PRC medical team donates vehicles, medicines and medical equipment

Yangon, 30 May - Preserving the fine tradition of friendly relations between Myanmar and the People's Republic of China, the medical team of the PRC gave medical treatment to storm victims in Yangon and Ayeyawady divisions from 19 to 30 May. Before its departure for home, a ceremony to donate two minibuses, two ambulances, medicines and medical equipment used in the course of relief operation, was held at Dusit Inya Lake Hotel in Mayangon township here this afternoon.

Director-General U Than Oo of Relief and Resettlement Department spoke words of thanks and accepted documents relating to materials presented by Economic and Commercial Attaché Mr Tang Hai of the PRC Embassy to Myanmar.

The vehicles, medicines and medical equipment will be handed over to the Ministry of Health.

The 50-member medical team led by Dr Xaing Shiping, gave medical treatment to 4,000 storm victims in Dedaye, Ayeyawady Division and Kungyangon and Kawhmu in Yangon Division.

Wellwishers from States and Divisions continuously making donations

Nay Pyi Taw, 30 May-Officials today accepted cash and kind worth K 411,896,150 donated to the storm victims including cash and kind worth K 1,096,250 by wellwishers from Shan State (South), K 12,499,000 and relief supplies worth K 10,023,000 by departments concerned and wellwishers from Mon and Kayin States, K 22,323,888 by wellwishers from Sagaing Division, clothes and foodstuff worth K 701,900 for the fifth time by wellwishers from Mandalay Division, K 251.1 million for the fifth time by the Union of Myanmar Economic Holdings Ltd and K 114,153,000 by wellwishers through the Financial Subcommittee.

So far, the wellwishers have donated cash and kind worth K 10,598,902,814.

Communication services inspected in Ayeyawady Division

Yangon, 30 May-Deputy Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Maj-Gen Thein Tun held a meeting with the staff of Myanmar Posts and Telecommunications at the auto-exchange in Myaungmya on 25 May.
He provided exercise books, ball pens and cash assistance to the school children of the staff.

On arrival at Labutta in the afternoon, he gave instructions on soonest repairs to the town post office, telegraph office and auto-exchanges. He presented exercise books, ball pens and cash assistance to the school children of the staff.

He comforted the storm victims in Kyaiklat, provided cash for storm-stricken staff and exercise books, ball pens and cash assistance to the school children of the staff.

On 27 May, he visited Pyapon auto exchange and presented exercise books, ball pens and cash assistance to the school children of the staff.

In Bogale and Mawlaminegyun, he gave instructions on reconstruction of microwave tower and repairs to telephone lines. In meeting with the staff of MPC of Bogale and Mawlaminegyun, he presented exercise books, ball pens and cash assistance to the staff’s school children.

During the inspection tour around Dedaye, Kungyangon and Kawhmu on 28 May, he gave instructions on programmes to be laid down as soon as possible to reconstruct ravaged post office, telegraph office and auto exchanges. He also provided exercise books, ball pens and cash assistance for staff’s school children.

**Maj-Gen Tha Aye looks into regional development tasks in Myeik**

Nay Pyi Taw, 30 May-Maj-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence during his tour of Myeik, Taninthayi Division, accompanied by Chairman of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and officials concerned went on an inspection tour of Kabin dam project in Myeik Myothit on 25 May.

At the briefing hall of the project, Managing Director U Hla Than of Pyae Phyo Tun Company Limited and In-Charge Engineer U Kyaw Lin briefed Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party on accomplishment of the project tasks. Next, Maj-Gen Tha Aye, Commander Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and party inspected construction tasks at the project.

Kabin dam was built at a cost of over K 380 million. It is 35 feet in height and 470 feet in length. It can store 45 million gallons.

Upon arrival at University of Technology (Myeik) project, Principal U Aye Min Tun and In-Charge Engineer U Thein Tun of Civil Tech Construction Company briefed Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party on progress in building the university. After hearing the reports, Maj-Gen Tha Aye gave instructions on striving for timely completion of the construction tasks meeting the set standards and greening tasks for the university.
At the briefing hall of Myeik Myothit Project, Secretary of Taninthayi Division PDC U Than Win briefed Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party on construction tasks of Myeik Myothit and company entrepreneurs tasks being carried out.

Next, the commander gave a supplementary report on remaining construction tasks. Afterwards, Maj-Gen Tha Aye gave necessary instructions and looked into construction tasks of Myothit, incoming and outgoing of cargo vessels and berthing of vessels at the jetties.

Next, Maj-Gen Tha Aye paid homage to Maha Theiddhi Pagoda and donated cash. Afterwards, he visited monasteries in Myeik and paid homage to Sayadaws and donated provisions and cash to them.

Later, he inspected the 1000-ton Cold Storage of Pyae Phyo Tun Company Ltd, and rubber production of Pho Lamin Company. And he attended the work coordination meeting of Taninthayi Division Agriculture Supervisory Committee. Next, members of Supervisory Committee briefed Maj-Gen Tha Aye on condition of regional rice security and cultivation of 500,000 acres of monsoon paddy. After hearing the reports, Maj-Gen Tha Aye attended to the needs. Myiek District held the coordination meeting of road works. In-Charge engineers briefed Maj-Gen Tha Aye on progress of road works while Division Superintending Engineer U Hla Soe and Chief Engineer U Zaw Win of the Public Works and Commander Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo gave supplementary reports.

Next, Maj-Gen Tha Aye attended to the needs and gave instructions on ensuring smooth and secure transport and focusing on timely completion of the road works meeting the set standards.

Afterwards, Maj-Gen Tha Aye met with service personnel of Development Affairs Department at division, district and township levels and gave a speech on the occasion.

Minister inspects factories in Magway Division

Yangon, 30 May-Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung inspected Thayet Cement Factory of Myanmar Ceramic Industries in Magway on 25 May.

During the tour of Magway Division, the minister also inspected Winthuza Shop in Aunglan, a corn product factory in Taungdwingyi Township and a cotton ginning factory of Myanma Textile Industries in Taung-dwingyi and gave instructions.

Afterwards, the minister proceeded to Pwintphyu Township and inspected Textile Factory (Pwintphyu) and Winthuza Shop (Pwint-phyu) and Umbrella Factory, Soft Drink Factory and Soap Factory.
Tripartite Core Group formed to assist rehabilitation programmes


The full text of the news release is as follows:-

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1. An ASEAN-UN International Pledging Conference participated by the UN Agencies, International Organizations and donor countries was held on 25 May 2008 in Yangon to assist the victims in the areas affected by Cyclone Nargis which hit Myanmar on 2 and 3 May 2008 causing extensive loss of lives and property. The Conference decided to establish the Tripartite Core Group (TCG) comprising three representatives each from the Government of the Union of Myanmar, the ASEAN and the United Nations Organization. The TCG will assist the rehabilitation programmes for the victims of Cyclone Nargis and coordinate among the Government of the Union of Myanmar, the ASEAN and the United Nations Organization.

2. The Tripartite Core Group representing Myanmar comprises Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; U Aung Tun Khaing, Deputy Director-General, Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement; and U Than Aye, Deputy Director-General, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation. Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu has been appointed as Chairman of the Tripartite Core Group (TCG).

The National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee

Date : 30-5-2008

Place: Nay Pyi Taw

Thai Medical Team provides medical treatment to storm survivors in Labutta

Yangon, 30 May - Under the arrangement of Ministry of Health and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a medical team from Thailand and a medical team of Myanmar provided medical care to storm victims at a relief camp set up in Yadana Dipa Sports Ground in Labutta Township on 23 May.

Afterwards, Thai medical team led by Chairman of Thailand Red Cross Society Dr Pichit Siriwan also provided medical treatment to patients at the 5th-mile relief camp and met with members of Red Cross Societies from Ayeyawady and Magway divisions who are volunteering at the relief camp. The medical team from Thailand also inspected sanitation tasks and construction of fly-proof latrines at the 5th-mile relief camp near Kyaukmaw Village in Labutta Township.

Firefighters of Myaungmya District Fire Services Department volunteered for
transportation of 5 tons of medicines donated by Thailand to the 5th-mile relief camp on 26 May.

**Charity stage show for storm victims**

Yangon, 30 May-Myanmar Music Asiayone will organize stage show at Bahtoo Sport Grounds in Mandalay at 5 pm on 7 June.

The show, sponsored by Myanmar Brewery Limited, aims to raise the funds for the storm victims, and three well-known bands Lazy Club, Metal Zone and The Trees will entertain together with a galaxy of star singers.

Famous singers such as Play Boy Than Naing, J Maung Maung, Chit Kaung, Harry Lin, Yin Go, Mar Rizza, Saung Oo Hlaing, Sithu Lwin, Alex, Graham, Bo Phyu, Zaw Paing, R Zarni, Phyo Gyi, Kaung Set, Pho Kyaw, Breakie, Pho Kar, Han Tun, Lin Lin, Tint Tint Tun, She, Chaw Su Khin, Khin Phone, Yuzana, Chit Thu Wai, L Sai Xi, Mau Sapai Nyo and Lu Lu will take part in the show.

In addition, a ceremony to accept the donations will be held at City Hotel on 26th Street between 82rdx83rd Streets in Mandalay from 2 pm to 4 pm on 6 June, and artistes will accept the donations and present certificates of honour instead of the Association.

Those well-wishers may contact Mandalay City Hotel and Mandalay Music Asi-ayone.

Under the supervision of Myanmar Music Asiayone, the artistes will donate the funds collected at the show to the victims.

**SSA insurgents slay innocent civilians, set fire to saw mill, trawler-G in Maukmai Tsp**

Nay Pyi Taw, 30 May-SSA (Ywetsit)’s insurgent group on 28 May evening set fire to a saw mill and a trawler-G, seized nine saw mill workers, hit and slashed to death eight of them and captured the chairman of Narhsai Village Peace and Development Council in Maukmai Township, Shan State (South).

At 5 pm on 28 May, the 25-member group of SSA (Ywetsit) arrived at U Myint Oo’s saw mill in Maukmai Township and set fire to the mill and the trawler-G. They seized nine workers including Aung Naing, who were then hit and slashed to death in a gorge, about a furlong from the saw mill. After the insurgents, thinking the workers were all dead, had left, worker Than Zaw fled the scene and hitched a ride on a bike to Maukmai Hospital. Than Zaw, who sustained multiple stab wounds and cuts, is undergoing medical treatment at Maukmai Township People’s Hospital. The remaining eight workers died at the scene.

As the insurgents held the chairman of Narhsai Village PDC Tatmadaw columns are in hot pursuit of them, it is learnt.
Yangon Division MCWSC donates uniforms, stationery to students in Thanlyin

Yangon, 30 May - Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee donated school uniforms and stationery to students of the storm surviving families in Thanlyin Township on 28 May.

Chairperson of Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee Daw Mar Mar Wai presented school uniforms and stationery worth K700,000 to school heads and students at No 1 Basic Education High School in Thanlyin Township to mark the School Enrollment Week in Thanlyin Township.

Chairperson of Thanlyin Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Kyi Pyar Win reported on tasks which have been carried out in the township.

U Hton Gold Shop donates cash to storm victims

Yangon, 30 May - To reconstruct the hall for Yogis at Aungthukha Dhamma Yeiktha hit by the storm in Bogyoke Village in Thanlyin Township, member of Myanmar Gold Entrepreneurs Association U Hton (U Hton Gold Shop) donated K 2 million to mark his 86th birthday, on 28 May.

Moreover, he donated K 3.65 million including K 1 million for the storm victims through the MGEA, K 100,000 each to Jivitadana Sangha Hospital, Orphanage Parahita Tiger School, Kandawgale Little Sisters for the Poor, Kyimyindine School for the Blind, Mary Chapman’s School for the deaf and dumb and the Mental Health Specialist Hospital and K 50,000 to renovation to Kyaikkasan Pagoda.

MWAF donates stationery, school uniforms to school-age children

Yangon, 30 May - Myanmar Women’s Affairs Federation organized a ceremony to donate stationery and school uniforms to the school-age children at the Padamya hall of Thanlyin No 1 Basic Education High School in Yangon South District on 28 May.

First, MWAF Vice-President Daw Khin Thet Htay delivered an address.

Next, the vice-president, Patron of Yangon Division Women’s Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai and heads of departments of MWAF presented stationery and school uniforms to the school-age children.
Afterwards, Yangon South District Education Officer U R Mya Lwin reported on school enrollment matters to them.

**UMFCCI donates relief supplies to storm victims**

Yangon, 30 May-President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Win Myint, Vice-President U Aung Lwin, General Secretary U Sein Win Hlaing, CEC members and executives visited Hleseikgyi and Kyondat village tracts of Dedaye Township on 25 May.

Upon their arrival, they met the storm victims and consoled them. Next, they donated bags of rice, tarpaulin, drinking water bottles, solar lamps, medicines, soaps, foodstuff and clothing to the storm victims and robes to monasteries. The donations were K 40.9 million in total. The UMFCCI is organizing internal and external donors to provide cash and kind to the storm victims in Ayeyawady and Yangon Divisions while making arrangement to deliver relief items to the storm victims.

**Six special appeal cases judged**

Nay Pyi Taw, 30 May-The Special Appellate Bench comprising Deputy Chief Justice of Supreme Court (YANGON) U Thein Soe, Supreme Court Judges of Supreme Court (YANGON) U Khin Myint and U Myint Thein sitting at court room No 1 of the Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw), delivered judgment of (six) special civil appeal cases on 26 May. And then they heard (five) special civil appeal cases under section 7 of the Judicial Law, 2000.

**Yangon Mayor inspects sanitation task**

Yangon, 30 May -Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin inspected laying concrete on pavements along Pyay road in Kamayut Township and dredging of drains for proper flow of water on both sides of Pyay road near junction of Parami and Pyay roads in Mayangon Township this morning.

The mayor gave instructions on durability of pavements and construction of drains and attended to the needs.

**More international aids arrive at Yangon International Airport**

Yangon, 30 May-IL-67 flight carrying 34.69 tons of office-used equipment, tarpaulins, two generators, three 1000-litre oil barrels, four 1000-litre water tanks, eight oil filling pumps, eight extinguishers and toilet-used equipment donated by Cambodia-based WFP, five C-130 flights carrying 52.43 tons of six life-boats, medical equipment and plastic rolls donated by the USA, DC-8 flight carrying 37.423 tons of tarpaulins donated by Switzerland-based Doctors Without Borders, two AN-12 flights carrying 29.59 tons of
medical equipment, kitchen-used equipment and water purifying tablets donated by WFP, two A-310 flights carrying 73.765 tons of plastic rolls and blankets donated by UK and DC-8 flight carrying 39.794 tons of medicines, mosquito nets and tarpaulins donated by Dubai-based IFRC arrived at Yangon International Airport today.

Relief aids donated from abroad have been sent to storm-battered regions by vessel, helicopter and vehicle.

**Cash continuously donated to storm victims**

Yangon, 30 May -Chairman of the Financial Subcommittee Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue Col Hla Thein Swe accepted cash donated by wellwishers for the storm victims at the Central Bank of Myanmar (Yangon Branch) in Yankin Township today.

At the donation ceremony, U Chit Sein-Daw Kyin Myaing of Hline Township donated K 100,000, members of the Commission for Holding Referendum K 780,000, U Tin Sein and Daw Hla Myint of Mingaladon Township K 100,000, Myanmar Printing and Publishing Entrepreneurs Association K 2,115,000, U Thein Zan and family of South Okkalapa Township K 25,000, All States International Co Ltd K 1 million, U Tin Maung Aye-Daw Khin Mya Mu of Kyauktada Township K 100,000, students of University of Medical Technology (Yangon) for 2007-08 K 208,000, eight entrepreneurs K 500,000, Col Kyaw Thein (Retd) and family of Ngwe Kyaryan Avenue K 110,000, U Hla Shwe-Daw Thaung Han of Hline Township K 50,000, Western Command K 20 million, Rakhine State PDC K 10 million, Padetha Ward 8 of PyinOwLwin Township K 111,000, 63 companies that are carrying out joint venture tasks with UMEHL K 251.1 million, Mr Inaki R de Azua, Arteche Group K 8,840,000, Lt-Col Maung Maung Shein (Retd) of Shwepyitha Township K 150,000, Mr & Mrs Tan Ti Hor and family of Tian Seng Hang Trading Co Sdn Bhd 5000 FECs, S$ 100,000 accepted at the Myanmar Embassy in Singapore, Italian-Thai Development Public Co Ltd of Thailand US$ 99,500, Mitsubushi Corporation (Yangon Branch) 10,000 FECs, Olam International of Thailand US$ 2,885.50, the company in joint venture of UMEHL US$ 200,000.

Today’s donations amounted to K 395,253,000, US$ 302,385.50, FECs 15,000 and S$ 100,021.83.