

THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Monday, 23 June, 1997)

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- (1) Secretary-1 lays cornerstone for construction of Thiri Yeiktha Housing Project**

YANGON, 22 June Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt laid the cornerstone for construction of Thiri Yeiktha Housing Project at the project site at 9th mile on Pyay Road this morning.

The project is jointly Undertaken by Yangon City Development Committee and Tawwin Family Co Ltd. It was attended by Ministers at the Office of the Prime Minister Col Pe Thein and U Than Shwe, Minister at the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister U Khin Maung Yin, Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Ko Lay, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Vice-Officials of the Office of State Law and Order Restoration Council, Secretary of YCDC U Kyaw Win and committee members, heads of department, President of Tawwin Family Co Ltd U Ko Ko Htwe and officials.

U Sein Lwin Lay, master of ceremonies, read the agenda.

First, U Ko Ko Htwe reported to Secretary- 1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt on the condominium.

The Secretary-1, ministers and party took their designated places.

Secretary- 1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt laid a silver casket on the foundation.

Then, Secretary-1 Lt Gen Khin Nyunt, Ministers Col Pe Thein, U Than Shwe, U Khin Maung Yin and Maj-Gen Kyaw Than, Mayor U Ko Lay, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Aye and Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa laid the cornerstones.

Secretary- 1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, ministers and party sprinkled scented water on the bricks.

The ceremony concluded with the showering of confetti.

Thiri Yeiktha Condominium contains a 14-storey building with showrooms, offices, shops and apartments, two 12-storey buildings with 48 flats and 56 single-unit buildings.

(2) Secretary-1 inspects construction, extension and repair of roads

YANGON, 22 June - Secretary-1 of the State Law and Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt inspected building of new roads and extension and repair of old roads being undertaken by Yangon City Development Committee this morning.

Accompanied by Chairman of YCDC Mayor U Ko Lay and officials of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt arrived at Mindhamma Road in Insein Township at 8.45 am.

The Secretary-1 then inspected arrangements for construction of U Sekkain Road and Aungtheikdi Road which will link Mindhamma Road with Insein Road. by Mayor U Ko Lay and officials.

(3) Yangon Command undertakes extensive livestock breeding for welfare of Tatmadawmen, other consumers

YANGON, 22 June - Chief of Bureau of Special Operations Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo inspected No 1 Livestock Breeding Station of Yangon Command in Insein Township this morning and gave counsel to the officials.

He was accompanied by Chief of Staff (Navy) Commodore Nyunt Thein, Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Director of Resettlement Col Thaik Tun, Officer Jon Special Duty Lt-Col Than Tint of the Office of the State Law and Order Restoration Council and officials concerned.

General Staff Officer (Grade I) (Q) Lt-Col Myo Kyaw and officers in charge of livestock breeding briefed the Chief of Staff (Army) on the activities at the station.

Deputy Commander Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung reported on the progress of livestock breeding. Lt-Gen Tin Oo called for extending livestock breeding and agriculture and boost production in accordance with the aims laid down.

The Chief of Staff (Army) and party toured the station and inspected incubation, poultry farms and breeding of catfish.

The Yangon Command operates three livestock breeding stations with 77 poultry farms, 42 main fish ponds in Danyingon and 22 Shwemayin fish ponds in Twantay Township. It is raising and selling not only chickens and fish but also pigs.

At present, there are over 1.6 million chickens being raised for meat and eggs under projects and also on manageable scale at battalions and units under the Yangon Command.

As a result, altogether 900,000 chickens for about 500,000 viss and over 1.2 million eggs have been sold and the Command plans to extend the operation.

Altogether 5,849 pigs are being raised under project and 13,825 pigs on manageable scale and 1,672 pigs for about 40,000 viss have been sold.

In fish breeding, there are about six million fish and about 400,000 viss have been sold.

Proceeds from the sales are used for the welfare of, the Tatmadawmen and their families. Yangon Command is also selling the produce to hospitals and other organizations at rates less than openmarket prices.

After inspecting the livestock breeding station, the Chief of Staff (Army) inspected Yangon Command's Taing Shwegon Meat, Fish and Vegetable Shop, opposite the highway bus terminal.

The shop is open every day from 7 am to 7 pm.

(4) Village of Pa-O nationals gets K 5m hospital

YANGON, 22 June -. A new hospital building for Kyauktan Village in Hopong Township, Shan State (South), built at a cost of over K 5 million contributed by the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs and regional Pa-O nationals was handed over to the Ministry of Health on 19 June.

Chairman of Taunggyi District Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Col Mya Nyein and Pa-O national leader U Aung Hkam Hti formally opened the hospital building.

After the officials and guests had inspected various wards, Pa-O national leader U Aung Hkam Hti formally unveiled the signboard of the hospital.

Later, Secretary of the Committee for Construction of Kyauktan Village People's Hospital U Hkun Aye Maung handed over the related documents to Head of Shan State Health Department Dr Mya Than.

(5) Minister for Transport inspects Dawbon Dockyard

YANGON, 22 June Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Thein Win arrived at Dawbon Dockyard of the Marine Administration Department this morning.

He was welcomed by Deputy Minister for Transport U Sann Wai, Director-General of the MAD U Myint Thein and officials.

The director-general briefed the minister on condition of the buildings which will be removed because they are in the area of designated axis passing the Dawbon Dockyard in building a bridge across Pazundaung Creek, cost of removal of the buildings and arrangements for the bridge construction project which will be undertaken by Public Works.

The minister said the Government is upgrading Yangon into a modern city and added Maha Bandoola Bridge will be built across Pazundaung Creek to ensure secure and smooth transportation.

In implementation of the bridge construction project, approach roads will be built through Dawbon Dockyard, he said and added jetty, offices, warehouses and houses which are in the area of the axis will have to be removed.

He called on officials to coordinate and cooperate with Myanma Port Authority and Public Works to designate the axis and remove the buildings.

He called for drafting a plan for the project, reporting estimated costs for removal of the buildings to the superiors and arrangements for resettlement.

The minister urged all to carry out their tasks without causing loss and wastage and to get the help of the departments under the ministry, for machinery.

As soon as the construction of the bridge begins, he said, efforts must be made to keep up with regular work without losing momentum.

Then, the minister inspected the jetty and the buildings to be removed.

(6) LPDR cultural delegation concludes visit

YANGON, 22 June - A seven-member cultural delegation led by Minister of Culture and Information Central Executive Committee member of People's Revolutionary Party Head of Party Propaganda and Training Committee Mr Osakan Thammatheva, which paid a visit at the invitation of Minister for Culture under the cultural exchange programme between the two countries, left here by air this afternoon.

The delegation was seen off at the airport by Minister for Culture U Aung San, Deputy Minister U Soe Nyunt, Ambassador of Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Ly Bounkham and officials of the Ministry of Culture and Embassy.

The cultural delegation visited Bagan and Mandalay to study cultural heritage there from 16 to 22 June.

(7) Medical specialists treat patients in three townships

YANGON, 22 June - A team of medical specialists led by Director (Treatment) Dr Taik Wan of Department of Health treated 103 warded and out patients in Kyauktan, Khayan and Thongwa Townships yesterday. The team discussed health and personnel welfare with local authorities, health personnel and members of the Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Union Solidarity and Development Association and Red Cross Brigade in the townships.

They also gave health education talks.

The team included Medical Superintendent Dr Toe Aung of Yangon General Hospital, Physician Professor Saw Naing, Surgeon Professor Zaw Win, Paediatric Professor Dr Than Nu Swe, Obstetric and Gynaecologist Lecturer Dr Than Than Tin and Orthopaedic Specialist Lecturer Dr Thein Myint Tun.

(8) 27 armed group members exchange arms for peace

YANGON, 22 June While the State Law and Order Restoration Council is striving to build a peaceful, modern and developed nation in accord with the 12 political, economic and social objectives, it is also fulfilling to the needs of the families of the armed groups which exchanged arms for peace after realizing their wrongs. Armed group members are continuously exchanging arms for peace individually and in groups.

In the South-East Command area from 1 to 15 May this year, pvt Thaung Myint of KNU central security unit, platoon commander Zee Lei of No 16 battalion of No 6 brigade, sgt Saw Ei Wah, pvt Aung Tin Win, township office superintendent Saw Tga Sein, forester Saw Lei Htoo, group leader Palet Wah (a) Ei Ru, office clerk Ta Wah (a) San Tun, members Hmat Gyi, Pha Ka Lauk, Saw lia Din and Saw Di Pho, and Dawzangyi village supervisor Pha Kwee exchanged arms for peace, bringing in five AK 47 automatics, three M 16 automatics, one pistol and 72 rounds.

In the Southern Command area, pvts Kyaw Min Oo and Saw Ei Gaw of No 2 company of No 7 battalion, platoon bodyguard commander Saw Than Nyunt of No 8 battalion and pvts Kyaw Lwin and Ohn Myint exchanged arms for peace bringing in one AK 47 automatic, one grenade and 30 rounds.

Pvt Saw Hsa Mu Ha of KNU armed group, cpl Myo Set of No 4 brigade with one pistol, two US-made grenades and seven rounds and wife Naw Saw Pay and daughter Ma Saw Hse Wah, pvt Phone Naing (a) Po Htaung of ABSDF group, platoon commander Naung Pyoo (a) Yu Lwin of No 203 battalion with one carbine, one .38 revolver and 35 rounds exchanged arms for peace in Taninthayi Division, and pvts Thein Oo, Ye Win and Ah Taung of ABSDF group with one AK47 automatic, one carbine, six grenades, seven TNTs and 310 rounds swapped armed for peace in the Northern Command area.

Warm welcome was accorded to them at respective military camps.
