

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing-led high-level Myanmar delegation arrives back in Myanmar

The high-level Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing who paid an official visit to the Republic of Buryatia of the Russian Federation after attending the 4th Eurasian Economic Forum (EEF 2025) in Minsk of the Republic of Belarus left Baikal International Airport from Ulan-Ude of the Republic of Buryatia by special aircraft for Myanmar yesterday afternoon.

The Senior General, his wife and entourage were seen off at the airport by Head of the Republic of Buryatia Mr Aleksey Sambuyevich Tsydenov and officials, Myanmar Ambassador to the Russian Federation U Thit Linn Ohn, Military Attaché (Army, Navy and Air) Brig-Gen Kyaw Soe Oo and officials.

The Senior General and his wife were accompanied by Council Joint Secretary General Ye Win Oo and his wife, and delegation members.

During the visits, the Senior General attended the 4th Eurasian Economic Forum (EEF 2025) in Minsk of the Republic of Belarus, held a separate meeting with the Rotating Chair of Eurasian Economic Union-EAEU President of the Republic of Belarus, met with the Chairman of the Eurasian Economic Commission Board, and toured factories. Moreover, the Senior General could strive to further strengthen strategic cooperation in friendship, economic and security issues between governments and people of both countries and economic development measures with Eurasian Economic Union-EAEU member countries.

While in the Republic of Buryatia of the Russian Federation, the Senior General visited factories and further cemented



State Administration Council Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing being welcomed back by State dignitaries and the Russian Ambassador to Myanmar at the Nay Pyi Taw Tatmadaw Airport in Nay Pyi Taw on 29 June 2025.

cooperation in friendship, economic, education, health, science and technology and industrial technological sectors.

The delegation led by the Senior General arrived back at Nay Pyi Taw Tatmadaw Airport in the evening. They

were welcomed back by SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win and his wife Daw Than Than Nwe, Council Secretary General Aung Lin Dwe and his wife, SAC members, Union ministers, senior

Tatmadaw officers from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief and their wives, the Ambassador of the Russian Federation to Myanmar and officials from the embassy and the office of the Military Attaché. — MNA/TTA

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Leaders urged to strive for excellence and earn organizational trust

THE role of leaders in any organization is important, so it is necessary to constantly strive to become good leaders that the organization can rely on and to improve their quality ...

(An excerpt from the speech delivered by Chairman of the State Administration Council Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing at the Passing-out Parade of the 11th Intake of the Graduate Female Cadet Course held on 23 December 2024)

Weather

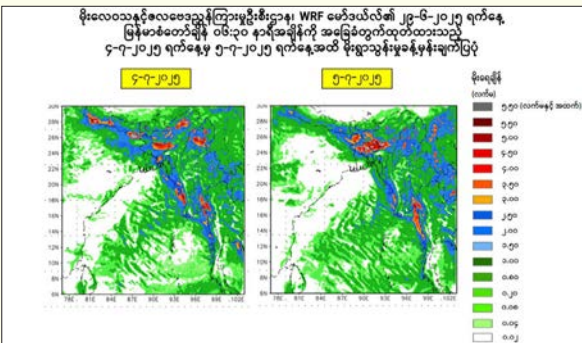
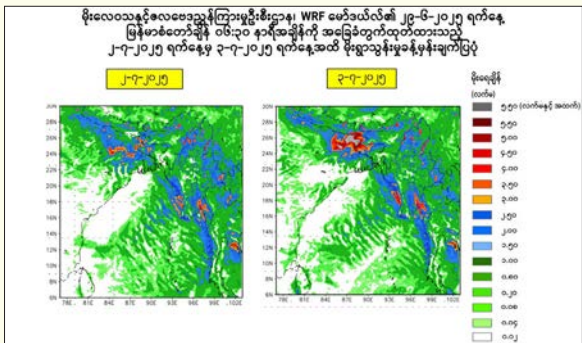
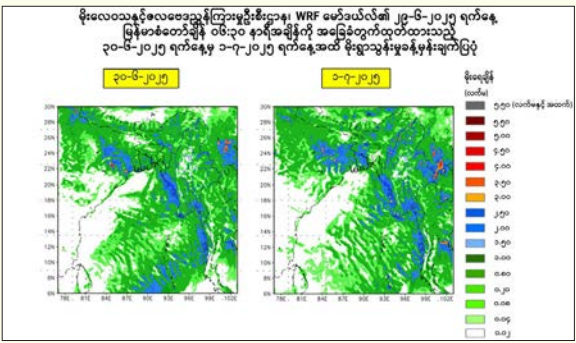
Special Weather News

Issued at 6 pm MST on 29 June 2025

ACCORDING to the observations at 4:30 pm MST today, monsoon is strong to vigorous over the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal, due to the easterly waves and a low pressure area over Northwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining West Bengal, India and Bangladesh coasts, rain or thundershowers are likely to be scattered in Mandalay, Magway and lower Sagaing regions and Kayah State, fairly widespread to widespread in Nay

Pyi Taw, Yangon, Bago, upper Sagaing, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi regions and Kachin, Kayin, Chin, Mon, Rakhine and Shan states with likelihood of regionally and isolated heavy falls during today evening to 5 July 2025. Occassional squalls with rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 35 miles per hour. Wave height will be about 11-13 feet off and along

Myanmar Coasts.
Advisory
People should be aware of the natural disasters such as the heavy rainfall with strong wind, thunder, lightning strike, lightning, hail, flash floods and landslides in the hilly areas and near small rivers and to make necessary preparations for inland water transport, domestic flights and irrigation dams. — DMH



Flood Warning

Issued at 2 pm MST on 29 June 2025

ACCORDING to the 12:30 pm MST observation today, the water level of the Sit-toung River at Madauk is observed as more than two feet below its danger level. It may reach its danger level during the next two days.

According to the 12:30 pm MST observation today, the water level of the Bago River at Bago is observed as about 4.5 feet below its danger level. It may reach its danger level during the next two days.

According to the 12:30 pm MST observation today, the water level of the Than-lwin River at Hpa-an is observed as more than 2.5 feet below its danger level. It may reach its danger level during the next two days.

It is especially alert to the people who settle near the river banks and low-lying areas in Madauk, Bago and Hpa-an townships, to take precaution measure and to stay away from the flood-prone areas in time if the water level will rise. — DMH

Flood Baulletin

Issued at 8 am MST on 29 June 2025

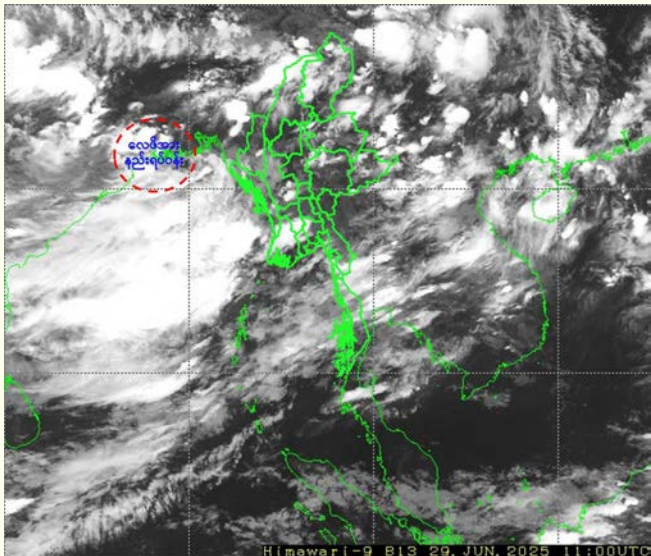
ACCORDING to the 6:30 am MST observation today, the water level of the Chind-win River at Phaungpyin has exceeded by about one foot above its danger level. It may fall below its danger level during the next one day.

It is especially advised to the people who settle near the river banks and low-lying areas in Phaungpyin Township. — DMH

Low-Pressure Area Condition

Issued at 7 pm MST on 29 June 2025

ACCORDING to the observations at 5:30 pm MST today, the low-pressure area over Northwest Bay of Bengal and adjoining West Bengal, India and Bangladesh coasts still persists. It is likely to move slowly west-northwest-wards across north Odisha and West Bengal, India. — DMH



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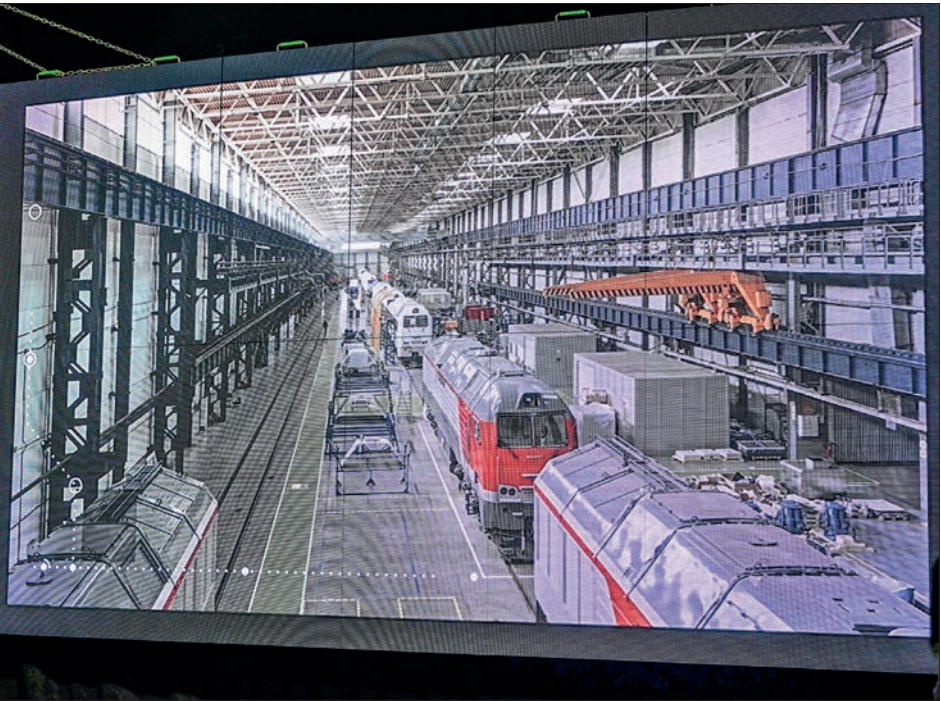
Residents Urged to Prioritize Public Safety Amid Armed Terrorist Threats

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.

(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)



Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing visits the Ulan-Ude Locomotive and Carriage Repair Plant (LVRZ) in the Republic of Buryatia of the Russian Federation yesterday.



The high-level Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of the State Administration Council Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing during his official visit to the Republic of Buryatia of the Russian Federation toured the Baikal Lake and the Ulan-Ude Locomotive and Carriage Repair Plant (LVRZ) yesterday morning.

The Senior General, his wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla and his entourage, together with Head of the Republic of Buryatia Mr Aleksey Sambuyevich Tsydenov and officials flew over the Baikal Lake by helicopter. During the visit, the Head of the Republic of Buryatia explained facts about the lake and conservation measures. The Senior General asked what he wanted to know.

The Senior General and his entourage visited the Baikal Lake by vessel.

The Baikal Lake is located between Irkutsk Oblast of Southern Siberia of Russia and the Republic of Buryatia. It is the deepest worldwide with 1,642 metres (5,387 feet) in depth. Furthermore, it is also said to be one of the oldest freshwater lakes, having existed for about 30 million years. Such a freshwater lake was inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1996. The lake is home to some 1,000 rare plant species and approxi-

Myanmar, Buryatia enhance friendship and cooperation

mately 2,500 animal species. It is known for its crescent moon-like shape and is recognized as a lake rich in natural beauty and exceptional heritage.

At the Ulan-Ude Locomotive and Carriage Repair Plant (LVRZ), the Senior General and party were welcomed by Head of the plant Zaborskikh Sergey Alexandrovich and officials. The Senior General and party viewed round repair process and held discussions over clarifications.

The head of the plant and officials explained repair and maintenance process of the plant, creation of employment, and its economic cooperation with international community in detail. The Senior General asked about something he wanted to know.

The plant was established in 1934. It operates under Zheldorrem-mash Company, a major global company specializing in the repair of railway-related equipment and the production of spare

parts. The plant carries out its operations in three main areas: locomotive repair, machinery production, and spare parts manufacturing. In addition, the plant is also engaged in upgrading repair technologies, improving the average performance of locomotives, providing warranty services, extending the service life of locomotives, and modernizing locomotive systems.

Local media from Arigus, ATV and Tivicom from the Republic of Buryatia

covered the news about the visit of the Senior General and his entourage at the plant.

After the visit, the Senior General and the Head of the Republic of Buryatia replied to queries raised by local media about enhancement of friendship and cooperation between Myanmar and the Republic of Buryatia, and promotion of cooperation in economic, education, industrial technology and tourism sectors between the two countries. — MNA/TTA

Corrigendum

PLEASE READ “the wife of the Senior General and the Deputy Head of the Republic of Buryatia exchanged gifts” instead of “the wife of the Senior General and the wife of the Head of the Republic of Buryatia exchanged gifts” under the headline of “Myanmar, Buryatia to boost future cooperation” in the fourth column on page 3 of this newspaper issued on 29-6-2025. Error is regretted.—Ed.

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Myanmar, Buryatia to cooperate in Buddhism, education sectors

Myanmar and Buryatia are planning to further enhance the tourism sector between our two countries through mutual exchanges.

State Administration Council Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and Head of the Republic of Buryatia Mr Aleksey Sambuyevich Tsydenov replied to questions raised by local media including Arigus, ATV and Tivicom. The full text of translated interview is as follows: -

Q: In recent years, many collaborative projects have been carried out between Russia and Myanmar. In particular, co-operation has taken place not only in the cultural sector but also across various fields. Among these, there have also been cooperative efforts involving Buryatia. Looking ahead, what areas of cooperation are planned between Buryatia and Myanmar?

The Senior General: Today, I visited a railway factory, and earlier I also visited an aircraft manufacturing plant. These are promising areas for cooperation between our two sides. Furthermore, in Buryatia, there are many people who practise Buddhism, and since Myanmar is also a Buddhist country, there is potential for collaboration in the area of Buddhism as well. There are also opportunities related to healthcare. Moreover, there has been an offer from the Prime Minister regarding learning education. So, we have a plan to cooperate in education. We may also move forward with discussions and activities related to agriculture. There are many areas to work on — what I want to emphasize is that there are numerous potential sectors for collaboration.

Q: Now that you are currently visiting Buryatia, as the His Excellency Prime



State Administration Council Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and Head of the Republic of Buryatia Mr Aleksey Sambuyevich Tsydenov respond to media questions at the Ulan-Ude Locomotive and Carriage Repair Plant.

Minister, how do you view Buryatia? What are your impressions regarding the beauty and cleanliness of Buryatia?

The Senior General: I feel extremely at peace being here. It's such a pleasant and beautiful region. I feel like I've come to an environment that is familiar and close to Myanmar. This is actually my third visit, and every time I come, I feel a sense of familiarity, as if I'm visiting my own region. I would also like to say that I will try to come again in the future.

Q: As the Head of the Republic of Buryatia, how do you feel about the visit of the Prime Minister of Myanmar on this goodwill trip? And could you please share your thoughts regarding cooperation with Myanmar?

The Head of the Republic of Buryatia: Knowing that this is the Prime Minister's third visit from Myanmar, I feel deeply honoured and pleased. His three times of visit show a clear reflection of how much he values and appreciates our region. I also hope that we will be able to implement many cooperative projects between our

republic and Myanmar. In recent years, for example, our Rapid Bio pharmaceutical company has been working on registering and exporting medical products and technologies to Myanmar. Moreover, the helicopters produced at Ulan-Ude plant have been used in Myanmar for many years. They are still in use today, and we are planning further cooperation in the future, particularly in areas related to transportation and helicopter services. Today, representatives from TMH Holding also presented their products and explained the items they produce. Looking to the future, there are also plans to discuss and pursue cooperation with Myanmar in this area. Regarding educational cooperation, we are planning to offer advanced training programmes for Myanmar teachers who teach the Russian language. These programmes could be held here in Buryatia. In addition, at one of our universities in Buryatia, we are working towards establishing a Myanmar language department to offer Myanmar

language courses. Today, I personally accompanied and arranged the visit of our special guests from Myanmar around the lake. Back in December of last year, I myself led a delegation to Myanmar. During that visit, we were warmly welcomed by the people of Myanmar. What I want to express is that not only I, but all members of our delegation were deeply impressed by the beauty and cultural richness of Myanmar. That is why we are planning to further enhance the tourism sector between our two countries through mutual exchanges.

The Senior General: I would like to invite your media teams to visit Myanmar to explore and learn more. While your regional leader has already provided a general overview of the situation in Myanmar, when you come in person, I believe you'll gain a deeper and more meaningful experience. I truly believe that before long, we will be seeing your faces in Myanmar.

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Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, wife of SAC Chairman PM Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, visits Leo Bardamov Museum in Ulan-Ude of Buryatia

DAW KYU KYU HLA, the wife of State Administration Council Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing who was in Ulan-Ude of the Republic of Buryatia of the Russian Federation, accompanied by Daw Nilar, the wife of the Council Joint Secretary and members, together with the wife of the Myanmar Ambassador to the Russian Federation and officials, visited the Leo Bardamov Museum yesterday morning.

They were welcomed by Deputy Head of the Republic of Buryatia Ms Evgenia Yurievna Ludupova and officials from the museum.

Officials conducted the wife of the Senior General and party round the museum. The wife of the Senior General asked what she wanted to know.

Daw Kyu Kyu Hla signed the guests book of the museum and exchanged gifts with the museum official.

The Leo Bardamov Museum located in Ulan-Ude City showcases cultural and fine arts works, historical documen-



Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, the wife of State Administration Council Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, and the museum official exchange gifts at the Leo Bardamov Museum, in Ulan-Ude, yesterday.

tations and literature of ancient Soviets for observance of visitors. Moreover, the museum displays historical evidences about Buddhism, Buddha images and artistic works of the artistes from the 20th century. It is open from 11:00 hour to 19:00 hour daily. The museum houses more than 5,000 items of literary culture, paintings and utensils. — MNA/TTA

First Aid Review Meeting and Risk Awareness Training held in Yangon

ACCORDING to the Myanmar Red Cross Society (MRCS), the First Aid Focal Person Review Meeting and the Risk Awareness and Safer Behaviours Training were jointly organized by the Myanmar Red Cross Society and the International Committee of the Red Cross at the Rose Garden Hotel in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon Region. The training was conducted in collaboration between the MRCS's Department of First Aid and Risk Reduction and the ICRC, and took place from 25 to 27 June.

A total of 31 participants attended the training, including chairpersons, vice-chairpersons, and secretaries of Red Cross Supervisory Committees from Nay Pyi Taw, regions, and states, commanders of Red Cross brigades and township Red Cross societies as



The opening ceremony of the First Aid Focal Person Review Meeting and Risk Awareness and Safer Behaviours Training in progress in Mingala Taungnyunt Township on 25 June.

well as first aid focal persons. The opening ceremony of the training was attended by the president and executives from the MRCS, the director and officials from the Department of First Aid and Risk Reduction, representatives from the ICRC and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC). — ASH/KNN

11 YBS bus lines to extend service time until 7:30 pm for matriculation examiners at Dagon University

FOR teachers who are going to do assessing the matriculation papers at the Dagon University in order to go back home by a convenient transportation, 11 YBS bus lines have been instructed to provide service of the last bus until 7:30 pm, said Yangon Region Public Transport Committee (YRTC).

YBS Bus line numbers 10, 15, 24, 28, 30, 117, 13, 7, 25 and 128 have been instructed to run until 7:30 pm, YRTC said on 28 June.

Over 130 bus lines under the YRTC have commuted about 1.5 million passengers on a daily basis by about 3,500 buses.

Under the theme “safe public transport to all”, YRTC has focused on directives and policies issued by the Yangon Region Government and the regional Road Safety Council. — MT/ZS

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Hinthada Township accelerates building stable and resilient society

VICE-CHAIR of the Committee on the Development of a Resilient and Strong Social Community and Union Minister for Information U Maung Maung Ohn, together with Ayeyawady Region Chief Minister U Tin Maung Win, visited Hinthada Township yesterday morning to observe ongoing community development activities aimed at building a stable and resilient society.

At U Po Kyar Library in Neikban Village-tract, they met students reading and studying. They encouraged the students and held discussions with members of the library supervisory committee.

During the meeting, the Union minister stated that, under the guidance of the Head of State, efforts are being made to develop libraries across Myanmar. He highlighted the importance of instilling good reading habits among the youth through libraries named in honour of prominent figures U Po Kyar and U Thant in Ayeyawady Region, with the goal of nurturing responsible and capable future citizens.

The Region Chief Minister explained that over 340 libraries

have been established across Ayeyawady Region and shared updates on ongoing support to promote library development. Dr Tin Tun Oo, Chair of the Myanmar Press Council, expressed gratitude for these efforts.

The Union minister also presented K 1 million and a collection of glass palace chronicles, educational, scientific, and literary books donated by State Administration Council Chairman, Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and his wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla and family. An additional K 1 million was contributed by the Region Chief Minister. The Director-General of Myanma Radio and Television (MRTV) also donated three sets of MRTV DTH satellite receivers. The donations were accepted by U Hla Myaing, Secretary of the Library Committee, and Daw Nwe Nwe Mu, the librarian.

Following this, the Union Minister and Chief Minister attended a ceremony in Kayinsu village to distribute quality rice seeds and drum seeders to farmers. They also provided an MRTV DTH satellite receiver to each village and observed the application



Union Minister U Maung Maung Ohn presents a collection of glass palace chronicles donated by State Administration Council Chairman Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and his wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla and family at U Po Kyar Library in Neikban Village-tract, Hinthada Township, yesterday.

of kenaf to enhance soil quality for the monsoon paddy season.

While in Hinthada Township, they oversee agricultural tasks and healthcare services for the people.

They also attended a flood

prevention demonstration in Phaungseik village, organized by the Department of Irrigation and Water Utilization Management, and a water rescue drill organized by the Fire Services Department. During the event,

they distributed early warning flags as part of emergency preparedness, along with 200 DVB-T2 Set Top boxes and MRTV DTH satellite receivers and over-viewed disaster risk reduction efforts. — MNA/KNN

China-Myanmar 75th anniversary celebrated with youth cultural show

A youth fine art performance marking the 75th anniversary of China-Myanmar diplomatic relations was held yesterday morning at the National Theatre in Yangon.

Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs and Culture Daw Nu Mra Zan, the Chair of the Myanmar-China Friendship Association, officials from the Chinese Embassy, Chinese Culture Centre (Yangon), the National University of Arts and Culture (Yangon), the Myanmar Tourism Federation, and the Myanmar-China Business Cooperation and Development Association attended the event.

The programme opened with a remix performance of a Chinese song by LeHua International Education Centre's Electric Drum Troupe, followed by a traditional dance by the



Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs and Culture Daw Nu Mra Zan observes the displays at the youth fine art performance marking the 75th anniversary of China-Myanmar diplomatic relations in Yangon yesterday.

State High School of Fine Arts (Yangon). Chinese Minister-Counsellor Ms Cao Jing then delivered a speech.

The Deputy minister highlighted that the commemoration not only recalls historical ties but also strengthens the foundation for deeper future relations. He noted China's longstanding support for Myanmar in economic, technological, cultural, and youth exchanges, adding that bilateral cultural programmes and youth activities have enhanced mutual understanding between the peoples.

Students from various schools and centres, including Brain Works-Total, Bowen, ELBC, GES, Lehua, and MIEC also showcased traditional dances at the event.— MNA/KZL

Chinese community
donate over K600M
to quake-affected
monks

MANDALAY Yunnan Buddhist Temple, together with the Myanmar-born Chinese community and generous donors, has donated essential supplies worth over K600 million, including rice, cooking oil, and chickpeas, to support 11,100 monks and nuns affected by the recent earthquake across seven townships in Mandalay Region.

The donation ceremony took place yesterday morning at the Manaung Yadana Pagoda in

Chanayethazan Township. The event was graced by Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Myo Aung, regional ministers, senior officials, Ms Gao Ping, the Chinese Consul-General in Mandalay, as well as the temple's chairman, members, donors, and invited guests.

At the ceremony, 55 monks and 10 nuns received offerings and officials listened to sermons delivered by Mogaung Monastery Sayadaw. Contributions



Donation ceremony of Mandalay Yunnan Buddhist Temple and the Myanmar-born Chinese community in progress in Mandalay yesterday.

tions were also made to aid the maintenance and renovation of the Manaung Yadana Pagoda, ensuring continued spiritual support for the community. — MNA/KZL

Seminar highlights role of quake-resistant steel in
reconstruction

AN awareness seminar was held on the importance and applicability of earthquake-resistant construction steels in post-earthquake reconstruction at the Myanmar Engineering Council's office in Lanmadaw Township, Yangon Region, on 28 June.

At the seminar, Union Minister for Industry Dr Charlie Than first said that the process is underway to establish three standards for steel as mandatory standards. Using an average of one million tonnes of iron and steel for construction in Myanmar annually, the domestic production of iron and steel is only over 200,000 tonnes per year, about 800,000 tonnes are imported from abroad, there is a need to strictly inspect the quality and standards of iron and steel to produce domestically as well as iron and steel imported from abroad. He stressed the production of iron and steel for construction to meet the standards and have good quality.

The Myanmar Engineering Council chairman then delivered a welcoming speech, while the Myanmar Iron and Steel Association chairman and rector of



Union Minister Dr Charlie Than delivers speech at awareness seminar on the importance and applicability of earthquake-resistant construction steels in post-earthquake reconstruction in Yangon Region, on 28 June.

the Hmawby Technological University delivered a lecture on the topic of knowledge of iron and steel standards. Similarly, the Vice-Chair of the Myanmar Steel Industry Association gave a talk on the inclusion and usability of earthquake-resistant construction-grade steel in post-earthquake reconstruction efforts, pathways towards more reliable steel, and upgrading domestic factories to enable the production of earthquake-resistant construction materials.

The director-general of the Department of Industrial Supervision and Inspection gave a talk about "Quality Production of Steel Bars under the Law". The director-general of the No 1 Heavy Industries Enterprise gave a talk on "Myanmar Standard Specification related to detailed standards for plain carbon steel bars and deformed carbon steel bars for reinforced concrete (MM ASTM A615/A615M - 18)." The professor and dean of the Department of Civil Engineering, Sagaing University of Technology, gave a talk on

made a concluding speech.

The seminar was attended by Yangon City Development Committee Chairman Mayor U Bo Htay along with departmental officials, patron, chair and executive members of the Myanmar Engineering Council, engineers certified by the Myanmar Engineering Council, and iron and steel manufacturing entrepreneurs.

In the afternoon, the Union minister inspected the original chemical laboratory being built in the research institute compound in Insein Township and instructed officials to make arrangements for the fastest testing of chemical substances, to improve the capabilities of the staff who will test chemical substances, and to systematically formulate the plans for the future work of the laboratory with inspecting the equipment installed to detect microorganisms.

Afterwards, the Union minister inspected the production of medicine bottles in a government-private partnership at the Insein Pharmaceutical Factory. — MNA/MKKS

Be ready for rescue and relief in natural disasters

MYANMAR is one of the countries that frequently experiences the impacts of natural disasters due to its coastal location. Every year, starting from the late May monsoon season, the country regularly faces various natural disasters such as heavy rainfall, flooding, riverbank erosion, and cyclones.

Starting from June in the 2025 monsoon season, due to the impact of storms that had occurred in neighbouring countries in the region, there was heavy rainfall in upper Myanmar. As a result, the water level of the Ayeyawady River began to rise from Myitkyina. Consequently, some low-lying towns and villages in Myitkyina also experienced flooding. Along with the rising river levels and the effects of the storms, disaster victims from quake-affected areas in Sagaing and Mandalay regions faced worsening living conditions.

The key point that must be carried out is that, in facing and overcoming natural disasters, all citizens must work together in unity and solidarity. Everyone must dutifully fulfil their responsibilities with a spirit of dedication and sacrifice for those affected by the disasters. With the collective strength of the entire people, the impacts of natural disasters can be mitigated and reduced.

in implementing disaster prevention measures tailored to their specific regions, disaster response teams have been established at the township level. These teams have been equipped with the necessary physical resources such as life-saving boats, life jackets, and essential equipment and supplies.

Responsibilities have been divided among different sectors to carry out necessary tasks such as search and rescue operations, provision of temporary shelters, food and water supplies, transportation access, security, and healthcare services. As a result, the relevant organizations across the country are in a state of readiness to provide timely assistance and rescue operations whenever a natural disaster occurs.

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humans coexist with nature, they inevitably have to endure unexpected natural disasters. However, instead of merely enduring these disasters, efforts must be made to rescue and protect lives and property as much as possible. At present, in order to effectively minimize and overcome the impact of natural disasters, disaster preparedness and response training are being conducted in towns and villages. These trainings aim to enable the timely and skilled execution of disaster relief operations. Under the leadership of local authorities, relevant departments and organizations are providing training to rescue team members through experienced personnel.

Due to the support and assistance from both local and international donors, the contributions from relevant ministries and organizations, as well as the active participation of local communities

Connecting on the Universal Dance of Words

By Augustin

PROVERBS are crucial to understanding and preserving a culture because they reflect shared values, beliefs, and wisdom passed down through generations.

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Don't turn on your teacher, or bad things will happen.



“ဆရာကာပြန် အခေါင်လုံစူး” ဆိုတဲ့ စကားပုံဟာ ကိုယ့်အပေါ် ကျေးဇူးရှိတဲ့ ဆရာကို ကျေးဇူးကန်းတဲ့သူဟာ နောက်ဆုံးမှာ ပျက်စီးတတ်တယ်ဆိုတဲ့ အဓိပ္ပာယ်ကို ဖော်ညွှန်းပါတယ်။

ရှေးတုန်းက လူတစ်ယောက်က ဖြစ်ကမ်းနားမှာ ဗျိုင်းတစ်ကောင် ငါးဖမ်းနေတာကို သွားတွေ့တယ်။ ဗျိုင်းက ငါးကို လေထဲပစ်မြှောက်ပြီး ပါးစပ်နဲ့ ပြန်ပြီး ဖမ်းတာကို တွေ့တော့ သူလည်း အဲ့ဒါကို အားကျပြီး အတုနဲ့လေ့ကျင့်တော့တာပါ။

ပထမတော့ သစ်ချောင်းလေးတွေနဲ့ စကျင့်တယ်။ နောက်ပိုင်းကျတော့ တဖြည်းဖြည်းနဲ့ အုတ်ခဲတွေ၊ လှံတွေ၊ ဓားတွေကိုတောင် လေပေါ်ပစ်ပြီး မြေကြီးပေါ်မကျခင် ပါးစပ်နဲ့ ကိုက်ဖမ်းနိုင်တဲ့အထိ ကျွမ်းကျင်သွားတယ်။

သူ့ပညာကို တစ်ရွာဝင် တစ်ရွာထွက် လိုက်ပြတော့ လူတွေက အရမ်းသဘောကျပြီး ဆုတွေအများကြီးရတာပေါ့။ ဒီသတင်းက ဘုရင်ဆီရောက်သွားတော့ သူ့ကို နန်းတော်ထဲမှာ လာပြခိုင်းတယ်။ ဘုရင်က သူ့ပညာကို အရမ်းအံ့ဩပြီး “မင်းရဲ့ဆရာက ဘယ်သူလဲ” လို့မေးတော့ ဟိုလူက မာနတွေတက်ပြီး “ကျွန်တော့်မှာ ဆရာမရှိပါဘူး။ ကိုယ့်ဘာသာ တတ်တာပါ” လို့ လိမ်လိုက်တယ်။ ဗျိုင်းဆီက သင်ခဲ့တာကို ဝန်မခံချင်လို့ပေါ့။

အဲ့လိုပြောပြီး နောက်တစ်ခါ လှံနဲ့ ပြန်ကစားတဲ့အချိန်မှာပဲ ကံဆိုးစွာနဲ့ လှံက သူ့အခေါင်ကို ထိုးစိုက်ဝင်သွားပြီး အဲ့နေရာမှာပဲ ပွဲချင်းပြီး သေသွားရော။

ပုံပြင်က ပေးတဲ့ သင်ခန်းစာ ကိုယ့်အပေါ် ကျေးဇူးရှိတဲ့ ဆရာကို ဘယ်တော့မှ မမေ့ရဘူး။ ကျေးဇူးမကန်းရဘူးဆိုတာပါပဲ။ ဆရာဆိုတာကလည်း ကိုယ်တိုင်သင်ပေးတဲ့ “သင်ဆရာ” သူများလုပ်တာကို ကြည့်ပြီးအတုယူတတ်မြောက်ခဲ့တဲ့ “မြင်ဆရာ” (ဒီပုံပြင်ထဲက ဗျိုင်းလိုမျိုး)၊ ကြားဖူးနားဝနဲ့ တတ်သိနားလည်စေတဲ့ “ကြားဆရာ” ဆိုပြီး သုံးမျိုးလုံးရဲ့ ကျေးဇူးကို လေးစားရမယ်လို့ ပြောတာပါ။

This Myanmar proverb, “ဆရာကာပြန် အခေါင်လုံစူး”, is like saying, “Don't turn on your teacher, or bad things will happen.” It means if someone helps you learn or grow, and you act mean or ungrateful to them, you'll end up in trouble.

The Myanmar proverb warns against being ungrateful to those who help you learn or grow. If you treat your teachers or mentors badly, you'll likely face negative consequences.

This wisdom comes from a story about a man who learned amazing spear-catching tricks by watching a crane. He practised until he

could catch even knives in his mouth! People loved his shows, and the king invited him to perform.

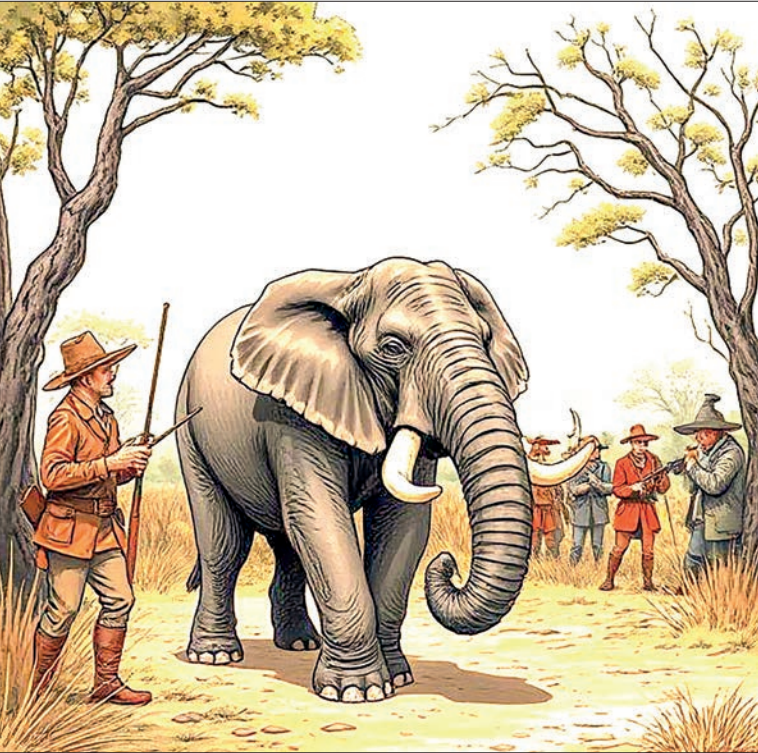
However, when the king asked who taught him, the man, full of pride, lied and claimed he had no teacher. Immediately after this, during his next performance, a spear tragically went into his throat, killing him.

The story teaches us a vital lesson: **always remember and respect those who taught you.** This includes direct teachers, those you learn from by observing, and even those who offer wise advice. Disrespecting your teachers, like the man in the story, can lead to your downfall.

- USAGES:
- “Don't bite the hand that feeds you.”**
 - Definition: Do not harm or show ingratitude to those who help or support you.
 - Example: After receiving so much help from his mentor, he knew better than to bite the hand that feeds him.
 - “Don't forget where you came from.”**
 - Definition: Remember the people and experiences that helped you achieve your current success.
 - Example: As she became more successful, she always reminded herself not to forget where she came from and to honour her mentors.

ဆင်သတ် အရပ်ဝေ

Kill an elephant and share it with the village



“ဆင်သတ် အရပ်ဝေ” ဆိုတဲ့ မြန်မာစကားပုံက ဆင်တစ်ကောင်ကိုသတ်ပြီး သူ့အသားကို ရုပ်ရွာထဲ ဝေပေးတယ်လို့ တိုက်ရိုက်အဓိပ္ပာယ်ရတယ်။ တကယ်တော့ “ဆင်” ဆိုတာ ကြီးမားတဲ့ အခက်အခဲ ဒါမှမဟုတ် အကျိုးအမြတ်ကြီးတစ်ခုကို ပြောတာ။ အဲ့ဒီလိုကြီးမားတဲ့ အောင်မြင်မှုရတဲ့အခါ ကိုယ်တစ်ယောက်တည်းမယူဘဲ ပတ်ဝန်းကျင်နဲ့ မျှဝေခံစားဖို့ ဆိုတဲ့သဘောပါ။ “မျှဝေခြင်း” နဲ့ “အများအကျိုးဆောင်ရွက်ခြင်း” ကို ဖော်ညွှန်းတာပေါ့။

ဒီဘက်ခေတ်လူငယ်တွေအတွက် ဒီစကားပုံက နားမလည်စရာဖြစ်နေတယ်။ ဘာလို့လဲဆိုတော့ အခုခေတ်မှာ ဆင်သတ်တာက ဥပဒေနဲ့ငြိတဲ့ ကိစ္စ၊ ပြီးတော့ တကယ်လည်း ဆင်သတ်ပြီး အသားဝေတာမျိုး မရှိတော့ဘူးလို့ ထင်ကြလို့ပါ။ ဒဏ္ဍာရီဆန်တယ်လို့ ခံစားရတာပေါ့။

ဒါပေမဲ့ တကယ်တော့ ဒီစကားပုံက ပုံပြင်မဟုတ်ဘူးဆိုတာ ဇင်ဘာတွေ့နိုင်င်က ဖြစ်ရပ်တစ်ခုက သက်သေပြနေတယ်။ အဲ့ဒီမှာ ဆင်ဦးရေ အရမ်းများလာလို့

ဂေဟစနစ်ကို ထိခိုက်လာတဲ့အခါ အစိုးရက ဆင်အကောင်ရေကို လျှော့ချရပြီး သတ်တဲ့ဆင်တွေရဲ့ အသားကို ဒေသခံတွေကို ပြန်ဝေပေးခဲ့တယ်။ ဒါဟာ ရှေးခေတ်မြန်မာတွေ ရွာကိုခုကျပေးတဲ့ ဆင်ကိုသတ်ပြီး ဝေတာနဲ့ အနှစ်သာရချင်း တူတူပဲ။

AFP သတင်းက သက်သေပြ

ဇင်ဘာတွေ့နိုင်င်မှာ ဆင်တွေ အရေအတွက်အရမ်းများလာပြီး သူတို့ရဲ့ဂေဟစနစ်က လက်မခံနိုင်တော့တဲ့ အခြေအနေ (overpopulation) ဖြစ်လာပါတယ်။ Save Valley Conservancy ဆိုတဲ့ ကြိုးပိုင်းက ဆင်အကောင် ၈၀၀ ပဲ ထိန်းသိမ်းနိုင်ပေမယ့် တကယ်တမ်းမှာ ၂,၅၅၀ ကျော်ရှိနေတယ်လို့ ဆိုပါတယ်။ ဒီပြဿနာကိုဖြေရှင်းဖို့ အာဏာပိုင်တွေက ဆင်အကောင်ရေလျှော့ချဖို့အတွက် ဆင်တွေကို “cull” လုပ်ရပါတယ် (စီမံခန့်ခွဲမှုအရ လိုအပ်လို့ သတ်ဖြတ်ရခြင်း)။ အဲ့ဒီလိုသတ်လိုက်တဲ့ ဆင်တွေရဲ့ အသားကို ဒေသခံတွေကို ဝေငှပေးတယ်လို့ သတင်းမှာဖော်ပြထားပါတယ်။ ဒါဟာ “ဆင်သတ် အရပ်ဝေ” လုပ်ဆောင်လိုက်တာပါပဲ။ ဆင်စွယ်ကိုတော့ နိုင်ငံတော်ပိုင်အဖြစ် သိမ်းဆည်းလိုက်ပါတယ်။

Zimbabwe to cull elephants and distribute meat to people. SOURCE: AFP (4 Jun 2025)

The Myanmar saying “ဆင်သတ် အရပ်ဝေ” literally means “kill an elephant and share it with the village.” But it's really about something bigger. “Elephant” here means a huge problem or a big success. So, when you achieve something great or get a lot of good stuff, you shouldn't keep it all to yourself. You should share it with others in your community. It's all about being kind and sharing what you have.

Today, some young people might think this saying doesn't make sense. That's because killing elephants is against the law now, and it seems like something from a long, long time ago. They might think it's just a story.

But guess what? This saying isn't just an old tale. A recent news story from Zimbabwe proves it's still true in real life! In Zimbabwe, there were too many elephants, and it was causing problems for their natural habitat. To fix this, the government had to reduce the number of elephants. They even gave the meat from those elephants to the local people. This is just like the old saying: a big “elephant” problem was solved, and the benefits were shared with the community.

နောက်ထပ်အဓိပ္ပာယ်

“ဆင်သတ် အရပ်ဝေ” ဆိုတဲ့ မြန်မာစကားပုံရဲ့ နောက်ထပ်အဓိပ္ပာယ်တစ်ခုကတော့ တန်ဖိုးအရမ်းကြီးတဲ့အရာတစ်ခုကို မလိုအပ်တဲ့ အရေးမပါတဲ့ကိစ္စအတွက် အလဟဿဖြစ်တီးစိတ်တာ ကို ပြောတာပါ။ ဆင်လို ကြီးမားခမ်းနားတဲ့အရာတစ်ခုကို သေးသေးဖွံ့ဖြိုးကိစ္စလေးအတွက် သုံးပစ်လိုက်တာမျိုးပေါ့။ ဥပမာ၊ ဈေးကြီးတဲ့ ပစ္စည်းတစ်ခုကို အလကားလိုဖြစ်အောင် သုံးပစ်လိုက်တာမျိုး ဒါမှမဟုတ် ကြီးမားတဲ့စွမ်းရည်တစ်ခုကို မဟုတ်တဲ့နေရာမှာ သုံးတာမျိုးကို ရည်ညွှန်းပါတယ်။ တန်ဖိုးရှိတဲ့ အရင်းအမြစ်တစ်ခုကို ထိုက်တန်တဲ့နေရာမှာ မသုံးဘဲ အချည်းနှီးဖြစ်အောင် လုပ်ပစ်တာကို ဆိုလိုရင်းပါ။

(ဆင်ကို သတ်၍ အရပ်ကို ဝေသကဲ့သို့ အလွန်တန်ဖိုးကြီးမားလှသည့်အရာကို အရေးမကြီးသော ကိစ္စအတွက် အလဟဿ ဖြုန်းတီးပစ်သည်။)

ဆင်သတ် အရပ်ဝေ is a Myanmar proverb that literally means “kill an elephant to share with the village.” But its real meaning is about wasting something very valuable on something unimportant. It's like using a huge, powerful elephant for a tiny, useless task, showing you're throwing away something big for nothing.

“throw good money after bad”

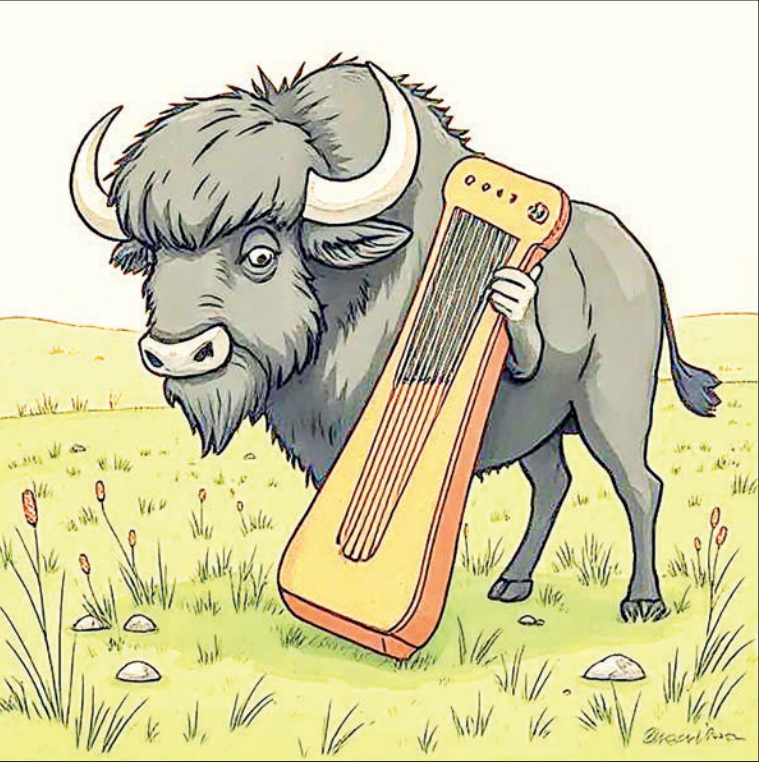
- Definition:** To spend more money on a bad situation or failed effort, hoping to improve it, but only losing more money in the process.
- Example:** “I've already spent so much fixing this old car, but it keeps breaking down. I'm afraid I'm just throwing good money after bad.”

“use a sledgehammer to crack a nut”

- Definition:** To use an overly powerful, complex, or forceful method to solve a simple or minor problem.
- Example:** “Hiring a huge consulting firm just to organize our office supplies felt like using a sledgehammer to crack a nut.”

ကျွဲပါးစောင်းတီး

Like playing a harp to a buffalo



ကျွဲပါးစောင်းတီး ဆိုတဲ့မြန်မာစကားပုံက “ကျွဲကိုစောင်းတီးပြတာ” လို့အဓိပ္ပာယ်ရတယ်။ ပြောချင်တာက တန်ဖိုးရှိတဲ့အရာ၊ လှပတဲ့အရာ ဒါမှမဟုတ် ခက်ခဲတဲ့အရာတစ်ခုကို နားမလည်တဲ့သူ၊ တန်ဖိုးမထားတတ်တဲ့သူကို သွားပြောပြရင် အချိန်တုန့် လူပင်ပန်းပဲ အလကားဖြစ်တယ်ပေါ့။ ဥပမာ၊ ကျွဲကို စောင်းတီးပြရင် သူနားလည်မှာမဟုတ်ဘဲ ဆူညံသံလို့ပဲ ကြားမှာမျိုး။ ဒါကြောင့် တစ်ခုခုကို တန်ဖိုးမထားတတ်တဲ့သူ၊ ယဉ်ကျေးမှုမရှိတဲ့သူကို သွားပြောပြရင် အချည်းနှီးဖြစ်တယ်လို့ ဆိုလိုရင်းပါပဲ။

This Myanmar proverb, literally meaning “playing a harp to a buffalo”, is used when you're trying to explain something beautiful, important, or complex to someone who just won't get it.

This saying means you're trying to show something good or fancy to someone who won't understand or care about it.

Think about playing a nice, soft song on a harp for a buffalo. The buffalo won't enjoy the music or know how special it is. It will just hear sounds.

So, when we say “like playing a harp to a buffalo,” we mean that it's pointless to offer something wonderful to someone who doesn't appreciate it. It's often used when someone is not very educated or doesn't care about nice or valuable things, making your efforts useless.

“Cast pearls before swine”

- Definition:** To offer something valuable or excellent to people who do not understand its worth or appreciate it.
- Example:** “Trying to explain the complex poetry to my distracted little brother was like casting pearls before swine.”

“Water off a duck's back”

- Definition:** Used to describe criticism or advice that does not affect someone. The person simply ignores it.
- Example:** “I tried to tell him that his bad habits would hurt his health, but it was just water off a duck's back.”

3. Fall on deaf ears

- Definition:** To be ignored or disregarded. This idiom is often used when advice, warnings, or pleas are not listened to.
- Example:** “Her warnings about the upcoming budget cuts fell on deaf ears until it was too late.”



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Rehab efforts beefed up in quake-affected areas



Lt-Gen Thet Pon inspects the site being prepared with heavy machinery for rebuilding the Maha Zedihla pagoda.

PEOPLE together with members from relevant organizations participate in rehabilitation efforts in damaged areas caused by the Mandalay earthquake.

Yesterday, Lt-Gen Thet Pon from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) observed clearing of debris at damaged Myo Yin Yin Buddhism Learning Centre, other religious buildings and public residential houses with the use of heavy machinery, preparations to rebuild Maha Zedihla Pagoda, and progress in reconstruction of temporary buildings at Laykyunmyay Brick Buddhism Learning Centre in Sagaing.

Likewise, Lt-Gen Soe Tint Naing from the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) inspected removal of damaged parts of Sagaing Bridge (Inwa) in Thabyaytan Village of Amarapura Township, systematic clearing of debris at 4th and 5th spans of the bridge with deployment of skilled workers, machinery and technology by Myanmar Economic Corporation, and left necessary instructions.

He also viewed renovation of the damaged Shwekyetyet Hsutaungpyae Pagoda in Shwekyetyet Village in Amarapura Township and fulfilled the needs. — MNA/TTA

Drugs worth K1.35 bln seized in Waw

AUTHORITIES seized 900,000 stimulant tablets worth K1.35 billion in Waw Township, according to Myanmar Police Force.

At around 5 am on the morning of 24 June, a combined team including members of the Drug Enforcement Division of MPF acting on a tip-off searched a 6-wheel Nissan lorry, which departed from Yangon to Dawei, driven by Hein Latt and accompanied by Nay

Lin Htaik (aka) Mae Gyi and Kaung Su Nyi (aka) Sithu near Nyaungkhashy Village, Waw Township. They found 900,000 stimulant tablets, each valued at K1,500 in the area, totalling an estimated street value of K1.35 billion.

The tablets were being trafficked from Yangon to Dawei. Those suspects have been charged under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law. — MNA/KZL



Offenders Hein Latt, Nay Lin Htaik (aka) Mae Gyi and Kaung Su Nyi (aka) Sithu are seen along with stimulant tablets and the vehicle.

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Illegal commercial goods, unregistered vehicles seized

UNDER the supervision of the Illegal Trade Eradication Steering Committee, effective legal action is taken to combat illegal trade across Myanmar.

On 27 June, a combined task force under the management of the Mandalay Region Illegal Trade Eradication Task Force conducted inspections at the Yatanabon Bridge (Mandalay) checkpoint. They intercepted a vehicle travelling from Shwebo to Yangon and seized consumer goods worth approximately K2.025 million without proper documentation, along with a Scania bus used in the transport valued at K100 million. The total estimated value of the seizure was K102.025 million. Action is taken in accordance with Customs procedures.

Similarly, under the Bago Region task force's management, a combined team carried out inspections near the Nyaungkhashay X-Ray checkpoint. A vehicle heading from Hpa-an to Yangon was found transporting foodstuffs worth approximately K5.11 million without proper documentation. Authorities also seized the Yutong bus used for the transport, valued at K30 million. The total estimated value was K35.11 million, and action is taken in line with Customs procedures.

On 28 June, a combined



This photos show confiscated illegal tyre in Taninthayi Region and soft drinks in Bago Region.

team under the Taninthayi Region Illegal Trade Eradication Task Force inspected a warehouse located at No 3, Ywama Road, Shwehintha Ward in Kawthoung. They discovered industrial materials worth approximately K41.9 million without valid documentation. Appropriate legal action is taken.

According to records from

Myanmar Police Force under the Ministry of Home Affairs on 28 June, authorities seized eight unregistered vehicles and 31 unregistered motorcycles. These are handled in accordance with relevant laws and procedures.

Altogether, five cases with an estimated value of K179.036 million were seized on 27 and 28 June. — MNA/KZL

NATIONAL

Eight new invested businesses to create jobs for over 6,000 people in Yangon Region

EIGHT new invested businesses were granted in Yangon Region in June 2025 to create employment opportunities for 6,773 people, according to the Yangon Region Investment Committee.

The YRIC allowed a 100 per cent investment of foreigners to operate six businesses and foreign investment for two joint venture businesses in the industrial sector of Yangon Region. Capital of these investments amounted to US\$7.791 million with the aim of creating jobs for residents.

An official from the YRIC unveiled, “The Yangon Region Investment Committee allowed



A CMP garment industry seen in manufacturing products in Yangon Region.

these investments at its meeting 6/2025 held on 24-25 June. The invested businesses focus on manufacturing of industrial products and garment products through cutting, making and packing-CMP system.”

The regional investment committee also approved rising the investment amounts in operating businesses and number of employees including new investments in June. The committee monthly allows investments of Myanmar citizens as well as that of foreigners in order to create more employment opportunities for residents under the laws and procedures. — ASH/TTA

Seperate houses draw migrants, both rent and buying increase



A seperate house has been put on sale at a social media page

SEPERATE houses have caught the interest from migrants and both rent and buying activities have increased, according to the real estate industry.

Some buyers are keen to do moving or buying before the Buddhist Lent.

“Seperate houses have buyers. Both people moved from other regions and states and those who don’t like high-rise apartments have now looked for seperate houses. Some are eager to do moving or buying and selling before the Buddhist Lent arrives. Seperate houses are high-demand. Among people moved from other regions and states, some are wealthy so they buy houses to live,” said an estate agent.

After the earthquake, those who are wealthy prefer seperate houses rather than high-rise buildings in Yangon, said a source.

“We don’t want to live in high-rise buildings after the earthquake. Seperate houses can make us comfortable, because we moved from other region so we are more interested in living privately. That is why we decided to buy a seperate house that we can afford, it costs though”, said a buyer.

In rent market, apartment and condo rooms including seperate houses have increased and rent prices have also elevated and most are six-month contract, one-year contract and deposit-paid renting. — MT/ZS

Nearly 4,300 candidates pass 16th EPS-TOPIK and Skills Test

THE Government Public Overseas Employment Agency (POEA) announced that a total of 4,249 candidates passed the 16th EPS-TOPIK and Skills Test (second batch of manufacturing) and were on the final list.

The date of submission of the application for the candidates who have passed this test will be notified on the POEA-EPS Facebook Page by their roll numbers, and the successful candidates will have to come to

the POEA office on the appointed date to collect the application form.

Furthermore, they will have to undergo a medical examination at a designated clinic and wait for a job call after submitting a job application. If a candidate doesn’t get a job in one year, candidate will have to renew it and no one can help to get a job, it stated.

There is no 100 per cent guarantee that all job applicants will be employed in the Republic of Korea, and EPS recruitment is a system where the employer selects the worker at his or her own discretion, rather than requiring him or her to choose any one.

If medically unfit, the candidate cannot be sent to the Republic of Korea. In case of any discrepancy in name, date of birth, and passport number between the entries at the examination form and those in EPS result, the candidate will not be allowed to travel to the Republic of Korea, said POEA. — MT/ZN



Some candidates training to sit the EPS-TOPIK and the Skills Test.

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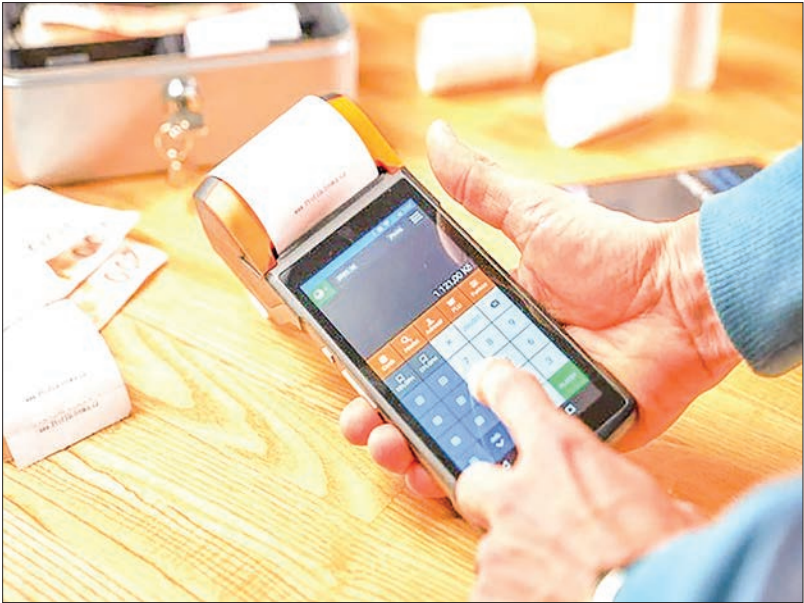
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Over 82% of MSMEs eye digital sales; offline marketplaces still preferred

A survey by Zoho Corporation reveals that 82% of micro and medium retailers in India want to adopt digital sales channels.



A recent Zoho survey reveals Indian retailers are rapidly embracing technology. **PHOTO: ANI**

AS high as 82 per cent of micro and medium retailers want to adopt digital streams to boost their sales, but offline marketplaces remain their preferred channel, showing their strength. According to a survey report

by the global technology firm Zoho Corporation, six out of ten Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) stated that they have adopted an omnichannel selling strategy, operating in both online and offline channels,

with the majority (75 per cent) of them claiming this expands their reach and customer accessibility; 68 per cent of retailers reported an equal revenue share from both retail channels.

“82 per cent of offline retailers want to go digital, the marketplace being the most preferred platform for sales,” the report added.

According to the report’s findings, the Indian retail sector is undergoing a dramatic transformation, with 60 per cent of businesses planning to adopt AI and ML by 2030 to stay competitive, and 44 per cent betting on AI-powered personalisation to enhance the shopping experience for their customers.

Despite the shift online, the physical retail experience still holds value. According to the survey, 71 per cent of businesses say customers shop in person to touch and see products before making a purchase. — ANI

Syria’s wheat war: drought fuels food crisis for 16 million

RIVAL Syrian and Kurdish producers are scrambling for shrinking wheat harvests as the worst drought in decades follows a devastating war, pushing more than 16 million people toward food insecurity. “The country has not seen such bad climate conditions in 60 years,” said Haya Abu Assaf, assistant to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) representa-

tive in Syria. Syria’s water levels have seen “a very significant drop compared to previous years, which is very worrying”, Abu Assaf told AFP, as a relatively short winter rainy season and decreased rainfall take their toll. “A gap of between 2.5 to 2.7 million tonnes in the wheat crop is expected, meaning that the wheat quantity will not be sufficient to meet local needs,” Abu Assaf said,

putting “around 16.3 million people at risk of food

insecurity in Syria this year”. — AFP



A significant drop in wheat production expected due to harsh climate conditions affecting nearly 2.5 million hectares of farmland. **PHOTO: AFP**

MINISTRY OF COOPERATIVE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR SOLAR MINI-GRID PROJECTS

The Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Cooperatives and Rural Development, is inviting qualified and interested companies to submit proposals for implementing solar mini-grid electricity projects in the following villages across Ayeyarwady and Tanintharyi Regions:

| Lot-ID | Project Village(s) | Location Site |
|--------|--|--|
| Lot-1 | Thone Khwa, Han Su, Kyu Taw, Ohn Ta Pin Thone Khwa | Ngapudaw Township, Ayeyarwady Region |
| Lot-2 | Ma Yan (East), Ma Yan (West), Shan Kan, Htan Taw | Dedaye Township, Ayeyarwady Region |
| Lot-3 | Ywar Thar Yar | Kawthaung Township, Tanintharyi Region |

Submission Deadline: Proposals must be delivered to the address below at 10:00 AM Local Time on July 16th 2025.

Interested companies should visit the Ministry of Cooperative and Rural Development (MCRD) Website (<https://www.mcrd.gov.mm/>) or directly contact the following address for further information:

Department of Rural Development (Head Office)
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Tel./Fax: +95 673 418633, 418635
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Tender Committee

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE
M.V OTANA BHUM VOY.NO. (230N)

Consignees of cargo carried on **M.V OTANA BHUM VOY.NO. (230N)** are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on **30-6-2025** and cargo will be discharged into the premises of **AWPT** 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 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm 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.
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Agent For:

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M/S NEW GOLDEN SEA LINES

Morocco's Atlantic
gambit: linking
restive Sahel to ocean

A planned trade corridor connecting the landlocked Sahel to the Atlantic is central to Morocco's ambitious "Atlantic Initiative," aimed at addressing regional instability and solidifying its control over disputed Western Sahara.

This initiative includes the construction of a new \$1.3 billion port in Dakhla, a territory claimed by the pro-independence Polisario Front but predominantly controlled by Morocco. The port is expected to provide ocean access to Mali, Burkina Faso, and Niger, significantly transforming their economies, as stated by King Mohammed VI.

However, the project faces significant challenges amid recent military coups in the Sahel, which have led to new leaderships seeking to change longstanding political alliances after years of jihadist violence.

Morocco's initiative also aligns with its goal of reinforcing its claim over Western Sahara, especially following the recognition of its sovereignty by former US President Donald Trump in 2020. — AFP

Britain's auto production hits
lowest May level since 1949: report

BRITAIN'S automotive output dropped to its lowest May level since 1949, with new figures released Friday revealing a continued contraction in the country's vehicle manufacturing sector for the fifth straight month.

According to the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT), total automotive production in May plummeted by 32.8 per cent year-on-year, amounting to just 49,810 units. The decline was primarily attributed to ongoing model changeovers, plant restructuring, and the effects of US tariffs on car imports.

The report noted significant reductions in vehicle exports to Britain's two largest overseas markets in the month: shipments to the European Union (EU) fell by 22.5 per cent, while exports to the United States plunged by 55.4 per cent. The US market



A man fills up a vehicle at a petrol station in Manchester, Britain, 13 April 2022. PHOTO: JON SUPER/XINHUA

export destination for automobiles. Despite the severe contraction, SMMT Chief Executive Mike Hawes expressed cautious optimism.

"While 2025 has proved to be an incredibly challenging year for British automotive production, there are early signs of hope," Hawes said, citing trade deals with the United States and industrial strategies that recognize the sector's role in economic growth. Hawes emphasized the need for swift implementation of policies to reduce industrial energy costs, citing them as a continuing threat to the sector's international competitiveness. — Xinhua

QUALITY, SAVE AND CARE
FROM THAILAND
TO MANDALAY

The Department of International Trade Promotion (DITP), Thailand, Royal Thai Embassy in Yangon, and Thai Commercial Office in Yangon are launching a special promotion to bring quality products and significant savings with care from Thailand to Mandalay. The campaign is supported by participating Thai brands, product, distributors, and Thai SELECT restaurants.

Don't miss the "Flavors of Thailand" at Ocean Supercenter - Diamond Plaza and Mingalar Mandalay branches from 26 June to 16 July 2025, offering special discounts on over 120 Thai Products.

Then, 3-16 July 2025, the excitement continues with a "Thai Food Festival" at Ready Food Mart (3 branches), offering special discounts and promotion on over 160 Thai Products.

And 4 - 17 July 2025, a "Thai Product Fair" at CIS 2 Supermarket, offering special discounts and promotion on over 200 Thai Products.

At both stores, customers will get the chances to win great prizes in lucky draws and enjoy exciting Thai Food cooking demonstrations by Thai SELECT Restaurant in Mandalay.

This is the great opportunity to purchase Thai Products with special discount and promotion in these events : Quality, Save and Care from Thailand to Mandalay.

All are invited to shopping Thai Products at Ocean Supercenter, Ready Food Mart and CIS 2 Supermarket in Mandalay.

Ocean SUPERCENTER

Flavors of Thailand

June 26 to July 16, 2025 | at Ocean Supercenter Diamond Plaza and Mingalar Mandalay branches

Over 120 Thai products on promotion

* Product list may change according to the situation.

CIS 2 SUPERMARKET

THAI PRODUCT FAIR 2025

Quality, Save and Care from THAILAND to MANDALAY

4 - 17 July 2025 | CIS2 Supermarket

Over 200 Thai products on promotion*

Shop Thai Save Big Win More

Enjoy shopping for over 200 Thai products such as fruits, food & beverage and household products

UP TO 10-30%

Spend every 50,000 MMK to get 1 coupon and a chance to win Lucky Draw prize!

CIS2 Supermarket

Thai SELECT restaurant

4 July 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Highlights

- The Cooking Demo (Thai SELECT restaurant)
- Meet The Star "Si Thu Win"

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Ready FOOD MART

Thai Food Festival 2025

Quality, Save and Care from THAILAND to MANDALAY

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Ready Food Mart

Thai SELECT restaurant

3 July 10:00 am - 12:00 pm | at Shop(3), 27th Street

Highlights

- The Cooking Demo (Thai SELECT restaurant)
- Meet The Star "Si Thu Win"

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ROLLING UPDATES
WORLD

Drilling for water in Venezuela's parched oil town



To avoid forking out huge sums of money on water, many families and businesses have taken to digging a well, sometimes without proper authorizations. PHOTO: AFP

Many have chosen to dig wells for a more dependable water source, despite the high salinity from saltwater intrusion.

IN Maracaibo, Venezuela's oil capital, a drilling frenzy has resulted in the creation of numerous wells, but the liquid being extracted is primarily water, not oil.

This situation highlights the dire state of Venezuela's economy, as the once-thriving city of 2 million faces severe water shortages due to corruption and years of mismanagement.

The deteriorating infrastructure has forced residents, schools, and businesses to dig their own wells at significant costs, ranging from \$1,000 to

\$6,000, a hefty sum in a country where the minimum wage is around \$200.

Water rationing has been a long-standing issue, but the crisis in Maracaibo has escalated, with some areas experiencing over a month without tap water. Residents have turned to various solutions, such as filling drums at official stations or hiring water trucks.

Many have opted to dig wells to secure a more reliable water supply, despite the high salinity of the water due to saltwater intrusion. — AFP

US Senate advances Trump's tax-cut, spending bill

THE US Senate on Saturday narrowly advanced President Donald Trump's major tax-cut and spending bill, marking a key procedural step toward passing the legislation before the upcoming 4 July recess.

The 940-page package,

formally titled the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, was approved in a 51-49 procedural vote late Saturday night, setting the stage for formal debate.

The bill aims to extend the 2017 tax cuts, cut oth-

er taxes and boost military and border security spending, while offsetting revenue losses through deep cuts to Medicaid, food stamps, renewable energy and other social welfare programmes.

— Xinhua

Over 300 flights suspended in Italy due to technical malfunction

A data transmission failure at the Area Control Centre in

Milan on Saturday evening led to the suspension of over 300

flights in multiple cities across northwest Italy, ANSA news agency reported.

The incident occurred at around 9 pm local time (1900 GMT), leading to flight suspensions or major restrictions on take-offs and landings at airports within the affected airspace, including those in Milan, Bergamo, Genoa and Turin, said the report, adding that technicians are still working to restore air traffic operations.

The Area Control Centre in Milan is one of the four regional control centres operated by ENAV, the Italian air navigation service provider. — Xinhua



In this file photo dated 3 April 2021, a passenger is silhouetted at Malpensa Airport in Milan. PHOTO: AFP/FILE

NEWS IN BRIEF

India: Tragic stampede claims lives at Rath Yatra

ODISHA Law Minister Prithiviraj Harichandan on Sunday said that three people died and at least six people sustained injuries near the Gundicha Temple during the ongoing Lord Jagannath Rath Yathra in Puri.

Speaking to ANI over the phone, Odisha Minister Harichandan said, "It is an unfortunate incident. We are taking note of that. I spoke with the CM this morning. We are taking stringent action. DGP has been sent to the spot. "Three people have passed away because of suffocation in the huge gathering. Six to seven people are injured. I am moving to Puri. I am monitoring the situation over the phone. We are trying our best to manage the crowd. Additional police have been deployed. The reasons for the incident are being investigated," Harichandan said. — ANI

Leader of Colombian criminal ring captured in UAE

THE Ecuadorian-born top leader of the Colombian criminal organization "Border Commandos" has been captured in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Ecuador's Interior Minister John Reimberg announced Thursday.

The International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) arrested Roberto Carlos Alvarez Vera in Abu Dhabi, Reimberg said at a press conference.

Alvarez Vera was arrested "for extradition purposes," said the minister, adding the suspect is responsible for the regrettable attack against the Armed Forces of Ecuador in May.

"We will not rest until everyone pays their due to justice," the minister said, noting "the detainee has an Interpol Red Notice, as well as terrorist alerts." Ecuador blames the "Border Commandos", a dissident group of the defunct Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia guerrilla group, for killing 11 Ecuadorian soldiers in an ambush in the Amazonian province of Orellana on 9 May. — Xinhua

SPORTS



Joshua Van seen landing a decisive blow on No 1 contender Brandon Royval during UFC 317 Fight Night held in Las Vegas on 29 June 2025, securing victory by unanimous decision to earn a title shot.

Joshua Van beats top contender, earns UFC title shot

Joshua Van is no longer just a rising star—he is now a serious title challenger.

THE 22-year-old Chin fighter Joshua Van shocked fans yesterday in the United States when he beat the number-one contender Brandon Royval in the UFC flyweight division. He won by unanimous decision after three exciting rounds, showing skill, speed and confidence. Many people expected Van to struggle against such an experienced opponent. But from the first round, Van looked sharp. He moved well, landed clean punches and stayed calm under pressure. His opponent tried to fight back, but Van was always one step ahead. When the final bell rang, all three judges gave the win to Van. The crowd cheered as his hand was raised. But Van didn't celebrate wildly. He sim-

ply looked into the camera and said: "Now give me the champ." UFC President Dana White confirmed that Van will get a title shot in his next fight. It is a huge moment for Van, who was born in Myanmar and has quickly climbed the UFC rankings. He's now one fight away from becoming a world champion. From unknown underdog to title contender, Joshua Van's journey is far from over but the biggest chapter is just about to begin. Joshua Van's fight against Brandon Royval at UFC Fight Night in Las Vegas on 29 June 2025 was awarded Fight of the Night, with each fighter earning 50,000 USD, confirmed by UFUS\$ CEO. — KZL

AFC Women's Qualifiers: Myanmar thrash Turkmenistan 8-0

MYANMAR national women's football team claimed a dominant 8-0 victory over Turkmenistan in their opening Group C match of the AFC Women's Asian Cup 2026 qualifiers held on 29 June at Thuwunna Youth Training Centre in Yangon. Myanmar opened the scoring early with Win Win finding the net in the 11th minute. Despite a penalty awarded to Turkmenistan in the 23rd minute, goalkeeper Myo Mya Mya Nyein successfully saved Turkmenistan player's spot kick. Myanmar doubled the lead in the 28th minute with another goal from Win Win, who completed her hat-trick before half-time. Before the break, Khin Mo Mo Tun added a fourth goal. Substitutes in the second half further strengthened the attack, with goals from San Thaw



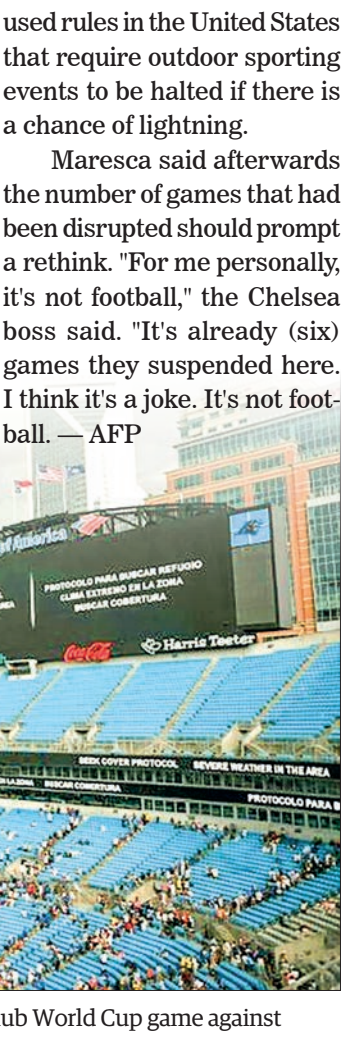
Myanmar players San Thaw Thaw and Win Win attempt a goal as Turkmenistan's goalkeeper makes a save during their AFC Women's Asian Cup qualifier at Thuwunna on 29 June. PHOTO: SOE NYUNT THAW

Thaw in the 48 minute, May Htet Luu in 52 minute, Khin Mo Mo Tun in 65 minute and Shwe Yi Tun in the 90+3 minute, securing a clean-sheet win. The next Group C match day will be held on 2 July at Thuwunna ground, where Myanmar will face Bangladesh at 4 pm, followed by Bahrain versus Turkmenistan at 7 pm. — Ko Nyi Lay/KZL

'It's a joke': Chelsea boss Maresca slams weather chaos

CHELSEA manager Enzo Maresca slammed the weather delays that disrupted his side's Club World Cup win over Benfica, calling repeated storm stoppages "a joke" and urging organisers to rethink hosting the tournament in the US. Chelsea manager Enzo Maresca lashed out at the two-hour weather delay that disrupted his team's Club World Cup victory over Ben-

fica on Saturday, suggesting the tournament should be played elsewhere in future. Chelsea powered into the quarter-finals after defeating Benfica 4-1 in extra-time after a game that took 4hrs 39mins to complete following a two-hour stoppage due to a storm warning. It was the sixth time that a game has been halted at the tournament due to widely used rules in the United States that require outdoor sporting events to be halted if there is a chance of lightning. Maresca said afterwards the number of games that had been disrupted should prompt a rethink. "For me personally, it's not football," the Chelsea boss said. "It's already (six) games they suspended here. I think it's a joke. It's not football. — AFP



Play is halted at the Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte in Chelsea's Club World Cup game against Benfica. PHOTO: AFP



WORLD



The sharing of these relics emphasizes the deep cultural and spiritual connections between India and Vietnam, promoting a greater appreciation for Indian heritage. **PHOTO: ANI**

PM Modi highlights India's initiative to share sacred relics of Lord Buddha with Vietnam

This event has transformed into a national festival in Vietnam, showcasing the significant impact of India's cultural heritage globally.

IN THE 123rd Episode of Mann Ki Baat, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday highlighted India's initiative to share the sacred relics of Lord Buddha with Vietnam has sparked a cultural and spiritual phenomenon, with over 1.5 crore people visiting the relics at nine

different locations across the country. The event has evolved into a national festival in Vietnam, highlighting the profound influence of India's cultural heritage on the global stage. "During the last few days, many people from Vietnam sent me their messages through various mediums.

There was reverence and affability in every line of these messages. Their feelings were heartwarming. They were expressing their gratitude to India for enabling darshan of the holy relics of Bhagwan Buddha. The emotions in their words were more than any formal thanks," said PM Modi.

The relics were originally discovered at Nagarjunakonda in Andhra Pradesh, a site deeply connected to Buddhism and a hub for international pilgrims in ancient times. "Originally these sacred relics of Bhagwan Buddha were discovered at Nagarjunakonda of Palnadu district in Andhra Pradesh." — ANI

CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTIVES

Iran opens airspace for international transit flights

IRAN has opened the airspace in the central and western parts of the country for international transit flights, Iranian Ministry of Roads and Urban Development spokesman Majid Akhavan said on Saturday.

"Following the directive of the Civil Aviation Organization's coordination committee ... in addition to opening the airspace in the eastern part of the country for domestic, international and transit flights through Iran's skies, the airspace in the central and western parts of the country has been opened exclusively for international transit flights," Akhavan was quoted as saying by the Nour News agency.

The cancellation of domestic and international flights in the northern, southern, and western parts of the country has been extended until 2:00 pm on 28 July, the media added.

On Wednesday, Iranian authorities partially opened the country's airspace, permitting international and domestic flights in the eastern part of the country. — SPUTNIK

World's first pure ammonia-fueled demonstration vessel completes maiden voyage in China

THE world's first pure ammonia-powered demonstration vessel, the "Anhui," successfully completed its maiden voyage in Hefei, east China's Anhui Province, marking a major step forward for green shipping.

Ammonia, a major chemical industry feedstock, has a high

energy density and due to its carbon-free nature, produces only water and nitrogen when fully combusted. This makes it a highly promising fuel for decarbonizing shipping.

In recent years, several shipping companies in countries like Japan and Norway have been

investing in the development of ammonia-powered vessels.

A report by the International Energy Agency published in 2021 estimated that by 2050, ammonia could account for around 45 per cent of global energy demand for shipping in the net-zero emissions. — Xinhua



An aerial drone photo taken on 28 June 2025 shows the pure ammonia-powered demonstration vessel, the "Anhui," docking at a port before its maiden voyage in Hefei, east China's Anhui Province. **PHOTO: ZHOU MU/XINHUA**