

I would firstly like to address the three branches of the sovereign power of the State, who have been entrusted with power according to the Constitution, to exercise mutual respect, understanding, and trust as they collaborate for the good of the people. Additionally, I wish to urge the media sector, which serve as the ears and eyes of the public, to understand the seriousness of their duties and to hold in high regard the public sector that they serve.

(Excerpt from the speech by President U Win Myint at the ceremony to take oath of office at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw on 30th March 2018)

Collective strength is vital to build peace and stability which we need. We need to have mutual understanding and mutual respect as the basic foundation to bring to an end the armed conflicts which have existed for many years among the ethnic nationalities. We can make this foundation strong with our collective strength.

(Excerpt from the speech by State Counsellor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi on the 2nd Anniversary of NLD Government on 1st April 2018)

Rakhine implementation committee holds fifth meeting

The committee formed to implement the recommendations on Rakhine State held its 5/2018 work coordination meeting in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

At the meeting, Dr. Win Myat Aye, Chairman of the committee and Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement said the committee is working hard to release its second report at the end of May.

The first report of the committee was released in February.

In his opening remarks at the meeting, Dr. Win Myat Aye expressed thanks to ministries

concerned for their cooperation with the commission in implementing the recommendations on security, stability, peace and development in Rakhine State.

Regarding the implementation of the recommendations, the Union Minister stressed the need to gain positive results on the ground, urging the state, district and township level authorities to carry out their duties with accountability and responsibility.

The committee is giving priorities to citizenship scrutiny in accordance with the law, free movement in the state,

creating opportunities for access to education, health and jobs, closing IDP camps which were set up in 2012, making tangible progress and releasing correct information.

At the meeting, U Nyi Pu, Joint Chairman and Chief Minister of Rakhine State, urged departments concerned to make more efforts for implementing the recommendations to bring better results, while the Rakhine State Government was working hard to bring about harmony between the different communities in the state.—MNA



The committee formed to implement the recommendations on Rakhine State holds the work coordination meeting. **PHOTO: MNA**

School enrolment week for 2018-2019 Academic Year launches nationwide

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The motto for the school enrolment week is “Every School-Age Children Should Enroll and All Should Cooperate in Ending Dropouts.”

School enrollment week for the 2018-2019 academic year launched nationwide on 25 May, and all students were provided with a set of text books, six exercise books and a school uniform free of charge, and compulsory primary education without any form of payment.

Authorities have urged the parents to send their school-age children to schools because the schools are accepting enrollment of children through 31st May.

As for the Ministry of Education, preparations have been made for the students including kindergarten classes, to enroll for the new academic years. Starting from the primary level, a KG+12 System was implemented.

For the academic year 2018-2019, all five years old children are attending KG and all six years old children are attending Grade-1.

Daw Myint Myint Thein, Headmistress of B.E.H.S 4, Pazundaung

Our school has made an arrangement to provide clean environment, purified drinking water for the school children, and to maintain a clean and tidy classroom besides providing school text books free of charge. As for the kindergarten and primary school children, we will provide books and a pair of school uniform for each student. Moreover we will introduce a new curriculum for Grade 2, and cooperation is needed to change the education system for the better.

Daw Myint Myint Win, Primary Teacher of B.E.H.S 4, Pazundaung

There are a total of 10 subjects for Grade – 2 in this year. The school children can take part in discussions, and can learn arts and paintings with their groups. From academic year 2018-2019, all five years old children are attending KG and all six years old children are attending Grade-1. The school children can learn new courses. I am sure the new teaching method will be effective and can enhance their education.



Daw Myint Myint Thein, Headmistress of B.E.H.S 4, Pazundaung



Maung Aung Khant Min, Grade -9 student, B.E.H.S (4), Pazundaung

U Aung Ko Nyunt, father of school children

My son and daughter are going to B.E.H.S (10), Dagon in Yangon. I am coming here to enroll for my children. The teachers help me with everything and provide text books. Also we don't need to pay school admission fees this



Daw Myint Myint Win, Primary Teacher of B.E.H.S 4, Pazundaung



Ma Phue Pyae Ko, Grade 8, B.E.H.S (1), Dagon

year. That's why my children can study their lessons without any difficulty.

Ma Phue Pyae Ko, Grade 9, B.E.H.S (1), Dagon

I have come here for my school enrolment. The teachers help me with everything we need as much as they can. There



U Aung Ko Nyunt, father of school children

is no school admission fee and I am very happy to meet with my classmates.

Daw Thae Mon, mother of school children

My children are studying in the Grade-2 and Grade -4 in B.E.H.S (4), Dagon. The school provides us with text books and school uniforms free of charge. I think that education should bring about all-round development for the children.

Maung Aung Khant Min, Grade -10 student, B.E.H.S (4), Pazundaung

All the teachers in my school help me everything I need for my school enrolment. Moreover they teach us general knowledge with great care.