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# Information Sheet

## A Speech on Peace Delivered by Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing



The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing delivered

a speech on peace to Ethnic Armed Organizations (EAOs) and people on 22 April 2022.

## A Speech Delivered by Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services

7<sup>th</sup> Waning of Tagu 1384 ME

22 April 2022

### **Esteemed Ethnic Armed Organizations and People,**

The government and the Tatmadaw have firmly granted for building the Union country based on democracy and federal system that EAOs have been demanding in successive eras. The Diamond Jubilee Independence Day falls on coming 4 January 2023. Current events prove that ethnic people have not thoroughly enjoyed the essence of 75-year independence yet. The root cause depends on the ethnic armed conflicts based on different opinions.

Only when we solve it will the people firmly enjoy the essence of democracy and independence. Hence, I have told that 2022 is set as the year of peace, and we will strive to end the armed conflicts across the nation.

As it is necessary to implement such a process practically, I invite leaders of the EAOs to hold the meeting. I myself will meet with all groups. And then, the representatives who are in the capacity of the State Administration Council members will hold talks with them.

If necessary, further talks will take place. The leaders themselves and two members from each EAO are to attend the talks. Those candidates who attend the talks must be enlisted no later than 9 May 2022.

After holding coordination between both sides, I'd like to say that the date of the talks will be set. We all will join hands together in holding talks honestly and transparently to enable all ethnic people to enjoy the essence of peace and development.

I'd like to urge all to cooperate with us to serve the interests of all citizens of the Union.

Thank you all

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (23-4-2022)

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## Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Attends Opening Ceremony of 57<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Gems Emporium



The Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing attended the ceremony to open the 57<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Gems Emporium at Mani Yadana Jade Hall in Nay Pyi Taw on 22 April. The meeting was attended by members of the SAC, Union Ministers, chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council, mayor of Central Bank of Myanmar, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, departmental personnel, officials of Myanmar Gems Entrepreneurs Association and gems traders.

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ums by Hong Kong dollar and Thai baht in addition to US dollar, Euro and Yuan. Afterwards, the Prime Minister of the State inspected the situations on the improvement of the jade park and attended to the needs for the reports of the officials.

The largest jade stone was cut from the 308-tonne jade rock excavated from block-2 being operated in mutual interest with the State in Metlinchaung mine in Lonkhin-Phakant gem land. It is a quality utility jade stone, and its reserve price is calculated as more than 5 million euros.

The jade park, located on 8.26 acres of land, was inaugurated in 2010. A total of 5,117 pieces of uncut jade stones and 14,252 other uncut stones are allotted in the park. In accord with the guidance of the Chairman of the SAC Prime Minister, the park has been upgraded as of February 2022.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (23-4-2022)



# Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing Attends and Honours the Opening Ceremony of 57<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Gems Emporium





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## Office of the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Issued a Statement on Peace

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Office of Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services issued a statement that the Tatmadaw will take necessary actions in response to the attack if they do so, on 22 April.

### Statement on Peace

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**Office of Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services**  
**Statement on Peace**  
**(7<sup>th</sup> Waning of Tagu 1384 ME)**  
**(22 April 2022)**

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The Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services said that the upcoming 4 January 2023 is Diamond Jubilee Independence Day as well as the current 2022 is peaceful year. Moreover, as it is necessary to implement peace process practically, the Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister invite leaders of the EAOs to discuss frankly in-person in the meeting. The Prime Minister of the State will meet with all groups.

During the invitation period for peace talks and in the progress of talks, ethnic armed organizations should not make activities that can affect peace, such as recruitment, operations, land expansion and attacks on bases and headquarters of security members who are serving duties for security and the rule of law. If they do so, the Tatmadaw will take necessary actions in response to the attacks.

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### Union Ministers, Deputy Minister and NSPNC Secretary Receive Cambodian Delegation led by Secretary of State of Cambodia and Head of Office of Special Envoy of ASEAN Chair



U Ko Ko Hlaing, Union Minister for International Cooperation receiving the delegation led by Secretary of State of Cambodia and Head of Office of Special Envoy of ASEAN Chair

U Ko Ko Hlaing, Union Minister for International Cooperation and Dr Thet Thet Khaing, Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr Thet Thet Khaing, Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Myo Htut and the National Solidarity and Peacemaking Negotiation Committee (NSPNC) Secretary Lt-Gen Min Naung received the Cambodian delegation led by H.E Dr Kung Phoak, Secretary of State for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Cambodia and the Head of the office of the Special Envoy of the ASEAN Chair at the respective ministries in Nay Pyi Taw on 20 and 21 April.

- During the call, U Ko Ko Hlaing said that Myanmar expects patience, understanding and strong support from ASEAN for the implementation of the Five-Point Consensus. As Myanmar has prioritized the policy of no one left behind and conducting vaccination programmes for EAOs as well, and therefore, all of the works and initiatives that come from ASEAN and External Partners should be in line with the process and framework of Myanmar's Government. H.E Dr Kung Phoak expressed sincere appreciation to Myanmar's Government for the arrangement of the visit and for candid and frank discussions at



**Dr Thet Thet Khaing, Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement receiving the delegation led by Secretary of State of Cambodia and Head of Office of Special Envoy of ASEAN Chair**

the meetings. He also informed that Cambodia respects Myanmar's sovereignty and territorial integrity and has been seeking for all possible means to assist Myanmar, with no intention to interfere in other countries' domestic problems. He then said that Cambodia has a similar historical background to Myanmar and understands the complexity of internal problems.

- During the call between Union Minister Dr Thet Thet Khaing and the Cambodian Secretary of State and Head of the office of the Special Envoy of the ASEAN Chair, the coordination meeting which will be hosted in Cambodia in May and the matters of humanitarian assistance being implemented by the National Disaster Management Committee were frankly discussed under the topic relating to the Phase-2 provision of Humanitarian Assistance by ASEAN to Myanmar.
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voy of the ASEAN Chair, the Phase-1 implementation of the provision of ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance to Myanmar through the AHA Centre was reviewed and the views on the preparation for the Phase-2 provision of Humanitarian Assistance to Myanmar, including the initiatives proposed by Cambodia were exchanged.

- During the talk between National Solidarity and Peacemaking Negotiation Committee Secretary Lt-Gen Min Naung and the Cambodian Secretary of State and Head of the office of the Special Envoy of the ASEAN Chair, the matters on the implementation of peacemaking processes, holding dialogues with ethnic armed organizations, and the cooperation with relevant organizations for the matters of humanitarian assistance, the humanitarian assistance to Myanmar, further support in peace processes in Myanmar and negotiations to resolve the current issues were also discussed.





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## Meetings Relating to Using Foreign Currencies to Facilitate Export/Import Functions of Special Economic Zones, and Trade Businesses Held



Meeting relating to using foreign currencies to facilitate the export/ import functions was virtually held at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Commerce on 20 April. During the meeting the Union Minister Dr. Pwint San highlighted the following points:

- The economic businesses are to be implemented as per relevant domestic laws and there shall be effective coordination among Management Committees of Special Economic Zones, Chambers of Commerce and Industry, and banks in order to facilitate the business processes.
- Entrepreneurs are required to make the lists of manufacturing products and the foreign and local currencies shall be used in accord with laws.

The Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar-CBM U Than Nyein stressed the following points:

- Despite the certain concerns of businesspersons from the Special Economic

Zones regarding the Order No. 12/2022 issued by the Central Bank of Myanmar, the arising matters will be settled in line with the Special Economic Zone Law.

- With regard to the use of foreign currency, it can be continued as per the current process.
- In case businesspersons encounter difficulties, they can report to the Foreign Currency Management Committee and CBM as well.

The Union Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations U Aung Naing Oo discussed the following points:

- For the business companies that do not possess foreign currency, they can make payments to the foreign suppliers after exchanging the local currency to foreign currency. The Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for such payments is being drafted and will be finalized and publicized soon.

- The Union Minister also stated that he discussed the points so that the businesspersons know the implementation progress of the Foreign Currency Management Committee in order to facilitate the matters relating to the use of foreign currency of companies that invested in the Special Economic Zones.

During the coordination meeting of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry and other relevant associations on using foreign currency to facilitate the trading businesses, the Union Minister Dr. Pwint San said the following points:

- Export/import licenses are being issued to facilitate the trading matters of com-

panies doing export/ import businesses.

- Five prioritizing groups are categorized based on data in solving the difficulties in the matters of payments and withdrawal relating to CMB.
- Relevant Ministries are not only responsible for the facilitation of the trading businesses, the timely cooperation of the individuals relating to the private sector, trading and providing services as well as others concerned are also required.

At the meeting, as the Chambers of Commerce and Industry and other relevant associations made active discussions, the Union Ministers and Governor of CMB coordinated with them.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (21.4.2022)

- **Union Minister for Commerce Dr. Pwint San said entrepreneurs are required to make the lists of manufacturing products and the foreign and local currencies shall be used in accord with laws.**
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## Union Minister U Tin Htut Oo Attends 23<sup>rd</sup> Governing Council Meeting of Centre on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific (CIRDAP)



Thailand hosted the 23<sup>rd</sup> Governing Council (GC-23) Meeting of the Center on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific (CIRDAP) virtually on 21 April. A Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation U Tin Htut Oo who is also a member of 23<sup>rd</sup> Governing Council and officials joined the meeting.

At the meeting, the Thailand Advisor of the Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives Mr Alongkorn Polabutr presided at the meeting and the Union Minister U Tin Htut Oo said the following points:

- Efforts are being made for the increasing of the rural people income, poverty alleviation and raising socioeconomic status of the rural people in the by the financial year.
- Moreover, reducing the impact on the rural area economy as a result of COVID-19 pandemic, recovery processes in the post-COVID-19 period and cooperation works with member countries to adopt

the digital communication technology of CIRDAP.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation of Myanmar became CIRDAP member in 1995. The member countries - Bangladesh, Myanmar, Laos, Nepal, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Iran, India, Pakistan and Fiji and except Afghanistan joined the virtual meeting.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (22-4-2022)

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### Union Minister for Electricity and Energy U Aung Than Oo Attends 3<sup>rd</sup> BIMSTEC Energy Ministers' Meeting



The 3<sup>rd</sup> BIMSTEC Energy Ministers' Meeting was hosted in Nepal on 21 April and a delegation led by Union Minister for Electricity and Energy U Aung Than Oo attended the meeting via videoconferencing.

In the meeting, the Ministers for Electricity and Energy from member states of BIMSTEC - Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Thailand - exchanged views on following matters:

- Measures taken to promote the electricity and energy sector development in their respective nations and studies on drafting the Master Plan on Power Interconnection.
- The operation conditions of BIMSTEC Energy Sector and expansion of cross-

border gas and electricity trade among the member countries.

- The approval of the decisions of the third, fourth and fifth BIMSTEC Senior Officers' Meetings, and a joint statement was issued by the Ministers of Electricity and Energy of the member states.

The meeting was attended by the Union Minister, Deputy Minister U Thant Zin and the officials from Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Electricity and Energy and the fourth BIMSTEC Energy Ministers' Meeting will be held in India in 2024, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (21-4-2022)



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### Plans are underway to Conduct Myanmar Population and Housing Census in 2024 by Setting Implementation Plan



Aiming to collect Myanmar Population and Housing Census in 2024, a coordination meeting on formation of Central Census Commission and Committee in accord with the Myanmar Population and Housing Census Law No. 3 enacted on 29 July 2013, was held at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Immigration and Population in Nay Pyi Taw on 21 April.

During the meeting, the Union Minister U Khin Yi stressed the following points:

- Myanmar has collected nationwide census in 2014 and the next time is in 2024.
- Plans are being made to collect the census in 2024 with four working steps such as preparation process, collecting census data, compiling the statistics and making assessment and issuing reports in nearly 51 months started from October 2021 to Decem-

ber 2025.

- During the term of current government, for the preparation process, the five steps out of eight steps including compiling basis data, drafting master plan for census collecting, formation of census commission and committees at respective levels, drawing map with the use of GIS technology, planning the collecting plots, and compiling sample questions will be implemented by scheduling as the first process.

Afterwards, Director of Department of Population explained the plans to collect Myanmar Population and Housing Census, and the formation of Central Census Commission and Committee (draft). The attendees then gave suggestions with their supportive plans.



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### Union Minister Dr. Htay Aung Attends 21<sup>st</sup> Global Tourism Conference Organized by World Travel and Tourism Council



The 21<sup>st</sup> Global Tourism Conference led by Ministry of Tourism (Philippines), organized by the World Travel and Tourism Council-WTTC was held in Manila, the Philippines, on 22 and 23 April. Officials led by Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism Dr. Htay Aung attended the conference through videoconferencing.

On the first day of the conference, chairman and chief executive officer of the World Travel and Tourism Council, Minister for Tourism of the Philippines and officials discussed under the topic of the “Rediscovering Travel” to developing new ways to resume tourism matters. On the second day, private entrepreneurs and experts from various countries and officials dis-

cussed under the topic of promoting sustainable development in all tourism sectors in the future.

Myanmar, which is rich in tourism resources and attractions, is planning to attract international tourists following the COVID-19 rules and regulations and will be able to contribute to the sustainable development of tourism sector in the future by incorporating the findings of this global tourism conference, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (23-4-2022)

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### 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Convocation Ceremonies of Post-Graduate Courses of Defence Services Medical Academy Held



The 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> convocation ceremonies and the 11<sup>th</sup> convocation ceremony of post-graduate courses of Defence Services Medical Academy (DSMA) were held at the convocation hall of DSMA in Mingaladon township of Yangon region on 23 and 24 April respectively. The commandant, rector and faculty members of DSMA, officers who will be conferred Ph.D, Master and Diploma degrees, and their family members, and invited guests attended the ceremonies.

During the three convocation ceremonies, rector of DSMA conferred Ph.D degree on 103 students, Master of Medical Sciences on 112 students, Diploma in Medical Education on 56 students, Diploma in Medicine on 45 students, totalling 316 graduated students. Moreover, the Ph.D degree

on three students, Master of Medical Sciences on 307 students, Diploma in Medical Education on 31 students, Diploma in Medicine on 77 students, totalling 418 graduated students were conferred through online system.

The DSMA conferred Master of Medical Sciences on 2490 students, Doctor of Clinical Practice on 207 students, Diploma in Medical Education on 268 students, and Diploma in Medicine on 269 students up to date. Now, 58 students are attending at the Master of Medical Science Course No. (27), 201 students at Course No. (28), 304 students at Course No. (29), totalling 563 students.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (25.4.2022)





Attendees of post-graduate convocation ceremony taking a commemorative photo

- The rector of DSMA conferred degrees on 316 students, and then other 418 students through online system at the 9th, 10th and 11th convocation ceremonies of post-graduate courses of DSMA.
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### The 57<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Gems Emporium Held

The 57<sup>th</sup> Gems Emporium has been held from 22 and 28 April and 2,000 jade lots, 330 pearl lots, and 120 gems lots, owned by the state companies and private companies, are being sold through an open tender system at the emporium as per COVID-19 precautionary rules -

- On 23 April, the 110 pearl lots from No.1 Pearl tender box and 110 pearl lots from No.2 Pearl tender box, totaling 220 pearls lots were sold.
- On 24 April, the 110 pearl lots from No.3 Pearl tender box were sold.

It is reported that the pearl lots are floor-

priced in US dollars, and foreign gem traders can pay in US dollars and Yuan, and local gem traders can pay in US dollars, Yuan, and Kyat. Gems and Jade lots are floor-priced in Euros and the gem traders can purchase them in US dollars, Yuan and Euros in this emporium.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (25-4-2022)



## Photos of Holding the 57<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Gems Emporium



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Photos of Holding the 57<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Gems Emporium





## AstraZeneca Vaccines Donated by Malaysia Arrived at Yangon International Airport



500,000 doses of AstraZeneca Covid-19 vaccines donated by Malaysian government for COVID-19 prevention and control activities arrived at Yangon International Airport from Kuala Lumpur International Airport on 20 April. The vaccines were handed over and received by relevant officials.

The vaccines will be inoculated to the target groups in regions and states at the public hospitals and vaccination sites as per National Deployment Plan.

The Ministry of Health received a total of 45.7 million of COVID-19 vaccines

purchased from abroad (15.4 million doses of Covishield, 26.7 million doses of Sinopharm, three million doses of Sinovac, 0.6 million doses of Sputnik-V) and a total of 20.4 million doses as donations (2.6 million doses of Covishield, 3.5 million doses of Sinopharm, 9.2 million doses of Sinovac, 3.2 million doses of Covaxin, 1.5 million doses of AstraZeneca and 0.4 million doses of Sputnik-V), totaling 66.1 million doses.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (21-4-2022)

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## Rice and Wheat Donated by Government of India to Myanmar Stored in Warehouses Systematically and Preparations Made for Distribution to People



The Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, the Yangon Region Chief Minister, the Military Regional Commander and departmental officials inspected the store of rice and wheat donated by the Government of India to Myanmar as a humanitarian assistance in the warehouses and the distribution of them to people. Then, they coordinated the necessities.

- On 20 April, 11,214 bags of rice and 277 bags of wheat were distributed to 11,214 households in the Nyaung Gone ward, the Aung Mingala ward and 21 villages of Dala Township.
- On 21 April, 2,425 bags of rice and 60 bags of wheat were distributed to 2,425

households in nine wards of Seik Gyi Kha Naung To Township.

- The preparations to distribute rice and wheat to people in eastern and western Hlaing Thaya township were inspected on 22 April.
- The distribution of rice and wheat to people in Tharketa and Eastern Dagon Myothit townships were inspected on 23 April.

The bags of rice and wheat donated by the Government of India were distributed to people in five townships of Yangon region from 20 to 23 April.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (24.4.2022)

- **The officials inspected the systematic store of rice and wheat donated by the Government of India in warehouses and the distribution of rice and wheat donated by Government of India to people.**
- **The bags of rice and wheat were distributed to people in five townships of Yangon region from 20 to 23 April.**

# The Photos of Rice and Wheat Donated by Government of India to Myanmar Stored in Warehouses Systematically and Preparations Made for Distribution to People





## Departmental Staff Living in Safe Havens away from the Violent Attacks of PDF Terrorist Groups Provided Food Items and Medical Assistance in Pinlebu Township



Sagaing Region Chief Minister providing aids to departmental officials in Pinlebu Township

In Pinlebu township of Sagaing region, security forces and responsible officials are providing necessary assistance to the departmental staff who are living in safe havens away from the extremists of NLD party supporters' and PDF terrorist groups' unlawful activities of threatening, killings, arson attacks and explosions. The officials are helping them ease their hardships living conditions and return to their respective natives.

In doing so, on 22 April, the Chief Minister of Sagaing region and the Com-

mander of the Northwest Command visited and encouraged the departmental staff and fulfil their needs by providing K30 million, three bags of dried fish, five boxes of canned fish, 14 boxes of instant noodles, 14 boxes of vermicelli, instant coffee sachets, and a box of various medicines donated by the region government as well as 30 boxes of Royal D juice, 30 visses of dried fish, 40 boxes of instant noodles, 1000 eggs, 100 packages of shrimp paste, 30 bottles of effervescent tablets donated by the Regional Command.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (24.4.2022)

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- Officials provided K30 million, three bags and 30 visses of dried fish, five boxes of canned fish, 54 boxes of instant noodles, 14 boxes of vermicelli, instant coffee sachets, and a box of various medicines 30 boxes of Royal D juice, 30 bottles of effervescent tablets, 1000 eggs, 100 packages of shrimp paste to the departmental staff living in safe havens and also fulfilled their needs.



## Two Young Novices Killed and One Injured in the Explosion of IED Planted by PDF Terrorist Group



A young novice receiving treatment due to the explosion of IEDs planted by PDF terrorists

On 21 April while Shin Pyin Nyar Nanda (aka) Paing Thu Chit of 13, Shin Thaw Nanda (aka) Hein Wai Yan of 11, living in Myinn Kywa ward of Sar Taung town in Sagaing region, and Shin Dhamma Nanda (aka) Phyo Maung Maung of 10, living in Thein Chaung village, were going back to San Dar Yone monastery after alms round in the Thein Chaung village, an IED mine explosion which was planted by PDF terrorist group occurred near the village on the Sagaing – Shwebo road. It is reported that two young novices of Shin Dhamma Nanda and Shin Thaw Nanda were killed with mine-shrapnel wounds in the bomb blast. Another young novice of Shin Pyin Nyar Nanda was got injured and transported to Public Hospital in Sagaing.

Under the guidance of NUG, armed

PDF terrorists are brutally killing innocent civilians who do not support them at all, upholding the dogma of ‘Whoever with different attitude is my enemy’. In addition to those violent acts, PDF terrorists are also attacking and bombing religious buildings which are sacred to Myanmar Buddhist people violently and making abductions of and assassinations of Buddhist monks.

Until 22 April, 40 Buddhist monks and one nun were killed in terrorists’ brutal attacks, and another 13 Buddhist monks were got injured and three monks are missing in the attacks. It is reported that security forces members are pursuing in line with security measures to identify and arrest the terrorists who caused Buddhist monks and nuns to die and get injured.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (22.4.2022)

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Two young novices passed away in the explosion of IEDs planted by PDF terrorists

## PDF Terrorists Brutally Killed a Deputy Headmaster of Basic Education High School

The deputy headmaster U Thaung Tin Tun, 55 from Basic Education High School-BEHS of Budalin township of Sagaing region was reportedly killed by terrorists on 21 April. While the victim was at the grocery store named ‘Taw Wun Tun’ opened in front of his house located beside Monywa - Yay-U road, two terrorists appeared and opened fire to him. He was left with gunshot wounds and died while taking treatments at public hospital of the township.

On the course of utter devastation, the PDF terrorists under the directives of NUG terrorist group, with the intent to dis-

rupt the peaceful study of students, are not only carrying out IED and arson attacks on schools, but also brutally killing the innocent civilians and education staff of teachers. In this regard, up to 23 April, 12 male teachers, 13 female teachers and three staff were brutally killed while 9 male teachers, 14 female teachers and five staff were injured.

It is reported that necessary measures have been taken to identify and arrest the terrorists who killed the teachers teaching students as the good nature of civil servants.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (23-4-2022)

- The deputy headmaster U Thaung Tin Tun was shot by two terrorists while he was at the grocery store named ‘Taw Win Tun’. The victim died of the gunshot wounds although he was taken to Budalin public hospital for treatment.
- Up to 23 April, 12 male teachers, 13 female teachers and three staff were brutally killed while 9 male teachers, 14 female teachers and five staff were injured due to the brutal killings by terrorists.



## A Car-Bomb Blast Takes Place at Myanmar Side Gateway of Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge No. (1) in Myawady Town



On 22 April while the security forces led by Police sub-lieutenant Ye Win Naing together with militiamen were doing security duty, a car with no driver crashed and exploded at the gateway on Myanmar side of the Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge No. (1). Due to the bomb blast, the Police sub-lieutenant got fire-burn injuries in his right temple and forehead as well as minor abrasions to the back of his head and around his body. The Police lance-corporal Win Thein Oo also got minor injuries of lacerations to his left forearm. Both of them were reportedly transported to Myawady District Hospital.

Due to the car bomb blast, the car itself was completely destroyed and another vehicle parking near the bridge was also caught fire that was later put out by two fire-engines. The roof of the gateway on Myanmar side of the Friendship Bridge No. (1) and the Immigration building as well as the window glasses of the houses on the left

side of the bridge were also destroyed. It is reported that the amount of loss comes under the scrutiny.

Some EAOs and terrorists are making destructive acts on State-owned and private-owned buildings as well as residential houses of non-military targets. As those terrorists are carrying out motiveless bomb attacks on roads and bridges which facilitate the bilateral trade, the entire people are facing problems in transport and communication sector.

The team led by the Police Lieutenant Colonel Ye Min Thu, the Commander of Myawady District Police Force, the team led by the Police Major Myo Min Zaw, the Commander of Township Police Force and the team led by Lieutenant Kaung Khant Hein of Infantry Regiment (275) has inspected the scene and are urgently undertaking necessary measures to arrest the terrorist who committed the car bomb attack.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (25.4.2022)

- Since a bomb attack using a car was conducted at the gateway of Myanmar side of the Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge No.(1) in Myawady town, two police force members doing security duty got minor injuries, and vehicles and building were damaged.



## Terrorists who Committed Crimes in the Hlinethaya (East) and Hlinethaya (West) Townships Given Respective Sentences

Terrorists who committed the murder crimes in Hlinethaya (East) and Hlinethaya (West) Townships of Yangon region were convicted by Military Tribunal under Martial Law order given respective sentences on 22 April 2022 as follows:

- Kyaw Soe Htet (aka) Kyaung Sayar, Ye Yint Aung (aka) Ye Gyi and Htay Thanda (aka) Htay Htay, residents of Hline-thayar (west) township were respectively sentenced to ‘life imprisonment’ under the Section 50(I) and (J) of Counter Terrorism Law for participating in protests in February 2021, taking trainings in EAO area, carrying out IED attacks on public places including the police outposts, hiding IEDs, and providing cash assistance for terrorist trainings.
- Moreover, Kyaw Thiha Tun (aka) Thiha living in Hlinethayar (east) were sen-

tenced to 20 years of imprisonment with labour under section 302 (2)/ 114 of Penal Code for involving in the case in which U Thein Oo and U Mya Than living on Aungyadanar street, no. (8) ward were severely beaten and burnt alive on used tyres to death after being accused of ‘dalan/ informant’.

It is reported that 23 types of crimes adjudicated by Military Tribunal in the townships under Martial Law order has been released as an appendix and effective and prompt legal actions have been taken against those who committed the crimes.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (24.4.2022)



Offender Kyaw Soe Htet, Ye Yint Htoo and Htay Thandar (Sentenced to life imprisonment)



Offender Kyaw Thiha Tun (Sentenced to 20 years imprisonment with hard labour)

- **Three offenders including Kyaw So Htet (aka) Kyaung Sayar, residents of Hline-thayar (west) township were respectively sentenced to ‘life imprisonment’ under the Section 50(I) and (J) of Counter Terrorism Law.**
- **Kyaw Thiha Tun (aka) Thiha living in Hlinethayar (east) were sentenced to 20 years of imprisonment with labour under section 302 (2)/ 114 of Penal Code for giving helping hand in the crime of murder.**