1. It is found that some people infected with COVID-19 from confirmed patients of local transmissions in Rakhine State went to other regions and states, so the National-Level Central Committee on Prevention, Control and Treatment of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) has already issued a public announcement dated 26-8-2020 urging those from Rakhine State who made their visits to other regions and states for any reasons since 10-8-2020, or those who visited Rakhine State and went back to their regions and states, to inform their nearest health centres, and the departments and the organizations concerned.

2. According to the Ministry of Health and Sports, 5,409 people travelled from Rakhine State to Yangon Region by flights. Among those people, 2,622 were contacted by the ministry via phone, but only 1,574 people informed their nearest health centres, and the departments and the organizations concerned. The rest of those people could not be contacted and they failed to inform.

3. Therefore, those who travelled from Rakhine State to Nay Pyi Taw, or other regions or states for any reasons must inform their nearest health centres, and the departments and the organizations concerned by 11-9-2020. Under the Natural Disaster Management Law, actions will be taken against the travellers from Rakhine State who fail to inform by the deadline or those who know the travellers but conceal them.
Advice to people who returned from Rakhine State

1. The names of people who came back from Rakhine by air after 10 August 2020 have been published in the newspapers. Although they were informed to contact with relevant departments, about half of them have not made their report. Therefore, their names will be published again together with their addresses. And that, they would be known by their neighbours and friends. There will be a specific period for the report. If they failed to make the report voluntarily during this period, legal actions will be filed against them.

2. About half of those who travelled from Rakhine State have not made reports until now, and more than 4,500 people, still need to do so.

3. They need to make a voluntary report to the nearby health centres and administrative organizations out of consideration for themselves, their family members, their wards/villages, their townships and regions and their citizens.

MRTV hosts quiz competition to mark centenary of Myanmar film industry

THE Myanmar Radio and Television commenced shooting of a quiz competition programme at its station in Yangon on 7 September.

The competition is jointly organized by the Ministry of Information, the MRTV, the Information and Public Relations Department, the National University of Arts and Culture (Yangon) and Myanmar Motion Picture Organization, to mark the 100th anniversary of Myanmar film industry.

The contesting teams are taking part in the first and second-round levels of competition on 7 and 8 September, and the final level will be on 9 September.

The programme will be aired on MRTV and its partner channels. —Tin Ko Win (FDC)

(Translated by Khine Thazin Han)

Myanmar business woman wins 5th ASEAN Entrepreneur Award

A ceremony to present the awards will be held at Shilla Hotel in Seoul on 16 September, but the winners are not invited to the event because of COVID-19 restrictions. On behalf of them, embassies concerned will accept the awards.

The winners are requested to send video messages in advance and to join the event online, according to ASEAN-Korea Centre (AKC). — MNA

(Translated by Khine Thazin Han)

Myanmar brings back 132 citizens from foreign countries

The relief flight of MAI (Myanmar Airways International) landed at Yangon International Airport yesterday evening, bringing a total of 192 Myanmar nationals back home via Incheon International Airport.

Among these returnees, 1 Myanmar national is from Germany while another 1 is from South Africa, 2 from Brazil, 3 each from UK, Belgium, Canada and Indonesia, 4 from Norway, 11 from the US and 68 from the Republic of Korea.

Similarly, another charter flight of MNA (Myanmar National Airlines) also landed at Yangon International Airport at the same time, bringing 30 Myanmar seamen stranded in Singapore under the arrangement of Myanmar Embassy and their relevant cruise line companies.

As they arrived in Yangon, officials from the Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population, the Ministry of Health and Sports, and the Yangon Region government helped them with their 21-day quarantine period in line with the regulations of immigration and medical checks.

For the repatriation of Myanmar citizens who were stranded in foreign countries by relief flights and chartered flights in accordance with the instructions from National-Level Central Committee on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Ministry of Foreign Affairs cooperated with the relevant ministries and Myanmar embassies from respective countries, and has organized 21 relief flights to pick up Myanmar nationals via the Republic of Korea to date. — MNA

(Translated by Khine Thazin Han)
Advance voting process for local voters outside their constituencies in 2020 General Election

- Heads of trainings, schools, hospitals and jails are to contact the sub-election commissions to get documents of Form 15.
- They must return these documents to sub-commission of respective townships by 26 August 2020 after the documents are filled by the voters.
- Sub-election commission of respective townships must send ballot papers and envelopes for advance voting to the trainings, schools, hospitals and jails by 7 October 2020.
- Advance voting must be organized at trainings, schools, hospitals and jails on their appropriate day from 8 October 2020 to 21 October 2020.
- The envelopes containing ballot papers must be sent back to sub-election commission of respective townships by 4 pm on 8 November 2020.

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing meets with representatives of NDAA (Mongla)

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing held a meeting with representatives of the National Democratic Alliance Army (Mongla) at the Golden Triangle meeting hall of Triangle Region Command on 7 September.

At the meeting, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing presented 20,000 surgical masks, 300 sets of PPE, 1,000 N95 masks, 250 face shields, 6 boxes of 15 litre Sodium Hypochloride, 1,000 examination gloves, 150 bottles of hand gel, 150 bottles of hand sanitizers, foodstuffs, food items produced from Tatmadaw factories, and medicines and medical items for the surgical unit of the Mongla hospital. These were received by U Soe Lin and members of the delegation.

The Senior General also held separate meetings with departmental officials, members of the Tatmadaw and the Myanmar Police Force, members of people’s militia unit and town elders at the meeting halls of Triangle Region Command and the Central East Command.

At the meetings, the Senior General gave cash awards to the members of security forces who effectively participated in narcotic drugs suppression activities and medical supplies for combatting COVID-19 in the respective townships. Kengtung and Namsang townships received 20,000 surgical masks, 300 sets of PPE, 1,000 N95 masks, 250 face shields, 6 boxes of 15 litre Sodium Hypochloride, 1,000 examination gloves, 150 bottles of hand sanitizers, foodstuffs and household commodities produced by the Tatmadaw factories respectively.

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing also presented cash awards to members of the Myanmar Police Force who successfully participated in seizing narcotic drugs. These cash awards were received by Police Colonel Aye Thein, Deputy Commander of the state police force and Police Colonel Tint Zaw Oo, Commander of the Loilem District police force.

According to the report of Office of Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, the Senior General and party visited the famous Naung Tung Lake of Kengtung Township.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)

Myanmar parliamentarians join 41st General Assembly of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly

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In delivering his remark, the leader of Myanmar parliamentary representatives U T Khun Myat talked about the need of AIPA members for development of ASEAN region, promoting multilateralism, international connectivity and respect for law to ensure peace and prosperity of the region, and the importance of all-inclusiveness in the accomplishment of ASEAN Community Vision 2025.

He also highlighted that effective response to complicated changes under global and regional situations could create opportunities, and the AIPA also needs to cooperate with international parliaments more closely.

The Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA) was also ‘attended’ by Amyotha Hluttaw representative Daw Shwe Shwe Sein Latt and Pyithu Hluttaw representative Dr Khin Soe Soe Kyi. The WAIPA approved the motion titled ‘Promoting the role of women parliamentarians in securing jobs and income for women workers’.

Pyithu Hluttaw representatives U Naing Htoo Aung and Dr Soe Moe Thu also took part in the AIPA Young Parliamentarians for the topic ‘The engagement of AIPA young parliamentarians in ASEAN Community Building’.

The remaining AIPA committee meetings will be held today.—MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)
Advice to people in Yangon Region

1. About 6,000 people have been quarantined in Yangon. Within two days, quarantine spaces were arranged for 1,000 people who came back from Rakhine State. Now, the number of people who had contacts with COVID-19 patients has increased, so seven new quarantine centres have been established for 1,000 more people. The civil society organizations and volunteers are invited to help the persons at the quarantine centres.
2. People in Yangon need to send the persons who had contacts with confirmed cases in the contact tracing to the quarantine centres without making them worried.
3. People should adhere to the required rules and regulations in the quarantine centres. When sending food to people in quarantine centres, alcohol and cigarettes should not be included in the delivery.
4. People in Yangon have lots of difficulties, challenges and burdens. Therefore, they need to strictly follow the rules by staying at home in two to three weeks during this period. In going outside for necessary reasons, they must wear masks. As Yangon City has a large population, people are also advised to abide by the rules of Ministry of Health and Sports amidst the increasing number of confirmed cases.

MoE organizes International Literacy Day 2020

A CEREMONY to mark International Literacy Day 2020 was held at the Ministry of Education in Nay Pyi Taw via videoconferencing yesterday morning.

The ceremony was opened with the music video entitled “Sustainable Education for Future’.

Union Minister for Education Dr Myo Thein Gyi, in his capacity as a patron of the organizing committee made an opening speech, saying that the day is the annual celebration of International Literacy Day in Myanmar, which has been celebrated by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) since 1967. The COVID-19 is still spreading all over the world including Myanmar during this occasion and there are more challenges regarding with the opportunities for literacy, school educational, lifelong learning as the COVID-19 infection rate is quickly rising.

The reviews of UN educational organizations stated that most of the schools all over the world and other educational facilities were closed and it affected about 1.6 billion of students and about 63 million of teachers from more than 190 countries. So, it is the largest loss of learning opportunities in the history of the world, he said.

Meanwhile, 63 million of primary students from 165 countries also incurred losses in their education. The distance learning programme plays key role for children and youths and the people solve the problems by moving to proper learning activities such as online classes, online lessons, printings and broadcasting on TV and radio, he said.

He added if people cannot quickly respond to the impacts of losing opportunities to learn, it can threaten the future generations and also affect the balanced and sustainable development goals in a decade.

He continued that all the nations and education sectors created new learning models together with new normal lifestyle based on the ICT and media technology.

There should be innovative ways to achieve more opportunities to prioritize the children and youths who lose their rights to learn due to their difficulties following the goal “Leave No One Behind” and to conduct training for the teachers regarding the changing teaching pedagogies and to provide the needed technologies and infrastructure for continuous learning, he said.

The UN’s report also urges all stakeholders to cooperate to overcome the challenges to achieve more opportunities in learning and not to affect the new generations.

The officials adopted the new teaching methods not to lose learning opportunities like conducting classes in small group learning, online, offline and through TV and radios by following the health guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Sports. The school hours were also changed by dividing the students into groups, so that different student groups had different schedules, he said.

It also needs to train the teachers to perform in line with the changing pedagogies and to provide the technologies and infrastructure to the areas where most of aids are needed.

In accordance with UNESCO’s “Literacy teaching and learning in the COVID-19 crisis and beyond - The role of educators and changing pedagogies”, education officers need to offer training for literacy educators and to carry out collectively in implementing quality education system, he said.

Then, Rector of Yangon University of Foreign Languages and Secretary General of Myanmar National Commission for UNESCO Dr Kyi Shwinn read out the Concept Note for the 2020 International Literacy Day and the documentary video of literacy movement was shown.

The ceremony was concluded with the music video of “Saytana Pan Tha Lan Yar Nyu” song.—MNA

(Translated by Khine Thazin Han)

191 more new cases of COVID-19 reported on 8 September; total figure rises to 1,709

MYANMAR’S COVID-19 positive cases rise to 1,709 after 191 new cases were reported on 8 September according to Ministry of Health and Sports. Among these 1,709 confirmed cases, 10 died, 460 have been discharged from hospitals and 188 were held under investigation.—MNA

Updated at 8 pm, 8 September 2020

| New Cases | 191 |
| Total Cases | 1,709 |
| Total Deaths | 10 |
| Discharged from Hospitals | 460 |
| New PUIs | 188 |
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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 offences up to 5 September 2020 to the Ministry of Home Affairs to take action, as displayed below:  

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<td>Information received of Kyaw Lwin who lives in Sinsiboke Village in Mohnyin Township, Kayin State, distributing and selling illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 31 August 2020, police searched the house of Kyaw Lwin, 41, son of U Ba Nyan, who lives in Sinsiboke Village, Mohnyin Township and arrested him together with 881 stimulant tablets and heroin. A case has been opened against him with MaMaSa (Mohnyin/MaYa(pa) 147/2020 under Section 19(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Than Moe who lives in Kinn Sann Village in Ye U Township, Sagain Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 30 August 2020, police stopped the motorcycle of Than Moe, 39, son of U Sein Maung, who lives in Kinn Samb Village in Ye U Township, on the village road of Aung Kae Zin Village and Latmahtauung Village and arrested him together with WV stimulant tablets and heroin. A case has been opened against him with NaMaSa (Tin Tin Yan) MaYa(Pa)2/2020 under Section 16(c) and 20(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Khin Maung Lwin who lives in Tha Ngar Village in Phaungpyin Township, Sagain Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 4 September 2020, police searched the house of Khin Maung Lwin, 41, son of U Maung Sein, who lives in Tha Ngar Village in Phaungpyin Township and did not find him and instead arrested his wife Ma Aye Aye Thin, 41, daughter of U San Aung, together with heroin. A case has been opened against her with MaMaSa (Phaungpyin) MaYa(Pa) 166/2020 under Section 19(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Daw Htay Myint who lives in Gwone Gyone Kyaw Village in Indaw Township, Sagain Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 4 September 2020, police searched the house of Daw Htay Myint, 42, daughter of U Aung, who lives in Gwone Gyone Kyaw Village in Indaw Township, and arrested her together with heroin. A case has been opened against her with MaMaSa (Indaw) MaYa(Pa) 34/2020 under Section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of many people from Aung Thu Kha Ward in Kawthoung Town, Taninthayi Region, using, distributing and selling illegal drugs.</td>
<td>There were 24 cases opened against 28 people (24 males and 4 females) who were arrested together with stimulant tablets, ICSes and speciose previous weeks. On 30 August 2020, according to a series of previous arrests, police searched the house of Ye Min Oo, 30, son of U Than Zaw Oo, who lives on Anawyahar Road, Aung Thu Kha Ward in Kawthoung and arrested him together with WV stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against him with MaMaSa (Kawthoung) MaYa (Pa) 178/2020 under Section 19(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Ko Myo who lives in Ma Pu Tay Village in Kawthoung, Taninthayi Region, distributing and selling illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 4 September 2020, police searched the house of Ko Myo (a) Thant Zaw Moe, 33, son of U Khan Hlai and arrested him and Chit San Maung, 21, son of U Zaw Myo, Khan Maung Latt, 24, son of U Than Soe and Nay Lin Htun(a) Armin, 24, son of U Min Htun who all live in the same village, together with WV stimulant tablets. The cases have been opened against them with MaMaSa (Kawthoung) MaYa(Pa) 108/2020 under Section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of distribution and selling in Tha Byay Pin gold mining block in Yamyaw Township, Mandalay Region.</td>
<td>On 5 September 2020, police searched the house of Ma Wint Nandar Aung, 22, daughter of U Lw Cha, who lives in Shwe Mine Myo Village (Tha Byay Pin gold mining block) in Yamethin Township and arrested her with ''88/1” stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against her with MaMaSa (Yamethin) MaYa(Pa)32/2020 under Section 19(a) and 20(a) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of many people who are distributing, selling and using illegal drugs under the Aung Ye Ze bridge in Kan Nar (west) Ward, Insein Township, and arrested him with WV stimulant tablets.</td>
<td>On 4 September 2020, police searched the house of Myo Hlaing, 32, son of U Sein Hlaing, who lives under the Aung Ye Ze Ya bridge in Kan Nar (west) Ward, Insein Township, and arrested him with WV stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against him with MaMaSa (Insein) MaYa(Pa) 152/2020 under Section 16(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Kyi Kyi Maw who lives in Hmaw Sat Ward in Dala Township, Yangon Region, selling and distributing illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 4 September 2020, police searched the house of Kyi Kyi Maw (a) San San Kyi, 28, daughter of U Kyi Lay, who lives in Hmaw Sat Ward in Dala Township and arrested her with her husband Thet Naung (a) Naung Naung, 29, son of U Saw Naung, together with WV stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSa (Dala) MaYa(Pa) 34/2020 under Section 19(a), 20(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Kaung Khant Kyaw (a) Kaung Kaung who lives in No.18 Ward, in Hlinitaya Township, Yangon Region, using, distributing and selling the illegal drugs.</td>
<td>On 4 September 2020, police searched the house of Kaung Khant Kyaw (a) Kaung Kaung, 22, son of U Kyi Soe, who lives in No.18 Ward, in Hlinethya Township (West) and arrested him and Lin Lin Htun, 21, son of U Soe Lay together with WV stimulant tablets. The police continued searching the house of Yamin Soe, 22, daughter of U Soe Min Khaing, who lives in the same ward. Although there were anything related with the drugs, the cases have been opened against him with NaMaSa (Thaungyi) MaYa(Pa) 79/2020 under Section 19(a), 20(b) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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<td>Information received of Ma Aye who lives in San Lawng Village in Hsipaw Township, and didn’t find her but arrested Aekk Munn, 22, son of U Aeik Ht, who lives in the same village and Saing Phay, 27, son of U Aekk Ht, who lives in Khangtong Village, together with WV stimulant tablets. A case has been opened against them with MaMaSaU-Hsipaw MaYa(Pa) 57/2020 under Section 19(a) and 21 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.</td>
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3. Out of the information sent to the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department, so far a total of 1,260 cases have been opened files as of 5 September 2020. A total of 2,022 people, including 1,686 men and 334 women had been arrested with 10,488,4194 g of heroin, 1,435.42 g of ICS, 47,187,2288 g of opium, 1,367,96 g of low-quality opium, 53,363.76 g of speciosa powder, 51,067.32 g of speciosa, 2.5 litres of liquid speciosa, 668,401 stimulant tablets, 147,134.6 g of marihuana, 0.1 litres of opium tincture, 630.28 g of opium blocks, 60 g of poppy seeds, 61.15 g of crushed stimulant tablet powder, 0.001 g of crushed esculin powder, 27 firearms, different kinds of 609 cartridges and one grenade. Efforts for fighting the drug trafficking has been stepped up and the department will report on further exposed cases.  

4. To seize further drugs and to arrest drugs dealers, people are urged to inform the Ministry of Home Affairs, region and state governments and to inform huge cases of drug trafficking and other suspicious cases directly to the Drug Activity Special Complaint Department of the Office of the President via following contact numbers:  

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Mandalay Region has targeted to grow over 580,000 acres of monsoon paddy this year.

**MoC builds over 520 bridges during incumbent govt period**

The construction of over 520 bridges has been completed during the incumbent government period, according to an announcement released by the Ministry of Construction.

Among 520 bridges, more than 160 bridges are over 180 feet long while about 360 are under 180 feet long. The government spent K1,170 billion with K850 billion from the Union Government fund, according to the official announcement of the Bridge Department under the Ministry of Construction.

"The Bridge Department has made an effort to construct 24-foot long two-lane RC bridges, PC bridges and iron bridges. The department will construct more bridges with the final target being 2030," said Director-General U Aung Aung Ye Mint of the Bridge Department.

"We have constructed the bridges under the quality management system and with the use of technology for quality control. So, the bridges have great sustainability, thereby reducing maintenance costs in the long run," the DG added.

No.3 Bago River crossing Bridge, Myanmar-Korea Friendship (Dala) Bridge, Gyine (Kawkareik) Bridge, Gyine (Zathapyin) Bridge and Attayna Bridge are still being constructed with ODA loans. Moreover, there are also plans to build a new Kulan Bridge with international assistance, according to the Bridge Department.

The department also constructed a total of 169 bridges of above 180-foot length and 422 bridges of under 180-foot span across the country from 2011-2012 to 2015-2016 financial year (FY). The Bridge Department constructed over 600 bridges and pipelines including 199 bridges of above 180-foot length and 422 bridges of under 180-foot span and the pipelines in the previous government period, according to the announcement of the Bridge Department. Constructing the bridges across the country can help enhance the connectivity and effectuate the development of the social and economic well-being of the local dwellers from states and regions.

The department is making continuous effort to promote the maintaining process for completed bridges and construction work across the country. — Shin Min

(Translated by Hay Mar)
COVID-19 control supplies reach IDP camps

The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement is providing medical and relief items to the IDP camps in Kachin and Rakhine states for prevention of COVID-19 transmission. The ministry provided 50 bags of lime powder and 2,512 soap bars to the 5 IDP camps in Momauk and Mogaung townships of Kachin State yesterday. On the same day, people affected by conflicts in 22 temporary shelters in Sittway Township, Rakhine State, also received 4,408 soap bars and 410 lime powder bags. On 7 September, 110 lime powder bags and 3,926 soap bars were presented to the 6 shelters in Chipwe, Kamine, Mohnyin, Hpakant and Tanai townships in Kachin State. The ministry is also conducting COVID-19 responses, awareness campaigns and motivations across the country. —MNA

MoSWRR provides CERP cash assistance to IDPs in MraukU, Rakhine

The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement held a virtual meeting with the Rakhine State government on 21 August to present cash assistance for the internally displaced persons in Rakhine State under the COVID-19 Economic Relief Plan (CERP). Under this plan, each family received K40,000 to be able to purchase five basic foodstuffs. MraukU district authorities handed over K184,600,000 for 4,615 families in temporary IDP camps at the township office of General Administration Department on 7 September. Plans are underway to give cash relief to the IDPs in Sittway, Pauktaw, Yathedaung, Ponnagyun, Minbya, Myebon and An townships. —MNA

(Translated by Aung Khin)

311 Myanmar migrant workers come back home via Myanmar-Thai Friendship Bridge 2

A total of 311 Myanmar migrant workers—180 men and 131 women—returned home from Thailand through the Myanmar-Thai Friendship Bridge No 2 in Myawady border yesterday amid COVID-19 crisis. The returnees were welcomed by District Administrator U Aung Chan Nyein and other relevant officials. The returnees were given medical examinations and had other necessary arrangements by the District/Township officials. They have been sent to relevant quarantine centres. A total of 75,670 Myanmar migrant workers in Thailand have returned home via the bridge since 1 May. —MNA

(Translated by Maung Maung Swe)

Myanmar Embassy in Tokyo to assist national students in Japan

Myanmar Ambassador to Japan U Myint Thu received Daw May Yamone Khaing from Myanmar Youth and Student Association-Japan (MYSA) and executive committee members of the association at the Myanmar Embassy in Tokyo on 6 September. During the meeting, they discussed how the embassy can help Myanmar students encountering difficulties in Japan amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. The Myanmar Embassy in Tokyo will cooperate with MYSA in providing assistance to Myanmar students in Japan. —MNA

(Translated by Maung Maung Swe)
It is about respect

The Union Government has issued an ultimatum. Those people who returned from Rakhine State after 10 August might have been infected with the coronavirus and they are now in many parts of the country. The authorities have warned them in the state-media to contact respective local health authorities. It is inexcusable that some who have returned from the COVID-19 hot areas are flouting quarantine and contact tracking processes.

To contain the fast spreading coronavirus in the country, no one should be allowed to continue to knowingly do the wrong thing, and put people's lives at risk.

The Union Government has issued an ultimatum: Those people who returned from Rakhine State after 10 August, and are now to be found in various parts of the country, must contact the local authorities by 11 September, 2020 to face the consequences of violating the disaster management law.

The government has a no-tolerance stance towards those who don't follow the mandatory orders amidst the COVID-19 crisis.

Over 13,900 people have been checked under the communicable dis- ease law since 30 March, 2020, and charges of flouting epidemiological investigations, violating quarantine rules and policies are being imposed.

Meanwhile, over 280 have been charged under the National Disaster Management Law in the same period for flouting COVID-19 health rules when they were under-stay at home orders, for causing disturbances at the quarantine centres, for staging protests and organizing religious ceremonies and distributing fake news.

Over 5,500 people have been charged under the Criminal Act 188 for breaching curfew.

The virus is an unprecedented threat to the world. Our leaders, health authorities, volunteers and frontline health workers are struggling to keep the virus under control. We need to show respect to them by following the COVID-19 health rules to those who are keeping down their lives every single day for us.

The virus is not the perfect illness. However some rules like, the COVID-19 prevention best practices, are just too important to ignore.

Let’s all remember that we are at the centre of the universe. Let's come together and show some respect to those who need our support and respect most by following COVID-19 rules.

From promise to action: Sustainability at the heart of COVID-19 recovery

In fact, COVID-19 is only the latest zoonotic disease. Sixty per cent of known infectious diseases and 75 per cent of emerging infectious diseases are zoonotic.

This is unfortunately only the beginning, for India and the world. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change estimates that global warming will reach 1.5°C between 2030 and 2040, unless we dramatically step up action.

The common thread

These three crises are closely linked, and driven in large part by unsustainable production and consumption patterns. The International Resource Panel has consistently reminded us that our relentless extraction of resources is degrading the natural world.

- We have intensified agriculture, expanded infrastructure and extracted resources—altering 73 per cent of the planet’s ice-free surface.
- Travel and transport have erased distances while creating huge amounts of carbon dioxide and particulate matter.
- To address the triple crisis, Fundamentally, none of this information is reassuring. We are already seeing effects of an unprecedented increase in the spread of infectious diseases.

We are worsening the risks of pandemics by cutting into nature, but this is not the only invisible cost of biodiversity and ecosystem integrity which will undermine efforts on 80 per cent of assessed SDG targets. This means slower progress on poverty, hunger, water, health, cities and climate.

The ONE Health Approach

The ONE Health Approach is a framework that recognizes the interdependence of human, animal and environmental health. It brings together the knowledge and expertise of different disciplines.”

Prospects are not promising for rapid recovery from the current pandemic and how to avoid another one in the future. Policies and strategies—on climate, environment and health—should be front and centre.

In this context, I also call on the government to look closely at the new draft Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 2020 to ensure it provides ade- quate safeguards across the full spectrum of environmental impacts.

Given that a single zoonotic outbreak can incur trillions of US dollars in costs across the globe, economic recovery focused on climate action and a healthy natural world is the best means of long-term prosperity. There are ample opportunities for governments to simultaneously address environmental objectives and ensure that recovery leads to more sustainable outcomes overall.

One Health investments cru-cial

Another important piece of work particularly for avoiding future zoonotic outbreaks is to integrate human, animal and environmental health expertise. Policy 10.6 on ONE Health is a good example of this.

Conservation experts moni-toring great apes, for instance, can be a valuable part of zoonotic disease surveillance in communities living near exporters. Monitoring habitats also have a role to play. For example, in 2018, livestock workers working closely with researchers in the Muddy river Delta in Africa detected Rift Valley fever and deployed livestock vaccinations. Other forms of integration need to be pursued.

The effects of the current pandemic and its economic recovery from the current pandemic and how to avoid another one in the future. Policies and strategies—on climate, environment and health—should be front and centre.

Source: UNEP
National Unity Party presents its policy, stance and work programmes

National Unity Party (NUP) Central Executive Committee Member U Myint Oo presented party’s policy, stance and work programmes through radio and TV on 8 September.

Esteemed people

We would like to greet with best wishes for you all.

The 2020 General Election will be held on 8 November 2020. Our National Unity Party’s candidates will contest in 384 constituencies in 175 townships for three Hluttaws.

We have established our National Unity Party for over 30 years. We stand steadfast as a political party.

We have a firm policy guideline based on ‘for the wellbeing of the people’. We plan to work for a ‘Myanma programme for serving the people’ to implement this policy. We align our party’s implementation by practising ‘a middle path’ not to go beyond extremes. We want to inform all voters that our party is systematically implementing our policy guideline, political ideology, roadmap, and rules of conduct, as a political party entity.

Esteemed people

We have informed you of our party’s election manifesto that our party will perform responsibility for the people so much so that people can rely upon us after they have understood our doctrine, roadmap, rules of conduct and standpoints. Let me brief on salient points from our party’s election manifesto.

First, I’ll present regarding the ethnic people. Our country is composed of a diversity of national races. There must be unity and reconciliation among ethnic people. Also, it is of an essential fact that the State is building eternal peace and Democratic Federal Union based on national unity. Our party will build ‘national unity’ based on the following four standpoints:

1) There must be equity among national races. In this regard, there must be no discrimination between the majority and the minority. There must be no privilege and no exploitation between one another.

2) There must be self-destiny and self-determination for every national race. Building a Democratic Federal Union should incorporate this fundamental principle.

3) Each national race should stand as an ethnic entity in our country. They should also have the right to conserve and preserve their languages, literature, traits, faith, traditions and customs.

4) There must be fair development for each ethnicity. There must be as a lesser gap as possible between one another. There must also be a fair share of distribution for wealth and natural resources between the Union and States/Regions.

These basic points are of essential and vital importance in building a Democratic Federal Union.

Esteemed people

Our country is geographically situated between two larger nations. Besides, ours is in the middle of the geopolitical and strategic position of these superpowers. It is of crucial importance that they mustn’t sandwich our country. It is necessary to handle the situation tactically for political and diplomatic affairs in the international arena. Therefore, the following foreign policies shall be employed successively:

-- Active and independent foreign policy;
-- This policy shall embody the five principles, including ‘peaceful co-existence’, determined by Heads of State;
-- More interactive mutual relationship with international and regional organizations and institutions;
-- Moreover, opposing the disruption of State sovereignty and territorial perpetuity.

I’ll proceed to point out significant economic policies.

NUP shall serve the people to develop the production and to boost the nation’s wealth by utilizing the private sector-specific market mechanism. We plan to enhance a fair share of distribution from the increasing wealth for the entire society based on the ‘social harmony’ principle.

-- Developing the nation’s wealth and considering the generations to come, we must make the best efficient use of the available natural resources;
-- Due to the deficit in the State budget and expenditure, the larger volume of cash flow, the higher fluctuation rate of money, decreasing amount of export incomes, and rising commodities prices, the economy relies on credit-based one. We strive for the economy that will be free from the credit-based system.

-- We shall plan to implement ‘states/regions development plans which all ethnic people desire for since successives eras have changed in our country. How-ever, the majority of farmers are still in the former status. Up till now, they have to encounter a plethora of hardships such as the farmland problems, unstable prices in farm produces, and a sea of debts in the lack of farm investment.

We shall need a farm-land policy that can help the farmers own their farmlands. The existing Farmland Law should be amended. The market economy mechanism should be suitable for the farmland policy. That is why farmers should own their farmlands, and we shall see it to in political, legal, and economic ways and means.

-- NUP shall systematically lay down and implement the use of farmland policy;
-- We shall plan to give medium and long-term loans to the farmers for their agricultural investment;
-- We shall carry out a system for the farmers to have insurance for their farm products;
-- We shall stop exporting the cattle that are primary dependence for the farmers.

I will present our attitude on the workers who are essential politically and economically in our country. It’s crystal clear that there are still breaches and abuses in the dignified roles and human rights of the workers. They are also still in the darkness that they can’t fully enjoy any fundamental rights such as secure employment, minimum wages, claims of compensation, and social security etc.

-- Full protection of workers’ rights in accordance with the prevailing laws;
-- Creation of employment opportunities;
-- Schemes for the life security of the migrant workers who have returned from abroad;
-- Implementation of the systematic establishment of free trade unions and workers’ organizations.

Esteemed people

We have now presented a brief account of our party’s policy, stance and work programmes for the people to assess us (National Unity Party) who are going to contest in the 2020 Multiparty General Election.

Here, we would like to present our slogan ‘New Hope’, which is the essence of our party’s policy and attitude upon the people. Let’s move forward with ‘New Hope for the People’. With this ‘New Hope’, all national races, farmers, workers and the people are going to the polling stations to vote.

Creating self-destiny is the right for the voters in this democratic election. We would like to urge that voters can use this golden opportunity to choose our party’s candidates with ‘New Hope’.

We wish you voters physical and mental wellbeing!

Section 59 (g) in Hluttaw Election Law

IN accordance with section 59 (g) of the Hluttaw Election Law, no one is allowed to vote more than once in any election for a Hluttaw constituency in which he or she has the right to vote. Anyone who is found guilty of or abetting this act shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or with fine not exceeding K100,000 (one hundred thousand Kyats), or with both.
YGEA temporarily shuts down trading amid coronavirus resurgence

By Nyein Nyein

Yangon gold market has been temporarily closed down tracking the rising coronavirus cases starting from 5 September, Yangon Gold Entrepreneurs Association (YGEA).

The temporary shutdown by YGEA does not reflect on the gold retail shops in Yangon Region, said YGEA Chair U Myo Myint.

“The members of YGEA are still running the shops. More than 100 gold shops are available for trading in Theingyi market and Bogyoke market. The retail shops are still open their doors for the buyers and sellers,” he added.

“The reopening of YGEA’s gold trading depends on the coronavirus situations,” the YGEA stated.

At present, YGEA temporarily suspended its trading. But, its office is open, and the association is carefully taking the precautionary measures of the coronavirus, in line with the health guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health and Sports.

The association donated K1 million for the prevention activities of Pabedan Township, where YGEA is located.

Additionally, they contributed K20 million in cash and personal protective equipment (PPE) (100 aprons) to Yangon Region government.

There are over 10,000 gold shops in Yangon Region, and about 50 visses (a viss equal to 1.6 kg) of gold are daily traded.

During the first outbreak of COVID-19 in Myanmar, Yangon gold market shut down on 29 March 2020, and it has reopened on 18 May. ■

(Myanmar Times Staff)

Myanmar border trade drops by $188 mln as of 28 August

Myanmar border trade with China has registered a decrease of US$188 million between 1 October and 28 August in the current financial year 2019-2020, according to the Ministry of Commerce.

Data from the Ministry of Commerce show the value of Myanmar-China border trade in all five border areas touched over $5.26 billion in the current financial year, which significantly plunged from over $5.45 billion recorded in the year-ago period.

This FY, border trade values totalled $4.35 billion through Muse border, $128.6 million via Lweje, $491.83 million via Chinshwehaw, $279.86 million via Kampaiti, and over $4.94 million via Kengtung. The Commerce Ministry’s data showed a drop in trade value through all those border areas between Myanmar and China, except Chinshwehaw.

The decline in trade is attributed to the trade suspension and trading volume sharply fell,” said Vice President U Aung Than Oo Myanmar Rice Federation.

Additionally, Myanmar’s import surplus exported in bilateral trade with China. Next, the export of agricultural products via border route is often halted, on account of China clamping down on illegal goods. Myanmar merchants are facing difficulties in exporting goods to China through the legitimate channel as they find the tax levied by China is too high.

In a bid to lower trade barriers and offer relief to Myanmar traders through the border trade channel, the Ministry of Commerce, the relevant departments and Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry have been negotiating with Chinese counterparts.

The two countries are making efforts to set up more border economic cooperation zones and promote border trade. Myanmar’s MOC is trying to boost exports of rice, broken rice, agro-products, fruits and fisher-

ies to China through diplomatic negotiations. After a series of negotiation between Myanmar and China, the General Administration of Customs of the People’s Republic of China (GACC) granted licences to 43 Myanmar companies on 10 July 2020 to export the rice to China through a legitimate trade channel. Myanmar exports rice, sugar, pulses, sesame seeds, corn, dried tea leaves, fishery products, minerals, and animal products to China.

At the same time, it imports agricultural machinery, electrical appliances, iron and steel-related materials, raw industrial goods, and consumer goods from the neighbouring country. —GNLM (Translated by Ei Myat Mon) ■

(Myanmar Times Staff)

Myanmar FDI tops $5 bln in 11 months; target needs $500 mln

By Nyein Nyein

Myanmar has attracted foreign direct investments of more than US$5.3 billion over the past 11 months, and about $500 million is required in order to meet FDI target for the current financial year, said Director-General U Thant Sin Lwin of the Directorate of Investment and Company Administration (DICA).

Myanmar Investment Commission (MIC) has set an FDI target of $5.8 billion for the current FY, and the commission still has one meeting to clear the proposals before the end of the financial year.

MIC ensures to approve the responsible businesses by assessing environmental and social impacts. The commission is working together with the relevant departments to screen the projects and grant further permits in the future meeting, he said.

The capital of the projects we are currently assessing and evaluating is estimated at $1.3 billion. The investments are from Singapore, Thailand, Hong Kong SAR, China, UK, the Republic of Korea, the Netherlands, India and the US, DICA stated.

“We have the pipeline of suitable investment, and many more enterprises are interested in entering the country. We are cooperating with the public and private sectors despite transport difficulties amid the coronavirus impacts. If the commission clears those project proposals, the FDI inflow will surpass its target,” the DICA DG continued.

Between 1 October and 4 September in the current FY, 234 foreign enterprises have obtained permits from the MIC and endorsements from regional and state Investment Committees under Myanmar Investment Law and brought in the capital of over $5.157 billion, including the expansion of capital by existing enterprises, according to the DICA.

The total FDI figure reached $5.3 billion in the current FY, adding the investments of $160.277 million in the Special Economic Zones, under the Special Economic Zone Law. ■

(Translated by Ei Myat Mon)
Guns and trucks at Oregon protest to defend Trump’s America

OREGON CITY — Hundreds of Donald Trump’s supporters gathered for a large motorcade in support of the US president and his administration near Portland, where anti-racism activists have clashed continuously with law enforcement for more than 100 days.

Small groups of men loaded with paramilitary equipment, many of them armed militants from right-wing extremist groups, milled among the crowd that consisted mostly of families and older people.

About 300 cars, including many massive pickup trucks, then took to the roads surrounding Oregon City, some 30 miles (50 kilometres) from Portland, before dispersing. But 150 to 200 people, led by members of the far-right Proud Boys militia, which advocates white supremacy, decided to follow the road to Oregon’s capital, Salem, for a show of force on the steps of the state capital building.

Tensions in the Portland area heightened on August 29 when Aaron Danielson, 39, a supporter of the far-right group Patriot Prayer, was shot dead in the city. He had had just participated in a pro-Trump motorcade like the one on Monday and left the parade to go into Portland with other attendees. A 48-year-old man named Michael Reinoehl, who claimed to be an “anti-fascist” on social media, was suspected of the shooting. He was shot dead five days later by police looking for him. Reinoehl allegedly tried to escape and grabbed a gun when he was killed.

On Monday, the Labour Day holiday in the US, rally organizers stressed the need for a show of force on the steps of the state capitol building.

About 300 cars, including many massive pickup trucks, then took to the roads surrounding Oregon City, some 30 miles (50 kilometres) from Portland, before dispersing. PHOTO: ALLISON DINNER, AFP

In crisis-hit Lebanon, Paris and Washington at odds over Hezbollah

BEIRUT — When it comes to Lebanon, the US and France have similar outlooks, but one major point of difference involves the Hezbollah movement — shunned by Washington but tolerated by a pragmatic Parisian leadership.

While the United States seeks to isolate and curb the influence of the Iranian-backed group it has designated a “terrorist” organization and punished with sanctions, France recognizes it as a key political partner whose cooperation is needed to lift Lebanon out of crisis. Lebanon’s government stepped down last month amid popular anger over a massive blast at Beirut’s port on August 4 that killed 191 people, wounded thousands and ravaged large parts of the capital.

Both Western powers have agreed Lebanon needs a cabinet different from its predecessors to tackle urgent reforms, but all consensus seems to end there.

“France’s approach tends to be more realistic,” analyst Karim Bitar told AFP. “France views Lebanon as it is, while the US President Donald Trump administration tends to view Lebanon as it would like it to be.” The US view is that Hezbollah — the only group not to have disarmed after the 1975-1990 civil war — holds excessive influence in Lebanon, “which needs to be contained”, Bitar said. —AFP

California fires burn record 2 million acres

Sacramento — Wildfires in California have torched a record more than two million acres, the state fire department said Monday, as an uncontrolled blaze forced many residents to flee their homes.

The record was hit as the wildfire season still has roughly two months to go in the most populous US state and as thousands of firefighters were battling flames during a scorching heat wave.

“In the past 33 years we have not seen a single year go over two million acres until this year,” said California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire) spokeswoman Lynne Tolmacchoff.

“Certain points are record-breaking and we have not even come close to the end of fire season yet.”

At least seven people have died as a result of this year’s fires and some 3,800 structures have been damaged or destroyed, according to Cal Fire figures.

The last time the number of acres burned got close to two million was in 2018, the same year as the devastating Camp Fire, when a little more than 1.9 million acres (769,000 hectares) went up in flames.

More than 14,100 firefighters were battling 24 different wildfires as of Monday afternoon, the fire department said in a tweet.

Among those blazes was the Creek Fire, which started on Friday in steep and rugged terrain, has so far spread to 78,790 acres and is zero per cent contained, according to Cal Fire. —AFP

UN urges ‘independent’ Russian probe of Navalny poisoning

UNITED NATIONS — The UN rights chief called Tuesday on Moscow to conduct or cooperate with a “thorough, transparent, independent and impartial investigation” into the alleged nerve agent attack on Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny.

Michelle Bachelet stressed the need to get to the bottom of the poisoning, after German specialists said they had “unequivocal proof” that the weapon-grade nerve agent Novichok was used in the attack.

“It is incumbent on the Russian authorities to fully investigate who was responsible for this crime, a very serious crime that was committed on Russian soil,” she said in a statement.

The 44-year-old anti-corruption campaigner and one of President Vladimir Putin’s fiercest critics, fell ill on a domestic flight last month and was treated in a Siberian hospital before being evacuated to Berlin. —AFP

Myanma Port Authority

“Notice of High Tide”

Exceptionally high spring from 20.18 feet to 21.52 feet high above the chart datum are expected to occur in Yangon River during the period of September 16th to September 22nd, 2020. Please be noted that it is not serious level of tide because the highest tide level have reached up to 22 feet above the chart datum in year 2014 and 2015, and this notice is normally issued whenever high tide of Yangon River is expected to reach over 20 feet high above the chart datum in order to take precautionary measures to the public living near river foreshore area of Yangon City.

CHANGING DISTRIBUTOR

The foreign manufacturer ZHEJIANG TIDE CROPSCIENCE CO., LTD. will import and distribute the following insecticides registered in Myanmar Pesticide Registration Board changing distributor form former Myanmar Golden Byter Co., Ltd. to Golden Key Co., Ltd.

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It is therefore announced to come and reject within two weeks to Joint Secretary, Myanmar Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyongone, Insein in wishing to make any objection in respect of the said changing distributor.

Address : Myanmar Golden Byter Co., Ltd.
No (125-127), Kha 11 street, Myo Thit (A+B) Quarter, Insein Townships, Yangon.
Phone : 09 - 799 570 490.

Hot Line : 09974424848
French economy set to bounce back as lockdown lifted

PARIS—France’s economy, pushed into a bruising recession by the coronavirus crisis, is poised to bounce back now that lockdown measures are lifted but will still contract over the year as a whole, official data showed Tuesday. France’s gross domestic product, which shrunk by a record 13.8 per cent in the second quarter, is forecast to grow 17 per cent in the subsequent three months, the national statistics office Insee calculated.

But the projected rebound is not quite as strong as expected, and Insee said it was sticking to its forecast for an overall economic contraction of 9.0 per cent for the year as a whole, while unemployment is projected to rise. Although the easing of lockdown measures “has enabled a relative-ly rapid rebound in parts of economic activity,” the economy is returning after the summer break “rather like an engine that is being cranked up and choked off at the same time.”

“The choking off is being done by the health situation and the virus that is still actively circulating,” Julien Pouget, head of Insee’s macro-economic division, told AFP—AFP

What if consumer spending fails to recover? PHOTO: AFP

THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR
MINISTRY OF ELECTRICITY AND ENERGY
MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE
(INVITATION FOR OPEN TENDER)
(5/2020–2021)

1. Open tenders are invited for supply of the following respective items in Myanmar Kyats.

Sr No. Tender No. Description Remarks
(a) DMP/L-069(20-21) Seismic Blaster, VHP Radio, Walki-Talki, UP-Hole Unit, Digital Detonator Tester, Laser Distance Meter (6) items
(b) DMP/L-070(20-21) Rig Air Compressor (2) items
(c) DMP/L-071(20-21) Emission Tester (3) Nos
(d) DMP/L-072(20-21) Safety Light Platoon (1) Unit
(e) DMP/L-073(20-21) Cement Hydration Analyzer, Positive Material Identification (2) Items
(f) DMP/L-074(20-21) Model 3530 A Direct Indicating Viscometer with Software, 2-Scale Metal Mud Balance (2) items
(g) DMP/L-075(20-21) Waste Treatment (2) Units
(h) DMP/L-076(20-21) 300 KW Diesel Engine Driving Generated Set / 315 KVA, 11/0.4 KV, Transformer / 80 KVA UPS Back Up Power Supply Unit

2. The Open Tender forms including Description of Materials / Qtty with details specifications and Technical Specifications with Original Bid Bond (ad) DMP/L-069(20-21) Spares for L-Type CNG Compressor (20) Items (ai) DMP/L-089(20-21) Spares for ZW-Type CNG Compressor (43) Items (ah) DMP/L-091(20-21) Spares for SAFE CNG Compressor (HP) (13) Items
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3. The interested Bidders should submit the Technical Specifications with Original Bid Bond and Commercial Quotation in each separate sealed envelopes on which to be addressed to the Managing Director, Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise and should reach in Tender Box of the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise not later than 12:00 pm on 8 October 2020 at the Finance Department, Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise, No. (44) Complex, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.

4. Tender Closing Date & Time – 8-10-2020, 12:00 pm

Bids that are incomplete or not submitted on a timely basis will be declared as invalid.

Note: In the event of any discrepancy between the English and Myanmar languages, the English version shall prevail.

Claims Day Notice

M/V CTFP TUNA VOY. NO. (98/16)

Consignees of cargo carried on M/V CTFP TUNA VOY. NO. (98/16) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9-9-2020 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of HPT where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claim’s Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

Phone No: 2301185

Consignees of cargo carried on M.V OLIVIA VOY. NO. (036W) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9-9-2020 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of HPT/TMT where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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Phone No: 2301185

Claims Day Notice

M/V NUEWEAS CRYSTAL

Consignees of cargo carried on M/V NUEWEAS CRYSTAL NO. (8) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9-9-2020 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of WILMAR where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

Phone No: 2301192

Claims Day Notice

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Phone No: 2301191/2301178

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WaveMoney unveils new WavePay tagline along with new TV commercial

**Myanmar consumers are interested in using technologies to enhance shopping experience – Visa Study**

Visa, the world’s leader in digital payments, revealed that more than half (51 per cent) of Myanmar consumers are interested in using zero checkout technology, one of the newest ways for retailers to enable a frictionless shopping experience by allowing consumers to make purchases using sensors or RFID technology, eliminating the need to go through physical checkout counters.

The finding is based on the Visa Consumer Payment Attitudes Study, which tracks payment habits, attitudes and explores emerging topics related to payments across Southeast Asia including Myanmar. The Study also found nearly half of Myanmar consumers (44 per cent) would adopt and interact through Virtual Reality (VR) technology if it was available in Myanmar.

Lillian Wang, Country Manager for Visa Myanmar, said: “The way consumers shop and pay continues to evolve at a great pace with the influx of technology and innovation. Consumers are the ones driving this change in Myanmar.”

E NTER a world of lifestyle possibilities with WavePay, Myanmar’s trusted mobile wallet application. Powered by the country’s leading mobile financial services provider Wave Money, WavePay unveils an exciting array of in-app services under its new tagline “Live Life Your Way.” With WavePay, they can pursue their passions and interests, enjoy what they love, and reap the benefits of secure, fast and convenient digital payment,” said Brad Jones, CEO of Wave Money.

With a tap on the WavePay app, users can transfer money, top up mobile, pay utility bills and repay loans, buy travel and leisure tickets including game items for mobile games, and make a difference by donating to causes and social impact programmes. WavePay also provides a secure and convenient way to pay at checkout counters or when shopping online. For those using WavePay...
as they seek out experiences to provide greater convenience in their everyday lives. At Visa, we understand that this is a journey and we are focused on working with our clients and partners on making the payment experience more intelligent, intuitive, seamless and secure.

Zero checkout in retail means no physical checkout is required. A customer is able to enter the store, pick up products from shelves and leave the store without waiting in line to pay. The main driver of interest in zero checkout among Myanmar consumers is curiosity and excitement about new technology (38 per cent), followed closely by benefits and conveniences of being able to check the checkout queue (37 per cent). Myanmar consumers also consider zero checkout to be an innovative and modern way to shop (29 per cent).

Wide ranging applications of VR in retail or ‘V-commerce’ are expected to redefine the future of shopping among Southeast Asian consumers. It enables consumers to visualize and compare a variety of items in the retail environment to let them shop from the comfort of their homes through virtual view rooms. While only 11 per cent among Myanmar consumers surveyed were aware of the concept of using VR to enhance shopping experiences, nearly half (44 per cent) indicated interest in trying out this new technology. The top drivers of interest in VR among Myanmar consumers are curiosity to try something new (33 per cent), desire to keep up with technology (27 per cent) and benefits of VR in helping them choose which items they want to purchase (22 per cent).

Myanmar grapples with another surge of COVID-19 cases, KBZ Bank has supported the Yangon Regional Government with the donation of six infrared thermal detection units for proactive temperature screenings for its people in Yangon. WavePay, Myanmar’s leading digital-first payment app, has a comprehensive roster of merchant partners in Myanmar with each station conducting temperature screenings every day. With 10 stations in place, approximately 30,000 people in Yangon will undergo temperature screenings daily or 900,000 during a full month.

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Yangon Region Chief Minister U Phyo Min Thein accepts the six infrared thermal detection units donated by KBZ Bank at the Yangon Region Government Office in Yangon on 4 September. PHOTO: SUPPLIED
A Yadanarbon FC player (blue) makes a free-kick during the league match against Ayeyawady United at the Yangon United Sports Complex on 12 September 2020. PHOTO: MNL

AYEYAWADY United won Yadanarbon FC 3-2 in Week-14 of MPT Myanmar National League (MNL) 2020 at the Yangon United Sports Complex yesterday.

The goals for Ayeyawady United were scored by Soe at 16th, 53rd and 72nd minutes, and the goals for Yadanarbon FC were scored by Win Naing Soe at 12th and 48th minutes.

On the same day, ISPE FC tied with Southern Myanmar FC 0-0 at Thuwunna Stadium. The goals for ISPE FC were scored by Success and a 10-footer at the fifth and a 21-under-par 68 capping a two-under-par 68 with a birdie at the last to seal the US$15 million FedEx Cup playoff crown.

WASHINGTON—World number one Dustin Johnson capped a two-under-par 68 with a birdie at the last to seal a three-stroke victory in the US PGA Tour Championship and earn the US$15 million FedEx Cup playoff title on Monday (Sep 7).

Johnson finished with a 21-under-par total at East Lake Golf Club in Atlanta - three shots clear of Americans Xander Schauffele and Justin Thomas.

“I hit the fairways when I needed to coming down the stretch,” said Johnson, who started the day with a five-shot lead. He rolled in an 18-foot birdie putt at the third, a 10-footer at the fifth and a three-footer at the sixth.

But bogeys at the seventh and eighth - where he was in a fairway bunker - opened the door just a crack for Thomas and Schauffele. Neither could do enough, never getting the deficit below two strokes as Johnson parred nine straight. That run included a 21-foot par-saving putt at the 13th, where he was in the left rough off the tee and right of the green and hit a poor chip but drained the putt to push his lead back to three over Schauffele.

“He made that putt, which I didn’t,” said Schauffele, who bogeyed the 12th. “That was a pinnacle moment, I think.”—AFP

PARIS—Kylian Mbappe has been ruled out of France’s Nations League game against World Cup runners-up Croatia on Tuesday after testing positive for COVID-19, national team management said Monday.

Mbappe, who took part in Monday evening’s training session before learning the result of his test, is the seventh Paris Saint-Germain player to contract the virus. Neymar was among the first to test positive last week.

“Like the rest of the squad, Mbappe had undergone a test prior to meeting up. The result was negative like the one on Wednesday” requested by UEFA ahead of the Sweden fixture on Saturday in Solna, management said.—AFP

Lionel Messi returns to Barcelona training ground

BARCELONA—Lionel Messi arrived at Barcelona’s training ground on Monday as he begins to reintegrate with the team following his failed attempt to leave the club this summer. PHOTO: AFP/FILE

Messi was seen driving into the Ciutat Esportiva in Sant Joan Despi at just after 4:00 pm (1400 GMT) on Monday, where he is expected to take part in training for the first time under new coach Ronald Koeman. If he has passed his coronavirus test, Messi could also begin by training alone before joining the rest of the group later in the week.

The Argentinean superstar said on Friday in his explosive interview with Goal that he would continue to give his best for Barca, despite admitting defeat in his bid to depart for free.

The 33-year-old maintained he tried to go because he “wanted to live his last years of football happily” while also blaming the club’s president Josep Maria Bartomeu for “breaking his word” and forcing him to stay.

The return of Barcelona’s embittered captain and greatest ever player may not be an easy one, particularly given some of his closest team-mates are likely to be absent.

Luis Suarez, Messi’s best friend and neighbour, as well as Arturo Vidal, are expected to join Juventus and Inter Milan respectively.—AFP