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A fisherman walks on the beach in Sittway, Rakhine State on 2 March. Reporters arrived in Rakhine yesterday. **FILE PHOTO: REUTERS**

Journalists arrive in Rakhine

No restrictions on reporting, government pledges

Myanmar and foreign journalists representing international media organisations arrived in Rakhine State yesterday, with a pledge from the government to not impose any restrictions on the reporters visiting the troubled areas that have been the site of violence since October.

Journalists from AFP, Nikkei, VOA, Kyodo News, Xinhua, AP, Frontier, CNA, TV Asahi, RFA, ABC, BBC, NHK, Reuters, MITV and MNA were included

in this third press trip to Rakhine State.

Independent media groups visited Maungdaw from 19 to 22 December 2016 and from 28 March to 1 April 2017.

The 18 Myanmar nationals and foreigners who arrived yesterday will stay in Rakhine State from 12 to 16 July. They received a government escort to the northern areas of Buthidaung and Maungdaw.

“There are no restrictions

regarding the areas that you can report from,” said U Theet Swe, a director at the Ministry of Information’s News and Periodicals Enterprise.

“We didn’t arrange any ‘for show’ places for news reporting,” he said.

Last year, Myanmar’s army performed numerous “clearance operations” in the area after violent attackers fought border patrol posts near the Bangladesh border, killing nine

police officers.

Some 75,000 people fled across the nearby border to Bangladesh, according to the United Nations, which has documented allegations of gang rape, torture, arson and killings by security forces.

The government has denied most of the allegations, and has denied entry to a UN fact-finding mission tasked with looking into the allegations.

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Pyithu Hluttaw

No farming on land for Yadanarbon IT centre

Kyaw Thu Htet

U KYAW LIN, Deputy Minister for Construction, said yesterday there are no plans to allow local peasants in Pyin Oo Lwin to farm on unused land confiscated for the Yadanarbon Silicon Project.

The statement was made by U Kyaw Lwin in response to a question at yesterday's Pyithu Hluttaw session by Dr U Aung Khin of Pyin Oo Lwin constituency.

"There is not any plan to reclaim 9,893 acres of farming land confiscated for Yadanarbon Silicon Project into farming land, and they will be implemented in order to produce the best results for the country, under the master plan", the Deputy Minister

said. "The Yadanarbon neo-town plan was launched with the intention of developing the social lives and emergence of a hub of internationally standardized IT. In 2008 and 2009, a total of 100,000 acres of land were confiscated for Yadanarbon neo-town plan and handed over to the department of urbanisation and housing development. Of them, 107 acres were handed over to the Correctional Department of the Ministry of Home Affairs to be used as 24 mile-rock-producing-land, with 662 acres targeted as Yadanarbon neo-town plan by Mandalay City Development Committee."

The Deputy Minister added, "Yadanarbon neo-town plan will be implemented in 3 phases. Phase 1 has 2,200 acres of land

and it will include software drawing factories, factory complex, greening land and servicing areas, ICT Main Complex, housing estate for staff, day nursery, stadium, restaurants and southern housing project.

Phase 2 has 2,919 acres of land and it will include a civilian zone, administrative zone, servicing zone, economic zone, SMEs industrial zone, industrial and agro-based economic zone. Phase 3 has 4,774 acres of land, and it will include low-cost housing estate, fair-cost housing estate, high-cost housing estate, hotel zone, international standard stadium, crop plantation zone, servicing zone, administrative zone, departmental offices and golf club.



Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U Win Myint. PHOTO: MNA

Scrutiny must be carried out as to whether land can be reclaimed as urban development, or not. Necessity of regional cabinet and local needs must be taken into consideration.

Project area is so much so that it will be difficult to implement them at the same time, hence the need to implement the project step by step." —Myanmar News Agency ■

Amyotha Hluttaw

Waterways, sewage drains to be installed in Magway

Aung Ye Thwin,
Aye Aye Thant (MNA)

A PROPOSAL has been submitted for the construction of various waterways and roads in Magway Region, an area where many roads are not paved, according to U Hla Kyaw, Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

The Deputy Minister made the statement yesterday at the Amyotha Hluttaw meeting in response to a question from U Win Maung from Magway constituency (6), who asked about the government's plan in helping road transportation for the 2,649 villagers in Salin Township, Magway.

U Hla Kyaw said a proposal has been submitted that could be included in the 2017-2018 budget plan of the region's Rural Development Department.

The proposal included costs for constructing a 2-mile concrete road, a 2-mile asphalt road, an 8-mile gravel road, a 3-mile laterite road, 14 concrete bridges, 31 culverts and 34 waterways. The total cost of construction is estimated to be Ks3.667 billion.

The Deputy Minister said it will cost an estimate of Ks 380.5 million to convert the dirt roads connecting Nga Hlaing Thwin, Kin Poon Chone, Kwe Oo and Kyaukdan villages in Salin Township. The Deputy Minister said

the Ks128.5 million needed for the construction of the bridges and waterways in Magway is not included in the current budget plan of the Region's Rural Development Department, but he is negotiating with the regional government to acquire Ks45 million for use in the construction.

The Deputy Minister also responded to a query from Daw Htut May from Rakhine Constituency (11), saying the proposal for upgrading the clay road in Myebon Township and building embankment walls along it has been included in the 2017-2018 Union Budget Plan. The total cost for the proposal amounts to Ks2.95 billion, with Ks115 million



Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker Mahn Win Khaing Than. PHOTO: MNA

allotted for this financial year.

A report on the workings of the Committee for Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation development was read during

yesterday's Hluttaw meeting, and Hluttaw representatives interested in discussing the report registered their names for the next meeting. ■



UN delegation led by Ms. Yanghee Lee met Rakhine State Chief Minister U Nyi Pu and officials of Rakhine State Government yesterday. PHOTO: MNA

UN delegation arrives at Sittway and Maungtaw

Myint Maung Soe, Aung
Kyaw Oo

MS. YANGHEE LEE, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar and party arrived at Sittway from Kyaukpyu by air yesterday morning.

The UN delegation met Rakhine State Chief Minister U Nyi Pu and officials of Rakhine State Government at the meeting room of State Government Office at about 10:00 am. During their

meeting, they discussed matters relating to Kyaukpyu Special Economic zone, meeting with farmers in Kyaukpyu, transference of IDP camps, development and peace and stability in Buthidaung and Maungtaw, and present situation of the area and restoration works on damages caused by cyclone Mora which struck Myanmar at the end of May 2017.

The UN delegation left Buthidaung on boat after meeting with six town elders at the

State General Administration Department in Sittway. At evening meeting with responsible officials at Maungtaw District General Administration Department, they discussed concerning with destroyed conditions after cyclone Mora, aids for the victims of disaster paid by the government and International Non-Governmental Organisation (INGO), regional states, permission to enter in region and implementation of peace and stability in region. ■

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The government has not allowed independent journalists and human rights monitors from going to the area in the far north of the state for the past nine months for their own security.

State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi has said a UN fact-finding mission would only heighten tension in the region. Myanmar officials say a domestic investigation, led by Vice President U Myint Swe and a commission headed by former UN chief Kofi Annan - are the appropriate ways to address problems in Rakhine State. Annan recommended in March that authorities "provide full and regular access

for domestic and international media to all areas affected by recent violence".

Reporters on the visit to the northern areas would be provided security by Myanmar's paramilitary Border Guard Police force, U Thet Swe said.

Although access would not be restricted, he said, reporters should stay close to officials during visits to villages for their own security. A detailed itinerary for the five-day trip was provided to reporters yesterday. U Thet Swe said, the plan was "not fixed" and would be subject to changes due to the weather and security concerns. He invited reporters to suggest additional places they

want to visit. Reporters will be taken to the village of Tin May, where security forces killed two suspected militants and arrested one after they detonated a bomb on Sunday, according to an announcement from the State Counsellor's office. While Myanmar has denied entry to a UN fact-finding mission, a UN special rapporteur on human rights, Ms. Yanghee Lee, is visiting Rakhine State this week.

Although she is not expected to visit the northern areas near the border with Bangladesh, she is due to meet some of the people displaced in violence since 2012. — Simon Lewis, Reuters and Myanmar News Agency ■

20 to 35 million textbooks to be printed for 2018-2019 academic year

The Printing and Publishing Department of the Ministry of Information is planning to publish 20 to 35 million school textbooks for the 2018-2019 Academic Year.

The statement by Union Minister for Information Dr. Pe Myint came at the first coordination meeting of the school textbooks printing and publishing committee at the ministry in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday. At the meeting, Dr. Myo Thein Gyi, Union Minister for Education, discussed the need for textbooks in basic education primary, middle and high schools for the whole country and time frame for the printing.

The Printing and Publishing Department is mainly printing the order placed by the Ministry of Education and has published the books for 21 years up to the



Union Minister Dr. Pe Myint addresses the meeting on printing school textbooks. **PHOTO: MNA**

2013-2014 Academic Year. The department will print high-quality textbooks so that students can have durable books for their education, said Dr. Pe Myint. The Director-General of Printing and Publishing Department discussed the benefits of upgrading

the quality of the textbooks and Permanent Secretary and Deputy Chairman of school textbooks Printing and Distribution Committee U Myo Myint Maung and committee's members clarified the processes for the printing. —Myanmar News Agency ■

Global Study on Intrinsic Motivation in Developing Countries Continued

As regards the ceremony issuing the strategy on reformation of staff in Myanmar, Global Study on Intrinsic Motivation in Developing Countries, was continued at the Myanmar International Convention Center (2) in Nay Pyi Taw, with a view to upgrading confidence, concepts and spirits of staff in developing countries, yesterday. In the first phase of the ceremony, Dr. Knight Jel Gold senior consultant of UNDP Global Center for Public Service Excellence discussed the topic of advantages acquired through the

global study on intrinsic motivation, with Dr. Zika Vandanwar of Singapore, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Affairs discussing the topic of pilot study on public service staff in Pakistan and Kazakhstan, findings and acquired lessons.

In the second phase of the ceremony, discussion were made by 4 groups, in which research methods, academic perfection, making adjustments of actual event, intrinsic motivation in developing countries and matters to be included in global study, Sey-

chelles Republic's management on public affairs and experiences encountered in transforming public sector, negotiation with public servicemen of Singapore Republic, in labour sector and Moldova Republic's public affairs management and experiences of transformation in public sector.

Afterward ceremony marking the conclusion of knowledge sharing forum was held, with dignified persons from various organisations making addresses respectively. —Myanmar News Agency ■



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing is seen in his goodwill visit in India. **PHOTO: MNA**

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing meets Post-Graduate Trainees in India

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, now in India on a goodwill visit at the invitation of Admiral Sunil Lanba, Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee, the Republic of India left Ahmedabad military airport for Pune, arriving at the airport at 10:30 am LST. At the Pune, the Senior General met with Myanmar post-graduate trainees, giving words of encouragement and providing foodstuffs to the students.

The C-in-C of Defence Services and members left the airport by helicopters for Ahmednagar, with Maj General Neeraj Kapur, principal of Armoured

Corps Centre and School and responsible officials greeting the Senior General at the airport. Then at the meeting room of the Armoured Corps Centre and School, the principal explained to the Senior General history of the school, school set-up and teaching conditions, with questioned by C-in-C of Defence Services as to what he wanted to know.

The Senior General and party visited Submarine Auxiliaries Department and inspected planes and helicopters being used by India Navy, being explained by responsible officials, it was learnt. —Myanmar News Agency ■

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Appointment of Security and Border Affairs Ministers

In accordance with the provisions stated in article 262 (a) (2), (b) (e) (f), article 264 (c) of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and section 19 (c), section 82 (c) of Union Government Law and Section 8 (a) sub-section (2), (b) (f) (g), Section 56 (a) of Region or State Government Law, Colonel Aung Lwin, Kayin State Security and Border Affairs Minister and Colonel Tin Aung Tun, Yangon Region Security and Border Affairs Minister, have been returned to unit to perform the original military duties and replaced with the following persons whose names have been submitted by the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) are hereby appointed as Region/ State Security and Border Affairs Ministers.

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| (1) Colonel Myo Min Naung | Kayin State Government |
| (2) Colonel Aung Soe Moe | Yangon Region Government |

Sd/ Htin Kyaw
President
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

THE 100 school-construction project in Rakhine State under the aid programme of Bridge Asia Japan (BAJ) will be completed in coming August, according to yesterday's report of an official in BAJ office based in Maungdaw.

“In Rakhine, BAJ is also planning to construct other

“We got funds from the Nippon Foundation in Japan which supported us to build schools in Rakhine,” he said.

There are totally five BAJ offices in Myanmar. One is in Yangon for management, one is in Sittway for 100 schools project of the Nippon Foundation, another one is in Hpa-an for training of education courses, other is in Magway for water supplement, and the last one is in Maungdaw for schools building and vocational training.—Myint Maung Soe, Aung Kyaw Oo ■



Construction of the Basic Education High School (Myothit) completed recently. **PHOTO: THAKKA**

While security forces are patrolling in Yathedaung Township, one suspect, Marmout Noru was arrested in Chin village of Yathedaung Township

and detained in Nyaungchaung police station. Similarly, security forces also arrested one suspect, Swe Haut Juharat living in Maungnama Taung village of Maungtau Township at 9am of 11 July as he was suspected for 30 June murder of Marmaray. He is being interrogated in Pyin Phyu police station.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Security forces searched the house of Kardayhu Saung on the morning of 10 July as they

Security forces found six pieces of (12sq ft) green colour waterproof clothing covers and three pieces of (18ft x 12ft) blue color waterproof clothing covers and investigated the suspect,

Police have investigated and filed a lawsuit against the suspect at the Taungbat police station.—Myanmar News Agency ■

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