

## 3 released, 8 still detained for murder, missing persons cases in Maungtaw

AUTHORITIES have released three out of 11 suspects who had been detained on suspicion of their involvement in missing persons and murder cases in villages in Maungtaw Township.

After interrogation, three men were released, but with restrictions on their movement, according to a report by the Myanmar News Agency.

The remaining eight suspects

are detained for further interrogation for missing person case of Mummad Shawphi, 21, in Sintaung Village, and the murder of Swedu Armi in Linbargon Village on 2nd January.—GNLM

## Husband dead, wife injured after beating by neighbour and others in Buthidaung

A HUSBAND was killed and his wife injured after they were beaten by a group of men in Khewah Village in Buthidaung Township on Wednesday.

The couple was attacked by

five people, including their neighbour, on their way back home on 4th April after they informed the village's authorities about their neighbour cursing them following a brawl between their

children. Shawbi Hullah died on Thursday from his injuries. Actions are being taken against five men, including Zawnar Lo Po Dein, the neighbour of the couple.—Myanmar News Agency

## Myanmar businessmen to visit InterPlas Thailand 2017

MEMBERS of the Myanmar Plastics Businessmen's Association will visit InterPlas Thailand 2017 Exhibition at the Bangkok International Trade & Exhibition Centre (BITEC).

InterPlas Thailand 2017 Exhibition is ASEAN's Plastics Business Exhibition, where entrepreneurs in the plastics business from Asia will attend and exhibit their products. In this exhibition, equipment for production of plas-

tic and petro-chemical materials, technologies and its applications, engineering technology for casting and plastic injection, engineering and technological exhibition for the production of mechanical parts of vehicles, automation devices for fitting mechanical parts, enhancement of surface and painting, installation of machines for producing electrical appliances, and technologies of measurements and experiments and discussions will

be displayed. If a group of over 10 people visits InterPlas Thailand 2017, according to the Overseas Delegation Package, one person from Myanmar delegation can enjoy free hotel accommodations for 2 days. If a group of over 30 people visit InterPlas Thailand 2017, according to Connect Business Camping, one person will receive US\$100 and be able to use the Business Delegation Lounge for their meetings.—200

## Difficulties of fishermen resolved thanks to Myanmar-Thai negotiations

A NEW agreement between Myanmar and Thailand would impose legal action or penalties on illegal fishing vessels that unload in Thai ports, according to the Port State Measure Agreement (PSMA) that went into effect on 1 April for fishery enterprises, announced the Myanmar-Thai Directorates of Fisheries.

But the new agreement put

owners, operators and seamen on fishing boats that were already out to sea in potential violation, with no way to contact them and inform them of the new rules.

The Kawthoung District Fishery Enterprises Association thus went to Ranong, Thailand and negotiated with their Thai counterparts not to incur punishments to the Myanmar seamen when they

arrive back at port.

The Thai Directorate of fisheries postponed the implementation time for the purpose of sustaining long-term friendship between the two countries. The Thai Directorate of Fisheries will implement the Port State Measure Agreement (PSMA) 60 days after the original implementation date of 1 April.—*Kyaw Soe (Kawthoung)*



Myanmar and Thailand agree to impose illegal fishing vessels that unload at Thai ports. PHOTO: KYAW SOE (KAWTHOUNG)



Speaker U Win Myint meeting with Mr Robert Justin Alexander Forsyth, UNICEF's Deputy executive director. PHOTO: MYANMAR NEWS AGENCY

## Speaker U Win Myint receives deputy executive director of UNICEF

PYITHU Hluttaw Speaker U Win Myint received Mr Robert Justin Alexander Forsyth, Deputy Executive Director of New York-based UNICEF Headquarters at the building of the Pyithu Hluttaw in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

During the meeting, they dis-

cussed the aids providing processes of UNICEF and cooperation between UNICEF and Myanmar.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw U T Khun Myat and officials of the Pyithu Hluttaw office.—*Myanmar News Agency*



Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than receives former Swiss President Ms. Ruth Dreifuss. PHOTO: MYANMAR NEWS AGENCY

## Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than receives delegations

AMYOTHA Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than received the Chair of Geneva-based Global Commission on Drug Policy (GCDP) and former President of Switzerland Ms. Ruth Dreifuss at 10 am and Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF Mr. Robert Justin Alexander Forsyth at 1 pm at the hall of Amyotha Hluttaw in Nay Pyi Taw separately.

In their meeting, the two sides discussed the works of Global Commission Drug Policy (GCDP). The GCDP's aim is to "bring to the international level an informed, science-based

discussion about humane and effective ways to reduce the harm caused by drugs to people and societies." The GCDP has endorsed decriminalisation of drugs for non-violent offenders.

Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than discussed matters related to providing assistance for development of Myanmar at the meeting with the Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw U Aye Thar Aung and officials of the Amyotha Hluttaw office.—*Myanmar News Agency*

## Thura U Shwe Mann meets former Swiss President and Chair of the GCDP

Thura U Shwe Mann, Chairman of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Commission for the Assessment of Legal Affairs and Special Cases, received former President of Switzerland and the Chair of the Global Commission on Drug Policy-GCDP, Ms. Ruth Dreifuss at

11 am yesterday at the Hluttaw Building I-1 in Nay Pyi Taw. During the meeting, they exchanged views on ways for elimination of drug production and using in Myanmar and taking legal actions against the lawbreakers.—*Myanmar News Agency*