

Four Objectives of the National Defence and Security Council

- 1. To steadfastly strive for emergence of political forces and the people’s representatives who can implement a genuine, disciplined multi-party democratic system while constantly emphasizing on the national interests of the State.
- 2. To persistently strive for promoting the socio-economic life of the people through the development of agro-based industries in improving the agricultural sector; the vital foundation of the economic growth of the State.
- 3. To put emphasis on enhancing the national education and health sectors for sustainable development of the State.
- 4. To implement multi-party democratic system, with the participation of the people, to ensure the success of multi-party democratic general election process and successfully moving towards with the multi-party democratic system aspired by the entire people.

Families of Commander-in-Chief’s Office (Army, Navy, Air) hold communal Kathina offering ceremony

FAMILIES of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army, Navy and Air) held the communal Kathina offering ceremony for 2025 at Anawrahta Hall of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) yesterday morning.

Chairman of the State Security and Peace Commission and Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and his wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla offered Kathina robes and alms to members of the Sangha.

Also, present at the ceremony were Chairman of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee, Presiding Patron of Thanlyin’s Minkyaung Pahtamabyan Buddhism Learning Centre Aggamaha Pandita, Aggamaha Saddhammajotikadhaja Dr Bhaddanta Candima Bhivamsa, Secretary of SSMNC Presiding Patron of New Masoeyein Monastery of Mandalay, Dhammathameikdi Monastery Sayadaw Aggamaha Pandita, Aggamaha Saddhammajotikadhaja, Maha Dhammakathika Bahujanahitadhara Bhaddanta Vasettha Bhivamsa, Ovadacariya Sayadaws of Up-patasanta Pagoda Board of Trustees, and 27 invited members of the Sangha.

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State Security and Peace Commission Chairman and Defence Services Commander-in-Chief Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla present Kathina robes and offerings at yesterday’s event in Nay Pyi Taw.

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2025 MULTIPARTY DEMOCRACY GENERAL ELECTION

- Domestic election observers who wish to monitor the multiparty democratic general election, which will begin in phases on 28 December 2025, may apply for election observation permits at the Union Election Commission (UEC), as well as the relevant Region/State, District, and Township Election Subcommissions from today until 5 December 2025.
- The Union Election Commission announced on 16 September 2025 that domestic election observers must follow the Code of Conduct for Observers, issued under Notification 68/2025, and adhere to the procedures set out for their observation activities under Notification 69/2025. These notifications are available for viewing and can be downloaded from the Union Election Commission’s official website <https://www.uec.gov.mm>.
- The Union Election Commission has also announced that international election observers will be allowed to monitor the multiparty democratic general election. Invitations will be extended directly to representatives of relevant countries and international organizations. In addition, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, invitations will be sent to representatives of foreign embassies, consulates, and permanent missions that maintain diplomatic relations with the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Union Election Commission

2025
General Election
Sunday, 28 December 2025

59

Days

- Let us encourage production for prosperity of the Nation.
- Let us ensure education sector for the development of the Nation.
- Let us protect our environment for the prosperity of the Nation.

Republic of the Union of Myanmar
National Defence and Security Council Office

Order 47/2025

9th Waxing of Tazaungmone 1387 ME
29 October 2025

Appointment and Duty Assignment of Taninthayi Region
Security and Border Affairs Minister

THE National Defence and Security Council has appointed and assigned BC 31667 Colonel Thein Zaw Myint to the duties of Minister for Security and Border Affairs of Taninthayi Region Government under Subsection (b) of Section 427 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

By order,
Aung Lin Dwe
Executive Chief

Weather
Myanmar Daily Weather Report

Issued at 7 pm Wednesday, 29 October 2025

BAY INFERENCE: Weather is cloudy over the Andaman Sea and a few cloud to partly cloudy over the Bay of Bengal.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL NOON OF 30 October 2025: Weather will be partly cloudy in Lower Sagaing Region and Kayah, and (northern and eastern) Shan States. Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Taninthayi Region, scattered in Ayeyawady Region and Kayin, and Mon States and isolated in the remaining Regions and States. The degree of certainty is 100 per cent.

THE CONDITION OF CUMULONIMBUS CLOUD: The cumulonimbus clouds are developing in Taninthayi Region. The area along the cumulonimbus clouds movement, the weather phenomena such as strong winds accompanied with rain, thunder, lightning and hail may occur and therefore it is recommended to be aware of these phenomena in advance.

STATE OF THE SEA: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along the Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 25-30 miles per hour. Wave height will be about 7-9 feet off and along the Myanmar Coasts.

OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT TWO DAYS: Likelihood of scattered to fairly widespread rain or thundershowers in Yangon, Bago, Ayeyawady, and Taninthayi Regions and Kayin, and Mon States.

FORECAST FOR NAY PYI TAW AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 30 October 2025: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. The degree of certainty is 60 per cent.

FORECAST FOR YANGON AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 30 October 2025: Isolated rain or thundershowers. The degree of certainty is 100 per cent.

FORECAST FOR MANDALAY AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 30 October 2025: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. The degree of certainty is 60 per cent. — DMH

New Democracy Party (Kachin) and
Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party (PSDP)
deliver campaign speeches

THE electoral speech of the New Democracy Party (Kachin) and Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party (PSDP) is featured on page 10 and page 11 of today’s issue of The Global New Light of Myanmar newspaper.



Information Centre for Trafficked
Persons (Yangon, Mandalay)



The trafficked persons
can contact and ask for help.



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Ward, Aungmyaythazan Township.
02 2830423

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Residents Urged to Prioritize Public Safety Amid Armed Terrorist Threats

ARMED terrorists have been launching attacks by using residential homes and administrative buildings in towns and villages as cover, where they have forcibly settled. They aim to shield themselves from Tatmadaw counterattacks while also persuading temporarily displaced persons to return to their native areas and recruiting new members. That enables terrorists to use civilians as human shields. Tatmadaw is committed to safeguarding the sovereignty of the State and will respond to these threats based on intelligence and prevailing conditions. Therefore, residents in areas where terrorists have taken control must prioritize their safety and protect themselves from being exploited by these groups.

(An excerpt from guidance given by Chairman of the State Administration Council, Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing to Shan State cabinet members and state-level departmental officials on 3 September 2024)

Families of Commander-in-Chief’s Office (Army, Navy, ...

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The Senior General and his wife were accompanied by Commission Vice-Chairman, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, Commander-in-Chief (Army), Vice-Senior General Soe Win and his wife Daw Than Than Nwe, Commission member and Chief of the General Staff (Army, Navy and Air) General Kyaw Swa Lin and his wife, Union-level dignitaries and their wives, senior Tatmadaw officers from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief and their wives, and Tatmadaw members.

The Senior General and his wife, together with the congregation, viewed around the display of Kathina robes and offertories to be donated to monasteries. The Senior General paid homage to the Buddha image in the Anawrahta Hall and offered meals in the alms-bowl, water, oil, light and fruits.

At the opening ceremony, Thanlyin Minkyaung Sayadaw administered the Nine Precepts. Members of the Sangha recited the Metta Sutta.

The Senior General and his



The Senior General looks into Padethabin (tree-shaped frames for offerings) at yesterday’s ceremony.

wife donated Kathina robes to Yezin KanU Monastery Sayadaw Aggamaha Pandita Bhaddanta Vilasa of Zeyathiri Township in Nay Pyi Taw and Kathina robes and offerings to SSMNC Chairman Thanlyin Minkyaung Sayadaw.

The Vice-Senior General

and his wife offered Kathina robes and alms to SSMNC Secretary Mandalay New Masoeyin Monastery Sayadaw.

The Union-level dignitaries and their wives, the Commission member and Chief of the General Staff (Army, Navy and Air) and his wife, senior Tatmadaw

officers from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief and their wives donated Kathina robes and offerings to members of the Sangha, respectively.

The Senior General and his wife, together with the congregation, listened to the answer and question session on Kathina

affairs of two monks from Yezin KanU Monastery.

SSMNC Secretary Mandalay’s New Masoeyin Sayadaw delivered a sermon while the congregation shared merits gained.

After the ceremony, the Senior General and his wife, and the congregation offered the day’s meals to members of the Sangha led by Thanlyin Minkyaung Sayadaw.

The communal Kathina offerings of the families of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army, Navy and Air) were conveyed from the Anawrahta Hall to Uppatasanti Pagoda on 27 October.

At the ceremony, offices and departments of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army, Navy and Air) donated 90 Padethabin structures decorated with offerings worth K170,840,810 and currency notes worth K125,053,540, totalling K295,894,260 at the 2025 ceremony. Tatmadaw families from relevant offices and departments sent the donations to monasteries by car. — MNA/TTA

Notice on registration of rice storage facilities

1. The Ministry of Commerce has issued Order 82/2024, dated 24 October 2024, stating that owners of rice storage facilities holding 25 tonnes or more of rice, or 2,500 or more baskets of paddy, are required to apply for a Rice Storage Facility Registration Certificate through the Myanmar Rice Online (MyRO) portal at www.myro.com.mm to conduct business. All rice storage facility owners must comply with this directive without fail.
2. Warehouses registered in the Myanmar Rice Online (MyRO) system are also reminded to record stock-in, stock-out, and balance stock data in their accounts on the MyRO website between the 1st and 7th of each month, to ensure the completeness and accuracy of the information provided, and to cooperate with periodic inspections.
3. Failure to apply for a warehouse registration certificate as stated in paragraph 1 above, or to submit the monthly stock-in, stock-out, and balance stock lists as stated in paragraph 2 within the specified period, may result in action in accordance with the provisions of Order 82/2024 of the Ministry of Commerce, cancellation of the registration certificate, or both. For any questions, please contact the Myanmar Rice Online (MyRO) portal at www.myro.com.mm, the Region/State/District/Township offices of the Consumer Affairs Department, or the Myanmar Rice Federation.

NATIONAL

MoFA Union Minister holds separate discussions with FMs attending 3rd Minsk Intl Conf on Eurasian Security

UNION Minister for Foreign Affairs U Than Swe, who is currently attending the 3rd Minsk International Conference on Eurasian Security held in Minsk, Republic of Belarus, held bilateral meetings with his counterparts from the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus, respectively.

On 28 October, Union Minister U Than Swe met Mr Sergey Lavrov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, and on 29 October, he separately met Mr Maxim Ryzhenkov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Belarus.

During the meeting with the Russian Foreign Minister, the two sides discussed prospects for enhancing bilateral relations between Myanmar and Russia, focusing on priority areas such as cooperation in political, economic, trade, investment sectors and people-to-people exchanges. They also exchanged views on continued collaboration at both regional and international levels.

Furthermore, the two Min-



Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Than Swe meets Belarusian Foreign Affairs Minister Mr Maxim Ryzhenkov in Minsk, Republic of Belarus, yesterday.

isters discussed plans for election observers from the Election Commission and the Duma of the Russian Federation to participate in observing Myanmar's upcoming General Elections, scheduled to begin on 28 December 2025.

Following the discussion,

Agreement Between the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the Government of the Russian Federation on Mutual Visa Exemption for citizens of the Russian Federation and citizens of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, and Plan of Consultations between

the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation for 2025-2027 were signed.

On 29 October, Union Minister U Than Swe met Mr Maxim Ryzhenkov, Minister of Foreign

Affairs of the Republic of Belarus. The two Ministers held cordial and in-depth discussions on matters to further enhance Myanmar-Belarus cooperation, as well as on the upcoming signing of bilateral agreements and memorandums of understanding in the political, economic, cultural, and social sectors.

In the morning of 29 October, the Union Minister also visited the Consulate-General of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, where he met officials and their families. He encouraged them to learn the local language of their host country, to study and apply modern technologies, including AI, to carry out their duties efficiently, and to always act as true representatives of their nation by working to further strengthen the bilateral relations between the two countries. He added that a diplomat should be someone capable of turning even an adversary into a friend, and should work to promote mutually beneficial cooperation with existing friends. — MNA

MIFER Union Minister meets Myanmar-Korea Economic Studies delegation

UNION Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations and Vice Chair of the Myanmar Investment Commission, Dr Wah Wah Maung, met yesterday afternoon with a delegation led by Mr Choi Shin-il, Chair of the Myanmar-Korea Institute of Economic and Security Studies, based in the Republic of Korea. The meeting took place at Office No 1 of the Ministry in Nay Pyi Taw.

The Union Minister noted that Myanmar has benefited from Korea's official development assistance (ODA) loans and support in various sectors, including agriculture, health, education, human resource development, transport infrastructure, and electricity. She remarked that Korea's Saemaul Undong village development model serves as a valuable example that can be adapted to Myanmar's context.

She explained that Myan-



Union Minister Dr Wah Wah Maung meets Mr Choi Shin-il, Chair of the Myanmar-Korea Institute of Economic and Security Studies, in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

mar is striving to expand investment cooperation, not only with long-standing partners but also with new ones, adding that Korea currently ranks sixth in investment and ninth in trade with Myanmar. She reaffirmed the Ministry's readiness to assist investors in accordance with the

Myanmar Investment Law and related regulations.

Dr Wah Wah Maung also acknowledged the significant presence of Korean enterprises in Myanmar, particularly in the CMP garment sector, and invited further Korean investment, assuring that the government re-

mains committed to maintaining a stable and favourable business environment.

Mr Choi Shin-il said that Korean entrepreneurs are interested in expanding their business and investment activities in Myanmar. He discussed potential investment opportunities,

incentives under the Myanmar Investment Law, and the legal and administrative support available to investors. He added that Korean businesses are eager to engage proactively in exploring future investment prospects in Myanmar.

The meeting was attended by directors-general, the deputy permanent secretary, deputy directors-general, and officials from the Ministry of Investment and Foreign Economic Relations, as well as Korean business representatives.

The delegation from the Myanmar-Korea Institute of Economic and Security Studies included company representatives from sectors such as construction and real estate, digital X-ray detector manufacturing, industrial fan production, power cable manufacturing, telecommunications and networking equipment, screen golf, and cement production. — MNA/KZL

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General Aung San Declares Firm Stand Against Election Disruption

“Our Government shall not permit any disruption of the forthcoming election. The electoral process shall remain free and fair, and no interference shall be exercised upon those who participate in it. Yet, let it be firmly declared that any attempt to disturb or sabotage the election shall be met with the full weight of authority”.

(An excerpt from the radio address regarding the election, delivered by General Aung San on 13 March 1947)



MoL Union Minister receives Myanmar-Lao Friendship Association Chair

UNION Minister for Labour U Aung Kyaw Hoe received Myanmar-Lao Friendship Association Chairman U Win Maung and his team at the meeting hall of the Ministry in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning.

The Union minister discussed the MoU on cooperation in labour matters between Myanmar and Laos, the establishment of a working group to implement the process of issuing Certificate of Identity (C of I) to undocumented Myanmar citizens living and working in Laos, and the verification of the procedures for

sending workers to Laos following the procedures, rules, and standard operating procedures (SOPs).

The meeting was attended by the permanent secretary and officials, the chairperson and responsible officials from the Myanmar-Laos Friendship Association. — MNA /MKKS

Union Minister U Aung Kyaw Hoe meets Myanmar-Lao Friendship Association Chairman U Win Maung in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.



MoH Union Minister receives officials from Gavi, WHO and UNICEF in Geneva, Switzerland

UNION Minister for Health Dr Thet Khaing Win met the delegation led by Mr Ricard Lacort Monte, Senior Country Manager of the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI) based in Geneva, Switzerland, together with representatives from the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) based in Yangon. The meeting took place yesterday at the Ministry of Health’s meeting hall in Nay Pyi Taw.

The Union minister stated that the Department of Public Health is implementing nationwide vaccination campaigns and



providing timely basic health-care and treatment services to the public. Routine and catch-up vaccination programmes are being conducted, including in areas

such as Kyaukme, Hsipaw, and Nawngkhio Townships, which were previously under terrorist control. Special immunization programmes are also being

carried out for children under 15 years of age, according to the appropriate age categories.

He noted that since the Mandalay earthquake, there have been no cases of vaccine-preventable diseases or epidemic outbreaks in the affected areas. He emphasized that particular attention is being given to ensuring that pregnant women and children nationwide receive the required vaccinations efficiently and on schedule, under the leadership of the State. The Union Minister also expressed his gratitude for the support provided by the Ministry of Health, related ministries, regional and state governments, and international partners such as GAVI, WHO, and UNICEF.

During the meeting, the Union Minister and representatives from GAVI, WHO, and UNICEF discussed ongoing immunization activities in Myanmar, including the Gavi 6.0 funding application.

The meeting was also attended by the deputy minister, the director-general, the deputy permanent secretary, and officials from the Expanded Programme on Immunization Division of the Department of Public Health, as well as representatives from GAVI (Geneva), WHO, and UNICEF. — MNA/MKKS

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MNHRC Chair joins 9th International Scientific Conference in Russia



Myanmar National Human Rights Commission Chairman U Paw Lwin Sein and Russian Human Rights Commissioner Professor Tatiana Moskalkova pose for the documentary photo at the signing event of Memorandum of Cooperation between the two commissions.

MYANMAR National Human Rights Commission Chairman U Paw Lwin Sein attended the Ninth International Scientific and Practical Conference cen-

tered on the issues of human rights protection in an era of digital transformation held from 22 to 24 October in Moscow in Russia.

The conference was attended by the representatives of human rights commissions and organizations from over 60 countries and organizations.

At the event, Myanmar National Human Rights Commission Chairman U Paw Lwin Sein stated that digital technology has now become inseparable from modern social life. Therefore, it is essential to protect and safeguard human rights in digital systems. The rights mentioned in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights must continue to be upheld and protected in the age of digital technology.

Myanmar enacted laws such as the Telecommunications Law and the Cybersecurity Law to protect digital rights. These laws are intended to protect the safety and security of citizens' personal and private information.

He then mentioned the establishment of the learning management system, mobile application and website of the com-

mission to receive the reports from the citizens online and the formation of the e-governance of the commission.

He met Russian Human Rights Commissioner Professor Tatiana Moskalkova separately, and discussed bilateral cooperation between the two commissions and exchanged gifts.

During the trip, he observed the human rights-related measures at the Russian Human Rights Commission headquarters and signed a Memorandum of Cooperation between the two commissions.

He also separately met the delegations of Indonesia, Sudan, Nepal and Sri Lanka and discussed bilateral cooperation, respectively.

He arrived back in Myanmar on 28 October. — MNA/KTZH

MoTC Dy Minister attends India Maritime Week 2025

DEPUTY Minister for Transport and Communications U Aung Kyaw Tun, who is currently in India, attended the Fortifying Global Supply Chains event organized by the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority on 28 October, together with India's Minister of State of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Shri Shantanu Thakur.

The event, aimed at strengthening India's strategic position as a global logistics and manufacturing hub by enhancing maritime trade infrastructure, streamlining processes, and improving multi-sector connectivity, opened with remarks from the Indian Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.

The deputy minister delivered a speech emphasizing that the event's theme, 'Logistics Reinvented', is an essential issue, highlighting that strong supply chains underpin econom-



Deputy Minister U Aung Kyaw Tun speaks at the Fortifying Global Supply Chains event in India on 28 October 2025.

ic growth and prosperity, and noting Myanmar's strategic location at the crossroads of South and Southeast Asia – with its extensive coastline along the Bay of Bengal and the Andaman Sea serving as a vital maritime link that facilitates trade between India's eastern seaboard and ASEAN countries such as Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, and Vietnam, thereby reducing transportation time and costs.

The deputy minister stated that the Sittway Port and Kaladan Multimodal Transit Transport Project, jointly implemented by Myanmar and India, serves as a key route linking India's eastern ports with its landlocked northeastern states through Myanmar, establishing Sittway as a major maritime gateway and new economic corridor, while the India-Myanmar-Thailand Trilateral High-

way provides a direct land route to ASEAN, adding that future efforts will focus on modernizing domestic logistics and ports, implementing single-window systems and digital platforms, encouraging private sector participation, and promoting human resource development and technology transfer to build an efficient, cost-effective, and mutually beneficial logistics ecosystem.

The deputy minister then attended the signing ceremony of MOUs between departments and organizations under the Ministry of State of Ports, Shipping and Waterways and private companies for the development of India's maritime sector.

After the ceremony, a bilateral meeting was held with the Indian officials led by the Minister of Ministry of State of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, to discuss the bilateral coastal shipping agreement and its standard operating procedures, the Memorandum of Understanding on seafarer training and certificate recognition, model demonstration-based training and assessment systems for seafarers, a long-range tracking and surveillance system for ships, and matters related to protection and compensation insurance for Myanmar-registered vessels entering India. — MNA/TH

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

Agriculture, livestock breeding, MSME primarily support State economic

❖ Agriculture, livestock breeding, and micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) primarily support economic development of the State.

(An excerpt from the speech delivered by Chairman of the State Administration Council, Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing at the second-day session of the government coordination meeting of SAC on 20 May 2025)

3 artistes face legal action for disrupting multiparty general election



Mike Tee (aka) Than Tun Zaw (director) Kyaw Win Htut (aka) Kyaw Min Htut (supporting actor) Ohn Daing (aka) Zaw Myint (comedian)

THE government is working to successfully hold the multiparty democratic general election on 28 December 2025, to implement the multiparty democratic system. To prevent any interference, obstruction, or disruption of the election process, the Law on the Protection of Multiparty Democratic General Elections from Obstruction, Disruption, and Destruction was enacted on 29 July 2025, and effective legal action has been taken against those who fail to follow the law.

Meanwhile, director Mike Tee (aka) Than Tun Zaw, supporting actor Kyaw Win Htut (aka) Kyaw Min Htut and comedian Ohn Daing (aka) Zaw Myint, were arrested at their respective residences on 27 October for making false and misleading criticism on social media regarding the artistes of the ‘Khit Ko Done Saing Myi Thu Myar’ movie.

According to the investigation, the offenders had previously supported Tatmadaw, which carries out State responsibilities under the 2008 Constitution, and had participated in protests. Moreover, they failed to contribute their artistic expertise towards the success of the upcoming election. Instead, they criticized and attacked other artistes who were cooperating in the process. It was also found that they had written and distributed content intended to undermine public trust in the general election.

Among these three offenders, director Mike Tee (aka) Than Tun Zaw was charged under Penal Code Section 505-A for criticizing the government on social media in 2021, and pardoned on 28 October 2022 on condition “they will have to serve the new punishment together with the remaining punishment to which they were sentenced this time if more offence is committed”. Thus, he will be taken action under the Law on the Protection of Multiparty Democratic General Elections from Obstruction, Disruption, and Destruction, and measures will also be made to serve his remaining punishment.

Similarly, Kyaw Win Htut (aka) Kyaw Min Htut and Ohn Daing (aka) Zaw Myint will be taken action under the Law on the Protection of Multiparty Democratic General Elections from Obstruction, Disruption, and Destruction. — MNA/KTZH

Myanmar steps up crackdown on illegal foreign telecom fraud, gambling suspects

THE government continues to investigate and deport foreign nationals who illegally entered Myanmar and became involved in online gambling, online scams, and related criminal activities in border regions.

Authorities have recently detained 166 foreign nationals from four countries who had illegally entered Myanmar through border routes – some transiting via neighbouring countries, including Thailand – and were engaged in online gambling and scam operations in the Myawady-KK Park area of Kayin State.

Myawady District Administrator U Kaung San Lin, Deputy Director U Myint Bhone of Ministry of Immigration and Population and officials inspected the verification process. They coordinated the collection of personal data and records to facilitate their repatriation to their respective countries as quickly as possible.

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PDF terrorists destroy Ayeyawady Bridge linking Singu, Kyaukmyaung

PDF terrorists and their accomplices, with the intention of disrupting national peace and stability as well as hindering the flow of regional trade, have been illegally and violently planting and detonating mines on public roads and bridges used by civilians.

Yesterday, these terrorist groups destroyed the Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanatheinkha), a bridge spanning the Ayeyawady River on the Shwebo-Kyaungmyaung-Singu-Mandalay Road, by means of a mine explosion.

The bridge, which connects Singu Township in Thabeikkyin District, Mandalay Region, with Kyaungmyoung Township in Shwebo District, Sagaing Region, is a key route for public transport and the flow of goods.

At about 6:10 am on 29 October, PDF terrorists and their collaborators detonated mines and destroyed the bridge. The explosion caused severe damage between water pier numbers RP4 and RP5, as well as at the approach section near RP6–A2.

Due to this reckless and destructive act by the terrorists, vehicles and travellers are no longer able to cross the bridge, and trade and transport activities have come to a halt.

The Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanatheinkha) is a 2,480-foot-long reinforced concrete bridge, 25 feet wide, with pedestrian lanes of three feet on both the left and right sides. The bridge was constructed by Special Construction Task Force 14, with the project starting on 16 April 2010 and completed on 24 July 2013, when it was officially opened.



This image shows the Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanatheinkha) destroyed by PDF terrorists.

PDF terrorists and their confederates, under the pretext of benefiting the local area, have in fact been causing significant harm to the livelihoods and rights of the local population. Residents have become fully aware of this reality and strongly condemn the mine explosion and destruction of the Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanatheinkha), which has no connection to any military operations.

Authorities have also stated that responsible officials will carry out repair and restoration work on the bridge as quickly as possible. — MNA/KZL

Enhance the knowledge, wisdom, and vision of the people

TO DEVELOP the country into a prosperous and honourable nation, it is not enough to have only leaders with knowledge, wisdom, and vision. It is also necessary to have a large number of citizens who are knowledgeable, well-educated, and capable of thinking critically and wisely. While the government strives to improve the nation, the active participation of citizens as responsible and committed nationals is essential for the country to truly become what is hoped for.

Since gaining independence, Myanmar has not yet allowed everyone to equally enjoy the fruits of independence. From the

Careful consideration of these points is necessary when planning and implementing the construction of a democratic state and a federal system. In doing so, the State is giving priority to education to address Myanmar's existing weaknesses in knowledge, skills, and expertise. By learning from the country's current challenges, improving the educational level of its citizens, ensuring orderly elections, and ultimately forming a new government, the nation can move steadily along the path of democracy.

relevant stakeholders, and all citizens must accurately observe and assess the true situation of the State, speak out about what can be done, and act with proper guidance and direction toward what should be done.

Primarily, Myanmar needs its people to firmly stand on the chosen path of democracy, and the State is actively working to ensure this firm stance. It is also necessary to consider the country's historical background and geopolitical significance. Myanmar is situated between two major powers, China and India, with different political systems, making it essential for the country to maintain a correct and stable position. Myanmar's foreign policy is based on neutrality and fostering continuous, friendly relations with all nations.

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Commemorating World Stroke Day 2025 (29 October)

Let all citizens strive to prevent stroke!

By Dr Aung Tun



THE World Stroke Organization (WSO) designates October 29th annually as World Stroke Day to raise awareness about the danger of stroke and the importance of rapid treatment.

The main theme for World Stroke Day 2025 is "Every Minute Counts: Let's Act Together and #ActFAST."

What is a Stroke?

A stroke is a sudden event that interrupts the blood and oxygen supply to the brain. Without treatment, millions of brain cells die within minutes. This time delay causes lasting brain damage that can severely impact a person's ability to walk, speak, and handle daily activities.

Therefore, knowing the signs of a stroke and raising the alarm immediately is the critical first step. It not only saves lives but also significantly increases a stroke survivor's chances of recovery.

Global Stroke Situation

Stroke remains one of the greatest health challenges worldwide:

- * Incidence: Around 12 million people suffer a stroke annually, which equates to one person every two seconds.
- * Mortality: Approximately one in every two people who have a stroke loses their lives to the disease.
- * Sequelae: About two-thirds (2/3) of survivors face long-term complications and disability.

According to data from the Global Burden of Disease Study 2019, stroke remains the second leading cause of death and the third leading cause of disability globally (Lancet, 2020). WSO's 2022 data indicates that about 12.2 million people experience a first-ever stroke each year; 6.5 million die, and 110 million are living as stroke survivors. Stroke incidence has increased by over 100 per cent in low- and middle-income countries

over the last 30 years (Feigin et al., 2022).

Stroke in Myanmar

In Myanmar, stroke is a major cause of both mortality and long-term disability. It plays a significant role in the rising Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) related deaths.

The Myanmar STEPS Survey 2019 reveals a high prevalence of major stroke risk factors in the population:

- | Hypertension (High Blood Pressure) | 20.8 per cent of the population
- | Diabetes Mellitus | 10.5 per cent of the population
- | Tobacco Use (Smoking/Other Products) | 21.8 per cent of the population use tobacco products
- | Obesity | Approximately 11.2 per cent of the population is overweight or obese

These figures demonstrate a significant burden of stroke risk factors in Myanmar; necessitating effective prevention and control measures.

Causes of Stroke

Stroke is mainly classified into two types:

- (A) Ischemic Stroke
 - * Caused by a blockage in a blood vessel supplying the brain.
 - * Accounts for approximately 87 per cent of all cases.
- (B) Haemorrhagic Stroke
 - * Caused by a blood vessel rupture within the brain, leading to bleeding.

Risk Factors

Key factors that increase the risk of stroke include:

- * High Blood Pressure (Hypertension): The single largest risk factor.
- * Diabetes Mellitus: High blood sugar damages blood vessels.
- * Heart Diseases: Conditions like Atrial Fibrillation (AF) can cause blood clots that block brain arteries.
- * Smoking: Including all tobacco products and vaping.
- * Obesity and Physical Inactivity.
- * Unhealthy Diet: High salt and high fat intake.
- * Excessive Alcohol Consumption.

Rapid Diagnosis

Recognizing the signs of stroke is the most crucial step in saving a life. Everyone should remember the WSO-designated acronym, #ActFAST:

- | F | Face Drooping | Does one side of the face droop or feel numb? |
- | A | Arm Weakness | Is one arm weak or numb? |
- | S | Speech Difficulty | Is speech slurred, difficult, or garbled?

T | Time to Call | Call immediately for emergency medical help. (Go to the nearest hospital/treatment centre without delay).

If stroke is suspected, do not delay for a single minute; the person must be rushed to the nearest hospital or a specialized stroke unit immediately. If the cause is a blocked artery, administering clot-busting medication (thrombolysis) within the critical "Golden Hour" time limit is vital for effective treatment.

Transient Ischaemic Attack (TIA / mini stroke).

Among the various types of strokes, there is a kind that can be immediately recovered from and leaves no long-term symptoms, and it usually gets better within a short period. This type is called a Transient Ischaemic Attack (TIA / mini stroke).

A stroke (Transient Ischemic

ic Attack) is a small stroke that occurs due to a temporary interruption of blood flow to the brain. Normal blood flow is restored within a short time frame (ranging from 5 minutes to 24 hours), and the symptoms often resolve without medical treatment. However, it is urgently necessary to seek medical treatment to prevent a recurrence of another mini-stroke or a full-blown major stroke.

Challenges for Myanmar

"Relevant hospital treatment centres can provide necessary diagnostic procedures for stroke, including Blood Tests, ECG, Echocardiogram (Echo), MRI, CT Scan, and Angiogram, as required.

MRI and CT Scan machines are primarily located in major cities, making it difficult for patients in rural areas to receive timely access. Therefore, the importance of basic diagnostic methods like F.A.S.T. is even greater."

Impacts of Stroke on the Individual, Family, Community, and Nation

Stroke has devastating consequences that extend far beyond the patient to affect everyone connected to them.

1. Individual Impact

- * Physical: Sudden one-sided weakness, paralysis, inability

- to walk, facial droop, leading to severe disability or death.
- * Psychological: Depression, anxiety, isolation, and loss of self-confidence.
- * Cognitive: Impairment in speech, understanding, and memory.
- * Lifestyle Changes: Dependency on others for daily life and loss of employment.

2. Family Impact

- * Caregiving Burden: A family member often must sacrifice their job, finances, and personal life to become a full-time caregiver.
- * Financial Burden: Costs of long-term treatment, medication, and rehabilitation can rapidly deplete a family's economic stability.
- * Psychological Strain: Increased stress, conflict, and depression among family members.

3. Societal Impact

- * Strain on Healthcare System: The growing number of stroke patients places significant pressure and burden on hospitals, clinics, and healthcare providers.
- * Loss of Productivity and Increased Need for Social Welfare Services.

4. National Impact

- * National Economic Loss: High treatment costs and the loss of an active workforce negatively impact the Gross Domestic Product (GDP).
- * Social Welfare Challenge: Increased burden on health

insurance and social security systems, hindering development efforts.

Prevention and Control

Prevention is better than a cure. Controlling the risk factors can significantly reduce the chance of stroke.

- (A) Individual Stroke Prevention
 - * Control Blood Pressure: Regularly check blood pressure and take prescribed medication consistently.
 - * Quit/Avoid Smoking: Stop using all tobacco products, including traditional cigarettes, vapes, and heated tobacco products.
 - * Maintain a Healthy Weight: Achieve and maintain a healthy body weight.
 - * Eat Healthily: Consume plenty of fruits, vegetables, and fibre; limit salt and high-fat foods.
 - * Exercise Regularly: Engage in at least 150 minutes of moderate exercise per week.
 - * Control Diabetes and Heart Disease: Manage these conditions systematically as instructed by a doctor.
- (B) National-Level Control
 - * Public Awareness: Implement widespread educational campaigns to ensure the public knows the signs of stroke (F.A.S.T.) and how to respond in an emergency.
 - * Policy Implementation: Strictly enforce laws controlling tobacco (including e-cigarettes)

and other unhealthy commodities.

- * Enhance Healthcare: Expand and improve specialized stroke care units and rapid diagnostic/treatment services in both urban and rural areas. Preventing stroke and ensuring rapid treatment is essential not only for saving individual lives but also for the economic and social stability of families and the nation.

Let all citizens strive to prevent stroke!

"Every Minute Counts!" In the event of a stroke, time is the most critical element for treatment. This World Stroke Day, we urge everyone to:

- * Know the Signs: Teach yourself, family, and friends the stroke warning signs (F.A.S.T.) until they are automatic.
- * Act FAST: When in doubt, call for emergency help or transport the person to the hospital immediately.
- * Start Preventing: Review your health and begin controlling the risk factors that can lead to stroke, starting today. We strongly appeal to everyone to work together and unitedly to reduce the great burden posed by stroke.

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Letter to the EDITOR

Dear Sir,

May I use some columns of your valued Global New Light of Myanmar (GNLM) to say something about the view on the proverb or saying ‘မယားနေစ ကြောင်သေမှ’ (Wife arrives, the cat must die) that appeared in the GNLM published on 23 October 2025.

Before I present my views, let me highly appreciate

ate Saya Augustin for his precious articles (in series) of ‘CONNECTING ON THE UNIVERSAL DANCE OF WORDS’. Being a retired editor who worked for a literary department for over 60 years, the articles attract me simply because the author writes clearly. His style of writing is quite simple. However, his works are engaging. His works contribute much to the Myanmar Literary field and those including foreigners who go in for Myanmar Literature.

I have a book of ‘Myanmar Proverbs in Myanmar

& English’ compiled by Myanmar scholar Sayagyi Hla Thamein. The book was published by ဟတ္ထမြားစာအုပ်စာပေ (ရန်ကုန်) in 2000. In that book (P103), Sayagyi wrote as ‘မယားနေစ၊ ချောင်သေမှ’ (At the early days of married life, the discipline should be given to a wife by the husband to manage the kitchen properly. (The prosperity of a household lies in the skilful management of the kitchen.) ‘ချောင်’ means ‘မီးဖိုချောင်’ (kitchen). I cannot find ‘မယားနေစ ကြောင်သေမှ’ in his book. Moreover, when I pursued my primary education at the monastery, I was taught My-

anmar proverbs by monks. They taught me as မယားနေစ၊ ချောင်သေမှ’. I think that ‘ကြောင်’ derives from ‘ချောင်’ with the passage of time.

Likewise, in this book, the scholar wrote ‘လင်နေစ၊ ဆင်သေမှ’ (Since the early days of marriage, there should be steadfast rules for the husband.) (P138). Sayagyi's views are quite reasonable and acceptable.

The food for thought is that, as for ‘မယားနေစ ကြောင်သေမှ’ (wife arrives, the cat must die), it is very easy to find a cat and kill it. However, as for ‘လင်နေစ၊ ဆင်သေမှ’

(if we translate it as husband arrives, the elephant must die, we cannot easily find an elephant and kill it.) (The cover of the book is attached.)

Frankly speaking, as Saya Augustin's literary works are beneficial to the readers, I am looking forward to seeing these articles in book form. If there is a will, there is a way indeed.

Yours etc.,
Maung Hlaing
(Sarpay Beikman)



2025 MULTIPARTY DEMOCRACY GENERAL ELECTION

New Democracy Party (Kachin) presents its policy, stance and work programmes

U Khaw Taint, Secretary of the New Democracy Party (Kachin), presented the party’s policy, stance and work programmes through radio and TV on 29 October. The full presentation is as follows: —



Speech of New Democracy Party (Kachin) Secretary U Khaw Taint

MINGALABA, esteemed ethnic people and voters.

I am U Khaw Taint, Secretary of the New Democracy Party (Kachin). Our New Democracy Party (Kachin) is a regional political party founded based on the ethnic nationals residing within Kachin State.

“Vote for the New Democracy Party (Kachin) for the development of Kachin State”.

“Let’s cooperate with NDP (K) for the survival of all humankind”.

Party Objectives

- (a) To work hand in hand with the people and build genuine and lasting peace.
- (b) To strive for a society that is completely free from armed conflict forever.
- (c) To endeavour for equal rights and balanced

socioeconomic development among all ethnic nationals.

(d) To strive for the endurance of a Union based on democracy and a federal system.

Beliefs

- (a) The party believes in Our Three Main National Causes: “Non-Disintegration of the Union, Non-Disintegration of National Solidarity and Perpetuation of Sovereignty” as a national task. We also believe that we will successfully implement Our Three Main National Causes by carrying out the regional development activities systematically in Kachin State.

Basic Policy

- (1) The party will strongly adhere to the policy of enabling all ethnic nationalities in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to coexist peacefully and harmoniously.
- (2) Together with the people, the party will establish lasting peace and will work for the interests of the region, the people, and the country based on democratic practices.
- (3) The party will oppose and resist terrorism and expansionism in any form that may threaten the State’s sovereignty and regional stability.
- (4) The party is a party that does not fall under the influence of any group, individual, or other political party, and can independently shape its own destiny.

Party Motto

- 1. Peace
- 2. Equality
- 3. Unity
- 4. Development

In the upcoming multiparty general election on 28 December 2025, the candidates of the New Democracy Party (Kachin) NDP (K) will compete in three Hlut-taws like other political parties. The elected representatives will work hard to achieve the national goals of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

As a Kachin State-based political party, the New Democracy Party (Kachin) is deeply committed to contributing in every possible way to the all-around development of the ethnic people of Kachin State in the affairs of politics, economy, education, social, religion, youths, women and government employees and ethnic culture and literature.

“Let’s cooperate with NDP (K) for the survival of all humankind”.

“Vote for the New Democracy Party (Kachin) for the development of Kachin State”.

We sincerely and respectfully urge all voters and ethnic nationals to cast their valuable votes for the New Democracy Party (Kachin).

Thank you all.



Casting votes with demonstration of using MEVM in Waw Township



The demonstration on casting votes with the Myanmar Electronic Voting Machine in progress yesterday, participated by Waw Township departmental personnel, with their practical casting votes.

OFFICIALS of Waw Township Election Subcommission of Bago Region held a demonstration on casting votes with the Myanmar Electronic Voting Machine and participation of departmental personnel of the township in the practical casting votes with MEVM, yesterday morning. At the town hall, Chairman of the Township Management and Administration Committee U Thet Lwin made a speech and explained the use of MEVM to voters. Township departmental personnel participated in the practical casting of votes with MEVM and asked about the voting process they wanted to know. — Township IPRD/TTA

Pamphlets on voter list compilation distributed in Kehsi Township

A coordination meeting on efforts to ensure correct voter lists in order to hold the 2025 election successfully took place at the town hall in Kehsi, Shan State (South), yesterday morning.

In conjunction with the meeting, officials of the Township Information and Public Relations

Department and the Township Election Subcommission distributed pamphlets on facts about casting votes with the use of the Myanmar Electronic Voting Machine to members of ward and village subcommissions who attended the coordination meeting. — Township IPRD/TTA



Kehsi Township Hall sees ongoing distribution of voter list pamphlets.

2025 MULTIPARTY DEMOCRACY GENERAL ELECTION



Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party (PSDP) talks about its policy, stance and work procedures

Daw Naw Yuzana Wah, Vice-Chairperson of the Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party (PSDP), presented the policy, stance and work procedures of her party on radio and television on the evening of 29 October.
The full text of the presentation is as follows: —



I sincerely wish that all monks, indigenous peoples, and citizens across the entire country of Myanmar may enjoy health and prosperity, remain safe from all dangers, and be protected from all calamities.

Our Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party will uphold human and social rights. We will not act unjustly or arbitrarily, and we will respect and value human dignity. We will not engage in cruelty or violence and will seek solutions through peaceful means. Every individual shall have the freedom to express, the freedom to believe and worship, and the freedom to earn a living. People shall be free from fear, intimidation, and deprivation. We hereby declare to all voters of the state that we are committed to a sincere and steadfast effort to realizing the genuine peace desired by the indigenous peoples, through fair and just competition.

Our party is committed to promoting unity among ethnic groups and upholding the principles of unity of the union. We aim to participate in the elections to ensure that justice, freedom, and equality – the universal laws of society – are established and sustained in our country. We invite voters to join us in making the 2025 General Election of all parties a fair and free election in every respect. This announcement also informs citizens that our party will have representation in the Pyithu Hluttaw, the Amyotha Hluttaw, and the respective State Hluttaw to guarantee the rights of every citizen.

Our party is founded on the principles: (a) a global policy of international peace; (b) a policy of maintaining friendly and harmonious relations with one another; and (c) a policy of living together peacefully and cooperatively. Moreover, it is a party that practises and upholds a political policy free from violence and authoritarian rule.

Our party is a major political party that also respects and upholds the five moral precepts of humanity. It is a party that prioritizes personal ethics and guides the creation of a noble and valuable social life. It is a party committed to uniting and striving diligently for the sake of the nation, the ethnic groups, and the general public, as responsible and dedicated citizens.

Our party has adopted the fundamental policies that we will preserve and protect the culture, literature, language, traditions, and customs of the Kayin people. We will actively work to ensure that the Kayin community, as well as the broader human society connected to it, can enjoy freedoms, rights, entitlements, and national rights.

In establishing a union founded on democracy and a federal system, we will do our utmost to promote unity among all ethnic groups, equality, fairness and justice, and the attainment of peace. We will oppose and eliminate any policies or practices that hinder the creation of a free, peaceful, and prosperous life for the Kayin people and all ethnic groups.

We will diligently work, in accordance with the law, to ensure the welfare and social prosperity of the Kayin people without harming anyone. We will fully resist and defend against any policies or actions that would harm the interests of the Kayin people, in accordance with the law. We will strive to develop and advance the political, economic, and social aspects of the Kayin people in line with the times.

Looking at today's global society, humanity is struggling to live and work amid ignorance and lack of knowledge, greed and anger, natural disasters, and the spread of diseases. If these hardships stem from flawed political ideologies and misguided development plans, it would be difficult to deny. As a result, conflicts and problems have emerged within societies. In other words, unity within communities has deteriorated, and due to acts of aggression and hostility, serious concerns have arisen for the stability of the entire social structure.

To prevent such outcomes, our party, together with the union's ethnic peoples, is committed to equality, justice, freedom, well-being, and development for the Kayin people. The party's overarching goal is to ensure the unity of the Union, the cohesion of all ethnic groups, and the stability and durability of governance.

We will respect the rights of all human beings. We will uphold non-violence, truth, and justice. We will follow policies of fair and cooperative engagement as well as global peace. We will peacefully oppose and eliminate all forms of injustice together with the people. We will support and help preserve the traditional culture, customs, and practices that the Myanmar people have maintained, ensuring they are not lost. We will work with the people to ensure that truth, non-violence, and justice flourish so that all individuals are free from fear and intimidation. We will collaborate with the people using peaceful methods to prevent and overcome any acts of injustice, exploitation, coercion, misuse of power, or oppression in the country. We will respect equality, avoid domination, and reject inhumane discrimination, partisanship, and social exclusion. We will interact with everything and everyone with respect, fairness, and transparency.

We will strengthen our inner resilience and, through careful consideration, analysis, investigation, reflection, and risk-taking by utilizing knowledge, education, and perseverance, we will work to eliminate social poverty. Together with the ethnic groups within the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, we will strive to achieve peaceful coexistence, unity, equality, development, and lasting peace. We will legally resist and defend against political policies, dangerous ideologies, and wrongful actions that seek to destroy or harm either the national interest or ethnic groups. We will endeavour to advance the political, economic,

and social development of all ethnic groups in accordance with the times. Without prioritizing personal gain, we will place the public interest first and uphold a politics free from hatred, violence, and partisanship. Guided by democracy and a federal system, we will work together with all indigenous peoples to build a strong, united Union. We hereby solemnly declare our party's commitment and stance on these political policies.

Based on the goals and principles, we will cooperate with the Kayin State Government, as it emerges under the constitutional provisions, to protect and uphold the rights of the Kayin people. The party will act in accordance with the law to safeguard the interests of Kayin people not only within Kayin State but also in all areas where Kayin communities reside. To effectively advocate for the rights of the Kayin people, we will participate in free and fair elections. We will seek ways for all Kayin people, both within Kayin State and in other regions, to unite and cooperate for the common benefit of the Kayin community. We will assist in ensuring that the economic and social affairs of the entire population are conducted in accordance with the law. Adhering to a politics free from hatred and violence, we will establish and carry out programmes aimed at promoting unity among all ethnic groups. We will devote our efforts to bringing about genuine and lasting peace.

Our party has emerged together with the people of Kayin State. Accordingly, the party addresses not only the social and economic interests of the people of Kayin State but also regional development issues, sharing and experiencing hardships together with the local population. Therefore, to overcome the current political challenges and conflicts, our Phalon-Sawaw Democratic Party earnestly seeks and values the support and encouragement of the voters of Kayin State, expressed through their peaceful intentions.

As our party will compete in the upcoming 2025 multiparty democratic general election for constituencies at all three levels of the Kayin State Hluttaw, I kindly inform and sincerely request that voters participate together in casting their valued votes in the election.

In this world, every human being is entitled to the rights of freedom — the freedom to enjoy any benefits, to think freely, to believe and worship freely, and to live and work freely — without opposition from any law. Upholding the three essential national values of solemnly pledges to take responsibility and strive for a world filled with genuine peace, truth, and prosperity.

In conclusion, I sincerely wish that all monks, citizens, and people may enjoy good health and prosperity, and that they may be protected from all kinds of epidemics and disasters.



NATIONAL

Notice to Private Firms on Petrol Import, Storage, Transport, and Distribution

THE Ministry of Energy oversees the refining and distribution of crude oil extracted domestically through government-supervised refineries. However, as domestic production meets only around three per cent of national demand, the majority of petrol required is imported from abroad using foreign currency.

The Ministry of Energy is actively promoting exploration, extraction, and production of crude oil, as well as the development of refineries, to increase domestic petrol output for the nation. During this process, the state ensures that imported petrol is sold to the public at affordable prices through the application of a fixed percentage subsidy. As a result, petrol prices in Myanmar remain comparatively lower than in other ASEAN countries.

Sources, including the Min-

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istry of Foreign Affairs of Brunei and globalpetrolprices.com for Myanmar and other countries, corroborate this information. Source: Information has been compiled from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brunei as well as from www.globalpetrolprices.com for Myanmar and other countries.

The Ministry of Energy supervises and regulates the supply of petrol to ensure that the public truly benefits from state-supported pricing, that the quality and quantity of distributed petrol meet standards, that appropriate taxes are col-

lected for the state, and that national energy security is maintained.

To achieve these objectives, the Ministry has implemented the National Petroleum Laboratory and Online Monitoring Centre in Nay Pyi Taw for the 2022-2023 financial year. This

system allows real-time monitoring of petrol importation, storage, transportation, and distribution to end users, as well as quality inspections and stockpiling across regions and states.

The Ministry has also coordinated closely with private entrepreneurs and organizations to avoid operational difficulties, implementing step-by-step plans and providing certain concessions where necessary.

Currently, the Ministry of Energy is working to fully operationalize the National Petroleum Laboratory and Online Monitoring Centre by the end of 2025. Private entrepreneurs and organizations engaged in the import, storage, transport, and distribution of petrol are hereby notified and urged to cooperate and participate in this initiative.

Ministry of Energy

CBM to inject US\$22M, THB100M into fuel oil sector



Greenbacks at the exchange counter.

THE Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM) announced on 28 October that it would sell US\$22 million and 100 million baht to those engaged in the fuel oil industry.

Furthermore, CBM sold over \$1.3 million, purchased from CMP companies, to edible oil-importing companies, in addition to sales of 180,000 yuan in the market on that day.

CBM pumped over \$1 million into the edible oil import sector and \$290,000 into the fuel

oil import sector on 27 October, in addition to sales of 300,000 yuan in the market.

CBM sold over \$1.988 million to edible oil-importing companies and \$242,600 to fuel oil-importing companies on 24 October.

CBM sold over \$2.4 million to edible oil-importing companies and over \$547,900 to fuel oil-importing companies on 23 October, along with an injection of 900,000 yuan into the market.

CBM injected over \$2.66

million purchased from the CMP companies into the edible oil import sector on 22 October 2025.

CBM pumped over US\$39 million purchased from CMP companies into the market in September 2025. Moreover, CBM also injected over \$680,000, 6.2 million yuan and 300,000 baht into the market through the foreign exchange market online trading platform last month.

CBM aims to curb the instability in the foreign exchange market and currency devaluation. According to CBM's notification on 15 March 2024, it has been collaborating with law enforcement agencies to combat and prosecute those who attempt to manipulate the currency market under the existing laws. CBM allowed authorized dealers (private banks) to operate online foreign exchange trading freely as per the market rate, depending on supply and demand, starting from 5 December 2023. — NN/KK

Myanmar steps up crackdown on illegal foreign telecom...

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From 30 January to 29 October 2025, a total of 10,640 foreign nationals who had entered Myanmar illegally were apprehended, and 9,365 of them have been deported through Thailand to their home countries. The remaining 1,275 individuals are under proper care and are ready for transfer in accordance with legal and procedural requirements.

The government is actively cooperating with neighbouring and regional countries, as well

as international organizations, to identify, arrest, and take strong and effective action against those involved in online scam operations, including foreign nationals orchestrating such activities from behind the scenes.

At the same time, efforts are being made to efficiently coordinate the prompt repatriation of foreign nationals who have fallen into distress for various reasons, including those who have become victims of human trafficking, to their respective countries. — MNA/MKKS



Immigration processes are underway for the deportation of undocumented foreign entrants.

Trump says US reached trade deal with S Korea: Yonhap

US President Donald Trump said in Gyeongju Wednesday that the United States has reached a deal on trade with South Korea, according to Yonhap news agency.

Trump arrived in Gyeongju, about 330 kilometres southeast of the South Korean capital Seoul, earlier in the day to hold summit meetings, including the one with South Korean President Lee Jae-myung Wednesday afternoon ahead of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Leaders' Meeting. — Xinhua



Explore Gyeongju Markets, where ancient history meets vibrant street stalls offering traditional crafts, fresh produce, and cultural treasures in South Korea's historic heart. **PHOTO: PIX FOR VISUAL PURPOSE/TRIPJIVE**

Businessmen call for safeguarding multilateral trading system in Asia-Pacific region

BUSINESSMEN from across the Asia-Pacific region called for continued safeguarding of the rules-based multilateral trading system in the region on Wednesday ahead of the regional meeting later this week.

The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Advisory Council wrapped up its final meeting for the year earlier in the day, saying economic leaders from the region should continue to safeguard the rules-based multilateral trading system, accelerate the practical realization of the Free Trade Area of the Asia-Pacific (FTAAP), enable seamless and coherent digital trade and support resilient supply chains through stronger maritime infrastructure. — Xinhua

Indonesia stock exchange targets 18% profit growth in 2026

THE Indonesia Stock Exchange targets an 18.02-per-cent increase in net profit to 300.81 billion rupiah (around US\$18.2 million) in 2026, said Iman Rachman, president director of the Indonesia Stock Exchange, on Wednesday.

The stock exchange is also strengthening its position in cash, cash equivalents, and other financial assets, which is projected to grow by 8.62 per cent year-on-year.

The financial plan formed part of the first phase of its 2026-2030 Master Plan, which focuses on enhancing product-market alignment, democratizing access, improving market liquidity, strengthening investor protection, and modernizing trading technology. — Xinhua

Notice for Change of Registration Trade Name

Notice is hereby given that official registration trade name has been changed for the following pesticides manufactured by Hefei Xingyu Chemical Co.,Ltd, China and distributed by New Asia High-Tech Seeds Company Limited.It invites objections to Co-secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogone, Insein Township, Yangon from all parties within a period of fourteen (14) days form the publication of this notice.

No	Trade Name		Active Ingredient	Registration No.
	Old	New		
1	Penofop	Paung Sayargyi	Cyhalofop-butyl 5% + Penoxsulalm 1% OD	P2022-5789
2	ALB-CyBis 16 OD	Paung Ranger	Bispyribac-sodium 4% + Cyhalofop-butyl 12% OD	P2023-5393
3	Triatrasulfuron	Pyaung Sayargyi	Atrazine 18% +Mesotrione4% + Nicosulfuron 2% OD	P2023-5426
4	ALB-Mesozine	Pyaung Ranger	Atrazine 20% + Mesotrione 6% SC	P2023-5444

New Asia High-Tech Seeds Co. Ltd. Phone: 09-955006789

Notice for Change of Registration Trade Name

Notice is hereby given that official registration trade name has been changed for the following pesticides manufactured by Sigma Agrochemical Co. Ltd, China and distributed by New Asia High-Tech Seeds Company Limited.It invites objections to Co-secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogone, Insein Township, Yangon from all parties within a period of fourteen (14) days form the publication of this notice.

No	Trade Name		Active Ingredient	Registration No.
	Old	New		
1	Sapar Kaung Paung Thay	Bispy King	Bispyribac-sodium 20% WP	P2022-5572

New Asia High-Tech Seeds Co. Ltd. Phone: 09-955006789

Notice for Change of Distributor

Notice is hereby given that official distributor have been changed for the following pesticides produced by Lier Chemical Co. Ltd., China, Hefei Xingyu Chemical Co.,Ltd, China distributed by Taw Win Dar Co. Ltd. to Sigma Bio Company Limited. It invites objections to Co-secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogone, Insein Township, Yangon from all parties within a period of fourteen (14) days form the publication of this notice.

No	Trade Name	Active Ingredient	Registration Type	Registration Number
1	Lae Paung That	Bispyribac-sodium 20% WP	Full	F2024-4733

Taw Win Dar Co. Ltd. Tel:09-955006789

Notice for Change of Distributor

Notice is hereby given that official distributor have been changed for the following pesticides produced by Hebei Veyong Bio-Chemical Co., Ltd.,China distributed by Taw Win Dar Co. Ltd. to Sigma Bio Company Limited. It invites objections to Co-secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogone, Insein Township, Yangon from all parties within a period of fourteen (14) days form the publication of this notice.

No	Trade Name	Active Ingredient	Registration Type	Registration Number
1	Hmone Sone Shin	Azoxystrobin 200g/l + Difenoconazole 125 g/l SC	Full	F2024-4695

Taw Win Dar Co. Ltd., Tel: 09-955006789

MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY HOLIDAY NOTICE

AS the wharves, warehouses and chellan Offices of Yangon Port will be closed on the 4th November 2025 (Full Moon Day of Tazaungmone), Loading, Unloading and delivery for Goods will be received on Payment as Holiday Fees.

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation

Central Committee for Holding Myanmar Gems Emporium
The Information about 60th Myanmar Gems Emporium 2025

- The significant 60th Myanmar Gems Emporium 2025, under the supervision of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation, will be held from November 17 to 26, 2025 at Maniyadana Jade Hall in Nay Pyi Taw. Genuine Myanmar pearl, gems and rough jade lots will be sold at the Emporium.
- The local gems entrepreneurs who got the permit and the local gems merchants who got the license to operate in the finished gemstone making and dealing under the Myanmar Gem Law, will be allowed to attend and purchase the Lots at 60th Myanmar Gems Emporium, 2025 according to the terms and conditions.
- For further information in detail about granted admission to purchase Lots at 60th Myanmar Gems Emporium, 2025, any merchants can inquire and keep contact with Emporium Central Committee, Myanmar Gems Enterprise (Head Office), Myanmar Pearl Enterprise (Head Office) in Nay Pyi Taw.

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India’s Maritime sector to draw Rs8 trillion investment, create 1.5 crore jobs by 2047

The maritime sector is expected to attract Rs8 trillion in trade investment and create 1.5 crore new jobs by 2047, as India's economic progress depends on its maritime strength.

INDIA’S maritime sector is set to attract trillions of investments and create more than one crore new jobs by 2047, Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri said while speaking at the India Maritime Week 2025.

“The maritime sector is poised to attract Rs 8 trillion of investment in trade, and 1.5 crore new jobs by 2047,” he stated, adding that India’s economic progress is closely tied to its maritime strength.

Puri said that India’s maritime journey is entering a phase of rapid growth, anchored in trade, innovation, and

global partnerships.

Highlighting the growing scale of India’s infrastructure, the minister shared that he met Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath recently, who confirmed that the first phase of the Jewar Airport would become operational by the end of November. — ANI



India’s maritime journey is entering a phase of rapid growth, anchored in trade, innovation, and global partnerships. **PHOTO: AFP/FILE**

Latest EVs displayed at Tokyo auto show as practicality in focus

PRACTICALITY took center stage at the Tokyo auto show, where many Japanese automakers showcased their latest electric vehicles set for re-



A record-high 500-plus companies and organizations are participating in this year’s Japan Mobility Show. **PHOTO: KYODO**

lease in the coming years as they race to catch up with overseas rivals and make environmentally friendly options more accessible to domestic consumers. A record-high 500-plus companies and organizations are participating in this year’s Japan Mobility Show, which opened to the media on Wednesday for a two-day preview, encouraging visitors to envision the future of transportation. The event will be open to the public through 9 November. — Kyodo

Changing Trade Name of Pesticide

Aventine Limited would like to change the trade name of the following pesticide which is registered by Shandong Max Agro Co.,Ltd.. And we would like to invite any objection for the above changing trade name within (14) days of the publication of this notice to the Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogon, Insein.

No.	Old Trade Name	New Trade Name	Active Ingredient	Reg. No.
1.	Max Larva	Armo Poe Shin	Tebufenozide 20 % SC	P2025-6629

Aventine Limited (ph: 09-754264630)

Changing Distributor for Registered Pesticide

Distribution of pesticide registered by Shandong Weifang Rainbow Chemical Co., Ltd is changing from RAINBOW AGROSCIENCES CO., LTD to Agroterrum Myanmar Co., Ltd. Any objection regarding to this transfer can notify at Co-Secretary, Pesticide Registration Board, Plant Protection Division, West Gyogone, Insein within 2 weeks.

No.	Name	Active Ingredient	Registration No.
1	Rid Away 665 SL	Glyphosate Potassium 665g/l SL	F2021-3126

RAINBOW AGROSCIENCES CO., LTDd
09456060160, 09441170170

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

M.V BEYPORE SULTAN VOY.NO. (25036)

Consignees of cargo carried on **M.V BEYPORE SULTAN VOY.NO. (25036)** are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on **30-10-2025** and cargo will be discharged into the premises of **MIP** where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 A.M to 11:20 A.M and 12 NOON to 4 P.M to Claim's Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.
Phone No: **2301185**

Shipping Agency Department
Myanma Port Authority

Agent For:

M/S CONNEXT SHIPPING PTE LTD

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

M.V MTT PORT KELANG VOY.NO. (541W)

Consignees of cargo carried on **M.V MTT PORT KELANG VOY.NO. (541W)** are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on **30-10-2025** and cargo will be discharged into the premises of **MITT/MIP** where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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Shipping Agency Department
Myanma Port Authority

Agent For:

M/S MAERSK A/S

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

M.V SITC NANSHA VOY.NO. (2522S)

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Shipping Agency Department
Myanma Port Authority

Agent For:

M/S SITC CONTAINER LINE CO., LTD

SPORTS

De Bruyne goes under the knife for hamstring injury

NAPOLI midfielder Kevin De Bruyne underwent an operation on his injured hamstring in his native Belgium on Wednesday, the Serie A club announced.

"As planned, Kevin De Bruyne underwent surgery on Wednesday in Antwerp, following a high-grade tear of the biceps femoris in the right thigh," Napoli said in a statement.

"The operation went well. De Bruyne, who was assisted during the operation by the head of Napoli's medical staff, Dr Raffaele Canonico, will now begin the first post-surgery phase of

rehabilitation in Belgium."

De Bruyne sustained the hamstring injury while scoring a penalty for league leaders Napoli in a 3-1 win over Serie A title rivals Inter Milan on Saturday.

De Bruyne, 34, has scored four times since joining Napoli following his departure from Manchester City in the summer, three times from the penalty spot and once with a free-kick. — AFP

De Bruyne sustained the hamstring injury while scoring a penalty for league leaders Napoli in a 3-1 win over Serie A title rivals Inter Milan on Saturday.
PHOTO: AFP/FILE



Coach defends handing Australia captaincy back to Sam Kerr

COACH Joe Montemurro has defended reinstating Sam Kerr as captain of the Australian women's side, calling it a "football decision" and not a "political one".

The 32-year-old Chelsea striker wore the armband during the Matildas 3-0 defeat to England in Derby on Tuesday during her second start since a near two-year absence with a serious knee injury.

During her time away she was involved in a high-profile court case in London, accused

of racially aggravated harassment of a police officer during a drunken night out.

She was found not guilty, but the judge said her "behaviour contributed significantly to the bringing of this allegation".

It tarnished her image and sections of the Australian public were opposed to her becoming national captain again.

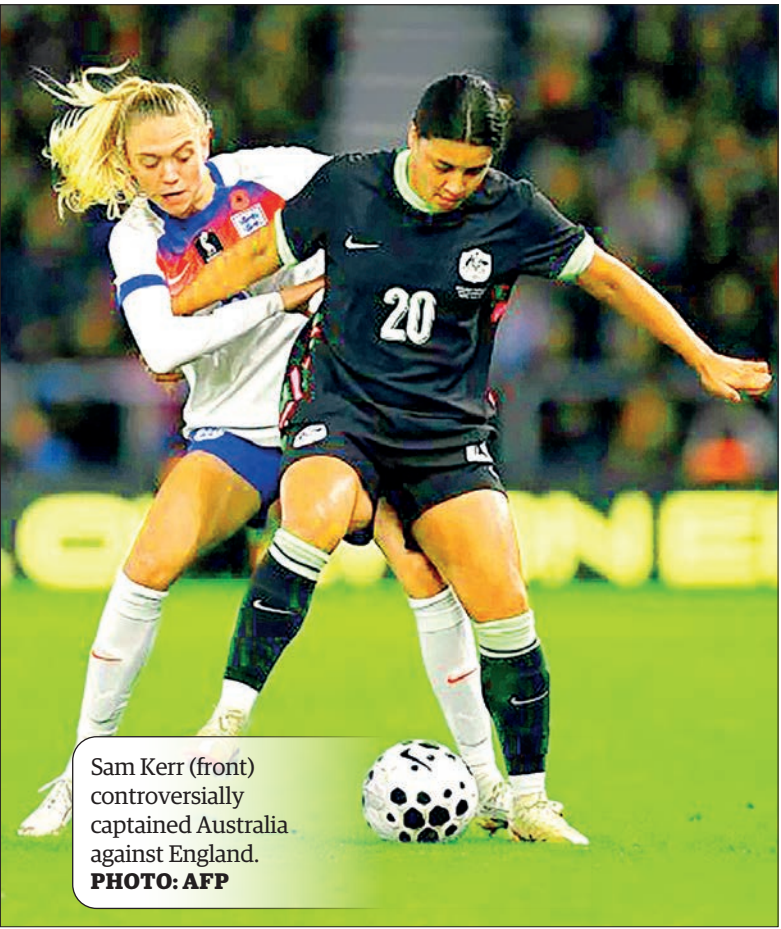
"We've made a decision internally for what we believe is the best for football performance and for the group," Montemurro said after the match.

"I make football decisions. I'm not going to make any political decisions, they're purely football, and Sam is an important part of what we're trying to do.

"As far as we're concerned, we just kept the status quo going forward and we're happy with her continuing on as captain."

Arsenal defender Steph Catley captained the side while Kerr was recovering.

Ellie Carpenter, a teammate of Kerr's at Chelsea, backed Montemurro's decision. — AFP



Sam Kerr (front) controversially captained Australia against England.
PHOTO: AFP

Putellas-inspired Spain to defend Nations League title against Germany



Spain's midfielder Alexia Putellas (L) celebrates scoring against Sweden.
PHOTO: TT NEWS AGENCY/AFP

TWO-TIME Ballon D'Or winner Alexia Putellas scored again Tuesday to ensure Spain will defend their women's UEFA Nations League title against Germany.

After putting four goals past Sweden in the first leg of the last-four draw, world champions Spain came away with a 1-0 victory in Gothenburg to advance with a 5-0 aggregate.

Germany drew the second leg of their semi-final 2-2 with France in the northern French city of Caen and progressed 3-2 on aggregate.

The two-legged final will be held on 28 November and 2

December, with the second leg to be played at Atletico Madrid's Estadio Metropolitano.

"We've never had the opportunity to play at the Metropolitano," Putellas said.

"Hopefully the fans will be the 12th player and we can win another title."

Putellas, who bagged two goals in the first leg, scored in the 74th minute from only Spain's second strike on target despite dominating possession.

She calmly slotted into the top corner with a classy first-time finish after Claudia Pina, teed up by Aitana Bonmati, played a clever pass. — AFP

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WORLD

At least 64 killed in war-like Rio drug raids

BODIES piled up in poor neighbourhoods of Rio de Janeiro on Tuesday as police launched their biggest ever raids on the city's drug traffickers, leaving at least 64 dead in war-like scenes.

As many as 2,500 heavily armed officers, backed by armoured vehicles, helicopters and drones took part in the operation targeting Brazil's main drug-trafficking gang in two poor neighbourhoods, or favelas, in northern Rio.

Gunfire rang out in the area near Rio's international airport, and smoke billowed from several fires on Tuesday afternoon, several hours after the raids started.

Residents scrambled for cover and shops closed their doors amid police claims that the gangs were using drones to fight back.

State Governor Claudio Castro described the operation in the Complexo da Penha and Complexo do Alemao favelas as the largest in the state's history.

The central government said the raids aimed to stop a gang called Comando Vermelho (Red Command) from expanding. — AFP



Chinese President Xi Jinping (L) holds a grand ceremony to welcome US President Donald Trump at the square outside the east gate of the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, 9 November 2017. **PHOTO: LAN HONGGUANG/XINHUA/FILE**

Xi to meet Trump on 30 Oct in ROK

Spokesperson Guo Jiakun emphasized the strategic importance of such high-level diplomacy for China-US ties, noting the meeting will cover long-term strategic issues and major global concerns.

AS AGREED between China and the United States, President Xi Jinping will meet President Donald Trump in Busan, the Republic of Korea (ROK), on 30 October local time to exchange views on bilateral relations and issues of mutual interest, the Chinese foreign ministry announced on Wednesday.

Spokesperson Guo Jiakun told a regular press briefing that head of state diplomacy plays an irreplaceable strategic guiding role in China-US relations. At this meeting in the ROK, the two heads of state will have in-depth communication on strategic and long-term issues concerning China-US relations, as well

as major issues of common concern, Guo said.

"We are willing to make joint efforts with the US side to work for positive outcomes of this meeting, which will provide new guidance and impetus for the stable development of bilateral relations," Guo said. — Xinhua

Global South driving intl energy demand growth

SAUDI Aramco President and CEO Amin Nasser said here Tuesday that global energy demand continues to grow, driven mainly by developing economies, with hydrocarbons remaining essential for decades.

Speaking at the ongoing 9th Future Investment Initiative Conference, Nasser noted that about 80 per cent of recent oil and gas demand growth has come from the Global South, where per-capita

consumption remains low.

Nasser stressed the need for a balanced energy transition, recognizing differing regional priorities between sustainability in the Global North and affordability and supply security in the Global South.

He said oil demand is expected to rise by 1.1-1.4 million barrels per day in 2026, supported by developing economies' growth.

Aramco continues investing in hydrocarbons alongside renewables and low-carbon solutions, planning to expand gas production by over 60 per cent by 2030, Nasser said.

He highlighted the company's multi-billion-dollar investment in digitalization and artificial intelligence, which have improved operational efficiency and reduced emissions. — Xinhua



A handout picture provided by Energy giant Saudi Aramco, Saudi Arabia's Oil Company, shows one of its engineers at Yanbu refinery. **PHOTO: SAUDI ARAMCO/AFP/FILE**