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The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received H.E. Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringle, Foreign Secretary of the Ministry of External Affairs of India, at the parlour of Zeyathiri Beikman in Konmyintha of Yangon Command on 23 December. During the meeting,

- They frankly exchanged views on exchange of goodwill visits of two governments and two armed forces of Myanmar and India, promotion of bilateral trade due to both side cooperation, situation to manage the direct trade between the two countries, direct maritime trade process, and further cooperation in development of border regions.
- Then, they discussed on the prospects of investment from India in necessary infrastructures for generating electricity in

- Myanmar, situations of training and teaching, and technological assistance of India in development of agriculture and livestock sectors.
- They cordially exchanged views on the sales and contribution of vaccines by India for prevention, control and treatment of COVID-19, and the Tatmadaw's assumption of State duties in accord with the Constitution (2008) due to voting fraud in the 2020 general election.
- Afterwards, they discussed the matters relating to the acts of terrorism being committed by the terrorist groups in the country and counter-terrorism activities, responses to terrorist attacks on education and health staff, and efforts for ensuring peace and stability in the border regions of both countries.

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the State Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and Foreign Secretary H.E. Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla of the External Affairs Ministry of India exchanged commemorative gifts.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister accompanied by Joint-Secretary of the SAC, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs, Union Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations and officials attended the meeting. Moreover, Foreign Secretary of the External Affairs Ministry of India accompanied by Ambassador H.E. Mr Shri Saurabh Kumar of India to Myanmar and officials from the External Affairs Ministry of India also attended the event.

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Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Attended the Ceremony of Collective Christmas Wishes 2021 Presided by Catholic Archbishop Cardinal Charles Bo



The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing attended the ceremony of collective Christmas wishes to mark the 2021 Christmas which was held at the Cathedral of Cardinal Charles Bo, Archbishop of Yangon Catholic Archdiocese in Botahtaung township of Yangon region in the evening of 23 December.

The SAC members and officials, Union Ministers, Yangon region Chief Minister, the mayor, Cardinal Charles Bo, Archbishop of Yangon Catholic Archdiocese and Catholic Bishops, Catholic nuns, Catholic youth organizations and Christian town elders attended the ceremony.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister and the Archbishop of Yangon Catholic Archdiocese held a separate meeting at the parlour and frankly discussed the matters relating to latest political developments of the country and the government's endeavours for peace and prosperity.

Then, the Christmas Mass was held in the hall of the church with carols sung by families of the Catholic Church. The Catholic Archbishop extended Christmas wishes.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister extended Christmas greetings as follows:

- There are 87 per cent of Buddhists, six per cent of Christianity and five per cent of Hinduism in Myanmar. Data on percentage may be slightly different. But, Sections 362 and 363 of the Constitution (2008) grant the people freedom of religion and aid.
- Together with Buddhism in which the majority of the people faith, Christians, Islamists, Hindus and those from other religions have been serving the interests of the State in unison through the cooperative measure.



Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister extending Christmas greetings

- The Tatmadaw actively participated in the national political safeguarding activities for ensuring the peace and prosperity of the State.
- In addition to the endeavours of the government, the Tatmadaw and relevant departmental organizations, religious and social organizations as well as the people need to participate in the peace and tranquillity of the nation. They all need to have the wishes to be peaceful and developed.
- The Prime Minister prayed for all people in Christianity and all Myanmar people

to enjoy happiness and pleasure in the Christmas occasion, and urged all to work in concert in unison with compassion and tolerance under the guidance of respective religions for the interests of the State and the citizens.

Afterwards, the Prime Minister and the Cardinal cut the Christmas cake together. The Prime Minister presented Christmas gifts and donated cash to the families of the Catholic Church. The Cardinal also returned the Christmas gifts to the Prime Minister and party, and concluded the meeting.

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The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing met with commandants, senior instructor officers, senior officer lecturers and teachers from Defence Services Medical Academy, Defence Services Institute of Nursing and Paramedical Science, and Defence Services (Army) Officers Training School (Hmawby) at the Convocation Hall of the DSMA in Mingaladon station of Yangon Region on 23 December.

Regarding the training session, the Senior General delivered the speech as follows:

The Defence Services Academy, the Defence Services (Army) Officers Training School (Bahtoo) and the Defence Services (Army) Officers Training School (Hmawby) are directly turning out the military leaders as well as the Defence Services Medical Academy and Defence Services Technological Academy are producing the military leaders endowed

with skills in respective subjects.

- Defence services academies are different from civilian universities in academic measures. Civilian universities prioritize personal learning and practical works with own attitude for taking the examination.
- As the tough training will save lives, it is necessary to systematically give training to the cadets to become skilful future leaders on whom the Tatmadaw can rely.
- They have actual skills in respective subjects at different levels and apply them in the practical fields.
- As the ratio of trainees to the instructors has been adjusted, they need to turn out the qualified ones.
- Trainees must control themselves at different levels through the guardian system to have better morals and discipline.
- It is necessary to train the cadets to have excellent skills in respective subjects.

- Trainers need to know the individual nature of trainees and take care of needs and weakness of trainees with special training so as to turn out the actually qualified ones.
- To be able to do so, the qualified instructors have been appointed, so they have to apply their experiences and skilful subjects in the training session.

Regarding the political changes in Myanmar,

- The Tatmadaw cooperated with the government in serving its assigned duty in line with the law in the terms of 2011 and 2015 democratic governments.
- As it was found that the tasks of the ruling party were not in line with the law starting from 2018, the Senior General, himself urged them to follow the disciplines and fairness in the democracy for many times.
- But, it was known that advance voting in the election was not in line with the law, and voter lists were wrong in the election according to information from some persons and political parties.
- In scrutinizing the voter lists, wrongdoings were found. So, the Senior General himself urged officials of the government and the Union Election Commission to solve the problems of wrong voter lists many times.
- The Tatmadaw held coordination with officials many times but they did not address it. Hence, the State responsibilities were taken with the declaration of the emergency of State in accord with the Constitution (2008).
- Although the Tatmadaw took the State responsibilities under the emergency sit-

- uation, its governance goes forwards under the democracy way.
- Hence, the Tatmadaw is taking peaceful and stable measures to minimize the least casualties.
- The government is striving to hold free and fair elections. It is necessary to avoid the wrong voter lists as much as possible, take care of losing the voting chances of the people and prevent the malpractice of voting.
- As issuance of citizenship scrutiny cards is being undertaken for all eligible voters but it hits just 25 per cent completion. So, the entire people need to cooperate in the issuance of CSC.
- In analyzing the organizations related to the armed conflicts in Myanmar, some ethnic groups held arms due to different attitudes in political affairs, ethnic affairs and doctrines from the postindependence era to the period before 2011.
- Some of them became the signatories of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA) in 2015, participating in the dialogues in the peace process.
- After the democratization process in 2011, some ethnic organizations held arms turning a blind eye to democracy.
- Some terrorists emerged due to voting frauds in the 2020 multiparty democracy general election in 2020. The Tatmadaw does not have any reason to hold talks with these terrorist groups.
- The Tatmadaw tried to meet with political parties representing the people but they failed to meet with the Tatmadaw.
- Political parties represent their supporter people in groups but do not represent

them personally.

- As political parties are political organizations representing the people, arrangements are being made to meet with them.
- A plan is underway to take action against some persons without turning a blind eye to democracy. No man is above the law. If one is not in line with the law, action will be taken against them.
- Depending on the peace and stability of the country, the Tatmadaw is striving for holding the multiparty democracy general election in August 2023 as much as possible.

The meeting was attended by the Chairman of the SAC Commander-in-Chief

of Defence Services accompanied by Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Admiral Moe Aung, Commander-in-Chief (Air) General Maung Maung Kyaw, senior military officers from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief, Commander of Yangon Command, commandants, senior instructor officers, senior officer lecturers and cadre officers.

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The Vice-Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, in his capacity as Chairman of the Illegal Trade Eradication Steering Committee, delivered an address at the 1/2021 meeting of illegal trade eradication steering committee which was held at the meeting hall of Ministry of Commerce in Nay Pyi Taw on 23 December. During the meeting, the Vice-

Chairman of the SAC Deputy Prime Minister discussed as follows:

- Illegal trade is one of the main obstacles to Myanmar's economic development. As long as the illegal trade sector is strong, it will hinder legal activities.
- Due to the illegal entry of products via border areas, the Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) would face hardships

in the long run and so it should conduct effective measures to fight the illegal trade in regions/ states in border areas.

- The Yepu permanent checkpoint on the Mandalay-Muse Union Highway and the Mayan Chaung checkpoint on the Myawady-Yangon Union Highway under the leadership of the Customs Department inspect with OSS departments.
- In the period from 2016-2017 FY to May in 2020-2021 FY, the illegal goods worth of K19,206.499 million in 4,092 cases have been seized at Mayangyaung Permanent Checkpoint and those worth of K27,281.789 million in 2,749 cases at Yepu Permanent Checkpoint.
- Similarly, special teams previously formed to eradicate illegal trade in regions and states have seized illegal goods worth K69,663 million in 10193 cases from September in 2018 to January, 2021.
- After forming the Illegal Trade Eradication Steering Committee, the illegal goods worth of K6,067 million in 1,516 cases have been seized in the ninemonth period from February to October in 2021.
- It is necessary to take measures to ensure rule of law and reduction in illegal trade and tax evasion. In setting the floor prices of seized goods, the floor prices should be the closest to those on the ground.
- There should be coordination to amend the procedures of the relevant departments so as not to cause any damage due to delays in handing over the seized items. The relevant departments must

amend the procedures if necessary to distribute the bonuses as soon as possible for the anti-illegal trade associations.

Afterwards, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee Union Minister, the member of the Committee Union Minister, and Deputy Minister for Defence reported on the activities of the relevant ministries to fight illegal trade and the suggestions to prevent it.

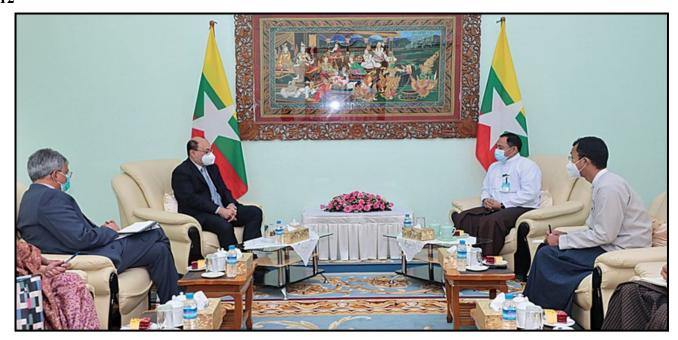
The meeting was attended by the officials from illegal trade eradication steering committee, member of Nay Pyi Taw Council, permanent secretaries, directors general and officials. Moreover, Chairmen of region/state special teams to combat illicit trade, region and state ministers and officials took part in the meeting through video conferencing.

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Union Ministers U Wunna Maung Lwin and Lt-Gen Yar Pyae Received the Delegation Led by Indian Foreign Secretary



Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin received the delegation led by H.E. Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Foreign Secretary of the Ministry of External Affairs of India at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 22 December. They cordially exchanged views on the matters pertaining to the promotion of the existing friendly bilateral relations, multi-sectoral cooperation through Kaladan Multi-modal Transit Transport Project and operationalization of Sittwe Seaport, upgrading of 69



bridges of Tamu-Kyi Gone-Kalewa road, trilateral highway project, Integrated Check Post (ICP) in Tamu, strengthening people-to-people contact as well as India's assistance to Myanmar for prevention of COVID-19.

Union Minister Lt-Gen Yar Pyae received the delegation led by Indian Foreign Secretary H.E. Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringla at the Union Government Office (1) in Nay Pyi Taw on 23 December. During the meeting, they discussed friendly relations between Myanmar and India, issues of bilat-

eral cooperation, the issue of COVID-19 vaccination at the India-Myanmar border areas and the implementation of the Myanmar peace process.

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Working Coordination Meeting on COVID-19 Vaccination Held



Union Minister for Health Dr. Thet Khing Win attended the working coordination meeting on COVID-19 vaccination process in 2022 via online Zoom Meeting from the meeting hall located in the library of University of Medicine (1) Yangon on 23 December.

During the meeting, the Union Minister stressed the following points:

- By December 2021, Myanmar is to receive 13.4 million doses of Covishield vaccines purchased from India, two million doses of Covaxin donated by Sasakawa foundation, another one million doses of Covaxin donated by India and one million doses of Sinovac donated by People Republic of China.
- As Myanmar is to receive a million units of Sputnik light purchased from Russia and a million doses of Sinopharm monthly to be locally produced in January 2022, it is required to efficiently use the vaccines without any waste.
- In order to ensure the effective use of the

vaccines for national people before its expiry date, it is necessary to pay special attention to the cold-chain systems at every stage of receiving, maintaining, storing, distributing and jabbing the vaccines.

• Under the guidance of the State Administration Council and the Central Committee of COVID-19 Control, Prevention and Treatment, measures will be taken to facilitate the COVID-19 vaccination process in coming 2022.

In the afternoon, the Union Minister and party made an inspection tour around the cancer ward and 7-storeyed treatment building under construction of Yangon General Hospital and instructed the responsible officials to ensure the construction works complete in scheduled time meeting the standards.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (24-12-2021)

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Events of Handover of National Scrutiny Cards and Achievements of Pankhin Project Held in Waw and Bago Townships



The events of handing over the National Scrutiny Card-NSCs and to mark the achievements of Pankhin projects were held in Waw and Bago townships in 23 December.

During the events, the Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi, Pago region Chief Minister and Commander of the Southern Regional Command handed over the NSCs granted under the Pankhin project and provided the honour of certificates to the township department staff

of Waw and Bago townships for the achievements of the scheduled project.

A total of 159,576 NSCs have been scheduled under the Pankhin project in the Pago region and so far, 112,215 cards have been granted. In Waw township, a total of 5,445 cards have been granted on the scheduled plan of issuing 5,248 cards reaching over 103.75 percent. During the period, 1,436 household lists in total have also been issued to those in need.

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Myanmar and Russia jointly organized the 12th ADMM-Plus Experts' Working Group on Counter-Terrorism-EWG on CT Meeting on 21 and 22 December. The meeting was chaired by Myanmar through videoconferencing.

The meeting was attended by Joint-Chairmen of Myanmar and Russia along with representatives from ASEAN and its dialogue partners of Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, the US

and officials from the ASEAN Secretariat.

During the meeting, Myanmar discussed on the topic "The terrorist attacks, threatening national security in Myanmar", highlighting the following points:

- Threats to the national security include the armed ethnic conflicts, drug issues and the terrorist activities of NUG and PDF.
- Electoral fraud which led to the state of

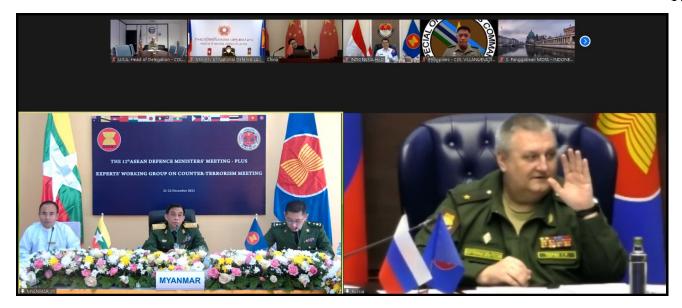


emergency declared by Tatmadaw to maintain the State affairs, efforts of Tatmadaw in various ways to peacefully find a solution on vote-rigging, the NLD government's multiple rejections on the discussion and its intent to form a new government with controversial election results.

- There had been a gradual transition from peaceful protests into violence after 1 February 2021 and only then did security forces maintain the situation using minimum level of necessary forces. Then, the CRPH, NUG and PDF terrorist groups emerged and violently attacked and destroyed the non-combatant and nonmilitary targets of civilians.
- Under the instructions of NUG, so-called PDF terrorists committed brutal killings of innocent civilians including community administrators and ordinary people who do not support the NLD party after accusing them as "traitors" under the perception of "Everyone who differ from my altitude is my enemy".
- They especially killed dutiful civil servants such as school teachers and township medical officers who were conducting COVID-19 prevention, control and

treatment activities.

- The recent violent acts occurred only in some areas controlled by the threats of so-called NUG and PDF terrorist groups not the whole country at national level. Then the involvement in such violent acts by PDF terrorists and extremist NLD supporters were clarified with evidence.
- The anti-government media has biased in covering terrorist acts of PDFs to keep the international community out of the public eye and to draw attention to them. In addition, political-minded groups in Myanmar are fabricating false stories about what is happening in Myanmar with the help of media technology and financial support, and the misrepresentation of false information had led to political narratives and acts as a weapon of post-truth politics.
- Although there is no exact definition of the terrorism universally agreed upon, the violent acts of so-called NUG and PDF terrorist groups symmetrically meet the norms and standards of terrorism set by the world powerful countries.
- Myanmar, as a sovereign nation, has



been complying with its anti-terrorism laws and has informed global and regional anti-terrorism organizations, including INTERPOL.

- The encouragement of some countries in the world to these terrorist groups is the act of spurring terrorism. It is hard to understand why some powerful democratic nations are finding it difficult to name CRPH, NUG and PDF as terrorist groups, even though they are aware of their acts of terrorism.
- Myanmar also called on the international community for cooperation to end the acts of terrorism that are based on political gain, in order to ensure regional stability.

Russia discussed under the topic "Threats to the national security of the Russian Federation emanating from the activities of international terrorist organizations" highlighting the neighbouring countries of the country which are threatening the national security of Russia, terrorism and terrorist organizations in the middle east.

Afterwards, respective member countries highlighted their security challenges on the topic of "Evaluation of National Security Threats" and members of the ASEAN and

dialogue partners gave their opinions on the papers.

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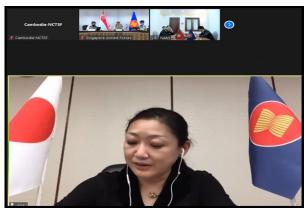
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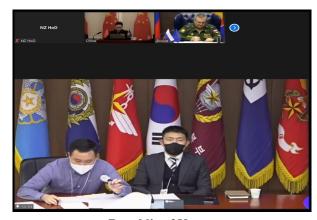
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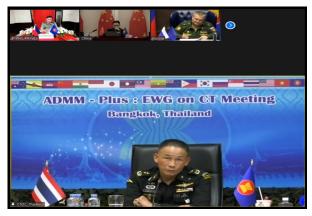
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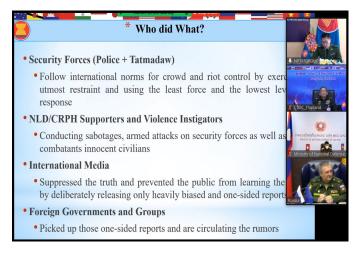


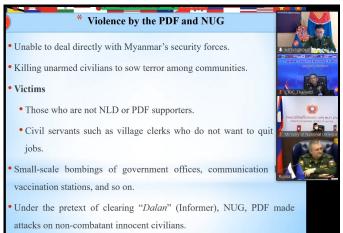
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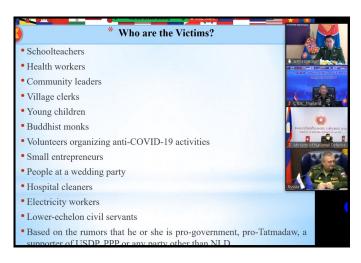
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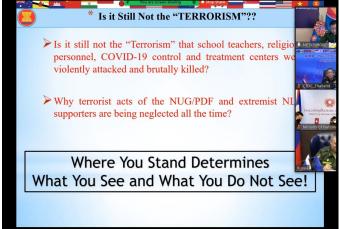






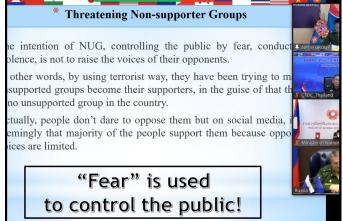


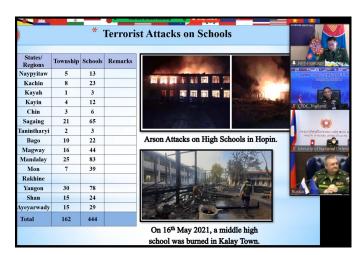


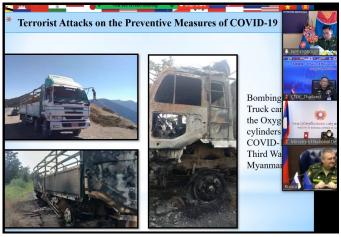


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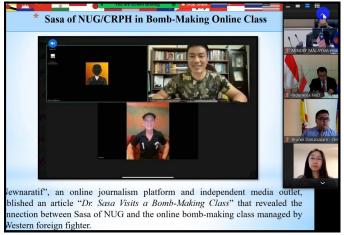


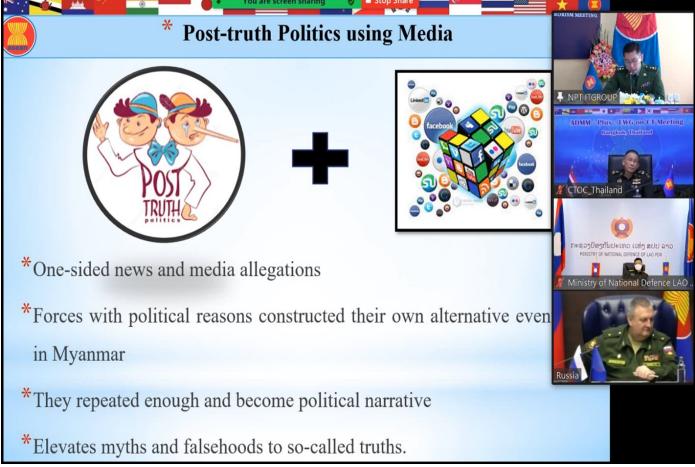




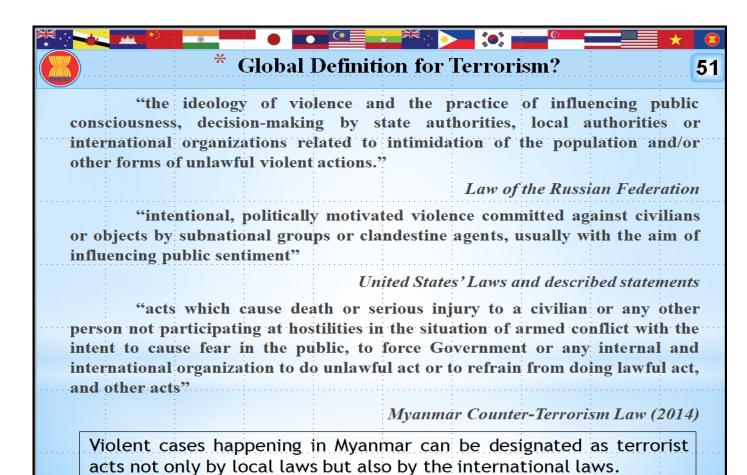








Fabricating false stories and fake news on the acts of terrorism



COVID-19 Prevention, Control, and Treatment Activities Continue in Respective Regions and States



Vaccinating people of 18-years and above against COVID-19

COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment activities such as opening quarantine centres and vaccinating people against COVID-19 continue in respective regions and states.

- The vaccination processes continue in respective regions and states as per the priority programme, and a total of 186,784 people have been vaccinated against COVID-19 as second dose and 102,271 people as first dose on 23 December.
- A total of 9,739 students aged 12 years and above from Basic Education Middle and High schools in respective regions and states have been vaccinated against COVID-19 as second dose and 5,732 students as first dose on 23 December. A total of 1,468,235 students have been vaccinated against COVID-19 up to 23 December.
- As of 23 December, 20.2 million people in total have been vaccinated against

- COVID-19. About 14.3 million people have received two-time full doses of the vaccine and 5.9 million people have received the first doses. 34.5 million people in total have been inoculated against COVID-19 in Myanmar.
- Indian Foreign Secretary H.E. Shri Harsh Vardhan Shringle handed over one million units of COVAXIN donated by Government of India to Myanmar to the representative of Myanmar Red Cross Society.

Measures are being taken to facilitate the import of COVID-19 control, containment and treatment medicines and related equipment-

On 23 December, one oxygen plant, 40 oxygen generators for household and 10 tons of masks were imported by three companies via International Seaports, Muse 105th mile and Myawady trading zones and Chinshwehaw border trade post.

The Ministry of Health is conducting COVID-19 tests regularly, 276 new cases of COVID-19 were found from testing a total of 13,407 samples and the infected rates are 2.06 percent on 23 December. Up to 23 De-

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Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (24-12-2021)



Vaccinating Buddhist nuns against COVID-19



Vaccinating ethnic people against COVID-19 in Shan state (North)



Foreign Secretary of the Ministry of External Affairs of India handing over the donated COVID-19 vaccines to Myanmar



Custom department inspecting and issuing COVID-19 preventive items

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Terrorists Recklessly Opened Fire at the Security Forces Taking Security Measures in Natchaung Village of Kalae Township



Weapons, ammunition and explosives confiscated from terrorists

On 23 December in Kalae township of Sagaing region, security forces taking security measures in Natchaung village to ensure the local people live in peaceful and stable environment were attacked by so-called CNF and PDF terrorists for no reasons.

In the incident, about 300 so-called CNF and PDF terrorists using heavy and small arms opened fire at the security forces who were taking security measures in the Natchaung village. As the security forces had to retaliate attacks against them, the ter-

rorists retreated to the west of the village in disarray. Security forces then confiscated nine dead bodies, one damaged RPG, one IED, 250 electric detonators, 400 dynamite detonators, four coils of detonator cord (50 metres each) at the scene.

Security forces are reportedly speeding up the security measures so that the terrorists can no longer stay in some villages and commit violent acts and people are also urged to cooperate in such measures.

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