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The Union Government meeting 5/2022 was held at the meeting hall of the Office of the Chairman of the State Administration Council on 22 August. During the meeting, the Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing stressed the following points:

- It is the first meeting after reforming the Government. When we started to assume the State responsibilities and commenced the government in 2021, it comprised with people from political parties, retired civil servants and senior officials in service in order to effectively run the functions of a government.
- The political, economic and social objectives have been laid down and implemented which are essential aspects of a State. We also encountered difficulties during the implementation of the objectives.
- When we assumed the State's responsibilities, we faced the second wave of COVID-19 and also encountered the difficulties of medicines and health workers at the same time. During the second

wave of COVID-19, there were 142,941 infected patients in total. During the third wave, the infection rate became remarkedly rising with 391,353 infected patients reaching the death toll to 16,095. It was the worst time of pandemic and our Government managed to overcome it.

- During the period, the Government's functions were highly impacted due to the CDM staff. The Government did not receive the taxes fully and had undergone the hard time by focusing only on the agricultural and livestock businesses.
- From the beginning of the fourth wave of COVID-19 to 21 August 2022, there were only 79,983 infected people and 127 deaths. It was much less than the third wave in comparison.
- That was the result of the effective participation of the people and the good friendly neighbours of China and Thailand that provided many assistances to Myanmar and it is really appreciated.
- Their timely assistances considerably reduced the infection rate in the country.
   Other countries also helped Myanmar.



Our government has been firmly practicing the five principles of peacefully coexistence with regards to the relations with other countries.

- The reforming the Government intends to facilitate its functions and also to ensure right people are in right place.
- The administration must always be implementing its objectives.
- Invitations are extended to the Ethnic Armed Organizations-EAOs to take further steps on the way paved by the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement-NCA and so far, there are 10 EAOs of NCA signatories.
- As it is important to end the armed conflicts in our country, we are now holding peace talks with armed organizations.
- We will implement the peace process based on the State Constitution (2008) and NCA and also try to reach agreement with the EAOs by holding peace talks repeatedly.
- They can discuss about the rights of their regions and ethnic people on the political stage of Hluttaw. If they want to conduct economic activities, the State will provide necessary assistance so that they can do businesses that meet legal re-

quirements.

- In case they still want to hold arms, they will be allowed to join the Tatmadaw and Border Guard Forces.
- However, if they had made activities inflicting damages to the People and the victims want to claim their losses, it must be resolved as per relevant laws.
- Our country is a UN member State that has practiced the independent, active and non-aligned foreign policy aimed at world peace and friendly relations with nations and upholds the principles of peaceful co-existence among nations and it is also a member of ASEAN and BIM-STEC which has five neighbouring countries.
- Our country has followed the provisions of the Charters of the organizations and not a member of any military bloc.
- principles to follow such as freedom, sovereignty, equality, and territory integrity of all member States as well as respecting the national characteristics, and non-interferences of member States, law enforcement, good government, democratic principles and the government formed by the State Constitution.



- Reviewing the principles can reflect the current situation. The Union Ministers are required to respond appropriately when they react with international community.
- The government is responsible to implement the socio-economic development of the State. The socio-economy covers the sectors of social, education and health. In our county, the education sector has certain weaknesses. The interval census data collected in 2019 showed the weakness in the field of basic education and we are obliged to emphasize on the education sector development.
- 70 percent of entire population are living in rural areas while that rest are living in urban areas. As the people in rural areas are primarily relying on the agricultural and livestock businesses, education of the rural children is found to be weak. Therefore, socio-economic conditions of the people from rural areas must be enhanced by promoting the education and health sectors.
- It is required to promote awareness programs in education so that children can perceive the genuine and disciplined de-

- mocracy systems. During the government led by President U Thein Sein, teaching programs were implemented by the cooperation of Japan to teach school children about the democratic lessons.
- It is required to modify the lessons to meet Myanmar traditional customs and teach them in basic education schools to promote the awareness of democracy for children.
- The education staff are endowed with extra payments and other benefits. The locals are also required to assist the education staff for the interests of their areas. It is also important to spend the education funds in the practical areas for education sector development.
- In the economic sector, the currency in circulation will be secured providing that the production, trades and financial and banking systems are in good conditions that ensure generating wages from manufacturing process.
- In order to ensure the right and proper circulation of the processes in good financial systems, our government has made utmost efforts not to topple the banking system during the early days of

our administration.

- The manufacturing processes are now back to normal conditions in all regions and states except for Chin state, Sagaing region and Kayah state.
- PDF terrorists and some EAOs are interested in the far north area of Sagaing region because of transportation difficulties. As it is found they are collecting more arms and ammunitions in the area, we need to be in security awareness as EAOs are making to provoke battles out of their areas.
- A total of over K400 billion was reserved for COVID-19 prevention and control activities. The expenses for COVID-19 treatment and prevention activities including hospitals and clinics were applied from COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment fund, not from regular funds.
- After the meeting with Union ministers to regularly operate COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment fund, that fund was transformed to State Economic Promotion Fund that was disbursed for agricultural and livestock sectors of the regions and states.
- As the said funds are owned by the State, it is necessary to utilize them for the development of State's finance and public life.
- As cultivating summer paddy and green grams in all regions and states will benefit the State, plans are underway to implement them.
- Emerald Green project implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation and Ministry of Cooperatives and Rural Development is a successful project that promoted the farm-

ers' lives.

- The SME businesses will be encouraged for manufacturing as well as the businesses of rice mills, oil mills and bean separator machines will also be encouraged.
- By doing those businesses to develop, the socioeconomic of the farmers and workers who are related to those businesses will be promoted.
- Likewise, the relevant ministry is necessary to invite local and foreign investments for the job opportunities of the people living in urban areas. The investments that really benefit the State need to be encouraged.
- Regarding the COVID-19 prevention and control activities, a total of over 8.6 million persons had been tested COVID-19 up to 21 August. Among them, over 610,000 persons were confirmed and death toll reached at over 19,000 persons.
- Ministry of Health, Tatmadaw and private organizations gave full vaccination to more than 31.9 million persons. A total of over 3.6 million people have been vaccinated against COVID-19 for first doses and about 5 million people for booster doses.
- According to the calculation of the Ministry of Health and medical experts from the Tatmadaw medical corps, the infection rates of COVID-19 are likely to increase in August. Therefore, the relevant authorities are necessary to carry out COVID-19 prevention and control activities and supervise the public to follow disciplines.
- As regards to the production of COVID-19 vaccine, Myancopharm vaccines will

- continuously be produced as per the requirements of the country.
- The government set roadmaps, objectives, national visions and State visions as our goals. The government is main responsibilities to prevent the derailment of the path to reach our goals as well as the political parties and citizens are also required to collaborate.
- As we have to move forward as "Moving Forward", all officials are necessary to achieve the tasks in their respective designated departments.
- In expanding new districts, it is required to open the district offices if they are of importance. Mainly, the offices must be opened in Self-Administered Zones and Areas to promote the socioeconomic.
- Beans are the most export product of Myanmar in ASEAN but beans and rice production rates still decrease.
- In ASEAN, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam exported rice as their main export products. Myanmar has 6.65 million hectares of paddy field according to the reports of FAO.
- The targets have already been set to produce 100 baskets per acre in summer paddy cultivation and 80 baskets per acre in monsoon paddy cultivation in

- our country. Therefore, the relevant ministry and farmers are required to reach the said targets with utmost efforts.
- If the rice production will increase, the rice can be more exported. As a result, the State will increase its income as well as the farmers will also receive many benefits.
- It is necessary to collect tax and to prevent illegal trade. The officials are systematically carried out to receive tax from the tax evaders.
- It is necessary to carry out to decrease the prices of commodities and increase the monetary value. It is also required to increase the State income and stand a stable economic of the country by collecting taxes with the concerted efforts.
- If we will implement successfully those activities, our achievements can be recorded. Therefore, Union level and officials of respective ministries are urged to implement with all-round efforts.

Also present at the meeting were Vice-Chairman of the SAC Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, Union ministers and Union level officials. The Nay Pyi Taw council chairman and chief ministers of regions and states joined the event through Videoconferencing.

Source: Myawady Television (22-8-2022)

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A ceremony to present cash rewards in honour of medalists of the Myanmar sport contingent that participated in the 11<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Para Games held in Indonesia was organized at the Wunna Theikdi Indoor Stadium on 20 August. The Chairman of State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing delivered an address and presented cash rewards at the ceremony.

Also present together with the Senior General were SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, SAC members, Union-level officials, Union ministers, the Nay Pyi Taw Council chairman, senior military officers, presidents and vice-presidents of sports federations, invited guests, athletes, managers, coaches and officials.

The Senior General stressed the following points during the ceremony:

 Victory in sports uplifts the prestige of the State and its nationals in the international community and sports competitions are dubbed as fighting without arms.

- Sports do not stop at the stage for health purposes as well as for sports as its integrity and situation are higher due to changing situations. Now, sport is a national duty for the athletes to uplift the honour of the State and the nationals.
- The WHO stated percentage of persons with disabilities rose to 15 per cent of the global people today.
- It is necessary to allow rights to the persons with disabilities as some 1,000 million population with disabilities become a number which attention should be paid.
- Based on data from the 2014 census, there were some 2.3 million persons with disabilities accounting for 4.6 per cent in Myanmar.
- position in 11<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Para Games international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, charity organizations and well-wishers help persons with disabilities rehabilitate themselves and uplift their prestige and enjoy equal terms of rights with ordinary people.



Prime Minister presenting rewards to a gold medalist

- In the 11<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Para Games, Myanmar sent a total of 113 members, including 69 athletes in seven kinds of sports together with 40 managers/coaches, four referees to compete in the games. and. 113 Myanmar paralympic team secured 14 golds, 12 silvers and 17 bronzes, totalling 43 medals, standing in the 6<sup>th</sup> position among 11 countries.
- As an acknowledgment of vigorous efforts of the athletes, K200,000 and US\$ 200 each were provided to all athletes and US\$100 each to coaches and managers before departing for the competition. In the competition, gold medalist was awarded US\$1,000, silver medalist US\$700 and bronze US\$500, US\$500 each for those from the silver medal winning team and US\$300 each for those from the bronze medal winning team.
- At this honorary event also, as promised, gold medalists will be awarded K30 million each, silver medalists will be awarded K20 million each, bronze medalists will be awarded K10 million.
- Each member of gold medal winning teams will be awarded K10 million, each member of silver medal winning teams will be awarded K7 million, and each

- member of bronze medal winning teams will be awarded K3.5 million. Coaches who helped to achieve gold medals will be awarded K10 million each, coaches who helped to achieve silver medals will be awarded K5 million each, coaches who helped to achieve bronze medals will be awarded K3 million each.
- Managerial teams who helped to achieve gold medals will be awarded K10 million each, managerial teams who helped to achieve silver medals will be awarded K5 million each, managerial teams who helped to achieve bronze medals will be awarded K3 million each, totalling K1,006 million.

Then, the Senior General presented rewards to 10 medalists, who won gold medals in track and field events that include track events, the discus and the shot-put events and the javelin throw events and gold, silver and bronze medals in swimming events.

The Vice-Senior General presented rewards to 5 medalists, who won silver medals in track and field events that include track events, long jump events, the discus and the shot-put events and the javelin throw events and high jump events, and sil-



Prime Minister and party hosting tea to the athletes and coaches who brought honor to the State

ver and bronze medals in swimming events. Members of SAC also presented rewards to the medal winning athletes, managers and coaches who brought honor to the State.

Afterwards, the Senior General and party cordially greeted the athletes and coaches, and served them with tea.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (21-8-2022)

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### Vice-Chairman of State Administration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win Addresses Anti-Illegal Trade Steering Committee Meeting (4/2022)



The Anti-Illegal Trade Steering Committee held its meeting (4/2022) at the Nyilakhan Hall of the Ministry of Commerce in Nay Pyi Taw on 19 August. The Chairman of the Anti-illegal Trade Steering Committee Vice-Chairman of the State Administration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win addressed the meeting as follows:

- The Anti-Illegal Trade Steering Committee has worked for nine months after reconstitution.
- In reviewing seizures by month, seizures in June this year hit K3.4 billion compared with K6.1 billion in July, nearly doubling the seizures.
- In reviewing seizures in regions and states, the seizure in Bago Region was the largest amount in July while most of regions and states nabbed the volume of seizures larger than the previous months.
- Seizures of illegal trade volume worth K31.28 billion in 2,182 cases within seven months from January to July exceeded K25.46 billion in 930 cases in the corresponding period of last year.
- Members of special task forces and OSS

- need to strive for effectively seize illegal trade goods and help traders work on the right path for doing correct trade processes.
- With regard to the seized items, it is necessary to avoid delay of work procedures from the seizures to auction under the departmental procedures, to the tasks in a quick process and rapidly allot the rewards for seizures.
- Especially, duty assigned staff need to seek the narcotic drugs, arms and ammunition, explosives carried by vehicles without register at the checkpoints in various ways and means.
- Security is of importance in combating the illegal trade for correct information, information security and security for informants. The collected information must be analyzed, and then personnel need to be grouped for security to carry out the tasks in unison so as to reach the goal.
- The relevant departments need to inspect and take security respectively. Security is crucial in the border areas.
- As actually levying the tax is playing a

key role in development of the nation, loss in illegal trade must be presented to the people via media on a wider scale. Assigned staff and service organizations need to take the full amount of tax for the State as a national duty with duty conscience. All task forces need to cooperate with each other for taking security of assigned staff and the people in preventing the illegal trade through security outlook and security awareness.

Also present at the meeting were Union ministers Lt-Gen Soe Htut, U Win Shein

and Dr Pwint San, Deputy minister U Nyunt Aung, the chairman of the Revenue Appellate Tribunal, permanent secretaries, directors-general and officials while chairmen of anti-illegal task forces from regions and states attended the meeting through video conferencing.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (20-8-2022)

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## **Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin Receives Special Envoy of United Nations Secretary-General on Myanmar**



U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar received Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Special Envoy of the United Nations Secretary-General to Myanmar at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nay Pyi Taw on 17 August 2022. During the meeting, the Union Minister stressed that it is necessary for the United Nations to constructively and

pragmatically review its approach in its cooperation with Myanmar. He also explained the information on current developments in Myanmar. The deputy minister and senior officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs also attended the meeting, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (18-8-2022)

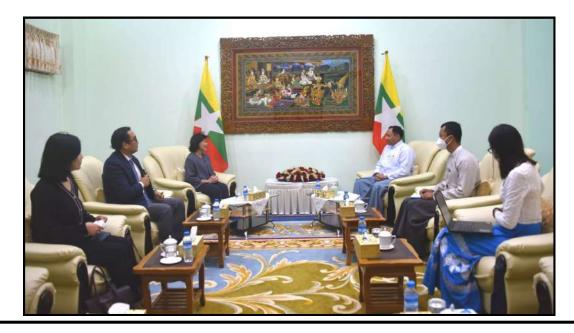
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# Union Minister Lt. Gen Yar Pyae Receives Delegation led by Special Envoy of United Nations Secretary-General on Myanmar

Union Minister Lieutenant General Yar Pyae, Member of the State Administration Council, received the delegation led by Ms. Noeleen Heyzar, special envoy of the United Nations Secretary-General on Myanmar at the Ministry of Union Government Office -1 on 18 August. During the meeting, both sides cordially and frankly exchanged views on the implementation of Myanmar's peace process and the provision of humanitarian assistance.

Special Envoy of the United Nations Secretary-General on Myanmar, Ms Noeleen Heyzer, departed from Myanmar on 18 August 2022 and senior officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs saw her off at the Yangon and Nay Pyi Taw International Airports respectively.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (19-8-2022)



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## Statement of Committee on Prevention of Six Grave Violations against Children in Armed Conflict

Being a State party to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), Myanmar is devoted to ensure the principle of the best interest of the child and to guarantee the rights of the child in accordance with the relevant laws of Myanmar. In doing so, Myanmar has established the Committee on Prevention of Six Grave Violations against Children in Armed Conflict to better protect the children in armed conflicts.

In this regard,

• The first National Action Plan on the Prevention of Killing, Maiming and Sexual Violence against Children in Armed Conflict (2020-2021) was implemented for one year from 10 August 2020 to 10 August 2021. The National Action Plan on the Prevention of Killing, Maiming and Sexual Violence against Children in

Armed Conflict (2022-2023) was submitted to and approved by the State Administration Council on 15 March 2022 for further implementation.

- Survival-centered approach has been applying to maintain confidentiality and to ensure personal security of the victims of the grave violations.
- Regarding the prevention of recruitment and use of children in Armed Forces, the Government of Myanmar signed a Joint Action Plan with the United Nations' Country Task Force on Monitoring and Reporting (UNCT- FMR) on 27 June 2012.
- The National Committee on Prevention of Underage Recruitment was formed on 20 April 2011 to prevent the recruitment and use of minors in the armed forces.
- The Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief

- and Resettlement has been providing rehabilitation services to the discharged minors who were unintentionally recruited in the armed forces due to insufficient documentation to verify their age.
- While the State Administration Council
  has been exerting its efforts with the establishment of the National Committees
  and Working Committees and the implementation of the respective National Action Plans to prevent grave violations
  against children, the terrorist groups are
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- According to the information of the Ministry of Home Affairs, the violence committed by these terrorist groups from 9
   February 2021 to 30 June 2022 led to the death of 76 children, the grievous injury of 200 children, the death of 44 teachers, the serious injury of 46 teachers, the death of 11 healthcare providers and the

- severe injury of 16 healthcare providers.
- The attacks against 583 schools and education centres, 33 hospitals and clinics, and 42 COVID-19 Vaccination Centres were also committed by these terrorist groups.

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has been protect- ing and fulfilling the rights of its children based on the four main pillars of the CRC Convention namely the right to survival, the right to development, the right to protection and the right to participation based on the principles of non-discrimination and of best interests of the child. The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar will take punitive measures against whoever commits grave violations against children in armed conflict and violates the Myanmar Child Rights Law (2019) as per Myanmar's zero tolerance policy towards such heinous crimes.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (18-8-2022)

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A Delegation led by Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Admiral Moe Aung Leaves for Indonesia to Attend 16<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Navy Chiefs' Meeting



A delegation led by Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Admiral Moe Aung left Yangon International Airport on 20 August to attend the 16<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Navy Chiefs' Meeting which will be held in Indonesia. It is reported that the delegation was seen off by

the Commander of Yangon Command and senior officers at the airport.

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## Myanmar Tank Troop Deservedly Secures First Prize in Tank Biathlon Held in the Russian Federation



Myanmar Tatmadaw Tank Troop deservedly won the first prize in the Tank Biathlon (Tank Crews Competition) Division-2 of the International Army Games-2022 organized in the Russian Federation from 15 August.

Together with other teams from Syria, Laos, Iran, Tajikistan, South Ossetia, Abkhazia, Sudan, Zimbabwe, Armenia, and Mali at the Tank Biathlon (Tank Crews Competition) Division-2, the Myanmar tank troop took the driving record, fired three cartridges of 125 mm cannon, 15 cartridges of 12.7 mm surface to air machine gun and 15 cartridges of 7.62 mm mounted machine gun.

The crew-1 of the Myanmar tank troop set 27 min 43 sec of competition record, the crew-2 38 min 14 sec record and the crew-3 30 min 28 sec, totalling 1 hr 36 min 25 sec, hitting 14 of 15 targets. Therefore, Myanmar tank troop deservedly won the first prize among 11 contending troops.

Myanmar tank troop participated in the Tank Biathlon for fifth time including this year event of Tank Biathlon of the International Army Games-2022. Among 22 contending troops, Myanmar stood 16<sup>th</sup> position in 2018, the fifth in division-2 of 2019 among 11 troops, the fourth in the division-2 of 2020 among eight troops, and the third in the dividion-2 of 2021 among eight troops. The Myanmar troops could take competition experiences, technological experiences and friendly relations in the games of international military troops. In addition to, cadets of the Myanmar Armed Forces also participated in three of seven events in the 3<sup>rd</sup> CISM World Cadet Games, standing eighth among 20 country teams.

Moreover, troops of Myanmar Armed Forces are still competing in the Military Medical Relay Race (Medical Staff Competition) and the Sniper Frontier of the International Army Games-2022. A traditional cultural team representing the Myanmar Armed Forces is also participating in Army of Culture, a related competition.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (22-8-2022)



Myanmar Sniper Frontier troop participating in the competition



Traditional cultural team taking part in the competition



Military nurse (female) taking part in the Military Medical Relay Race



Military nurse (male) taking part in the Military Medical Relay Race

- Myanmar Tatmadaw Tank Troop deservedly won the first prize in the Tank Biathlon (Tank Crews Competition) Division-2 of the International Army Games-2022.
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## Photos of Myanmar Tank Troop Deservedly Secured First Prize in Tank Biathlon Held in the Russian Federation







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### State Administration Council Information Team Holds 19th Press Conference



The Information Team of the State Administration Council (SAC) held the 19<sup>th</sup> press conference at the Ministry of Information on 17 August. At the press conference, the leader of the Information Team of the SAC Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun explained the following points with the help of Power-Point presentation and video clips:

- Matters related to the National Defence and Security Council Meeting 2/2022 which was held by SAC on 31 July 2022, undertakings of the tasks by SAC in accord with the adopted roadmap and future plans, and implementation of two national visions and two political visions by the Council.
- Holding the coordination meeting on accomplishments of the Union government attended by Union ministers, region and state chief ministers and chairmen of self-administered zones, and transfer of the fund from the State economic development fund.
- Talks on peace issues between the Prime Minister and 10 Ethnic Armed Organizations (EAOs), situation of signing the

- agreements, and preparations to hold the meeting for the second time.
- Exercising the foreign policy by Myanmar in line with the provisions of the Constitution, and holding talks with the Foreign Affairs Minister of the Russian Federation on his working visit to Myanmar with the Prime Minister.
- Participation of the teams representing the Myanmar Tatmadaw in the International Army Game-2022 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> CISM World Cadet Games being held in the Russian Federation and winning of medals.
- Situation to firmly stand of Myanmar for China as a good neighbouring country, a strategic partner country and a good relationship country.
- Matters related to the 55<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting and related meetings.
- Arrangements for establishment of agriculture, livestock and industrial high schools affiliated at basic education high schools in 50 districts, and terror acts of NUG and so-called PDF terrorist groups

in some regions.

Then, the Union Election Commission (UEC) member U Khin Maung Oo also clarified taking action against those who committed the voting frauds and malpractices in the 2020 general election, progress in checking the ground population and statistics for ensuring correct voter lists, and undertakings of the UEC through PowerPoint Presentation.

The leader of the Information Team of the SAC Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun, UEC

member U Khin Maung Oo and representatives of departmental information teams replied to queries raised by the media, and the press conference ended.

The press conference was attended by members of the SAC Information Team, representatives of ministries, officials from the Tatmadaw True News Information Team, guests, reporters from local news agencies, daily newspapers, local TV broadcasting stations, and local-based foreign news agencies, it is reported.

Source: The Global New Light of Myanmar Newspaper (18-8-2022)

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# Closing Ceremony of On-Job Service Capacity Building Course No. (4/2022) for Staff Officers who will Serve at the UEC and Various Levels of UEC Sub-commission Offices Held

The closing ceremony of on-job service capacity building course No. (4/2022) for staff officers who will serve at the Union Election Commission-UEC and various levels of sub-commission offices was held at the hall of Sin Phyu Shin of Interrogation and Accommodation Centre (Ywardaw) on 19 August.

During the ceremony, the chairman of UEC U Thein Soe highlighted the following points in his speech -

- The upcoming election will alternatively practice the Proportional Representation (PR) system instead of the first-past-thepost (FPTP) system used in previous elections.
- By practicing the PR system alternatively, the votes of the citizens will be less wasted and a highly-capable government can be formed with the participation of representatives from various political parties and all social classes.



- Moreover, political parties of ethnic minorities will also have the right to participate in the legislature and administrative organizations based on the proportion of their votes.
- All of the trainee officers have to do their tasks not just when they are asked

to but need to think ahead as good leaders do.

It is reported that UEC members, officials of the UEC office and trainees attended the ceremony.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (20-8-2022)

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#### A Coordination Meeting on the Activities of Corruption Prevention Unit-CPU Held

A coordination meeting on the activities of Corruption Prevention Units-CPUs in the office of Anti-Corruption Commission and respective Union Ministries/ Organizations was held at the hall of the Commission office on 17 August. And the officials discussed the following points –

Corruption Prevention Unit – CPUs have

already formed in 38 Union Ministries/ Organizations in order to decrease significantly the Systemic Corruption which is deeply spreading in public societies; to build up good fundamentals of anti-corruption practices; to enhance the righteousness of public societies and their cooperation in anti-corruption measures.



The process of Corruption Risk Assessment-CRA is being promoted because the corruption matters will be affectively handled by conducting CRA. Moreover, the participants of the meeting also discussed and reviewed on the experiences, advantages and disadvantages they encountered in the activities of CPUs.

The meeting was attended by the Chairman of Anti-Corruption Commission, offi-

cials from Union Ministries and departments as well as the Director General and officials from International Affairs and Anti-Corruption Department, it is reported.

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## Relief Activities Carried out for Townships/Villages destroyed by Heavy Rain and Strong Wind, and Foodstuffs Provided for Flood Victims



Commander of South-East Command providing foodstuffs and cash assistances to the household members suffered from landslides and flooding in Chaungzon township

On 16, 17 and 19 August, heavy rain and strong winds hit some townships in Myanmar, causing landslides and damage to buildings, houses, shops, and bridges. Military personnel carried out necessary relief and rescue activities in the disaster-affected areas, and provided flood victims food items. Military personnel from respective military regional commands, Myanmar Red Cross Society members, firefighters, and departmental staff carried out necessary relief and rescue activities, such as evacuating of flood victims totemporary rescue camps and places safe from flood, cleaning up building debris, repairing works, and constructing retaining walls using logs to prevent further landslides in the following disaster-affected areas:

- In some wards of Kyain Seikgyi township in Kayin state.
- In some wards and villages of Chaung Sone and Mudon townships in Mon state.

- In some wards and villages of Kyauk Phyu township in Rakhine state.
- In some wards and villages of Mingaladon, Hmawbi, Thanlyin, Kyauktan, Thone Khwa, Shwepyithar, South Okkalapa, North Okkalapa and Mayangone townships in Yangon region.
- In some wards and villages of Kyaiklatt and Ngaputaw, Thar Paung townships in Ayeyawady region.

It is reported that chief ministers from respective regions and states, commanders of military regional commands and officials arrived at the disaster- affected areas and encouraged the flood victims and provided cash assistances, relief supplies and food items to them.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (20-8-2022)



Conducting relief and rescue tasks for locals in the disaster-affected areas of Kyaukphyu township



Officials providing foodstuffs to the flood victims in Kyankhinsu ward of Mingaladon township

- Military personnel, members of Myanmar Red Cross Society, firefighters, departmental staff carried out necessary relief and rescue activities in the townships of three states and two regions where floods occurred, such as evacuating of flood victims to temporary rescue camps and places safe from flood, cleaning up building debris, repairing works, and constructing retaining walls using logs to prevent further landslides.
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Officials providing foodstuffs and purified drinking water to the flood victims in Thanlyin station



Officials providing foodstuffs to the flood victims in North Okkalapa township



Military personnel together with departmental staff carrying out cleanliness activities as the residential houses collapsed due to the heavy rainfall and strong wind at the villages of Kyaiklat township

#### **Delivering COVID-19 Vaccines to Regions and States Continues**



Military doctors, healthcare workers and civil society organizations are collectively stepping up the COVID-19 vaccination process which is important in COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment activities across the country. Therefore, COVID-19 vaccines have been delivering to respective regions and states using Tatmadaw aircraft, helicopters and vehicles of Cold Chain Delivery Logistics.

On 18 August, COVID-19 vaccines and syringes stored at the cold chain center of Department of Public Health located in Mayangon township of Yangon region were delivered by Tatmadaw aircrafts to respective townships across the country: 54,960 doses of Sinopharm vaccines and 570,600

syringes to Sittwe township; 2,460 doses of Sinopharm vaccines and 250,200 syringes to Thandwe township; 8,160 doses of Sinopharm vaccines, 19,452 doses of Myancopharm vaccines and 156,600 syringes to Kengtung township; 33,800 syringes to Kalay township; 30,700 syringes to Tedim township; 8,400 syringes to Falam township; and 84,600 syringes to Lashio township respectively.

It is reported that the vaccines and syringes were received by officials from respective regions and states and also delivered to the relevant places.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (19-8-2022)

- COVID-19 vaccines have been delivering to respective regions and states as per the cold chain standard.
- On 18 August, COVID-19 vaccines and syringes were respectively delivered to Sittwe, Thandwe, Kentung, Kalay, Tedim, Falam and Lashio townships.

### Photos of Delivering the COVID-19 Vaccines to Regions and States by Military Aircraft Continue







## Infections of Omicron Variant BA.4, BA.5, BA.2.75 and BA.2.76 Locally Detected in Myanmar

The Ministry of Health is continuously conducting COVID-19 prevention, control and treatment activities and "COVID-19 Molecular Disease Surveillance", and also released a statement on Omicron Variant BA.4, BA.5, BA.2.75 and BA.2.76 were detected from those who have entered Myanmar from foreign countries through various routes and the confirmed patients who have been infected locally.

The Ministry of Health urges people to inoculate COVID-19 vaccines because it

can reduce the risks of infection, serious health problems and the death-rate. Therefore, it is necessary for the children aged five years and above to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and people aged 18 years and above who have received the (booster dose) for six months to be vaccinated against COVID-19 (additional doses), it is reported.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (19-8-2022)

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## PDF Members with no Crime Records Returning Legal Fold Entrusted to their Parents

The ceremonies of entrusting PDF members, who completed trainings in the areas of some EAOs and returned to legal fold without committing any crime, to their respective parents were held on 20 August as follows:

- The ceremony of entrusting PDF members was held at the local military training school of Central Command. The officials from the regional governments provided cash assistance to six males of PDF member from Aungmyethazan and
- Myingyan townships of Mandalay region and Tamu township of Sagaing region. After signing the document of the pledge, they were entrusted to the care of their parents and guardians.
- Other ceremony of entrusting PDF members was held at the meeting hall of Singu township administration council office. The officials from the regional governments provided cash assistance to two males of PDF member from Singu township of Mandalay region. After



PDF members with no crime records returning legal fold entrusted to their Parents in Central Command's area

signing the document of the pledge, they were entrusted to the care of their parents and guardians.

At present, the State's government has released an announcement stating that organizations or groups including PDFs are welcomed if they want to enter the legal fold for their normal civilian lives by surrendering their weapons following rules and regulations to participate in future work plans of the country. From 6 June to 20 August 2022, a total of 258 persons including 205 males and 53 females have already entered the legal fold.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (21-8-2022)

- Eight males of PDF member from Aungmyethazan, Myingyan, Singu and Tamu townships who attended trainings in the areas of some EAOs, committed no crimes and returned to legal fold, were entrusted to their respective parents. Moreover, the officials of the relevant regional government also provided cash assistances to the returnees.
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## PDF Terrorist Group Make Drone Attack on the Monastery in Kangyigon Village, Chaung-U Township

A PDF terrorist group made an attack with the drone hanging motor shells on the monastery in Kangyigon village of Chaung-U township in Sagaing region on 20 August. The motor shells exploded in the monastery precinct, leaving three students studying at the monastery and one novice injured.

Terrorists upholding political extrem-

ism are carrying out violent bomb attacks and shootings at civilians in public areas in order to violate peace and strike terror into the public. Further, they committed terrorist attacks on religious buildings and monasteries that are sacred to Myanmar Buddhist people. Later, they come to abduct and commit motiveless murder crimes against members of Sangha.







A young Buddhist monk and students got injuries in the drone attack on the monastery of Kangyigon village of Chaung-U township by PDF terrorists

From 1 February 2021 to 21 August 2022, 53 Buddhist monks and one nun were killed in the terrorists' motiveless murder crimes, and another 21 monks and one nun were also injured. Victims of terrorist attack were given necessary medical treatment. It is reported that security personnel are at-

tempting to identify as well as apprehend those PDF terrorists in accordance with security processes, and take harsh legal action against them.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (21-8-2022)

- As a PDF terrorist group made a drone attack on the monastery in Kangyigon village of Chaung-U township, three students studying at the monastery and one novice injured with shrapnel wounds.
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# KKO (splinter group) and PDF Terrorists in Kawkareik Township Attacked a 10-Wheeler Vehicle Using Small Arms

On 19 August, a 10-wheeler vehicle carrying ceramic tiles was attacked on Kawkareik-Myawaddy New Asia road in Kayin state by KKO (splinter group) and PDF terrorists by using small arms taking position of 200 meters from the south of the road. Due to the terrorists' shooting, one male on the vehicle was injured and the vehicle was destroyed in fire, it is reported.

PDF terrorists are committing acts of terrorism such as abductions and killings of non-combatant civilians and setting fire to public owned vehicles for no reasons. Such acts of terrorism can harm both the local flow of goods and the interests of the ordinary people.

The man who got injured in the incident was taken to the public hospital in Kawkareik township for medical treatment. It is reported that the security personnel are chasing and attacking the terrorist groups and also taking necessary security measures.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (21-8-2022)





Damages of 10-wheleler vehicle in the aftermath of arson attack of KKO (splinter group) and PDF terrorists

• KKO (splinter group) and PDF terrorists attacked a 10-wheeler vehicle using small arms in Kawkareik township leaving the vehicle destroyed in fire and one male injured.

Five Terrorists Involved in the Terrorist Attack on Moe Kaung Treasure Maternal and Child Hospital Using Improvised Rockets Arrested



Nine rockets confiscated in the incident

On 21 July 2022, terrorists fired a rocket using an improvised launcher from an old football pitch towards Moe Kaung Treasure Maternal and Child hospital. The rocket hit a teak tree beside the fence of the pitch and the explosion inflicted damages to the concrete wall of the hospital. As the security force members found the related items used in firing the improvised rocket

launcher, a case was opened under Section 50 (a)/ 50 (j) of Counter-Terrorism Law at Yankin Myoma police station to apprehend the perpetrators.

On 4 August 2022, a grey-coloured Taxi (Toyata Fielder car with license plate – YGN EE-5830) that was used in transporting terrorists in the incidents was seized



Perpetrators: Mike (aka) Zaw Gyi (aka) Zaw Myo Htut, Dr. Pyae Phyo Paing (aka) Ko Pyae, Jelly (aka) Aung Thu Lwin (left to right)

along with the driver Than Naing, 45 at the traffic of Parami street and Gaba Aye pagoda road.

According to the confessions of the Taxi driver Than Naing, the following accomplices and offenders were arrested –

- Jelly (aka) Aung Thu Lwin, 29 who had transported the terrorists and explosives at the rented apartment belonging to Daw Lwin Lwin Thet in Shwepyitha township on 6 August 2022.
- Mike (aka) Zaw Gyi (aka) Zaw Myo Htut, 23 who made necessary arrangements for the attack at his house located in Shwepyitha township on the same day.
- Dr. Pyae Phyo Paing (aka) Ko Pyae 27 who had packed the rockets and improvised launcher was arrested along with nine rockets, nine fuses, two tin barrels used in hiding the rockets, four bags of Urea fertilizer used in making explosives at his house in Shwepyitha township on the same day.
- Panda (aka) Min Min Oo, 27 who had worked as a scout during the attack at his house in North Okkalapa township on 7 August.



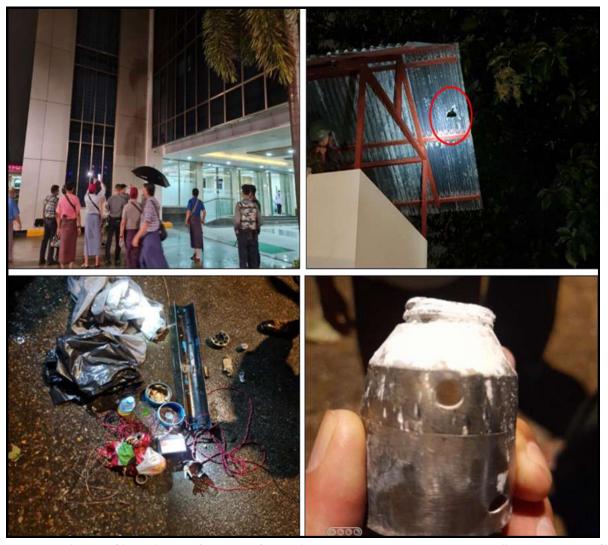
Panda (aka) Min Min Oo (who observed)



Than Naing (Taxi driver)

According to the confessions of the arrested offenders –

- when security force members searched again the bedroom of the house owned by Pyae Phyo Paing (aka) ko Paing, a Sigsauer pistol, its two magazines, a Glock pistol, two magazines, 74 rounds of Point-380 bullet, 50 rounds of 9 mm bullet, and a silencer were found and confiscated.
- According to the confession of offender Mike (aka) Zaw Gyi, it was found out that he along with other offenders at large: Zaw Chan Hein Htet, San Hein (aka) Ba Thaung, San Htoo had completed terrorist explosion trainings in the area of No. (1) KNLA Brigade. Moreover, People Force terrorist group was organized and led by offender Saw Chan Hein and carried out terrorist attacks in Yangon city.
- Offender Saw Chan Hein Htet from People Force terrorist group who was hiding in the area of No. (1) KNLA Brigade also participated in the attacks against the Moe Kaung Treasure Maternal and Child hospital through mobile phone and Telegram app.
- The rockets and other related accessories



Damages and seizures of items in the aftermath of terrorist attack on "Moe Kaung Treasure" Maternal and Child hospital in Yangon region using improvised rockets

were put into a cotton bud bolster and two cardboard boxes and were left beside a road near Hlaw Kar cemetery by Pyae Phyo Paing.

and took the rockets and other related accessories left by Pyae Phyo Paing in advance. They then picked Ban Ban and Angal Ma, members of People Force terrorist group and went to a place beside the old football pitch located in front of the hospital on Baukhtaw station road in Yankin township. Leaving the car parked there, they went to a restaurant called "YUMMY", joined with Panda (aka) Min Min Oo, working as a scout and Saw Thet another offender at large and they all together committed the crime of

attacking the hospital.

It is found out that the People Defence Force terrorist group attacked Myanmar Gi Gi Factory in Shwepyitha township on 11 February 2022, a security outpost in Dagon Myothit (North) township on 19 February 2022, and a civil society organization in Shwepyitha township using grenades and IEDs.

Further measures continue to take punitive legal actions against the arrested offenders and it is also reported that the entire people are urged to participate in the efforts of combating against terrorism as well as to arrest the perpetrators of the terrorist acts and accomplices who support such acts from behind as early as possible.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (19-8-2022)





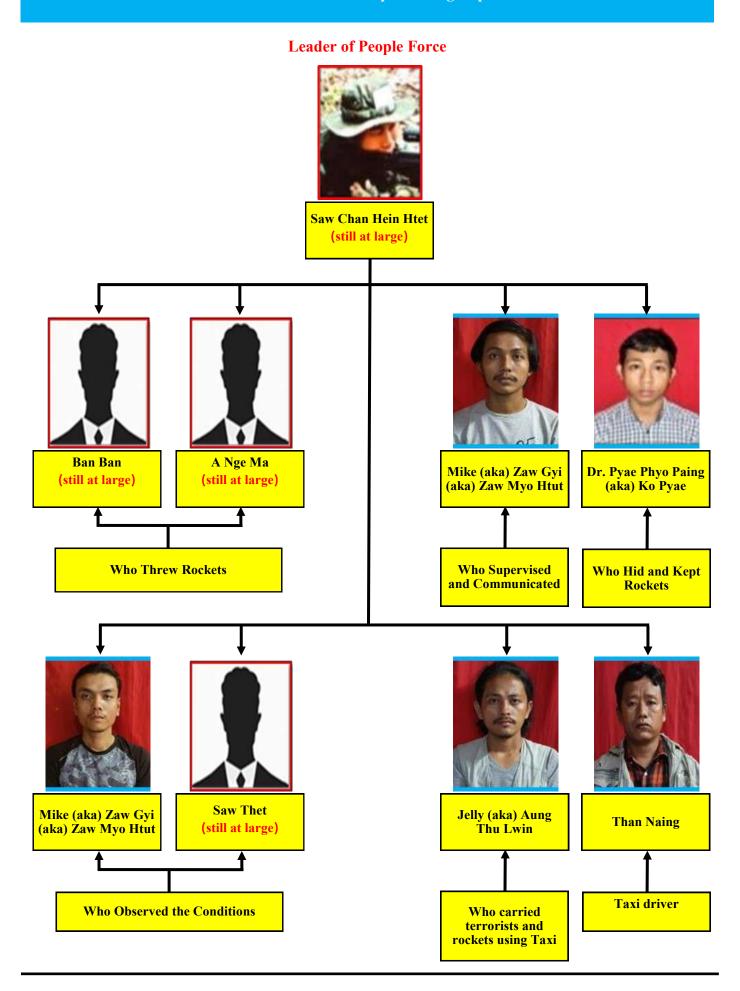
Photo of the confiscated evidenced items



Photo of the weapons/ammunition seized at the Pyae Phyo Paing's house

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Chart Showing the Relation of Arrested Offenders Involved in the Terrorist Attack on "Moe Kaung Treasure" Maternal and Child Hospital Using Improvised Rockets



## PDF Terrorists Arrested at Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon) Checkpoint in Sagaing Town



Photos of weapons/ammunition secretly carried in the passenger bus by the PDF terrorists

On 17 August, security personnel doing security duties at the Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon) checkpoint located in the Tagaung ward of Sagaing town in Sagaing region conducted necessary security check on an express bus by the name of 'Ar Kar Tha' running on the Yangon-Monywa road for public safety. At the time, three PDF terrorists in the bus opened fire on some passengers as well as the security personnel, keeping passengers as hostages and using them as human shield. During the incident, two seriously-injured passengers (one male and one female) died in horrifying experience and moreover, two security personnel and five other passengers got injured.

As terrorist were firing at security personnel by keeping passengers as hostages and using them as human shield, the security force members cautiously aimed at and fired back targeting only the terrorists. Therefore, two dead PDF terrorists and one another terrorist alive were arrested along with three pistols, three new assault rifles

and ammunition that were secretly carried in the express bus.

At present, PDF terrorists are found out to be committing acts of terrorism by keeping passengers, who are travelling by express buses, as hostages and using them as human shield. Recently, they have carried out a terrorist attack on an express bus from 'Elite' bus service as well as a passenger bus from YBS bus service in Yangon region. It is necessary for passengers and bus services to cooperate with security personnel in case they find any suspect objects and movements of terrorists, it is announced to international and local organizations to be aware about and not to abet the acts of NUG and PDF terrorists such as launching attacks against passenger buses, keeping passengers as hostages as well as using them as human shield.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (18-8-2022)



Photo of passenger bus carrying PDF terrorists



Photo of the seized weapons/ammunition from the PDF terrorists

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