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President U Htin Kyaw and Union Minister Dr. Pe Myint formally open the Children's Literature Festival in Yangon yesterday. **PHOTO: MNA**

President opens Children's Literature Festival in Yangon

PRESIDENT U Htin Kyaw and First Lady Daw Su Su Lwin attended the opening ceremony of the Children's Literature Festival, exhibition and book sales event in downtown Yangon

yesterday morning.

The ceremony was held in Basic Education High School No. (6) Botahtaung (Saint Paul), designated as a historically significant building.

Union Minister for Information Dr. Pe Myint, a long-time advocate of children's literature festivals, said the most recent festivals have included exhibitions and book sales so

that the children can buy books they are interested in while visiting the festival and become better acquainted with books and literature.

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UEHRD sends tents to Rakhine for use in repatriation

The Union Enterprise for Humanitarian Assistance, Resettlement and Development in Rakhine is preparing to provide temporary shelters to refugees before construction of houses for them are ready for accommodation.

The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement bought more than 1,050 tents manufactured in Belgium, with each tent costing more than Ks900,000. One tent can accommodate up to 10 people.

The ministry used money from a loan from the World Bank to buy the tents.

Dr. Win Myat Aye, the Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement who is also vice-chairman of the UEHRD, inspected the tents stored at the Yangon Region Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Office yesterday. The ministry will send the tents to conflict areas in Rakhine State. The houses for refugees are under construction under the Cash for Work programme.

Union Minister Dr. Win Myat Aye held talks separately with the US Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Scot Marciel and Mr. Knut Ostby, the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator for Myanmar at his ministry in Nay Pyi Taw Friday on the repatriation issue in Rakhine State.—Myanmar News Agency

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