in circulation on New Year holidays alternatively

DAILY newspapers of the News and Periodicals Enterprise under the Ministry of Information will be in circulation in rotation during the official holidays of the Myanmar New Year.

The Myanma Alinn Daily will be published from 9 to 12 April whereas the Kyemon and the Global New Light of Myanmar dailies will take holidays.

The Kyemon and the Global New Light of Myanmar dailies will be in circulation from 13 to 17 April, while the Myanma Alinn daily will take a break.

Likewise, the Shwipyi Rakhine Image supplement published every Wednesday by the Sub-Printing House (Sittway) will take a holiday on 13 April, the Ethnic Sector supplement in the Shan Language published every Thursday by the Sub-Printing House (Taunggyi) on 14 April, the Ethnic Sector supplement in Mon, Sakaw Kayin, Poe Kayin and Pa-O Languages published every Sunday by the Sub-Printing House (Mawlamyine) on 10 and 17 April. After the Thingyan holidays, all dailies will be published regularly.

Advertisements will be accepted without any holiday during alternative holidays of daily newspapers. As of 18 April, all newspapers will be in circulation as usual.

News and Periodicals Enterprise

Imports of anti-COVID-19 equipment run as usual



THE Ministry of Commerce oversees the importation of crucial medical supplies plus anti-COVID devices critical to the COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment activities through trading posts, international airports and seaports. A total of three tonnes of

Disposable masks were imported by a vehicle of one company via the Lwejel trading post yesterday.

Officials from the relevant departments cooperate to facilitate and expedite the standard operating procedures, including online registration for the im-

port process.

It is reported that the Ministry of Commerce is coordinating with relevant departments and treatment of COVID-19 as well as contact persons for inquiries can be reached through the Ministry's Website — www.commerce.gov.mm. — MNA

CRIME NEWS

Illegal teak, agricultural materials, foodstuffs, vehicle seized in some townships



Officials confiscate illegal commodities.

MANAGED by the Anti-Illegal Trade Steering Committee, action is being taken against illegal trades under the law.

On 4 April, the combined on-duty inspection teams under the management of the Customs Department carried out inspec-

tions at the Yepu Checkpoint. They seized agricultural materials (estimated at K193,760,000) but that did not show any official documents and a 12-wheel truck which carried these materials (estimated at K25,000,000), totaling K218,760,000. Action is taken

under the Customs Law.

Similarly, on 5 April, a combined inspection team under the management of the Customs Department carried out inspections at the Mayanchaung Permanent Checkpoint in Mon State. It seized the soft drinks (estimated at K2,860,000) that did not show any official documents, and action is taken under the Customs Law. A combined inspection team under the management of the Sagaing Region Anti-Illegal Trade Task Force carried out inspections. It seized 2,398 tonnes of illegal teak (estimated at K686,400) in Katha Township, Katha District and action is taken under the Forest Law. Thus, five arrests were made on 4 April and 5 April (estimated value of K222,306,400). — MNA

Pakokku Township education officer brutally killed

PDF terrorists brutally killed the Pakokku Township Education Officer yesterday morning. Daw Tin Tin Yi, 58, was killed on the way to her office by two men who approached her motorcycle and shot her on Ayeyawun road, (12) ward, in Pakokku Township, in front of the "May Myanmar" store. According to the report, security personnel rushed to the scene and found her dead with a bullet wound in her left

arm and another bullet wound in her left chest. It is reported that three empty bullets marked with A USA Auto 380 were found and confiscated near her body.

The dead body was sent to the Pakokku District People's Hospital, and members of the security forces are conducting necessary investigations to take action against the perpetrators, according to the Myanmar Police Force. — MNA



Deceased education officer.

Stimulant tablets seized in Kachin State, Mandalay Region

A combined team consisting of the members of Anti Drug Squad stopped and searched a motorcycle driven by Cho Myint at the corner of Shinsawpu street and Aungthapyae Street in Mohnyin Township, Kachin State and seized 9,000 stimulant tablets from him. Similarly on that day,

a combined team comprising the members of Anti-Drug Squad searched a motorbike driven by Min Kyu aka Arafat together with Thein Tun Aung (aka) Chit Phu on the Thazi-Meiktila road in Thazi Township, Mandalay Region and confiscated 6,800 tablets of ecstasy. The police have filed

the charge against the suspects under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law, it is learnt. — MNA

Ma Tin Mar Cho and Cho Myint are seen along with seized stimulant pills and motorbikes.



Import prices likely to drop as FX deposits must be converted into local currency at CBM reference rate of K1,850

THE Foreign exchange earned by locals in Myanmar must be deposited in accounts at the authorized banks and exchanged for the local currency at the Central Bank of Myanmar's reference rate of K1,850, which can result in a drop in the import prices, Dr Soe Tun, an economist shared his opinion on his social page.

According to the provisions stipulated in Sections 11, 12 and 13 of the Foreign Exchange Management Law, all the foreign currency earned by locals have to be exchanged for local currency at the CBM's reference rate of K1,850 by opening the accounts at the authorized dealers in the country within one working day, according to the notification released on 3 April.



Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM).

The importers can exchange the US dollar at K1,850 at the licenced banks, and the

prices of fuel oil, edible oil, pharmaceuticals, construction materials and consumer goods are

expected to drop by 10 per cent within a short time if there is sufficient foreign currency for sales

to import those important goods, Dr Soe Tun gave a remark.

Meanwhile, the export sector involving rice, broken rice, various beans and pulses, corn, fishery products and other goods sees no changes in cost and freight (CFR) and Free on board (FOB) prices. However, policy changes will incur a massive loss to the exporters as the exchange rate falls by 10.8 per cent between the CBM's rate at (K1,850 per dollar) and the unofficial exchange K2,050. For instance, if the exporters sell one million dollars, they lose about K200 million.

This policy can also impact the dollar holders in the long term. The gold price can also decrease by tracking the currency appreciation, said Dr Soe Tun. — NN/GNLM

Basics of fish/shrimp disease diagnosis, treatment conducted for farmers



Feedstuffs for fish siblings. PHOTO : KA NU



Microscopic check on the disease of fish/ shrimps.

THE Myanmar Fisheries Federation, the Aqua Myanmar and Fish/Shrimp Diagnostic Laboratory have taught the farmers the basics of fish/shrimp disease diagnosis and treatment for four days at the Myanmar Fisheries Federation in Yangon. The certificates of achievements were awarded yesterday evening.

Dr Kay Lwin Tun, Dean of the Department of Zoology, Yangon University, taught theoretical knowledge and practical subjects to 6 fish/shrimp farmers from Ayeyawady and Yangon Regions who were practising fish farming. The purpose of the training was to prevent disease and loss during the

breeding period from hatching to commercial age, improve the quality of production, and detect the disease in the fish/shrimp hatcheries in advance.

The training also covered ways to practically diagnose diseases of fish/shrimp and ways to solve the difficulties in breeding, changing water, food price volatility, lack of access to specific shrimp food, lack of access to technology, and food and diseases which need special care.

That is the first batch of the training, and more trainees will be admitted to provide more comprehensive teaching of the subjects and skills, which will help to do year-round breeding skills. It is reported that the training was conducted free of charge. — Nyein Thu (MNA)/GNLM

Stock trading down in March 2022

THE equity market declined in March 2022 against the trading in the previous two months, the Yangon Stock Exchange's price data indicated.

A total of 61,435 shares valued K282 million by seven listed companies were traded on the exchange in January 2022 and the trading volume rose to 80,291 shares in February, with estimated value of K414.9 million. A total of 52,408 shares with an estimated value of K233.634 million were traded on the exchange in March 2022, according to the monthly report of the YSX.

At present, shares of seven listed companies — First Myanmar Investment (FMI), Myanmar Thilawa SEZ Holdings (MTSH), Myanmar Citizens Bank (MCB), First Private Bank (FPB), TMH Telecom Public Co. Ltd (TMH), the Ever Flow River Group Public Co., Ltd (EFR) and Amata Holding Public Co., Ltd. (AMATA) — were traded in the equity market. The share prices per unit slightly fell to K8,100 for FMI, K2,750 for MTSH, K7,700 for MCB, K18,500 for FPB, and K2,600 for TMH, K2,600 for EFR and K5,000 for AMATA, respectively in March.

Regardless of the collapse of the stock markets worldwide,

the local equities market has been able to continue operating without stopping trading.

Additionally, YSX launched a pre-listing board (PLB) on 28 September 2020 in order to provide unlisted public companies with fund-raising opportunities and build a bridge toward listing on YSX. Next, the Securities and Exchange Commission of Myanmar (SECM) has allowed foreigners to invest in the local equity market since 20 March 2020.

Only K4.63 billion valued in 887,969 shares by seven listed companies were traded on the exchange in 2021, showing a significant drop of 63 per cent as against 2020, according to the annual report released by the exchange.

In 2020, K12.6 billion worth of 1.87 million shares by six listed companies were traded on YSX, whereas over 2.4 million shares from five listed companies, valued at K13.39 billion, were traded on the exchange in 2019.

The YSX was launched four years ago to improve the private business sector. It disseminates rules and regulations regarding the stock exchange and knowledge of share trading through stock investment webinars and training courses. — KK/GNLM

Turn out educated persons in upgrading the education sector

“OUR country is very weak in the education sector. More than five million of over nine million students enrolled in the previous academic year,” Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Chairman of the State Administration Council and Prime Minister, was quoted as saying at the SAC Meeting 3/2022 on 30 March.

The number of students in all countries can be seen as a pyramid form. The basic level of them is the largest number. Last academic year, more than five million enrolled students were accounted for just 60 per cent of the total student population. Some

20 per cent of over 5 million enrolled students were absent among them. About 80 per cent of enrolled students attended the school. It is a terrible danger to the education of Myanmar. It shows the potential for causing the out of linkage in the education generations. When those students grow up, the number of educated persons will be shortages in society. The interim census enumerated in 2019 showed 18.263 million people of 25.169 million above 25 years old had completed middle school education, accounting for 60 per cent. There are more than two million educated persons and more than 500,000 people holding degrees and diplomas. Shortages of educated persons will impact the turning out of human resources for all sectors. At least any graduates and diploma holders will be qualified to make further studies for advanced levels. They should have basic knowledge based on at least middle school education to learn techniques and technologies. Last year, some 100,000 people completed the training in technical high schools and vocational education schools. Educated persons settle in various areas of the nation, accounting for some 80 per cent in urban areas and some 20 per cent in rural areas. It shows the need to amend the education policies to improve the whole nation. Indeed, a democratic nation must be built through the strength of educated persons. Implementation of every work process must be based on their accumulated knowledge and invaluable experiences. It is necessary to build a manual structure of the Union based on democracy and federalism with an educated structure to keep abreast of other countries. Only when the number of educated persons is abundant can the country be built with educated persons' advanced knowledge and skills. Hence, it is necessary to enhance the policies for a sound foundation for the education sector in real-time.

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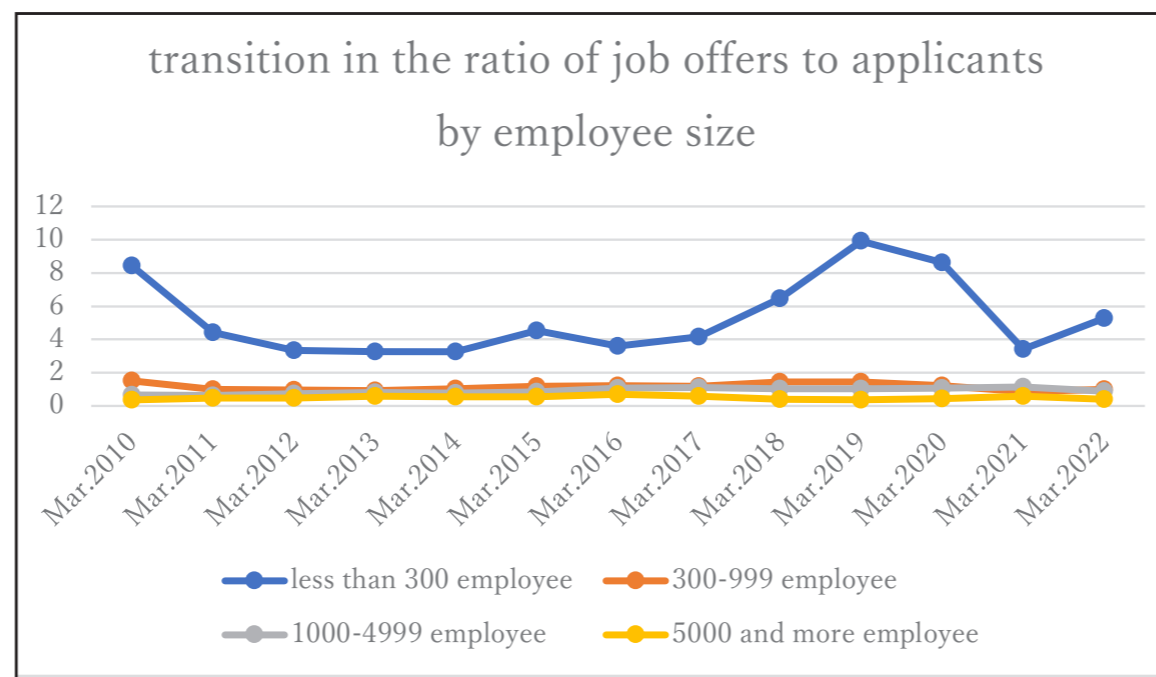
New employees are coming on 1 April since graduating from university

By Suzuka Yoshida

THE 1 April is the day when the fiscal year turns to the next. It is also the day when new employees come to companies all over Japan. A total of 677,000 people who graduated from university in 2022, high school, and vocational school became real-world members.

These new employees have been looking for jobs for about a year. It seems that they are celebrating with an uplifting feeling that they were finally able to join the company of their choice and that a new life would begin.

New employees have spent about a year doing job hunting before the entrance ceremony on 1 April. During student lives, they learned while thinking about “what kind of profession I want to get” and “what kind of company is good for me”, and started job hunting about a year before graduation. Students write their curriculum vitae and motivations for the companies they want to join and take document screenings and interviews many times. Some universities teach you how to write documents, but basically, students themselves should do the procedure. They must have at least three interviews: an interviewer in the personnel department, a senior interviewer in the personnel department, and an interview with executive officers after passing a document review and a written exam. This process is done with multiple companies at the same time. Through the examination, students looked at “what characteristics this compa-



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ny has and whether it suits them”, and finally narrowed it down to one company.

However, since interviews were held online for COVID-19 last two years, it is allegedly that students are worried about whether they have fully understood that company and it could be the right choice to join the company.

On the other hand, companies also seem to be a little worried whether the selection of human resources was correct because they hired them without actually meeting students. Companies spend about two years getting good talent, calculating the profit of the previous year, making a future sales forecast, making a me-

dium- to long-term plan, setting the necessary human resources and number of people, and recruiting. The human resources required by a company change little by little depending on companies and the times. However, still there is a strong tendency to seek human resources who have the flexibility and absorption to grow within the company. Many companies place importance on the basic academic abilities required, such as the ability to read documents, collect information, communicate, and read and draw graphs. At the factory, more science knowledge and skills should be added and needed.

There is a big difference in the satisfaction of companies and

students between large companies with more than 5,000 employees and small companies with less than 300 employees. As the graph shows, there are more students-applicants than the demand of large companies with more than 5,000 jobs. The ratio of job offers to applicants is only 0.41; large companies can choose as many as they like. On the other hand, for companies with less than 300 employees, the ratio is 5.28 jobs per student. This figure shows that small-sized businesses are not popular with students, so it does not meet the demand every year. Small-sized businesses that are unable to meet their demand are therefore often hired mid-career all year round (hiring

people who have stopped other companies, regardless of the season).

Why is there a gap between supply and demand for new graduates?

The reason is small companies have a lot of work and tend not to raise their salaries. Small Japanese companies are often subcontracted by large companies, and large companies order jobs to subcontractors at low prices in order to secure their profits. It is pushing subcontractors to the bill that they cannot make enough sales. Subcontractors cut labour costs to cut costs. There is a minimum wage system in Japan, but some companies are trying to pay just below the limit. For 30 years after the burst of the bubble economy in 1991, large companies have not digitized and created new businesses,

and furthermore, they have been bringing a hierarchy into their business relationships to secure annual profits. The amount of consumption is declining. Thus, a chronic low-profit structure has taken root in Japan.

Japan's GDP per capita was overtaken by South Korea in 2015, and Japan can be no longer a developed country. Japan as a whole is suffering from the recession. And for the past two years, the affection of COVID-19 has been added to small companies so that they cannot cut costs any further.

It can be said that the time when companies with 300 or fewer employees have the same ratio of job-offers-to-applicants as a large company is just the time when Japan's economic power has improved in earnest. When will it come?



Image of new employees who joined companies on 1 April

COVID-19 can have long-term impacts on the brain, shows study



A health worker works with blood samples of COVID-19-infected patients in Sao Paulo on 1 July 2021. PHOTO: REPRESENTATIVE IMAGE/ AFP

RESEARCHERS have found that subjects infected with the SARS-CoV-2 virus displayed signs of severe brain inflammation and injury consistent with a reduction in blood or oxygen flow into the brain, neuron damage and small areas of bleeding.

Researchers at Tulane University have explained how COVID-19 affects the central nervous system of human beings. The findings are the first comprehensive assessment of neuropathology associated with SARS-CoV-2 infection in a nonhuman primate

model.

The findings of the research

The findings of the research were published in the journal, 'Nature Communications'.

Surprisingly, these findings were present in subjects that did not experience severe respiratory disease from the virus. Tracy Fischer, PhD, lead investigator and associate professor of microbiology and immunology at the Tulane National Primate Research Centre, has been studying brains for decades. Soon after

the primate centre launched its COVID-19 pilot program in the spring of 2020, she began studying the brain tissue of several subjects that had been infected. Fischer's initial findings have documented that the extent of damage seen in the brain due to SARS-CoV-2 infection was so striking that she spent the next year further refining the study controls to ensure that the results were clearly attributable to the infection. "Because the subjects didn't experience significant respiratory symptoms, no one expected them to have the severity of

disease that we found in the brain," Fischer said.

Findings were distinct and profound

"But the findings were distinct and profound, and undeniably a result of the infection," he added.

The findings were also consistent with autopsy studies of people who have died of COVID-19, suggesting that nonhuman primates may serve as an appropriate model, or proxy, for how humans experience the disease.

SOURCE: ANI

MYANMAR GAZETTE

Heads of Service Organizations transferred, confirmed and appointed

1. The State Administration Council has transferred and appointed Dr Aung Swe Tun, Director-General of the Monitoring and Evaluation Team (Education) under the Ministry of Education, as Director-General of the Department of Monitoring and Evaluation of the same ministry from the date he assumes charge of his duties.
2. The State Administration Council has confirmed the appointment of Dr Tin Tun, Director-General of the Department of Human Resources for Health under the Ministry of Health after the one-year probationary period.
3. The State Administration Council has appointed Dr Thida San, Deputy Permanent Secretary (Deputy Director-General) of the Ministry of Legal Affairs, as Director-General of the Legislative Vetting Department of the same ministry on probation from the date she assumes charge of her duties.

MYANMAR Daily Weather Report

(ISSUED at 7:00 pm Tuesday 5 April 2022)

BAY INFERENCE: Weather is a few cloud over the North and West Central Bay of Bengal and partly cloudy to cloudy over the Andaman Sea and elsewhere over the Bay of Bengal.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL AFTERNOON OF THE 6 April, 2022: Rain or thundershowers will be fairly widespread in Kachin State, scattered in Taninthayi Region and isolated in upper Sagaing, Yangon, Ayeyawady Regions and Shan, Chin, Kayah States. Degree of certainty is (80%). Weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining regions and states.

STATE OF THE SEA: Sea will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters. Wave height will be about (4-8) feet off and along Myanmar Coasts.

OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT TWO DAYS: Likelihood of isolated to scattered rain or thundershowers in Nay Pyi Taw, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady, Taninthayi Regions and Kachin, Shan, Rakhine, Kayah, Kayin, Mon States.

FORECAST FOR NAY PYI TAW AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 6 April, 2022: Partly cloudy.

Significant Water Level Bulletin

(Issued at 15:00 hr M.S.T on 5-4-2022)

ACCORDING to the (12:30) hrs M.S.T observation today, the water level of Ayeyawady river at Myitkyina is (620) cm, the water level rose about (8½) feet within 2 April and 3 April, and it fall about (4) feet on 4 April. The water level rose about (9) feet on 5 April, 2022.

The water levels, which rose at upper Ayeyawady river, may rise above their present water levels by about (8) feet to (9) feet at Bhamo, Shwegu and Katha during the next (1) to (3) days, about (10) feet to (12) feet at Thabeikkyin, Mandalay, Sagaing and Myinmu during the next (7) days, about (8) feet to (10) feet at Pakokku, NyaungU, Chauk, Minbu, Magway and Aunglan during the next (10) days, and about (6) feet to (7½) feet at Pyay, Seiktha, Hinthada and Zalun during the next (13) days.

It is advised that the vessels running along the river and those who made plantations on sandbank during these period should make precaution measures for the rise of water level.

Nearly entire global population breathing polluted air: WHO



A nautical-themed breathing mask is fixed to Lord Nelson's statue at the top of Nelson's Column in Trafalgar Square, central London on 18 April 2016. The stunt was part of a series that were carried out across the capital by Environmental protest group Greenpeace by adding masks to famous statues, to highlight air pollution in the capital. **PHOTO: AFP/FILE**

A full 99 per cent of people on Earth breathe air containing too many pollutants, the World Health Organization said Monday, blaming poor air quality for millions of deaths each year.

Fresh data from the UN health agency showed that every corner of the globe is dealing with air pollution, although the problem is much worse in poorer countries.

"Almost 100 per cent of the global population is still breathing air that exceeds the standards recommended by the World Health Organization," the agency's environment, climate change and health director Maria Neira told reporters.

"This is a major public health issue."

In its previous report four years ago, WHO had already found that over 90 per cent of the global population was affected, but it has since tightened its limits, it said.

"The evidence base for the harm caused by air pollution has been growing rapidly and points to significant harm caused by even low levels of many air pollutants," WHO said.

While UN data last year indicated that pandemic lockdowns and travel restrictions caused short-lived improvements in air quality, WHO said air pollution remains a towering

problem.

"After surviving a pandemic, it is unacceptable to still have seven million preventable deaths and countless preventable lost years of good health due to air pollution," Neira said.

'Healthier energy systems'

WHO's study provides air quality data from more than 6,000 cities and other settlements across 117 countries -- representing around 80 per cent of urban settings.

In addition, Neira said WHO used satellite data and mathematical models to determine that air quality is falling short basically everywhere.—AFP ■

In a southern US capital, an unending water crisis

EVERY morning, 180 students at a school in Jackson, Mississippi have to board a bus to be taken to another nearby school. The reason? Their school lacks the water pressure needed to flush its own toilets.

Cheryl Brown, the principal at Wilkins Elementary — where 98 percent of the 400 students are African American and most come from underprivileged backgrounds — doesn't hide her frustration.

"It's hard. It's very hard," she told AFP.

"It's taxing on the boys and girls," who spend much of the day at the other school before heading back to Wilkins in the afternoon. "It's taxing on the staff members," she said. Jackson is undergoing a severe water crisis — despite its status as a state capital in one of the richest countries in the world.

Late last year, President Joe Biden signed into law a \$1 trillion package to address badly deteriorated infrastructure like Jackson's.

The city's water system has suffered "significant deficiencies" since 2016, reports from the southern state's health department found.

Both the causes and symptoms of the crisis are clear: water flows from old and unmaintained treatment plants — one is 100 years old — through leaking, century-old pipes. When it comes out of city taps, it's sometimes rust-brown — and always contaminated with lead.

"The distribution lines are aging, and a master plan for pipe replacement... is not being implemented," the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) wrote in a 2020 report.—AFP ■



Children leave Wilkins Elementary school in Jackson, Mississippi, to use the bathroom at a neighbouring school because their school lacks the water pressure needed to flush the toilets. **PHOTO: AFP**

The UN's 10,000-page red alert on climate change

ACCELERATING global warming is driving a rising tide of impacts that could cause profound human misery and ecological disaster, and there is only one way to avoid catastrophe: drastically reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Spread across 10,000 pages, these are the main takeaways from a trio of UN reports on climate change published in August 2021, February 2022 and on Monday. The three tomes — each with its own roster of hundreds of authors — focus on physical science, impacts and the need to adapt, and finally how to slash carbon pollution.

This will be the sixth such trilogy since the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) delivered its first report in 1990 and positioned itself as the final word on the science behind global warming.

Here are five key findings from the three reports:



A car drives past wind turbines of the Storheia wind farm, one of Europe's largest land-based wind parks, in Afjord municipality, Norway. **PHOTO: AFP**

Beyond a doubt

Whatever climate sceptics might say, scientific evidence has removed any lingering doubt that human activity is "unequivocally" responsible for global warming, which has seen the planet heat up an average of 1.1 degrees Celsius

above preindustrial levels.

The atmospheric concentration of CO₂ — the main driver of warming, emitted mainly by burning fossil fuels — rose at least 10 times faster between 1900 and 2019 than any time in the last 800,000 years, and is at its highest in two million years.—AFP ■

Australia landslide kills two British tourists

A landslide struck a British family on holiday in Sydney, killing the father and his nine-year-old son while critically injuring the mother and another son, Australian police said Tuesday.

The family of five was caught by the landslide on Monday as they hiked along a popular trail in the Blue Mountains to the west of Australia's largest city.

Police said teams were still trying to recover the bodies of the

father and son from the scene on Tuesday. Rescuers rushed the mother and her 14-year-old son to hospital in Sydney on Monday evening, police said. They both underwent surgery and were in critical condition on Tuesday.

The couple's 15-year-old daughter was not injured and was walked out from the trail by emergency services, a police spokesperson said.

She is being assisted by the

British consulate and welfare services.

Local police in the Blue Mountains were investigating the landslide and a report was to be prepared for the coroner on the two deaths. The identity of the family has not been released. Sydney has experienced heavy rains in recent weeks, with many suburbs in the city's west devastated by flash flooding and heavy storms.—AFP ■

Germany makes Covid quarantine voluntary from 1 May

GERMANY will no longer impose compulsory quarantines on people infected with the coronavirus from 1 May, Health Minister Karl Lauterbach said Monday.

Isolation remains “strongly recommended”, said Lauterbach, but he added that it will from next month be done “on a voluntary basis”.

“The current rules work but (it) is not necessary in the long term,” he said.

The only exceptions are employees of medical institutions, who must continue to isolate for five days if they catch the virus, he said.

Infection numbers in Germany remain high, but with most cases reported to be mild, hospitals have not been overwhelmed.

As a result, Europe’s biggest economy has relaxed coronavirus curbs, lifting a requirement to wear masks in shops or

schools.

An initial drive by Chancellor Olaf Scholz’s government for compulsory vaccinations has also petered out.

As a proposal to introduce mandatory jabs for over-18s was unlikely to win a majority in parliament, the government committee working on the plan has scaled down its ambitions to look at compulsory vaccinations for over-50s.—AFP ■



A man walks in front of a vaccination center in the city of Munich, southern Germany. PHOTO: AFP

Shanghai screens nearly 25 mln residents for COVID-19 in one day



An employee works at an auto parts company in Anting Township of Jiading District, east China’s Shanghai, 26 March 2022. Local enterprises have been maintaining stable production under strict COVID-19 prevention and control measures. PHOTO: XINHUA/WANG SHUJUAN

SHANGHAI on Monday finished the basic collection of samples for nucleic acid testing from its nearly 25 million residents in the city’s latest effort to cut off transmission in communities and contain the latest COVID-19

resurgence, local authorities said on Monday night.

“With the active cooperation of the local residents, the city finished the latest round of nucleic acid sampling work on 4 April,” the office of the Shang-

hai municipal leading group for COVID-19 prevention and control said in a statement.

Shanghai conducted the city-wide nucleic acid testing on Monday after a mass antigen testing on Sunday. The city has been placed under temporary closed-off management after surging COVID-19 infections were logged in recent days.

Further work, including testing, multiple checks, the transportation of positive cases, and the analysis and assessment of the COVID-19 situation, will be carried out in an orderly manner, according to the statement.

After all work is completed, follow-up control measures will be released based on relevant national regulations and the results of the mass screening.—AFP ■

Smart at-home fitness surges amid epidemic



A man displays an exercise at home. PHOTO: VCG/XINHUA

ONLINE exercise programmes fuelled by advanced technologies have been embraced in China as many ordinary citizens and

sports enthusiasts have taken to at-home workouts amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Zhao Lina, goalkeeper of Chi-

na’s national women’s football team, posted a video clip on social media showing her at-home workouts with the aid of artificial intelligence (AI) which soon went viral. The video shows the Shanghai player completing a series of standard workouts including deep squat jacks and push-ups, and then advocating the adoption of at-home sports AI to people who are locked down amid a resurgence of COVID-19.

Sports AI, launched by AlibabaSports Group, is based on AI image recognition technology, allowing users to do countable and correctable workouts with only a cellphone and three to four square metres of space at home.—Xinhua ■

NEWS IN BRIEF

Passenger traffic at Hyderabad airport at 109%, surpasses pre-COVID level

THOUGH the overall international travel was subdued during the prolonged Covid-19 pandemic, the Hyderabad International Airport recorded 109 per cent of pre-Covid Daily Average Domestic Passenger Traffic on a single day, informed the officials on Tuesday.

The international slots filed 103 per cent of pre-Covid in Summer-22 Schedule and recorded 89 per cent of pre-Covid average daily passenger traffic in the international sector on 28 March.

“The post-Covid growth in the destinations being connected has been remarkable and in the last few months, it has added 15 new domestic sectors. Hyderabad International Airport is now connected to over 70 domestic destinations from the pre-Covid period of 55 domestic destinations,” informed an official release.

The airport also recorded the highest number of post-Covid domestic Air Traffic Movements (ATMs) of 374 on 27 March.—ANI ■

Portugal to spend 32.7 mln euros on COVID-19 medicines

THE Portuguese government authorized an expenditure of 32.7 million euros (35.9 million US dollars) for the purchase of medicines against COVID-19 in 2022, according to a government decree published on Monday. The resolution of the Council of Ministers said that the expenditure is necessary “because of the evolution of the pandemic situation,” and aims to ensure the Portuguese people have access to “therapeutic options for the disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus.”

Signed by Portuguese Prime Minister Antonio Costa, the order authorizes the acquisition of the antiviral drug Remdesivir, as well as funding for the storage and acquisition of vaccines against COVID-19.—Xinhua ■

New Zealand reports 14,120 new community cases of COVID-19

New Zealand recorded 14,120 new community cases of COVID-19 on Tuesday, the Ministry of Health said in a statement.

Of the new community infections, 2,351 were detected in the largest city Auckland, and the rest were identified across the country, according to the ministry.

In addition, 48 new cases of COVID-19 were detected at the New Zealand border, said the ministry.

Currently, there are 692 patients being treated in New Zealand hospitals, including 30 held in intensive care units. The ministry also reported 23 more deaths from COVID-19 on Monday.

New Zealand has reported 716,151 confirmed cases of COVID-19 since the beginning of the pandemic in the country.

New Zealand is currently at the highest Red settings under the COVID-19 Protection Framework. At the updated Red settings, indoor gatherings are limited to 200 people, and no limits are set for outdoor gatherings.—ANI ■

World Bank projects developing East Asia Pacific to grow 5 pct in 2022

THE developing East Asia and Pacific countries is projected to grow by 5 per cent in 2022 amid the resurgence of COVID-19 pandemic, tighter financial conditions and the Russia-Ukraine war, the World Bank said Monday.

“Shocks emanating from the war in Ukraine and the sanctions on Russia are disrupting the supply of commodities, increasing financial stress, and dampening global growth,” said the World Bank’s newly released East Asia and Pacific Economic Update. “Just as the economies of East Asia and the Pacific were recovering from the pandemic-induced shock, the war in Ukraine is weighing on growth momentum,”



A container carrying supplies for Hong Kong is loaded onto a ship at Dachanwan wharf of Shenzhen port, south China’s Guangdong Province, 21 Feb 2022. **PHOTO: XINHUA/LIANG XU**

said World Bank Vice President for East Asia and Pacific Manuela V. Ferro. “The region’s largely strong fundamentals and sound policies should help it weather these storms.” Surging U.S. inflation could provoke faster-than-anti-

ci-pated financial tightening, perhaps timely in the United States but “too early” in many East Asia and Pacific countries where recovery is “incomplete,” according to the report. The risk of capital outflows, which could put pressure on

some countries’ currencies, could induce “pre-mature” financial tightening.

Overall economic growth in developing East Asia and Pacific countries is projected to slow to 5 per cent in 2022, 0.4 of a percentage point less than expected in October, the World Bank noted, adding that if global conditions worsen and national policy responses are weak, growth in the region could slow to 4 per cent.

To mitigate the risks and grasp the opportunities, the World Bank urged governments to enhance efficiency of fiscal policy for recovery and growth, and strengthen macroprudential policies to mitigate risks from global financial tightening.—Xinhua ■

NEWS IN BRIEF

US inflation prompts 1st rise in Japan gov’t bond coupon in 7 years

THE Japanese government on Tuesday raised the coupon rate for its new 10-year sovereign bonds to 0.2 per cent from 0.1 per cent, the first increase in seven years made to match higher yields following rapid inflation in the United States.

The coupon rate hike will add upward pressure to borrowing costs for households and companies, with the rate currently kept near zero on the back of the Bank of Japan’s ultraeasy monetary policy. The coupon rate is the rate of interest bondholders can receive in a year decided by the ministry at issuance, taking into account yields that move inversely to bond prices in the market. The yield on the new 10-year government bonds has climbed recently to around 0.2 per cent in tandem with increases in US Treasury yields, after the US Federal Reserve decided to raise interest rates to tame surging prices, including those related to energy.

MUFG Bank and other megabanks in Japan have already raised their basic 10-year fixed mortgage rate this year in response to the yield rise.

The loan rate may be further raised if the long-term government bond yield advances with the coupon rate hike.

The ministry raised the coupon rate to prevent the new government bonds to be issued Wednesday, which mature on 20 March 2032, from being less attractive than debt already being traded on the market.—Kyodo ■

Iran says oil production back to pre-sanctions level

IRAN’S oil production capacity has returned to the same level as prior to the reimposition of sanctions in 2018, when the US unilaterally withdrew from a nuclear deal, a top official said. “Oil production has reached pre-sanctions figures, despite economic pressures,” said Mohsen Khojastehmehr, CEO of the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC), quoted

by state news agency IRNA on Sunday. Iran is currently engaged in negotiations to restore the 2015 nuclear deal that would grant it much-needed sanctions relief, restoring Iranian oil exports, in return for major curbs on its nuclear programme. The US, under then president Donald Trump, unilaterally withdrew from the deal in 2018 and reimposed stringent



Due to the impact of sanctions on its exports, Iran is exempt from the existing deal between the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and allies, known as OPEC+, to limit oil supply. **PHOTO: AFP**

sanctions, prompting Iran to begin rolling back on its commitments under the deal the following year.

Output has been restored to the pre-sanctions

level of 3.8 million barrels per day (bpd), Khojastehmehr said, after it had sharply declined following the reimposition of sanctions.—AFP ■

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation
Central Committee for Holding Myanmar Gems Emporium
The Information on Fifty-Seventh Myanmar Gems Emporium 2022

1. The significant Fifty-Seventh Myanmar Gems Emporium 2022, under the supervision of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, will be held on April 22 to 28, 2022 at Maniradana Jade Hall in Nay Pyi Taw. Genuine Myanmar pearl lots, gems lots and rough jade lots will be sold at the Emporium.
2. In accordance with the Myanmar Gemstone Law local gems entrepreneurs who got permit to make gems mining and local gems merchants who got licence to operate the finished gemstone making and dealings will be allowed to attend and purchase the Lots at Fifty-Seventh Myanmar Gems Emporium 2022 according to the terms and conditions.
3. For further information in detail about granted admission to purchase Lots at Fifty-Seventh Myanmar Gems Emporium 2022, can inquire and keep contact with Emporium Central Committee, Myanmar Gems Enterprise (Head Office), Myanmar Pearl Enterprise (Head Office) in Nay Pyi Taw.

Emporium Central Committee

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1	Crop-Kboard 25 SL	Fomesafen 250 g/l SL	P2017-4006
2	Crop-Sterile 50 WP	Iprodione 50 % WP	P2017-4008

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1	Keywa Amine 86% SL	2,4-D Dimethyl Amine 86% SL	P2017-3516
2	Keywa Gly 41% SL	Glyphosate 41% SL	P2017-3517

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1	Crop-Gcancer 72SL	2,4-D Dimethyl Amine 720g / l SL	P2017-3999
2	Crop- Marsur	Azoxystrobin 250g/l SC	P2017-4000
3	Crop-Finice	Dinotefuran 20%SG	P2017-4004
4	Crop Cohey	Copper hydroxide 77%WP	P2017-4003
5	Crop-Farnator 3GR	Fipronil 3% GR	P2017-4005
6	Crop-Karyard 24 EC	Oxyfluorfen 240g/l EC	P2017-4009
7	Crop-Gexin 27.6 SL	Paraquat 27.6 % SL	P2017-4010
8	Crop-Skilor 25 WG	Thiamethoxam 25 % WG	P2017-4011
9	Crop-Swenstor 40 EC	Thiazophos 40 % EC	P2017-4012

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Japan, Philippines to hold 1st 2-plus-2 security talks on Sat.

JAPAN and the Philippines will hold their first ministerial security talks on Saturday in Tokyo to enhance cooperation in countering China's increasing maritime assertiveness in the South and East China seas, Japan's Defence Minister Nobuo Kishi said Tuesday.

The so-called two-plus-two talks involving the countries' foreign and defence ministers come as the Philippines faces overlapping territorial claims with Beijing in the South China Sea. China also has been routinely sending ships to the East China Sea to waters near the Japan-administered Senkaku Islands, which Beijing claims and calls Diaoyu.

"We would like to further bolster our cooperation with the Philippines, which has great significance (for Japan) in terms of security," Kishi told a regular press conference.

The two-plus-two talks with the Philippines will be the second with a Southeast Asian country following those with Indonesia.

Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam will not seek re-election

HONG Kong leader Carrie Lam said Monday she will not run for a second term as chief executive of the territory in a leadership election slated for 8 May.

Lam, who became the first female chief executive of Hong Kong in 2017 after being chosen as a Beijing-favored candidate, revealed her decision in a daily COVID-19 press briefing, citing family affairs.

It has been reported that the No 2 official in Hong Kong, Chief Secretary for Administration John Lee, will join the race for the city's next leader.

"This is not a question of evaluating my performance or the performance of the SAR government in this term," Lam told journalists, referring to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region that exists under China's "one country, two systems" policy.

'Several dead' in Hungary train crash: police

SEVERAL people died in a train crash in Hungary Tuesday after a van drove onto the rails at a crossing causing the train to derail, Hungarian police said.

"Several were injured in the accident and several died at the scene," the police said in a statement, without providing further details.

The accident happened near Mindszent, 140 kilometres southeast of Budapest just before 7 am.

According to a statement by the Hungarian state railway MAV, the van entered the level-crossing despite the stop sign showing.

"There were 22 passengers on the train, two were seriously injured, eight suffered minor injuries, several of the van's passengers were killed," said the statement.

Peru president imposes curfew in Lima, Callao after protests

PERUVIAN President Pedro Castillo announced a curfew for Tuesday for the capital Lima and neighbouring port city Callao following a demonstration that caused roadblocks and "acts of violence". Protests had erupted across the country in recent days due to a hike in fuel prices and tolls, during a period in which Peru is also suffering from a rise in food prices.

In an attempt to appease protesters, the government eliminated the fuel tax over the weekend.

But Monday's demonstration saw truckers and passenger carrier drivers continue to take to the streets in Lima, as well as several regions in the north -- from the coastal city Piura to the

SOURCE: Kyodo/AFP

N. Korea threatens to use nukes in event of preemptive strike by S. Korea



A military parade is held in Pyongyang on 14 Jan 2021. PHOTO: KCNA/KYODO

THE sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un has threatened to use nuclear weapons against South Korea if Seoul opts for a military confrontation with Pyongyang, the North's official media reported Tuesday.

Kim Yo Jong, vice department director of the Central

Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, issued the threat after South Korean Defense Minister Suh Wook last week referred to Seoul's preemptive strike capabilities against North Korea.

It was an "irretrievable very big mistake" when Suh "talked about 'preemptive strike,' term-

ing us the enemy," Kim said in a statement carried by Korean Central News Agency.

"In case South Korea opts for military confrontation with us, our nuclear combat force will have to inevitably carry out its duty," she said.

Last Friday, Suh said South Korean forces have the capability to accurately and swiftly strike North Korean missile sites, as well as command and support facilities in the event there is clear sign of an imminent launch against South Korea.

Kim claimed prevention of war is the primary mission of North Korea's nuclear force, and that if war occurs, "a dreadful attack will be launched and the South Korean army will have to face a miserable fate little short of total destruction and ruin."

— Kyodo ■

Pakistan constitution wrangle drags on in court

PAKISTAN'S supreme court was to sit Tuesday for a second day to rule on the legality of political manoeuvres that led Prime Minister Imran Khan to dissolve the national assembly and call fresh elections.

The court must decide if the deputy speaker of the assembly violated the constitution by refusing to allow a no-confidence vote against Khan at the weekend.

The move allowed Khan to get the presidency — a largely ceremonial role taken by a loyalist — to dissolve parliament and order an election, which must be held within 90 days. Had the vote taken place, Khan was certain to have been booted from office.



Bilawal Bhutto Zardari (left) chats to fellow opposition leader Shehbaz Sharif in Islamabad. PHOTO: AFP

President Arif Alvi upped the ante Tuesday by issuing a letter to the opposition saying if they didn't

nominate a candidate for interim prime minister, the process would continue without them. — AFP ■

US Democrats pin hopes on historic Supreme Court nominee

US Supreme Court candidate Ketanji Brown Jackson stands on the threshold of making history this week as the first Black woman appointed to the nation's highest judicial bench after senators voted Monday to move her one step closer to confirmation.

Barring any unforeseen hiccups, President Joe Biden's pick to replace retiring Justice Stephen Breyer will break a 12-year drought for Democratic nominees being placed on the

court. Jackson, 51, will also be only the third Black justice in its history, and Democrats — worried about Biden's low approval ratings — are keen for a headline-grabbing achievement to take into November's midterm elections.

"I've often thought that if you had to choose one place to stand and witness the march of America — the noble and ignoble struggles of our democracy — I would seek out a chair in this

room," Senate Judiciary Committee chairman Dick Durbin said.

"Today's vote is such a moment. This committee's action today is nothing less than historic."

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell had pressed privately for his members to oppose Jackson, and at least 47 of the 50 Republicans in the upper chamber look almost certain to reject her. — AFP ■

Moscow hopes Kyiv won't listen to "advisers" from afar: Russian FM

MOSCOW hopes Kyiv will follow its national interests at Russia-Ukraine peace talks, but not listen to "advisers" from afar, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said Monday.

"It is not the talks that influence the course of the operation, but external 'players' who are trying to hinder these negotiations and keep the clashes 'on the ground' going on for as long as possible," he told a press conference following talks with Arab League (AL) representatives on Ukraine, according to a statement published by the Russian Foreign Ministry.

"We know who gives such 'advice' to our Ukrainian neighbours. This is done with useless goals that have nothing to do with



Ukrainian soldiers rest on a car in Irpin, Ukraine, on 4 March 2022. PHOTO:XINHUA

the interests of the Ukrainian people, the security of Ukraine, the security in the region of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, and in our European region," he added.

"I hope that those who lead the delegation of Kiev at the

said talks will start to be guided by their own national interests, the interests of their people but not listen to 'advisers' from afar, who sometimes only want to see how the crisis situation will continue to build up," Lavrov said. —Xinhua ■

20 Ukraine evacuees arrive in Japan from Poland as Hayashi ends trip

A group of 20 Ukrainian evacuees arrived in Japan on Tuesday with Foreign Minister Yoshimasa Hayashi as he returned from his visit to Poland in a show of Tokyo's latest support for war-torn Ukraine and its neighboring countries. The 20 evacuees who boarded a government plane in the Polish capital of Warsaw had been hoping to travel to Japan but had been unable to secure their own means of transportation, according to Hayashi, who refrained from disclosing further details, citing privacy concerns.

The exceptional move by Japan of using a government plane to airlift foreign evacuees comes as people fleeing Ukraine face skyrocketing airfares since Russia's invasion of their homeland



Smoke rises after an attack in Odessa. PHOTO: AFP

began on Feb. 24. The government plans to provide support to the 20 evacuees for around six months, including housing, employment and language lessons, according to senior vice justice minister Jun Tsushima who accompanied Hayashi on his five-day trip to Poland. —Kyodo ■

Merkel defends 2008 decision to block Ukraine from NATO

FORMER German chancellor Angela Merkel on Monday defended her 2008 decision to block Ukraine from immediately joining NATO, rejecting President Volodymyr Zelensky's criticism as Russia's invasion clouds her 16-year legacy.

Zelensky in a night-late address had described as a "miscalculation" a Franco-German-led

decision at the NATO summit in Bucharest to not admit his country to the alliance despite a push from the United States.

"I invite Ms Merkel and Mr (Nicolas) Sarkozy to visit Bucha and see what the policy of concessions to Russia has led to in 14 years," he said, referring to the alleged atrocities against Ukrainian civilians by Russian

troops that world powers have described as "war crimes".

The Ukrainian president also accused the European leaders of seeking to appease Russia with their stance then. But Merkel in a short statement issued by her spokeswoman said she "stands by her decisions in relation to the 2008 NATO summit in Bucharest". —AFP ■

NEWS DIGEST

Here are the latest developments in the war in Ukraine:

Russia, Ukraine continue efforts to ease tensions, defend interests

MOSCOW and Kyiv have conducted several rounds of peace talks with the aim of searching for a political settlement to the ongoing crisis in Ukraine, which has intensified over the past month.

The outcomes of these talks, as delegations from both sides have indicated, are expected to lay an important foundation for de-escalation of tensions between Russia and Ukraine, but key divergences have yet to be resolved.

The latest round of face-to-face negotiations in Istanbul last week resulted in Kyiv handing Moscow its proposals, which contained its refusal to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and deploy foreign military bases and troops on its territory, its readiness to fix its current status as a non-bloc state, and willingness to renounce nuclear weapons as well as other weapons of mass destruction.

Zelensky addresses Grammys

ZELENSKY makes a surprise appearance at the Grammy music awards, appearing in a pre-taped video urging support for his country.

"Our musicians wear body armour instead of tuxedos," he says. "They sing to the wounded in hospitals -- even to those who can't hear them. But the music will break through anyway."

Full isolation 'impossible'

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov says it is not possible to isolate Russia entirely, telling Russian state television that the world is "much larger than Europe".

Strikes in east, south

RUSSIA steps up its attacks in eastern Ukraine, killing seven people and wounding 34 in strikes on a residential area of the country's second largest city Kharkiv, according to local authorities.

Russian forces also shell the nearby town of Dergachi, leaving at least three civilians dead and wounding seven, its mayor says.

Six people are reportedly killed in the eastern Donetsk region by strikes and one in the east Ukrainian town of Rubizhne, where Russian forces are accused of targeting a local hospital.

Russia also maintains its offensive in southern Ukraine.

One person is killed and 14 injured after a Russian strike on the city of Mykolaiv, according to the local governor, and the strategic Black Sea port of Odessa is also targeted in air strikes.

Too soon for peace summit

RUSSIA'S chief negotiator Vladimir Medinsky says it is too early for a top-level meeting between Zelensky and Putin on ending the conflict.

He says Kyiv has become "more realistic" in its approach to issues related to the neutral and non-nuclear status of Ukraine but a draft agreement for submission to a summit meeting is not ready.

France says to expel 35 Russian diplomats

FRANCE on Monday said it would expel 35 Russian diplomats as part of a joint European action after Moscow's invasion of Ukraine.

"France decided this evening to expel a number of Russian personnel with diplomatic status stationed in France whose activities are against our security interests," the foreign ministry said in a statement.

A ministry source, who asked not to be named, said 35 Russian diplomats would be expelled.

"This action is part of a European approach," the foreign ministry statement added. "Our first responsibility is always to ensure the safety of French people and Europeans," it said.

SOURCE: AFP/XINHUA

Myanmar trounce Australia 6-1 in AFF Futsal Championship group match

THE 2022 ASEAN Futsal Championship group stage matches continued in Thailand yesterday, with the Myanmar Futsal team scoring big against Australia.

On the second day of Group B, the Myanmar team defeated Australia 6-1 while Viet Nam beat Timor-Leste 7-1

Myanmar scored four crucial points in the group matches against Viet Nam and Australia, giving them an excellent chance to reach the semi-finals. The Myanmar team also showed good form in this match and beat Australia without conceding a goal.

Thaing Bwe Aung scored a winning goal for Team Myanmar at 32 minutes, Nyein Min Soe at 16 and 25 minutes and Hein Min Soe at 24 minutes, respectively.

The last goal was an own goal scored by an Australian player. In Group B, Myanmar and Viet Nam have earned



Myanmar players (white) put pressure on the Australian Team (yellow) during their group match of the 2022 ASEAN Futsal Championship in Bangkok, Thailand, on 5 April 2022. **PHOTO: MFF**

four points each by winning one match and a match in a draw while the Australian Team has earned three points with one win and one loss.

Timor-Leste has no point with two losses.

The final day of Group B will be played today at 10:30 am Myanmar Standard Time between Viet Nam and Australia.

The match between Myanmar and Timor-Leste will be played at 12:30 pm Myanmar Standard Time.

Myanmar will advance to the semi-finals even with a draw result in the final group match, and if they win without conceding a goal, they will be able to take first place in the group. — Ko Nyi Lay/GNLM

Republic of the Union of Myanmar State Administration Council Nine Objectives

1. Political affairs

- To build a Union based on democracy and federalism, through a disciplined and genuine multiparty democratic system that is fair and just.
- To emphasize the achievement of enduring peace for the entire nation in line with the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA).
- To continue implementing the principle of peaceful co-existence among countries through an independent, active and non-aligned foreign policy.

2. Economic affairs

- To enhance production based on agriculture and livestock through modern techniques and strengthen all-round development in other sectors of the economy.
- To develop a stable market economy and promote international investment in order to enhance the economic development of the entire National people.
- To promote and support local businesses to create employment opportunities and increase domestic production.

3. Social affairs

- To ensure a strong and dynamic Union spirit, the genuine spirit of patriotism.
- To respect and promote the customs and traditions of all National peoples and preserve and safeguard their cultural heritage and national characteristics.
- To enhance the health, fitness and education quality of the entire nation.

Inaugural Asian Mixed Cup tees off in Thailand



The Asian Mixed Cup takes place at Siam Country Club in Pattaya. **PHOTO: ONEASIA/AFP**

GOLF'S inaugural Asian Mixed Cup begins in Thailand this week with a host of international male and female hotshots on the same scorecard.

The pioneering event has a purse of \$750,000 and kicks off Thursday at Waterside Course at Siam Country Club in Pattaya.

Golfing action will wrap up Sunday and features 60 Ladies European Tour (LET) and 60 Asian Tour golfers.

The line-up includes

the Asian Tour number one, American Sihwan Kim, as well as past LET merit list winner Becky Brewerton of Wales.

Ahead of tee-off, Kim said he was focused on keeping on the fairway and staying hydrated.

"I don't know how long this cool Pattaya weather will last but in Southeast Asian countries just keeping hydrated and getting some fuel and nutrition into you is very important," he said.—AFP ■

Tuchel provides calm amid Chelsea storm ahead of Real clash

CHELSEA face Real Madrid on Wednesday reeling from their heaviest defeat of the season, but Thomas Tuchel's battle-hardened ability to keep his players focused should ensure the Champions League holders are ready for the latest test of their resilience.

While Saturday's shock 4-1 home defeat against Brentford was hardly ideal preparation for the quarter-final first leg against Real, Chelsea boss Tuchel has dealt with worse setbacks during a turbulent period for his club.

When Chelsea owner Roman Abramovich was sanctioned by the British government for his alleged links with Russian President Vladimir Putin following the invasion of Ukraine, the Blues were plunged into a financial meltdown that threatened to engulf Tuchel's team.

Unable to negotiate new contracts with players due to the sanctions, Chelsea have had to sit by while key defenders Antonio Rudiger, Andreas Chris-

tensen and Cesar Azpilicueta considered their futures.

As if that wasn't potentially distracting enough, fears were mounting that Chelsea might be pushed into administration amid the mayhem triggered by the sanctions. Restricted on the amount of money they could spend on travel to away games, Tuchel joked he was willing to drive the team bus himself before their Champions League last 16 win at Lille. Yet, despite

the chaos, Tuchel kept his players focused so well that they won six successive matches in all competitions immediately after Abramovich put the club up for sale.

It was a winning streak that underlined Tuchel's best qualities as he deflected any pressure away from his players with intelligent, empathetic responses to questions about the war in Ukraine and the unintended consequences for Chelsea.—AFP ■



Chelsea manager Thomas Tuchel. **PHOTO: AFP**