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Rural Cycling Festival Held in Pyin Oo Lwin



The “PyinOoLwin Rural Cycling Festival” was held at the PyinOoLwin District Public Stadium on 25 December and attended by Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism Dr Htay Aung, Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Maung Ko, people from Myanmar Tourism Federation (MTF) and its brotherhood associations.

After the Union Minister and Mandalay Region Chief Minister made opening remarks, the Union Minister started the race of cycling festival by shooting gun in the air. More than 150 local and foreign cyclists reportedly took part in cycling race. The cycling race tract is 9-mile long starting from District Public Stadium passing through

Pwekawk Waterfall, Pwekawk village to December Farm.

The Union Minister and party also met the cyclists at Pwekawk Waterfall and presented commemorative medals and awarded certificates to those who participated in the cycling tour at December Farm.

Afterwards, the Union Minister and party arrived at the PyinOoLwin station and cut the ribbon to open the railway from PyinOoLwin to Gote Hteik Viaduct, giving souvenirs to the passengers. In order to follow COVID-19 rules and regulations, the number of regular passengers was halved, with about 140 passengers on board.

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Holding Rural Cycling Festival in Pyin Oo Lwin



People living in Gasoon Inn Village of Kyunhla Township in Sagaing Region Receive Medical Healthcare



The news report had already been described that security forces exchanged fire with terrorists in the Gasoon Inn village located in Kyunhla township of Sagaing region during the conduct of required security measures as they had received the information about the gathering of KIA members and so-called PDF terrorists for the acts of terrorism.

Some media outlets broadcasted false news about the incident, portraying as if the security forces torched the houses in the village and made the use of torture on the villagers of Gasoon Inn.

It is reported that, in reality, security forces helped the villagers, who were not

involved in acts of terrorism, return peacefully to their homes. Moreover, security forces conducted the activities for the villagers such as providing foods and medical healthcare to the villagers including elders, and cleaning in the monastery area once security forces had searched and arrested the hidden terrorists in mufti in the village.

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Members of Security Forces Providing Supplies to Villagers and Conducting Cleanliness Activities in the Compound of Monastery



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

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

- As the vaccination processes continue in respective regions and states, a total of 63,954 people were vaccinated against COVID-19 as second dose and 42,978 people as first dose on 25 December.
- A total of 1,709 students aged 12 years and above in respective regions and states were vaccinated against COVID-19 as second dose and 111 students as first dose on 25 December. A total of

1,470,302 students have been vaccinated against COVID-19 up to 25 December.

- The Chief Minister of Magwe region attended the opening ceremony of oxygen plant which was constructed under the arrangement of regional government in Pwintphyu township of Magwe region. The plant can produce 120 oxygen cylinders (40 litres) per day.
- The Chairman of “Wa” Self-Administered Division opened the oxygen plant which was constructed under the arrangements of regional government in Hopang township of “Wa” Self-Administered Division. The plant can



**The opening ceremony of new oxygen plant in Hopang township of
“Wa” Self-Administered Division**

produce 40 oxygen cylinders (40 litres) per day.

Measures are being taken to import COVID-19 prevention, containment and treatment medicines and related equipment as follows:

- During the period from 1 to 25 December, a total of 304 tonnes of liquid oxygen carried by the bowzers, two tonnes of oxygen cylinders, two oxygen storage container/tanks, two oxygen distributors, 13,001 empty oxygen cylinders, three oxygen plants, 581 oxygen concentrators for home, 1,957 COVID-19 test kits, 15,280 PPE suits, 32 tons of gloves and 1,039 tons of masks were imported by 83 companies using 190 vehicles

through international airports and sea-ports, and border trade posts.

As the Ministry of Health is conducting COVID-19 tests regularly, 174 new cases of COVID-19 were found from testing a total of 10,900 samples and the infected rates are 1.61 percent on 25 December. A total of 529,503 cases were found from testing a total of 5,973,823 samples and death toll reached 19,251 up to 25 December 2021.

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



Vaccinating people against COVID-19 in Myeik township



Vaccinating people against COVID-19 in respective townships of Rakhine state



COVID-19 vaccination processes in Tamwe township



The officials inspecting the operation of new oxygen plant in Pwintphyu township

Myanmar Nationals Returning from Foreign Countries Systematically Welcomed at Respective Border Gates

Myanmar nationals returning from foreign countries have been systematically received at respective border gates from 19 December to 25 December as follows:

- 276 returnees at Lweje and Kanpaikte border gates in Kachin State.
- 206 returnees at Myawady border gate in Kayin state.
- 36 returnees at Hteekee border gate in Taninthayi region.

- 933 returnees at Wanpone, Muse and Laukkai border gates in Shan State.

In doing so, healthcare officials from relevant public hospitals and members of Tatmadaw medical Corps systematically carried out the efforts of testing COVID-19 pandemic, providing quarantine entry documents to the returnees, explaining the instructions released by Ministry of Health, keeping infected patients in separate palaces and providing necessary measures as well

as escorting them to their respective native towns by passenger vehicles provided by the township administration officials.

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comed through border crossings, and a total of 56,981 nationals had returned to Myanmar from abroad from 25 July to 25 December 2021.

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Systematically Welcoming Myanmar Nationals Returned from Foreign Countries at Respective Border Gates



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Over 28 Million Earned from Stock Share Trading during a Week



According to the report of the Yangon Stock Exchange (YSX), the traded stock shares of the six listed companies, except for Myanmar Citizens Bank Co., Ltd (MCB) reached over K28 million for a week from 20 to 23 December.

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listed companies, which are First Myanmar Investment Public Co., Ltd. (FMI), Myanmar Thilawa SEZ Holdings Public Co., Ltd. (MTSH), First Private Bank Co., Ltd. (FPB), TMH Telecom Public Co., Ltd., Ever Flow River Group Public Co., Ltd, and AMATA Holding Public Co., Ltd.

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Famous Places Crowded with Local Visitors and People During Christmas Holidays

During December Christmas holidays, the famous pagodas in Bagan-NyaungU ancient cultural zone in Mandalay Region are crowded with people and pilgrims.

- People are visiting Swetaw Thonsu pa-

goda on the side of Bagan-NyaungU, Swaltaw Myat pagoda on Tantkyitaung hill in Pakokku Township, Maha Nghatpyittaung pagoda, Hteelominlo pagoda, Ananda, and Sulamuni pagodas.

- There are more than 3,000 visitors to



Bagan-Nyaung Oo ancient cultural zone thronging with local travelers during the Christmas holidays in December

historical pagodas, temples and religious buildings in Bagan-NyaungU ancient cultural zone during the Christmas holidays.

- On the bank of Inya lake located on Pyay road of Yangon city was flooded with pedestrians of relaxation and people doing physical exercises in the holidays.
- Chaungtha beach located in Chaungtha town, Patheingyi district of Yangon region is also being crowded with people from various parts of the country.

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crowded with pilgrims and moreover, the public parks, beaches, resorts and playgrounds were also flooded with people and families for relaxation.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (26-12-2021)

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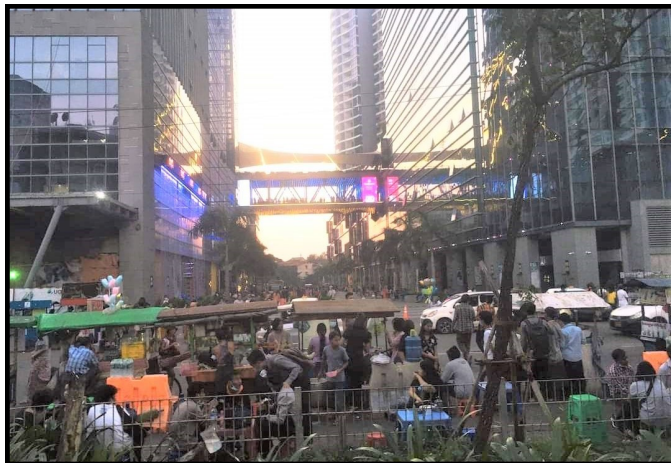
The Public Resorts Crowding with Local Travelers During the Christmas Holidays in December



Inya lake



Mahabandoola park



Time City shopping centre



Bagan-NyaungU ancient cultural zone



Chaung Tha beach



Ngwe Saung beach