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Non-disintegration of **National Solidarity**

Perpetuation of Sovereignty

Myanmar-Korea relations and promoting bilateral relations open new chapter

Nay Pyi Taw, 12 Oct-President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and party arrived back here this morning after paying a State visit to the Republic of Korea, at the invitation of President of the Republic of Korea Mr Lee Myung-bak.

They were welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Vice-Presidents Dr Sai Mauk Kham and U Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Vice-Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services General Soe Win, Union Ministers, the Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, departmental heads and deputy head Mr Yun Kang Hyeon from Embassy of the Republic of Korea to Myanmar.

On 8 October, the President visited rural development works in Saemaul Undong Central Training Institute in Seoul. In the afternoon, he also replied to the queries raised by political and foreign affairs correspondent Mr Kim Yong Deok of KBS news Agency at Lotte Hotel in Seoul. At 4.30 pm, the President had a discussion with Chairman of Doosuan Co Mr Y. M. Park on investment opportunities in Myanmar.



President U Thein Sein holds discussion with President of the Republic of Korea Mr Lee Myung-bak.—MNA

In the evening, the President met Ambassador U Nyunt Hlaing, Military Attaché Brig-Gen Myint Hein, staff and their families from Embassy and Military Attaché office and Myanmar students at Myanmar Embassy. Then, he viewed Han River passing through Seoul on the

On 9 October, the President delivered speeches at Myanmar Investment Forum held at

Korea Trade Investment Promotion Agency (KOTRA) headquarters and a lunch hosted by the Korea Federation of Small and Medium Business (KBIZ) at Lotte Hotel. At 3:30 pm, the President laid a wreath at National Cemetery in Seoul and signed in the visitors' book.

At 4 pm, President Mr Lee Myung-bak welcomed and received President U Thein Sein, at the Blue

At 5 pm, President U Thein Sein and party had a discussion on mutual cooperation between two countries with the ROK President and party.

They cordially discussed opening of new chapters in Myanmar-Korea relations and promoting bilateral relations between two countries, boosting mutual cooperation and friendly through exchange visits, establishDevelopment Institute (MDI) in Myanmar, boosting investment and trade volume between two countries and extension of new village movement being undertaken in Myanmar, cash and technical assistance for electric power, agriculture, transport, communications and rail transportation projects, promoting cooperation of energy sector, cooperation in the

ment of Myanmar sectors of science and technology, environmental conservation, culture and construction, Myanmar's alternate ASEAN chairmanship in 2014, and cooperation and providing assistance for successful hosting of SEA Games in Myanmar 2013.

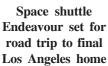
After the meeting, respective ministers signed aid framework agreements between two governments and MoU on cooperation of

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Scholarship for diploma in nursing in Singapore in Republic of Singapore.

YANGON, 12 Oct-On 4 October, University of Nursing from Singapore recruited 45 trainees from Myanmar on a basic of contract free of charge to attend the three-year diploma in nursing course

The new recruits must be between 16 and 21 years old. They must secure high marks in the matriculation

examination. Student allowance and accommodation will be

facilitated to the students while attending the course. The university recruits the trainees once a year. So far, a total of 377 have attended the course," a responsible person from Chantha Aungmyin Co.-Myanma Alin

Depression over India becomes unimportant

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct—According to the observations at 10.30 hrs M.S.T today, the low pressure area over Manipur (India) has become unimportant, the Meteorology and Hydrology Department announced.—MNA

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Disaster risk reduction

The nightmare of devastating cyclone *Nargis* is still haunting Myanmar people who were left cursed with wind phobia since it had proven the destructive power of nature. So weak are we to defend ourselves from cruel blow of environmental catastrophe, but still we can do something to reduce the risks.

Nature is often blamed each time disaster strikes. But, we seldom think about human actions that escalate risk and turn danger into disaster. Nowadays, global population live amidst fear of floods, droughts, tsunamis and earthquakes which now and then appear as headlines on newspapers around the world.

Today marks the International Day for Disaster Reduction 2012, highlighting the role of prevention against disaster. Disaster risk reduction is about understanding our personal and environmental risks of a hazard like earthquake, flood and landslides and seeking ways to reduce this risk so that we are not affected by them or be able to bounce back quickly even if we are affected.

Despite the employment of state-of-the-art technologies in early warning system in developed countries, disasters still inflict heavy casualties. Vulnerability to disaster is growing faster than resilience. In case of Japan, though it had prepared adequately for earthquakes, it still was caught off guard under the sudden attack of catastrophic tsunamis, accentuating the unpredictability of disaster.

It should not be neglected that Myanmar is prone to earthquake, storm and floods due to its geographical features and there have been firm evidences. Therefore, preventive measures must be taken to help reduce disaster risk and it is not the responsibility of the government alone but everyday concern for everybody.

Two persons seized for ordering children to beg

Mandalay, 12 Oct—At 10 am on 24 September, workers of Sanitation Department under Mandalay City Development Committee seized Ma Hla Win Yi, 19, of Chawseik in Mahaaungmyay Township and Ko Sanay (a) Thein Win, 30 of Chaung Village in Ayeyawady Region for their acts to forcibly order the children to beg the people from vehicles that stopped over at red light of Traffic Lights on 78th and 35th streets in Chanayethazan Township of Mandalay and collected the bagged money from the children. Hla Win Yi and Ko Sanay (a) Thein Win were kept at No 8 Police Station and arrangements are being made to take action against them at the court.—Kyemon



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President U Thein Sein cordially greets those present at Myanmar Investment Forum.—MN.

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development between two ministries in the presence of the two Presidents.

At 6.30 pm, President Mr Lee Myung-bak hosted a to Myanmar via Seoul.—MNA

dinner to Myanmar goodwill delegation, at President Residence.

On 10 October, President U Thein Sein proceeded to Busan via Seoul and visited STX ship building there and Pusan New Port International Terminal. He invited them to make investment in Myanmar.

In the evening, the Myanmar goodwill delegation flew to Myanmar via Seoul — MNA

Capital income would be most salient point of socio-economic development

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct-In order to fulfill the requirement of capital income, the most salient point of socio-economic development of rural people, conditions of carrying out micro economic programmes, opening of new village activity plan offices, providing more assistances to arise model villages, establishing rural libraries, sending trainees and skilled persons to villages to provide vocational trainings, providing technical know-how for those trainings and signing MoU between the two countries to implement such kinds of works were discussed by Union



Minister for Cooperatives U Kyaw Hsan in meeting with Mr Maeng Hyung Kyu,

Minister of Public Administration and Security of the Republic of

Korea and party at the Ministry here, this morning.—MNA

Illegal timbers, logs seized in Bago Region

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct— The Forest Department under the Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry is joining hands with the people in taking action against those of illegal extraction of timbers and forest products and illegal trafficking of logs.

According to the information that illegal teak sawn timber and teak door

frames were found at an oil bowser confiscated at Zigon Township Police Force for traffic accident 7.30 am on 4 October, a team led by the Staff Officer of Forest Department together with Myanmar police force members, ward administrators and local people inspected the bowser and seized illegal sawn teak timber, teak door frames and door timbers weighing

3.5804 tons.

On 6 October, the authorities illegal timbers in Suti, Hsinkyon, Ngayapya and Lethsaungyu villages in TadaU Township according to the information from the duty conscientious people.

In the case, the authorities seized 229 logs of teak weighing 33.520 tons, 976 pieces of sawn teak timber weighing 13.3202 tons, 6286 teak logs

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weighing 2.6400 tons, 507 pieces of teak weighing 9.6614 tons, six logs of hardwood weighing 1.1680 tons, 33 teak doors weighing 0.3158 ton, totaling 68.2604 tons, one illegal saw mill and related equipment.

Arrangements are being made to take action against the crime brokers under the law.—Myanma Alin

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