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Ceremony to Hoist Maha Zeyabon Golden Umbrella and Waziyaketu Diamond Orb atop Sakkyapadaung Pagoda in Pwintbyu Township and Ceremony of Buddha Consecration Held



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister and wife conveying the Yadana diamond orb and pennant shaped vane around the pagoda

A ceremony to hoist Maha Zeyabon golden umbrella and Waziyaketu diamond orb atop Sakkyapadaung Pagoda together with the Buddha consecration ceremony took place in the precinct of YwaU monastery in Thetthapadaung village of Lekaing village-tract in Pwintbyu township in Magway region on 10 February. The members of the Sangha led by State Ovadacariya Salin Sayadaw graced the ceremonies.

The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla and family members, Council members, Union ministers, Magway Region Chief Minister U Tint Lwin, senior military officers from the Office of the Commander-

in-Chief (Army) and their wives, Commander of the Central Command, the invited guests and well-wishers attended the ceremonies.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, the wife and family members offered Yadana diamond orb, pennant shaped vane, golden umbrella and offertories to the members of the Sangha led by State Ovadacariya Salin Sayadaw and then they shared merits gained.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, the wife, family members and party conveyed the Yadana diamond orb and pennant shaped vane around the pagoda clockwise



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister, wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla and attendees taking the Nine Precepts from Buddhist Sanghas

and conveyed them atop the pagoda at the auspicious time by a decorated float. In the precinct of the pagoda, they planted a Maha Bawdi banyan tree.

With the contributions of the Chairman of the SAC, the wife and family members, and well-wishers, the nine-elbow pagoda was enveloped by the 45-foot Sak-

kyapadaung Pagoda with an intention to develop the Buddha Sasana. On 10 February, the Maha Zeyabon golden umbrella and Waziyaketu diamond orb were hoisted atop the pagoda together with the consecration ceremony successfully.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (11-2-2022)

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Holding the Ceremony to Hoist Maha Zeyabon Golden Umbrella and Waziyaketu Diamond Orb atop Sakkyapadaung Pagoda in Pwintbyu Township together with the Buddha Consecration Ceremony



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister and wife offering alms and day meals to Buddhist Sanghas



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister sprinkling scented water on the stone inscription plaque

The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister planting a Maha Bawdi banyan tree



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister and wife conveying the Yadana diamond orb and pennant shaped vane atop the pagoda by a decorated float after sprinkling scented water on them

Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Visits Ancient Beikthanoe City of the World Heritage Site



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister viewing the maintenance work of ancient Beikthanoe City of the World Heritage Site

The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing accompanied by wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, the officials and their wives visited an ancient Beikthanoe City of the World Heritage Site in Taungdwingyi township of Magway region on 9 February.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister and party heard the reports on brief histories of ancient Pyu city-states Hanlin, Beikthanoe and Sri Kestra put on the World Heritage List, the maintenance tasks of ancient cultural works by Department of Archaeology and National Museum, and efforts for seeking the recognition of three Pyu city-states as the World Heritage Sites presented by the officials.

After hearing the reports, the Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister stressed the following points:

- As ancient Pyu states included on the list of World Heritage sites are invaluable, it

is necessary to systematically maintain the ancient cultural heritage sites and environments.

- It is necessary to restrict the works which can harm the ancient objects and architectures in the ancient heritage area under the law. The officials are required to strictly prohibit such actions.
- The further excavation and maintenance of ancient three Pyu city-states involved on the list of World Heritage sites Hanlin, Beikthanoe and Sri Kestra cities must go on. Exposing the ancient cultural heritage will reflect measures of valuing the State, strengthening the nationalistic spirit and adoring the ancient cultural heritage.
- The civilization of Pyu cities was the earliest in Southeast Asia, and cultural evidence of these cities are located in China and other countries.



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister hearing the reports of the Director-General from Department of Archaeology and National Museum of Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture

- Only when people know the history will they understand the culture and adore the country, so it is necessary to maintain historical heritage for long-term existence in generations.
- It is necessary to insert knowledge related to ancient cultural historical heritage at basic education schools and universities.
- The civilization process of Myanmar started as of BC 3rd and 2nd centuries. It is necessary to expose the grandeur of the State and high cultural standards starting from its centuries onward for displaying the various kinds of ancient objects.

The Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister, wife and party then viewed the ancient Beikthanoe city map, the entrance to the city and walls, ancient objects, literary evidence, Pyu bricks, royal architectural works and Pyu utensils displayed at the booths in the museum. Moreover, they observed the KKG-2 monastery-designed foundation, KKG-3 pagoda-designed building, KKG-4 religious monument, BTO-1, BTO-2, BTO-3, BTO-4 and BTO-5 inner and outer walls

of the place at the royal palace in the area of ancient Beikthanoe city.

The Myanmar Archaeology Department conducted observation the ancient Beikthanoe city in 1905. A total of 66 ancient mounds were excavated for research from 1959 to 2015. Starting from excavation there, the mounds of the city were named KKG depending on Kokkokhwa Village. As of 1995, the mounds were renamed as BTO in short sign. The ancient Hanlin, Beikthanoe and Sri Kestra Pyu cities were recognized as the “World Heritage Sites” in the 38th session of the World Heritage Committee on 22 June 2014.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (10-2-2022)



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister viewing the items displayed at the booths in the museum

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Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Meets with Members of Magway Region Government and District and Township-level Departmental Personnel

The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing met with Magway Region government members and district and township-level departmental personnel at the meeting hall of the local military headquarters in Magway township on 10 February. During the meeting, the

Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister discussed the regional development as follows:

- It is necessary to systematically add fish in rivers, and cattle and goat breeding will be more beneficial if they are reared in captivity as it will provide not only livestock but also natural fertilizers required for agriculture.



- Not only broilers but also layers should be raised in large numbers in the Magway region. Moreover, it is also found that poultry farming is more productive with the use of evaporation type, modern breeding system.
- Regarding edible oil production, it is necessary to modernize oil mills and to produce fertilizers and animal feed from oil pulps.
- With regard to cotton plantation, it is required to improve yields per acre of cotton cultivation rather than now.
- It is also necessary to produce tractors from State-owned tractor factories and to support private-owned factories. In doing so, it is necessary to make it available to farmers with good quality and low price.
- In agriculture, it is vital to cultivate plants in acre plots and to utilize the industrial farming system. In implementing the industrial farming system, it is

important to take measures for manufacturing tasks and it can also solve the problem of labour shortages.

- It is necessary to conduct the development of rural areas and fulfil their needs as much as possible. The administration is governed by a democratic system and it is necessary to act in accord with the authority given by law. As the governing bodies in each township, district and state/region-level need to work for the benefit of the people under the law, it is necessary to do everything that needs to be done.

The meeting was attended by Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and entourage, Magway region Chief Minister, Commander of the Central Command and officials, the members of regional government, district and township-level departmental personnel.

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Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing met with the members of Magway Region government, district and township level departmental personnel, local elders and farmers at Magway Town Hall in Magway on 9 February. In his address regarding regional development, the Prime Minister highlighted the following points:

- As 80 percent of population in the Magway Region is rural dwellers, it will be beneficial through farming.
- Basically, it is necessary to be good quality seed as well as fertile soil, and to add fertilizers, get water well and correct farming practices in farming.
- It is necessary to use water efficiently as well as solar energy efficiently. As the average rainy day in a year is only 70 days in Magway Region, the solar power generating works can be carried out.
- There are areas where the Ayeyawady River can be maintained in Magway Region, and low head dams can be constructed in these areas to ensure adequate irrigation water throughout the



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister hearing the reports of an official

year while generating electricity from hydropower plants without any impact on river transportation.

- Regarding fertilizer availability, there are plenty of natural and chemical fertilizers as manure from cattle, buffaloes and chickens can be used effectively in agriculture in the Magway region.
- As human resources are needed for the success of livestock farming, work is underway to open additional agricultural institutes in Magway region.
- Only those who have a good education will have skills, attending agricultural schools after passing at least the Grade 9 class will become more proficient in agriculture.
- In order to improve the sufficiency of food in agriculture, it is necessary to systematically cultivate and increase the yield on existing land rather than expanding agricultural lands.
- In growing cotton, it is important to get good strains, correct practices for cultivation and enough supply of water.
- The cottons we produce in our country are enough for ourselves. Yet, there are

still requirements to produce high-quality textile.

- As our country still has to import textile so efforts must be made to cultivate and produce high-quality cotton.
- There were a lot of trade deficits from 2010 to 2020 because of great reliance on import without encouragement of domestic production. So, domestic manufacturing must be encouraged.
- We are trying for national prosperity and food security by adopting policies. The regional government and all departments and organizations need to cooperate with the local people in the efforts for regional progress.

SAC members Lt-Gen Moe Myint Tun, U Mounng Har, U Shwe Kyein, SAC Joint Secretary Lt-Gen Ye Win Oo, Union ministers U Ko Ko, U Tin Htut Oo, U Hla Moe, U Khin Maung Yi, U Aung Than Oo, Dr Thet Khaing Win, and members of Magway region government, district and township level departmental personnel, officials and local elders attended the meeting.

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Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Inspects the Hospitals in Magway Region



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister inspecting the building for Obstetrics, Gynecology and Neonatal in Magway General Hospital in Magway city

The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and party inspected the newly constructed three-storey building for Obstetrics, Gynecology and Neonatal in Magway General Hospital in Magway city on 9 February and Minbu General Hospital (200-bedded) on 10 February.

After hearing the reports of the responsible officials on the conditions of hospitals, the Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister stressed the following points:

- Constructing the three-storey building for Obstetrics, Gynecology and Neonatal in Magway General Hospital will benefit the region as the region has a high rate of infant mortality rates.



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister hearing the reports on the healthcare measures conducting in Magway General Hospital presented by Union Minister for Health



The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister providing foodstuff to medical staff of Minbu General Hospital

- As Magway township is located in the junction area, it is necessary to provide health care services for the locals.
- Arriving in Magway in April 2021, according to the report of the Union Minister for Health, the Chairman of the SAC immediately discussed with Japanese authorities to receive the remaining hospital equipment to be installed at the new hospital. And now, the country has received the equipment.
- It is required to install a solar system to be used as an emergency light during a power outage.
- Measures will be taken to operate the oxygen plant which is necessary for the COVID-19 treatment in Minbu General

Hospital. He then stressed preparations for the convenience of patients when they visit.

Afterward, the Prime Minister of the State and party looked around the new hospital building in Magway city. Senior General and generous people also donated MMK 15 million for the medicine fund of the Minbu general hospital and presented food for the health staff and patients, and cordially greeted them.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (11-2-2022)



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Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Meets with Chief Ministers of Regions and States

The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing met with chief ministers of regions and states at the meeting hall of the Office of the SAC Chairman in Nay Pyi Taw on 13 February.

During the meeting, the Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister stressed the fol-

lowing points:

- **The Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony was an auspicious occasion and was successfully held on a grand scale. Even if the number of guests was not counted, the number of students and departmental personnel attending the ceremony alone exceeded 10,400.**



- Despite the difficulties, regions and states managed to show their recent developments. Hence, the relevant ministers and ministries are also thankful for the ardent efforts.
- Although the preparatory time was short, the ceremony was systematically held on a grand scale due to the unity of all. So, the ceremony has become a historical milestone.
- The government is striving for the National prosperity and food sufficiency as the first priority of the government's program.
- The second priority is to strengthen the multi-party democracy and to establish a Union based on the democracy and federal systems.
- The third one is to establish the powerful armed forces by building army, navy and air forces with the internal strength fully capable of defending the State at a time when the country is wealthy with economic growth and stable politics.
- In doing so, the State will fulfil the requirements and the goals can be reached through the all-inclusive protection.
- Only when the country relies on own strength rather than putting too much reliance on others will the country meet development, so efforts must be made for development of the nation based on internal strength.
- In Myanmar, Chin, Kayah and Kayin states face the poor transport facilities, severe climatic conditions and rare cultivable lands with least production of forest and natural resources, and the difficulties in education and health sectors due to the poor transport facilities based on hilly and thick jungles in comparison with other regions and states. As such, other regions and states need to give a helping hand to them with nationalistic spirit.
- The government will prioritize the states having requirements in some sectors for ensuring peace and prosperity of the nation as a national duty.
- To do so, it is necessary to effectively utilize the human resources because some states are weak in education as well as human resources. Hence, priority must be given to enhancement of education promotion at present.
- Although the basic education schools and universities have been re-opened for teaching students, it found that some students cannot attend the schools due to the instabilities of politics, lesser number of educational staff and threats.



- Hence, region and state chief ministers should encourage the local people for learning education in respective regions and prioritize the learning of all students.
- Region and state chief ministers are required to help to reopen all schools. If the staff wish to rejoin the educational service term, it is necessary to allow them under the ethics of service personnel.
- The government needs to protect education staff, more than 80 percent of education staff are female, as they are under threat and coercion posed by unscrupulous persons who took advantages over the weakness of female teachers for their shamefulness and fear.
- With regard to teaching, teachers are given awards depending on their education qualification. Such a plan will be implemented more.
- Regarding the health sector, Myanmar's life expectancy is the lowest in comparison with other ASEAN and neighbouring countries. Healthiness will contribute to learning education and working.
- Since 1995, the country has turned out a lot of doctors from various universities of medicine. If they serve public healthcare services, the strength is more than enough. However, most are running private clinics or businesses rather than serving as civil servants. This is why there are requirements in public healthcare services.
- There was some opposition to the sending of medical doctors from the Tatmadaw to remote areas in order to meet health staff needs.
- The Prime Minister expressed his deep recognition over the dutiful health staff loyal to the State. Officials need to organize the CDM health staff to rejoin the service term of health staff.
- Regarding economy, above-and-underground resources, and water and land resources need to be applied in an effective manner.
- As there are still fertilizer needs for agriculture, systematic cage breeding system in respective regions will produce bio-fertilizers.

- Combined running of agricultural and livestock businesses will reduce loss and waste, and facilitate the socio-economy of the rural people who constitute 70 percent of the total population.
 - Our country has cotton plantation and measures are being made to import materials in order to produce high-quality textiles and obtain good strains. Last year, textiles worth about US\$-1.3 billion had to be imported. If we are able to produce high-quality textiles domestically, it will be implemented an industry based on agriculture. So, cotton cultivation must be encouraged.
 - Although the cement is being produced for construction sector, we cannot produce cement enough with various reasons including high production cost. Rather than import, domestic production to meet domestic need will greatly reduce foreign exchange spending, and national economy will grow.
 - The country has been paying back to the foreign debts yearly. A larger amount of trade deficit depended on larger imports without encouraging the domestic production. Mismanagement affects a terrible loss of finance for the country.
 - As domestic manufacturing benefits the country a lot, region and state chief ministers need to encourage local industries and domestic production.
 - Efforts must be made to raise the education, economic and living standards of the people in rural areas.
 - As the SAC has assumed the state responsibilities only within a short period, it is necessary to systematically manage the long term plans except education, health and regional development tasks.
 - The country will achieve development if the chief ministers exert efforts based on spirit of well-being for the people.
- After hearing the reports of chief ministers of region and state, the Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister stressed the following points:
- The agricultural land can only be used for other purposes only when there is no other choice. Water from rivers and creeks in the entire country is utilized beneficially for agriculture and for the well-being of the people in the cold, rainy and hot seasons.
 - Experts estimate that generating of hydropower based on various creeks and rivers will be more than 40,000 megawatts. Moreover, the country also possesses other favourable conditions to generate electricity.
 - In connection with the measures for electricity and fuel oil, the use of appliances that consume less electricity will reduce the percentage of power consumption and save money.
 - Much of fuel oil is imported from other countries and the country has to spend large amounts of foreign exchange on fuel oil annually.
 - Responsible officials from states and regions are required to take measures for better public transportation systems and operate circular trains. Efforts must also be made to operate trains regularly and manage railway stations properly for smooth flow of commodities.
 - Officials must place emphasis on thrift and systematic use of materials and funds in State building and development tasks.

The meeting was attended by Vice-Chairman of the SAC Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win and members of the SAC, the Nay Pyi Taw Council

chairman, region and state chief ministers and officials.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (14-2-2022)

- **Although the preparatory time was short, the ceremony could be systematically held on a grand scale due to the unity of all. So, the ceremony has become a historical milestone.**
- **The government is striving for the National prosperity and food sufficiency as the first priority of the government's program. The second priority is to strengthen the multi-party democracy and to establish a Union based on the democracy and federal systems.**
- **The third one is to establish the powerful armed forces by building army, navy and air forces with the internal strength fully capable of defending the State at a time when the country is wealthy with economic growth and stable politics.**
- **The government will prioritize the states having requirements in some sectors for ensuring peace and prosperity of the nation as a national duty.**
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- **Last year, our county imported textiles worth about US\$-1.3 billion. If we are able to produce high-quality textiles domestically, it will be implemented an industry based on agriculture. So, cotton cultivation must be encouraged.**
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State Administration Council Release Pardon Orders and other Orders of Withdrawing of Ongoing Criminal Proceedings in Commemoration of Diamond Jubilee Union Day

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar State Administration Council released pardon orders to reduce the jail sentence of inmates from respective prisons and jails and other orders of withdrawing of ongoing criminal proceedings against ethnic armed organization members in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee Union Day, which falls on 12 February 2022 and ensuring perpetual peace as follows:

- Pursuant to the order No. 14/2022, the jail sentence for Daw Nan Khin Htwe Myint who has been imprisoned at Hpa-an prison was reduced by half.
- Pursuant to the order No. 15/2022, among prisoners who have been sentenced in various prisons for violating the existing laws, 814 prisoners, who have already served their sentences in good discipline were pardoned from their remaining sentences.
- Pursuant to the order No. 16/2022, seven Sri Lankan people, who were jailed at Insein prison were granted pardons on the condition that “if they commit another offence, they will continue to serve the remaining sentences” on bilateral relations and humanitarian grounds.

Releasing Inmates who Received Pardon Orders



- The order No. 17/2022 was released to withdraw the ongoing criminal proceedings against AA members and 46 subordinates and to release them.

The inmates freed from Insein Prison under Sub-section (1) of Section 401 of the Code of Criminal Procedures were system-

atically released after checking with their prison records and transported to their respective townships with the vehicles arranged by the Yangon region government.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (12-2-2022)

- **The inmates freed from Insein Prison in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee Union Day by SAC under Sub-section (1) of Section 401 of the Code of Criminal Procedures were systematically released after checking with their prison records.**
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National Solidarity and Peace Negotiation Committee Meets with Ethnic Armed Organizations



The National Solidarity and Peace Negotiation Committee held an informal meeting with the representatives of Ethnic Armed Organizations (EAOs) at the National Solidarity and Peace Negotiation Centre in Nay Pyi Taw in the morning of 13 February.

The meeting was attended by Member of the State Administration Council (SAC) Union Minister at the Union Government Office-1 Chairman of the National Solidarity and Peace Negotiation Committee Lt-Gen Yar Pyae and committee members, vice-chairmen, secretaries and central committee members of nine Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA) signatories and non-NCA signatories and officials.

During the meeting, the SAC member chairman of the committee discussed the matters relating to the situation of inviting peace meeting to EAOs, the building of a Union based on democracy and federalism, stability, peace and development, matters of further negotiations between two sides, and the further peace issues. Then, the representatives of EAOs discussed their opinions freely.

In the afternoon, the committee separately met and discussed with each EAO about the matters of stability and peace in regions, development, health care and further peace process, and presented gifts.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (14-2-2022)

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Joint Statement Released by 26 Political Parties

The 26 political parties issued a joint statement regarding the Invitation to Perpetual Peace and Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony of the State Administration Council Announcement 1/2022 which was released on 6 February 2022.

The excerpts from the joint statement issued by the 26 political parties are as follows:

- This invitation granted to formally discuss the issues relating to democracy and federalism which are desired by all stakeholders at the pre-coordination meeting on perpetual peace talks.
- It is the pledge to solve the problems through round-table discussions instead of solving the political issues through the political and military means.
- Our political parties proudly welcomed this invitation for peace on the occasion of Diamond Jubilee Union Day respected and valued by entire ethnic nationals and civilians.
- Therefore, all stakeholders are urged to serve the interests of the public by participating in the peace talk and Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony by all

stakeholders and exchanging the views among them in order to the interests of the Union State and entire civilians and ethnic nationals.

The 26 political parties issued a joint statement are Union Solidarity and Development Party, National Unity Party, New National Democracy Party, National Development Party, Democratic Party (Myanmar), Modern People Party, National Political Alliance Party, Arakan National Party, Mro National Development Party, Peace and Diversity Party, Public Contribute Students Party, New Era Union Party, Democracy and Peace Party, 88 Generation Democracy Party, Union Farmer-Labour Force Party, Myanmar Farmers Development Party, People Force Party, The Party for People, Public of Labour Party, Myanmar People's Democratic Party, National Democratic Force Party, National Prosperity Party, Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics Party, 88 Generation student Youths (Union of Myanmar) Party, People's Party of Myanmar Farmers and Workers and National United Democratic Party (N.U.D).

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (10-2-2022)

- **The State Administration Council issued the Invitation to Perpetual Peace and Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony on 6 February 2022.**
- **This invitation granted to formally discuss the democratization and federal issues which were desired by all stakeholders at the pre-coordination meeting on perpetual peace.**
- **It is the pledge to solve the problems through round-table discussions instead of solving the political issues through the political and military means.**
- **Our political parties proudly welcomed this invitation for peace on the occasion of Diamond Jubilee Union Day respected and valued by entire ethnic nationals and civilians.**

- Therefore, all stakeholders are urged to serve the interests of the public by participating in the peace talk and Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony by all stakeholders and exchanging the views among them in order to the interests of the Union State and entire civilians and ethnic nationals.

Regarding Invitation to Perpetual Peace and Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony, Religious and Civil Societies Release Statements of Invitation

Regarding the invitation to perpetual peace and Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony of the State Administration Council Announcement 1/2022, Young Men's Buddhist Association (YMBA), Central Myanmar Thabin Artists Association, Myanmar Artists Organization (Central), Myanmar Religions Unity Association (Central), All Myanmar Hindu Central Council and the Myanmar Council of Churches released respective statements of invitation as follows:

- Regarding the State Administration Council Announcement 1/2022, Young Men's Buddhist Association (YMBA) released a statement on 9 February 2022 urging relevant organizations to attend the pre-coordination meeting on perpetual peace talks and the 75th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony.
- Central Myanmar Thabin Artists Association released a statement dated on 10 February 2022 describing that the association agrees and supports the State Administration Council Announcement 1/2022 and solemnly urges all Ethnic Armed Organizations (EAOs) to take part in the pre-coordination meeting on perpetual peace talks and attend the 75th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony.
- Myanmar Artists Organization (Central) released a statement of invitation dated on 10 February 2022 describing that the organization fully agrees and supports the State Administration Council Announcement 1/2022 and solemnly urges all EAOs to take part in the pre-coordination meeting on perpetual peace talks and attend the 75th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony.
- Regarding the SAC Announcement 1/2022, Myanmar Religions Unity Association (Central) also released a statement of invitation requesting and urging the EAOs to take part in the pre-coordination meeting on perpetual peace talks and attend the 75th Anniversary Diamond Jubilee Union Day Ceremony.
- The All Myanmar Hindu Central Council released the opinion that it believes the announcement aims at free exchange of views among participants with no pre-restriction for the topics of the talks and such announcement will be a new pace to a goal of perpetual peace for Myanmar. In this regard, on behalf of Hindu people living across the country, the council calls on all ethnic armed organizations to attend the talks and the Diamond Jubilee Union Day ceremony, and to cooperate in the implementation of the development of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.
- With the God's love, the Myanmar Council of Churches also respectfully called for all relevant leaders to cooper-

ate in the attempt for the perpetual peace. Those who make peace are graceful. The reason is that those persons will be regarded as Son of God.

The State Administration Council Announcement 1/2022 describes that all ethnic armed organizations are invited to the pre-

coordination meeting on perpetual peace talks so that the political problems as internal affairs of our country can be solved in negotiation in accord with the democratic practices and to attend the grand ceremony of Diamond Jubilee Union Day.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (11-2-2022)

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People Demonstrations to Show Support for the State Administration Council Held in Kyauktada Township of Yangon Region



In Kyauktada township of Yangon region on 11 February, local people staged demonstrations to show support for the State Administration Council that assumed the State's responsibilities in accord with the 2008 State Constitution.

During the demonstrations, people of participants holding the State flag and Tatmadaw flag peacefully demonstrated and shouted out the slogans: **'National unity is**

important as a bloodstream of the State's peace, stability and sovereign integrity'; 'non-disintegration of the Union - our cause'; 'non-disintegration of the national solidarity - our cause'; 'perpetuation of national sovereignty - our cause.'

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



Holding the opening ceremony of new oxygen plant in the compound of Pathein Township Public Hospital

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

- Up to 13 February, 22.8 million people in total have been vaccinated against COVID-19. About 19.74 million people have received two-time full doses of the

vaccine and 3.06 million people have received the first doses. 43.06 million people in total have been inoculated against COVID-19 in Myanmar.

- A total of 505,726 people have been vaccinated against COVID-19 booster doses in respective regions and states from 1 January to 13 February 2022.



The Commander of Yangon Command and party inspecting the preparation of treatment centres for COVID-19 patients at the Interrogation and Accommodation Centre of Hlaing township

- Until 13 February 2022, there are a total of 348 SARS-CoV-2 Variant Omicron cases: 264 cases were detected from returnees from abroad and 84 cases were detected from people infected locally. The 264 Omicron cases are 244 Myanmar nationals and 20 foreigners.
- The opening ceremony of oxygen plants constructed with the funds collectively contributed by the Ministry of Health and Ayeyarwady region government and the oxygen plant donated by the Ayeyarwady Development Aid Public Company was held in the yard of Pathein township public hospital on 9 February. At the ceremony was inaugurated by the region Chief Minister, Commander of Regional Military Command and officials.
- On 11 February, Commanders of respective Regional Military Commands and

officials inspected the construction progress of the oxygen plants and preparations for COVID-19 treatment centres in the Military hospitals of Yangon region, Ayeyarwady region, Sagaing region and Kayin state. Moreover, relevant officials also inspected preparation of treatment centres for COVID-19 patients at the interrogation and accommodation unit and the local military units in Yangon region and fulfilled the needs.

The Ministry of Health is conducting COVID-19 tests regularly, 1,473 new cases of COVID-19 were found from testing a total of 20,850 samples and the infected rates are 7.06 percent on 13 February. Up to 13 February 2022, a total of 546,771 cases were found from testing a total of 6,689,824 samples and death toll reached 19,310.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (14-2-2022)

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PDF Terrorists Blow up and Destroy Railway Bridges to Disrupt Local Transportation



The damages of No. (173) bailey railway bridge located on Yay-Mawlamyaing railroad near the Tawkamar village of Yay township in the aftermath of mine blasts of PDF terrorists

Under the instruction of the NUG declared as terrorist group, PDF terrorists are recklessly blowing up and destroying the

non-military targets of roads and bridges with the intent to disrupt the local transportation. In this regard, they blew up two rail-



The damages of No. (38) bailey railway bridge located on Yangon-Mawlamyaing railroad between Mupalin and Kyaikkatha stations in Kyaikto township in the aftermath of IEDs explosion of PDF terrorists

way bridges in Mon state as follows:

- On 8 February, four male terrorists blew up No. (173) bailey railway bridge crossing the Thingangyun stream near the Tawkamar village of Yay township of Mon state. Two steel foundation frames bent and its two railing iron bars were also broken in the mine explosion.
- On 11 February, a terrorist group blew up No. (38) bailey railway bridge (40 feet in length) located on Yangon-Mawlamyine railway between Mupalin station and Kyaikkatha station near Mayan village of Kyaikto township of Mon

State. Due to the explosion, 11 sleepers of the railway bridge were damaged.

Due to the mine explosions causing damages to the bridges, local railway trips are temporarily suspended and authorities concerned are making efforts to repair the bridges at soonest. Security forces reportedly continue necessary measures to arrest and take punitive legal actions against the terrorists who blew up the bailey railway bridges in Mon state.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (13-2-2022)

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Actions against Unscrupulous Persons who Follow and Make Incitements and Propaganda of CRPH and NUG Terrorist Groups, their Subordinates and Colluded Groups Continue

The entire population has already been informed not to follow the incitements and propaganda made by CRPH and NUG, which were declared terrorist groups, their subordinates and colluded groups. In spite of that, some unscrupulous persons made incitements and propaganda to disrupt the State peace and stability via social media. Therefore, necessary actions have been taken against them in line with law. In this regard:

- On 9 February, two from Yangon region and five from Mandalay region, totaling 7 were taken legal actions.
- On 10 February, two from Yangon region and one from Mandalay region, totaling 3 were taken legal actions.
- On 11 February, two from Yangon region, one from Mandalay region and one from Shan state, totaling 4 were taken legal actions.

- On 12 February, one from Yangon region and 11 from Mandalay region, totaling 12 were taken legal actions.
- From 27 January to 12 February, four from Nay Pyi Taw Council Area, 96 from Yangon region, 63 from Mandalay region, six from Sagaing region, three from Magway region, 11 from Bago region, six from Ayeyarwady region, five from Thaninthayi region, six from Kayin state, 10 from Shan state, one from Kayin state and one from Mon state, legal actions were taken against a total of 212 people under the law.

It is reported that necessary actions will be continued against such instigators and unscrupulous persons making propaganda.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (13-2-2022)

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Offenders Convicted by Military Tribunal and Given Respective Sentences for of Contacting with Terrorist Groups and Attending Military Trainings in the Areas of EAOs

Than Oo living in Shwepyitha township, and Suyi Paing and Myint Zaw living in North Okkalapa township were convicted by military tribunal of Martial Law and sentenced to 'life imprisonment' under Sec-

tions 50 (J) of Counter Terrorism Law for contacting with and supporting associations declared as terrorist groups by the Announcement (2/2021) of Central Committee for Counter Terrorism; taking trainings in



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(sentenced to “life imprisonment)



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23 types of crimes to be adjudicated by Military Tribunal in the townships under Martial Law order has been released as an appendix and effective and

prompt legal actions reportedly have been taken against those who committed the crimes.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (13-2-2022)

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