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Information Sheet

Vice-Chairman of State Administration Council Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win Attends 2nd Work Coordination Meeting of Central Census Commission and Delivers a Speech



The Central Census Commission held its 2nd Work Coordination Meeting on 2024 Population and Housing Census at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Immigration and Population in Nay Pyi Taw on 22 August. The Vice-Chairman of the State Administration Council (SAC) Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General Soe Win, in his capacity as the Patron of Central Census Commission, attended the meeting and delivered a speech as follows:

- The first work coordination meeting was held on 20 January 2023, and adopted 19 resolutions. In this regard, five resolutions are still under implementation stage and the other 14 were completed.
- As Myanmar collected the census in 2014, one more enumeration of census must be done in 2024 after a period of ten years without fail to contribute to correct and accurate census and socioeconomic data of all administrative areas including the smallest administrative areas, especially for building the Union based on the democratic and federal system as well as strengthening the genuine, disciplined multiparty democratic system.
- Hence, a population and housing census will be carried out in the whole country during the period from 1 to 15 October 2024.

- The SAC will give guidance and approval for important issues submitted by the relevant ministries in connection with census in time.
- The Ministry of Immigration and Population is making preparations for collection of census and household registration to be enumerated in 2024.
- In so doing, special attention must be paid to ensure correct data and quality, meet international set standards, and ensure necessary index and socioeconomic data in collecting the census.
- As such, the data resulted from the census must be useful for the State so that all have to strive for accomplishment of the whole census enumeration process as a national duty.
- The census and household registration enumeration in 2024 will be implemented on a self-reliant basis by spending the State budget through the collaborative efforts of ministries. Therefore, they all have to cooperate with each other in collecting the firm and exact data like the past census.

Census Commission Union Minister U Myint Kyaing, Secretaries and members deputy ministers of the Central Census Commission, and region and state chief ministers who are chairpersons of the region and state census supervisory committees reported on their concerned sectors of work process for successful collection of census and household registration in 2024, and plans of relevant ministries for their cooperation in the process. Then, the Patron of Central Census Commission, SAC Vice-Chairman Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Senior General coordinated with the responsible officials to fulfill the needs concerning the reports presented by the officials and gave a concluding remark, following the meeting over.

Present were Chairman of the Commission Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Myint Kyaing, Commission Members deputy ministers, Nay Pyi Taw Council members and officials. Chief Ministers of regions and states attended the meeting through videoconferencing.

Afterwards, Chairman of the Central

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U Than Swe, Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs Receives IOM Myanmar Chief



U Than Swe, Deputy Prime Minister and Union Minister for Foreign Affairs, received Mr. Dragan Aleksoski, Chief of Mission of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Myanmar, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nay Pyi Taw on 22 August.

During the courtesy call, they shared their views on the matters pertaining to the support of the IOM to the people of Myanmar in the field of migration and the cooperation between the two sides.

Also present at the meeting were the senior officials from the Ministry of Foreign

Affairs, and Mr. Euan McDougall, Programme Manager of IOM Myanmar, it is reported.

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Union Minister U Maung Maung Ohn Visits Solar Cell Manufacture Base and Steel Factory in Yunnan



Union Minister for Information U Maung Maung Ohn and party paid a visit to the high-quality solar cell manufacture base of Yunnan Runyang Century Photovoltaic Technology Company in Nanhai industrial zone of Qujing Jingkai District of Yunnan and a steel factory of Yunnan Qujing Chenggang Iron and Steel (Group) Co. Ltd on 20 August.

On 21 August, the Union Minister received Mr. Yi Homs, CEO of China International Cooperation Association of SMES Executive Director of Global Business and party at Wanda Realm Hotel in Kumming, and they discussed the future of ecommerce in digital businesses of China-Southeast Asia and South Asia. The Union Minister discussed about it and raised questions he wanted to know.

The Union Minister attended the opening ceremony of 7th China-South East Asia Exposition, and 27th China Kunming Export and Import Fair, Greater Mekong Subregional Economic Corridor Forum events and related meetings which were held in Kunming from 15 to 18 August. On 21 August, he returned to Yangon from Kunming, it is reported.

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Cash Assistance Provided to Cyclone Mocha-affected Regions



Cash donation ceremony for the regions affected by Cyclone Mocha was held at the Disaster Management Center (DMC) in Nay Pyi Taw on 22 August.

The Asia-Pacific Ladies Friendship Society (ALFS) based in Tokyo donated K931,500 (621,000 Japanese yen), and the staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Myanmar embassies abroad, the offices of Myanmar permanent representatives, Myanmar consulates-general, citizens Myanmar organizations abroad, companies and as well K83,514,000 K600,000 as (equivalent to five different foreign currencies). Afterwards, the Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs presented the donations to the Union Minister of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, who

returned the certificate of honour.

Rehabilitation activities for Cyclone Mocha are being carried out according to the priority level, and the donations from the international community are being delivered to the affected areas as soon as possible and are being used efficiently, it is reported.

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Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Myo Aung Receives Indian Consul General H.E. Mr. Sundeep Kaushal



The Chief Minister of Mandalay Region U Myo Aung, in his capacity as the Head of Mandalay Region Government, received Consul General of India H.E. Mr. Sundeep Kaushal who is serving in Mandalay-based Consulate General of the Republic of India, at the Office of the Mandalay Region Government on 21 August.

During the meeting, both sides frankly discussed on matters pertaining to the enhancement of potential measures for two countries including the cooperation in education, health, economic, transport and tourism sectors that are important roles of both countries.

Source: Myawady Daily Newspaper (22-8-2023)

• During the call between Chief Minister and Indian Consul General, discussions were made on the matters pertaining to the enhancement of cooperation in education, health, economic, transport and tourism sectors that are important roles of both countries.

Information Team of State Administration Council Holds 22nd Press Conference



The Information Team of the State Administration Council (SAC) held the 22nd Press Conference at the Ministry of Information on 22 August. At the event, the Leader of the Information Team of the SAC Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun, spokespersons from the relevant departments, and representatives of departmental information teams replied to queries raised by the media agencies.

First, the SAC Information Team Leader Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun explained as follows:

- Reformation of State Administration Council and reformation of the Union Government;
- Amendment of the Five-Point Road Map and political, economic and social objectives;
- Matters pertaining to political parties

registration, and losses in cyclone Mocha and rehabilitation processes; and

 Discussions with a delegation led by Mr. Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for UN Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator and Chief of United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) through a PowerPoint presentation.

Next, Vice-Governor of Central Bank of Myanmar Dr. Lin Aung, Deputy Minister for Planning and Finance U Maung Maung Win, Deputy Minister for Investment and Foreign Economic Relations Dr. Wah Wah Maung and the Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Commerce U Min Min gave explanations about their respective sectors.

Later, the SAC Information Team Leader Maj-Gen Zaw Min Tun and representatives of the departmental information team replied to queries raised by media personnel and the press conference was concluded.

The press conference was also attended by SAC Information Team members, representatives of relevant ministries, officials from the Tatmadaw Information Team, guests, and reporters from local news agencies, daily newspapers, local TV stations, and local-based foreign news agencies. The full interview in Myanmar language can be seen at Myawady Daily Newspaper and https://www.myawady.net.mm, it is reported.

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UEC Demonstrates Myanmar's Electronic Voting Machine and Trial Voting at Ministries



The demonstrations of the Myanmar Electronic Voting Machine-MEVE and Trial Voting were held at the following Government ministries from 16 to 22 August. MEVE and trial voting were conducted at the Ministry of Labour, and Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement.

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MEVE and trial voting were conducted at the Ministry of Commerce, and Ministry of Transport and Communications.

- On 18 August, the demonstrations of MEVE and trial voting were conducted at the Ministry of Cooperatives and Rural Development, and Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture.
- On 21 August, demonstrations of MEVE and trial voting were conducted at the Office of the Union Auditor General, and Ministry of Education.
- On 22 August, demonstrations of MEVE and trial voting were conducted at the Ministry of Science and Technology, and Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs

During the events, the officials of UEC explained that once a voter cast the vote by using the voting machine, the voting receipt marking the logo of party/candidate that the voter choose will be appeared from the printer. Three seconds later, the printout will drop down in the ballot-box. Accordingly, voters can put the trust in this machine. As cent per cent of voting results were found after rechecks were made on trial voting, the use of MEVE to cast vote can be reliable and can no longer occur voting frauds. There will be neither voting frauds nor invalid votes due to printing ballot papers. Again, there will be many benefits because of no more invalid votes balloted by the voters in the elections for various reasons.

The events were attended by the UEC members, officials concerned and officers and staff of relevant departments, and the trial voting were demonstrated also, it is reported.

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Efforts made to Increase Export Volume in the Fiscal Year of 2023-2024



During the tenure of the State Administration Council Government, efforts are being made to increase export volume via border trade posts and regular trade routes. As a result:

- Over four-month period, from 1 April to 4 August in the fiscal year of 2023-2024, Myanmar earned a total of USD 3,251.364 million from the export of CMP products, jewelleries and natural gas: USD 1,162.457 million via government agencies and USD 2,088.907 million via private sector.
- Myanmar expects to reach trade value of USD 1.530 million via Maungdaw trade post in August of this fiscal year with export value USD 1.5 million and import value of USD 0.030 million. From 1 to 15 August, the trade value via the Maungdaw trade post reached USD 0.762 million with export value USD 0.762 million, accounting for 49.80 % of the expected value.
- Within four-month period, from 1 April to 28 July in the fiscal year of 2023-2024, the trade value via Myanmar-Thai

border trade posts reached USD 2,127.837 million with export value of USD 1,480.937 million and import value of USD 646.9 million.

Myanmar earned 1,711.146 million from Myanmar-Thai border trade in the corresponding period in last fiscal year. Compared to the previous corresponding period, Myanmar could earn USD 416.691 million in this fiscal year than the previous fiscal one, it is reported.

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Actions Continue against Unscrupulous Persons who Follow and Make Incitements and Propaganda of CRPH and NUG Terrorist Groups, their Subordinates and Colluded Groups

The entire population has already been informed not to follow the incitements and propaganda made by CRPH and NUG declared as terrorist groups, their subordinates and colluded groups. In spite of that, some unscrupulous persons are making incitements and propaganda to disrupt the State peace and stability via social media. Therefore, necessary actions have been taken against them in line with law. In this regard:

 From 16 to 22 August 2023, five people from Yangon region, six people from Mandalay region and one from Ayeyarwady region, totaling 12 people were arrested.

• From 27 January 2022 to 22 August 2023, legal actions were taken against a total of 1,674 people under the law.

It is reported that necessary actions will be continued against such instigators and unscrupulous persons making propaganda and instigations.

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