Senior General Than Shwe felicitates Norwegian King

Nay Pyi Taw, 17 May - Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Majesty King Harald V of Norway, on the occasion of the National Day of Norway, which falls on 17 May 2008.

Prime Minister visits relief camps in Ayeyawady Division

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May - Chairman of the National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee Prime Minister General Thein Sein, accompanied by members of NDPCC ministers, the Director-General of the Government Office and officials, arrived at Bogale, Ayeyawady Division by Tatmadaw helicopter this morning.

At the office of the Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association, the Prime Minister heard a report presented by Chairman of the Township Peace and Development Council U Soe Thein on setting up of relief camps for storm victims from wards and villages of the township, arrival and distribution of relief items donated by local and international organizations.

Next, Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung reported on arrangements made for storm victims and reconstruction work being carried out in storm-hit regions.

After that, Commander of No 66 LID Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye reported on opening of relief camps in storm-hit regions.

In response to the reports, Prime Minister General Thein Sein stressed the need to fulfill the requirements of storm victims to the most possible degree and gave instructions on steps to be taken for relief camps.

On arrival at the Township People’s Hospital, the Prime Minister greeted a team of doctors led by Deputy Director of Health Department Dr Than Win, a team of doctors and nurses led by Physician Dr Ko Ko, a team of doctors led by Township Medical Officer Dr Hla Hla Kyi and a team of technicians of UNICEF led by U Chit Ko Ko.

After that, the Prime Minister visited local people undergoing medical treatment at the Out-Patient Department and looked into arrangements for water supply to the hospital.

Next, the Prime Minister and party asked after warded patients and gave necessary instructions to officials.

After viewing the operation theatre and laboratory, the Prime Minister inspected progress in reconstruction of the hospital.

Next, they proceeded to No 1 BEHS of Bagale where the relief camp is being opened and inspected arrangements made by Htoo Trading Co Ltd for supply of drinking water and
the arrival of relief items.

Later, Prime Minister General Thein Sein and party cordially greeted storm victims and looked into repair of No 1 BEHS.

At 11 pm, they arrived at the relief camp in Sethsan Village, Bogale Township and looked into medical treatment performed by doctors and nurses to storm victims.

Next, the Prime Minister asked about health, living condition and availability of relief items of families of storm victims being accommodated in tents.

The Prime Minister said that no one can prevent the risk of disaster; the government provided storm victims with foods, accommodation and health care to the most possible degree in the aftermath of the severe storm, and presented foodstuff to children.

At 11.30 am, the Prime Minister and party left the relief camp and inspected the opening of relief camp in Kyeinchaung Village, setting up of tents donated by international organizations and transporting of relief supplies to the camp by vessel aboard the helicopter.

On arrival at Hlaingphone Village, Labutta Township, the Prime Minister and party cordially greeted storm victims being accommodated in tents.

Next, they inspected the serving of meals to storm victims by Shwe Than Lwin Co and rice and curry prepared.

After that, the Prime Minister presented CDMA-450 system telephones to officials to be used in communication services.

Film director Zinyaw Maung Maung and movie actor Yazar Nay Win who were taking part in relief task together with Shwe Thanlwin Co greeted the Prime Minister at the relief of Hlinephone Village.

At the local battalion in Mawlamyinegyun, the Prime Minister and party heard reports on reconstruction tasks being carried out in Mawlamyinegyun to turn into normalcy presented by the Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs.

They inspected repairing of houses and schools in the town by car.

At the township hospital, the Prime Minister comforted patients and inspected the opening of the public call booth of Myanma Posts and Telecommunications.

In Wakema, Chairman of the Township PDC U Hla Myint reported to the Prime Minister on opening of relief camps for the victims in Mawlamyinegyun, Bogale and Labutta townships. The Prime Minister attended to the needs.
At BEPS in Minpaing Ward, the Prime Minister and party consoled the storm victims. After that, they inspected the township hospital.

At Myaungmya Gunny Factory in Myaungmya, the Prime Minister met with the Chairman of Ayeyawady Division PDC Commander and officials and heard reports on matters related to the relief camps and gave instructions.

While in Myaungmya, they viewed providing of health care services to the victims at the clinic of the relief camp No 4 opened at BEHS No 4.

They also cordially greeted storm victims from Phonegyi Village-tract of Pyinsalu and presented relief goods to them.

In the evening, the Prime Minister and party left Myaungmya for Pathein by helicopter.

**Lt-Gen Myint Swe on inspection tour of relief camps in Dedaye, Kungyangon townships**

Yangon, 16 May – Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence consoled storm victims at relief camps in Kyondah Village of Dedaye Township in Ayeyawady Division and Lekkhokkon Model Village of Kungyangon Township Yangon, Division today.

Accompanied by Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe, Lt-Gen Myint Swe left here by helicopter with 2,100 kilos of relief supplies. On arrival at Ingapu Village of Kungyangon Township, they were welcomed by Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi.

They proceeded to Dedaye. At the Township Peace and Development Council Office, Minister Brig-Gen Lun Thi reported on conditions of the relief camps and providing of relief aid to the victims.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe inspected relief goods to be delivered to the victims.

Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and the ministers met chairmen of Village PDCs and instructed them to give priority to providing relief aid to the villages that are poor in transport and to take relief goods along with them when the chairmen went back to their villages.
At the relief camp in Ward 2 of Dedaye, they viewed generators, dispensary, video house, water purifier, mess tent, kitchen, latrines and relief aid and comforted the victims.

At the relief camp in Kyondah Village of Dedaye Township, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party inspected relief assistance for the victims and gave necessary instructions to officials.

They also inspected the relief aid for the victims at the relief camp in Lekkhokkon Village in Kungyangon Township and cordially conversed with the victims. At the camps in Dedaye and Kungyangon townships, the victims are being accommodated at the tents donated from abroad and provided with meals.

After presenting relief goods to the victims, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and the ministers arrived back here in the evening.

**Maj-Gen Tha Aye attends cash donation ceremony for storm victims of Ayeyawady, Yangon Divisions**

Yangon, 16 May- Maj-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence accompanied by Chairman of Mon State Peace and Development Council Commander of South-East Command Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win, attended the ceremony to donate cash to storm victims of Ayeyawady and Yangon Divisions at Mon State Hall in Mawlamyine yesterday.

Markets and restaurants of Mawlamyine donated K 13 million, bus lines, banks and pharmaceutical companies K 10.5 million, roads and bridges and fuel sale centres K 10 million, rice merchants, WVO, fishery entrepreneurs and free funeral services societies K 9.5 million, dams construction groups and industrialists K 7 million, Mawlamyine Township K 3.2 million, Chaungzon Township K 800,000, Kyaikmaraw Township K 400,000, Mudon Township K 2.6 million, Thanbyuzayat Township K 11.1 million, Ye Township K 900,000, Mon State Forest Department K 5 million and U Than Shein-Daw San San Win of Myat Thura Co K 2 million.

The donation totaled K 76 million and goods worth K 85,560,000.

Next, Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party viewed loading of relief supplies onto trucks.

In Chanugzon, Maj-Gen Tha Aye met departmental personnel and local people at the hall of the township. Afterwards, he comforted patients at Chaungzon Township Hospital and presented cash assistance to them.

After inspecting the hospital, Maj-Gen Tha Aye attended to the needs of the officials. Later, he viewed development of the township.
Diesel donated for relief and resettlement

Yangon, 16 May - PTT Public Company Limited, that is carrying out joint venture tasks with the Ministry of Energy, presented 480,000 litres of diesel on board MT Pentrader at the Oil Refinery (Thanlyin) for the tasks of relief and resettlement in storm-hit areas this afternoon.

Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi accepted diesel from Thai Ambassador Mr Bansarn Bunnag, on behalf of the company.

The Thai Ambassador expressed sympathy for the storm victims and explained the purpose of the donations.

Next, the minister spoke words of thanks.

Witness may inform about misappropriation of internal and international relief funds and supplies

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May - Anyone may inform the Head of Office (Ph: 067 404021, 067 404022) or Deputy Head of Office (Ph: 0986 01002) of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement if he witnesses or knows that the cash assistance and relief supplies donated from abroad and at home to the storm victims are kept for self-interest, traded, used for particular persons and organizations, or misappropriated for other purposes.

Legal action for any relief aid embezzlement
National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee releases announcement

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May - The National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee released an announcement yesterday.

The Announcement is as follows:-

1. Some areas in Myanmar were hit severely by the Cyclone ‘Nargis’. Now the nation is accepting the relief supplies donated by internal and international donors with much gratitude.

2. The Emergency Supply Supervisory Committee consisting of departmental officials
and non-governmental organizations is accepting and systematically keeping proper accounts the cash and relief aid donated by internal and international donors. Then, the Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Subcommittee consisting of departmental officials and non-governmental organizations is immediately delivering the items to the victims in the storm-hit areas.

3. Hence, wellwishers at home and abroad may contact the nearest Myanmar embassies, offices of the Military Attache, responsible persons of Natural Disaster Preparedness Subcommittees in the respective wards, townships, districts, states and divisions, other service agencies and official organizations and donate humanitarian aid.

4. Anyone may inform if he witnesses or knows that the cash assistance and relief supplies donated to the storm victims are kept for self-interest, traded, used for particular persons and organizations, or misappropriated for other purposes. We hereby announce that we have made all necessary arrangements to conduct investigation into the cases to expose the offenders and take punitive action against them in accordance with the law.

National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee

Ministers receive EU commission delegation

Yangon, 16 May- Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe, and Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint received European Commission Development and Humanitarian Aid Commissioner Mr Louis Michel, Head of cabinet of commissioner Mr Koen Doens, member of cabinet of commissioner Ms Karin Gardes Koutny, member of cabinet of commissioner Ms Benedicte van den Berg at National Archives Department of NPED Ministry yesterday.

At their meeting, the EU commission said it was deeply saddened by the news of losses and damage caused by the storm and the two sides discussed matters related to the relief aid work.

The ministers explained arrangements being made for matters on damage and natural disaster, the three-phase relief and rehabilitation tasks, opening of relief camps and international aid.
**Shwe Thanlwin aid for 20 villages**

Yangon, 16 May - A total of 22 items of personal goods and foodstuff worth K 11,153,500 donated by Shwe Thanlwin Co for victims of 20 storm-hit villages in Labutta, Bogale and Mawlamyinegyun townships including Kansu Village of Labutta Township were transported via Bogale by Shwetagu ship-1 that left Bagaya jetty, here, yesterday.

The company has so far donated one water purifier, foodstuff and personal goods worth K 64200700 to the storm victims of those regions.

**Hovercraft handed over**

Yangon, 16 May - Credent Technology (Myanmar) and Roallife Company in Myanmar under the arrangements of Union of Myanmar Economic Holdings Limited with the help of Power Tech Co in Thailand sent a 5-capacity hovercraft to be used in Ayeya-wady Division by C-130 flight.

U Than Tun of UMEHL and U Zaw Naing of Credent Technology (Myanmar) and Roallife Company handed over documents related to the hovercraft to U Zaw Win, Director of Fire Services Department.

**11 special criminal appeal cases under judgment**

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May - The Spatial Appellate Bench Comprising Deputy Chief Justice of Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw) U Htun Htun Oo, Supreme Court Judges of Supreme Court (Mandalay) U Myint Aung and U Sein Hlaing sitting at Court room No-1 of the Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw), delivered judgment of 11 special criminal appeal cases and then heard (4) special civil appeal cases under section (7) and (2) special civil appeal cases under section (8) of the Judiciary Law, 2000.
Electric Power No 2 Minister inspects repair works

Yangon, 16 May – Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspected repair of 33 KV pylons of Hlinethaya-Nyaungdon power line and replacing of 16 pylons damaged by storm and progress of installation of power lines and arrangements being made for supply of power to Nyaungdon and Maubin Townships in Ayeyawady Division on 14 May.

The minister and party also looked into reconstruction of pylons used for supply of power from Hlinethaya sub-power station to Shwelinban Industrial Zone and sub-power stations No 1 and 2, installation of power lines and repair works.

Volunteers clear debris in downtown Yangon

Yangon, 16 May-The volunteers have removed the debris along the streets in downtown Yangon.

A total of 1,000 Tatmadawmen of Indaing Station cleared debris in the streets of Mingala Taungnyunt, Pazundaung, Kyauktada, Latha townships using machinery yesterday.

Similarly, the volunteers including Tatmadawmen of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command and Yangon Station and members of Union of Solidarity and Development Association also cleared the debris along the streets and in the schools in downtown Yangon. The staff of Yangon City Development Committee removed the downed billboards at the corner of Shwedagon Pagoda and U Wisara roads with the use of machinery.

Transportation services are smooth and buses are returning to normal in downtown Yangon as debris was cleared along the streets and pavements.
Health care services inspected at relief camps in Dagon Myothit (South)

Yangon, 16 May - Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint together with Deputy Minister Dr Mya Oo and officials inspected health care services given to the storm victims at the Health Department in Dagon Myothit (South) Township yesterday.

He heard reports by officials on treatments furnished to the storm victims township-wise in Yangon Division.

Later, he visited relief camps at Basic Education Middle School No 4 in Ward 55, at Sasanadhaja Dhammayon on Bagan Street in Ward 54 and in Ward 17, and inspected functions of clinics, conditions of families living in the tents and sanitation at their environs. He fulfilled the needs of the officials concerned so that they could see to accommodation of the families.

Entries invited to article and essay open contests to mark World Environment Day

Yangon, 16 May-The National Commission for Environmental Affairs will organize the article and essay open contests in commemoration of the World Environment Day 2008 in line with the motto “Kick the Habit: Towards a Low Carbon Economy”.

The entries for the article and essay must be at least 10 pages of A 4 sized paper. The works are to be written with Win - Innwa Font size 17 or Myanmar Unicode Myanmar 2 Font size 17 in line spacing 1.5. Handsome prizes will be presented to the winners at the ceremony in Nay Pyi Taw to mark the World Environment Day 2008.

The entries are to be submitted to the NCEA of the Ministry of Forestry with the name of the contestants, the NRC number and address, not later than 23 May.
Storm victims furnished with supplies, accommodations

Yangon, 16 May – A vessel of Inland Water Transport delivered relief supplies to the storm victims in Theipan and Betuk villages in Labutta Township, Ayeyawady Division on 14 May.

Altogether seven members of WFP and 80 members of other organizations arrived at the storm-hit areas on 5 May and presented 150 tons of rice and 5 tons of energy biscuit to the people in relief camps up to 14 May and built 150 tents for 948 storm victims in relief camp opened at Yadanadipa sports ground in the township.

Debris cleared in Bahan, Tamway

Yangon, 16 May-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin inspected volunteers from YCDC clearing debris from Kaba Aye Pagoda Junction to New University Avenue in Bahan Township and from Kyaikkasan Road Junction to Banyadala Road in Tamway Township with the use of heavy machinery this morning.

1,050 shelter boxes donated by Rotary Club arrive

Yangon, 16 May – A total of 1,050 shelter boxes donated by Rotary Club of England for storm-hit regions of Ayeyawady Division arrived at Yangon International Airport this morning.

Officials handed over the shelter boxes to companies that will supply them to the storm-hit regions of Ayeyawady Division. Htoo Trading Co and Air Bagan Co Ltd will transport 300 shelter boxes to Bogale Township, Eya Shwewah Co 250 shelter boxes to Labutta Township, and FMI Co, Shwe Thanlwin Co, Tetlan Co, AyonU Co, Thein Co and Moe Kyeisin Co 500 boxes to Hainggyikyin, Ngaputaw Township and Alekyun.

A shelter box comprises one tent, one stove, one mosquito net and construction materials. More shelter boxes donated by Rotary Club will arrive here soon.

Htoo Trading Co and Air Bagan Co Ltd will install the boxes for the victims along the road from Pyapon to Bogale and those from villages near Bogale.

On 14 May, staff of Htoo Trading Co and Air Bagan Co Ltd donated K 300 million for
So far, Htoo Trading Co and Air Bagan Co Ltd have donated K 100 millions for the victims in Bogale Township on 8 May, K 100 million in Pyapon Township on 11 May and K 300 million to the Central Relief Committee. In addition, the companies donated rice, edible oil, medicines, purified drinking water, clothes, tents, generators, pumps and others to the victims of Bogale Township. The staff are also assisting the victims in Bogale.

**International relief supplies flowing by air to Myanmar**

Yangon, 16 May-The international community is providing relief supplies to the storm-hit areas from 6 up to 15 May. Ten donor countries have transported relief items by air 20 times to Myanmar. The following table shows donor countries, aircraft, relief supplies and weight.
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Relief and rehabilitation tasks carried out in Bogale Township

Yangon, 16 May - Tatmadaw helicopters transported foodstuff and clothing to the storm victims in Htawpaing village and food, clothing and personal goods together with health staff of Health Department in Nay Pyi Taw, medicines and fuel oil to Satsan Village in Bogale Township, Ayeyawady Division yesterday. A medical team led by Deputy Director (Malaria) Dr Than Win of Health Department, Specialist Dr Ko Ko Oo of Yangon General Hospital, township Health Officer Dr Daw Hla Hla Kyi and staff provided medical treatments to the storm victims and performed preventive measures for infectious diseases.

Brunei donates $100,000 to storm victims

Yangon, 16 May-The Ambassador of the Brunei Darussalam to Myanmar presented 100,000 US dollars to Chairman of the Funds Accepting and Distributing Committee Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Col Hla Thein Swe at the donation centre in the Central Bank of Myanmar here at 10 am today.
ECDHAO Commissioner and party visit relief camp in Hlinethaya Township

Yangon, 16 May - Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe met with Commissioner Mr Louis Michel of European Commission Development and Humanitarian Aid Office and party at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs here yesterday afternoon.

Afterwards, the minister, the commissioner and party arrived at Atwin padan relief camp in Hlinethaya Township, Yangon North District. They were welcomed by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and party. The commander and party briefed them on allocation of house holds, admin office, clinic, video features, supply of pure water, and accommodation of house holds and receiving of relief supplies.

The commissioner and party cordially greeted and comforted them.

Cash and kind for storm victims

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May-Department concerned, social organizations, families of Tatmadawmen and wellwishers continued to present cash and kind to the people in storm-stricken areas.

Families of Tatmadawmen from Shan State (South) and wellwishers donated K 2889100 and supplies worth K 55126000, Families of Tatma-dawmen from Shan State (East) and wellwishers, K 1462800, wellwishers from Kayin State, K 8355000 and foodstuffs, personal goods and clothes worth K 4229600, wellwishers from Mon State, K 9459800, wellwishers from Taninthayi Division, foodstuff, mineral salt packets, construction materials and clothes worth K 3267700, families of Tatmadawmen and wellwishers from Mandalay Division, foodstuff, personal goods, medicines and clothes worth K 32088950, wellwishers from Magway Division, K 34066750 to storm victims.

Up to 16 May, the cash and kind donations totalled K 7,550,215,875.

Latest casualty figures

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May - Due to the storm that occurred on 2 and 3 May, there have been damage, casualties, those who went missing and injuries in some regions of Ayeyawady Division, Yangon Division, Bago Division, Mon State and Kayin State.
As soon as the storm had occurred, the National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee started carrying out search and rescue and relief work extensively. At the same time it collected the death toll, the number of injured people and the list of damaged property.

However, due to difficulties that occurred after the storm, bad weather and extensive search in every storm-hit region, the lists could be confirmed only on 15 May.

According to the latest figures, 77,738 people including 159 service personnel died, 55,917 including 58 service personnel went missing and 19,359 including four service personnel were injured, it is learnt.

**Relief aid for storm victims**

Yangon, 16 May - Donors have provided relief supplies to storm victims. The relief items such as foodstuff and medicines worth K 19 million donated by Myanmar, CPAC SCT Co Ltd, purified water and biscuits worth K 40 million by Gold Uni Co Ltd and edible oil, milk, towel, lighter, corrugated iron sheets, nails, tinned fish and purified water worth over K 11.5 million by PTTEP Co Ltd were presented to officials of the Fire Services Department in Mayangon Township this morning.

Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Myint of Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement this morning accepted the relief supplies from the donors and Thai Ambassador Mr Bansarn Bunnag and the deputy minister expressed thanks for donations.

**Naval vessels participate in relief and rehabilitation tasks**

Nay Pyi Taw, 16 May - Two naval ships carrying the Minister for Sports and party and 45.85 tons of relief supplies left for three villages of Kawhmu Township yesterday.

Likewise, one naval vessel transported the Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs and party to the relief and rehabilitation camps in villages of Mawlamyinegyun Township. Another one naval vessel transported social organization members, health care teams, relief aid and medicines to four villages near Hmawbykyun of Dedaye Township. The servicemen of naval vessels based in Haniggyikyun, Pyapon, Labutta and Bogale are cooperating with officials of the relief camps in carrying out relief and rehabilitation tasks.
More well-wishers, doctors arrive Pyapon to help storm victims

Yangon, 16 May - A group led by U Sai Zaw Tun and U Kyaw Kyaw Lwin of UNWFP with 800 bags of rice on 15 May arrived in Pyapon where they provided health care services to storm victims together with World Vision.

Likewise, a group led by U Aung Zaw Win of Mandalay donated 1,200 bags of rice, 1,200 packets of clothes, 5,000 bottles of edible oil, medicines and other food stuff and provided health care services to storm victims there.

Members of Pyapon Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association and the Township Women’s Affairs Organization carried out sanitation works at Pyapon People’s Hospital where they donated foods to warded patients.

Six Myanmar doctors and four nurses led by Dr Pyay Phyo Thein of Doctors Without Border based in Switzerland also arrived Pyapon and performed medical treatment there.

Pharmaceutical and Medical Equipment Entrepreneurs donate medicine, cash for storm victims

Yangon, 15 May - A ceremony to donate medicine and cash for the storm victims to the Ministry of Health for the first time took place under the leadership of Myanmar Pharmaceutical and Medical Equipment Entrepreneurs’ Association yesterday afternoon at the Yangon General Hospital.

The donations included medicines worth K 1 million each by Macleods Pharmaceuticals Ltd, Royal Ruby Co Ltd and Aung Cho Tun Co Ltd; medicines worth K 900,000 by Naw Trading Co ltd; medicines worth K 730,550 by U Than Ohan & Sons Co Ltd; medicines worth K 528,000 by Zaburit Medicine-Medical Equipment & General Trading Co-op Society Ltd; medicines worth K 506,800 by Ar Raw Jan Co Ltd; medicines worth K 500,000 each by Shine Hope Co, Hero Int’l Ent’p Ltd; and Vimal Co; medicines worth K 470,000 each by Fame Pharmaceuticals Co and AA Group Ltd; medicines worth K 464,000 by Good Asia Co; medicines worth K 384,000 by Kyaw Pharmaceutical Co; medicines worth K 340,000 by Tun Tauk Myay Co; medicines worth K 320,000 by Pai Brother’s Int’l Co; medicines worth K 315,000 by Medite Co; medicines worth K 282,500 by Merino Co; medicines worth K 172,500 by U Chit Oo (Mandalay); K 100,000 by Grand Master Int’l Co; K 50,000 by Win Yadanar Bo Co; and K 20,000 by Sea Shine Co. Health Minister Dr Kyaw Myint accepted the donations that amount to K 76,048,673.

Relief supplies presented to storm victims in Dedaye

Yangon, 16 May - Officials presented rice, purified drinking water and foodstuff to 4,302 storm victims in 17 relief camps in Dedaye yesterday.

Altogether 4,400 gallons of petrol, 6,000 gallons of diesel, 1,000 gallons of kerosene,
construction materials, 197 tons of timber and 500 sheets of plywood provided by the Ministry of Energy arrived at Dedaye.

**More relief supplies from abroad arrive at Yangon International Airport**

Yangon, 16 May- AN-12 flight carrying 18 tons of water purifying tablets and blankets donated by UNICEF, IL-76 flight carrying 17.98 tons of two Landcruisers, two tippers, one rubber boat and 23 related materials by Red Cross Society of Britain, IL-76 and AN-12 flights carrying over 50 tons of plastic sheets, office equipment, construction materials and related ones by WFP, FD-3770 flight carrying tarpaulin sheets and plastic buckets by Culture Group of Thailand, TG-303, A-300, IL-76 and DC-8 flights carrying 93.96 tons of 3,000 shelter kits, two 4WD Toyota cars, relief supplies, 1,000 items of kitchen utensils, 6,000 sheets of tarpaulin, 5,000 Jerycans and emergency aid by IFRC, MI-518 flight carrying 1.65 tons of 36 packages of curtain sheets by Red Cross Society of Singapore, Jet Star flight carrying 22 packages of medicines and medical equipment by Myanmar Embassy in Singapore, C-130 flight carrying 12 tons of 120 plastic sheets, 1,440 health equipment and 2,400 boxes of 10-litre water bottles by social organizations from the US, two C-130 flights carrying 25.8 tons of water purified water bottles, instant food, blankets, medicines, medical gloves and rice by Thailand and two C-130 flights carrying 24.8 tons of mosquito nets, instant food, emergency aid, plastic sheets and 10-litre water bottles by the US arrived at Yangon International Airport today.

The relief supplies donated by foreign countries have been sent to the storm hit regions by helicopter, by car and by vessel.

**Relief supplies promptly shipped to Ayeyawady Division**

Yangon, 16 May- Relief supplies were donated to storm victims in Ayeyawady Division by air, by car and by boat. Malikha ship loaded with 55 tons of rice, oil, foodstuff, purified water and construction materials left from Phonegyi street No-1 jetty in Seikkan Township for Labutta today.

Pyaewaaung ship left for Bogalay and Mawlamyainggyun loading with 120 tons of rice, oil, personnel supplies, construction materials and purified water at 2 pm. Likewise, Aung San Maw ship loaded with 95 tons of relief supplies left Wardan jetty for Pyapon, Kyaiklat and Dedaye.
MWAF, Yangon Division WAO donate meals, household goods to victims

Yangon, 16 May- Vice-Presidents Daw Khin Lay Myint and Daw Khin Thet Htay of Myanmar Women’s Affairs Federation together with CEC members, heads of department and leaders of working groups donated meals and purified drinking water to 1,091 members of 340 storm victim households at the relief camp of No 1 Basic Education High School in Dagon Myothit (Seikkan) Township this morning.

Likewise, Patron of Yangon Division Women’s Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai and party supplied bowls, spoons, soaps and bottles of soft drinks to the victims of the same camp.