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Terrorists trying to destroy Maungtaw



Fire fighters putting off fire at a house in Maungtaw which was hit by extremist terrorists attacks. **PHOTO: STATE COUNSELLOR OFFICE INFORMATION COMMITTEE**

EXTREMIST terrorists blew out improvised bombs, set fire the villages and attacked the police outposts in Region-2 of Maung-taw yesterday from the morning to afternoon.

About 100 extremist terror-

ists attacked Ngayantchaung police outpost with four hand-made bombs. In the incident, one of the hand-made bombs exploded and the security forces repulsed the extremist terrorists who retreated from the scene

to the nearby mountain range in the east. About 500 extremist terrorists staged second attack on Ngayantchaung police outpost where they were met with a police repulse. Similarly, extremist terrorists surrounded

Minkhamoung police outpost in Region-2 where they were fought back by security personnel. Security personnel rescued a wounded woman while on patrol between Saylay and Yankha Cedi Villages. **SEE PAGE-7**

(Official Translation)

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar Anti-terrorism Central Committee

Order No. 1/2017
1379 MY 4 Waxing Day of Tawthalin
(25 August 2017)

ARAKAN ROHINGYA SALVATION ARMY (ARSA) DECLARED AS TERRORIST GROUP

Following is the full text of the official translation of the announcement which declares the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army (ARSA) a terrorist organization. An unofficial translation of the announcement was covered on the front page of the 26-8-2017 issue of the Global New Light of Myanmar.

The Anti-Terrorism Central Committee has issued this Order with the approval of the Union Government in exercise of the Anti-Terrorism law Section-72 Sub-section (B).

1. The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has formed various committees to undertake the tasks to ensure security, stability and peace, rule of law and regional development in Rakhine State. It has also carried out regional security and development tasks and provided health care services fulfilling the requirements of the State.

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Warning In Relation With Extremist Terrorists



Extremist terrorists hatching plot for another brutal attack. **PHOTO: MNA**

Information Committee of State Counsellor's Office issues the warning notification which states not to do supporting to or abetting the extremist terrorists and ARSA, supplying, or writing in medias in support of extremist terrorists and ARSA, it is learnt.

Myanmar Counter-terrorism Central Committee has already declared the extremist terrorists and ARSA who perpetrated in the terrorist attacks in Maungta area on 25 August 2017 as Terrorist Group.

While the extremist terrorists were besieging and blocking the Taungbazar village on 26 August, the news that some INGO staffs were seen in the terrorist group was secured. The investigation is going on to verify the news. Likewise, the information about finding high-energy biscuits which had been supplied by WFP at the terrorist camps on Mayu mountain on 30, July 2017 was also issued.

Furthermore, some news media used the other terms (for instance "insurgents") in

reporting the news avoiding the use of officially acknowledged word "extremist terrorist".

Now, the news had already been issued that the United Nation, United States State Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey, American Embassy and British Embassy in Myanmar strongly condemned the terrorist attacks of extremist terrorists in Maungta area.

The responsible personnel are now undertaking the necessary procedures to inform the governments of foreign countries through the International Police to take necessary action on the persons who are connected with or helping the extremist terrorist and ARSA, or the persons or organizations that make financial support to them.

It is highly important to stamp out the extremist terrorists and ARSA since the Counter-terrorism is the common interest for the families of the world, international organizations including the United Nations, and international



Utensils and construction material seized from extremist terrorists. **PHOTO: MNA**



Food delivered by WFP to IDP camps are found in the hidden tents of terrorist **PHOTO: MNA**

governments. In this warning notification, supporting to or abetting the extremist terrorists and ARSA, supplying, or writing in medias in support of extremist terrorists

and ARSA are banned and if those acts described above are found committed in domestic, action will be taken in accordance with Counter-terrorism Law. If those from

foreign countries are found not abiding by the warning, they will be informed to the International Police for necessary action. —Myanmar News Agency ■

Issuing notification of acknowledging and urging the people not to encourage, support and abet extremist terrorists

It is learnt according to the news release from Information Committee of State Counsellor's Office at 6.45 pm of yesterday evening the encouraging, supporting and cooperating with extremist terrorists are strictly banned.

In that news release Central Committee of Counter Terrorism of Myanmar has declared that extremist terror-

ist and ARSA, which involved in Maungta terrorist attacks on 25 August 2017 as Terrorist Groups.

Currently the security forces have been striving to protect the properties of people and to maintain peace and stability in Maungta, together with the people in accordance with the existing law. In the event of this attempt, the main target is to

subdue the acts of extremist terrorist and it does not target to the people who are not connected to or involved in the terrorist's acts.

Nevertheless, in suppressing the terrorists, terrorists has countered the attack of security forces by using the children as human shield, burning the villages of minority ethnic people and terrorized killing. Those

who get involved in those terrorist acts will be assumed as terrorists.

Bengalis who are not connected or don't abet with extremist terrorists need not be apprehensive. Besides, the news release advised the local people not to be malicious and aggressive, not to hold sticks, knives or swords or any other weapon while the security fore-

ces are undertaking their duties and not to get outside in the time prohibited by 144 Curfew Order.

In the news release, people are urged for those who want to stay in peace and stability to cooperate with security forces and administrative personnel without any concern in keeping peace and stability in the area.—Myanmar News Agency ■

Anyient should be mixture of artistic values and democracy essence

The preliminary level Anyient contest of the Democracy Festival took place at National Theatre in Yangon yesterday, with an opening address by Union Minister for Information Dr Pe Myint.

In his address the Union Minister expressed hope the performances will be a mixture of democracy essence and artistic value of the Anyient, a kind of show that entertains spectators with elegant styles of traditional dances to the accompaniment of Myanmar orchestra and jokes that are really funny and clean.

A typical Anyient troupe consists of three elegant dancers, three of four comedians and a Myanmar orchestra, who usually dance the night away.

Composers and vocalists

are now raising public awareness of democracy and knowledge and views on democracy, said the Minister.

Likewise, today's movies are also portraying the democratic mindsets and essences, he added.

After an address by Yangon Chief Minister U Phyo Min Thein, U Thura mostly known as Comedian Zakana explained the purpose of the contest. Twenty-one troupes are taking part in the contest held for three days from 28 to 30 this month.

In addition to the first, second and third prizes, best dancer, best comedian team and best orchestra will also be given. The value of the prizes will be from K 5 million to one million.

—Myanmar News Agency ■



Anyient contest in progress at National Theatre in Yangon. PHOTO: MNA

Ethnic affairs office for Mon State

Ethnic Literature and Culture Department and Ethnic Rights Protection Department of the Ministry of Ethnic Affairs drove stakes to build their director's office of Mon State on Kyaukmaraw road at Min village, Mawlamyine yesterday morning.

The ceremony was attended by Union Minister Naing Thet Lwin, Chief Minister of Mon State Dr Aye Zan, state cabinet members and officials.

An official presented a brief account of the project. The Union minister, the chief minister and officials drove in the stakes.

The special construction group 13 of the Ministry of Construction is building the 48-ft by 60-ft two-storey



Stakes driven in for building an ethnic affairs office in Mawlamyine. PHOTO: MNA

concrete office.

Kayin and Kayah states and Ayeyawady and Bago re-

gions will also get such offices in the fiscal year 2017-2018. —Myanmar News Agency ■

Collective efforts under way to alleviate sufferings of victims

Union Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Dr. Win Myat Aye and Rakhine State Chief Minister U Nyi Pu provided relief aids to the wounded or displaced ethnic people taking refuge in Maungtau region, Rakhine State, yesterday morning.

The group comprising the Union minister and the chief minister together with relief aids including food and medicines arrived in Buthidaung by helicopter supplied by Air Myanmar Aviation Services Co Ltd. They made coordination with Lt-Gen Aung Kyaw Zaw of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) to keep the displaced persons

and government staff in safe places and to facilitate the arrival of aids to the refugee camps.

They visited persons receiving treatment at the hospital and displaced persons, and presented relief aids and gave words of encouragement to them.

During their visit to a refugee camp at a high school in Maungtau, he gave words of encouragement, especially to senior citizens, expectant mothers and postpartum mothers and presented relief aids to all. They then looked into the requirements of security measures taken in Maungtau.—Myanmar News Agency ■

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Preliminary survey of farm animals conducted in Pekon of Shan State

A PRELIMINARY farm animal survey has been conducted in a village of Pekon Township in Shan State, ahead of the national livestock census, according to Pekon Township Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department.

The survey was conducted in Kathe Village in Konsone Village-tract on 26 August to ensure food security and provide more information about the population and well-being of livestock.

An official of the department said Myanmar has not conducted a national livestock survey since 1993. —Ko Htwe (Pekon) ■



Officials surveying from animals. PHOTO: KO HTWE (PEKON)

Japanese water project to benefit over 900 villagers

WITH the support of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Thayetaw Village of Kyaukpadaung Township, Mandalay Region is implementing a water pro-

ject. Thanks to the project, drinking water will soon be more readily available to 900 residents and 180 households of this village in My-

anmar's arid zone.

Two wells will be dug in the village.

The project began 7 August.—Ko Nay (Kyaukpadaung) ■



A tube-well is drilled in the arid zone of Myanmar. PHOTO: KO NAY (KYAUKPADAUNG)

No new outbound tour licences granted

The Ministry of Hotels and Tourism suspended grants for new outbound tour licences, according to a report of yesterday's edition of Myawady Daily.

This year, number of outbound tour companies increased as tourism is changing.

Some tour agencies are taking advantage of licences by linking locals with oversea recruitment agencies, say officials, who have stayed in those countries to look for jobs.

At present, more than 400 outbound tour licences have been granted. Those tour companies will be revoked their licences if their customers flout foreign nations' visa restrictions. —GNLM ■

Forest police confiscate five tons of illegal hardwood

POLICE seized five tons of contraband lumber on Friday but have not arrested any suspect in the case, local investigators said.

Acting on a tip, Forest Department and township police officers inspected a truck parked near C-8 junction in Nyaungnabin Industrial Zone-

3 in Hlegu Township, Yangon. They discovered and confiscated 46 pieces of lumber weighing 5.4 tons.

Police are still investigating the case in an effort to question the driver of the truck and one other person who fled from the scene.—Maung Maung Than Win ■



Police members measuring seized timber. PHOTO: MAUNG MAUNG THAN WIN



Employees work at a fish export factory at Hlinetharya Industrial Zone in Yangon. PHOTO: REUTERS

Marine exports increased by over \$19 million in current FY

MARINE products exports this financial year were estimated at US\$203 million, a \$19 million increase compared to last year, according to the official figures released by the Ministry of Commerce Friday.

All Myanmar fisheries exports were private transactions, rather than government trans-

actions. Last financial year, the country exported fisheries products worth \$183 million, mainly to neighbouring countries.

Myanmar's marine exports reached its peak in 2011-12 FY, earning \$705 million. It decreased to \$624 million in FY2012-13 and declined further for three consecutive years.

Myanmar fisheries exports rebounded to more than \$580 million in FY2016-17. Plans are underway to implement a five-year project to improve the country's livestock and fishery industry in collaboration with the European Union (EU) and GIZ, German government-owned organization.—Khine Khant ■

Import of capital goods by private sector decreased by \$42 million

THE IMPORT of capital goods by the private sector reached over US\$2.353 billion this financial year, a decrease of \$42 million when compared to the same period of last year, the Ministry of Commerce's Friday report.

Between April and mid-August of this year, the government sector imported \$195 million worth of sim-

ilar products from its trade partners, an increase of \$112 million more than that of last year.

In the current FY, the total import value between Myanmar and international trade partners amounted to more than \$7 billion, including \$2.549 billion worth of capital goods, \$2.761 billion worth of intermediate goods and \$1.748 billion

worth of consumer products.

According to the ministry, the total import figures are over \$1 billion more than that of the similar period of the last FY.

Although the country saw a decrease in the capital goods in the current FY, the imports of intermediate goods have increased by over \$826 million while consumer products rose by \$354 million.—Swe Nyein ■

China demand for Myanmar pineapple increases

CHINA is consuming more Myanmar pineapple as the pineapple season progresses, with export volume reaching 280 tons in second week of August.

Most pineapple exports to China go through the Muse border, which recorded 216 tons of pineapple exports, worth US\$17,496, between 5 and 11 August.

Another 62 tons of pineapple exports worth \$5,000 were recorded at Chinshwehaw border gate.

More than 100 tons of pineapple exports to Thailand were recorded at the Tachilek land port of entry, worth \$14,815, during the same period.



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Pineapple is cultivated in Katha, Kawlin, Indaw and Hti-gyaing townships in Sagaing Region. Pineapple planta-

tions have expanded along Shwebo-Myitkyina Road in Indaw Township in Sagaing Region.—Shwe Khine ■

Suspended Mung beans trade restarts with new price

BAYINTNAUNG Commodity Depot ceased the pulses trade for four days and then set a market price for mung beans again on 26 August.

Three baskets of high quality mung beans are worth Ks60,000 and a 20-viss bag of mixed variety mung beans is worth Ks19,500. On 26 August, a ton of mung beans cost

Ks600,000. Prior to closure of pulses market, a ton of pigeon pea RC cost Ks500,000 compared to Ks800,000 for mung bean RC in Yangon Market.

Mung bean prices slumped by Ks200,000 a ton when its market was reopened.

Around 800 containers of mung bean RC traded at Ks1.1

million from 20 to 25 March.

A market observer said that Yangon pulses market saw incredible trading on 21 March with 190 containers of mung beans RC selling for Ks1,150,000 per ton and on 9 March, 195 containers of pigeon peas RC sold for Ks795,000 per ton. — Khin San ■

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တနင်္ဂနွေနေ့တိုင်း "Sunday Special" အချုပ်ပိုင် (၈) မျက်နှာပါဝင်သော The Global New Light of Myanmar နေ့စဉ်ထုတ် သတင်းစာကို အောက်ပါမြို့များတွင် ဖတ်ရှုနိုင်ပါပြီ

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Extremist terrorism on the rise!



Equipment left behind by terrorists. Cars torched by extremist terrorists. PHOTO: STATE COUNSELLOR OFFICE INFORMATION COMMITTEE

As the extremist terrorists were committing arson, mine and terrorist attacks against villages, security posts and Buddhist monasteries and butchering innocent people in Maungtaw area the whole day on 26 August, security forces have been launching operations to stabilize and control the area, according to the news release issued by the Information Committee of the State Counsellor Office yesterday morning.

About 50 extremist terrorists attacked members of security force with small arms from the edge of a mangrove forest about 70 yards away at 9.20 am on 26 August. The security members who joined forces with their counterparts in Kyunpaukyusu-chaungwa outpost of area 4 in Maungtaw Township from Kyaukchaung outpost were on their way back from Htanchaung-chaungwa outpost where they took their rations. The security forces arrived back at Kyunpaukyusu-chaungwa outpost after fighting back and clearing off the extremist terrorists.

At that time, about 300 extremist terrorists from Phetleikpyin and Zeebinchaung-myauk villages of Kyunpaukyusu village-tract were approaching the outpost and were reaching at a place just 500 yards from it. Hence

security forces fired back and halted them. Security forces from the Tatmadaw joined forces with the Kyunpaukyusu-chaungwa outpost shot back the extremist terrorists with small arms. The extremist terrorists retreated.

While security forces were conducting area clearance operations at 9.30 am on 26 August, extremist terrorists attacked their truck with a directional mine near Nwayontaung village. So the security forces fought back and cleared them off.

About 300 extremist terrorists armed with sticks and knives besieged Kyunpaukyusu-chaungwa outpost of area 4, Maungtaw Township at 10.20 am. Hence Ngaman gunboat of the fleet of Tatmadaw vessels at POE gate of Maungtaw rushed to the area as reinforcement.

About 20 ethnic Dienet people of Yanka-zaydi village, area 2 of Maungtaw Township, at 2.30 pm went to Aungzan ethnic village to stay there. But they were attacked by nearly 100 extremist terrorists from Kyaukdoe village armed with sticks and knives when they reached the place near the entrance bridge of the village. Only U Maung Ba Sein (28) escaped the attack. He informed the Aungthabye area office about the attack, saying

that he had no idea how many of the persons who were left behind were killed or still alive.

Seventeen improvised mines planted by extremist terrorists exploded at Zinpaingnya junction and its surrounding areas of the area 6 in Maungtaw Township from 2.45 pm to 4.42 pm on 26 August. Two home-made bombs were blown up during the time between 4.40 pm and 4.55 pm at Kyaukhlayga village. At 5.20 pm, extremist terrorists burnt down Natchaung outpost. At 5 pm, about seven extremist terrorists in two groups came and attacked about 370 students of Nanthataung Parahita monastic education school who were at the high school of Taungpyoletwei sub-township. But when Tatmadaw columns fought back extremist terrorists fled, leaving behind two dead bodies.

Meanwhile, security forces pursued and cleared off four masked extremist terrorists at Wapeik village near outpost No 4 of the No 1 border guard police force HQ. At 5.33 pm, extremist terrorists launched hit-and-run grenade attack on Zinpaingnya outpost. Security forces had to clear the mines planted by extremist terrorists near the outpost at 5.35 pm.

At 5.45 pm, extremist terror-

ists torched their own homes in Zinpaingnya village and fled. Ten minutes later, they prepared to attack a police outposts followed by an exchange of gunfire between the two sides at 6.05 pm. Security forces had to returned the fire and cleared the extremist terrorists off as they started attacking Gawduthara outpost at 6.17 pm. A mine planted by extremist terrorists exploded at 7.15 pm at Pyathat outpost. One minute later, extremist terrorists burnt down the temporarily abandoned Gatyeyin outpost. At the same time, extremist terrorists and security forces exchanged fire on the road between Laundon and Kyeinchaung villages.

Extremist terrorists burnt down 42 houses, 13 shops and a village monastery at Nanthataung village, Kuntheebin village-tract, Maungtaw Township at 7.30 pm on 26 August. Ethnic people of the village are now taking refuge at Taungpyoletwei high school. At 8.25 pm, a home-made mine exploded at Kyaukhlayga village 50 yards from Pyinphyu outpost. Eight minutes later, security forces while conducting area clearance operations found about 10 extremist terrorists. When the security forces pursued them, they fled after burning down their

five homes. At 8.45 pm, another home-made bomb exploded near Gawlidula village. As the extremist terrorists from Gawduthara village were moving towards the fence of Pyinphyu area office at 9.45 pm security forces were taking security measures with full combat readiness.

The extremist terrorists while using broadly home-made bombs in committing terrorist acts were besieging the minority ethnic villages with mobs holding, sticks, knives and guns. So the security forces have to launch area clearance operations. The extremist terrorists are murdering village administrators who are also Muslims like them while using battery-ignited launcher-like guns in committing terrorist acts.

The extremist terrorists committed their terrorist attacks in parallel with the release of the final report of the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State and the date of the UN meetings that is drawing nearer. Moreover, they chose 25th August (Friday) as their launching date.

As the Central Committee for Counter Terrorism has already declared them as a terrorist group, any supporter or helper shall also be branded as terrorist. —Myanmar News Agency ■

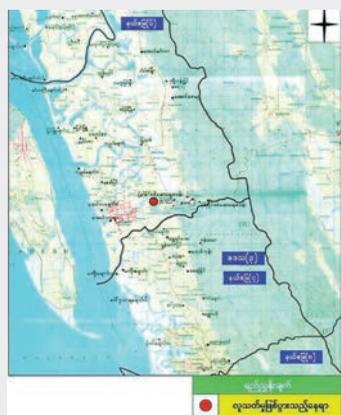
Six relatives killed amid firefight between terrorists and soldiers

Six members of a 12-member family were shot to death while returning to their home in Maungtaw from their jobs as labourers during clashes between terrorists gunmen and Myanmar Army soldiers, on Saturday.

During the shooting, the

family, all of them Hindus, sought cover in a nearby construction site. Two men, a woman and three children were killed. Two other women were critically injured. Four children survived without injury. The dead were taken to Maungtaw Hospital.

—Myanmar News Agency ■



The red spot on the map shows where the murders took place.

Illegal electronic products confiscated in Shan State

Law enforcement officials seized contraband electronic products they discovered during a vehicle inspection at Yaypu checkpoint, Hseindi Township, Shan State on 26 August.

The officers found televisions, mobile phone accessories and other elec-

tronic devices worth Ks17 million in a Toyota Mark II truck.

On the same day, police conducted 10 seizures of goods worth an estimated worth Ks21 million in Mayanchaung checkpoint, Kyaikto Township, Mon State. —GNLM ■

ARAKAN ROHINGYA SALVATION ARMY (ARSA) DECLARED AS TERRORIST GROUP

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2. On 9 October 2016, the terrorists launched a surprise attack on the No.1 Border Guard Police Command Headquarters (Kyikanpyin), police outpost at Kotankauk and the Ngakhuya local administrative office. In that incident, 9 policemen were killed and 48 assorted arms, 6624 bullets, 47 bayonets, and 164 bullet cartridges seized by the terrorists. Investigation reveals that terrorists had infiltrated the area where the majority of the residents were Muslims and organized violent attacks to escalate terrorist acts in that area.
3. In response to the situation, Border Guard Police Command No.1 reinforced troops and has been collaborating with the Tatmadaw to provide security in the region. The multiple killings, threats and propaganda have adversely affected the process for regional peace and rule of law. Clearance operations in May Yu mountain range have also uncovered multiple terrorist training camps.
4. On 25 August, extremist terrorist groups again launched sneak attacks on 30 police outposts in Maungtaw, Buthidaung and Yathedaung townships as well as against the Regiment Headquarters in Taungthazar village. 10 police officers, 1 soldier and 1 immigration officer were killed. 9 security officers and a number of civilians were wounded. 6 firearms were lost.
5. The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar strongly condemns these terrorist acts and will do all in its power to prevent them from occurring again. It will strive to bring the perpetrators to justice.
6. The Union Government hereby declares that the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army (ARSA) and its supporters, responsible for the acts of terrorism, as a terrorist group in accordance with the Counter-Terrorism Law Section 6, Sub-Section 5.

*Chairman
Anti-Terrorism Central Committee*

Terrorists trying to destroy Maungtaw

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Extremist terrorists set fire Yeung Chaungwa police outpost in Region-3 in Maungtaw Township before proceeding to Thayargon Village. As about 500 extremist terrorists wielding sticks and swords surrounded Thayargon Village, the security forces attempted to disperse them by opening fires. The crowd destroyed Nantthataung Village and a monastery.

Security forces were ambushed by about 200 extremist terrorists holding small firearms, sticks, swords and spears near Taungpyo-Letwe Village while making their way to Nantthataung Village. The security forces resisted the extremist terrorists who retreated to nearby villages. The security forces seized 60 rounds of ammunition and 62 spears from the perpetrators.

The security forces exchanged fires with extremist terrorists in Nwayontaung Village in Region-6 this morning. The extremist terrorists torched the village and blew out an IED before fleeing.

Moreover, extremist terrorists blew out two IEDs about 700 yards of east of Zinpaingn-



Extremist terrorists gathering to commit atrocities against innocent ethnic people. **PHOTO: STATE COUNSELLOR OFFICE INFORMATION COMMITTEE**

yar police outpost and an IED in the village. Similarly, two improvised explosive devices went off in Kyaukhlaygar Village. They also destroyed Pyathat Village.

When four extremist terrorists wielding firearms attempted to attack the security personnel as the latter are removing sand bags placed on motor road near Maungni Village this evening, they met with warning shots from the latter. The terrorists retreated

to Maungni bazaar.

An unidentified number of extremist terrorists attacked Chopyin outpost in Region-11 with homemade bombs where they were repulsed by security personnel. No casualties reported in the incident. Likewise, about 200 extremist terrorists attacked Kyaungtaung police outpost in Region-10 in Maungtaw Township in the evening. In yesterday's incidents, one security personnel

went missing and one small gun and ammunition taken.

At 3:30 pm, extremist terrorists burned down three houses belonged to Hindus in Ywathitkay ward in Maungtaw. At 5 pm, they set fire to about 100 homes in Bengali Ward. Two handmade bombs blasted inside two houses while firefighters and security personnel were putting out the fire with the use of four fire engines.

At 5:15 pm, extremist terror-

ists fired two shots at the security forces who were putting out the fire and fled the scene.

Maungtaw, a district-level town is home to both Bengalis and ethnic minority. The extremist terrorists themselves torched their houses with the intention of flaming the violence to totally destroy the town.

(State Counsellor Office Information Committee)

Translated by GNLM



Extremist terrorists turn homes into inferno. **PHOTO: STATE COUNSELLOR OFFICE INFORMATION COMMITTEE.**

Let us cooperate in unity and coordination!

Maw Lin

SOME criticisms are being seen and heard that the national economy declined during the tenure of the newly elected People's government. On 24th August 2017, Mr. Sean Turnell, Special Economic Advisor of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, the State Counsellor gave a talk entitled, "Myanmar's Economy 2017: Taming Dragons, Finding Tigers," at the Novotel Hotel in Yangon.

The fact that Mr. Sean Turnell stated in his talk that the national economy was heading towards the brink of bankruptcy as a result of the daunting challenges the country was facing at that time is one factor which should be taken into account when assessing the present economic situation. In

October of 2015, the inflation rate in the country was 16 per cent and the then national budget deficit was 4.5 percent of the GDP (Gross Domestic Product). I believe that these two facts should be viewed in tandem when assessing the situation. What is more important is that the then national budget deficits had been solved by printing and issuing currency notes. The newly elected People's government managed to reduce general spending in the FY 2016-2017, successfully reducing the budget deficit previously expected to be 4.8 percent to 2.5 percent.

The economic growth rate in FY 2015-2016 was 7.3 percent, being the situation just before the incumbent government took office. After the newly elected government took office, the

economic growth rate in FY 2016-2017 was 6.3 percent. When the two financial years—2015-2016 and 2016-2017 are compared, although the economic growth rate has dropped, yet, the said 6.3 percent growth rate is in fact the rate which ranks in the Fifth Best Country List. The IMF - International Monetary Fund has estimated economic growth rate for the current financial years at 7.3 percent. Also, if we look at the FDI - Foreign Direct Investment of, it has reached over US \$ 3 billion just in the first four months of FY 2017-2018, thus we are in a favorable condition of reaching the projected target of US \$ 6 billion.

In estimating the inflation rate in the FY 2017-2018, it will be between 6 to 7 percent only, which may be considered

as a progressive improvement and a favorable situation. Mr. Sean Turnell openly declared that there was still a need to remove 50-year-old laws which completely hinder and control economic enterprises in the country. He also acknowledged that fact that there were still many actions that needed to be taken for foreign direct investments to enter the country more easily than ever. To sum it up, all the people, including the national ethnic races need to be aware of the actual situations being encountered by our elected People's government and take positive actions with concerted efforts. I therefore wish to respectfully submit that development is the fruit of cooperative action in unity and coordination. ■

(Translated by Khin Maung Oo)

Comity of Nations and World Peace

By: Tommy Pauk

TODAY, the world peoples' most desired award is peace. The civil wars and violent situations are prevailing in some regions in the world. That is why world nations nowadays are in unison to tackle or combat all the global issues such as counter-terrorism, climate change, human trafficking, drug trafficking, piracy, anti-nuke proliferation, anti-chemical weapons and pandemic outbreak etc. The global nations tend to make the world peaceful and pleasant. The cooperation among nations for mankind is rather encouraging. We humans have the notion that humanity and preservation of human race are the most important factor or imperative and we apply humanistic approach to handle any issues in the world.

No nation on earth can stand alone to carry out the tasks of the socio-economic development or to make world peace. All nations on earth are interdependent politically and financially. Naturally, the civilized people love to taste peace, but disgust to face violence or war. As peace brings happiness and security to all humans, peace is desired by all nations. All nations must vow to live in peace on this planet with mutual understanding and tolerance. Otherwise, humans may encounter mayhem, chaos, disruptions, destructions, crises, misery and several man-made disasters. Obviously, waging wars, violence and terrorism are the acts of killing humans or destroying human lives that would make human race extinct.

The world leaders always focus on comity of nations and prioritize the maintenance of world peace. Some hostile leaders of the nations are considered common enemies of the peace loving nations. The diplomatic ties among nations

in the world are expanding from time to time and reciprocal visits of delegations are made frequently among nations. This situation shows the courtesy and friendship among nations. Mutually, the world nations recognize executive, legislative and judicial acts each other. In case, a certain nation encounters havoc or calamity or catastrophe, other nations provide it with humanitarian aids generously. In addition, the wealthy nations extend helping hands to the poor nations.

The globalization makes every nation a lot of achievement and benefits around the world. These days, irrespective of political ideologies such as communism, socialism and capitalism, the nations in the world deal with one another for the sustainable economic growth and lasting peaceful-coexistence. Global people from different nations demand peace, harmony and friendship among them. Any form of warfare and act of terrorism are strongly denounced by the global people from all nations as well. The respective leaders and people of the different nations prefer sound international relations rather than conflicts. Even if there is a conflict, they try to find the peaceful solution through dialogue wisely and thoughtfully. The wise leaders of several nations have already realized that the establishment of comities among the nations is imperative. Unless the comity is prevalent, the aspiration for absolute world peace cannot be implemented. The world nations strongly oppose the acts of hegemony and neo-colonization. The United Nations Organization also takes actions against the specific nation which exercises hegemonic control over other nations. Therefore, the super powers cannot politically or militarily influence on other weak or poor nations

in this modern age. It is a bounden duty for every nation to promote peace and international understanding.

The comity of nations is essentially required to unite the nations for world peace. The comities protect the threat of terrorism and have pledged to operate counter-terrorism worldwide. Now, the superpowers are launching airstrikes to the base camps and facilities of the terrorists in some areas in Iraq and in Syria. Their main goal is to save the lives of innocent people of the different nations by annihilating the terrorists and their organizations on earth. As we can hear, those terrorists commit homicide in some countries recklessly. The terrorists brutally kill those who are innocent and unarmed. The terrorism is one of the major evils facing mankind indeed. So the terrorists and their underground organizations must be wiped out by the comities. The peace loving people firmly support the comities which clear the destructive elements in human society. Actually, they are doing or serving for promoting and maintaining world peace desired by every nation and their people. The comities aim at not only achieving mutual benefits but also contributing benefits to mankind.

Peace must be prevalent in any nations in order to produce food and to develop economy without disturbance and anxiety. The nations which lose peace are facing chaotic situations and their own people are losing human rights as well. The evils of war and terrorism destroy peace, human settlement and human lives too. Therefore, all nations around the world are obligated to prevent war and annihilate the terrorists in alert manner. Even if there is a civil war in a particular nation, comities should act as go-between or mediators and try to quell the armed disputes or warring

factions in the civil-war-torn nation by any means.

Civil wars always threaten the neighboring countries and regions concerned. They also disturb world peace. The innocent people suffer the evil of civil war painfully. Obviously, the comities are helpful for peacekeeping among nations. A five-letter-word_ "peace" is widely used by the leaders of communities and nations, but they must emphasize if they could manage to create or establish peace practically or not. When people encounter civil wars or violence or terrorism, they totally lose the taste of the fruits of peace. Those people who unfortunately face the civil war or unjust rulers or despots, have lost human rights, livelihood and safety. In this case, the innocent people never feel at peace themselves and they are even in despair and misery.

We humans live on this planet. It is our home in the solar system. Therefore, we humans ought to deal with each other lovingly, sincerely and harmoniously so that our home will be pleasant and peaceful indeed. We should establish more and more comity of nations to strengthen the better and harmonious relationship among nations in the world. The associations for humanity and maintaining a lasting peace are much stronger than the military power. Conspicuously, the anti-terrorism groups, anti-war groups, groups of pacifists are mushrooming in the world. We humans have passion for world peace. We humans need to avoid practicing hate speech, injustice, animosity whenever we deal with each other so that peace will prevail everywhere on earth. A nation without peace is like hell and a nation with peace is like paradise. Let's maintain a lasting peace on this beautiful earth.!!! ■

Housing project for government service personnel to be implemented in Yangon Region

Within three years, Yangon Region government will construct the housing project for government service personnel in Dagon Seikkan Township, Yangon Region.

At the stake-driving ceremony held on 27 August, Yangon Region Chief Minister U Phyo Min Thien said that the project aims for pensioners. The target is scheduled to be finished within three years. According to the statistics, within three years there are about 10,000 pensioners who want to settle in Yangon.

People have difficulties to live in Yangon because of high price.

The Yangon Metropolitan Development Public company, which was organized by the Yangon Region government will implement the project in accord with the Government's policy.

"Although it is targeting to finish in three years, we will construct it after confirming room

numbers and building design by the region government. As there will be more pensioners in 2017 and 2018, we have to fill their needs in time. So, for phase 1 will be no longer than one year," said U Thar Htay, chair of the Myanmar Construction Entrepreneur Association.

Upon 183.53 acres of land, the project is being planned to construct 12 6-storey-buildings, 8 6-storey-buildings and 4 6-storey-buildings, total of 40,000 rooms with the width of 300x 600x 900x 1,200-sqft and also included shops, offices and schools in the project.

As the land for construction is granted by the Yangon Region government and other necessary infrastructure such as electricity and water supply will be collaborated by related region governmental departments, the state servants could buy with affordable rates.

U Thar Htay said that it

maybe cost about Ks 25,000 per square foot and prices may change with price fluctuation of input materials. But, it will not be fixed until the completion of construction.

Pensioners must pay a 30 per cent down payment and the remaining 70 per cent will be paid by installments in 15-year period.

In the ceremony, Union Minister for Planning and Finance U Kyaw Win, Union Minister for Electricity and Energy U Win Khaing, Yangon Region Chief Minister U Phyo Min Thien, Yangon Region Hluttaw Speaker U Tin Maung Tun, Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lin, Yangon Region minister of Electricity, Industry and Transport Daw Nilar Kyaw, Mayor U Maung Maung Soe and, chair of the Myanmar Construction Entrepreneur Association U Thar Htay drove stake at the construction site and sprayed with incensed water.—Thi Thi Min ■



Yangon Region Chief Minister U Phyo Min Thien driving stake. PHOTO: MNA

Technical Expert Team held its 11th meeting

11th meeting of Technical Expert Team was held at Bagan Archaeological Museum yesterday, attended by Hluttaw representatives, the director-general from the department of Archaeology and National Museum, the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture, foreign experts from UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization), advisors and department officials.

The Technical Expert Team was organized for evaluation and advising the renovation of religious buildings which were damaged by earthquake that hit Bagan region on 24 August 2016.

At the meeting, U Kyaw Oo Lwin, director-general of the department of Archaeology and National Museum, greeted and U Aung Myint, chairman of Myanmar Engineering Association gave the remarks. Then, repre-

sentatives from the Association of Myanmar Architects and Myanmar Engineering Association presented the findings concerning with the renovating works.

Experts from UNESCO clarified condition of the buildings and prioritizing works of renovation in the future. In addition, U San Oo, chairman of the Myanmar Architects Association, explained the new finding and scrutinizing works by collecting the lists of pagodas and temples in Bagan.

In the afternoon session, the related personnel discussed the renovation works, working process and collecting cash donation to renovate pagodas and temples, maintenance works, designing works and future works depend on the proposals.

—Myanmar News Agency ■



Participants pose for group photo. PHOTO: MNA

Medical specialists from Republic of Korea teach practical Cadaveric Surgery in University of Medicine, Mandalay

A party from Republic of Korea led by Prof. Seong Young Moon from Chosun University, Faculty of Dentistry made a training of practical Cadaveric Surgery at Anatomy Department of University of Medicine, Mandalay on 26 and 27 August.

Nearly 24 teachers from

University of Medicine, Yangon and Mandalay attended the training.

This training was made as an education cooperation program of Chosun University, Faculty of Dentistry and University of Dental Medicine, Yangon.

—GNLM ■

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This House Needs You

This house needs you,
This house needs many hands to mend,
Old hands and young hands,
To prop up the beams and plaster the leaking holes,
To peel off the old paints of the walls,
To rub off the corrupted hearts,
And before the house, make a beautiful garden.
Come, share our dream
of building a dream house.
Your hands could be the iron props,
Your hearts, the walls,
Your heads, the Roof!
Come together and build this house anew!

Zaw Tun

Invitation to young writers for Sunday section

The Global New Light of Myanmar is accepting submissions of poetry, opinion, articles, essays and short stories from young people for its weekly Sunday Next Generation Platform. Interested candidates can send their works to the Global New Light of Myanmar at No. 150, Nga Htat Kyee Pagoda Road, Bahan Township, Yangon or by email to dce@globalnewlightofmyanmar.com with the following information: (1) Sector you wish to be included in (poetry, opinion, etc.), (2) Real name and (if different) your penname, (3) Your level of education, (4) Name of your School/College/University, (5) A written note of declaration that the submitted piece is your original work and has not been submitted to any other news or magazine publishing houses, (6) A color photo of the submitter, (7) Copy of your NRC card, (8) Contact information (email address, mobile number, etc.).— Editorial Department, The Global New Light of Myanmar news office

Trump was wrong to pardon controversial US sheriff, Ryan says

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump should not have pardoned a former Arizona sheriff who was convicted of criminal contempt in a case of racial profiling, the Republican speaker of the House of Representatives, Paul Ryan, said on Saturday.

Trump announced on Friday he was pardoning Joe Arpaio, an anti-immigration hard-

liner found guilty last month for flouting a 2011 court order that barred officers from detaining Latino motorists solely on the suspicion they were illegal immigrants.

“Law-enforcement officials have a special responsibility to respect the rights of everyone in the United States. We should not allow anyone to believe that responsibility is diminished by

this pardon,” Ryan said in a statement.

“The speaker does not agree with the decision,” Ryan’s spokesman Doug Andres said.

Some other prominent Republicans, including Arizona Senator John McCain and former Florida Governor Jeb Bush, have also criticized Trump for the controversial pardon.

Arpaio, 85, was an outspo-

ken supporter of Trump’s presidential campaign and both men have argued for tougher policies against illegal immigration.

As president, Trump has broad powers to issue pardons and he had said Arpaio was convicted for “doing his job”.

Arpaio lost his own bid for re-election in Arizona’s Maricopa County in November, after 24 years in office.—Reuters ■

WORLD BRIEFS

M6.4 quake strikes off Papua New Guinea

SYDNEY — An earthquake with a magnitude of 6.4 struck Sunday off the coast of Papua New Guinea, according to the US Geological Survey.

The quake’s epicenter was located 108 kilometers off the northeast coast of Lorengau, a major town on Manus Island, at a depth of just 8 km.

The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center, which put the quake’s magnitude at 6.6, has not issued a tsunami warning.—Kyodo News ■

Pileup crash in Germany kills four

BERLIN — A pileup crash involving three vehicles took place near Germany’s northwestern town of Kerpen early Sunday morning, killing four people and seriously injuring another.

The massive accident occurred at about 4:00 am local time (0200 GMT) when a passenger car crashed first with a 40-ton truck in the rear end, running out of control and moving away from its driveway to the opposite lane, the daily *Koelner Stadt Anzeiger* reported.—Xinhua ■

Five killed, one injured in Austrian mountain accident

ZURICH — Five people were killed and one seriously injured after a mountain accident on Sunday in the Austrian state of Salzburg, the Austrian Press Agency reported.

The accident involved a group in the so-called *Mannlkar-scharte*, a gap in the mountains southwest of Salzburg.

The Red Cross said its initial information indicated a group of climbers fell while roped together, according to the news service, which added that five rescue helicopters were dispatched to the accident scene. Nationalities of the victims have not yet been determined by emergency officials, the Red Cross official told the service.—Reuters ■

Merkel has no regrets over refugee policy despite political cost

BERLIN — German Chancellor Angela Merkel said she has no regrets about her 2015 decision to open the country’s borders to hundreds of thousands of refugees and added she will not be deterred from campaigning by angry hecklers.

In an interview with the *Welt am Sonntag* newspaper on Sunday, Merkel denied she had made any mistakes with her open-door policy even though the arrival of a million refugees over the last two years from Syria and Iraq opened deep rifts in her conservative party and depressed its support.

Four weeks before the 24 September election, an Emnid opinion poll on Sunday showed Merkel’s conservatives would win 38 per cent, or 15 points ahead of the center-left Social Democrats (SPD). That is up from 32 per cent in February but well below the 41.5 per cent her party won in the last election in 2013.

“I’d make all the important decisions of 2015 the same way again,” Merkel said. “It was an extraordinary situation and I made my decision based on what I thought was right from a political and humanitarian standpoint.

“Those kinds of extraordinary situations happen every once in a while in a country’s history,” she added. “The head of government has to act and I did.”

Her decision to open the



German Chancellor Angela Merkel a top candidate for the upcoming general elections of the Christian Democratic Union party (CDU) gives a speech during an election campaign rally in Quedlinburg, Germany, on 26 August 2017. **PHOTO: REUTERS**

borders contributed to a surge in support for the far-right Alternative for Germany (AfD) party, which pollsters say could win up to 10 percent in the September election.

Merkel, seeing a fourth term, has had to contend with loud and sustained heckling from demonstrators strongly opposed to her refugee policies so far on the campaign trail.

The volume and intensity of the protests have been especially strong in her home region in formerly communist eastern Germany. But the 63-year-chancellor

said she would not be kept away from areas where animosity towards her runs high.

“We’re a democracy and everyone can freely express themselves in public the way they want,” she said. “It’s important that we don’t go out of our way to avoid certain areas only because there are a bunch of people screaming.”

Support for Merkel and her party has recovered somewhat after the influx of refugees slowed in 2016 to 280,000 and fell even further to about 106,000 in the first seven

months of this year.

Merkel said it was unfair that Greece and Italy were left on their own carrying the full burden of the refugee crisis “simply because of their geography”. She added she would not stop pushing for the fair distribution of refugees across the European Union.

“That some countries refuse to accept any refugees is not on. That contradicts the spirit of Europe. We’ll overcome that. It will take time and patience but we will succeed.” —Reuters ■

Islamic State submits to ceasefire in Syria-Lebanon border fight

BEIRUT — A ceasefire took effect on Sunday in an Islamic State pocket straddling the Syria-Lebanon border, where the jihadists have been fighting the Lebanese army on one front and Hezbollah with the Syrian army on the other.

The Lebanese army announced that a ceasefire in its own offensive took effect at 7:00 am (0500 BST) but did not mention a ceasefire on Syria's side of the frontier.

Hezbollah and the Syrian army announced a ceasefire in their assault against Islamic State in Syria's western Qalamoun region, Hezbollah's al-Manar TV said.

The fighting began a week ago when the Lebanese army,



A Hezbollah fighter stands as he holds his weapon in Western Qalamoun, Syria, on 23 August 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

and Hezbollah together with the Syrian army, launched separate but simultaneous offensives against the Islamic State enclave straddling the border.

Last week, Lebanon and Hezbollah each said they had made significant gains against Islamic State militants, driving them back into a smaller part of

the arid hills on the border.

Northeast Lebanon saw one of the worst spillovers of Syria's war into Lebanon in 2014, when Islamic State and other militants briefly overran the border town of Arsal. The fate of nine soldiers that Islamic State took captive then remains unknown.

Lebanon's army said Sunday's ceasefire took effect to allow for negotiations over the fate of the soldiers. Mediated talks have begun with the militants, a Lebanese security source said later. The presence of two other militant groups on the border ended earlier this month, when they withdrew to rebel territory in Syria after offensives by Hezbollah and the Syrian army. —Reuters ■

Islamic State claims responsibility for Brussels stabbing

CAIRO — Islamic State claimed responsibility for a knife attack on soldiers in the Belgian capital of Brussels on Friday, the group's Amaq news agency said on Saturday.

"The executor of the stabbing operation in Brussels is a soldier of the Islamic State and carried out the operation in response to calls for attacks against coalition states," Amaq said, referring to a US-led coalition fighting the Sunni militant group. —Reuters ■

Death toll of Spain's twin terror attacks climbs to 16

BARCELONA — A woman injured in the terrorist attack in Barcelona on 17 August has died in the Hospital del Mar in the city, bringing the death toll of Spain's double terror attacks to 16, the health department of the regional government of Catalonia, Generalitat reported on Sunday. The 51-year old woman from Germany had been critically injured after a van mowed down the iconic street of Las Ramblas, killing 13 people and injuring more than 100.

A total of 24 people are in hospitals, 20 people from the attack in Las Ramblas and four from the attack in Cambrils. Five people are still critically injured and four have serious injuries. —Xinhua ■

Hundreds of thousands march in Barcelona to show unity after Islamist attacks

BARCELONA — Hundreds of thousands marched in Barcelona in a show of unity on Saturday evening amid chants of 'I am not afraid' after two Islamist militant attacks in the Spanish region of Catalonia last week left 15 dead.

The march was led by shopkeepers and residents of the city's well-known Las Ramblas boulevard, where a van ploughed into pedestrians on 17 August, killing 13 and injuring over a hundred. The crowd applauded representatives of the police, fire services and medical professions who also led the march.

Spain's King Felipe, Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and the head of Catalonia's regional government Carles Puigdemont, dressed in dark suits, walked in the throng as people cheered and bore red, yellow and white roses - the colours of Spain's second-biggest city.

"We are here to say we're not afraid, we are united and we want peace," said 59-year-old pensioner Victoria Padilla as she marched. Slogans carried by marchers read "The best answer: peace" and "No to Islamophobia".

Police estimated the march at half a million people.

Members of Spain's Islamic community marched alongside



People hold signs as they take part in a march of unity after the attacks last week, in Barcelona, Spain, on 26 August 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

the King and Prime Minister Rajoy, including women wearing hijabs. Speakers gave readings next to a floral display with the words 'Barcelona' and 'I am not afraid' in different languages including Arabic.

"We have to know how to speak to each other and understand others. Everyone has to learn how to be more human," said demonstrator Juan Ripoll,

63. In the run up to the protest, Barcelona mayor Ada Colau called for a massive turnout after what she called a "tough, painful week" which saw two deadly Islamist militant attacks in as many days and an extensive manhunt for those responsible.

In addition to the 13 killed by the van, two others were killed during the driver's getaway and

in a separate car and knife attack in the Catalan coastal resort of Cambrils.

Of the 12 suspects linked to the attacks, six were shot dead by police and two died in an explosion before the van rampage. Two are in custody on charges of murder and membership of a terrorist organisation, and two have been freed on certain conditions. —Reuters ■

Toyota Vietnam to recall 20,000 cars with faulty airbags

HANOI — Toyota Vietnam said it will, from Monday, recall over 20,000 cars branded Vios and Yaris to replace faulty air bag inflators.

The vehicles subject to the recall include 18,138 Vios cars domestically made in Vietnam from 1 January, 2009 to 29 December, 2012, and 1,877 Yaris cars imported to the country between 1 September, 2009 and 31 August, 2012, Toyota Vietnam said on Sunday. —Xinhua ■

Venezuelan army, civil militias hold exercises after Trump threat

CARACAS — Venezuela held nationwide armed forces exercises on Saturday, calling on civilians to join reserve units to defend against a possible attack after US President Donald Trump warned that a “military option” was on the table for the crisis-hit country.

Trump made the threat two weeks ago and on Friday he signed an order prohibiting dealings in new debt from the Venezuelan government or its oil company, a move to hobble financing that Trump says is fuelling socialist President Nicolas Maduro’s “dictatorship.”

“Against the belligerent threats of the United States, all Venezuelans be-

tween the ages of 18 and 60 are required to contribute to the integral defence of the nation,” said an announcement broadcast early on Saturday on state television.

Maduro used Trump’s threat to try to energize his political base, broadcasting images of rifle-carrying civilians negotiating obstacle courses and learning hand-to-hand combat. The government created the hashtag #EsHoraDeDefenderLaPatria, which translates as “It’s Time To Defend The Homeland,” to promote the exercises.

TV images showed Venezuelans young and old entering military reserve registration centres. But there was no evidence



A member of the Militia of the National Bolivarian Armed Forces teaches a woman how to use a rifle during a military exercise in Caracas, Venezuela, on 26 August, 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

that registration reached far beyond government employees and Maduro’s Socialist Party loyalists.

Scenes were aired of camouflaged sharpshooters firing their weapons while military command-

ers gave fiery speeches at “anti-imperialist” rallies. More exercises were scheduled for Sunday.

Opposition figure and former presidential candidate Henrique Capriles sent a tweet dismissing

the weekend training programme as an expensive farce. He said Maduro should focus instead on bringing down Venezuela’s high crime rate.

Diplomatic tensions increased last month when a legislative superbody called the constituent assembly was elected at Maduro’s behest. It has the power to legislate, bypassing the opposition-controlled congress.

Maduro says the new assembly is Venezuela’s only hope of restoring peace after months of deadly anti-government protests. Leaders of the fractious opposition coalition boycotted the 30 July election of the assembly, branding it an affront to

democracy. They called for an early presidential election, which Maduro would likely lose as his popularity sinks along with an economy blighted by triple-digit inflation and food shortages. Trump’s threat of military action played into Maduro’s hands by supporting his oft-repeated assertion that the US “empire” has been waging economic war on Venezuela and wants to invade the country to steal its vast oil reserves.

The idea had been laughed off as absurd by opposition and US officials before Trump said on Aug. 11 that “a military option is certainly something we could pursue” as a way of ending Venezuela’s crisis.—Reuters ■

Pacific Hunt Energy Prepares for Exploration Campaigns

Pacific Hunt Energy Corp., a Canadian oil & gas company, has been awarded Blocks PSC C-1 and PSC H in the country’s 2nd Onshore Bidding Round. Production Sharing Contracts with Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise were signed in September, 2014. Initial exploration program includes seismic acquisition and exploration wells drilling. 2D Land Seismic acquisition on both blocks will be performed by to BGP Inc., CNPC, one of the world’s leading geophysical service companies. The seismic land survey for both blocks total over 465 line km and is scheduled to commence in 4th Quarter 2017. Pacific Hunt Energy Corp. is also planning exploration drilling campaigns on onshore blocks PSC C-1 (Sagaing Region) and PSC H (Bago Region). During these campaigns exploration wells will be drilled with the intent to confirm the presence of hydrocarbon reservoirs.

The first of the two planned drilling campaigns on block PSC C-1 is expected to begin in the last quarter of 2018. The second campaign is scheduled to begin at the end of 2019. On PSC H two drilling campaigns are planned, as well. The first one is expected to begin in the last quarter of 2018. The second campaign is planned to begin in the fourth quarter of 2019. In order to be compliant with local laws and regulations, and in order to fulfil the commitments of the EIA Procedure (2015), Pacific Hunt Energy has contracted an independent third party consultant, ARTELIA, to perform Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) on both PSC C-1 and PSC H. During the EIA process public consultations will be conducted especially in the Bago and Sagaing regions.

Successful development of the projects can help to satisfy growing energy needs in Myanmar.

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After decades of war, Colombia's FARC rebels to debut political party

BOGOTA — Colombia’s leftist FARC rebel group will debut its political party at a conference beginning on Sunday, a key step in its transition into a civilian organisation after more than 50 years of war and its first chance to announce policy to skeptical voters.

The six-day meeting in Bogota of FARC members, who have handed in more than 8,000 weapons to the United Nations during their demobilization, is expected to conclude Friday with a platform that the party, still officially unnamed, will campaign on in elections next year.

Under its 2016 peace deal with the government to end its part in a war that killed more than 220,000, the majority of Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) fighters were granted amnesty and allowed to participate in politics. Whether Colombians, many of whom revile the rebels, will be inspired to back them remains to be seen.

The FARC’s often-old fashioned Marxist rhetoric strikes many as a throwback to their 1964 founding, but proposals for reforms to labyrinthine property



Pastor Alape, a member of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), gestures during a news conference in Bogota, Colombia in March 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

laws may get traction with rural voters who struggle as subsistence farmers.

The peace accord, rejected by less than a 1 per cent margin in a referendum before being modified and enacted, awards the FARC’s party 10 automatic seats in Congress through 2026, but the group may campaign for others.

“I think the FARC will try for a regional consolidation, using the presence and influence they have in certain provinces,” said Catalina Jimenez, politics professor at Externado University. “At a national level they need a large amount of votes they still don’t have.”

The FARC is open to

coalitions, the group said this week.

Fractured by in-fighting, leftist parties have long struggled in conservative-leaning Colombia, despite some success in winning urban positions.

“We have to define our course of action, which will surely bring up the need to have coalitions,” FARC secretariat member Pastor Alape told reporters on Friday, adding the group wants a “big political convergence that redefines the limits of the left.”

Colombia’s “semi-feudal” state will need to be modernized, and the country must wake up to the scourge of corruption, Alape said.—Reuters ■

100th police officer killed in Brazil's Rio state in 2017

RIO DE JANEIRO — The number of police officers killed so far this year in Brazil’s crime-riddled state of Rio de Janeiro reached 100 on Saturday, local media reported.

Sergeant Fabio Jose Cavalcante, 39, was shot and killed during an attempted armed robbery in Sao Joao de Meriti, in the metropolitan area of the capital Rio de Janeiro, according to online daily Extra. His death brings the homicide rate among both working and off-duty state police officers to one every 57 hours, the highest rate since 2016, when an officer was killed every 53 hours.

Rising crime led the federal government to dispatch some 10,200 military troops and police officers to help cap violence in the state. They were mainly deployed to Rio and its metropolitan area, the country’s leading tourism destination. The state government announced this week it would restructure its Pacifying Police Units, special forces employed since 2008 to combat organized crime within the slums.—Xinhua ■

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Britain to urge EU to show “imagination” in Brexit talks

LONDON — Britain will urge the European Union on Monday to show “imagination” in Brexit talks and help focus discussion on future ties rather than on a divorce settlement.

Brexit minister David Davis will call on the EU to be more flexible in its approach at the start of negotiations with the bloc’s chief negotiator Michel Barnier on Monday — the third round of talks which are likely to be largely technical.

A government source said Britain would point to

the papers it has published over the past two weeks on both the future relationship and the divorce to show how officials have been working “diligently to inform the negotiations”.

“Now, both sides must be flexible and willing to compromise when it comes to solving areas where we disagree,” the source said. “As the EU itself has said, the clock is ticking so neither side should drag its feet.”

Britain has published papers on everything from future customs arrange-

ments to data, going beyond a brief set by the EU to first make progress on three priority areas — the rights of expatriates, Britain’s border with EU state Ireland and a financial settlement.

British officials say they cannot make headway on those areas without looking at future ties, arguing that what happens at the border with Northern Ireland depends largely on what kind of customs arrangement is agreed with the European Union.

But the EU has stuck

to its stance that “sufficient progress” must be made in those areas before moving on to any discussion of the future relationship.

The new series of talks begin as Britain’s economy is starting to show the strain of last year’s vote to leave.

After a prolonged period of relatively benign economic numbers following last year’s there are now signs of a potentially serious slow down — including in household spending and business investment.

—Reuters ■



Euro and Pound banknotes are seen in front of BREXIT letters in this picture illustration taken in 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

Harvey claims second fatality as floodwaters rise in Texas

ROCKPORT, (Texas) — Rescue crews raced against rising floodwaters early on Sunday to pull hundreds of stranded residents from their homes and cars in southeast Texas as Harvey, the most powerful storm to hit the state in more than 50 years, roared inland.

The storm has killed at least two people and Harris County Sheriff Ed Gonzalez said on Twitter early on Sunday the death toll could rise, with his deputies responding to reports of a deceased woman and child inside a submerged vehicle on Interstate 10 near Houston.

Houston’s William P. Hobby Airport shut down its airfield early on Sunday due to standing water on the runway, canceling all inbound and outbound flights. The arrivals section of the airport was also closed as waters rose.

The second confirmed fatality from Tropical Storm Harvey came on Saturday evening as an elderly woman attempted to drive through flooded streets on Houston’s west side, said Sergeant Colin Howard of the Houston police department.

“It appeared that her vehicle went into high water and she drowned as a result,” he said. The victim was not immediately identified.



A man, who lost his home to Hurricane Harvey, is loaded into the back of an ambulance in Rockport, Texas, US, on 26 August 2017. PHOTO: REUTERS

Authorities have urged residents to stay off the streets of Houston and other southeast Texas cities as rain falling at up to 5 inches per hour flooded roads and major intersections.

On Friday night, a man died in a house fire in the town of Rockport, 30 miles (48 km) north of Corpus Christi. Another dozen people in the area suffered injuries such as broken bones, another official said.

The Harris County Joint Information center said first responders were conducting hundreds of rescues early on Sunday morning as calls came in across the county.

Gonzalez’ Twitter feed was inundated by residents asking for help and the sheriff could only tell some of them that crews were doing the best they can.

“All agencies care but everyone simply operating at maximum capacity,” he tweeted at one point.

Harvey slammed into Texas late Friday as a Category 4 hurricane with winds of 130 miles per hour (209 km per hour), making it the strongest storm to hit the state since 1961.

It has since lingered over Houston, dumping amounts of rain that threaten to break the record established nearly 40 years ago when Alvin, Texas, was deluged by 43 inches of rain in 24 hours from 24-25 July, 1979.

The storm ripped off roofs, snapped trees, triggered tornadoes and flash floods and cut off power to nearly 230,000 people, mostly in the Houston area, on Saturday night. Houston police officials said officers were evacuating two flooded apartment complexes. —Reuters ■

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Dwayne Johnson's 'San Andreas' role helped a boy save a life

LOS ANGELES — A 10-year-old boy saved the life of his little brother by using the CPR methods he learned while watching Dwayne Johnson's "San Andreas".

Johnson took to social media to praise Jacob O'Connor, after the Detroit-area youngster helped save his two-year-old brother Dylan from drowning.

"You know there's a little 10-year-old boy out there and his name is Jacob O'Connor. He's a real-life hero. He couldn't find his little two-year-old brother Dylan so he went out back and found little Dylan lying face down in their pool. Jacob pulled him out, remained calm and started administering CPR and chest compressions and saved his little brother's life.

"He learned how to do this by watching this big, brown tat-

toed guy in his favourite movie 'San Andreas'. Jacob, I'm so proud of you so much so that I've got to meet you. I've got to shake the hands of a real-life hero," Johnson said.

According to Jacob, he remembers an important scene from "San Andreas" where Johnson was doing compression to save a life.

"There was an earthquake, then it caused a tsunami and then there was a daughter that was drowning and he had to get her out and he did the same thing," the 10-year-old told ABC2 News.

After saving his brother's life, Jacob will now get a chance to meet the actor on set of his upcoming film "Skyscraper".

"When you come to my sets, it's like Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory dude be-



Dwayne Johnson took to social media to praise Jacob O'Connor who helped save his two-year-old brother Dylan from drowning. **PHOTO: PTI**

cause you can eat all the sweets you want and it's all free," Dwayne teased. "Yes, it's free. I'll see you next week buddy."

"Hopefully, your little 2yr old brother, Dylan is well enough to fly because I wanna meet him too. I'll have some

very nice people contact your family in the upcoming days to make the arrangements," he added.—PTI ■

Winslet, DiCaprio quote 'Titanic' lines to each other

LOS ANGELES — Actor Kate Winslet has said that she and her long-time friend, Leonardo DiCaprio still quote the lines from cult classic "Titanic" to each other, even 20 years after the movie's release.

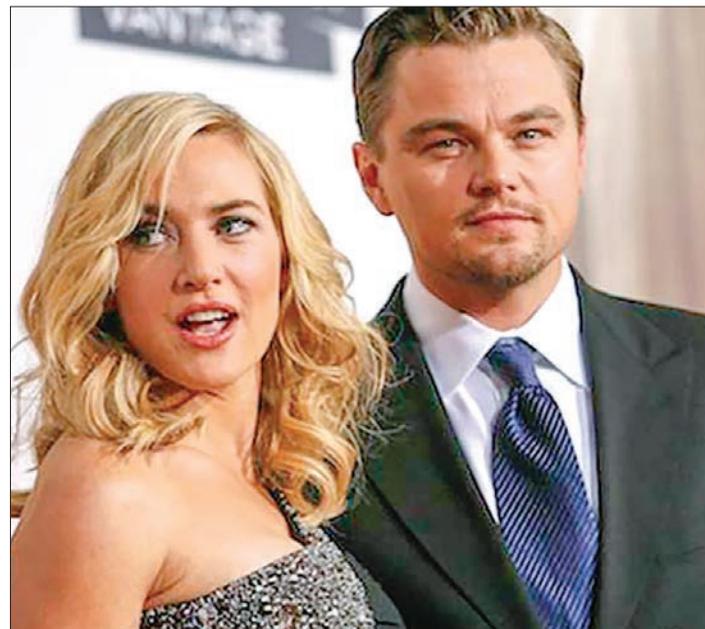
The 40-year-old actor said the two co-stars often share "stupid things" with each other, which would be hard for people to believe, reported E! online.

"You don't even want to know the last conversation we had, because it was so funny and made me laugh so much.

We found ourselves saying to each other, 'Can you imagine if the world really knew the stupid things we say?'

"I'm not going to tell you what we actually talk about, but yeah, we're very, very close and sometimes we do quote the odd 'Titanic' line back and forth to each other, because only we can, and we find it really funny," Winslet told Glamour magazine.

Besides "Titanic", the duo have also featured in the 2008 film "Revolutionary Road".—PTI ■



Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet remain one of the best on screen romantic couple. **PHOTO: PTI**

Leonard Bernstein project celebrates musician with call for memories

NEW YORK — For some, Leonard Bernstein was the person who opened up the world of classical music for the first time. Others played in his orchestras. One man remembers hearing of Bernstein's death as a 9-year-old.

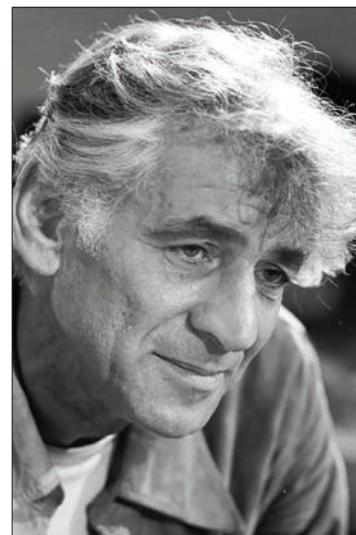
Composer, conductor and teacher, Bernstein touched the lives of millions of people around the world during his 50-year career, and now they have a chance to tell their stories for generations to come.

"There were so many people that were moved and inspired by Leonard Bernstein, not only in a public way but in a very personal way," said the conductor's longtime personal assistant, Craig Urquhart.

The Leonard Bernstein Memory Project invites fans, friends or just people who were influenced by his work to contribute brief anecdotes, photos or videos online.

The project is part of a two-year centenary celebration of the musician's life and work called Leonard Bernstein at 100 that starts in September and will feature more than 1,000 concerts and celebrations around the world.

"We hope to hear from people who studied with him, musicians who performed with him in orchestras," Urquhart said.



American composer Leonard Bernstein is shown in this 1971 photo in rehearsal for his musical theatre work "Mass", provided 25 August, 2017. **PHOTO: REUTERS**

Bernstein, the longtime director of the New York Philharmonic, was known for the emotion he brought to his conducting and interpretation of classical works. He died in 1990, leaving a legacy that includes popular musicals like "West Side Story," television lectures and hundreds of recordings.

Jacob Slattery, who is building the Leonard Bernstein Memory Project website (leonardbernstein.com/memories), calls it a "digital quilt of remembrance."

"It's a very unique thing. I

can't think of other artists who have this digital memorial in the way that Leonard Bernstein will do," Slattery said.

Urquhart said Bernstein, whose Facebook page has some 320,000 followers, was happy to spend time with fans after concerts "sometimes to the chagrin of his hosts. He would stay for an hour, or an hour and a half to interact with them." One memory already submitted comes from Matt Walter in Los Angeles, who recalled his 9-year-old self seeing his mother's grief at hearing the news of Bernstein's death at age 72.

"I felt a strange and unsettling loss, like my own grandfather had died, without even knowing who the man was," Walter wrote. "Later on in life, I listened to Leonard's recordings, read his biographies, watched his Young People's concerts and lectures, and came to know and love him almost like he was a friend."

The project and the centennial celebration also aim to introduce Bernstein to people born after his death. "There is a whole generation of people who didn't know Bernstein personally, or who never had the opportunity to hear him conduct, but their lives were affected by him even after he passed away," Urquhart said.—Reuters ■

Bicyclists in Yangon and Mandalay ride for fitness



Bicyclists tour for 15th annual event in Yangon. PHOTO: THET KHINE (THANLYIN)

ABOUT 200 Bicyclists toured Yangon yesterday for their 15th annual event to promote health and fitness and annual biking event in Yangon south district, activity for health and fitness.

Riders in Mandalay

also conducted their own tour, starting from Mandalay City Development Committee on 26th road, beside the moat. Mandalay Region Chief Minister Dr. Zaw Myint Maung attended the event.

The tours were or-

ganised by the Ministry of Health and Sports with the support of Myanmar Cycling Federation.

In Yangon the tour began at Star City Thanlyin and after approximately one hour riders ended their trek at Daungmin

Park. Since June last year, the ministry has been organizing activities to promote exercise in every district of Yangon and other Myanmar cities on the last Sunday of the month. —Thet Khine (Thanlyin), Tin Maung (MDY) ■

7th Wathann Film Festival to be held in Yangon

THE 7th Wathann Film Festival will be held from 6 to 11 September at Waziya Cinema in Yangon. This festival was held to improve the standards of local films and inspire directors to produce higher-quality and more artistic films.

Twenty-nine documentaries out of nearly 70 documentaries submitted were selected for this year's competitions. Three awards for short-fiction, documentary film and new vision will be granted in the competition. The winners of the competitions will be selected by local and international invited juries.

Not only 29 competition films but also other international and local films under the International Pandorama and S-Express Programs

will also be shown at the festival.

The festival highlight for this year is a master class taught by a cinematographer Ko Michael Zaw of "Yellow Bird" film. "Yellow bird" film to show under the International Pandorama program was made a director K Rajaopal and has ever awarded at the 2016 Cannes Film Festival.

The Wathann Film Festis a film festival was held annually in Yangon, Myanmar, during the rainy season in September.

Films' time tables and details of the 7th Wathann Film festival can be available at the Facebook page of Wathann Filmfest and <https://www.facebook.com/wathannfilmfest>. —GNLM ■

Afghan relics exhibited in China's renowned grottoes

LANZHOU — More than 200 cultural heritage items from Afghanistan are on display in the renowned Mogao Grottoes in Dunhuang, northwest China's Gansu Province.

The exhibition features delicate gold ornaments, sculpture and

glassware, from Afghan history between the third century B.C. and the first century A.D., according to the display organizers.

With a history of more than 5,000 years, Afghanistan played an important role in cultural exchange and trade on the ancient

Silk Road, according to Wang Xudong, head of Dunhuang Academy.

It shares similarities with Dunhuang, a hub for cultural communication between China and the West, Wang said.

The Dunhuang Academy co-organized

the event along with the National Museum of Afghanistan and the Afghan government.

It was the second time for the Afghan relics to be exhibited in China. The show opened on Thursday and will end on Oct. 20. —Xinhua ■

2017-2018 annual meeting of teacher-parent association of No (3) BEMS, Pyay held

THE annual meeting of teacher-parent association of No (3) Basic Education Middle School, Pyay Township was held at 1pm on 26 August.

The chair of the ceremony headmistress Daw Yin Yin Hlaing delivered the opening speech and patron U San Lwin explained the school activities requesting supports from the parents.

New executives and members for the teacher-parent association were confirmed by the chair.

The Headmistress-Daw Yin Yin Hlaing granted award to first prize winner, Ma Phyu Sin Maung for essay competition of 70th Martyr's Day. The ceremony was closed by singing "Zar Ti Man" song. —Shwe Win (Pyay) ■



First prize winner received the award at BEMS, Pyay. PHOTO: SHWE WIN (PYAY)

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Myanmar bodybuilders seen with the gold medals at the Yangon International Airport. PHOTO: PUBLIC SPORTS & EDUCATIVE DEPARTMENT

Myanmar bodybuilders win gold medals in Asian Bodybuilding and Fitness Championships

Kyaw Zin Lin

MYANMAR athletes won three gold medals, one silver medal and two bronze medals respectively in the 51st Asian Bodybuilding and Fitness Championships held in South Korea from 20 to 26 August.

Both male and female Myanmar athletes participated in the event according to their weight categories.

Ye Tun Naung collected a gold medal at the 70kg body building competition, Tun Minn won a gold medal at the 65kg body

building competition and Tun Tun Aung gained gold medal at the Master body building competition and a bronze medal at the 60 kg body building as well. Additionally, Nhin Nhin Aye achieved bronze medal at the Athetoid Physique and Nang Laung Kham also se-

cured a bronze medal at the Model Physique competition.

Asian Bodybuilding and Fitness Championships is being held every year in Asian countries and previous event was held last year in Thimpu in the host country of Bhutan. ■

Myanmar beat Thailand in U-18 football friendly match

Kyaw Zin Lin

Myanmar U-18 national football team played a friendly match against Thailand at Burrirum United training ground in Bangkok yesterday evening.

Myanmar won Thailand 2-1 with two late consecutive goals just before the second half end.

Myanmar showed itself to be the superior team from the start of yesterday's match, threatening Thailand's defensive line again and again along the match.

Myanmar changed its game tactic in the second half and played considerably better than the first half.

Thailand did well to keep the second half scoreless, but Lwin Moe Aung scored the opening goal for Myanmar at 80 minute. After three minutes later the opening goal, Myanmar's Pyae Sone Naing accidentally scored an own goal to Myanmar's goal box as Thailand got their equalizer.

However, Myanmar's young star player Soe Moe Kyaw scored second or winning goal for Myanmar at 90 minute and end up the match with 2-1 result. ■

Myanmar wins sepak takraw gold and judo silver

Myanmar achieved another gold and silver in sepak takraw and Judo sport at the 29th SEA Games in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Myanmar men's double sepak takraw team won a gold medal by beating Cambodia squad at final match of yesterday in Kuala Lumpur SEA Games.

Myanmar defeated Philippines 2-1, Laos 2-0, host Malaysia 2-0 and Cambodia 2-0 throughout the matches.

Myanmar women's sepak takraw team just pleased with a bronze medal as Myanmar was defeated by Vietnam by the points of 19-21 and 19-21 at the semifinal yesterday.

As the final match day of 78 kilo Judo fighting sport at the 29th SEA Games, Myanmar's



Myanmar Judo fighter Aye Aye Aung fights with Vietnam fighter. PHOTO: SOE NYUNT

shinning Judo fighter Aye Aye Aung also just pleased with a silver medal as she was defeated by Vietnamese fighter at yesterday's competition.

It was the final competition of Myanmar Judo fighter Aye Aye Aung in the SEA Games as she will retire soon.—Ye Yint Shine, Nyi Myat Thawda ■

Mayweather stops fading McGregor with 10th round TKO

LAS VEGAS — A ruthless Floyd Mayweather scored a 10th round technical knockout over mixed martial arts champion Conor McGregor on Saturday, cementing his legacy as one of boxing's all-time greats.

McGregor, making his professional boxing debut, had boasted he would knock out the 40-year-old American early but his lack of ring savvy betrayed him as Mayweather improved to 50-0 to surpass heavyweight great Rocky Marciano's 49-0 record for most wins without a loss or draw. Whether the megafight will be the richest of all-time, as promoters predicted, is still to be determined but Mayweather left no doubt of his place in the pan-

theon of boxing greats in what he said was his last fight. As promised, McGregor came out full of fury and menace but Mayweather, long regarded as the finest defensive fighter to step into the ring, left few openings and used the first three rounds to feel out his opponent. By the fourth round Mayweather went on the attack and started landing blow after blow against a suddenly desperate McGregor who was bravely hanging on while clutching and grabbing the American. In the 10th, Mayweather moved in for kill pinning a visibly fatigued McGregor against the ropes and landing a flurry of punches when the referee stepped in to stop the fight. —Reuters ■