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Paddy harvesting under way in Maungtaw region, Northern Rakhine State. **PHOTO: SEIN LWIN AUNG**

3-month harvest time for 20,000 acres in Maungtaw

THE harvest of over 20,000 acres of paddy in Maungtaw region in northern Rakhine State will be completed within three months, guaranteed the Agricultural Mechanization Department-AMD that will do the job in cooperation with the Settlements and Land Records Department-SLRD.

"Paddy fields in Buthidaung and Maungtaw regions are ripe

for harvesting. We are using all available equipment and forces in harvesting the fields as a preventive measure against any loss or wastage. We are systematically transferring the harvested paddy to the relevant bodies. Of the over 40,000 acres, we will transfer the winnowed rice to the bodies within three months, said Director-General U Soe Hlaing of AMD.

Beginning 26 October, 14 state-owned machines and 18 region-owned machines totaling 32 are harvesting and winnowing paddy in Maungtaw region.

Under the leadership of Rakhine State government, AMD and SLRD have set up five camps in harvesting and winnowing the paddy daily. The camps are operating eight harvesters and winnowers at

Kyaungtaung village-tract, six at Marawady village-tract, six at Alethankyaw village-tract, six at Nwayontaung village-tract and six at Myothugyi village-tract totaling 32 in the southern regions of Maungtaw in harvesting and winnowing about 1500 acres daily. "AMD in cooperation with SLRD is carrying out the task with the help of machines.

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Also at the event was the Yangon Region Chief Minister U Phyo Min Thein who said he wanted to listen to the voice of the people from all 45 townships in Yangon.

He said there needs to be active participation from the public in the democratization process. The Chief Minister expressed his gratitude to the Ministry of Information for organizing the event.

Dr. Daw Thida Tin, the Deputy Director-General of the Department for Information and Public Relations, said according to FDA reports, young people make up 28-30 per cent of the population in Myanmar and said they are the hope for the future.

She said young people need a steady job in their beginning years and one that also matched their level of education.

Dr. Daw Thida Tin said the rules and regulations for conducting business in Myanmar



A panel discussion titled "Youth and Job opportunities" in progress. **PHOTO MNA**

and other connected sectors need to be developed to create job opportunities. She then said the discussion will be continued by five spokespersons on what young people should prepare for getting a job and what the government is doing to meet these needs.

The discussion panel was opened with Naw Pann Thitizar Myo, the Minister for Kayah Ethnic Affairs, saying the workforce in Yangon is increasing as more and more people

from rural areas migrate into commercial Yangon. She said young female workers make up the majority of the workforce in the 29 economic zones in Yangon with 70 per cent of them working in the textile and garment industry and the other 30 per cent engaged in industrial work.

The next speaker was U Wai Phyo Han, the Yangon Hluttaw representative from Insein Constituency (2).

He talked about the diffi-

culties of finding a job in Yangon and how there are instances of young people accepting jobs they're not interested in due to scarcity of opportunities. He said these are not good for personal development and that young people need skills in order to get good jobs.

Next, U Aung Htay Win, the Deputy Director for the Department of Labor Administration, discussed about the process of the Ministry of Labor, Immigration and Population in

connecting potential workers with employers.

He also explained the history of the ministry which was established as the Employment Contact Office in 1946.

U Win Naing from JPE Everest Ltd., a local job agency, shared his experiences of connecting people seeking jobs to employers.

He said that the type of job that pays well and is accessible depends on the individual's skill. He said the areas with the most job opportunities in the country right now are in sales and marketing, engineering, admin and HR.

Afterwards, U Than Soe, CEO and Chief Editor of 7 HR Business Group and Two Four DMA Media Group, said there are more job opportunities in recent years since social media is an easily accessible platform for job advertisements.

He said employees and workers now have the right to speak out against bad jobs and that employers are becoming more aware of keeping regulations. He said the most advertised jobs are for HR and Admin followed by Sales and Marketing, Accountants, Drivers, and Security Personnel in areas like Hotels, Distribution, Food, Liquor and Construction. —Myanmar News Agency ■

Taninthayi donates school for Maungtau Township

MAUNGTAU in Rakhine State in the west of Myanmar will get a new village school donated by the people of Taninthayi Region in the far south.

Apart from a building for classrooms there will also be a common room for teachers, said Taninthayi Region Chief Minister Dr. Lae Maw.

The chief minister was speaking at the ceremony to drive in stakes for the school building in new Kainggyi (Mro) village on Maungtau-Kyaukpan-

du road.

It will not be built by Rakhine State government. Well-wishers of Taninthayi Region donated funds for the school building. They could not turn a deaf ear to the plight of their kith and kin in Rakhine State. So they collected public donations for the state, said the chief minister.

We wish children of the region get access to education. We planned to build a post primary school. It will have a fence and a 250-foot long entrance road.



Chief Minister Dr. Lae Maw meets with Mro people. **PHOTO: MNA**

We will also build a pagoda and a monastery near the village, she added.

After the speeches delivered by her and Rakhine State Minister for Social Affairs Dr. Chan Tha, medicines and cloths

donated by the Taninthayi people were presented to the villagers of Kainggyi.

The project includes a building for classrooms, another for a common room and two toilets. —News Team ■

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Labour shortage is the main problem of the region. So, we asked the help of 100 AMD staff of Nay Pyi Taw, Mandalay and Sagaing. Even we pay a daily wage of K 10,000 for each worker, we still face difficulty in recruiting labour, said AMD Staff Officer U Khin Zaw Ohn, adding, we will prioritize the farms that are accessible for the farm machinery.

Over 3000 acres have been harvested during the 10-day period from 26 October to 4 November. Per acre yield is 50 baskets per acre. The two departments are transferring the rice to the relevant bodies that are storing the produce at the warehouses in Alethankyaw, Myinlut and other places. —News Team (MNA) ■

VP U Henry Van Thio honours Aung La N Sang

Vice-President of the Republic of Union of Myanmar U Henry Van Thio honoured Aung La N Sang at his residence in Yangon yesterday evening.

The Vice-President cordially conversed with Aung La N Sang, the winner of the open-weight bout at ONE Championship 63 and presented the champion a certificate of honour.

Aung La N Sang defeated challenger Alain Ngalani Muay Thai and Kickboxing Champion, in just four minutes and 31 seconds of the first round of an open-weight bout at ONE Championship 63 on 3 November in Yangon.

The Ministry of Health and Sports also honoured Aung La N Sang who defeated challenger Alain Ngalani (Hong Kong), Muay Thai and Kickboxing Champion.

Union Minister for Health and Sports presented the certificate of honour to Aung La N Sang at Sedona Hotel in Yangon at 11 am the same day.

The Union minister hosted a luncheon in honour of the Champion.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Vice-President U Henry Van Thio presents Chin traditional gifts to Aung La N Sang. **PHOTO: MNA**



Myanmar Motion Picture Organization donates money for the resettlement and development in Rakhine State



Union Minister Dr Pe Myint accepts donation from Myanmar Motion Picture Organization. **PHOTO: MNA**

The ceremony for providing donation money for resettlement and development in Rakhine State was held at the meeting hall of MMPO in Wingaba road in Yangon at 8 am of yesterday. The Union Minister for Information attended the event and accepted the donation money.

In the ceremony Chairman of MMPO, U Zin Waing gave a welcoming speech and the patrons of MMPO, chairman and members handed over the donation MMK 10 million to be used in resettlement and development works in Rakhine to the Union Minister for Information, Dr Pe Myint.

The Union Minister Dr Pe Myint delivered an address in

which he spoke that many thanks are due to the MMPO as donation is made for the use in resettlement of Rakhine State and he stated that Rakhine affairs are the affairs of the whole country and the troubles encountered by Rakhine people are the troubles of all people. He also mentioned his delight as the MMPO comes to the assistance every time the country is in crisis. In those times it is always found the persons from MMPO has taken part in activities willingly and actively. It is really an encouragement for the local people as the MMPO helps in money and also show their personal presence in the crisis area. The present aids of MMPO for Rakhine resettlement

and development project manifest the perpetuation of their good tradition of assistance in social affairs.

Then, the patron of MMPO, Sithu Bogale Tint Aung gave a speech of delight. The responsible personnel from Ministry of Information, patrons of MMPO and MMPO members attended the ceremony. The Union Minister, Dr Pe Myint accepted the donation money as MMPO is a friendly organization of the MoI and the donation money will be conveyed to Union Enterprise for Humanitarian Assistance, Resettlement and Development for the use in the projects of UEHRD, it is learnt.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Fourth Irrawaddy Literature Festival in which local and foreign literati take part, successfully ends

The fourth Irrawaddy Literature Festival participated by literati and literature-lovers started on 3rd November at Mandalay Hill Resort and successfully finished at 5 pm of 5th November.

In the event local and foreign literati were reading papers, the writers and literature enthusiasts were discussing about the literature, reciting the poems and drawing the painting and cartoons and about 40 book shops from Yangon and Mandalay sold the books. "Among the Irrawaddy Literature Festivals held so far, the present festival is the most satisfactory one. There are a lot of young participants who take part in discussion in earnest. The content of the discussion made by international literati are invaluable for the participants. The journalists also discussed about the fake news and they exposed by themselves how to divert the news to the wrong track. The audience also increased in number than the previous ones as there were more book shops, souvenir shops and food donations in the present festival. It is hoped there will be more satisfying and fruitful literature festivals for the youths in future" said country director, U Aung Myint.

The most distinguished feature of the 4th Irrawaddy Literature Festival was that

Myanandar Poem Anthology containing poems from Thakha-in Kodaw Mhaing age to the poems of contemporary age both in English and Myanmar language and the collection of all cartoons by cartoonists could have been published.

Moreover, "The 4th Irrawaddy Literary Festival was more well-attended and the journalists from Yangon, Mandalay and abroad actively came to participate in the festival. The festival could support the development of Myanmar literature and give attendants the wider perspective. International writers could know more about Myanmar and it was good for the country," said writer from Mandalay, Kyaw Yin Myint.

Ko Myo Myint from the Organ book shop said, "The aesthetic/knowledge books sold more in this festival. Most of the buyers were writers, old-aged literature enthusiasts and the teachers. The total value of books sold amounted to Kt 200,000 a day. The book shops were mostly from Yangon and we will sell the books also in Mandalay festival."

The 4th Irrawaddy Literary Festival started on 3rd November and ended on 5th November. The festival holding committee members, local and foreign literati and writers took documentary photos.—Min Htet Aung (Man Sub-printing House) ■