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This photo showcases the Trekking in Myanmar tour group and visitors who climbed Mount Phonkanrazi in the PutaO region in 2023. (PHOTO: TREKKING IN MYANMAR)

Kachin State eyes tourism development

New business licences were approved at the first coordination meeting of the Kachin State Tourism Committee.

The Kachin State Tourism Committee announced the approval of new business licences for regional tourism development during its coordination meeting 1/2024 on 4

September.

The meeting reviewed four applications for hotel and inn licence renewals, five new hotel business licences, and three new lodging house licences, along

with future plans for tourism growth.

A total of 78 guesthouse business licences and 64 tour company licences have been approved to reportedly support the region's tourism industry.

The Kachin State chief minister stressed the importance of analyzing the strengths and weaknesses of tourist destinations to ensure high-quality services in developing new regional attractions. — TWA/MKKS

Coffee suppliers, producers invited to join Coffee Expo Seoul 2025

ORGANIZED by COEX and Korea Coffee Association, the Coffee Expo Seoul 2025, which will be held from 2 to 5 April 2025 at the Convention & Exhibition Centre (COEX) in Seoul, the Republic of Korea, invited the presence of coffee suppliers, producers and traders, according to Myanmar Trade Promotion Organization.

They welcome Myanmar's participation as a guest country. If the Myanmar Coffee Association wants to join the expo, they are asked to send guest proposals by 14 October 2024.

Business people who want Myanmar coffee to penetrate the Korean market can submit their registration to the Myanmar Trade

Promotion Organization through the contact number 067 408622 or email: event.td.myantrade@gmail.com. — NN/EM


File photo by MoI shows workers collecting coffee berries from coffee plants.



NATIONAL



Twenty-four (24) days remain until the National Census.

2024 Anti-Trafficking in Person Day, 13 September.

2024 Anti-Trafficking in Persons Day's Objectives

- ❖ To mobilize the participation of all citizens in combatting trafficking in persons as a national duty;
- ❖ To have the public instilled with awareness about and knowledge of trafficking in persons;
- ❖ To protect and care about trafficked victims with empathy; and
- ❖ To strengthen cooperation and coordination among all counter trafficking stakeholders; government agencies, civil society organizations, UN agencies, international organizations and general public.



Shin Maha Ratthasara's mausoleum nears completion



Road construction work is underway to access the mausoleum. **PHOTO: THAN MIN HTUT**

THE construction of the mausoleum of Shin Maha Ratthasara, a prestigious classical poet in the Inwa era and a pioneer of Myanmar literature,

has approached completion, and the access road construction commenced, according to Dr Than Min Htut, well-known as Pindaya Mee Eain Shin.

Sayadaw died in Pyay at the age of 62 in 892 ME, and the mausoleum, now 95 per cent completed, will house his tomb.

This road is not only the entrance to the mausoleum but also the road to enter the Kyetthayaygon ward. As the original road is awful, repair work has started by the Kyetthayaygon Sayadaw, he said on Facebook. "Three days ago, the bushes were cleared, and today, the first 50-foot portion has already been poured with con-

crete. An additional charity of K1.7 million for the entrance road has been donated to the mausoleum construction committee," Dr Than Min Htut wrote on his social media page. The estimated cost of road paving is over K15 million, while the donation already received amounts to over K12 million, and well-wishers are invited to donate for this access road construction at Kyetthayaygon in Pyay.

After laying slabs around the mausoleum, all construction work will be completed soon, and the statue of the monk to be placed at the mausoleum has been sculpted and donated by singer Manaw. — MT/ZN

Ongoing applications for political party registrations

POLITICAL organizations seeking to form new parties are currently submitting applications to the Union Election Commission (UEC), stating the names of their parties.

As of today, 17 groups have applied for party establishment approval, and of these, 14 political parties have been granted permission to establish. Among the 14 approved political parties, the Unity and Development Party, led by U Khin Maung Oo, has submitted an application for

registration with the UEC as a political party in accordance with Article 7 of the Political Parties Registration Law.

This application was filed within 30 days of receiving party establishment approval. Out of the 13 political parties that have submitted registration applications, 11 have already been approved for registration. At the same time, the UEC continues to verify the remaining applications to grant registration status, according to reports. — MNA/KZL



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NATIONAL

DPM MoFA Union Minister receives UN Interim RC/HC

DEPUTY Prime Minister and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Than Swe received Mr Marcoluigi Corsi, United Nations Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator ad interim (UN RC/HC ai), yesterday at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Nay Pyi Taw.

During the meeting, they

exchanged views on matters related to the existing and further cooperation between the Government of Myanmar and the United Nations agencies.

Senior officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs were also present on the occasion.

— MNA



UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator ad interim calls on Deputy PM Union Foreign Affairs Minister U Than Swe yesterday.

Myanmar attends 21st ASEAN Chiefs of Defence Forces Meeting



Group photo from the 21st ASEAN Chiefs of Defence Forces Meeting in Laos, taken yesterday.

THE Myanmar delegation led by Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Soe Min Oo from the office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) attended the 21st ASEAN Chiefs of Defence Forces Meeting (21st ACDFM) and its related meetings — 14th ASEAN Military Operations Meeting (14th AMOM) and 21st ASEAN Military Intelligence Meeting-21st AMIM in — Laos yesterday.

At the meetings, the

high-ranking military delegations of the ASEAN discussed the topic “ASEAN — Together for Peace, Security and Resilience”.

They then approved the Two Years Work Plan (2024-2026) and Joint Statement of the 21st ACDFM. The ACDFM chairmanship 2025 was also handed over to Malaysia at the event.

At noon, the Myanmar delegation separately met Chief of

Defence Forces of Royal Thai Armed Forces General Songwit Noonpackdee, Chief of the General Staff of the Vietnam People’s Army (VPA) and Deputy Defence Minister Senior Lt-Gen Nguyen Tan Cuong and Commander-in-Chief of the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces (RCAF) General Vong Pisen, and openly discussed enhancement of bilateral relations between the armed forces and exchanged gifts. — MNA/KTZH

Republic of the Union of Myanmar Ministry of Labour

Notification 108/2024

9th Waning of Wagoung 1386 ME
28 August 2024

THE Ministry of Labour has issued this notification exercising the authority as per Subsection (b) of Section 31 of the Law Relating to Overseas Employment.

1. Myanmar migrants working abroad must transmit 25 per cent of their monthly wages once a month or at least three-month wages once every three months at least 25 per cent of total wages to their families or to their bank accounts through the official banking system, authorized Remittance Business Licence (RBL) and international remittance services linked with the banking system.
2. To be able to enjoy the officially transferred money to the families through the methods mentioned in paragraph 1 as disclosed income, the money transfer receipts must be kept carefully.
3. Those working abroad via licensed overseas employment agencies must send their money transfer receipts back to their respective agencies without fail.
4. The licensed overseas employment agencies must facilitate the money transfer processes of their workers and must submit these monthly remittances to the Ministry of Labour as monthly reports without fail.
5. When Myanmar migrant workers abroad fail to transfer to their families as per the methods of paragraph 1, they will be banned from departing abroad with job prospects under limited duration, granting Overseas Worker Identification Cards – OWIC and renewing passports.
6. Myanmar migrant workers should not transfer their wages to their families via illegal Hundi brokers but must transfer via official networks.

Myint Naung
Union Minister

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NATIONAL

Rakhine State govt donates food, supplies to frontline forces



WELL-WISHERS and government personnel are contributing foodstuffs and cash awards to Tatmadaw members and security forces who are diligently fulfilling state's defence and security duties on the frontline.

A donation ceremony, organized by the Rakhine State government and various departments, took place on 4 September at the Rakhine State govern-

ment office.

Rakhine State Chief Minister U Htein Lin, Commander of the Western Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Swa Oo, departmental staff, and social organizations attended the event.

During the ceremony, the chief minister explained the purpose of the donation and handed over foodstuffs and supplies valued at over K8.3 million to the commander of the Western Command.

The donated items will be delivered to Tatmadaw and security forces serving on the frontlines. — MNA/TMT

Rakhine State government officials view the preparation for donations.

Gem art paintings attract attention



This image depicts a gem art painting.

to painting, sculpture, and traditional Myanmar artwork galleries.

Gem art paintings are affordable and suitable for giving as presents for shop openings and birthday ceremonies, and there are enthusiastic collectors as well.

Gems art paintings are created in different designs, but most of them are landscape, portrait and religious images.

"People order it for ceremonies, despite it being the three-month Lent. It is good for giving as presents. People like it very much. Orders mounted, too, six months ago. However, it is during the three-month Lent, and we still have orders. Over recent years, people have been interested in gem art paintings, and the number of buyers has also increased. It is durable, and portraits can be used for different purposes," said an official from Paradise Mogok's gems art painting shop in Mandalay. — Thit Taw/ZS

GENERALLY, Myanmar's painting and sculpture business slows during the three-month Buddhist Lent; however, gem art paintings are selling well, according

New blue pansy butterfly postage stamp to be released on 9 September



This image showcases a new postage stamp, 'Blue Pansy'.

MYANMA Post, under the Ministry of Transport and Communications, will issue a new K200 postage stamp featuring the 'Blue Pansy' butterfly, a species native to Myanmar and recorded by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation. The stamp will be available for purchase from 9:30 am on 9 September at the Central Post

Office in Nay Pyi Taw, General Post Offices in Yangon and Mandalay, as well as other regional and state post offices.

As part of a special programme, stamps purchased on 9 September at the Central Post Office in Nay Pyi Taw and the General Post Offices in Yangon and Mandalay will bear the date of purchase. — MNA/ TRKM

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NATIONAL

Indian National Defence College delegation visits Myanmar for study tour

A delegation from India's National Defence College, led by Senior Directing Staff Major General Ajay Kumar Singh, AVSM, SM, arrived in Myanmar on 1 September for a study tour.

During their visit, the delegation explored several prominent sites in Myanmar, including the Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon, the Bogyoke Aung San Market, and the Memorial to the Fallen Heroes (Nay Pyi Taw). They also visited the Defence Services Museum and the Myanmar Gems Museum, both located in the city.

On the morning of 3 September, the delegation visited the National Defence College, where



A commemorative group photo of the Indian National Defence College delegation during their study tour in Myanmar.

they received a detailed briefing on the college's history from officials. Following this, the group toured the college's library and museum, with officials providing further insights.

Additionally, the delegation visited some of the world's most revered Buddhist statues, including the highly magnificent Maravijaya Buddha statue. They also made offerings and signed the visitor's book at the Uppatasanti Pagoda.

The delegation from the National Defence College returned to India via flight from Yangon International Airport yesterday morning. — MNA/KZL

Myanmar film 'Thone (ka)' featured at ASEAN Plus Film Festival 2024 in Prague

THE Myanmar film 'Thone (ka)' is being showcased at the ASEAN Plus Film Festival 2024, held in Prague, Czech Republic, according to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Organized by the ASEAN-Prague Committee, the festival runs from 2 to 9 September, with films from ASEAN and partner countries screened at the Prague Municipal Library.

The festival's opening cer-

emony took place on 2 September, with Deputy Minister of Education, Youth and Sports, Prof. Jaroslav Miller, attending as a special guest. Ambassadors from ASEAN countries, as well as representatives from China, South Korea, and Japan, were also present. Charge d'Affaires Dr Tun Naung of the Myanmar Embassy to the Czech Republic delivered a speech during the event. — ASH/TRKM



This photo depicts the opening ceremony for the ASEAN Plus Film Festival 2024.

Thai Festival 2024 to include film festival

THE three-day Thai Festival 2024, which is scheduled to be celebrated at Junction City in Yangon from 27-29 September, will also feature the Thai Film Festival, announced by the Royal Thai Embassy in Yangon.

Under the management of Discover Thailand's Best, it will be the first Thai festival in Myanmar. Aiming to promote Thailand's soft power and jointly organized by the Royal Thai Embassy, Thailand trade promotion, the Thai business community in Myanmar, the Thai Business Association of Myanmar, Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UM-FCCI) and Shwe Taung Group, the festival will introduce Thai goods, services, foods, films, culture and songs.

During the event, three Thai movies, including How to Make Millions Before Grandma Dies, which was shown in Myanmar, will be shown with



This photo showcases the launch of the Thai Festival 2024.

free admission at Junction City's J Cineplex. Movie tickets are available at www.thaifestivalmyanmar.com or can be watched on the Thai Festival on Myanmar Facebook and at the Royal Thai Embassy, Yangon <https://youtube.com/@royalthaiembassyangon>.

With 45 booths, Thai and Myanmar companies will exhibit Thai beauty and health products, textiles, travel and entertainment and Myanmar goods. Thai product showrooms at Junction City will give special promotions during the

event.

Royal Thai Embassy will organize Thai traditional food cooking shows, Muay Thai and Thai traditional dance shows. As a unique programme, Myanmar actors Paing Takhon, Hein Thit, and Kira will participate along with Thai artistes Lula, Gun Napat, Palaphol, Sea-Keen, and Aun-Ashi.

The Thai singing competition, the T-Pop Star Challenge Myanmar, can be watched on YouTube and Facebook, and 12 finalists can be voted on. — MT/ZS

The people are urged to receive vaccination of Covid-19 without fail as full-time vaccination of Covid-19 and receiving booster shots can effectively mitigate infection of the virus, severe suffering from the disease and increase of death rate due to the disease.

NATIONAL

Beijing Buddhist delegation to visit more religious sites in Myanmar



This photo captures members of the Beijing Buddhist delegation visiting Myanmar.

MEMBERS of the Beijing Buddhist delegation visiting Myanmar will go on a study tour in the Yangon and Bago regions to visit local Buddhist monasteries and academic colleges from 3 to 6 September.

The delegation, led by Lama Hu Xuefeng, Chairman of the Beijing Buddhist Association of the People's Republic of China and Abbot of Yonghe Temple, includes represent-

atives from Yonghe, Guanghua, Tanzhe and Youshengjiao temples, as well as Buddhist Lodge.

During their visit to Myanmar, the delegation met Ms Ma Jia, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar, to exchange views on strengthening the Sino-Myanmar Buddhist Dhamma friendship and on matters related to promoting closer ties between the people of the

two countries. Counsellor Mr Li Qianguo and other officials from the embassy were also present at the meeting.

In addition, the delegation met with Chairman U Tin Oo of the Myanmar-China Friendship Association (Central) and members, as well as the patron, chairman, and members of the Yangon Fujian Association at the Pan Pacific Hotel in Yangon. — ASH/TH



Invitation to a contest at the festival.

Mekong film festival and workshop for young documentarians announced

IT was announced that the National University of Arts and Culture (Yangon) will organize the Mekong Creative Film Festival in October and November, along with a workshop titled 'Cultivating Young Documentary Filmmakers'.

Applicants for the workshop must be between 18 and 25 years old, have passed the matriculation exam, be profi-

cient in English for presentations, and have experience in creating films, documentaries, MTV, and TV commercials. The deadline for applications is 15 September.

Further details about the workshop can be obtained from the Myanmar Motion Pictures Organization (MMPO). — TWA/TKO



Group photo of the attendees at the workshop.

Myanmar participates in seminar on traditional medicines in Nanning, China

ACCORDING to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Daw Khaing Su Linn, Myanmar Consul-General in Nanning, along with representatives from the Department of Traditional Medicine under Myanmar's Ministry of Health, attended a seminar on traditional medicines in Nanning, Guangxi, China, on 3 September.

Key attendees included Deputy Director-General Ms He Li of the Department of Science, Technology and International Cooperation of China, Deputy Director-General Mr Cai Zhenjun from the Office of the Government of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, Director Dr Peng Cheong Choi of the Pharmaceutical Administration Bureau of Macao SAR, Deputy Director-General Mr Wei Guanghui of the Guangxi Drug Administration, ASEAN consuls-general, consuls in Nanning, and representatives from ASEAN countries.

Myanmar's presentation focused on regulatory policies for traditional medicines, research methodologies, quality control of herbal medicines, and the harmonization of international standards for traditional medicines between ASEAN countries and China. — ASH/TMT

133 drug addicts rehabilitated during eight months of 2024

THE Myanmar Central Rehabilitation Association for Drug Addicts has reported that 133 drug addicts have successfully rehabilitated within the eight months of 2024.

This information was revealed during a basic first-aid training event co-hosted by the Red Cross Supervisory Committee and the Myanmar Central Rehabilitation Association for Drug Addicts on 4 September. From January to August this year, 133 individuals were rehabilitated through the collaborative efforts of parents, patients, and the association.

U San Shein, Chairman of the Myanmar Central Rehabilitation Association for Drug Addicts, shared these details at the opening ceremony of the training event. The Yangon Rehabilitation Centre for Recovered Drug Addicts provides several services, including hospital referrals for detoxification, physical and mental development programmes, and rehabilitation treatments.



Parents and guardians are attending a discussion with the Myanmar Central Rehabilitation Association for Drug Addicts (Myanmar) at the seventh graduation ceremony of recovered drug addicts at the Metta Saneain Hall on 6 August.

Since its establishment in 2018, the centre has conducted 40 rehabilitation training sessions for 842 trainees and 18 community-based rehabilitation programmes for 590 trainees as of December 2023. Additionally, 26 drug control training sessions were held for 645 volunteers and supervisors, and four capacity-building courses were conducted for 88 staff members.

A total of 100 personnel have also taken training in various rehabilitation methods at the

Yangon Rehabilitation Centre. Rehabilitation staff are trained in critical areas such as the dangers of stimulant drugs, overdose symptoms, methadone replacement therapy, and the physical and mental changes in drug addicts.

The training also covers handling the behaviour and social reintegration of people with an addiction, legal frameworks related to drug use, and the long-term health impacts of drug abuse, including HIV/AIDS. — TWA/KZL

MCPA to open intensive training for ITPEC FE Exam

MYANMAR Computer Professionals Association (MCPA) will offer intensive training for the ITPEC FE Exam during weekends from 7 September to 6 October 2024, with class hours from 9 am to 5:30 pm.

Information Technology Professionals Examination Council (ITPEC) exams, Information Technology Passport Examination (IT passport), Fundamental Information Technology Engineer Examination (FE), and Applied Information Technology Engineer Examination (AP) will take place on 27 October 2024. The students from the University of Computer Studies and Technological University, MCPA members and those interested in IT are entitled to sit for the exams. Exam applications must be submitted before 28 September.

The training offers both on-campus and online classes. Those who wish to join on-campus classes can attend at MCPA's office at MICT Park in Hlaing Township. Registration for the exam form and training form can be done at <https://forms.gle/mzoUZwTqhUjesFYF8>. Individuals can enquire about the exam details through the MCPA contact numbers 01 652276 and 09 5067168. ITPEC (IP, FE, AP) exams are held yearly in April and October. It is the standard examination that is organized and accepted in Japan, Vietnam, the Philippines, Thailand, Mongolia, Myanmar, and Bangladesh. — NN/KK



Candidates are sitting for the previous exam.

LBVD to ship live goat, sheep to Malaysia



At present, Mansa Iron & Steel Fabrication & Manufacturing Co Ltd, which has completed procedures for live goat and sheep export to Malaysia, plans to export 1,500 goats where they are temporarily placed in Pyawbwe and Yamethin townships in the first batch.

THE Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department will export live goats and sheep to Malaysia.

Preparing Animal Quarantine Station at Thilawa Port, approval of Malaysia's Department of Veterinary Services for AQS, and animal testing and quarantine facilities are being undertaken to export live goat and sheep to Myanmar.

The ministry has been negotiating health protocols with Malaysia to export live animals. The Veterinary Health Certificate model draft issued by Myanmar was sent to Malaysia in June and July 2024. The two countries agreed, according to the LBVD.

Exporters can process performance invoices by connecting with related governmental institutions of the respective countries.

Quarantine, where animals will be held for veterinary observations, including tests for eight diseases in line with health protocol, will be designated according to the consent of the importers.

ID Ear-tag identification for sheep and goats after being vaccinated for foot and mouth disease will be carried out, the department said.

The animals will be observed for 21 days at the AQS, during which injection of foot and mouth vaccine trivalent twice, vaccination of RB 51 strain, the

vaccine for worm infection and parasites, and beta-agonist test will be conducted. Only after the animals have received a health certificate can they be exported to Malaysia.

At present, Mansa Iron & Steel Fabrication & Manufacturing Co Ltd, which has completed procedures for live goat and sheep export to Malaysia, plans to export 1,500 goats where they are temporarily placed in Pyawbwe and Yamethin townships in the first batch. They aim to deliver 30,000 live goats this year, which will boost exports. Domestic livestock breeders need to enhance goat breeding on market potentials. — NN/KK

Property sales rise in Hlegu despite three-month rain retreat

HLEGU Township, which is composed of Yangon Region, has developed over recent years, and property sales have increased now.

Under Myanmar tradition, people never do home moving in a three-month rain retreat, but property transactions have increased in townships of Yangon Region, including Hlegu, and most buyers are from other towns and cities.

"Many buyers flock to Hlegu this month. We sell land plots whose prices are low, and ownership is assured. There were many buyers last summer, too, and now it has increased more. Among them, most are natives of other cities, and

rather than for investment purposes, they buy them for living," said an estate agent from Hlegu Township.

With an increase in sales, realty owners have enjoyed attractive prices.

"Transactions are happening visibly in urban areas like Pyitawtha and Yeiktha wards and Bogyoke Aung San Street. Some buyers favour slip-land (a land plot which can prove land ownership approved by the township land department), and some favour land plots included in village areas, called Ywamyay (village plots). Prices become high recently," she said. — Thit Taw/ZS



The entrance signage to Hlegu Township.

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OPINION

Create good results through the preservation of performing arts

MYANMAR has long been recognized for its rich cultural heritage, prestige, and integrity. The country's cultural traditions, closely linked with the diverse national races, have been preserved and cherished over the years. These traditions form the backbone of Myanmar's identity and are a source of national pride.

It is essential for everyone living in Myanmar to be familiar with the country's monarchical culture, customs, and the histories of its various national races. Culture plays a significant role in fostering social relationships, and understanding one another's different traditions and customs can enhance social bonds and promote friendly ties. In a country as diverse as Myanmar, with over 100 national races, understanding the unique customs and characters of each group helps foster unity and mutual respect.

Traditional culture also serves as a foundation for building solidarity and strengthening the Union spirit. The customs and traditions observed today will become historical legacies for future generations, just as the traditions of the past have shaped the present.

To ensure the preservation of these cultural traditions and historical heritages, the Myanmar government has been organizing the Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions for many years. These competitions aim to promote and preserve Myanmar's traditional culture while encouraging new creative expressions that honour these customs. The goal is to maintain the cultural identity of the national races while allowing for growth and innovation within the arts.

The Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions began in 1993, serving as a platform to uplift and celebrate the country's traditional culture. The competitions were held annually for 22 years before a five-year hiatus from 2017 to 2021. In 2022, the government resumed the competitions, much to the delight of performers and cultural enthusiasts across the country.

In 2024, the 25th Performing Arts Competitions will take place with specific visions to uplift national prestige, preserve cultural heritage, explore and promote the traditional performing arts of ethnic nationals, and serve as a cultural entity contributing to the country's peace, stability, and development. The competitions also aim to inspire the younger generation to preserve and propagate the national spirit.

It is crucial for the youth to embrace the theme of these competitions, ensuring the sustainability of Myanmar's cultural heritage. By doing so, they can contribute to the continued vitality of the nation's fine traditions, preserving them for as long as the world exists while also fostering new creative expressions in the performing arts.

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Connecting on the Universal Dance of Words

Knowing idioms is useful in everyday conversation to sound more fluent and natural.

BY AUGUSTIN



ပုဏ္ဏားတိုင် /poun nadain/

- အားကိုးတိုင်တည်ရာပုဂ္ဂိုလ်။
- ကျွန်တော်က ကြားမှ ပုဏ္ဏားတိုင် ပါနေရသေး၏။ (ဗြာဟ္မဏ = ပုဏ္ဏား = Brahmin)
- A person who is expected to hear and address other people's grievances.
- Someone who is tasked with listening to the concerns and complaints of others.
- An individual who is responsible for handling and responding to others' issues and complaints.

In a popular children's game, "flee-and-chase," there is a designated spot, often a post, tree, or wall, where exhausted players can take refuge or escape capture when in a precarious situation. This designated area is referred to as the "Brahmin's post" and serves as a safe zone that players can access. Consequently, someone who becomes a go-to person for others seeking advice or lodging complaints is referred to as a "mid-post".

The term "mid-post" originates from a children's game where players seek shelter at a specific location to avoid being caught. This concept is then extended to describe individuals who serve as a source of support, guidance, or comfort for others.

Just as the "Brahmin's post" provides a safe haven for players in the game, a "mid-post" offers a similar sense of security and refuge to those who approach them for help or consolation. In essence, the term "mid-post" symbolizes the idea of providing a safe and welcoming space for others.

USAGES:

A Safe Harbor

Definition: A place or person where someone can find refuge and protection from difficulties or troubles.

Example: After quitting her job, she found solace in her friend's home, which became her safe harbour.

A Shoulder to Cry On

Definition: A person who is willing to listen to and offer comfort to someone who is upset or distressed.

Example: My sister was always there for me, offering me a shoulder to cry on whenever I needed it.

A Listening Ear

Definition: A person who is willing to listen attentively to someone's problems or concerns.

Example: I went to my therapist with my concerns, and she offered a listening ear.

A Refuge in Times of Trouble

Definition: A person or place that provides comfort and support

during difficult times.

Example: My grandmother's house was my refuge in times of trouble; I always felt safe and loved there.

A Friend in Need

Definition: A person who is willing to help someone in a difficult situation.

Example: When I lost my job, my friend was there for me, offering support and guidance as a friend in need.

An Open Door Policy

Definition: A policy or attitude that encourages people to approach and seek help or guidance without fear of rejection.

Example: The company's open-door policy allowed employees to share their concerns and ideas freely.

A Guiding Light

Definition: A person or influence that provides direction, guidance, and support during difficult times.

Example: My mentor was like a guiding light; she helped me navigate the challenges of starting my own business.



ရေပန်းစား /jei ban: sa:/

- ကြောင်းတူသံကွဲ = ခေတ်စား
- တင်ကျယ် ခေတ်စားသည်။ လူသိ လူသုံးများသည်။
- ခင်ခင်ရွှေမှာ ကြည့်ကောင်းသော မင်းကတော်ကလေးအဖြစ် ရေပန်းစားသည်။
- Gain widespread appeal.
- Achieve high levels of recognition.
- Become well-known and admired.

The Myanmar idiom "To produce sprinkling waves" is a metaphorical expression that describes the rapid and widespread popularity or impact of a person, often in the entertainment industry, such as film stars or singers. Just as a boat moving through the water creates waves on either side, a person's popularity or influence can create a ripple effect, spreading quickly and widely. This idiom suggests that the more attention or recognition a person receives, the faster they can gain popularity and make a significant impact.

The Myanmar idiom "To produce sprinkling waves" is a vivid metaphor that describes the process of gaining popularity and attention.

The idiom is often used to describe the rapid rise to fame of celebrities, musicians, or other public figures. The phrase "to produce sprinkling waves" is a clever play on words, drawing a comparison between the physical waves created by a boat moving through the water and the metaphorical waves of popularity or attention that a person can create.

The idiom is a reminder that success and popularity can be fleeting and that maintaining momentum requires constant effort and attention.

USAGES:

To make a splash

Definition: To cause a sudden and significant impact or excitement, often in the context of entertainment or media.

Example: The new movie star made a splash with her debut performance.

To be on everyone's lips

Definition: To be widely talked about or popular.

Example: The new smartphone app was on everyone's lips for weeks after its release.

To take the world by storm

Definition: To make a sudden and significant impact or impression, often in the context of business or entertainment.

Example: The startup took the world by storm with its innovative new product.

To be in vogue

Definition: To be fashionable or popular at a particular time.

Example: The new fashion trend was in vogue for several seasons.

To create a buzz

Definition: To generate excitement or interest, often in the context of marketing or promotion.

Example: The new music festival created a buzz among fans who were eager to attend.

To be on fire

Definition: To be extremely popular or successful, often in the context of entertainment or sports.

Example: The rock band was on fire during their concert tour, selling out shows left and right.

To make waves

Definition: To cause a significant impact or stir, often in the context of business or politics.

Example: The new CEO made waves by introducing sweeping changes to the company's operations.



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- Turning the point of an arrow
- Adjusting the tip of an arrow
- Redirecting the arrowhead
- Orienting the arrow's point

The point of an arrow refers to the direction or focus of a criticism, accusation, or attack. In a situation where the target or victim of the criticism changes, it is said to be "turning the point of an arrow." This idiomatic expression implies that the focus or direction of the attack has shifted from one person to another.

The Myanmar idiom "The point of an arrow turns" is a metaphorical expression that describes the change in direction or focus of a criticism or attack from one person to another.

This idiom is often used in everyday conversations, particularly in situations where someone is being accused or criticized for something, but then the focus shifts to another person. The idiom is a reminder that opinions and criticisms can be fluid and adaptable and that people can change their targets or focus depending on the circumstances.

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To shift the blame

Definition: Redirecting responsibility or blame from one person to another.

Example: After the scandal broke out, the CEO tried to shift the blame to his subordinate.

To turn the tables

Definition: Reversing the direction or focus of an attack or criticism.

Example: In a surprising turn of events, the company's competitors turned the tables on them by accusing them of unfair business practices.

To change horses in mid-stream

Definition: Abandoning one approach or strategy and switching to another in response to changing circumstances.

Example: The company decided to change horses in mid-stream and pivot to a new business model.

To redirect one's fire

Definition: Shifting one's energy, attention, or criticism from one person or target to another.

Example: After realizing his mistake, he redirected his fire to his colleague, who had been responsible for the error.

To switch targets

Definition: Changing one's focus or attention from one person or thing to another.

Example: The politician switched targets and began criticizing his opponent's policies instead of his own.

To shift gears

Definition: Altering one's approach or strategy in response to changing circumstances.

Example: The team had to shift gears quickly when their star player got injured, and they had to adjust their game plan.

To take aim at a new target

Definition: Redirecting one's energy, attention, or criticism from one person or target to another.

Example: After being criticized for its lack of diversity, the company took aim at a new target by announcing plans to increase diversity in its hiring practices.

NATIONAL

Seafarers' families urged to keep documents handy for potential issues

CAPTAIN Soe Min Aung, president of the Myanmar Seafarers Federation (MSF), suggested that the family should take the documents related to the seafarer so that if there is any problem, it will be more convenient for the benefits and entitlements.

Many families that cannot even answer the shipping line and job position of the sailor are found when asking for help due to injury or death, he said.

"Whether it's a sailor's death or injury, every time the family comes to contact us, the sad thing is that when we ask them which shipping line their husband, son or brother got onboard and what is his position, a large percentage of them can't answer. Recently, two families came and consulted with us, and they didn't have any copies of the relevant



A meeting takes place between the bereaved wife and family members to receive compensation for the sailor who died while working onboard.

documents," he said.

On MSF's Facebook page, families are informed to keep the relevant documents before the seafarers go on board. If any problems arise, they can rely on these documents to claim the benefits and protection they deserve.

"A family should keep all related documents of a sailor, either a husband or a son, before he gets onboard. That makes the protection easier if anything happens. If they don't have such a thing, they can ask for copies from the licensed representative who sent the sailor.

They must have copies to talk with ship owners. Or to submit to the Department of Marine Administration. It is challenging to find a clue in some cases," he added. — MT/ZN

Illegal goods worth over K1 billion seized nationwide



Photos show confiscated illegal items in different states and regions.



UNDER the supervision of the Illegal Trade Eradication Steering Committee, efforts to combat the illicit trade are being effectively made in accordance with the law.

On 2 September, the combined duty team seized 10 vehicles (estimated value of K175 million) that were parked near the detour of Myitkyina township carrying 183 motorbikes, seven kinds of motorbike parts and foodstuffs worth K408.05 million without official documents. The action was taken in accordance with Customs procedures.

On 3 September, the combined teams managed by the Customs Department captured three kinds of industrial goods valued at K90.032 million without official documents from five containers at the Asia World Port Terminal container checkpoint, seven kinds of industrial goods valued at K158.529 million that were different from the Import Declaration (ID) from four containers at the Myanmar Industrial Port, two kinds of consumer goods worth K15.4

million without official documents from luggage of a passenger at the Yangon International Airport and a Mitsubishi Fuso truck (approximately K35 million), heading to Yangon from Myawady, carrying industrial goods worth K25 million that were not declared in the ID at the Ywathagyi Dry Port. The action was taken under Customs procedures.

On 4 September, the combined on-duty teams impounded two trucks (approximately K85 million) carrying 15 kinds of industrial materials worth K71.605 million without official documents near Han Myintmo village in Kyaukse township, an unregistered Toyota Mark X (estimated value of K3.5 million) in Dagon Myothit (Seikkan) township and an unregistered Mazda (estimated value of K6 million) in Patheingyi township. The action was carried out under Customs procedures and the Export and Import Law.

Moreover, on 4 and 5 September, the combined teams conducted inspections



resulting in the seizure of two kinds of foodstuffs and two kinds of consumer goods worth K7 million without official documents from a Golden Dragon bus (approximately K50 million), heading to Yangon from Thamanya, at the Nyaungkhashay x-ray station and illegal teak weighing 3.183 tonnes and illegal other timbers weighing 1.942 tonnes worth about K2 million in Toungoo district. The action was conducted in line with Customs procedures and the Forest Law.

In total, on four consecutive days from 2 to 5 September, a total of 45 cases were recorded, resulting in the seizure of illegal goods valued at approximately K1.132 billion, according to the Illegal Trade Eradication Steering Committee. — MNA/MKKS

Free training offered in Japanese and Korean languages

A free educational training course for those interested in Japanese and Korean languages will be opened at the Singapore monastery at Ward 5, Pazundaung Township, from 7 September, according to Sayadaw U Sobita from the monastery.

In the course EPS Topik (Part 1), the Korean language will be from 10:30 am to 1 pm, and the Japanese language course N-5 Basic will be opened from 1:00 to 2:30 pm, starting 7 September every Saturday and Sunday for three months, Sayadaw said.

"The main purpose is to open a free education course because the commercial courses are expensive. It is especially aimed at young people who want to work abroad. They are mostly interested in going to Korea and Japan. Currently, there are about 60 people who have registered for the two courses. There are people who will attend the course on the opening day, so we will only know the exact number of attendees then. Attendees will be given the books that are left in the monastery, and those who do not get these books can buy them in the market," Sayadaw said.

There is no limit on the number of trainees or age, and they will be accepted depending on the size of the space. Pieces of vinyl on this course have been posted at some bus stops and busy locations, and those interested can contact 09 798183995 and 09 783009675. The course was resumed in 2023 after it had been closed due to the COVID-19 outbreak on 23 March 2020. — MT/ZN

S Korean actor Yoo Ah-in jailed for one year for drugs

HIGH-PROFILE South Korean actor Yoo Ah-in was found guilty Tuesday of illegal use of the anaesthetic drug propofol and handed a one-year jail term, the Yonhap news agency reported.

Yoo, whose real name is Uhm Hong-sik, was accused of using propofol on 181 occasions between 2020 and 2022. The drugs were administered at professional clinics, under the guise of having cosmetic procedures done.

The prosecution had sought a four-year sentence for the “Hellbound” actor, but the Seoul Central District Court handed the 37-year-old a one-year jail term, Yonhap reported.

“He is deemed guilty of all his purchases for habitual drug use,” the court stated in its ruling, according to Yonhap News TV.

The court said Yoo had committed the offences “in disregard of relevant regulations” and dis-

played a “lack of caution against drug substances”.

A doctor who administered propofol to Yoo without a proper prescription was fined 40 million won (\$30,000) last month.

Propofol, while primarily used as a surgical anaesthetic, is sometimes abused recreationally, often with the involvement of medical professionals who may be willing to provide it without a legitimate clinical need.

An overdose of the drug was cited as the cause of pop star Michael Jackson’s death in 2009.

“I am sorry for having caused concern to many people,” Yoo was quoted as saying in court by Yonhap. Yoo rose to stardom in the South following his debut in 2003, starring in a range of television dramas and films across genres, and becoming one of the country’s most recognizable actors. — AFP



Yoo Ah-in at the Seoul Central District Court on 3 September. PHOTO: AFP



Junko Hagiwara says she became fascinated by flamenco after she saw a rhythmic gymnastics championship. PHOTO: CRISTINA QUICLER / AFP

The Japanese dancer conquering Spain’s flamenco scene

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At 48, she became the first foreigner to achieve this honour. The announcement at the festival’s closing ceremony was met with both applause and some jeers.

Hagiwara, who has lived in Seville for over two decades, expressed surprise at

her win, noting she was so overwhelmed that she didn’t notice the negative reactions.

Hagiwara, originally from Kawasaki near Tokyo, fell in love with flamenco at 14 after hearing Spanish guitar music at a gymnastics championship. Her fascination led her to study pedagogy at Waseda University, where she joined a flamenco club.

Unsatisfied with her progress, she moved to Seville in 2002 to immerse herself fully in

flamenco, despite her parents’ objections.

In Spain, she dedicated herself to learning from top teachers, became fluent in Spanish, and married an Andalusian man.

Her commitment to the art form helped her build a reputation as a talented performer and teacher. Flamenco critic Manuel Bohorquez praised her for her classicism, authenticity, and solid training. — AFP

Thousands protest Budapest school’s smartphone ban

THOUSANDS demonstrated in central Budapest on Monday after the head of a renowned high school was sacked for not implementing a government-mandated “smartphone ban”.

A decree, adopted in August, requires schools to collect students’ phones and smart devices at the start of the day.

The move has reignited simmering tensions between

nationalist Prime Minister Viktor Orban, in power continuously since 2010, and teachers, who have protested over poor working conditions in the past two years.

On the first day of the school year, thousands packed the square at the headquarters of the Interior Ministry, which has supervised public education since 2022. “I found it outrageous

that the measures were taken without prior consultation overnight,” Katalin Elteto, a 71-year-old retired teacher told AFP.

“I think this protest is not just about the restriction of mobile phones, but the state of the public education in general,” she added, saying she is saddened by the lack of public debate over the issue, which is designed to “cover up the failing system”. — AFP



A demonstrator holds a banner as teachers, students and their sympathizers protest in central Budapest at the headquarters of the Interior Ministry on 2 September 2024. PHOTO: ATTILA KISBENEDEK / AFP

ECONOMY WORLD

Key exec Motegi joins Japan ruling party race, vows “no tax hikes”

Motegi's stance is intended to appeal to voters disillusioned by the prospect of tax hikes and economic instability.



File photo shows an electronics store in Tokyo's Akihabara district in December 2023. **PHOTO: PIX FOR VISUAL PURPOSE/ KYODO**

TOSHIMITSU Motegi, the No 2 in Japan's ruling party, on Wednesday announced his bid to join its leadership race and become the next prime minister, promising “no tax hikes” in an apparent bid to draw a sharp contrast with outgoing leader Fumio Kishida.

Motegi, the fifth candidate to join the 27 September election of the Liberal Democratic Party, said he will not turn to

raising taxes or health insurance premiums to secure funds worth 1 trillion yen (\$6.9 billion) each, part of an already formalized government plan to achieve a substantial spending increase to boost Japan's defense and childcare support.

Tax hikes are unpopular among voters and the Japanese economy lacks vigour amid rising prices of everyday goods. Motegi said he is confident that

the necessary funding can be secured via other sources, though his remarks immediately drew a backlash from fellow LDP members. As secretary general of the LDP and leader of one of its powerful intraparty groups, Motegi, 68, has been a key supporter of Kishida. But their relations are believed to have cooled since a political funds scandal emerged to rock the party late last year. — Kyodo

APEDA plans to export Indian alcoholic beverages worth US\$ 1 billion

THE government agricultural export facilitation arm Agricultural and Processed Food Export Development Authority (APEDA) plans to promote Indian alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages globally with a target of US\$ 1 billion over the next few years.

APEDA, as part of the ‘Make in India’ initiative, has been targeting an increase of exports of Indian spirits to major foreign destinations. In-

dia currently ranks 40th in the world for alcoholic beverage exports. As per a release from the Commerce ministry, the global demand for Indian spirits is increasing, presenting an opportunity for growth.

In a landmark move, Godawan Single malt whisky is all set to launch in the United Kingdom as an artisanal single malt whisky made in Rajasthan. The first batch of Godawan has been flagged off to United

Kingdom. Godawan Single malt whisky had participated in the International Food and Drinks Event (IFE), London in March 2024 under the ambit of APEDA and undertook promotions of Godawan.

“This worked as a precursor to launching Godawan in UK and commencing exports to UK,” the commerce ministry said. “This initiative will support farmers of Alwar region.” — ANI

NEWS IN BRIEF

Majority of US Steel board to be US citizens: Nippon Steel

NIPPON Steel Corp said Wednesday the majority of board members and core senior management of United States Steel Corp would be US citizens if its acquisition by the Japanese firm goes ahead.

Japan's largest steelmaker made the announcement days after US Vice-President Kamala Harris voiced opposition to the buyout, saying it should be run domestically. The deal has yet to win approval from US regulators.

Nippon Steel, which has already said US Steel will remain headquartered in Pittsburgh, said in a press release that the post-acquisition board would also include three independent directors who are US citizens.

The governance policy was announced after Harris, the Democratic Party's presidential nominee, told a rally in the Pennsylvania city on Monday that the US producer should remain domestically owned and operated as she sought to shore up support from blue-collar workers.

The two steelmakers announced the \$14.1 billion acquisition deal in December. US Steel and its shareholders have backed the takeover, which would create the world's third-largest steelmaker by volume.

But the United Steelworkers union has spoken against the deal, turning it into a delicate political issue. — Kyodo

Intel stock plummets 60% amid tech selloff

INTELS stock has had a rough year-to-date, plummeting nearly 60 per cent since January and falling off a cliff in early August as investors led by billionaire Warren Buffett began a massive selloff which led leading tech stocks to shed nearly \$3 trillion in value amid a perfect storm of recession fears, concerns over rising AI-related capital expenditure, and inflation. The shock stock drop shed more light on the difficult situation at Intel, with a flurry of reports beginning late last week citing informed sources revealing that the company is in the “most difficult period in its 56-

year history,” looking for strategic advice from the likes of Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs, and considering selling off its chip manufacturing capacity.

The news carries grave significance for Washington, with Axios pointing out in a report last Friday that Intel isn't just one of America's oldest US chipmakers, but “a key national security asset,” signalling the US's ability (or as it happens, inability) to compete with Taiwan, South Korea, China and other chip-making power players in an increasingly demanding world market for microchips. — SPUTNIK



Intel Corporation is a major American multinational corporation known for its significant role in the technology sector. **PHOTO: WIKIMEDIA COMMONS**

EaseMyTrip enters electric bus market

EASEMYTRIP has announced the launch of its new subsidiary, Easy Green Mobility, marking its entry into the electric bus manufacturing sector.

According to an official statement, the new subsidiary will focus on producing electric buses, with YoloBus, another EaseMyTrip subsidiary, serving as its operational arm.

As part of this initiative, EaseMyTrip is invest-

ing Rs 200 crore over the next 2-3 years in research and development (R&D), product development, and setting up a manufacturing plant for electric vehicles (EVs).

The Indian electric bus market is projected to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 24 per cent from 2024 to 2030, positioning Easy Green Mobility to capitalize on this evolving market.

Commenting on the

launch, Rikant Pittie, Co-Founder of EaseMyTrip, said, "A decade from now, the yearly demand for electric buses is expected to grow to 125,000 to 150,000 units per annum. The current market dynamics present a significant opportunity to enhance supply and meet the growing demand for electric buses by localizing production and creating a fully 'Make-In-India' product."

He added, "Through the FAME scheme, state-level policies and PLI schemes, the government is encouraging the adoption of electric buses across the country. Our new subsidiary, Easy Green Mobility, is a way to support their exemplary efforts and contribute to India's vision of becoming a global leader in Green Mobility. — ANI



The Indian electric bus market is projected to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 24 per cent from 2024 to 2030. PHOTO: GREENCELL MOBILITY/FILE



File photo taken in July 2023 shows the BMW iX5 hydrogen fuel cell vehicle in Tokyo. PHOTO: KYODO/FILE

Toyota, BMW expand tie-up in fuel cell vehicle business

Toyota Motor Corp and BMW AG will expand their partnership to jointly develop a new powertrain system for fuel cell vehicles and collaborate on building hydrogen stations in Europe, while Toyota will continue to supply the fuel cells.

TOYOTA Motor Corp and BMW AG said Thursday that they will expand their tie-up in the fuel cell vehicle business to jointly develop a new power train system.

Under the new partnership, the two automakers will develop components

of a new FCV driving system excluding fuel cells which Toyota will continue to provide to BMW.

The Japanese and German car-makers will also work together to build hydrogen stations in Europe. — Kyodo

Transferring Distributor for Registered Product

Distribution of following(3) Pesticides registered by Hextar Chemicals Sdn Bhd is transferring from Friend Helper Co., Ltd to Wah Wah Agricultural Chemicals Trading Co.,Ltd. Any objection regarding to this transfer can notify at Myanmar Pesticide Registration Board within(7) days.

No.	Trade Name	Active Ingredients	Registration Type	Registration No.
1	Dimexion 40	Diamethoate 38%EC	Provisional	P2024 - 6281
2	OAKS 9.4SC	Chlorfenapyr 9.4%SC	Provisional	P2024-3238
3	Dazzle 25WG	Thiamethoxam 25%WG	Provisional	P2023-6197

Wah Wah Agricultural Chemicals Trading Co., Ltd
Contant No- 09-400 902 044, 09- 420 021 530

Changing Trade Name For Registered Pesticide

The Pesticide manufactured by Anhui Byter AgricultureTechnology Co.,Ltd. and distributed by Myanmar Golden Byter Co.,Ltd. is changing trade Name as follow,

No	Previous Name	New Name	Registration No.
1	Power-Expert (Azoxystrobin 20% + Difenoconazole 12.5% SC)	Byter-Expert (Azoxystrobin 20% + Difenoconazole 12.5% SC)	P2019-4650
2	Power-Zole (Difenoconazole 40% SC)	Byter-Zole (Difenoconazole 40% SC)	P2019-4649
3	Dab Hand 23 EC (Emamectin Benzoate 2.3% EC)	Byter Hand 23 EC (Emamectin Benzoate 2.3% EC)	P2019-4656

Any Objection regarding to this changing can notify at Myanmar Pesticide Registration Board within (14) days.

Myanmar Golden Byter Co.,Ltd.
No(125/127), Kha 11 Street, Myoe Thit (A+B) Quarter, Inn Sein Township, Yangon.

Changing Trade Name For Registered Pesticide

The Pesticide manufactured by Anhui Byter AgricultureTechnology Co.,Ltd. and distributed by Myanmar Kete Co.,Ltd. is changing trade Name as follow,

No	Previous Name	New Name	Registration No.
1	Nicotrazine (Atrazine 24% + Fluroxypyr 5.5% +Nicosulfuron 3.5% OD)	Byter Nicotrazine (Atrazine 24% +Fluroxypyr 5.5% +Nicosulfuron 3.5% OD)	P2022-4851
2	Hoe Free (Quizalofop-P-ethyl 8.5% + Rimsulfuron 2.5% OD)	Byter Hoe Free (Quizalofop-P-ethyl 8.5% + Rimsulfuron 2.5% OD)	P2022-4974
3	Tenoxsu (Thiamethoxam 21% SC)	Byter Teno (Thiamethoxam 21% SC)	P2019-4652
4	Bean Guard 250 AS (Fomesafen 250g/l AS)	Byter Guard 250 AS (Fomesafen 250g/l AS)	P2019-4642
5	SPR Tricide (Clomazone 23% + Fomesafen 9.5% + Quizalofop-P-ethyl 2.5% EC)	Byter Tricide (Clomazone 23% + Fomesafen 9.5% + Quizalofop-P-ethyl 2.5% EC)	P2023-4849

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Myanmar Kete Co.,Ltd.
No(125/127),Kha 11 street, Myoe Thit (A+B) Quarter, Inn Sein Township, Yangon.

ROLLING UPDATES

WORLD



People walk in the Russian Far Eastern Federal University, where the 9th Eastern Economic Forum (EEF) is held, in Vladivostok, Russia, 3 September 2024. **PHOTO: CAO YANG/XINHUA**

Eastern Economic Forum's Plenary Session kicks off

This year's theme is "Far East 2030. Let's Join Forces, Creating Opportunities". The forum, hosted on Russia's Pacific coast, began on Tuesday and will run through Friday.

THE 9th Eastern Economic Forum is being held at the Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok, Russia, from 3 to 6 September.

Russian President Vladimir Putin, Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim, and Chinese Vice-President Han Zheng are set to take part in this influential plenary session.

This year's main theme of the Eastern Economic Forum is "Far East 2030. Let's Join Forces, Creating Opportunities". The Eastern Economic Forum began on Tuesday and will continue through Friday, hosted by the Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok, located on Russia's Pacific coast. — SPUTNIK

France still awaiting new PM as Macron hesitates

FRANCE was still waiting Wednesday to learn the identity of its new prime minister almost two months after legislative elections left the country in political deadlock, with President Emmanuel Macron battling to find a name that would be acceptable to parliament.

Sources close to the president had indicated an announcement was possible as soon as Wednesday evening but later made clear no news was expected until Thursday at the earliest.

Conservative former minister Xavier Bertrand had been seen as the favourite but his chances appeared to recede throughout the day.

Macron had also been sounding out opinion on a return to office for former Socialist prime minister Bernard Cazeneuve. An entirely new name also entered the fray on Wednesday, the right-wing mayor of the southern city of Cannes, David Lisnard.

Adding to the uncertainty, a flurry of late speculation also surrounded the possibility that Michel Barnier, a right-winger and the EU's former negotiator on Brexit, could be summoned to make a return to frontline politics as premier.

Barnier has been all but invisible in French political life since failing to win his party's nomination to challenge Macron for the presidency in 2022. — AFP



Former Socialist Bernard Cazeneuve is widely tipped to be France's next PM. **PHOTO: AFP/FILE**

BRIEF : WORLD

Small meteor lights up Philippine sky

A small, bright meteor lit up skies over the northern Philippines early Thursday as it burned up entering the Earth's atmosphere, the European Space Agency and witnesses said.

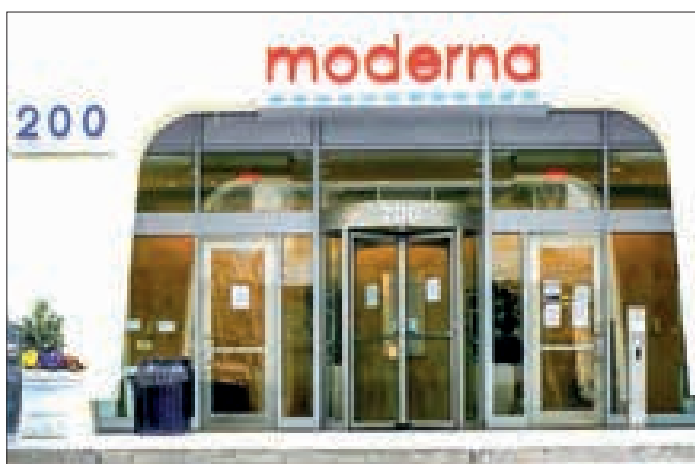
The one-metre (3.3-foot) space rock, named 2024 RW1, collided with the Earth's atmosphere shortly after midnight (1639 GMT Wednesday) and caused a "harmless" but "spectacular fireball" over the Philippines' Luzon island, the ESA said.

The meteor, discovered through the Catalina Sky Survey, is only the ninth meteor that humans have ever spotted before impact.

Businessman Allan Madelar, 28, told AFP he waited an hour in Gonzaga, a municipality in Luzon, to watch the meteor with a friend. "It was mesmerizing, the colour was beautiful. The sky went from black to blue-green to orange and black again," he said.

Video clips posted on Facebook and verified by AFP showed an orange-tailed fireball that briefly illuminated the night sky over Luzon. — AFP

Moderna mRNA mpox vaccine shows promise in animal study



Moderna says its experimental vaccine against coronavirus is 94.5 per cent effective. **PHOTO: AFP/FILE**

AN experimental Moderna mRNA vaccine for mpox has demonstrated greater effectiveness than current shots in reducing disease symptoms and duration, according to an

animal study published in the journal *Cell* on Wednesday.

It comes amid an outbreak of the disease in Africa — partly driven by a new variant that emerged in the Democratic Republic of Congo — which has been declared an international emergency.

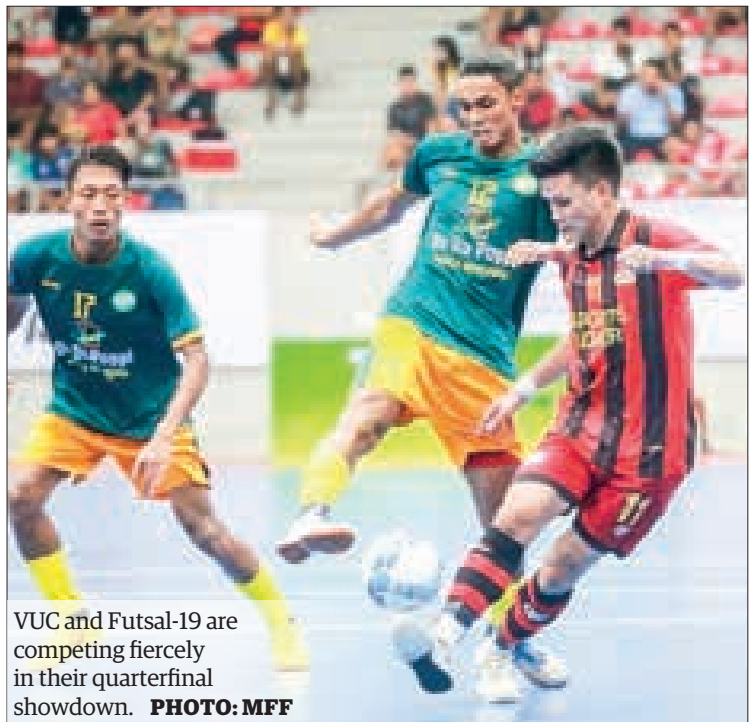
Senior author and virologist Jay Hooper from the US Army Medical Research Institute for Infectious Diseases told AFP that researchers were interested in exploring mRNA technology to find a "sweet spot" — an mpox vaccine that is both highly safe and highly effective. — AFP

SPORTS

VUC secures semifinal spot in MFF Futsal Championship

THE 2024 MFF Futsal Championship quarterfinals were held on 5 September at the MFF Futsal Arena in Yangon, showcasing top-tier performances from the contenders.

In the quarterfinal clashes: Pyae Sone FC dominated TG United with a 3-0 victory, while Winner Soccer narrowly defeated MH Dream Team 2-1. VUC, the current champions, outplayed Futsal-19 with a 6-3 win, and MIU triumphed over Seven with a convincing 7-1 scoreline. The semifinals will be held on 7 September, featuring matchups between Pyae Sone FC and Winner Soccer and defending champions VUC against MIU. VUC and MIU are the only teams with previous championship titles among the semifinalists, adding an extra layer of anticipation to the upcoming matches. — Ko Nyi Lay/KZL



VUC and Futsal-19 are competing fiercely in their quarterfinal showdown. PHOTO: MFF



PHOTO: ONE CHAMPIONSHIP

ONE 168: Denver to feature Aung La Nsang in middleweight clash

MYANMAR'S starfighter Aung La Nsang will make his return to the cage at ONE 168: Denver, which takes place in the United States on 7 September. This highly anticipated event is scheduled for early morning Myanmar time (evening of 6 September in the local US time zone).

Aung La Nsang will face Turkish competitor Shamil Erdogan in a middleweight showdown, marking his first fight in over a year. This bout will be crucial, as the winner will be in close contention for a chance to challenge for the middleweight championship belt.

The fight will also celebrate Aung La Nsang's 20th career fight and his first since the 10-year milestone with ONE Championship. Since his last fight against China's Fan Yong on

5 May 2023, Aung La Nsang has been waiting to step back into the octagon. He previously held both the lightweight and middleweight championship belts and has competed in five bouts since losing the titles, with a record of four wins and one loss.

Although Aung La has won his last three fights, this upcoming match will be his return to middleweight competition. ONE 168: Denver will feature a total of 12 bouts, with the Main Event showcasing the Muay Thai bantamweight world championship between British fighter Jonathan and Thailand's Superlek. The Co-Main Event will see the Flyweight Submission Grappling World Championship, with American Mikey taking on Brazilian Bebeto. — Ko Nyi Lay/KZL

PALESTINE gave South Korea a major scare in an entertaining 0-0 away draw on Thursday as they attempt to reach the World Cup for the first time.

Making their debut in the third stage of Asian qualifying and 96 in FIFA's rankings to South Korea's 23, Palestine refused to be overawed for much of an open contest in Seoul.

Palestine play their home matches abroad, usually in the Middle East, because of the war in Gaza.

The local league has been suspended and many of the players are without a club.

Despite those obstacles, they thought they had taken the lead in the 22nd minute at the 66,000-capacity Seoul World Cup Stadium, only for the goal to be correctly ruled out for off-side.

The hosts, under their fourth coach this year with Hong Myung-bo, looked shaky at the back and were struggling to get their talisman and skipper Son

Palestine give South Korea scare in World Cup qualifying stalemate



Heung-min into the game.

Their best chance of an even first half fell to Lee Kang-in, but Palestinian goalkeeper Rami Hamadeh just about kept out the Paris Saint-Germain player's well-struck close-range effort.

The Palestinians appeared to tire in the second half and were restricted to rare breakaways.

Lee was again guilty of missing a glorious chance when he shot wildly, then was denied with a 74th-minute freekick that Hamadeh tipped over the bar.

Oday Dabbagh then went close for the visitors on the break, before Spurs star Son rattled the outside of the post in the dying minutes.

But Palestine held on for a precious point and were good value for the draw. — AFP

South Korea's Son Heung-min (R) battles for the ball with Palestine's Jonathan Zorrilla. PHOTO: AFP



India-Singapore relations in focus: Modi meets President Shanmugaratnam

PRIME Minister Narendra called on Singapore President Tharman Shanmugaratnam in Singapore during his two-day visit to the island nation on Thursday and discussed avenues to broaden and deepen India-Singapore cooperation.

The two leaders warmly greeted each other and sat down and held discussions. PM Modi also signed the visitor's book.

Prime Minister Modi also thanked the Singapore President for his passionate support for India-Singapore partnership.

The two leaders discussed bilateral and global issues of mutual interest. They noted the longstanding friendship and cooperation between the two countries, which is based on trust, mutual respect and complementarity.

In this regard, they noted that the elevation of the ties to the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership will chart a robust way forward for joint collaboration. They shared thoughts on how India and Singapore can expand their cooperation to new areas such as advanced manufacturing and in emerging technologies, the MEA stated in a release.

PM Modi also conveyed to the Singapore President that he looks forward to welcoming him to India next year. Shanmugaratnam, is an Indian-origin economist and civil servant, who became Singapore's President last year. He served mainly at the Monetary Authority of Singapore, before joining politics in 2001. He has also served as Minister for Education and Finance and was Deputy Prime Minister from 2011 to 2019.

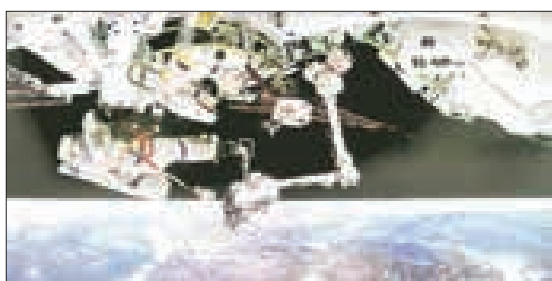
Earlier in the day, Prime Minister Modi attended the lunch hosted by Singapore's Senior Minister Lee Hsien Loong. The two leaders shook hands and warmly greeted each other. — ANI

Discussed broadening India-Singapore cooperation, including advanced manufacturing and emerging technologies. Modi signed the visitor's book and thanked Shanmugaratnam for his support of the India-Singapore partnership.



PM Modi calls on Singapore President Tharman Shanmugaratnam and , thanks his "passionate support" to partnership with India. **PHOTO: ANI**

China's lunar research station initiative welcomes new international partners



China's Shenzhou XIV astronauts Chen Dong (right) and Liu Yang exit the space station lab module Wentian on 1 September and use a robotic arm to install new instruments outside the Tiangong space station. **PHOTO: XU BU/FOR CHINA DAILY**

CHINA'S ambitious initiative to launch an international lunar research station has gained new global cooperation partners.

During the opening ceremony of a two-day

space conference held in Tunxi, east China's Anhui Province on Thursday, the China National Space Administration (CNSA) and its counterpart in Senegal signed an agreement on International Lunar Research Station (ILRS) cooperation.

At the conference, China's Deep Space Exploration Lab (DSEL) inked memoranda of understanding with 10 institutions from countries including Serbia, Switzerland, the United Arab Emirates, Indonesia, Pakistan, Panama and South Africa. Also among the institutions are the Belt and Road Alliance for Science & Technology, the Foundation for Space Development Africa, and Africa Business Alliance. In 2017, the CNSA officially launched the ILRS cooperation initiative to the international community. To date, over 40 institutions from across the world have signed cooperative documents with China. — Xinhua

REFORM PLANS

South Korea faces medical service shortage

CONCERNS grew over the vacuum of medical services in South Korea amid a prolonged lack of doctors, triggered by the government's announcement in February of medical reform plans to raise medical school enrolment by 2,000 per year for the next five years.

The medial reform, intended to address the expected shortage of doctors in the rapidly aging country, boosted the understaffed hospitals as intern and resident doctors resigned en masse on the grounds that the sharp increase in enrolment would aggravate medical education and eventually worsen medical services. Some of the medical staff suffering from excessive work burden quitted hospitals, some of which curtailed surgeries, outpatient treatment and emergency care services, while some patients scrambling for doctors died in emergency rooms. — Xinhua