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New Bridge to promote socio-economy of Rakhine people



Panzin Creek Bridge that links Buthidaung and Yathedaung Townships was commissioned into service in Rakhine State yesterday. PHOTO: MNA

A 960-foot long bridge over the Panzin Creek linking Buthidaung and Yathedaung townships in Rakhine State was inaugurated yesterday, becoming one of the infrastructure development tasks implemented in Rakhine State by the new government during its first year in office.

The opening ceremony of the reinforced concrete bridge with its width 24 foot and a 3 foot pedestrian walkway on each side, 19 foot above water line, 60 ton

loading capacity was held at the site in Buthidaung.

Work on construction of the facility started in April 2014.

In his opening address, Union Minister for Construction U Win Khaing said that the Ministry had been focusing on the development of Rakhine State by working together with the Rakhine State government as the Rakhine State lagged behind in development because of its poor road transportation.

The Ministry of Construction has been working on the upgrading of all the roads providing access to Rakhine State. The major roads which are being upgraded are Thandwe-Gwa-Ngathainggyoung road from Ayeyawady Region and Yangon Region, Pyay-Padaung-Taung-gup-Maei-Kyaukpyu road from Bago Region, Minbu-An-Sittway road from Magway Region, Kyauktaw-Palatwa-Matupe-Hakha-Falam-Teddim-Tonzang-

Kyikha road from Chin State and Taungpyo-Maungta-Buthidaung-Yathedaung-Ponna-gyun-Sittway border trade road.

Besides, the Yangon-Sittwe road used by the most passengers buses and trucks has been upgraded to concrete road.

The minister said the local residents need to maintain the roads and bridges including Panzin Creek Bridge for their long-term sustainability.

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Vice President U Myint Swe visits tropical botanical garden in Boao in China. PHOTO: MNA

Vice President U Myint Swe visits tropical botanical garden in Boao

VICE President U Myint Swe yesterday afternoon visited the tropical botanical garden in Boao, Hainan province in the People's Republic of China.

Officials conducted the Vice President and party round the garden which grows tea, coffees, coco and banana species for re-

search, categorizes plants species and produces value-added goods.

The garden serves as a research centre for tropical plants, public recreation and knowledge dissemination for value-added goods.

In the evening the Vice President and party met the governor of the province at Boao Interna-

tional Conference Center, and shared experiences in agricultural, cultural, sports and tourism sectors and discussed setting up a direct flight between Myanmar and the province.

A dinner was hosted in honour of the participants to the Boao Forum at the center. —Myanmar News Agency

Man missing in Buthidaung Township

A MAN named Shiveli or Naw-be Huusaung living at Myoma ward in Buthidaung Township went missing on his way to Mikyaung Kaung Swe Village on Tuesday.

He informed his wife that he would visit the house of his moth-

er-in-law, Marmauk Phweyoud in Mikyaung Kaung Swe Village at about 9.30 am on 21 March and he was not got back and still lost.

Mabar kurthuu, a wife of Shiveli opened a file of lawsuit over the case at the police station of Buthidaung Township.

Security forces and officials from the village searched him around Mikyaung Kaung Swe Village and its neighboring villages but significant information was obtained and further investigation is ongoing. —Myanmar News Agency

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Rakhine State Chief Minister U Nyi Pu said words of thanks for the development of roads and bridges on behalf of Rakhine residents. Then, U Aung Kyaw Zan, Rakhine State Minister for Electricity, Industry and Transportation, U Aung Thaung Shwe and U Maung Kyaw Zan, Members of Parliament, U Thein Naing, Deputy Director of Department of Bridge and local resident U Maing Myi Tha cut the ribbon and Union Minister U Win Khaing and Rakhine State Chief Minister U Nyi Pu switched on the memorial tablet before passing through the bridge together with local residents.

A local resident Daw Win

Kyi from Ward 5 in Buthidaung said "I am very pleased to have better transportation due to the bridge. Before the bridge, it takes a long time in travelling by water way. It was also inconvenient for the daily travellers who have to pay for boat charges. Thanks to all the responsible persons."

A local resident, U Mya Tha said "it is wonderful to have the bridge constructed. Now we can go both by water way and by road. But I would like to advise that it would not be complete for having it.

It is required to construct other bridges for the development as the Rakhine State geographically has plenty of

mountains and rivers."

U Thein Naing, Deputy Director of Department of Bridge said "we constructed the bridge in priority to help local resident who depends on waterways. We continue to construct 600-foot long Saidin Bridge, 500-foot long Thaungdaya Bridge and other bridges across the creeks."

He continued, "If the road reaches from Yathaedaung-Pun-nagyun to Sittway, it can access to the whole country. We will finish the road in 2018-2019.

The bridge can be said Border Bridge and regional development will be expected through the use of that bridge." —Myanmar News Agency

72nd Armed Forces Day to broadcast live

THE Armed Forces Day-2017 celebration in Nay Pyi Taw will broadcast live on 27th March, 2017.

The live broadcast of the

72nd anniversary celebration on the Myanmar Radio and Television-MRTV will start at 5.30 am.—Myanmar News Agency

Indian government donated two ambulances for YCH

IN order to upgrade Myanmar's public health service, the government of India donated two modern ambulances equipped with medical instruments worthing 154,600 USD to Yangon Children Hospital yesterday.

Indian ambassador to Myanmar, Mr. Vikram Misri told that, these ambulances fixed with modern medical equipments donated to be able to save the lives of patients giving necessary treatment to patients in the vehicle, in such a situation of high traffic jam.

It is known that, as there is no specialists in Child Heart Disease in Yangon General Hospital and Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Diseases (EENT) in Yangon Children Hospital, patients suffering from those diseases have to use those ambulances to go to Yankin Hospital EENT Hospital.

Dr. Su Su Dwe, Medical Superintendent of the hospital said that, "there are only 4 ambulances at the hospital. However we are facing inconveniences in transferring the patients to

Yankin Hospital so we need more ambulances for the hospital."

YCH has provided medical services to 100 to 150 patients daily in Orthopedic treatment ward, medical ward, surgery ward, neo-natal ward, Pediatric Oncology ward, Renal treatment ward, Neurology ward and Pediatric Nutrition ward respectively.

Indian government also recently donated "3 Telsa MRI" machine for the screening of bones and muscle joints and lumps of flesh and "CT Scanner and Oxygen Concentrator Plant for the diagnosing of pulmonary and Oncology diseases accordingly to YCH and also donated 64-slice CT Scanner, Oxygen Plant, Ultrasound Scan Machine and other essential medical devices to Sittway hospital.

About 7 million USD will be used in supplying medical equipments and devices for YCH and Sittway hospital and 2 million USD for Monywa Children and Women hospital, according to the Embassy of India in Myanmar.—Nanda Win(MNA)



Indian ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Vikram Misri sprinkles scented water on one of the ambulances. PHOTO: TAYA

Stimulant Tablets Seized in Maungtaw

YESTERDAY evening in Maungtaw Tsp, Rakhine State, 80475 tablets were seized from a boat while the naval security troop is patrolling.

When naval security troop is patrolling on the west of Mingalargyi creek in Maungtaw on 24 March at 10 pm, they chase a suspicious boat, about 4 people escaped by diving into the creek

but they were able to seize floating bundles.

When plastic bundles were opened, they found 80475 (WY/R) pink color, stimulant tablets worth an estimated Ks 16.1 millions. Seized boat and stimulant tablets were handed over to anti-drug squad. Police try to file law suit against them.—Myanmar News Agency