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Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Delivers a Speech at Meeting 6/2023 of State Administration Council



The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing delivered a speech at the 6/2023 meeting of the SAC which was held at the meeting hall of the SAC Chairman Office in Nay Pyi Taw on 29 November as follows:

- KIA signed the ceasefire agreement on 24 February 1994. Later, the KIA committed drug trafficking and illegal export of underground and aboveground natural resources to other countries with the reason of the peace process and then extended its strength. Moreover, arms and ammunition factories were built in Laiza and Laisin posts and developed their strength.
- According to the political situation in 2021, the youths with extreme attitudes from Sagaing and Magway regions underwent military training at KIA camps and formed units. They were equipped with arms and ammunition by the newly-formed KIA Brigade 8.
- In the Kokang region of Northern Shan State, at a time when Tatmadaw clashes with MNDAA and allies, KIA attacked a minor camp of the Tatmadaw in Kachin State. So, the Tatmadaw responded to it.
- Regarding the acts of terrorism in Sagaing and Magway Regions, KIA and the so-called PDF terrorists, as well as AA group, launched fire at Htigyaing, Kanbalu, Kawlin, Tamu and Khampat Townships in Sagaing Region, and Haka and Lailinpi in Chin State.
- Last month, TNLA, KIA, AA and other Kokang groups and foreign drone experts attacked security posts of Tatmadaw in the Kokang region of Northern



Shan State. Their total strength was about 6,500.

- Primarily, they use drones and drop bombs. These groups were attacking Muse, the main gateway of border trade.
- TNLA attempts to interrupt the Mandalay-Lashio Road, and blocked and attacked Hsenwi, the main town on the Lashio-Muse-Chinshwehaw Road. Likewise, TNLA joined MNDAA in some incidents.
- In December 2022, as TNLA provided arms and ammunition to PDF terrorists in Sagaing Region, Tatmadaw attacked it and seized arms and ammunition as well as related accessories.
- In reviewing incidents which happened in the Northeast Area of Shan State, excessive strengths and technologies were deployed, and military drones were used to drop bombs in attacks.
- They have so far used more than 25,000 drop bombs and carried out attacks with the use of some 120 107mm rockets.
- The current complication in the Laukkai region of Shan State (North) was triggered by online gambling group, namely “Kyarphyant”.
- AA group was established in KIA area in 2009 and then it moved to Rakhine State in 2015.
- Then, AA group has been committing recruitment, kidnapping, interfering in administrative measures, and expanding their military buildings. So, Tatmadaw warned AA group several times not to do so.
- In the time when Storm Mocha came in, Rakhine State faced terrible loss and damage, with some casualties. The Senior General recounted that he went to the storm-hit areas and emphasized rehabilitation measures with might and main.
- However, AA group was not loyal and

violated the temporary ceasefire agreement. It participated in the incidents of MNDA.

- AA group abducted administrative body members and service personnel in some regions of Southern part of Rakhine State and took some drivers.
- Starting on 11 November, KNPP/ KNDF group attacked Loikaw of Kayah State with excessive strength.
- An item of information was released that 500 arms and ammunition were seized in Hopong Township on 17 December 2022.
- Likewise, 130 assorted arms, more than 13,000 rounds of ammunition, more than 7,600 grenades, 500 barrels for small arms and other munitions were seized on 16 November.
- On 24 November, the KNLA Brigade 5 raided the Tatmadaw base with excessive strengths, and Brigade 6 exploded the Chaunghnitkhwa Bridge in Kyaikmaraw Township on 27 November.
- Their doings showed that the ethnic armed groups gather their force secretly behind with the reason of peace, produce arms, ammunition and magazines, give terrorist training to PDFs and sell weapons to them, and are still exploiting the peace.
- Myanmar is leading to a multiparty democratic system. Tatmadaw develops the multiparty democracy that the people as-

pire to.

- Then, we drafted the Constitution that fully supported the multiparty democracy and kept going as per the Constitution.
- Although there were specific problems in the 2010 and 2015 elections, there was no considerable case. However, voting fraud emerged in the 2020 election.
- Then, we have to declare the State of Emergency in accordance with the 2008 Constitution and set a five-point roadmap, as there were attempts to grab the power forcibly with illegal voting results.
- Among the incidents that took place in Kayah State, there was an attack on Loikaw University, and faculty members, including the rector, students and their family members were forcibly abducted by terrorists.
- During the fighting, the abduction of education staff and students who are not related to military affairs is in violation of the Geneva Convention and cannot be tolerated.
- Due to the attack of KNPP and PDFs, Distance Education University exams that were to be taken at Loikaw University were canceled, affecting the students and their parents as well as the socio-economic life of the locals.
- Regarding the fuel oil, necessary action was taken in accordance with rules and

laws against eight companies that sold fuel oil at excessive profits without regard for designated prices and companies that did so at higher prices than reasonable ones.

- Measures were also taken for companies to import edible oil in accordance with rules and regulations and action was taken in accordance with the law against those who breached rules and regulations.
- Trade deficits were reported as imports exceeded exports. Exports were shrinking not because of the shortages of the country but because of the failure to work properly.
- It can be seen that the GDP of the country is lower than other ASEAN and regional countries. Will the GDP increase only when work is done properly. There will be no goods to sell without manufacturing products. As incomes can be earned when there are products to sell, manufacturing must be encouraged.
- Another factor is that fake news has been circulated. Although they are fake news that are impossible to be true, they are widely and intentionally circulated to create misunderstandings among the public. Therefore, responsible officials and organizations are required to refute them and measures must be taken to enable the public to know true news.

Afterward, the SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister and council mem-

bers reported on a collaborative approach to tackle armed violence and combat the spread of misinformation, the need to receive true news for the elimination of armed conflicts in the country, the illegal mining and exports of jade and metal resources by Ethnic Armed Organizations (EAOs) in Kachin State, the necessity to provide food and healthcare for displaced people in Kayah State, the need to inform the public about the actions of certain EAOs and self-proclaimed PDF terrorists, and powerful western countries' interference in Myanmar's internal affairs.

After hearing the reports, the SAC Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing highlighted the following points:

- There are many tax evaders in the country and it is important to levy taxes properly.
- Regarding the concerns about the impact of fake news on bank depositors, noting that while some had withdrawn funds due to misinformation. Reviewing the security of banks in the past, it can be seen that banking staff were involved in sabotage.
- The self-proclaimed PDF terrorists had been targeting banks as an easy source of funds. The most recent incident involved a private bank in Kawlin where PDF terrorists reportedly intimidated the staff and looted over K40 billion.
- Regarding the manufacturing, if people

having capital in the country make investment with their money, there will be much benefit.

- Regarding the agriculture, it is seen that there is a situation in favor of cultivating corn and sunflower. It is learned that last year, subsidiary crop cultivation was very weak after monsoon paddy.
- Therefore, benefit will be gained if corn and sunflower are cultivated after monsoon paddy. It is also necessary to give support to planting coffee.
- Concerning education, the Senior General emphasized that Shan State (East), Kayah State, and Chin State face significant challenges. Ongoing conflicts have resulted in the closure of universities in Kayah and Chin, exacerbating the educa-

tional vulnerability in these regions.

- Tatmadaw would lead the way to a multiparty democracy system as people desired, and a Union will be built based on democracy and federalism. The Tatmadaw will decisively lead in the role of implementing those objectives.

Also present were SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, SAC Secretary Lt-Gen Aung Lin Dway, SAC Joint-Secretary Lt-Gen Ye Win Oo, SAC members and officials.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (30-11-2023)

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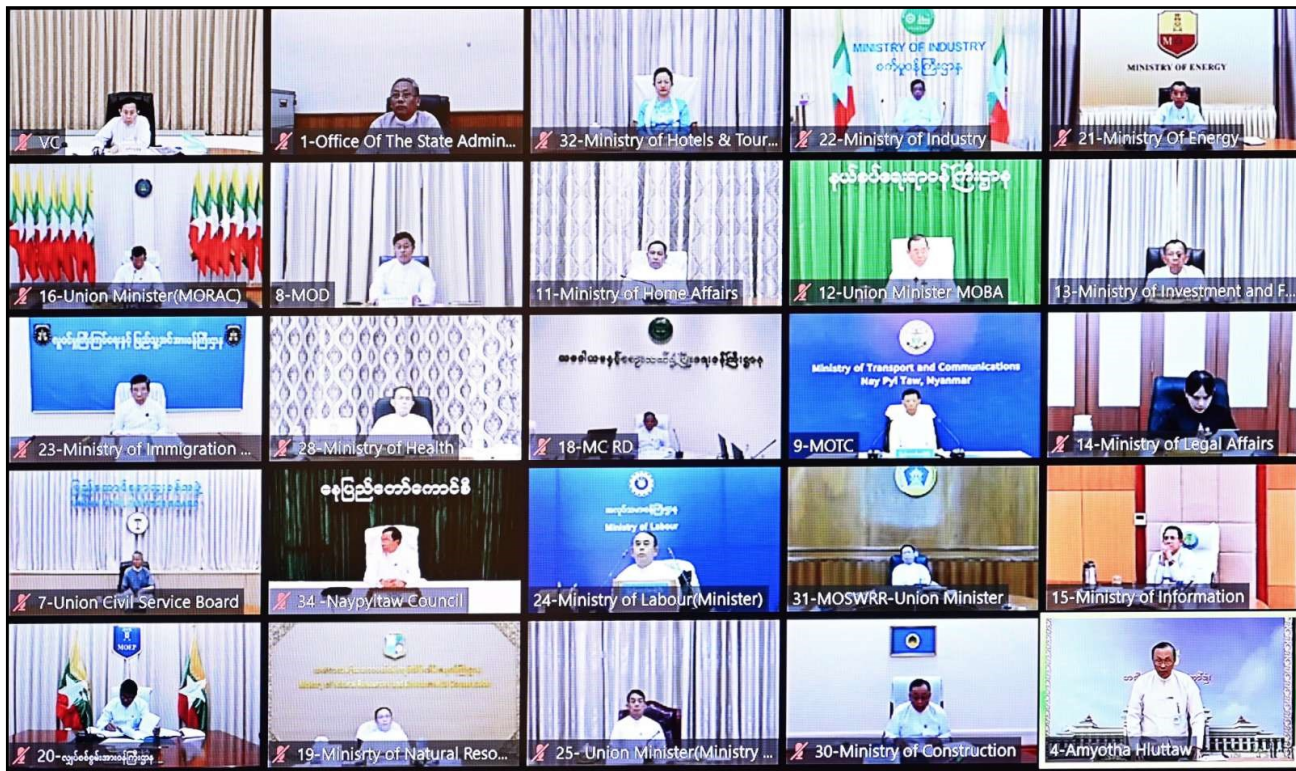
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**Vice-Chairman of State Administration Council Deputy Prime Minister
Vice-Senior General Soe Win Attends and Delivers a Speech at Coordination
Meeting on Submission of Supplemental Budget Accounts of Union for Financial
Year 2023-2024**



A coordination meeting to submit supplemental budget accounts of the Union for financial year 2023-2024 was held at the State Administration Council Chairman's Office in Nay Pyi Taw on 30 November. The Vice-Chairman of the State Administration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, in his capacity as the Vice-Chairman of the Financial Commission, delivered a speech as follows:

- The government is implementing the Union Budget Law for 2023-2024 FY which was approved and enacted on 31 March 2023.
- There may also be expenditures included in the law and mandatory additional expenditures. The approval for 2023-2024 FY supplemental budget must be passed through different steps of verification and the requested departments and organizations shall use the funds only after the SAC has promulgated the additional budget allotment law.
- The government is properly approving the expenditures for disaster damages including rehabilitation funds for the losses caused by Mocha cyclone that hit the country on 14 May 2023 in time.
- It also permitted the dutiful civil servants to enjoy additional allowance starting from October 2023 to help ease their basic needs.
- In the state of the Union budget for the fiscal year of 2023- 2024 and the original estimated budget, the GDP value of the whole country is K138,195.703 billion.
- Regarding the surplus and deficit comparison on the ordinary capital liabilities, the comparison of the deficit with the



GDP was found to be 5.65 percent in terms of amount. When this was checked by the relevant scrutiny teams at different levels, finally, it was found that there was no change in GDP, but the ratio of deficit to GDP was reduced from 5.65 to 5.31 percent.

- If there are any further reports to be presented regarding the information verified step by step by the Ministry-wise Committees, it is to present them at today's meeting and if there is any amount of expenditure that can be reduced, it is to continue to present it.

Then, the relevant officials from the Union-level organizations and Union Ministries had sector-wise discussions and the Secretary of the Financial Commission joined the discussions. Later, the SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win made coordination

on the discussions and gave concluding remarks.

Also present were SAC member Lt-Gen Nyo Saw, Union Minister U Win Shein, Union Auditor-General Dr. Khin Naing Oo and officials. Union-level officials, Union ministers, Deputy Ministers and officials attended the meeting through videoconferencing.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (1-12-2023)



SAC Member Lt-Gen Nyo Saw making explanations
before the meeting



Union Minister U Win Shein making explanations
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**Vice-Chairman of State Administration Council Deputy Prime Minister
Vice-Senior General Soe Win Attends and Delivers a Speech at Ceremony to
Mark the 2023 International Day of Persons with Disabilities**

A Ceremony to Mark the 2023 International Day of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) was held at the Myanmar International Convention Centre (MICC-II) in Nay Pyi Taw on 3 December. The Vice-Chairman of the State Administration Coun-

cil (SAC) Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, in his capacity as the Chairman of the National Committee for the Rights of the Persons with Disabilities, attended the ceremony and delivered a speech as follows:



- The UN has adopted the theme **“United in action to rescue and achieve the SDGs for, with and by persons with disabilities”** for the 2023 International Day of PWDs.
- Inclusive education will be set up for students with disabilities to acquire development to the extent of their performance, to pursue an independent life, and to gain access to vocational education and lifelong learning.
- 85 percent of disabled people are unemployed but willing to work. Even though they are capable, most of the employers reject them to offer a job. It is therefore learned that those people have difficulties getting a job.
- For the PWDs, suitable employment, an unobstructed workplace, equality with other people and access to personal income and benefits must be created. And they must improve their self-confidence and quality in order to make them want to work on their own.
- Making public vehicles accessible to the PWDs, and public places and buildings should be made barrier-free. The PWDs should be able to move around and participate in the same way as others.
- In accordance with the theme of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities this year saying **“United in action to rescue and achieve the SDGs for, with and by persons with disabilities”** and upholding the policy of Leaving no one behind in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals of Myanmar, everyone is urged to cooperate for the rights of the PWDs.

After that, the Chairman of the National Committee for the Rights of the PWDs SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, Union Ministers General Mya Tun Oo, Admiral Tin Aung San, and Dr. Soe Win presented honourable awards to the winners in the open article contest marking the International Day of PWDs.



SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win presenting prize in honour to a winner in the open article contest

Then, the youths with disabilities from the School for the Deaf (Mandalay) and the School for the Disabled Children (Yangon) performed the Enaung Dance, and U Shwe Yoe and Daw Moe dance (traditional dance) respectively.

Later, the SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win took a commemorative photo together



Union Minister General Mya Tun Oo presenting prize in honour to a winner in the high school-level essay competition

with attendees, and viewed round books, handiworks and documentary photos related to the PWDs displayed at the ceremony. As a separate program, the SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General presented cash reward to the disabled youths who performed dances.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (4-12-2023)

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SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister and dignitaries enjoying the Enaung Dance performed by the youths with disabilities from the School for Deaf (Mandalay)



SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister and party viewing round the books, handiworks and documentary photos related to the persons with disabilities displayed at the ceremony



SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister presenting cash rewards to the youths with disabilities who performed dances at the event

SAC Member Deputy Prime Minister Union Minister for Transport and Communications General Mya Tun Oo Receives Nepali Ambassador H.E. Mr. Harishchandra Ghimire



SAC Member Deputy Prime Minister Union Minister for Transport and Communications General Mya Tun Oo received Nepali Ambassador H.E. Mr. Harishchandra Ghimire in Nay Pyi Taw on 30 November.

Deputy Minister for Transport and Communications, departmental heads and officials attended the meeting, it is reported.

They cordially exchanged views on the operation of direct flights between the two countries to promote tourism industry.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (1-12-2023)

- **SAC Member Deputy Prime Minister Union Minister for Transport and Communications General Mya Tun Oo received Nepali Ambassador and they discussed the matters related to the operation of direct flights between the two countries to promote tourism industry.**

Myanmar and Russia Jointly Organize “Aquarius Day” Forum



Aiming to enhance Myanmar-Russia’s digital transformations, digital economy, e-government system, cooperation in the cybersecurity and information sector, and understanding of Aquarius IT Company’s products, the Ministry of Investment and Foreign Economic Relations and “Aquarius” IT Company jointly organized “Aquarius Day” forum on 30 November 2023 at the Myanmar International Convention Centre II in Nay Pyi Taw.

During the ceremony:

- The State Administration Council (SAC) Member Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister General Mya Tun Oo said that the purpose of forum is to support Myanmar’s digital transformation and development of e-Government system. The country will also try to promote bilateral cooperation in the fields of communication and information technology,

and support the digitalization and development of the e-government system. The forum will bring a lot of benefits to support the country’s digitalization programmes.

- At the same time, the Russian Ambassador to Myanmar, H.E. Mr. Iskander Azizov, said that the forum is designed to speed up bilateral friendships, technical cooperation, and to support Myanmar’s digital transformation and the development of the e-Government system through technology exchange with the Russian IT companies including Aquarius, and to have a better understanding of IT Solution experiences and products. Moreover, the President of Aquarius IT Company, Mr. Vladimir Stepanov, clarified accessible and sustainable Russia-Myanmar international technological cooperation.



- On 1 December, Union Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations Dr. Kan Zaw received the delegation led by Mr. Vladimir Stepanov, President of Aquarius IT Company. Both sides candidly discussed the opportunities for investment promotion and cooperation in digital transformation in Myanmar, the digital economy, and the information technology sectors.

of the union-level organizations, deputy ministers, the Russian Ambassador to Myanmar, and the officials concerned from the embassy, high-ranking officials from the relevant departments, IT experts and more than 400 representatives from the private IT companies of two countries.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (2-12-2023)

The forum was attended by the SAC members, relevant ministers, Chairpersons

- **Aiming to enhance Myanmar-Russia's digital transformations, digital economy, e-government system, cooperation in the cybersecurity and information sector, and understanding of Aquarius IT Company's products, "Aquarius Day" forum was held.**
- **During the meeting between Union Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations Dr. Kan Zaw and a delegation led by the President of Aquarius IT Company Mr. Vladimir Stepanov, discussions were made on the matters related to the cooperation in digital transformation in Myanmar, the digital economy, and the information technology sectors.**



Union Minister Dr. Kan Zaw receiving a delegation led by Mr. Vladimir Stepanov, President of Aquarius IT Company

Union Ministers Receive H.E. Mr. Vinay Kumar, Ambassador of India to Myanmar



Union Minister Admiral Tin Aung San receiving Ambassador of India to Myanmar H.E. Mr. Vinay Kumar

Member of the State Administration Council, Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister for Defence Admiral Tin Aung San and Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Than Swe received Ambassador of India to Myanmar H.E. Mr. Vinay Kumar in Nay Pyi Taw on 29 November.

- **During the meeting between the Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister for Defence and the Ambassador of India to Myanmar**, both sides frankly discussed matters on promotion of defence collaboration between Myanmar and India, cooperation of security measures in border areas and military



Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister U Than Swe receiving Ambassador of India to Myanmar
H.E. Mr. Vinay Kumar

training between two countries' armies.

- **During the meeting between the Union Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Ambassador of India to Myanmar,** they cordially exchanged views on the further enhancement of existing traditional bonds of friendship and mutually beneficial cooperation between the two countries and closer collaboration for maintaining peace and stability, the rule

of law and the development of the border areas between Myanmar and India.

The meetings were attended by the Union Ministers and officials from the relevant departments, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (30-11-2023)

- **The Union Ministers received the Ambassador of India to Myanmar and they discussed the matters on promotion of defence collaboration between Myanmar and India and closer collaboration for maintaining peace and stability, the rule of law and the development of the border areas between Myanmar and India.**

Union Minister Dr. Thet Khaing Win Attends the 2023 Shanghai Cooperation Organization Forum on Traditional Medicine



The Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Health, Dr. Thet Khaing Win attended the 2023 Shanghai Cooperation Organization Forum on Traditional Medicine at Nanchang, Jiangxi Province in People's Republic of China 2023, which was held on 29 and 30 November.

The Preliminary Meeting of the delegation leaders for the 2023 Shanghai Cooperation Organization Forum on Traditional Medicine was held on 29 November. Leaders from Shanghai Cooperation Organization member countries also attended the forum along with Ye Jianchu, Governor of Jiangxi Province, Shanghai Cooperation Organization, ministers from partner organizations and the deputy ministers.

The issues of promoting cooperation in the development of the traditional medicine academic sector among the member countries, topics related to improving the quality

of traditional medicines and supervision of production processes were discussed in a friendly and open manner.

Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Health Dr. Thet Khaing Win visited JiangZhong Chinese Traditional Medicine Manufacturing and Gallery on 30 November. There, the Union Minister heard explanations on production of Chinese traditional medicine using modern technology, quality testing and distribution.

The opening ceremony of the forum was held and the Union Minister delivered opening remarks the points as follows:

- Exerted efforts are required in protection of the traditional medicine patents, promotion of traditional medicine usage in ethical practice and traditional medicine inheritance and innovation processes;
- To produce qualified and safe medical



products, importing of required raw material and substances is needed to meet set standards.

The Union Minister also visited JiangSu pharmaceuticals industry, Chinese traditional medicine clinics and galleries.

At the opening ceremony of the forum, the member countries of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization such as China, Russia, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, observer countries including Afghanistan, Belarus and Mongolia, Ministers of health from the partner coun-

tries such as Myanmar, Bahrain Kuwait Ministers of health from the partner countries, including Myanmar, Bahrain, Kuwait and Cambodia, and representatives of the World Health Organization gave speeches. At the forum, issues related to improving the quality of traditional medicine, the innovation of traditional medicine production and the issues of patent protection of traditional medicine were mainly discussed.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (2-12-2023)

- **During the meeting of Preliminary Meeting of the delegation leaders for the 2023 Shanghai Cooperation Organization Forum on Traditional Medicine, the issues of promoting cooperation in the development of the traditional medicine academic sector among the member countries, topics related to improving the quality of traditional medicines and supervision of production processes were discussed.**
- **Exerted efforts are required in protection of the traditional medicine patents, promotion of traditional medicine usage in ethical practice and traditional medicine inheritance and innovation processes.**

Union Minister Dr. Thet Thet Khine Attends a Forum on “Enhancing Connectivity and Sharing Prosperity: Achievements and Prospects of Aligning BRI with Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025”



Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism Dr. Thet Thet Khine attended a forum on **“Enhancing Connectivity and Sharing Prosperity: Achievements and Prospects of Aligning BRI with Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC) 2025”** hosted by the ASEAN-China Centre in Vientiane and Luang Phabang of Lao People’s Democratic Republic from 26 to 29 November.

Union Minister Dr. Thet Thet Khine highlighted that the Master Plan on ASEAN Connectivity (MPAC2025) includes the es-

tablishment of sustainable infrastructures, development of digital technology and innovation, facilitation of transport sector, strengthening the rule of law and enhancement of regional connectivity. The China Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) will promote cooperation between the People's Republic of China and ASEAN countries.

Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister left Luang Prabang in the afternoon of 29 November, and arrived back in Myanmar in evening.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (1-12-2023)

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Myanmar Delegation led by Chairman of Anti-Corruption Commission U Sit Aye Attends 19th Principals Meeting of ASEAN Parties Against Corruption (ASEAN-PAC)



The 19th Principals Meeting of ASEAN Parties Against Corruption (ASEAN-PAC which was established by the anti-corruption agencies of ASEAN countries) was held at the Landmark Mekong Riverside Hotel in Vientiane of Laos on 29 and 30 November, attended by a Myanmar delegation led by Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Chairman U Sit Aye. During the meeting,

- On 29 November, the Anti-Corruption Commission Chairman explained about the public awareness campaigns on anti-corruption, measures to raise public participation, and active participation in the international cooperation by the Myanmar's ACC.

- The ACC of Myanmar and State Inspection Authority (SIA) of Laos signed an MoU on anti-corruption.
- Then, the Chairman of ACC met a delegation led by the Chairman of SIA Laos H.E. Mr. Khamphanh Phommathath and a delegation led by the Deputy Secretary-General Mr. Prateep Juthasron of Thailand's National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) to discuss about the enhancement of cooperation in the anti-corruption measures.

On 30 November, the event discussed the draft of ASEAN-PAC E-Booklet and proposed title for the 2024 ASEAN-PAC workshop.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (2-12-2023)

- **A Myanmar delegation led by ACC Chairman U Sit Aye attended the 19th Principals Meeting of ASEAN Parties Against Corruption, and discussed about the measures to raise public participation in the anti-corruption measures.**

10th Ceremony of Paying Tributes to Fallen Heroes Held



The 10th ceremony of paying tributes to fallen heroes who sacrificed their lives for the security, law and order as well as sovereignty of the State throughout the years took place at the Memorial to Fallen Heroes (Nay Pyi Taw) in Zeyathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw on 3 December, 2023.

Senior military officers of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army), chairman of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization Central Executive Committee and members, leaders of political parties, the Yaung Ni Oo and Friends charity organization, the Shwe Pyi Taw Thoh Sone Hmat charity organization, and admirers of the Tatmadaw attended the ceremony.

After the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the attendees sang the national anthem, saluted the State flag, paid tributes to fallen Tatmadaw members and vowed the four oaths. Then, they observed a two-minute moment of silence for fallen heroes, released balloons, symbolizing the heroes' ascent to the heaven, and freed doves for ensuring the perpetual peace. They also laid wreaths for the fallen heroes, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (4-12-2023)

- The 10th ceremony of paying tributes to fallen heroes who sacrificed their lives for the security, law and order as well as sovereignty of the State throughout the years took place at the Memorial to Fallen Heroes (Nay Pyi Taw) in Zeyathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw.

Holding of the 10th Ceremony of Paying Tributes to Fallen Heroes



State Administration Council Information Team Leader Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun Makes Clarifications on the Current Situation in Myanmar



The State Administration Council (SAC) Information Team Leader Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun made clarifications on the ongoing situation in the country as follows;

- Naval vessels from People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) conducted Maritime Security Exercise with naval vessels from Myanmar Navy. Officers and other ranks from the People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) took study tours around the famous places in Yangon.
- Myanmar and China have built strong relationship not only between the two governments but also between the two armed forces.
- Myanmar is continuing its efforts to hand over illegal immigrants from border areas to relevant countries. Until 3rd of December, a total of 10,952 illegal immigrants had been handed over to relevant countries.
- Subversive media receiving assistance from Western nations lambast the cooperation on peace and stability, prevalence of law and order and security in China-Myanmar border areas in order to worsen the relations between the two countries.
- The Government has made rescue and recovery operations after Cyclonic Storm Mocha hit Rakhine State. In contrast, the AA group has never made good deeds for Rakhine State.
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- Thanks to the efforts of peace advocates and peace negotiators, another 193 captured tutors and students from Loikaw University were released on 29 November, and further attempts will be pursued

for 11 others who have been held in custody of the insurgents.

- There are engagements in Namkhan, Tamoenye, the Muse (105) mile trade post, near the toll plaza in Kyaukme and Laukkai areas in the northeastern part of Shan state. Similarly, Taze police station as well as seven points of Tigyaing, Sagaing region, and Mone area in Kyaukkyi Township, Bago Region, are being attacked. Moreover, a high school and Tronai security post in Pauk Taw of Rakhine State as well as the places near Moe Bye, the state's police station and a high school in Loikaw of Kayah State have also been attacked. There are engagements in eight points of Kawkareik.
- During the clashes, terrorists of insurgents have faced heavy casualties. Since the Tatmadaw took retaliatory attacks on insurgents who attacked Kawkareik, the insurgents have faced heavy casualties that resulted in sending their members to the neighbouring country and undergoing medical treatment.
- The residents of Kyaukme township noticed a terrible foul smell when they returned home in the town after they dodged violent clashes. When they attempted to find out the reason, they found many dead bodies in uniforms with TNLA, KIA, MNDAA and PDF badges near the Chinese cemetery of the town and had to remove the bodies with the help of security forces. Similarly, many other dead bodies in the same uniforms were also spotted on the downward road of Maung Phone Mountain.
- TNLA terrorists of insurgents blew up the Sint-in Bridge on Hsipaw-Lashio Union Highway.
- Terrorists of insurgents have destroyed roads and bridges on Mandalay-Muse Union Highway connecting Myanmar and China in order to prevent rail and road communications. The MNDAA group has detained younger people among workers in Laukkai for recruitment purposes.
- A PDF terrorist group gunned down U Than Tun, the Chairman of New National Democracy Party (NNDP), in Yangon. NUG and PDF terrorist groups are always making incitements via different places and varieties of media platforms to kill those who differ from their outlooks.
- Terrorists of insurgents are using public buildings, and education and health facilities as covers in attacking the Tatmadaw. When the Tatmadaw fought them back, they were creating rumours, fake news and misinformation implying that the Tatmadaw was attacking the non-military targets of schools and hospitals.
- According to military-related laws and regulations, in the case when the enemy carries out a shooting attack from a place which is regarded as a public building, the building will alternatively be presumed as a military target.
- Regarding the armed conflicts in the northeastern part of Shan State, subversive media and others receiving assistance from Western countries are making

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- The Government will inevitably pursue its goal to establish a federal system

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Since the national defence is the duty of every citizen, all citizens are required to safeguard our country in unity, it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (4-12-2023)

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Naval Vessels from Chinese People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) Depart from Myanmar after Maritime Security Exercise



The warships of the 44th PLA Navy Escort Task Group (ETG), which are on a goodwill visit to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, namely the destroyer Zi Bo, the frigate Jing Zhou and the replenishment warship Qian Dao Hu, left Yangon's Thilawa port on 1 December.

When the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) military officers aboard these warships arrived in Myanmar, they visited the famous places in Yangon and competed in China-Myanmar friendly sports competitions. They also donated stationery to a school in Thanlyin Township

visited the Tatmadaw vessel (Kyansitha). They proceed to the exercise area to conduct air, water, and underwater defense exercises and maritime security exercises with military vessels from the Tatmadaw (Navy).

The warships joined the military vessels of the Tatmadaw (Navy) on December 2 and conducted exercises in the sea off the coast of Tanintharyi, north of the Yetagun gas field, and then left to China, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (2-12-2023)

- **Naval vessels from Chinese People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) left for China after they have conducted air, water and underwater of defense exercises and maritime security exercises.**



Officers and other ranks from PLA Navy Escort Task Group visiting the UMS Kyansitta



Officers and other ranks from PLA Navy Escort Task Group and Myanmar Navy participating in the friendship sports event



Commemorative photo taken with the delegates from PLA Navy Escort Task Group

People Stage Rally to Show Support for Tatmadaw Personnel doing National Defence and Security Duties



Peaceable civilians have been supporting Tatmadaw personnel doing national defence and security duties, police force members, militiamen and their family members. In this context, on 3rd of December, some 2,000 people including peaceable monks in Myeik of Taninthayi Region held a rally to oppose and condemn the KIA, TNLA, MNDAA, AA and PDF terrorists of insurgents for their actions of utter devastation. The rally attendees also expressed strong support for military personnel doing

national defence and security duties.

During the occasion, the participants opened the rally by singing the national anthem. The nationalist activists delivered public lectures on atrocities, violent killings and acts of terrorism committed by extremists of terrorists condemned the actions terrorist armed insurgents, it is reported.

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40 Trainees Sent to India to Attend the 4th Training and Capacity Building Programme for Judges and Judicial Officers



A total of 40 trainees consisting of deputy directors, assistant directors and staff officers from the Supreme Court of the Union, and judges and judicial officers from District Courts and Township Courts left Yangon for India by air on 2 November, to attend “the 4th Training and Capacity Building Programme for Myanmar Judges and Judicial Officers” which will be held from 4 to 7 December at National Judicial Academy, Bhopal City, Madhya Pradesh State in India.

This training programme has been implemented under the Memorandum of

Understanding (MoU) signed in 2018 between the Office of the Union Chief Justice and the India National Judicial Academy for the capacity development of Myanmar judges and judicial officers. Including the 4th training programme, a total 160 judges and judicial officers trainees have been sent to attend the training at National Judicial Academy in India, it is reported.

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Myanmar Transfers Illegal Immigrants from Border Areas to Respective Authorities



The government has been focusing on State peace, stability and rule of law. As some foreign nationals are illegally entering and residing in Myanmar through border areas, administrative organizations conduct necessary investigation process and repatriate them to relevant countries under the law. In this regard:

- On 29 November, a total of 262 Chinese individuals (211 men and 51 women) were identified and handed over.
- On 30 November, a total of 212 Chinese individuals (182 men and 30 women) were identified and handed over.
- On 1 December, a total of 135 Chinese individuals (123 men and 12 women) were identified and handed over.
- On 2 December, a total of 267 Chinese individuals (258 men and 9 women) were identified and handed over.

- On 3 December, a total of 168 Chinese individuals (158 men and 10 women) were identified and handed over.
- Between 31 October and 3 December 2023, a total of 10,952 Chinese nationals (9,755 men and 1,197 women) have been verified under the law, and transferred systematically to the authorities of the People's Republic of China.

The government will continue the process of screening and repatriation for foreign nationals who have illegally entered and resided in the border areas, it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (4-12-2023)

- From 29 November to 3 December, a total of 1,044 Chinese individuals (932 men and 112 women) were identified and handed over.
- Between 31 October and 3 December 2023, a total of 10,952 Chinese nationals (9,755 men and 1,197 women) have been verified under the law, and transferred systematically to the authorities of the People's Republic of China.

PDF Terrorists Kill a High School Teacher of Basic Education High School in Hsin Ma Ye Village, Yesagyo Township



Map showing the scene of killing the teacher by PDF terrorist group

NUG and CRPH and their subordinates PDF, declared as terrorist groups by the Government, are lawlessly committing acts of terrorism such as brutal killings of those who differ with them including monks, civil servants, administrative officials and peaceable civilians by accusing them of spies, informants, and decoys in order to strike terror into the public.

On 28 November, some 30 PDF terrorists came to Daw Marsi's home in Aung

Pan Chaung village where she was with her sister Daw Ma Thi and her daughter Ma Hnin Malar Aung. Daw Marsi is a high school teacher at Hsin Ma Ye Village Basic Education High School in Yazagyo Township, Magwe Region. The terrorists forcibly took the teacher from her home by binding her hands to a boat dock about 150 meters to the east of the village. There, they killed the teacher and left for the northern area of the village.

Security forces are actively taking necessary security measures to apprehend the terrorists who mercilessly killed the teacher teaching the children (the future of

the country), in collaboration the local residents, it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (2-12-2023)



A female teacher Daw Marsi who was abducted and killed by the PDF terrorist group

- **Some 30 PDF terrorists forcibly took Daw Marsi, a high school teacher at Hsin Ma Ye Village Basic Education High School in Yazagyo Township, by binding her hands to a place and killed her there.**

AA Terrorist Group Forcefully Takes Vehicles owned by Governmental Departments/Offices in Mrauk-U Township

With the intention to disrupt regional stability and stop the flow of goods, terrorists are committing acts of terrorism such as firing heavy weapons at and drone attacks on non-military targets of villages, wards, townships, schools and religious buildings; blowing up roads and bridges; forcefully taking the state-owned property; wantonly holding and killing innocent civilians.

The AA terrorist group forcefully took the state-owned property as follows:

- On 26 November, they took two vehicles

owned by the District Development Supervisory Office which is located in Tammraz ward of in Mrauk-U Township, Rakhine State.

- On 28 November, they took three vehicles owned by the World Heritage Management Office, Department of Archaeology, which was located in Alae Zay ward of Mrauk-U Township.
- On 29 November, they took two vehicles owned by the Township Rural Development Department beside the Mrauk-U-

Sittwe Highway.

- On 30 November, they took one vehicle owned by the District Religious Affairs Office in Mrauk-U Township and one vehicle owned by the District Election Commission Office. So, they have forcefully took nine vehicles altogether.

The AA terrorists group forcefully took

non-military assets of the vehicles with an aim to disrupt the government's administrative machinery and regional stability. As a result, it caused a lot of damage to the socio-economic of the local residents. Security personnel, in collaboration with the people, will continue counter-terrorism operations for regional stability, it is reported.

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Terrorists Create and Spread Disinformation and Fake News in order to Cause Unrest and Misunderstand the Tatmadaw



The above screenshots describing terrorist groups spreading disinformation in Burmese language on social media to cause unrest and misunderstand the Tatmadaw

Unlawful and destructive media outlets have been creating and spreading fabricated news by a multi-sectoral approach to cause instability and unrest in the country,

sow discord between the Tatmadaw and the people, and create misunderstanding over the Tatmadaw in the international arena.



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- The news stating that civilians in Rakhine State were killed due to heavy weapons fired by the Tatmadaw is not true. The Tatmadaw is strictly abiding by the Rules of Engagement in conducting Counter-Terrorism Operations to protect lives and prosperity of the people. The Tatmadaw never shell residential areas but terrorists intentionally shell towns and villages where the people live.
- The news stating that security force members recklessly arrested civilians in Myeik and Dawei Townships is just fabricated information.
- The news stating that money was demanded for setting free of a youth forced to join the Army in Taungtha Township of Mandalay Region was an alleged fabrication. In fact, the security personnel conducted necessary security checks because a suspicious man was walking in front of the General Administration Office of Taungtha Township. Later, his mother took him home.
- Intentionally published false news on social media alleges that there occurs lack of electricity in Pazunmyaung Village, Nyaunglebin Township as the Tatmadaw has disconnected power cables from power lines and sold them. Actually, some parts of power transmission lines were cut off due to the terrorists' reckless fire in the village.
- Fabricated news claims that security personnel, who are lying in ambush in No.3 Basic Education High School of North Okkalapa Township, were attacked with three bombs. That was a type of false news. There are no security personnel in the school and no bomb explosions were reported.
- Khit Thit media is spreading groundless fake and false news about the bomb explosion near Yangon Region Hluttaw and drone attacks on South-Eastern Command as well as Taungoo Air Base. Such news reports are vague rumours.
- The news about the recruitment of militiamen in Yetarshay and Waw townships are just disinformation. In reality, militiamen are collaborating with the



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Tatmadaw to safeguard their villages and towns.

Unlawful subversive media abetting to acts of terrorism are spreading such rumors in order to frighten civil servants who fulfill the state's duty and peaceable local ethnic

people. The Government is continuing to take necessary measures for the peace and stability of the state as well as the prevalence of law and order, it is reported.

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