India-Myanmar humanitarian project to provide free artificial limbs

Technicians assembling artificial limbs,manufactured under the India-Myanmar Development Cooperation programme, for people with disabilities in Yangon. **PHOTO: PHOE KHWAR**

UNDER a humanitarian project of the India-Myanmar Development Cooperation Programme, 500 to 600 disabled persons from Myanmar with missing arms or legs will be provided with artificial limbs in the next five weeks free of charge.

The Jaipur Foot Artificial Limb Fitment Camp was established at the Tripitaka Nikaya Nikae Monastery, South Dagon, Yangon, with the support of Ministry of External Affairs of India and the U Nu-Daw Mya Yi Foundation.

"We got the official permission last year to provide artificial limbs to the disabled, and we are delighted to see the smiles of the disabled after they are ready to take their first steps with artificial limbs," said Daw Than Than Nu, Chairperson of the U Nu-Daw Mya Yi Foundation.

Under a similar programme of the Jaipur Foot Artificial Limb Fitment Camp organised in Yangon last year, over 330 disabled received artificial limbs.

Disabled people from Ayeyawady, Yangon and Bago regions and Kayin, Kayah, Shan, Kachin and Rakhine states were fitted with artificial limbs. This year the majority of the patients came from Ayeyawady Region.

Since the inaugural ceremony launched on 18 July, an average of about 15 disabled people have been equipped with artificial limbs every day, according to the U Nu-Daw Mya Yi Foundation.

During the inaugural ceremony, dignitaries who were present at the ceremony handed over custom-made Jaipur limbs to four amputees. Myanmar is the first neighbouring country in which the Jaipur Foot Artificial Limb Fitment Camp is being organised under an agreement signed between the Ministry of External Affairs of India and the Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti in Jaipur, India, in November 2017.

Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti (BMVSS) is the technical and implementing partner of the camp. It has sent the required materials for the camp together with a seven-member technical team, which includes master technicians, some with over 30 years of experience.

The event is being organised by the Ministry of External Affairs of India and the Embassy of India in Yangon under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation Programme.

A number of economic, infrastructural, developmental, cultural, social and humanitarian projects are also being undertaken under the broader Indian development cooperation programme in Myanmar.

With the blessings of Venerable Tripitaka Kawida Dhamabhandagariki, Head Priest of Pitakat Thonbon Nikae Monastery, South Dagon, Yangon, His Excellency U Myint Thaung, Minister of Planning and Finance, Government of Yangon Region and His Excellency Vikram Misri, Ambassador of India to Myanmar, inaugurated the Jaipur Foot Artificial Limb Fitment Camp in Yangon on 18 July. A number of dignitaries, including the Honourable U Aung Min, former Minister of the President's Office, Honourable U Soe Thein, Member of Pyithu Hluttaw, former Minister of the President's Office and former Chief of Naval Staff of Myanmar Mr. D.R. Mehta, Founder and Chief Patron of Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti of Jaipur, India, and Daw Than Than Nu, Chairperson of the U Nu -Daw Mya Yi Foundation, participated at the inaugural ceremony at the Monastery. BMVSS has served more than 1.71 million persons with disabilities in India and around the world. It is the world's largest organisation for serving persons with missing limbs. All its services are given free of cost.

The Jaipur Foot is the most used artificial Limb in the world. It permits a below-knee amputee to walk, run, climb a tree, drive and squat. Most of these functions can be performed by above knee amputees also.

In 2009, the Jaipur Knee was jointly developed with Stanford University, one of the best research universities in the US The international news magazine *Time* rated the Jaipur Knee as one the 50 best inventions in the world in 2009. The camp in Yangon will use both the Jaipur Foot and the Jaipur Knee.—GNLM ■

Media delegation collects news on stability, security, coexistence between communities in Maungtaw

Media delegation interviewing local authorities in Maungtaw, Rakhine State. **PHOTO: MNA**

A MEDIA delegation visited Kainggyi Village of Mro ethnic people in Maungtaw Township, Rakhine State, yesterday and reported the current security situation and prospects for peaceful coexistence between communities after displaced people returned from Bangladesh.

At the village, authorities also explained the relocation of villagers to a new village, construction of buildings with the assistance of the Union Government, education and health care services for the local people.

At the Maungtaw District Administration Office, journalists interviewed the local authorities about the cultivation of rice during the rainy season, security and peace and coexistence between communities. In the afternoon, the 17-member delegation visited the Ngakhuya Reception Centre and witnessed the assistance provided to the returnees at the centre and saw the process of issuing National Verification Cards to the returnees.

The 17-member media delegation comprised journalists from Fuji TV, Sky News TV, New York Times, Myanmar News Agency, MRTV and MITV.—Myint Maung Soe ■

Announcement

All companies registered with the Directorate of Investment and Company Administration (DICA) are required to re-register by 31 January 2019 (except for companies which have commenced liquidation). Re-registration forms are available on the DICA website and can be carried out on the Myanmar Companies Online Registry (MyCO) (www.myco.dica.gov.mm) online from **9.00am on 1 August 2018**.

Companies which are re-registering with changes to the company's details must ensure that they comply with the requirements of the new Myanmar Companies Law 2017.

- A company which re-registers with new shareholders (or a single shareholder) must ensure that concerned shareholders sign share transfer form(s) and the company's register of members is updated before lodging the re-registration form.
- A company which re-registers with new directors (or a single director) must ensure that new director(s) are appointed with a shareholder resolution and keep a record of a new director's written consent.
- A company which re-registers with a new constitution or the model constitution must ensure that it has passed a special resolution of shareholders to adopt the new constitution.

All necessary director resolutions and shareholder resolutions must be approved and maintained with the company's records in accordance with the Myanmar Companies Law 2017.

All companies which have commenced liquidation under the Myanmar Companies Act 1914 must continue the liquidation process under that law and are not required to re-register.

Please note that companies are not required to submit an annual return to DICA during the re-registration period.

Directorate of Investment and Company Administration