

## Vice President U Henry Van Thio attends statistics central committee meeting

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As implementation of the Statistics Law there must be consistent, accurate and timely ground statistics for development of the country. In this regard participation of all Stakeholders was needed; also there was a need to expand statistics cooperation mechanism between ministerial departments, central level and state/region governments.

Committee members and work groups were urged to participate enthusiastically in the Central Committee for Accurate and High Quality Statistics meeting and provide detailed discussion and suggestions.

According to the saying "Better Data, Better Statistics, Better Life" only with quality national statistics system can there be information to create development policies, projects and economic environment for policy makers, planners, private

businesses and socio-economic researchers.

Government departments, development partners, private sector, civil society organizations, and media representatives were urged to cooperate under the leadership of Central Committee for Accurate and High Quality Statistics to obtain good outcome and for statistics system development to raise the socio-economic lives of the people, said the Vice President.

Next, Central Committee Vice Chairman Union Minister U Soe Win explained about implementing statistics work processes, publishing of quality statistics and strengthening statistics coverage.

Afterwards, Central Committee secretary Central Statistical Organization (CSO) Director General Dr. Wah Wah Maung explained about central committee meetings held, decisions made

at central committee meeting 1/2018, works conducted on enacting Statistics Law, surveys conducted, capacity building works and publications made by CSO.

Central Committee members Union Minister Lt-Gen Kyaw Swe, U Thant Sin Maung, U Win Khaing, Dr. Than Myint, U Han Zaw, Dr. Win Myat Aye, Central Bank of Myanmar Governor U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Nay Pyi Taw Council member U Aung Myin Tun, state/region ministers and officials then conducted sector wise discussions on accurate and quality statistics followed by heads of statistical work groups explaining about sector wise works, status of collecting animal census and collection of mid-year census.

Chairman of the Central Committee for Accurate and High Quality Statistics Vice President U Henry Van Thio

commented on the discussions and explanations and delivered a closing remark. He said accurate and quality statistics were the image of the country. Therefore, for the country to have a good image the country's statistics must be accurate and of high quality. He urged for the successful implementation of Data Base Centre on statistics. Projects were drawn with statistics in establishing a country. As such having accurate statistics was important for the country and all were to work together on it. Having an accurate and quality statistics was something that couldn't be done in a short time as it is was long term work. First was to have accurate and quality statistics and second was to push toward using it practically. All were urged to cooperate and participate in the preparation for mid-year census and agriculture census. A true socio-economic

situation would be reflected only with accurate statistics. Only then could policies be changed as required and allocation, monitoring and assessment of projects and budget could be made, said the Vice President.

The following officials attended the event: Central Committee Vice Chairman Union Minister U Soe Win, committee members Union Ministers Lt-Gen Kyaw Swe, U Thant Sin Maung, U Win Khaing, Dr. Than Myint, U Han Zaw, Dr. Win Myat Aye, Central Bank of Myanmar Governor U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Nay Pyi Taw Council member U Aung Myin Tun, state/region ministers, Central Bank of Myanmar Deputy Governor U Soe Thein, Permanent Secretaries, Directors General, members of work groups implementing National Strategy for Development of Statistics and officials—MNA

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## Small police outpost stationed close to BP 41 was attacked from about 200 meters inside Bangladesh territory

A small police outpost stationed close to BP 41 was attacked at 7:44 am from about 200 meters inside the Bangladesh territory. Four bombs were launched by the grenade launchers and some 200 shots were fired at the police post, which is taking security for those who are upgrading the border fence. Two policeman and one fence worker were injured.

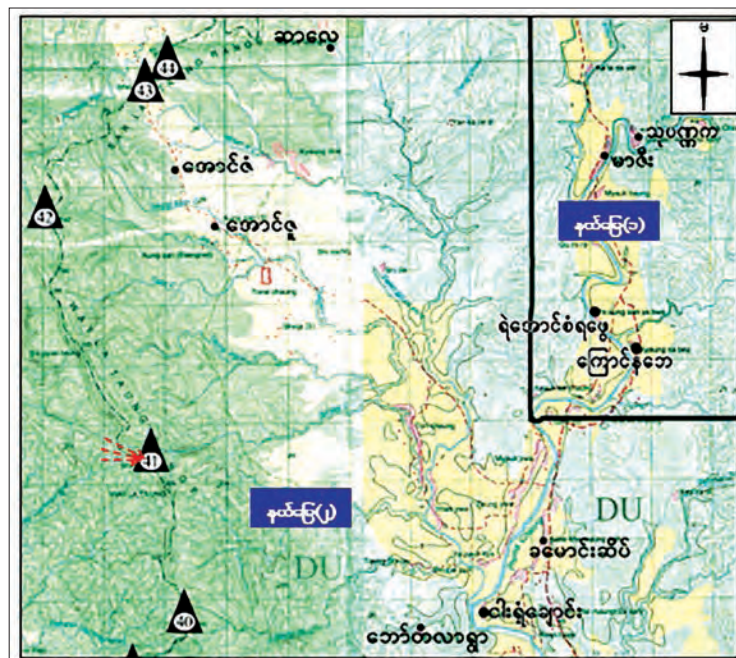
It is learnt that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Union of Myanmar had invited the Ambassador of Bangladesh and informed him of incident in order that Bangladesh, as a friendly neighbour which has a zero tolerance policy on terrorism to prevent its territory from being used to attack Myanmar.—MNA



The attack on the police post leaves two policemen and one fence worker injured.



BP 41 was destroyed by the attack yesterday.



The map showing the point at the border where the attack happened yesterday.



The border fence which is being upgraded by workers when they are attacked.

