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Amyotha Hluttaw speaker receives Singapore Ambassador

SPEAKER of Amyotha Hluttaw Mahn Win Khaing Than received Singapore's Ambassador to Myanmar Ms. Vanessa Chan Yuen Ying at the Hluttaw Building in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

During the meeting, they discussed matters concerning

promotion of social, economic and bilateral relations between the two countries.

Also present at the meeting were Amyotha Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Aye Tha Aung and officials of the Amyotha Hluttaw office.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Senior General receives Gen. Koji Yamazaki of Japan, German Ambassador

Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received Gen. Koji Yamazaki, Chief of Staff of Japan Ground Self-Defense Forces, at Zeyar Thiri Beikman in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

At the meeting, they exchanged views on improving military relations between the

two countries, Tatmadaw efforts to stop ARSA terrorists in Rakhine State, and the role of the Tatmadaw in the peace process in Myanmar.

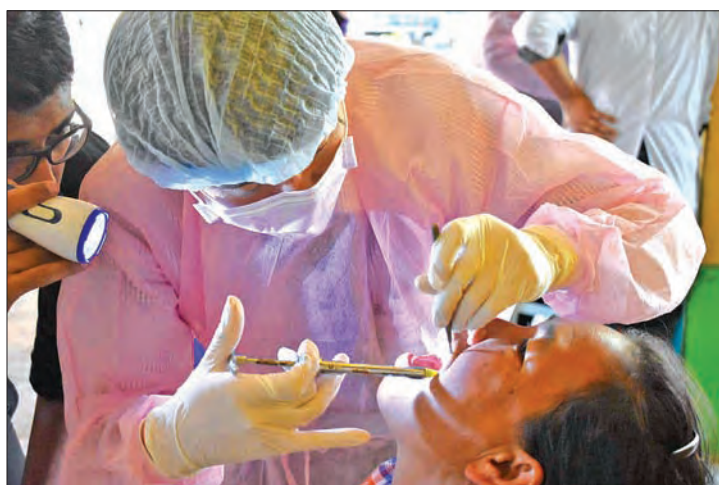
In the afternoon, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received the newly appointed German Ambassador to Myanmar Mrs. Dorothee Janetzke - Wenzel, at Zeyar Thiri Beikman.

In the meeting, matters relating to efforts by the Tatmadaw on achieving lasting peace and stability in Myanmar, increasing Myanmar-Germany military defence cooperation, the role of female Myanmar soldiers, and assigning Tatmadaw representatives at the Hluttaw were discussed.—Myanmar News Agency ■



Senior General Min Aung Hlaing receives German Ambassador to Myanmar Mrs. Dorothee Janetzke - Wenzel. PHOTO: MNA

Dentists from UDM-Yangon provide care in Magway



A dentist gives medical care to a patient. PHOTO: UDM-YANGON

A medical team from the University of Dental Medicine (Yangon) provided oral health-care services in Magway Region from 3 to 7 January.

The team comprised of about 200 included 150 students who have passed the fourth year of Bachelor of Dental Science, 30 surgeons

and 20 faculty members from UDM-Yangon. They gave educative talks on dental and oral health to residents in Pakokku, Yesagyo, Seikpyu and Myaing townships in Magway Region. They also checked the oral health of 3,581 residents and treated 2,140 patients.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Villagers, security forces involved in killings of 10 armed Muslims

Some villagers and security forces were involved in the killing of 10 armed attackers whose bodies were found in a mass grave last month in a cemetery in Inndin Village in Maungdaw Township, Rakhine State, the True News Information Team of the Ministry of Defence acknowledged yesterday.

"Action will be taken against some security forces who broke the Rules of Engagement and some villagers who were involved in the killings," said the announcement from the ministry posted on its Facebook page yesterday.

An investigation team led by Lt-Gen Aye Win of the Ministry of Defence probed the killing from 20th December to 2nd January, interrogating 21 security force members, three border guard police, 13 members of the No. 8 security regiment, six villagers and six departmental officials.

Since the 9th October terrorist attacks, Muslim villagers, whose population is about 6,000 in the village-tract, had been threatening ethnic minorities, of which there are about 840 in three villages.

The Muslim armed men allegedly killed Maung Ni, a villager from Inndin Village, who had been on his way to a rice field on 25th August, 2017, and threatened nearby ethnic villagers with attacks every day, said the statement.

The ethnic villagers moved to a monastery and security forces arrived to provide security.

The announcement said on 1st September, about 200 armed attackers tried to attack security forces. In response, the security forces fired warning shots into the air to disperse the attackers and arrested 10 armed men.

During a subsequent interrogation, the 10 men con-

fessed that they had ties to the terrorists and that they were organised by Muslim religious leaders also known as Mawlawi at mosques in Muslim villages.

The detainees should be handed over to police. However, two vehicles from Inndin Village Police Station were set on fire by terrorists and terrorists attacks were happening at that time in the local areas, the statement said.

"Some villagers from Inndin village and security members confessed they killed 10 Muslim terrorists and action would be taken against the villagers and security members who violated the Rules of Engagement. Besides, action would be taken against those officers who failed to report the incident to the upper commands though they did not involve in it but those who involved in the incident are under their command," said the statement.—Myanmar News Agency ■