

Kachin State villagers safely moved

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Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr. Win Myat Aye met the displaced persons in their temporary shelters to encourage and provide assistance on 5 and 6 May.

The Union Minister arrived in Myitkyina on 5 May to move persons facing difficulties owing to the security situation in Kachin State to a safe place.

The Union Minister met Kachin State Chief Minister Dr. Khet Aung and youth lead-

ers, who were rallying in Myitkyina for persons wishing to move.

The union minister promised to provide food, clothing, shelter, health, education and social aid to the people who left their homes. The government, he said, was working towards achieving eternal peace and good results through round-table discussions. It will listen to the voices of the displaced persons and look after their requirements. All the people should join hands with the government. — Myanmar News Agency ■



Villagers gather at the temporary camp in Kachin State to receive aid and medical care. PHOTO: MNA

Local media personnel gather news in Maungtaw

LOCAL media personnel arrived in Sittway by Myanmar National Airlines yesterday morning to check the ground situation for stability, peace, security and development, as well as observe the reception of displaced persons in the Maungtaw region of Rakhine State.

Media personnel from MRTV, MITV, DVB, Mizzama, Choon news agency and Shwezarmeni news agency participated in the trip.

They went to Khainggyi Village in the Maungtaw Town-

ship and collected news from the local people regarding their living standards, employment opportunities, population of the village and regional development.

The Yangon Region government has donated 56 houses and the Bago Region government has donated 64 houses to the local people. The media persons then spoke to the person in-charge at the Hindu temporary camps. Later, they went to the Hla Pho Khaung Transit Centre to collect news. — Myo Myint ■



Journalists interview an official at the Hla Poe Khaung Transit Centre in Rakhine State. PHOTO: THET LWIN SOE (DISTRICT IPRD)

Myanmar nationals return from Thailand voluntarily



Myanmar nationals who voluntarily returned are seen at Kyauk Lone Gyi reception centre. PHOTO: MNA

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promised them that the government would support them in all matters related to their livelihoods. The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement provided every returnee with Ks100,000 each; Ks300,000 for families with three members and above and a box of supplies. The Myanmar Red Cross Society supported each returnee with Ks100,000, while the Ministry of Border Affairs has pro-

vided Ks15,000 to each returnee. So far, 34 returnees have been transported back to their homes. Present at the reception centre yesterday were the Kayin State chief minister, the Myanmar Ambassador to Thailand, Deputy Director-General U Than Htut Swe of the Department of Disaster Management under the MSWRR, State Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Saw Myint Oo, State Minister for Electricity and Industry

U Soe Hlaing, the minister for Barmar Ethnic Affairs, Minister for Pa-O Ethnic Affairs U Khun Myo Tint, State Hluttaw MPs and other officials.

This is the second time such Myanmar nationals who voluntarily returned to Myanmar yesterday have been accepted. The first such occasion took place on 26 October 2016, when 65 returnees were accepted. —Maung Sein Lwin, Htein Lin Aung (District IPRD) ■

Aid provided to returning ethnic nationals in Meise Town

Myanmar nationals who returned from Thailand voluntarily were welcomed in Meise Town (Kayah State) yesterday.

At the ceremony, a Pyithu Hluttaw representative and relevant departments provided cash and other assistance after the (Kayah) State Minister for

Security and Border Affairs Col. Myint Wai delivered a speech.

Of the 20 ethnic nationals who were already assessed with regard to their nationality, four were from Meise Township, eight from Dimawhso Township and eight from Loikaw Township. They were provided

with rice, cooking oil, drinking water from the Kayah State government, from the Progress of Border Areas and National Races Department, construction materials for houses, and travelling cost assistance from the Disaster Management Department. — MNA ■