(1) Senior General Than Shwe urges MHI factories to manufacture quality products

YANGON, 19 Sept Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe inspected factories of Myanmar Heavy Industries in Padaung Township on the western bank of Ayeyawady River yesterday.

He was accompanied by 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, ministers, senior military officers, deputy ministers and departmental officials.

The Senior General and entourage went by car from Pyay to No 5 Industry of MHI, Nyaungchayhtaik, Padaung Township, at 8.30 am.

In the meeting hall of the factory, Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than briefed them on the salient points including the aims for establishment of the factory, investment and production of machines and equipment.

Deputy Minister for Industry-2 U Thein Tun and Factory Manager U Win Tint also briefed them on the programmes to boost production and expand its services.

After giving necessary instructions, the Senior General inspected the machines and parts manufactured by the factory.
The Senior General and entourage proceeded to No 4 Industry of MHI at Kwinhla.

Minister Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, Deputy Minister U Thein Tun and departmental officials briefed them on the salient points.

Senior General Than Shwe stressed the need for MHI factories to manufacture quality products and to promote research and development work in each and every factory.

Later, they inspected new model Mazda Jeep and Path Finder and spare parts.

Senior General Than Shwe presented bonus to workers and personnel of the factory through officials.

(2) Secretary-l inspects primary schools in Mingala Taungnyunt Township

YANGON, 19 Sept Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-l of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt inspected No 8, 10 and 18 Basic Education Primary Schools in Mingala Taungnyunt Township this afternoon.

He was welcomed there by Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, officials of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, department heads, members of District, Township and Ward Law and Order Restoration Councils, director-general of Basic Education Department and officials, township education officer and heads of the schools, teachers, members of Parent-Teacher Associations, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association and students. Secretary-l Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt was briefed by Headmistress Daw Tin Myint of No 8 BEPS on Bo Min Yaung Street in Mingala Taungnyunt Ward, Headmaster U Hla Myint of No 10 BEPS on Myayagon Street in Mingala Taungnyunt Ward and Head master U San Lwin of No 18 BEPS on Gawthaka Street in Thayagon Ward on the school history, strength of the staff, number of pupils, teaching work and pass rate, renovation of the school buildings and requirements.

The director-general of BED and officials submitted supplementary reports.

The Secretary-l fulfilled the requirements of school building renovation and providing ferry services to the teachers.

He said the teachers are responsible for not only teaching the students but also training them to become ones who are polite and clever and observe discipline.
He called for nurturing the mental development of the students including a sense of patriotism, Union spirit and observance of civic duties.

The Secretary-1 inspected teaching work and school buildings.

(3) Secretary-1 receives Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of LPDR

YANGON, 19 Sept - Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt received Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Phongsavath Boupha and party at Dagon Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence at 8 am today.

Present also were Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe, Director-General of Protocol Department Thura U Aung Htet, Ambassador of Myanmar to LPDR U Thein Han and Ambassador of LPDR Mr Ly Bounkham.

(4) Minister for Foreign Affairs leaves to attend 52nd Session of the General Assembly

YANGON, 19 Sept - Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw left here by air this morning to attend the 52nd Session of the United Nations General Assembly which began on 16 September. He was seen off at the Airport by Secretary-s of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba, Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyunt Swe, Resident Representative of UNDP Mr Siba Kumar Das, heads of departments of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Attorney-General's office and officials.

He was accompanied by Deputy Director U Min Lwin, Additional Officer U Min Thein and PSO to the Minister for Foreign Affairs U Zaw Myint Oo of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.


Deputy Director U Myint Kyi of the Attorney General's Office, First Secretary of U Hla Myint, Second Secretary U Kyaw Swa, Third Secretary U
Htwe Din and U Kyaw Thu Nyein of the Permanent Mission of Myanmar to the United Nations in New York will serve as advisers.

(5) Agip International, Texaco Exploration Myanmar officials call on Deputy Premier

YANGON, 19 Sept - Vice-Chairman and Executive Vice-President Mr Luciano Sgubini of Agip International of Italy and Vice-President and Managing Director Mr Ronald L Morris of Texaco Exploration Myanmar Inc & Texaco Exploration Myanmar II Inc of the United States called on Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen Tin Tun at his office this morning.

(6) PRC Ambassador calls on Minister for Forestry

YANGON, 19 Sept - Ambassador of the People's Republic of China Mr Liang Dong called on Member of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen Chit Swe at International Business Centre this afternoon.

Also present were heads of department under the ministry.

(7) Minister inspects hotel, commercial building projects

YANGON, 19 Sept - Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen Kyaw Ba, accompanied by Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism Brig-Gen Tin Aye, Director-General of the Directorate of Hotels and Tourism U Khin Maung Latt, Managing Director of Restaurant and Beverage Enterprise U Myo Min, Managing Director of Myanmar Hotels and Tourism Services U Soe Thein and officials, inspected project sites of Hotel Nikko Royal Lake Yangon and Sakura Tower this morning.

On arrival at the project site of Hotel Nikko Royal Lake Yangon at the corner of Pho Sein Road and Natmauk Road, the minister and party were welcomed by General Manager Mr Peter R Welterbush and party.

At the office of the project site, the minister and party were briefed by the general manager and Architect Mr Rafael Revuelta on progress of work and arrangement for opening the hotel in the beginning of November.

(8) MCWA, Welfare Association of SID present exercise books, stipends for children of families

YANGON, 19 Sept - The Maternal and Child Welfare Association and the Welfare Committee of the Special Investigation Department under the Myanmar Police Force presented exercise books and stipends for children of the
families of the SID at Aungthabye Yeiktha on Kyaikwaing Pagoda Road in Mayangon Township this morning.

Patron of MCWA of SID Daw Htay Htay and Chairman of Welfare Committee of the SID Col Ba Hein spoke.

Daw Htay Htay presented prizes to two students who won distinctions in 1996-97 Basic Education High School Examination.

Officials presented 727 dozens of exercise books worth over K 130,000 for children of the families of the SID.

Col Ba Hein and officials also presented over K 487,000 for stipends of the children.

Chairperson of Mayangon Township MCWA Daw Khin Sein Hline and Chairman of Mayangon Township Writers and Journalists Association U Khin Zaw and wife presented K 2,270 and K 1,500 respectively for MCWA of SID.

(9) 169.2842 kilos of heroin, 225.7694 kilos of opium seized in August

YANGON, 19 Sept- During August, the Tatmadaw, Myanmar Police Force and Customs Department could seize 225.7694 kilos of opium in 43 cases, 169.2842 kilos of heroin in 158 cases, 35.0691 kilos of marijuana in 45 cases, 1.4658 kilos of opium oil in six cases, 45.1277 kilos of lower-grade opium in 10 cases, 6.3684 kilos of brown opium in one case, 89.6 litres of Phensedyl in nine cases, 65.68 litres of cough syrup in three cases, 353,594 metamphetamine tablets, 44.8233 kilos of ephedrine, 200 vials of morphine injection in one case, 15 gallons of acetic anhydride, 424 gallons of spirits, 1013.38 gallons of acid, 161.26 gallons of chloroform and 132.5 gallons of ether and expose 73 cases for failure to register for addition and two other cases.

Tatmadaw battalions and units could seize 108.4636 kilos of opium, 132.7672 kilos of heroin, 40.825 kilos of low-grade opium, 14.875 kilos of Phensedyl, 1,500 metamphetamine tablets, 424 gallons of spirits, 1013.38 gallons of acid, 161.26 gallons of chloroform and 132.5 gallons of ether.

MPF could seize 117.3059 kilos of opium in 43 cases, 38.517 kilos of heroin in 158 cases, 35.0691 kilos of marijuana in 45 cases, 1.4658 kilos of opium oil in six cases, 34.3027 kilos of low-grade heroin in 10 cases, 6.3684 kilos of brown opium in one case, 74.725 litres of Phensedyl in nine cases, 65.68 litres of cough syrup in three cases, 194,094 metamphetamine tablets in three cases, 44.8233 kilos of ephedrine, 200 vials of morphine injection in one case and 15 gallons of acetic anhydride and expose 73 cases for failure to register for addition and two other cases.
CD, in cooperation with MPF, could seize 158,000 metamphetamine tablets in one case and MPF, in cooperation with the Tatmadaw, 1.891 kilos of heroin in 11 cases, 95.8729 kilos of opium in 16 cases, 3.52 litres of Phensedyl in two cases and 352,000 metamphetamine tablets. A total of 530 persons 425 men and 105 women were booked in 355 drug cases under the law.

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(10) Mandalay Institute of Computer Science and Technology opens

YANGON, 19 Sept-The inauguration ceremony of Mandalay Institute of Computer Science and Technology of the Ministry of Science and Technology was held at the assembly hall of Mandalay Institute of Technology to honour the Anniversary of the State Law and Order Restoration Council yesterday.

Present were Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung, Deputy Commander of the Central Command Brig-Gen Tin Soe, Commander of No 33 Light Infantry Division Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, Mandalay Mayor Col Sein Win Aung, the Rector of Yangon Institute of Computer Science and Technology, faculty members of Mandalay Institute of Technology, Mandalay Institute of Computer Science and Technology, Mandalay University, Institute of Medicine, Institute of Education, students of the first intake of the MICST and guests.

Minister U Thaung and Rector of YICST Dr Kyaw Thein spoke.

Rector Dr Kyaw Thein and Rector of MICST U Thein Dan formally opened the institute and Professor Dr Paik Tin formally unveiled the signboard.

The minister and guest later toured the classrooms and computer units.

Altogether 127 students were admitted to the MICST's first-year course which commenced on 19 September.