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A fish pond is being dug in a village in Maungtau Township. **PHOTO: THANT ZIN WIN**



Fresher water species to be farmed in Maungtau. **PHOTO: TIN MAUNG LWIN**

Freshwater fish pond in Myothagyi Village in Maungtau Township in Northern Rakhine State. **PHOTO: TIN MAUNG LWIN**

Fish farms: skills, sustenance for people in Maungtau

To fulfil the urgent need for food sufficiency of Maungtau residents following the terrorist attacks of 25 August, the Rakhine State government will fund freshwater fish farms in 82 villages in the township, according to the local fishery department.

In the immediate aftermath of attacks by the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army (ARSA), homes and entire villages were destroyed, thousands of residents fled and resources were depleted. For those who stayed and those who returned, there

was an immediate need for basic sustenance, as well as jobs.

“The reason is to supply sufficient food to the local people. The surplus from the farming will be exported,” U Tun Tin of the Maungtau District Fishery Department said yesterday.

Digging a pond costs around Ks6.2 million, and one each will be installed in the 82 villages, he added. So far, fish ponds have been dug in five villages and 5,000 fingerlings have been released into each pond, said U Tun Tin. **SEE PAGE-6**

Gov't pledges to tackle man-made impacts on eco-system of coastal areas

Union Government pledged to tackle the man-made errors which are causing degradation of the eco-system of Myanmar's coastal areas, seeking the cooperation from the country's people and local and foreign non-governmental organizations.

Vice-President U Myint Swe made the remark at the third coordination meeting of the State-Level Central Committee on Management of Natural Resources in Coastal Areas held in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

“When implement the management of natural resources in coastal areas, the active cooperation of the businessmen, international and local non-governmental organizations and local people are essential for success of the task,” said the Vice President.

While highlighting prominent causes which degrade the coastal areas, Vice President U Myint Swe also disclosed new findings including difficult transportation, insufficient infrastructures and funds, shortage of skilled labors for the fishery sector.

Myanmar's coastal areas are being damaged by people clearing areas of mangrove forests for prawn breeding, using small-scale explosives for

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Vice President U Myint Swe addresses the third coordination meeting of the State-Level Central Committee on Management of Natural Resources in Coastal Areas held in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA**

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catching fish, mining, waste disposal, over using fertilizer and pesticides in farming, oil spills and land use inland.

"To tackle the problems and to carry out survey about the coastal areas in terms of management and natural science, we need to establish an information management system, said Vice President U Myint Swe.

Following his opening ad-

dress, participants of the meeting also discussed implementing the decisions of the previous two meetings.

The coastal areas of Taninthayi, Ayeyawady and Rakhine are abundant with coral reefs, mangroves, seagrass beds, mudflats, estuaries and sand dunes and that they all play an important role in the people's socio-economic development and environmental diversity,

according to environmental experts.

Meanwhile, areas of mangroves, which are an important asset in dealing with global change, are cleared for prawn breeding and rice plantation have decreased production after a certain period, farmer and breeders move to new areas and cut down more mangroves, leaving behind barren areas of land.—MNA and GNLM

Bangladeshi shot dead for rushing into police outpost holding kirpan

ONE unidentified Bangladeshi was shot dead as he rushed into the police outpost of Kwuntheepin Chaungwa in Maungtaw township holding a kirpan, according to local authorities. At about 8 am on October 20, the attacker rushing into the police outpost of Maungtaw township region 3 Kwuntheepin Chaungwa holding a curved knife/kirpan when a police-man on duty shouted to surrender his weapon. But, he failed to stop, and instead rushed shouting "Allah Wakbarr" so he was shot unavoidably.

Due to the shooting, he fell down at 5 yards far from the outpost, being hit below his right chest.



The map shows one unidentified Bangladeshi was shot dead at Kwuntheepin Chaungwa in Maungtaw. **PHOTO: INFORMATION COMMITTEE**

According to the examination, he was a Bangladeshi aged 56, whose name was Mohamad Sharhat Arthur holding ID—2690421588992. Together with

him, ID card and one kirpan was seized. The case was filed at the Taungpyo Yar police station under section 50/A of anti-terrorism law, it was learnt.—MNA

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The fishery department has also invited investors for the northern Maungtaw fish farms.

River catfish, a variety of carp of the Thai Burbus species, are already being farmed in freshwater breeding sites in the Maungtaw District.

Some of the 15,000 acres of prawn ponds in Maungtaw District are also converting to fish farming as a pilot business.

The deputy director also called for authorities to control sea fishing in the non-fishing season as part of an effort to prevent declining ocean fish resources.

Previous to this project, residents and fishermen in the coastal area were not widely accustomed to consuming fish from ponds, and fish farming was not popular in the area.

The fisheries department has a plan to offer freshwater fingerlings, fish breeding methods and other courses to the villagers as soon as possible.

The authorities hope that freshwater fish breeding will increase significantly within three years and will follow the success of fish breeding in the Yangon and Ayeyawady regions.

The fisheries department has already dug freshwater breeding ponds in Kayemyine, Shwebaho, Nanyakine, Myothit and Oo Daung villages among the eighty-two villages in the region.

When the first hatchery in Buthidaung was opened in 2013-2014 and in Maungtaw in 2015-2016, there were about 100 acres of fish farms in Maungtaw District. — Naing Lin Kyi, Thant Zin Win

Over Ks 2,347.5 million worth Yaba pills seized in Phakant

An anti-narcotic squad from Mohnyin stopped and searched a vehicle driven by Wai Min (a) Aye Thar, 40, together with Kyaw Aung (a) Arr T, 24, on board at the combined inspection gate in Lalpyin village, Lonekhin village-tract in Phakant Township on 22 October. Police seized 234,000 yaba pills, 110 heroin soap-box weighing 1.32 kilos, 66 kilos of opium lead and a hand phone from the vehicle.

Linking with the case, the police squad searched Kyaw

Aung (a) Arr T's house at No. 1/51, Swut Aung village, Lonekhin village-tract in Phakant Township on 23 October. Police discovered 96,000 yaba pills, 88 heroin soap-box weighing 1.056 kilos from the house and also found 136 heroin soap-box weighing 1.632 kilos from a vehicle parked on front yard lawn.

Police have taken action against them under the Anti-narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.—Myanmar Police Force

One killed by knife wound and one injured by shooting

At night on 20 October, there took place a quarrel between customers and restaurant staff at the Royal Restaurant on May Yu Taung Road of Min Wun ward, Sittway, and it was learnt one was killed and one was injured in shooting.

At about 12 midnight on 20 October, 3 persons with Zaw Aye aged 30 and Aye Ko aged 37, residents of Sintkulan Ward included, taking meals, they had an altercation with staff including manager Win Maung Thein aged 27 and Nay Myo aged 18, as regards the meal.

Due to the quarrel, Zaw Aye was seriously hurt on his head, left hand whereas U Maung Thein Oo aged 61 was hit below his left chest in a shooting.

Zaw Aye was dead while being hospitalized at Sittway hospital. While examining the car driven Zaw Aye and party one 9 mm pistol, one magazine, 9 bullets, one cartridge, 4 knives and one metal-ball-shooter pistol was seized. Aye Ko, the car owner, was arrested under the illegal possession of weapon.—MNA

PC, DPN holds 7th meeting

By Ye Khaung Nyunt

THE Peace Commission and the Delegation for Political Negotiation-DPN of the United Nationalities Federal Council-UNFC held their 7th meeting in Yangon yesterday, discussing remaining four points proposed by the UNFC for signing the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement.

In his opening remarks at the National Reconciliation and Peace Centre, U Thein Zaw, Vice-Chairman of the Peace Commission, invited those armed groups who have not yet signed the NCA to participate in the negotiation for the peace.

"In the future, amendments to the NCA can be made in the framework of the agreement," he said.

Lt-Gen Yar Pyae, a representative of the Tatmadaw, expressed that the Tatmadaw want to see an agreement in



The 7th meeting of the Peace Commission and the Delegation for Political Negotiation of the United Nationalities Federal Council being held in Yangon. **PHOTO: PHOE HTAUNG**

the political dialogue with the DPN as the NCA can be considered the agreement reached after negotiations between organizations with diverse opinions.

The peace makers will review strong and weak points of the Joint Monitoring Committee next week as a step toward better peace process, he added.

Khu Oo Ral, the leader of the Delegation

for Political Negotiation of the UNFC, said it is questionable that there were technical weaknesses in discussing the 8 points proposed by UNFC as the two sides had to discuss them for more than 15 months.

"DPN prefer to move forwards with a new way which is believed to be better than current one as the two sides have sought ways which can bring both on the road of

mutual understanding," he said.

He also said that DPN proposed a better way for discussion to UP-DJC as there are some deadlocks in the discussion between the Peace Commission and DPN.

During the meeting today, the two sides reached agreement on inviting international representatives for the joint-monitoring committee. ■

Thura U Shwe Mann receives IMF personnel



Thura U Shwe Mann holds talks with International Monetary Fund personnel in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA**

THURA U Shwe Mann, Chairman of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Legal Affairs and Special Cases Assessment Commission received Mr. Irving Aw, Professor Kimberley Brooks, Mr. Michael Oomn and Mr. Andrew Minto from International Monetary Fund (IMF) at the Hluttaw Building Hall (I-1) in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

During the meeting, situation of income tax law drafted with the assistance of IMF working in cooperation with the Ministry of Planning and Finance and conditions of cooperation with the Commission were cordially discussed. Matters on taxes were also discussed in the meeting.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Two Daingnet ethnic men killed, two wounded in shooting incident on Myanmar-Bangladesh border

TWO Daingnet ethnic villagers from Aungthabyay Village in Maung-taw Township were shot dead and two others were wounded by about 15 gunmen in civilian clothes after crossing the border into Bangladesh, said lo-

cal authorities.

Maung Nge Hla, 29, Maung Shwe Thein, 28, Maung Sein Hla Maung, 32, and Maung Ni Tun, 20, crossed the border into Bangladesh around 7 pm on 22 October to capture a boar and got shot by 15

people at about 100 yards from the border fence, said the authorities. In the incident, Maung Sein Hla Maung and Maung Ni Tun were killed while two others were injured. The injured returned home around 10 pm and they

were rushed to Maung-taw Hospital. The security forces found the bodies of the two hunters at 10.40 am yesterday at the place where the incident happened and brought back the bodies to Aungthabyay Village.—MNA ■

Provisions to victims of gale in Mrauk-U

MYANMAR Red Cross Society presented provisions to victims of a gale which destroyed houses from Shar Shae Pyin Village, Mrauk-U Township, on 22 October.

The State Red Cross supervisory committee chairman, the District police officer and volunteers provided humanitarian assistance, 22 hygiene kits, 22 mosquito nets, 44 tarpaulin and drinking waters to 22 households from the

village which were damaged by gale.

There are 235 households in Shar Shae Pyin Village in which seven houses were completely destroyed and 15 were partly damaged, a total of 22 were damaged. Besides, a KG school building, a Basic Education Post Primary School building and houses for teachers were damaged during the gale.—Han Lin Naing (Sub Printing House) ■

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