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(1) Zawgyi Dam in Yaksauk Township inaugurated

YANGON, 31 May-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration' Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe graced the inauguration of Zawgyi Dam in Yaksauk Township this Morning.

Present were Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung, Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein, Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe, Quartermaster-General Lt-Gen Tin Hla, Chairman of Shan State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Tin Htut, Deputy Commander, BrigGen Myint Thein, Director of Military Engineers Col Win Aung Tint, Deputy Minister for Education Col Kyi Maung, heads of Departments, members of Shan State Law and Order Restoration Council, Military officers, officials from Taunggyi, Yaksauk Nyaungshwe, Pindaya, Kalaw and Hopong Townships, service personnel, teachers, students, members of Union Solidarity and Development Association, Red Cross and Auxiliary Fire Brigades and local residents.

Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo said construction of the earth Zawgyi Dam started in November 1994 and it was also built for generating hydro-electric power. The project has been completed within two and half years instead of four due to the efforts of staff of Irrigation Department, participation of officials including the commanders and local people in the township and assistance of the State, he added.

(2) ASEAN sets July for admitting Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos

KUALA LUMPUR, 31 May-The Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) on Saturday decided to admit its last three members-Myanmar, Cambodia and Laos in July, Indonesian Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said.

It will be in July, Alatas told reporters after the seven-member ASEAN met to decide-when exactly to admit the three. Last year, ASEAN comprising Malaysia, Indonesia, Brunei, the Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam-agreed to admit Myanmar, Cambodia and Laos as a group some time this year.

The induction of the group's last three members will take place at ASEAN's annual ministerial meeting in Kuala Lumpur on July 24-25. A new logo, featuring 10 rice stalks representing all 10 of SouthEast Asian nations, would be unveiled then.

(3) Secretary-1 lays cornerstone for construction of Pearl Condominium

YANGON, 31 May - A foundation laying and borepiling ceremony for the construction of Pearl Condominium was held at the corner of Kaba Aye Pagoda Road and Sayasan Street in Bahan Township this morning.

It is undertaken by Yangon City Development Committee jointly with Asia Express Co Ltd.

Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt attended the ceremony and officially started bore-piling.

Present also were Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein, Minister at the Office of Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Ko Lay, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Vice-Chairman of YCDC ViceMayor Col Maung Pa, Secretary of YCDC U Kyaw Win and officials, Chairman of Asia Express (Ygn) Co Ltd U Maung Maung, Managing Director U Win Sein and officials of Asia Express (Ygn) Co Ltd and guests.

Chairman of Asia Express (Ygn) Co Ltd U Maung Maung briefed the Secretary-1 and party on the condominium with a model.

At the auspicious time, 8 am, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt laid a casket with nine precious gems at the designated place.

Then, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Aye, Mayor U Ko Lay, Secretary of YCDC U Kyaw Win, Minister Col Pe Thein, Deputy Commander Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Minister U Khin Maung Yin and Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa laid bricks. The Secretary- 1 then showered confetti.

Then, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt and Mayor U Ko Lay pressed the button to launch piling. After the ceremony, officials handed cash to the welfare funds of television stations and government media.

Minister for Labour sees off Myanmar delegation to attend 85th ILO Conf **(4)**

YANGON, 31 May Minister for Labour MajGen Saw Lwin saw off Myanmar delegation led by alternate leader Director-General U Tun Shwe of Labour Department to attend the 85th Conference of International Labour Organization in Geneva, Switzerland, from 3 to 9 June at Yangon International Airport this evening.

The delegation was also seen off by Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Ave, department heads and officials under the Ministry of Labour and their families.

Members of the delegation are Director-General U Kyaw Aye of Attorney-General's Office, Supervisor U Hla Min (oilfields and worksite) of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise, Joint General Secretary U Zaw Min Win of Union of Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Assistant Director U Aye Ngwe of Labour Department as Secretary.

(5) Minister for PBANRDA meets Service personnel in Mogok

YANGON, 31 May-Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint met Chairman of PyinOoLwin District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Tin Maung Win, chairman and members of Township Law and Order Restoration Council, departmental officials, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association and townselders at Mogok Motel in Mogok on 29 May. The minister explained present political, economic and social situation and responsibilities of service personnel and the people.

Officials reported on undertakings on township development. Executive Officer U Maung Soe of Mogok Township Development Committee presented K 800,000 to Township Medical Officer, Township Education Officer and Chairman of Township Law and Order Restoration Council.

Pennants in commemoration of inauguration of roads in the township were then presented.

The minister and guests formally opened Anawrahta, Mingala, Chanthagyi and Bayintnaung' Streets and inspected them.

Altogether 10 streets were built at a cost of K 6,912,895 contributed by the public and Township Development Committee.

The minister inspected Padamya and Yadana Markets under construction and new office of Township Development Committee.

He also met staff and discussed rural roads to be renovated and welfare.

'The minister paid obeisance to Sayadaw Bhaddanta Nandimatheikdi of Yadana Theikdi Parahita missionary monastic education school and presented offertories.

The minister attended inauguration of KyatpyinKyaukpyatthat rural road in Mogok yesterday.

Chairman of Township Law and Order Restoration Council U Tin Win and Executive Officer U Maung Soe of Township Development Committee formally opened the road.

The 1.25 miles road was built at a cost of K 1.8 million.

The minister and party arrived back here in the evening.

(6) Managing Director of NPE arrives back from ROK

YANGON, 31 May-After studying mass media and development in the Republic of Korea at the invitation of LG Electronic Co, Managing Director U Tin Kha '(Tekkatho Tin Kha) of News and Periodicals Enterprise, Ministry of Information, arrived back here this evening. He was welcomed back at Yangon International Airport by Director (News) U Hla Tun, Director (Admin) U Hla Kyin, Adviser U Maung Maung Nyo and his family.

(7) ATG Electronics Myanmar introduces National airconditioners

YANGON, 31 May-National airconditioners were introduced by ATG Electronics Myanmar Ltd at Traders Hotel on Sule Pagoda Road here this evening.

Present on the occasion were the resident representative of Mitsushita Electric Industrial Co Ltd, the executive officer, managers and sale agents of ATG Electronics Myanmar Ltd and guests.

First, Manager Mr Kham of ATG Electronics Myanmar extended greetings to the guests.

Then, Executive Director Mr J Singam of Aircon Group of Corpony of Malaysia spoke.

Officials of the company explained production process of National airconditioners with the audio visual aids.

Afterwards, the guests viewed the airconditioners on display.

Officials of ATG Electronic Myanmar Ltd donated cash to welfare societies of Myanma Television and Radio Department, Myawaddy Television and dailies under the News and Periodicals Enterprise.
