State Counsellor addresses Education Development Implementation Conference

STATE Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi addressed the Education Development Implementation Conference (Basic Education Sector) organized by the Ministry of Education at the Myanmar International Convention Centre 2 (MICC-2) yesterday morning.

Sayadaws from monastic education schools joined the Union Ministers, Union Civil Service Board Chairman, Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman, chairmen of Hluttaw affairs committees, Deputy Minister for Education, Nay Pyi Taw Council members, states/regions ministers for social affairs, members of National Education Policy Commission, National Curriculum Committee and National Education Standards and Quality Assurance Evaluation Committee, heads of departments, rectors, head of education colleges, education heads of districts and townships, head masters/mistresses of schools, teachers, representatives from Tatmadaw schools and private schools, representatives of development partner organizations, All Myanmar Teachers Association, Student Associations and partner libraries and officials attended the conference.

In her address to the conference, State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi said, “stability and development of a country depends on human resources and how much it can serve the country. For human resources to develop we’ll have to establish and strengthen a ‘quality education’ and much investment is required for it. The 2015 National Education Law (Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No. 38/2015 – Law Amending the National Education Law) has specifically prescribed the aim of national education expenditure to be 20 percent of the total national expenditure and efforts have been made toward increasing annual education expenditure.”

Development partner organizations have been assisting toward investment in the education sector as the Union is investing in the education sector. I don’t think it is necessary to say that to successfully implement the National Education Strategic Plan (2016-2021) the unified cooperation among students, parents, teachers, school managements, partners in education, local and international partner organizations are vital and important.

To survive and thrive in the world it is important not only to remember facts and data but to think, assess and resolve problems too. It is important to transform the students from the practice of rote learning to meaningful learning. When doing this, students are to be taught not only matters in the curriculum but also other related outside matters so that they can collect information, evaluate, resolve problems and conduct discussions. This collective studying habit need to be instilled in them starting from basic education schools with teaching and learning methods.

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By Aye Aye Thant (MNA)

THE second Pyithu Hluttaw’s tenth regular session held its ninth meeting yesterday at the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting hall in the Hluttaw Building in Nay Pyi Taw. During the session, asterisk-marked questions were asked and answered, a report was read, a bill was approved, and a motion was discussed and decided upon.

Asterisk-marked questions

During the ninth meeting, asterisk-marked questions were raised by seven Hluttaw representatives and they were answered by the Deputy Minister for Construction, U Kyaw Lin.

U Kyaw Aung Lwin of Se- dotkara constituency asked the Union government whether it plans to construct a suspension or Bailey bridge across the Mone Creek in the northern part of Se-dotkara Township. The Deputy Minister replied that starting from fiscal year 2019-2020, funds will be ear-marked for the construction of the bridge. Depending on the availability of funds, construction work will be implemented, he said.

U Sai Kyaw Moe of Mong-pan constituency asked if the government will upgrade the Thaniwin Suspension Bridge (Tasan) linking southern and northern Shan State to a rein-forced concrete bridge, with a load-bearing capacity of 70 tons. The Deputy Minister said the government plans to construct a Steel Truss Frame bridge with load capacity of 60 tons. Construction will start in the fiscal year 2018-2019 with Union funds, he said. The work will be completed if sufficient funds are obtained in Fiscal Year 2019-2020, he added.

U Kyaw Htay of Leshi consti- tuency asked the government when it plans to construct a bridge across the Chindwin River on the Hamamba- Leshi-India border road. The Deputy Minister replied that the bridge is in-concluded in the long-term Master Plan, and the Sagaing Region’s Government is coordinating and discussing the matter with the Ministry of Construction.

“The bridge will be an es-timated half-mile in length. During the rainy season, the Chindwin River flows rapidly. So, powerful machinery is re-quired to build the bridge and there are restraints on the avail-ability of funds. If the Sagaing Region Government can allo-cate funds in the Fiscal Year 2019-2020, the Ministry of Con-struction will use the best and most powerful machinery avail-able to construct the bridge,” said the Deputy Minister.

U Pe Than of Myebon con-stituency asked about plans to tar the road connecting the Minbya-Myebon town and vil-lage ahead of the opening of the Kyatsin Bridge on that road. The Deputy Minister said due to insufficient funds in the current fiscal year, priority is being given to upgradation of wooden bridges to reinforced bridges. “Therefore, it is not possible to tar the remaining 15/2 miles of the road in time for the opening of the Kyatsin Bridge. Funds will be requested in the next fiscal years and de-pending on their allocation, the tarring of the remaining portion of the road will be implement-ed,” said the Deputy Minister.

The Deputy Minister for Construction also responded to questions raised by Daw Than-dar of Einme constituency, U Kyaw Shwe of Yanbye constitu-ency, and Daw Ni Ni May Myint of Taungup constituency.

Pyithu Hluttaw Investment and Industrial Development Committee Report read

After the session on a-sterisk-marked questions, the Pyithu Hluttaw Investment and Industrial Development Committee Report was read by committee member U Aye Min Aung, also known as U Min Min.

The Pyithu Hluttaw Spea-ker asked Hluttaw representa-tives who wanted to discuss the report to enrol their names.

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State Counsellor, Israeli Ambassador exchange views on bilateral relations

Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, State Counsellor and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs received H.E. Mr. Ronen Gilor, Ambassador of the State of Israel to Myanmar on 4th December 2018 at 11 a.m. at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nay Pyi Taw. During the meeting, they cordially discussed and exchanged views on matters relating to promotion of bilateral relations and cooperation, strengthening people-to-people contacts and enhancing agriculture, health care and vocational training sectors.— MNA

State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi meets with Ambassador of the State of Israel to Myanmar Mr. Ronen Gilor in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. PHOTO: MNA

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Youngsters and students need to be trained so that they are not afraid of problems. If there is work, there is a problem. Problems are not something to be feared. It is important just to find the best way to overcome it. This needs to be taught since they are young.

At the moment, our government is systematically eradicating corruption. Corruption is an affront to the country and slows down the development of the people. Morality and ethics need to be strengthened since young. For the honor of the country and development of the people, the value of being corruption free should be taught in basic education schools so that it is well understood. Educative, informative and entertainment methods are being employed using appropriate words and sentences for the respective ages to teach the vices of corruption, and its evil effect to the surrounding. In addition, having upright and honest behaviour; connection between doing things for self and for all, having good morality and ethics also need to be taught. These programs are good not only for the children but also for the country.

In order teach and train children to raise their thinking capabilities and knowledge, teachers themselves need to read and study while instilling the good habits of interest in reading and seeking of knowledge to the students. They are to be trained and practiced so that they can learn on their own knowledge and skills using libraries.

Conducting literary talks, discussions, debates, copying or cutting articles from newspapers, journals and magazines and posting on notice boards will encourage students and youngsters to become more interested in literature.

Becoming a knowledgeable and learned person is not enough to become a valued son or daughter of a country. They need to understand and follow rules and regulations. As per the saying “the value of a person is in his/her discipline,” disciplined people bring honor to their country. National discipline should start at schools. This discipline controls the people from not breaking the rules of society and the laws of the country. Rules and laws need to be obeyed and followed everywhere. This habit needs to be obtained through practice. The subject of civic duty is taught in almost every country under various names. Moral, ethics and civic duty should be effectively taught in our country so that training is provided for obtaining good habits. Valuing and respecting time is a habit that is very valuable in being disciplined. We need to instill in our youth to value and respect time. All need to know that to value and respect time is to value our society and our neighborhood. We need to make the students know this. Our people are weak in valuing and respecting time. At the same time schools need to teach the simple practice of not littering. This is important for our whole country. If the elders and teachers are littering the children will follow and do the same. The good habit and practice need to be instilled for the sake of our country. Even though not littering and valuing time seems not much of a big deal, these are very important so teachers must not litter and value time so that the students and children will follow the good example.

Schools need to develop the students both physically and mentally. Interest in sports need to be raised since the students are young. Age wise sporting events need to be held. Teachers need to be healthy and strong in order to produce healthy and strong students. Some still think sport is for boys. Both boys and girls need to be healthy and strong. I think we are seeing more successful woman/girl athletes. Sports or physical training teachers need to be beefed up in basic education schools. Sports or physical training not only build up the physiques, but also the habit of working as a group or team. A policy needs to be established to have more male teachers rather than female teachers only. Now, 90 percent of the teachers are female. It is important to have more male teachers. Education is related to all. Giving education or being a teacher is a noble thing. This is not a job for women only as men also need to participate in it. This is what I would like to urge.

For all round development of the children, they need not only be trained and taught sports but also in arts and music. Arts support a person’s peacefulness and tranquility. It teaches them to feel and appreciate the beauty of their surroundings. It also creates an opportunity to become acquainted with like-minded people.

Now is the time when we are establishing a true Democratic Federal Union and peace is very important. People who are not peaceful and tranquil do not appreciate and value their surrounding’s tranquility and peace. That is why we need to create a peaceful and tranquil situation where teachers can teach and students can learn. We need to sympathize and understand the life of teachers serving in remote and far-off places. Only with this understanding and sympathy we will know how to support them. Only when their lives are peaceful and calm can they teach, train and develop peaceful and calm youths and students. Equal education opportunities are to be created without differentiating between the hilly regions and low lands. Teachers should see it as a challenge to serve in remote and far-off places. View it as an opportunity to serve the country in the most effective way. Young teachers should have this enterprising spirit. I’d like to appeal to the teachers to nurture the concept that it is more valuable and honorable to provide education in far-off and remote places.

Teaching the school curriculum alone is not enough for a teacher. They need to teach their students how to live safely. Information programs on the danger of drugs need to be arranged in basic education schools.

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At the time when technology is advancing at a rapid pace, the pros and cons of technology need to be taught to the students.

Teachers should not think that students at school are the only ones that they are responsible. They need to strive towards creating education opportunities for youths and children who are outside of the schools. Teachers and parents need to work together in conducting such works. Not only drugs, but smart phones are also bringing much data and information. There are things that are appropriate and inappropriate for the youths. All of these are reaching the youngsters. Parents and teachers need to know what they are seeing, hearing, reading so that parents and teachers can guide them on what to accept and what to reject.

We have a historic duty to train and produce youths who will serve the country well in the future. This is the requirement in the world. In our country, we need to support vocational education as it is in much demand. There should be students who will go on to universities as well as students who take up vocational education. Vocational education is not a second rated or low level education. It is valuable not only for those who are acquiring it but also for the country and the world for those who are acquiring it but also for the country and the world.

It is not good to see school-age youngsters or children out of school. We all need to strive towards having all youngsters and children in schools.

In the past, I heard that jects but also in sports, music, arts and agriculture too. Youngs should be trained for all-round development. Teachers need to train our youths and children to have the guts to speak out and do things. Democracy starts in the school room and democratic habits and practices should be nurtured and taught. Thoughts and ideas that are valuable and beneficial not only for them but also for the country need to be trained and taught. I’d like to take this opportunity to tell you all about my satisfaction in meeting with primary and high school students recently. Both spoke out their minds freely without being timid or coward. When asked, they answer whatever they have in their minds. There are some who trained. Only then can the education be an education that benefits the socio-economic development of Myanmar.

Children need to be healthy and strong to have a “quality education.” Only when they are healthy and strong can they learn enthusiastically of what they want to learn. Schools should teach students how to live a healthy, strong and nutritious life. When I ask parents, especially in rural areas, they put education in front of health. This is interesting. Parents want a good future for their children and want them to have a good education. That is why I always cautioned them. Educated but an unhealthy person wouldn’t live a long life. That is why both education and health should be valued at the same level. Teachers need to teach this. Parents need to understand this.

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There are some who people are proud of creating a silent and soundless environment where lessons are taught and learnt at schools. We should not encourage students to fold their arms and listen humbly to whatever they are taught. I don’t mean to say they shouldn’t listen when they are being taught. I mean that teaching shouldn’t be one way with the teacher talking to the students only. We’ve reached the age where students interact with teachers by raising questions. Students should participate in the teaching/learning by being keen and interested in the lessons. Not only should this be in normal classroom-subjects but also in sports, music, arts and agriculture too. Youngs should be trained for all-round development. Teachers need to train our youths and children to have the guts to speak out and do things. Democracy starts in the school room and democratic habits and practices should be nurtured and taught. Thoughts and ideas that are valuable and beneficial not only for them but also for the country need to be trained and taught. I’d like to take this opportunity to tell you all about my satisfaction in meeting with primary and high school students recently. Both spoke out their minds freely without being timid or coward. When asked, they answer whatever they have in their minds. There are some who trained. Only then can the education be an education that benefits the socio-economic development of Myanmar.

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What problems are they facing? Why are they not interested? It is an important duty for the teachers to fulfill the shortcomings of the students. A dutiful teacher is one who makes good students better and pulls along those who are lagging behind.

Education is the equalizer that levels differences and reduces poverty. It increases family income. It raises individual and family health. It sustains peace, helps economic development and national unity. It is hoped that this conference will bring forth discussions that will establish a firm and effective basic education system that is beneficial for the country.

Elders usually say to youngsters may you be healthy, wealthy, free from dangers. But to educate is to make a person do things or accomplish things for his/her self. They need knowledge or education to be healthy both physically and mentally as well as to be wealthy and free from dangers. I want to conclude and say that we should learn for life and then give education to our youngsters so that they may be healthy, wealthy and free from dangers. Thank you. After her speech, the State Counsellor took commemorative group photos with conference attendees and then viewed the education exhibits displayed in the hall. — MNA

State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi poses for photo together with union ministers and dignitaries at the Education Development Implementation Conference in Nay Pyi Taw. PHOTO: MNA
Dollar slides as US-China agree to suspend new trade tariffs

By Nyein Nyein

The value of US dollar has declined against the Myanmar Kyat in the aftermath of a US-China agreement to temporarily suspend any new trade tariff, according to the forex market.

Yesterday, the buying rate of the US dollar was around Ks1,500, while the selling rate was around Ks1,510-Ks1,520 for 1 dollar according to local private banks.

“A truce in the trade war between the United States and China was the main factor behind the dollar’s depreciation against the local currency,” said Dr. Aung Ko Ko, a member of the NLD Central Economic Committee.

“The US and China have agreed to halt the trade war. If the trade war between the world’s largest economic powers stops, hopefully, global trade will be able to get back to normal. Resulting from this development, the dollar exchange rate has dropped in the local forex market,” said U Than Lwin, a senior consultant of KBZ.

“As Myanmar’s economic outlook probably indicates a slowdown, dollar demand is falling. However, at present, the dollar exchange rate has only slipped a bit. It has not plunged to the previous lower rate level,” he said.

“We cannot predict whether dollar values will go up or down in the domestic market. As the US forex rate usually depends on supply and demand in the floating exchange market. Meanwhile, Sino-Myanmar border trade has currently slowed. Chinese investors have also delayed plans to set up factories in the country. Otherwise, such projects would mean an inflow of dollars through foreign direct investment,” said U Than Lwin.

“Additionally, the export sector plays a vital role in the forex market. It is somehow related to the appreciation and depreciation of dollar values in the local currency market,” said Dr. Aung Ko Ko.

“It is important to have a trade surplus. However, the fiscal deficit will continue as the country is trying to bridge the infrastructure gap. The trade deficit will inevitably rise. But, we need to take measures to reduce it,” he added.

Also, we have to push for a trade surplus as it has an impact on our foreign currency reserves, he added.

If the foreign currency reserve will be sufficient, it will help stabilize the currency’s value, Dr. Aung Ko Ko said.

On 8 November, the Central Bank of Myanmar allowed foreign banks to lend to local corporates, which also led to a drop in the US dollar exchange rate.

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)

Over 200,000 cattle exported in one year

Since authorities have permitted the export of live cattle, Myanmar exported over 200,000 cattle to neighboring countries within one year, said U Aung Htoo, Deputy Minister for Commerce.

Myanmar exported 28,000 buffaloes and 186,000 bulls between December 2017 and 16 November 2018, generating revenue of over US$ 260 million, according to U Aung Htoo at the Pyithu Hluttaw meeting on 28 November.

Moreover, the Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department is negotiating with a team with officials from General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of Yunnan Province to sign a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for clearance disease cattle exports, he added.

According to the 2018 cattle census, there are 11.5 million cattle in Myanmar, including 1.8 million buffaloes and 9.7 million bulls. The exported cattle must be above 5 years old and have vaccination certificates, health certificates, and farming registration certificates, said the Union Minister.

Along the Muse border gate, the current price of a live cow is Ks 1.7 million to Ks 2.1 million, while live buffalo is sold for Ks 2.1 million to 2.2 million.

According to a local farmer, the price of cattle rose after authorities permitted the legal export of live cattle. Currently, 490 cattle, 295 dairy cows, 160 buffaloes, 150 goats and 1,128 pigs are being raised in the Hlinethaya livestock breeding zone. Country-wide, over 174,000 buffaloes, 700,000 cows, 130,000 goats, 1,400,000 pigs, 48,000,000 chickens and 4,100,000 ducks have been raised.—GNLM

(Translated by Hay Mar)
MPU discusses budget bill for regions, states

THE MYANMAR Parliamenta-
ry Union (MPU) held its 6/2018 meeting in Nay Pyi Taw yester-
day to discuss the final draft of the budget bill for the regions and states.

The meeting was attended by the Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw, U T Khun Myat, the Speaker of the Amyotha Hluttaw, Mahn Win Khaing Thaing, the Deputy Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and the Pyithu Hluttaw, U Tun Aung (also known as U Tun Tun Hein), speakers and deputy speakers of the region and state Hluttaws, the directors-general of the Hluttaw offices, and officials.

Speaking at the meeting, U T Khun Myat called on speakers of the Hluttaws to discuss and approve the final draft of the budget bill as it has been added with rea-
sonable recommendations from regional and state parlaments.

The meeting was held at a time when the speakers and dep-
uty speakers of the Hluttaws and deputy directors-general were attending the fourth forum for leadership, organized by the UNDP.

U T Khun Myat also stressed the important role of Hluttaws in putting checks and balances on the two other branches of de-
mocracy, the executive and the judiciary, in the interest of the people.

Afterwards, the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker, Mahn Win Khaing Thaing, urged the legis-
lateve sector at the regional and state level not to get involved in other branches as the rights for speakers of the regional and state Hluttaws have been set.

While carrying out their du-
ties, representatives must take care to prevent any burden on the people, he added.

Afterwards, Deputy Speaker U Tun Aung reported on the im-
plementation of the resolutions of the 5/2018 meeting.

The head of the office of MPU and Director General of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw’s Office, U Kyaw Soe, explained the budget bill and Hluttaw affairs.

Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U T Khun Myat and Amyotha Hlut-
taw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Thaing gave the concluding re-
marks.— MNA

Seminar on innovation in Israel held in Nay Pyi Taw

THE Israeli Embassy in Yan-
gon organized a seminar on ‘Innovation in Israel’ at the Ayeyawady Hall in the MGal-
ery by Sofitel Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday evening.

The seminar was held to strengthen economic and technological relations be-
tween Myanmar and Israel. Israeli Ambassador to My-
anmar, Mr. Ronen Gilor, opened the seminar by lighting a cande-
le. He also addressed the gathering.

The Speaker of the Py-
daungsu Hluttaw and Pyithu Hluttaw U T Khun Myat also delivered a welcoming mes-

age.

The Speaker said Myan-
mar was the first Southeast Asian country to recognize Israel as an independent and sovereign state.

The two countries also established diplomat-
ic relations in 1948 after Myan-
maw’s independence, he said.

Afterwards, Professor Jacob Bortman from Ben-Gu-
rior University gave a lecture on Israel’s innovation.

The Deputy Minister for Planning and Finance, U Sett Aung, lawmakers, depart-
mental officials, and guests also attended the event.— Kyaw Htike Soe

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing receives Yunnan Provincial Party Committee Secretary

Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received Mr. Chan Hao, Secretary of the Yunnan Provincial Party Committee of the Communist Party of the People’s Republic of China at the Zeysatmi Beikman hall in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

Present at the meeting with the Senior General were Lt-Gen Tun Tun Naung, Lt-Gen Soe Htut and high ranking of-
icers from the Office of the Com-
mander-in-Chief (Army) while Mr. Chan Hao was accompanied by the Chinese Ambassador Mr. Hong Liang. During the meeting matters relating to development of Yunnan Province, status of in-
creasing and strengthening rela-
tions between the two militaries, strengthening bilateral trade, border security and stability, co-
operation in education, health and transport sector development for ethnic nationals living in the border region, status of pro-
gressing along the path toward multi-party democracy selected by the people of Myanmar, works conducted to establish eternal peace and exchange of friendly visits between the two military-
aries were discussed according to news released by the Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services.— MNA

Myanmar Christian Fellowship’s peace team arrives in Letpadan Township

A peace team of the Myanmar Christian Fellowship arrived at Pyinkadon Village, Letpadan Township, Bago Region, yest-

day.

The peace team was wel-
comed by Bago Region Hluttaw representatives U Myo Aung and U Win Ko, an official from the township education office, teachers, students, and local people.

The peace team met with locals at the middle school in the Pyinkadon Village and performed songs of peace.

Afterwards, the second leader of the team U Htut Htut, Naw Toe Mar, and writer Zayyamin Shin gave talks on peace.

The peace team continue their trip today to Hinthada Town, Ayeyawady Region.— Township IPRD

(Translated by JT)
The Union Government has formed a central committee and work committees to implement projects to ensure stability and development in Rakhine State. The government also formed a commission to implement the recommendations on Rakhine State and sought advice from it, he said.

“These moves show our strong willingness to see stability and development in Rakhine State,” said the Union Minister. The Union Government has established the Union Enterprise for Humanitarian Assistance, Resettlement and Development in Rakhine State (UEHRD) and carried out development works with participation from local and foreign partners and UN agencies, he said.

Progress has been achieved in implementing the recommendations thanks to the participation of local and foreign experts, he said.

The Union Minister also said that the government is granting citizenship and freedom of movement in accordance with the existing laws of the country, without discrimination.

So far, National Verification Cards (NVCs) have been issued to 13,215 people in Rakhine State and over 700 adults and 576 children have been granted citizenship, in accordance with the law.

The Union Minister urged the displaced people from Rakhine State to apply for citizenship and freedom of movement through the National Verification Process, adding that they just need an authorized document to move freely.

The Union Government is also working with experts from the United Nations to adopt a strategy to close existing IDP camps in Rakhine State, he said.

The authorities are also providing health and education services to the people without leaving anyone out, while providing humanitarian aid to people under the Red Cross Movement scheme, the minister said.

For repatriation of the displaced people from Rakhine State, measures are being taken to cooperate not only with UN agencies but also with the ASEAN Secretariat and the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management (AHA Centre), said Dr. Win Myat Aye.

For the socio-economic development of local people, the Kyaukpyu Special Economic Zone and the deep sea port project are in the pipe line, and efforts are being made to start a cash-for-work program, he said.

“We are ready to cooperate with anyone who is willing to work with genuine goodwill for the development and stability of Rakhine State,” said Dr. Win Myat Aye.

During a discussion at the meeting, the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, Mr. Knut Ostby said, “I would like to recognize the Government and the Committee for its commitment to prioritize the recommendations and commend them for their leadership in their implementation. The world recognizes this as a tremendous task. Allow me to assure you that we stand ready to support you. When we last met on 13 August, I said in my opening remarks that we are prepared to redouble our efforts in supporting the government to implement the recommendations.”

Ambassadors, representatives from UN agencies, partner organizations, deputy ministers, and departmental officials took part in the discussion. Union Minister Dr. Win Myat Aye concluded the meeting by thanking the international community for their recommendations on Rakhine.

The discussion at the meeting was put on record and constructive advice would be taken into account, he said.

While the committee implements the recommendations on Rakhine State, it has to take into account the social harmony of the communities and ways to free the region of conflict in the long run, he said. While paying attention to the recommendations given by Dr. Kofi Annan’s commission, the authorities are implementing works which are relevant to the ground situation, he added.— MNA (Translated by Myat Thandar Aung)
Ensuring the differently-abled have equal access, rights

The world’s population has crossed over 7 billion. More than one billion people, or approximately 15 percent of the world’s population, live with some form of disability. Of them, 80 percent live in developing countries.

Globally, the number of people aged 60 years and above is expected to double by 2050. As the rate of disability among older people is higher, the number of disabled people is also expected to rise.

The WHO also underlines that only ten in one people have access to assistive technology.

Persons with disabilities (PWDs) have a harder time accessing healthcare and education, entering the society, politics, and finding employment. PWDs face higher risks of poverty and unemployment and earn lower incomes.

Myanmar, signing the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in December 2011, has been working to empower her over 6 million PWDs so that they can participate fully in societal life, and their entire community benefits.

Myanmar’s legislature passed the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Law in 2014 and bylaws on 27 December 2015.

Additionally, The National Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities was formed on 14 September 2017. It is serving as a beacon of hope to the PWD community, taking crucial first steps for the inclusion of disabled people.

We must make efforts to make PWDs believe that they enjoy equal rights and ensure they enjoy these rights.

Creating job opportunities for the disabled is very important so that they can live with dignity and independence.

People with disabilities are still facing difficulties and challenges in obtaining equal right. Barriers faced by persons with disabilities are, therefore, a deterrent to the society as a whole and increased accessibility is necessary to achieve progress and development.

The capabilities and abilities of people with disabilities need to be recognized and programmed to increase the capability and ability of people with disabilities according to work types needed to be completed.

To help them become strong and healthy members of the society, the most important factor is respect. Every individual has the right to respect. In terms of the international outlook on human rights, dignity is one’s inherent feature. Paying no respect to another’s dignity is self-destruction of one’s dignity. We should help everyone to stand on his or her own values.

We all need to work together to ensure that people with disabilities have access to all aspects of society.

Talks held on Simple ways to advance national development

By Shin Min, Photo: Aye Than

According to indicator, business development relates to factors, power supply, loan, trade contracts. Normally, the indicator records all activities from the start to the end.

Doing Business Indicator, issued by the World Bank, has been growing rapidly. So, Myanmar’s legislature and its relevant department post dissemination information for the growth of Myanmar, please.

We have achieved accomplishment in the power generation sector in the power generation grid, and current supply of power. Formally, copper cables have automatic protection devices. Up to 200 miles of the main factors of our indicator.

With regard to electricity to them, the cause of power cut off, such as over current, the volume of current or overload in real time through transmitting messages. So, the control office can pinpoint the precise location where the power supply is working hard to stop that a permit needs a week’s time and a price of USD 200. So entrepreneurs cannot know the problems and changes in time, the government has created. So, for long-term investment, businesses can fully enjoy all the favourable conditions produced by the government, there will be a program to improve the services and technologies for entrepreneurs in Myanmar.

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**LOCAL NEWS**

**Visitors throgh Mandalay Shwenandaw Monastery**

LOCAL and foreign visitors have been thronging the Mandalay Shwenandaw (Golden Palace) Wooden Monastery, located in Aungmyethazan Township, which is currently undergoing renovation work. “Local and foreign tourists love to visit the monastery and its vicinity. The visitors are interested in observing the delicate art inside and outside the monastery, especially its paintings and sculptures. The structure of the Mandalay Shwenandaw Monastery is systematic. Myanmar people are proud of the ancient art and sculpture of their forefathers,” said a tour guide.

The Golden Palace Monastery, also known as Shwenandaw Kyaung, is currently being renovated and funded by the World Monuments Fund and the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture. The Ministry is working to conserve paintings and sculptures at the 130-year-old monastery.

**Bat cave natural conservation area to open in Kanbalu Township**

THE Sagaing Region Government will open a bat cave natural conservation area in Kanbalu Township on 26 December, said an official from the Sagaing Region Forest Department.

To conserve the cave area, which is mainly inhabited by bats, the government has already earmarked a total of 30,308 acres of land for bat cave conservation, including 3,674 acres of land in Mandalay Region’s Thabeikkyin Township, since 2016. The opening ceremony for the conservation area in Kanbalu Township is set for 25 and 26 December, said an official from the Sagaing Region Forest Department.

At a media conference held during the project’s implementation period, Sagaing Region Chief Minister Dr. Myint Naing had said, “The bat cave natural conservation area will be opened to help students and travellers observe and learn about biodiversity, interaction between ecosystems, and the importance of mutual support in the living world to make it sustainable.

“An education centre will also be constructed for people to learn to cherish the nature of our landscape. The center will be built with regional funds,” he said.

The entrance gate of the bat cave natural conservation area was constructed near Milepost 65/0 on the Shwebo-Myitkyina Road.

The authorities have planted over 12,000 varieties of trees along the road to the conservation area. A gallery of wildlife and flower patterns and staff housing have also been constructed in the conservation area. The Hta Wara Mining Company has also built a concourse for VIPs and some dormitories in the conservation area. It plans to build three lakes for boat-ridding.— Aung Thant Khine (Translated by Hay Mar)

**Authorities crack down on illegal cross-border potato imports**

The authorities are taking strict action against illegal importation of potatoes from China through the border gates to protect local growers, according to the Myanmar Trade Promotion Organization (MYANTRADE).

Work expands so as to protect local producers. Myanmar only imports some agricultural products when domestic production is insufficient, and those imports are approved by the Agriculture Department.

The Ministry of Commerce is working with other related departments to control illegally imported potatoes entering the domestic market to protect the market share of local growers and revenues.

The ministry has so far helped maintain the potato pedigree, provided technical assistance, and inputs to help domestic growers compete with imports from other countries.

There are over 90,000 acres of potato plantations across Myanmar. The country produces about 600,000 tons of potatoes every year. The country’s potato consumption is estimated at 350,000 tons.

To help farmers, the Agricultural Department also conducted an inspection in collaboration with the Consumer Affairs Department and is now taking legal action against those selling low quality or fake fertilisers and pesticides.

The Commerce Ministry is reportedly drafting a law to safeguard domestic products against competition from imports. It also mulling anti-dumping and countervailing duties to prevent anti-competitive import practices such as “dumping,” whereby foreign companies undercut domestic producers by flooding the market with cheap surplus goods, often of inferior quality. The laws are intended to regulate the quality of imports and protect local producers from price gouging.— Ko Khant (Translated by Ei Myat Mon)
A dinner to welcome the 7th Media Development Conference was held at the Park Royal Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

It was attended by Deputy Minister for Information U Aung Hla Tun, Permanent Secretary and directors-general of the departments of the Ministry of Information, MPs, Chairmen and members of the Myanmar Press Council, organizations which are working for development of media sector in Myanmar, guests and media personnel.

Before the dinner, Deputy Minister U Aung Hla Tun and Head of DW Akademie for Asia and Europe Mr. Michael Karhausen extended greetings.

Afterwards, the dignitaries enjoyed the dinner together.— MNA (Translated by JT)

**Yangon International Automobile Exhibition 2019 from 23 to 27 January**

YANGON International Automobile Exhibition 2019 to be held under the title “Navigating the Automotive Industry of Tomorrow” in Yangon Convention Center (YCC) from 23 to 27 January 2019.

The exhibition would be jointly organized by Grand Prix International Public Company Limited (GPI Myanmar Company Limited) based in Thailand and Automotive Association of Myanmar-AAM.

At the press conference held in Yangon yesterday, Chairman of the Yangon International Automobile Exhibition, Mr. Anothai Eamlumnow said “This exhibition will introduce innovation of world top automotive companies. Audiences will get international experiences and knowledge."

The exhibition come after Automotive Association of Myanmar decided to cooperate with the GPI Myanmar Co Ltd in holding the event, believing that the event would bring benefits to the association and Myanmar people, said Chairman of Automotive Association of Myanmar-AAM U Aung Win.

BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Volvo, Toyota, Suzuki, Nissan, Honda, Ford, Chevrolet, Hyundai, KIA, Jaguar, Land Rover and DFM such as 20 international automobile companies will be displayed in the exhibition. The exhibition has also offered test driving for visitors and opportunities to explore future vehicle technology.—Sandi Phyo (Translated by Myat Thandar Aung)

**Over 600 birds rescued in Wakema Tsp**

A village conservation team rescued over 600 birds from illegal poachers in the Kyaungkapyin Village Birds Conservation Team in Wakema Township, Ayeyawady Region.

The Kyaungkapyin Village Birds Conservation Team seized the birds, which included three species of sparrows and three species of weaver birds, from illegal poachers on 30 November. Among them, over 100 birds had died of starvation, while the rest were released on 1 December.

“We released the live birds, which were seized from poachers in the presence of foreign tourists. Our team also seized one bird trap and 12 cages, which have been destroyed,” said U Sein Myint, the vice chairman of the Village Birds Conservation Team from Wakema Township.

“We will continue our efforts to conserve the birds. We also plan to produce organic paddy in the bird conservation area and build a bird watching area,” he added.

The Kyaungkapyin conservation team was formed in July this year as the area is home to several species of birds.—Nyi Tu (Translated by Hay Mar)

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2018 conference on education development implementation (basic education sector) holds in Nay Pyi Taw

Union Minister Dr. Myo Thein Gyi delivers the speech at the Education Development Implementation Conference (Basic Education Sector) in Nay Pyi Taw.

PHOTO: MNA

UNION Minister for Education Dr. Myo Thein Gyi attended the 2018 Education Development Implementation Conference (basic education sector) for the first day held at the International Convention Centre-II, Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

In his opening speech, Union Minister for Education Dr. Myo Thein Gyi said that the Ministry of Education has made concerted efforts to get every child of school age into schooling and to have access to education without any discrimination while up-grading some schools to promote opportunities for higher learning. The Ministry of Education has been striving to complete the full course of primary schooling for the children, to reduce school dropout rate and to graduate from high schools while conducting empowerment programmes such as ICT skills and teaching quality for the teachers.

As for the children, they are needed to have mutual understanding and respect for diversity, cooperation, to enhance reading through libraries while promoting sports and music programmes, a spirit of accountability and innovation for sustainable development, he added.

Then Deputy Director General (Admin) for Department of Basic Education U Ye Lin Myint read a paper entitled, “Better management affairs and reducing lawsuits for the education staff”.

Rector of the University of Pyay Dr. Aung Aung Min read a paper entitled, “Making analysis from the human resource’s point of view”. Deputy Director for Department of Basic Education U Toe Win read a paper entitled, “Implementing to set up School Quality Assurance Framework”.

Myanmar delegation attends 54th Governors Conference in Sri Lanka

The Myanmar delegation, led by U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM), attended the 54th SEACEN Governors’ Conference/High-Level Seminar and 38th Meeting of the SEACEN Board of Governors, which was held in Colombo, the capital of Sri Lanka, from 29 November to 2 December.

During the meeting, the attendees exchanged views and discussed rapid changes in technology, as well as their future impact on currency, on inflation in emerging and developing economies, policy challenges in small countries when they practice open door borders, along with ways to solve the challenges.

Dr. Indrajit Coomaraswamy, a Sri Lankan economist and the current Governor of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, was selected as the chairman of SEACEN for 2019. The Myanmar delegation returned to Yangon on 3 December.—MNA ■

(Translated by JT)
The Terminator insists US will help battle climate change

KATOWICE (Poland) — Governments must protect citizens from the killer effects of climate change, movie tough guy turned statesman Arnold Schwarzenegger told AFP, insisting the United States was committed to a greener future despite Donald Trump reneging on the Paris agreement.

In an interview on the sidelines of a UN climate summit in Poland this week, the Terminator actor and three-time Mr. Universe winner said he was on an “environmental crusade” and urged everyone to join in the climate fight.

Schwarzenegger added a sprinkle of stardust to Monday’s opening session of COP24 climate talks in Poland, where nations must agree on a rulebook for the 2015 Paris accord.

“I think governments’ responsibility is to protect people. That’s why we have armies to avoid an attack. Well here is the biggest attack,” he told AFP.

“Seven million people die every year because of (air) pollution, 25,000 of them die alone in America. If we don’t want to fight that then there is something wrong with us.”

In his two terms as California governor between 2003-2011, Schwarzenegger helped shape America’s richest state into a green powerhouse.

He signed legislation giving local and state officials the tools to bring down greenhouse gas emissions by reducing urban sprawl and promoting renewable energy and green technology. The 71-year-old said the US was committed to act on climate change regardless of President Trump’s controversial decision to take the richest country in the world out of the Paris accord.

“Just because Donald Trump dropped out of the Paris agreement it doesn’t mean that America dropped out,” he said.

“All of our states that were always environmentally friendly are still going in the same direction. All of our cities in America are going in the same direction, they are still in the Paris agreement.

“People are investing in green technology. It’s a booming industry and people should understand that we all have to work together. America is in and our crazy leader is not, so be it.”

‘Protect environment’

During his presidential campaign Trump promised to protect the nation’s coal workers and even reopen mines that had been mothballed.

The COP summit is being held in the Polish mining city of Katowice, and the Polish government is pushing for a “just transition” that gradually reduces coal usage while protecting the miners whose livelihoods depend on it. Schwarzenegger said that the US and other fuel-dependent economies would suffer as they transition to renewables was a fallacy.

“Green technology creates a huge amount of jobs and the reality is that we don’t have to choose between one and the other. You can protect the environment and protect the economy at the same time,” he said.

The Advanced Energy Economy Institute said California employed more than half a million people in green energy in 2016 — several times the amount of US coal workers nationally. Schwarzenegger, who converted his prized Hummer truck to run on electric, said California’s prosperity showed environmental and economic success were intrinsically linked.—AFP

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### Additional statistical bulletin on drug seizures, acting on information

1. In order to prevent and eradicate the dangers of narcotic drugs and psychotropic drugs, the Office of the President has formed the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department on 26 June 2018 to systematically accept and respond to reports on drug abuses and other related cases from the general public.

2. With orders from the Office of the President, the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department relayed information on reports on drug-related offenses up to 1 December 2018 to the Ministry of Home Affairs to take action, as displayed below:

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<td>Information received of Myint Maung from Parowt Village, Netyaytwin Village-Tract, Indaw Tsp., acting on information 25-11-2018, police searched Myint Maung’s house in Parowt Village, Indaw Tsp. Police discovered Myint Maung, 29, together with WY psychotropic tablets and heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Indaw) MaYa(Pa) 222/2018 under Section 19-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Zaw Oo from Budalal Village, Indaw Township, Sayaung Region, selling illegal drugs. On 29-11-2018, police searched Zaw Oo’s house in Budalal Village, Indaw Tsp. Police discovered Zaw Oo, 34, together with opium. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Indaw) MaYa(Pa) 127/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of U Phoe Kyar from Minhsitar Ward, Mawlu Town, Indaw Tsp. Police discovered U Phoe Kyar (a) Htwe Aung, 36, together with heroin. A case has been opened with NaMaSa (Mawlu) MaYa(Pa) 58/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of selling illegal drugs in Pyu Tsp., Bago Region, selling illegal drugs. On 28-11-2018, police searched Hlaung(a) Phyo Thu Aung’s house in Tarchar Ward, Pyu East Group, Pyu Tsp. Police discovered Hlaung(a) Phyo Thu Aung, 27, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Pyu) MaYa(Pa) 6/2018 under Section 19-A/20-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Ko Myo Thet (a) A Ye living at the building under construction beside of BEMS (2), Piketan Ward, Zipyhu Thaung Village, Ye Tsp. Police discovered Ko Myo Thet (a) A Ye, 36, and Lin Lin, 36, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Ye) MaYa(Pa) 45/2018 under Section 19-A/21 of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Wai Phyo living in 2nd Street, Homelanbudar Ward, Sangyoung Tsp., Yangon Region, selling illegal drugs. On 26-11-2018, police searched Wai Phyo(a) Wai Phyo Aung’s house in 2nd Street, Homelanbudar Ward, Sangyoung Tsp. Police discovered Wai Phyo(a) Wai Phyo Aung, 33, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Sangyoung) MaYa(Pa) 25/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Yan Lin Aung (a) Kywet Ni living in Sangyiwa Ward, Mingaladon City, Yangon Region, selling illegal drugs. On 27-11-2018, police searched Yeinyt Kyaw’s house at No. 89, Aungtheikthi Street, Sawbwarpyoke Ward, Insein Tsp. Police discovered Yeinyt Kyaw, 25, Yan Lin Aung (a) Kywet Ni, 27, from Sangyiwa Ward, Mingaladon Tsp., and Wai Moe Aung, 21, from Aungmaralag road together with WY psychotropic tablets. Police continued to search at Yan Lin Aung (a) Kywet Ni’s house but any drugs were found. A case has been opened against three suspects with MaMaSa (Insein) MaYa(Pa) 106/2018 under Section 19-C/21 of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of U Ba Htoo, U Ngwe Soe and wife Daw Khin Thida from Poneingyi Village, Kyaukgyi Village-Tract, Indaw Sub-tp, Shan State (South), selling illegal drugs. On 27-11-2018, police searched U Ba Htoo’s house in Poneingyi Village, Kyaukgyi Village-Tract, Indaw Sub-tp. Police discovered U Ba Htoo, U Ngwe Soe and wife Daw Khin Thida, 47, together with WY psychotropic tablets and opium. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Kyaukgyi) MaYa(Pa) 9/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Similarly, police searched U Ngwe Soe’s house. Police didn’t find him but his wife, Daw Khin Thida, 47, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Kyaukgyi) MaYa(Pa) 10/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of selling illegal drugs in Mongyi Tsp., Shan State (North). On 29-11-2018, police searched Aye Mee(a) Nan Moe Nyunt’s house at No. 210, Area 3, Ward 3, Mongyi Tsp. Police discovered Aye Mee(a) Nan Moe Nyunt, 38, Aye Li, 49, from Manfale Village, Aike, Myint, 32, Sai Kham Khine, 40, from Mongyi Tsp and Aike Khine, 45, together with WY psychotropic tablets and heroin. A case has been opened against five suspects with MaMaSa (Mongyi) MaYa(Pa) 11/2018 under Section 19-A/26-AZI of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of selling illegal drugs in Wards in Taunggyi Tsp., Shan State (South). On 29-11-2018, police were patrolling near Sahuonemika Monastery, Chaynayathazi Ward, Taunggyi Tsp. Police arrested Kyaw Kyaw Lin(a) Kyaw Kyi, 22, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with NaMaSa (Taunggyi) MaYa(Pa) 71/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Similarly, police were patrolling in East Circular Road, Mingalar Oo Ward. Police arrested Zaw Min Tun, 24, together with WY psychotropic tablets. A case has been opened with NaMaSa (Taunggyi) MaYa(Pa) 72/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of selling illegal drugs on the hill in Group (19), Ward 4, Kutkai Tsp., Shan State (North). On 30-11-2018, further investigation led to patrol in Ward 4, Kutkai Tsp and police discovered with Aike Yine(a) Aike Sin, 28, from Lwekhlan Village, Kutkai Tsp, together with heroin and stimulant tablets. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Kutkai) MaYa(Pa) 134/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of selling illegal drugs in &quot;Wa&quot; Phayakyang Street, Mannine Village, Area 4, Ward 5, Lashio Tsp, Shan State (North). On 1-12-2018, while police were patrolling on &quot;Wa&quot; Phayakyang Street, Mannine Village, Area 4, Ward 5, Lashio Tsp, one motorcycle driven by Zay Gong, 46, was stopped for investigation. Police discovered Zay Gong, together with heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Lashio) MaYa(Pa) 223/2018 under Section 16-C of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. Further investigation led to continue patrolling. Police arrested Aung Mine, 40, together with 10 g of heroin. A case has been opened with MaMaSa (Kutkai) MaYa(Pa) 135/2018 under Section 19-A of the Anti-Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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Second Pyithu Hluttaw’s tenth regular session holds ninth meeting

A motion tabled by U Sai Ngaung Hsai Hein of Maungma constituency, urging the Union Government to define and set priority work guidelines on waste management, was discussed by Daw Mar Ma Khine of Thaton constituency, Dr. Daw Khin Sithu of Loikaw constituency, Dr. Daw Kyi Moh of Nyaunglebin constituency, U Tin Hla from Danuphyu constituency, U Nan Mon Htin of Nyaungshwe constituency, U Saw Victor Clyde of Seikpyu constituency, Dr. Daw Khin Sein of Akyar constituency, and U Nan Mon Htin of Shwe Nyaung constituency. The Deputy Minister for Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, Dr. Ye Min Myint, who tabled the motion (as amended by amendments by the Amyotha Hluttaw), said that the Union Government should define priorities and work guidelines on waste management. The Pyithu Hluttaw decided to table the motion for discussion and debate in the Union Parliament. The motion was tabled by U Sai Ngaung Hsai Hein of Maungma constituency.

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Hluttaw decides on Myanmar Mine Rules

Next, Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee member U Nay Myo Tun submitted the Myanmar Mine Rules bill, returned with amendments by the Amyotha Hluttaw. Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker obtained the decision of the Hluttaw and approved it. Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee member Dr. Wai Phyo Aung then tabled a motion on two disagreements between the two Hluttaws on the bill, and the Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker announced the approval of the Hluttaw and follow-up on it.

Hluttaw decides to keep in view and on record motion on waste management

As the Hluttaw representative who tabled the motion still sought the approval of the Hluttaw, the matter was put to vote. The votes were 172 for, 179 against, and 2 abstaining on the motion, and an announcement was made to put the motion on record and keep it in view. The Second Pyithu Hluttaw’s tenth regular session’s tenth-day meeting will be held today.
Mourinho aiming to stop rot as Man Utd season unravels

MANCHESTER (United Kingdom) — Jose Mourinho needs to lift Manchester United’s morale quickly as a deflating run of performances threatens to throw their season off track completely but he faces a daunting task against a revitalized Arsenal.

Mourinho’s team have not looked themselves at Old Trafford for much of the season, with their past two matches producing an insipid goalless draw against Crystal Palace and an unconvincing late Champions League victory over Swiss side Young Boys.

On their travels, they had looked as if they were getting back to form as October turned to November, with the side producing fine displays in drawing at Chelsea and beating Juventus.

Yet perhaps those performances were just papering over the cracks. United recovered from a two-goal deficit to draw at Southampton on Saturday and Romelu Lukaku scored his first club goal since 15 September but there was much to be alarmed about.

Mourinho claimed his players, with the exception of Marcus Rashford, were meek, lacking the spirit of what he called “mad dogs”.

According to Duncan Castles, a British journalist with close links to Mourinho’s agent Jorge Mendes, the United manager compared midfielder Paul Pogba to “a virus” after another poor performance at Southampton, saying the France international lacked respect for both his teammates and fans. — AFP

Modric sees off French stars to end Messi, Ronaldo grip on Ballon d’Or

PARIS (France) — Luka Modric saw off competition from a host of French World Cup stars as the Real Madrid and Croatia midfielder won the 2018 Ballon d’Or on Monday, ending the 10-year stranglehold on the award by Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi.

Modric, 33, was announced as the winner of the prestigious prize in a glittery ceremony held in Paris. Ronaldo was second, with France and Atletico Madrid striker Antoine Griezmann completing the podium.

Paris Saint-Germain’s teenager Kylian Mbappe came fourth, leaving Messi to settle for fifth position. Another Frenchman, Modric’s Madrid teammate Raphael Varane, was seventh, just behind Liverpool’s Egyptian forward Mohamed Salah.

“As a kid we all have dreams. My dream was to play for a big club and win important trophies,” Modric said.

“The Ballon d’Or was more than just a dream for me and it is really an honour and a privilege to hold this trophy.”

Mbappe, who does not turn 20 until later this month, picked up the consolation prize of the Kopa Trophy for the best young player.

The gala ceremony also saw a women’s Ballon d’Or awarded for the first time, with Lyon’s prolific Norwegian striker Ada Hegerberg taking that award.

Modric — the oldest winner since Italy’s Fabio Cannavaro, also 33, in 2006 — was crowned after an outstanding year in which he starred in the Real side that retained the Champions League before moving to Juventus in a typically prolific year; while Messi has again been outstanding with Barcelona.

The pair had won the prize five times each in the last decade but both are now in their 30s and neither stamped their authority on the World Cup.

Messi finishes outside the top three in the voting for the first time since 2006.

The World Cup was always likely to play a key role, and France had hoped to see one of their stars take the award on home soil. — AFP

Nuremberg hold Bayern Leverkusen 1-1 in German Bundesliga

BERLIN — Georg Margreitter’s second-half equalizer secured newly promoted Nuremberg a 1-1 draw with Bayer Leverkusen in the 13th round of Bundesliga action on Monday.

Despite a rain-soaked pitch, Bayer Leverkusen gained the upper hand on the road and came to their first chances in the opening period when Karim Bellarabi’s effort called Nuremberg goalkeeper Fabian Bredlow into action.

The visitors rattled the crossbar through Sven Bender before Kevin Volland pulled wide from a promising position moments later. Leverkusen’s efforts paid off at the hour mark after Kai Havertz curled the ball from eight meters into the top right corner to break the deadlock.

After the restart, Heiko Herrlich’s men continued to work out opportunities but neither Kevin Volland nor Julian Brandt made the most of their chances. However, the hosts restored parity out of the blue as Georg Margreitter benefited from a rebound to hammer home the equalizer with a deflected shot from the edge of the box with 56 minutes played.

“Die Werkself” pressed relentlessly for the winner but their efforts lacked accuracy in the closing period. Nuremberg also had a chance to wrap up the win but Leverkusen keeper Lukas Hradecky denied substitute Adam Zrelak from an acute angle.

With the draw, Bayer Leverkusen climbed to the 13th place on the Bundesliga standings meanwhile Nuremberg stay in the 15th position. — Xinhua