(1) National Health Committee Chairman inspects functions of Department of Traditional Medicine

YANGON, 5 July Chairman of the National Health Committee Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt this afternoon inspected functions of the Department of Traditional Medicine and Traditional Medicine Factory and gave instructions.

On arrival at Research Division of the Department of Traditional Medicine on Ngahtatgyi Street in Bahan Township, the Secretary-1 was welcomed by Minister at the Office of Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Brig-Gen Myo Thant, Minister for Labour Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Deputy Minister for Health Col Than Zin, Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Director-General of the Office of State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Pe Nyein, heads of department, officials of Department of Traditional Medicine, traditional medicine practitioners, members of Township Law and Order Restoration Council and Union Solidarity and Development Association.

Director of Department of Traditional Medicine U Tin Win briefed the Secretary-1 on upgrading People’s Hospitals (Traditional Medicine) in Yangon and Mandalay to Specialist Hospitals (50-bed), which will be used as Training Hospital and Special Hospital of Department of Traditional Medicine, arrangements for establishment of Institute of Traditional Medicine and traditional medicine herbal garden in Hlegu Township, arrangements to set up traditional medicine herbal gardens to produce raw materials for traditional medicine practitioners, publishing of traditional medicine magazine for propagation of traditional medicine, maintenance of machines which produce traditional medicine and installation of modern machines. Officials of Public Works explained about construction activities and Myanmar Traditional Medicine practitioners about treatment.
The Secretary-1 gave necessary instructions.

The Secretary-1 and ministers then proceeded to Traditional Medicine Factory where they inspected manufacturing process of medicines, manufactured medicines and books on traditional medicine.

(2) Ceremony to observe the International Day of Cooperatives held.

YANGON, 5 July A ceremony to observe the International Day of Cooperatives was held at the National Theatre on Myoma Kyaung Street here this morning, attended by Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt and Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

Also present were Ministers at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein and Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Minister for foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, Minister at the Office of the Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Brig-Gen Myo Thant, Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win, Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung, Minister for Labour Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Minister for Information Maj-Gen Aye Kyaw, Minister for Education U Pan Aung, Minister for Science and technology U Thaung, deputy ministers, Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, military region commanders, diplomats, officials of the UN agencies, departmental heads, rectors and principals of the institutions of higher learning, officials of the NGOs, executives of Yangon Division Union Solidarity and Development Association, officials of the Cultural Cooporative Society, Yangon Division Cooperative Syndicate, Cartel of Cooperative Syndicates and cooperative syndicates, prize winners and specially invited guests.

(3) Tatmadaw families, wellwishers, present dry rations to monasteries in Yankin Township

YANGON, 5 July Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) families and well-wishers presented dry rations to members of the Sangha of Pyinsanikaya Sasana Beikman Kyaungtaik and Maha Sanda Thuriya Sar-thintaik in No 11 Ward, Yankin Township, this afternoon.

Present were Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chief of Bureau of Special Operations Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein, Chief of Staff (Air) Brig-Gen Kyaw Than, Director of People’s Militia and Frontier Forces Col San Lin, Director of Resettlement Col
Thaik Tun, Commander of No 2 Military Region Col Hsan Sint, officials of departments, district and township authorities, guests, wellwishers and members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association.

(4) **Myanmar delegation returns from ASEAN meeting**

YANGON, 29 June Myanmar delegation led by member of Civil Service Selection and Training Board Professor (Retired) U Aung Thein arrived back here by air this afternoon after attending the 9th ASEAN Conference on Civil Service Matters held on 30 June to 4 July in Singapore.

The delegation was welcomed back at the airport by Secretary-2 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Maung Maung Gyi and members, Judge Advocate-General Maj-Gen Than Oo, heads of departments and relatives.

(5) **OISCA, A & I Ministry open Agro-forestry Training Centre**

YANGON, 5 July - The Agro-forestry Training Centre was opened under the joint sponsorship of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation and Japan-based Organization for Industrial, Spiritual and Cultural Advancement (OISCA), a non-governmental organization, at Pakhangyi Village in Yesagyo Township, Pakokku District, Magway Division yesterday morning as a result of accomplishment in the dry zone development project in accord with the objectives for the development of agriculture, forestry and socio-economic sectors.

Present on the occasion were members of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe and Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Lt-Gen Myint Aung, Chairman of Magway Division Law and Order Restoration Council Col Thein Nyunt, tactical operations commanders and senior Tatmadaw officers of No 101 LID, departmental heads and officials of the Ministry of Forestry, Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development and Ministry of Cooperatives, Ambassador of Japan Mr Yoichi Yamaguchi, President of OISCA Dr Yoshiko Nakano and member farmers from Japan, members of Pakokku District and Township Law and Order Restoration Councils, service personnel, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, regional farmers and local people.
(6) Long-term welfare of entire arid zone in central Myanmar materializes due greening projects

YANGON, 5 July Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe inspected projects for greening the entire central Myanmar from 2 to 4 July. He first flew to Bagan-NyaungU.

At the Myanmar Yumiuri Green Project site, he heard reports on establishment of forest nurseries and mixed cultivation of crops and forest plants and told them to choose kinds of wood suited to the weather and marketable crops for income generation. He urged the Forest Department personnel to assist in establishing model plots under crops and trees.

The minister inspected modern guest houses at Mount Popa Resort and stressed the need to grow trees suited to the region and care for the trees for greening of the arid region in central Myanmar.

On his way to Taungtha, he studied prospects for establishing forest nurseries for greening Myinsaing mountains in Taungtha Township, Myingyan District. In Taungtha, he met local authorities, personnel and members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association.

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(7) Thayetchaung Rural Road inaugurated in Taikkyi Township

YANGON, 5 July Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen Maung Thint attended inauguration of Targwa-Thayetchaung Rural Road built by Taikkyi Township Development Committee, this morning.

Present also were Director of Yangon Division Development Committee Lt-Col Soe Tint, Chairman of Yangon North District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Kyaw Tint, Chairman of Taikkyi Township Law and Order Restoration Council and members, executive officer and engineers and officials of Taikkyi Township Development Committee and local residents.

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