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Global **NEW LIGHT** of **MYANMAR**

Four Objectives of the National Defence and Security Council

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

MPBMSMA warns green gram suppliers to ensure pesticide-free crops

MYANMAR Pulses, Beans, Maize and Sesame Seeds Merchants Association (MPBMSMA) notified on 10 September that growers need to ensure no pesticide residue in green gram designated for China.

Myanmar exported 205,044 tonnes of green gram to foreign countries in the April-August period, and 126,792 tonnes went to China, which constitutes 61.84 per cent of the overall green gram export. This year, over 10,000 tonnes of green gram

and 100 tonnes of rice bean that arrived in the China Port were found containing high levels of pesticide residue (Thiamethoxam and Clothianidin). Therefore, a return shipment occurred.

China’s regulatory body will not tolerate pesticides, such as Thiamethoxam and Clothianidin. The association warned growers to take special care of pesticide residue in the upcoming growing season so as not to lose big markets like China.

Myanmar conveyed 538,208 tonnes of green gram in the 2022-2023 financial year, 439,595 tonnes in 2023-2024 FY and 600,627 tonnes in 2024-2025 FY by sea to global trade partners, according to statistics of the association. Of them, China brought in 325,671 tonnes in 2022-2023 FY, 245,145 tonnes in 2023-2024 and 309,557 tonnes in 2024-2025 FY via maritime trade.

China’s market accounts for 60.5 per cent of overall green gram export in the 2022-2023 FY, 55.77 per cent in 2023-2024 FY, and 51.54 per cent in 2024-2025 FY. — NN/KK



Green gram plants growing in fields in Kayan and Thongwa areas.

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NATIONAL

General Aung San Declares Firm Stand Against Election Disruption

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

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

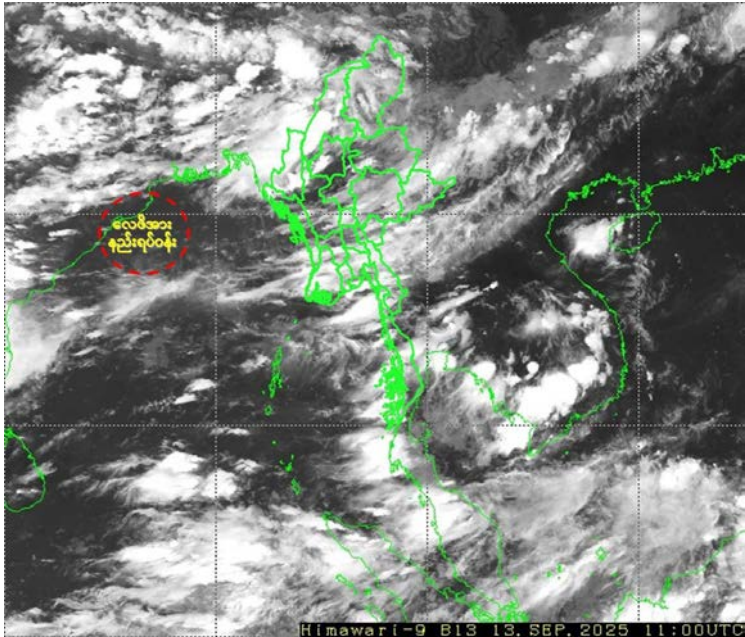


- Let us encourage production for prosperity of the Nation.
- Let us ensure education sector for the development of the Nation.
- Let us protect our environment for the prosperity of the Nation.

Low-Pressure Area Condition

Issued at 7 pm MST on 13 September 2025

ACCORDING to the observations at 5:30 pm MST today, the low-pressure area over the west-central and adjoining northwest Bay of Bengal (North Andhra Pradesh - South Odisha coasts, India) persists. It is likely to move west-northwestwards and across South Odisha and adjoining North Andhra Pradesh and South Chhattisgarh during the next two days. — DMH



Weather

Myanmar Daily Weather Report

(Issued at 7 pm Saturday 13 September 2025)

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FORECAST VALID UNTIL NOON OF 14 SEPTEMBER 2025: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Mandalay and Magway regions and Kayah and Rakhine states, fairly widespread in lower Sagaing Region and Kayin State and widespread in the remaining regions and states, with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Yangon, Bago, upper Sagaing and Ayeyawady regions and Kachin and Mon states. The degree of certainty is 100 per cent.

THE CONDITION OF CUMULONIMBUS CLOUD: The cumulonimbus clouds are developing in Yangon, Bago, Magway, Sagaing, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi regions and Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Mon, Rakhine, and (southern and eastern) Shan states. In the area along the movement of cumulonimbus clouds, the weather phenomena such as strong winds accompanied by rain, thunder, lightning and hail may occur, and therefore it is recommended to be aware in advance of these phenomena.

STATE OF THE SEA: Sea will be slight to

moderate in Myanmar waters. Wave height will be about 4-6 feet off and along the Myanmar Coasts.

OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT TWO DAYS: Likelihood of an increase in rain in the upper Sagaing Region and Kachin and Shan states.

FORECAST FOR NAY PYI TAW AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 14 SEPTEMBER 2025: One or two times of rain or thundershowers. The degree of certainty is 100 per cent.

FORECAST FOR YANGON AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 14 SEPTEMBER 2025: Some rain or thundershowers. The degree of certainty is 100 per cent.

FORECAST FOR MANDALAY AND NEIGHBOURING AREA FOR 14 SEPTEMBER 2025: Isolated rain or thundershowers. The degree of certainty is 100 per cent. — DMH

Flood Bulletin

(Issued at 7:30 am MST on 13 September 2025)

ACCORDING to the 6:30 am MST observation today, the water level of the Sittoung River at Madauk has exceeded by about 0.5 foot above its danger level. It may fall below its danger level during the next 36 hours.

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

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Residents Urged to Prioritize Public Safety Amid Armed Terrorist Threats

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

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

Message of greetings from Lt-Gen Tun Tun Naung, Chairperson of Central Body for Suppression of Trafficking in Persons, Ministry of Home Affairs, on occasion of 13th Myanmar Anti-Trafficking in Persons Day

13 September 2025

TO all Republic of the Union of Myanmar citizens living in the nation, I humbly offer my warmest greetings and best wishes for their ongoing physical and mental health as well as for a life full of peace, prosperity, and good fortune.

Myanmar has aggressively taken action to combat human trafficking since 1997, when it was declared that this was a national responsibility. Section 358 of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar's 2008 Constitution clearly states that "The Union prohibits the enslaving and trafficking in persons" in keeping with this pledge. Additionally, Myanmar reaffirmed its commitment to international collaboration in the fight against human trafficking on 30 March 2004, when it acceded to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its supplemental protocols.

Myanmar approved the Anti-Trafficking in Persons Law on 13 September 2005, as part of the State Peace and Development Council Law 5/2005. This act represented a crucial step in establishing a legislative framework to confront human trafficking as a national priority. Recognizing the changing nature of trafficking trends and the need to correspond with international norms, the law was reviewed and updated starting on 21 December 2016. As a result, the Prevention and Suppression of Trafficking in Persons Law was officially enacted on 16 June 2022. Myanmar proclaimed 13 September as National Anti-Trafficking in Persons Day to mark the law's initial enactment. Since then, annual observance events have been held, and this year marks the 13th anniversary of this significant event.

Myanmar's newly approved Prevention and Suppression of Trafficking in Persons Law has strengthened anti-trafficking measures by expanding institutional frameworks. The Central Body for the Suppression of Human Trafficking has formed a number of specialized Working Committees, each with specific responsibilities to guarantee a coordinated and effective national response. These include the Working Committee on Prevention of Human Trafficking and Protection of Trafficked Victims; the Working Committee on International Relations and

Cooperation; the Working Committee on Legal Affairs and Prosecuting Measures; the Working Committee on Repatriation, Reintegration, and Rehabilitation of Trafficked Victims; and the Implementation Task Force for Myanmar's Five-Year National Plan to Combat Trafficking in Persons. Additional Working Committees have been constituted as needed to handle growing issues. Myanmar continues to actively and collectively conduct anti-trafficking programmes using these tools, with increased efficiency and institutional capability.

Myanmar's Central Body for Suppression of Trafficking in Persons has effectively executed strategic national policies to combat human trafficking. These include the First Five-Year National Plan (2007-2011), the Second Five-Year National Plan (2012-2016), and the Third Five-Year National Plan (2017-2021), as well as annual operational plans developed in partnership with relevant ministries, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations. Myanmar is now implementing the operational plan for 2025, which is the fourth year of the Fourth Five-Year National Plan (2022-2026). These coordinated measures demonstrate the country's long-standing commitment to tackling human trafficking through structured, multi-stakeholder involvement and strategic planning.

Myanmar has actively engaged in bilateral and multinational cooperation to prevent human trafficking. Bilaterally, the country has signed Memorandums of Understanding with neighbouring countries such as the People's Republic of China and the Kingdom of Thailand to improve cooperation efforts to combat human trafficking. Myanmar is a party to the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children (ACTIP) and has participated in various strategic frameworks, including the Coordinated Mekong Ministerial Initiative against Trafficking (COMMIT), the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC), the Bali Process on People Smuggling, Trafficking in Persons and Related Transnational Crime, and an Myanmar continues to demonstrate its active commitment to the prevention and abolition of

human trafficking through these venues, while also encouraging regional cooperation and coordination.

Victimization from human trafficking is not primarily due to poverty, lack of education, or knowledge. Rather, it is frequently fuelled by a larger and more complex set of underlying causes. These include the financial burden of seeking further education, the desire to earn more money to support one's family, the desire for a higher standard of living, discontent with one's current circumstances, and admiration for supposedly successful lifestyles. Such goals, while genuinely human, can make people vulnerable to exploitation, especially when traffickers use misleading tactics to pervert these desires.

Recent investigations have revealed serious examples of human trafficking involving Myanmar women who were recruited through lawful marriage arrangements and then moved abroad. These misleading methods have resulted in the discovery and conviction of those who facilitated weddings between Myanmar women and foreign citizens, as well as middlemen who behaved illegally. In addition to these examples, more incidents have been found in which people were recruited domestically to create and disseminate sexually explicit videos via online platforms. Legal action has been taken against those guilty, demonstrating Myanmar's ongoing efforts to combat growing forms of trafficking and exploitation.

Since March 2025, a focused operational framework has been in place to prevent the trafficking of Myanmar women who marry foreign people. This framework has three main components: intelligence gathering, preventive measures, and enforcement actions. Through these coordinated initiatives, relevant ministries and regional/state governments have been working closely together to combat fake marriage arrangements that serve as a cover for trafficking. The initiative's specific goal is to safeguard Myanmar women from deceptive activities and to ensure that such matters are treated in a timely and lawful manner.

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Changing socioeconomic conditions and technological breakthroughs drive the evolution of human trafficking patterns. In recent years, online scam operations, particularly those involving fraudulent gaming and financial scams, have grown as a popular form of recruitment. To lure new victims, these operations frequently masquerade as real companies, offering high-paying job opportunities via internet platforms. As a result of their overconfidence in these internet offerings, many people, including highly educated professionals and IT specialists from numerous nations, have been duped and trafficked. Traffickers are increasingly using internationally available social media channels to carry out complex scams, targeting people of any age, social background, or time. This indiscriminate vulnerability emphasizes the widely held belief that “no one is immune to trafficking”. It is consequently critical to be watchful and strengthen preventive measures that address both traditional and developing kinds of exploitation.

The majority of the nine common types of online scam operations that have been found through investigations in Myanmar are closely related to money deceit. Although victims have also been discovered in Myanmar, these scams mainly target people in nations with strong economies. There have been reports of certain Myanmar citizens falling prey to these schemes, frequently being coerced into engaging in activities related to scams. The exploited include educated individuals from many countries, including some young people from Myanmar who have been discovered in some ASEAN countries. According to these findings, internet scam networks are

global, and coordinated measures are desperately needed to prevent vulnerable people from becoming victims of these exploitative tactics.

It is widely believed in the international conversation on human trafficking that these crimes are more common in economically developing nations and that victims are usually people with low levels of education and from low-income families. Even if these presumptions might represent some facts, they don't fully capture the problem. In actuality, human trafficking is an issue that affects even wealthy and developed countries. In these nations, victims frequently include highly educated people, indicating that a variety of intricate and frequently unanticipated circumstances contribute to human trafficking. Beyond preconceived notions, these facts highlight the need for a more complex understanding of the underlying causes of human trafficking.

Myanmar has created a focused action plan to combat human trafficking connected to online fraud activities, following the guidelines set forth by the Central Body for Suppression of Trafficking in Persons. The goal of this plan, which was put into action as a pilot project on 1 April 2025, is to proactively detect, stop, and address new types of exploitation made possible by digital platforms.

It is now crucial to bolster enforcement and prevention measures since criminals are using cutting-edge technology more and more to create organized networks and use novel trafficking routes and techniques. As a result, Myanmar is still making a concentrated effort to prevent and successfully suppress these kinds of crimes, find proactive ways to prevent them, and take strong and effective legal action against those who commit them.

The joint participation of pertinent ministries, organ-

izations, and non-governmental entities will enable more effective implementation of prevention and suppression efforts based on the advantages and disadvantages of Myanmar's current national-level five-plans to combat human trafficking, as well as technological advancements, newly emerging forms and routes of trafficking, and internationally practised approaches.

Not just with ASEAN members and UN organizations, but also with neighbouring nations, Mekong countries, BIMSTEC member states, and the larger international community, Myanmar is aggressively expanding international collaboration in combatting human trafficking.

Efforts will be made to protect and safeguard all victims of human trafficking, with special care paid to women and children, under the direction of the Central Body and with the cooperation of pertinent ministries. These initiatives aim to prevent and eradicate human trafficking by offering protection and aid, swiftly and efficiently looking into offenders, and applying the proper legal sanctions in line with the law. The active implementation of rescue, reception, rehabilitation, and reintegration of victims into society will also be carried out.

Accordingly, “Human Trafficking is Organized Crime End the Exploitation” is the topic of the 13th Myanmar Anti-Trafficking in Persons Day. The resolve of Myanmar to eradicating impunity in situations involving human trafficking is reiterated. With the help of information sharing and public vigilance, key ministries and non-governmental groups are actively working together to identify and investigate offenders and to apply appropriate and effective legal consequences. The successful prevention, suppression, and eventual eradication of human trafficking is firmly believed to be possible with these coordinated efforts.

Union Sports Minister honours ISPE FC for AFC Women's Champions League victory

UNION Minister for Sports and Youth Affairs and for Hotels and Tourism Jeng Phang Naw Taung attended the ceremony honouring ISPE Women's Football Club (Myanmar) for its success in the AFC Women's Champions League 2025/2026 (Preliminary) at the Yangon Region Sports and Physical Education Institute's Union Hall in Kyaikkasan, Tamway Township, Yangon, yesterday.

The event was attended by Yangon Region Sports and Physical Education Committee Chair-

man, Yangon Region Chief Minister U Soe Thein, the Myanmar Olympic Committee Vice-Chairperson, deputy ministers, region ministers, committee members, donors, special guests, team officials, coaches, and athletes.

The Union minister delivered a congratulatory speech and accepted an honorary cash award of K10 million from the Yangon Region Chief Minister for the ISPE Women's Football Club. Subsequently, extra honorary contributions from the Myanmar

sports federations, donors, and organizations brought the total award to K171.5 million, which was presented to the team.

Following the ceremony, the Union minister and delegation inspected renovations at the Kyaikkasan Basketball Court, volleyball facilities, and other sports venues in Tamway Township. Later, they attended the 2025 Region and State Tennis Competition opening ceremony at Theinbyu Tennis Court in Yangon, and observed ongoing matches.



Union Minister Jeng Phang Naw Taung presents cash awards to the ISPE women's team in Tamway, Yangon, yesterday.

In the afternoon, the Union Minister, accompanied by Deputy Minister U Phyo Zaw Soe and officials, reviewed operations at foreign-invested hotels in Yangon, focusing on guest services, staff training, fire safety, certification, and environmental management.

The Union minister urged hotel operators to follow ministry regulations, meet international standards, provide quality services, and collectively contribute to the development of Myanmar's tourism and hotel sector. — MNA/KZL

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NATIONAL

Citizens urged to embrace 'We Are Myanmar' spirit for national unity and progress

ALL Myanmar citizens should embody a Myanmar spirit and, with the motto 'We Are Myanmar', unite in a national spirit to work together towards peace, prosperity, and development for the country.

(An excerpt from the message sent by Chairman of the State Administration Council, Prime Minister Senior General Min Aung Hlaing to the ceremony to mark the 77th Anniversary Independence Day which falls on 4 January 2025)

World First Aid Day 2025 held in Nay Pyi Taw

THE World First Aid Day 2025 commemoration ceremony was held yesterday morning at the Myanmar Red Cross Society headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw. The event was attended by Union Minister for Health Dr Thet Khaing Win, Deputy Minister Dr Aye Tun, directors-general, the president, vice-president, and executive officers of the Myanmar Red Cross Society, members of the Red Cross Central Council, chairpersons and officials of social organizations, representatives from the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the International Committee of the Red Cross, partner Red Cross societies, and Red Cross volunteers.

At the ceremony, the Union minister stated that the theme of World First Aid Day 2025 is "First Aid and Climate Change". The theme highlights the importance of providing first aid and responding to injuries that may occur during natural disasters or extreme weather events. He em-



Union Minister Dr Thet Khaing Win observes the demonstration of the using Roam Water Filter at the World First Aid Day 2025 commemoration ceremony in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

phasized that first aid is a crucial part of pre-hospital care, helping patients during transport to the hospital, preventing further injury, and increasing their chances of survival. The Myanmar Red Cross Society not only provides first aid as a first responder in various situations but also assists individuals in need of social support, responds to natural

disasters, organizes blood donation drives, operates emergency ambulance services, supports COVID-19 prevention and control, and participates in disaster preparedness and response efforts, including responses to Typhoon Yagi and the Mandalay earthquake.

The Union minister further addressed that, in collaboration

with the Ministry of Health and the International Red Cross societies, steps have been taken to facilitate the flow of international aid to people affected by natural disasters. He emphasized that cooperation with the Ministry of Health is essential to ensure that assistance reaches those in genuine need, and he encouraged Red Cross members

to make the first aid skills they have mastered accessible to the public. On the occasion of World First Aid Day 2025, he expressed his hope that officials at all levels and Red Cross volunteers will continue to carry out social and charitable work for the benefit of the country and its people.

Following this, President Dr Myo Nyunt of the Myanmar Red Cross Society explained the objectives of the World First Aid Day celebration. Ms Nadia Khoury, Resident Representative of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in Myanmar, and Mr Xavier Macquerh, Deputy Resident Representative of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Myanmar, delivered speeches and presented a video highlighting first aid activities.

Finally, the Union minister presented the First Aid Competition Award and visited the First Aid Day commemorative exhibition, which included a demonstration of the Roam Water Filter. — MNA/MKKS

CBM reviews loan rules, strengthens mobile payment monitoring

THE Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM), Yangon Branch, held a meeting yesterday afternoon to enhance the monitoring and verification of payments via mobile banking and digital payment platforms, and to establish loan rules, risk-weighted calculations, and specific compliance requirements.

At the meeting, the Governor of the CBM emphasized the need to obtain complete KYC information when onboarding mobile payment platforms, agents, and users/merchants for bank-account-based payments, to enhance transaction monitoring, and to pay special attention to online scams, fraud, and gambling, noting that the



Central Bank of Myanmar holds the meeting on using mobile payment platforms and loan rules establishment in Yangon yesterday.

CBM has issued monitoring and compliance guidelines requiring banks, mobile financial service providers, and payment clearing service providers to monitor suspicious transactions, increase transaction reporting, and face administrative action

for noncompliance.

Pay officials have been advised to increase awareness of points requiring scrutiny, while relevant banks, mobile financial service providers, and payment clearing businesses acting on behalf of sellers are urged to

further monitor MMQR-related transactions, scrutinize agent and merchant categories, prevent online scams, fraud, and AML violations, ensure that mobile payments exceeding the specified limit are conducted through bank channels (Mobile

Banking, CBM-NET, ACH), and carry out transactions in accordance with the objectives of mobile banking, payment platforms, and RTGS.

Officials from banks, mobile financial services, and merchant clearing services then presented their current status and plans.

The Governor of the CBM stated that the Bank will review the sectors driving the country's economy and issue loans, extend only necessary regulations due to improved bank compliance, implement risk-percentage calculations with banks from the 2026–2027 financial year, and then adjourned the meeting. — MNA/TH

NATIONAL

Weekly Roundup

7 September

Border stability restores trade activities

The Myanmar-China economic cooperation promotion meeting took place for the second time at the Shangri-La Hotel in Changdu of Sichuan Province of the People's Republic of China, with an address by Acting President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Chairman of the State Security and Peace Commission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing.

High-level Myanmar delegation arrives back in Myanmar

The high-level Myanmar delegation led by Acting President and SSPC Chairman of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing who attended the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Summit 2025 Plus and the parade to mark the 80th Anniversary of the Victory of the Chinese People's War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the World Anti-Fascist War in China at the invitation of President of the People's Republic of China Mr Xi Jinping, left the Chengdu Shuangliu International Airport in Chengdu of Sichuan Province of the People's Republic of China by the special aircraft of Myanmar Airways International (MAI) and arrived back at the Nay Pyi Taw Tatmadaw Airport. They were welcomed back at the airport by Commission Vice-Chairman Vice-Senior General Soe Win, Commission member and Prime Minister U Nyo Saw, Commission member and Executive Chief U Aung Lin Dwe, Commission members, Union ministers, the Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman, Chinese traditional dragon and lion dance troupes, ethnic dance troupes, artistes and residents.

Myanmar delegation visits China Southwest Architectural Design & Research Institute Corporation

Acting President and SSPC Chairman of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and delegation members visited the China Southwest Architectural Design and Research Institute Corporation (CSWADI).

Acting President and SSPC Chairman Senior General Min Aung Hlaing meets Chengdu media

Acting President and SSPC Chairman of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, while in Chengdu of China, responded to queries on his working visit raised by new media from China at the Shangri-La Hotel in Chengdu.

9 September

Further Invitation Extended for Union's Interest

The Information Team of the State Defence and Security Council issued a statement, saying that armed groups, including those identified as PDFs, were invited in the interests of the Union to return to the legal fold. They are once again invited to cooperate with the government and Tatmadaw if they wish to contribute to the upcoming general election and help build a genuine, disciplined democracy and a Union based on democracy and a federal system.

10 September

Transfer of duty assignment

The National Defence and Security Council of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar transferred and appointed U Khin Maung Gyi, U Myo Maung, U Kyi Thein and Daw Khin Thin Wai, Judges of the Supreme Court of the Union and the Chief Justice of Mandalay Region High Court as members of the Union Election Commission under Section 427 (b) of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Revocation of registration and dissolution of political parties

Under Section 12 (a), Subsections (9) and (10) of the Political Parties Registration Law, by the designated date of 7 September 2025, the National Democratic Force Party (NDF) failed to meet the required number of party members as stipulated in Section 5 (f), while the Democratic Party of National Politics (DNP), the Women's Party (Mon), and the Union Farmers and Workers Force Party failed to meet the required number of party offices as stipulated in Section 5 (h). Therefore, under Section 12 (b) of the Political Parties Registration Law, the registrations of these four political parties have been revoked, and the parties dissolved with effect from 9 September 2025, according to the announcement 95/2025 of the UEC on 9 September.

12 September

Tatmadaw families plant over 180,000 saplings near Yezin Dam

Families of the Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army, Navy and Air) held the third monsoon tree-growing ceremony 2025 near Yezin Dam in Zeyathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw, attended by Chairman of the State Security and Peace Commission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Commander-in-Chief of Defence

Services, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing who led the ceremony by growing a teak sapling.

Amnesty Order issued

The Acting President, exercising the authority vested under Subsection (b) of Section 204 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, has now granted amnesty and released Dr Aye Maung, according to the amnesty order issued by the former Chairman of the State Administration Council. Dr Aye Maung was convicted and sentenced by the Sittway District Court for criminal case 9/2018 in accord with Penal Code Article 505 (b) and criminal case 3/2018 under Penal Code Article 122 (1). He has pledged to uphold and steadfastly safeguard the country's objectives and is committed to fully participating in building a Union founded on a genuine, disciplined, democratic and federal system. Accordingly, with the endorsement of the National Defence and Security Council, the conviction and sentence previously imposed on him have been commuted, granting him full amnesty and freedom.

13 September

Myanmar urged to boost farm exports

A work coordination meeting between the State Security and Peace Commission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the Union government took place, with an address by Acting President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Chairman of the SSPC of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing.

Chief Justice and Judge appointed for Mandalay Region High Court

The National Defence and Security Council has appointed and assigned Daw Hla Myint to the duties of Chief Justice of the Mandalay Region High Court and U Saw Myo Myo to the duties of Judge of the Mandalay Region High Court under Subsection (b) of Section 427 of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

UEC issues announcement 102/2025

The Union Election Commission issued announcement 102/2025 dated 12 September 2025, to annul its declaration from Announcement 96/2020, dated 18 May 2020, that Dr Aye Maung (Citizenship Scrutiny Card 13/NaKhaNa (C) 009999) was ineligible to contest as a Hluttaw candidate in future elections under Section 88 (a) of the Pyithu Hluttaw Election Law. — GNLM/TTA

Echo Vibe Bar & Lounge grand opening to feature top singers

SINGERS Wine Su Khine Thein, Irene Zin Mar Myint, Wai Gyi, Double J, and Young P will perform at the ECHO VIBE Bar and Lounge in Kamayut Township, Yangon Region, according to singer Wai Gyi.

"We will be singing at the grand opening of ECHO VIBE

Bar and Lounge on 14 September. Wine Su, Irene Zin Mar Myint, Young P, Double J, and I will all be there together. It's not easy to gather all of us for one show like this. Since it's a grand opening, there will also be other entertainment programmes, so we warmly invite everyone to

come and enjoy," said singer and songwriter Wai Gyi.

The singers' performances will begin at 6 pm on 14 September and will be supported by the well-known Daily Gita Band, which will provide live musical backing throughout the event. — ASH/KZL



This image shows a promotional poster for the 'Turn the City On' Echo Vibe Grand Opening music show.

Business and Real Estate Investment Expo held

THE exhibition on the implementation of businesses and real estate investment projects was held on 13 September at the Myanmar Construction Entrepreneurs Federation (MCEF) headquarters in Yangon.

The event was organized by the MCEF and the Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs' Association (MWEA).

About 20 firms participated in the exhibition, including those from the construction industry, real estate projects, banking, electric bicycles, jewellery, food products, garments, transformers, survey equipment, and MSMEs.

The two organizations expressed their intention to work together to further develop business relations.

"This exhibition is a business networking event between the MCEF and the MWEA", said MCEF general secretary U Ko Lay.

In June, the MCEF and the MWEA signed a memorandum of understanding for economic cooperation and charity activities. — Htun Htun/ZN

This photo displays booths at the Businesses and Real Estate Investment Implementation Exhibition.



Myanmar Beauty Expo set for 7-9 Nov at Yangon Convention Centre



An invite to the expo.

MYANMAR Beauty Expo will take place at the Yangon Convention Centre on 7-9 November.

Chan Lone of International Beauty School is invited to share knowledge in beauty and influences. The expo will feature performances by eight make-up artists, hair-styling, nail art and

fashion shows.

Products of the sponsored companies and participating companies will be showcased with models. Some visitors can get free make-up services from artistes as well. Individuals can obtain the contact details of the expo via 09 987224373. — NN/KK

CBM injects US\$2.7M into edible oil imports

THE Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM) sold over US\$2.76 million to edible oil-importing companies on 12 September, in addition to selling \$30,000 to fuel oil-importing companies and \$83,805 to CMP companies and those who made non-trade payments.

CBM sold over \$1.79 million to the edible oil-importing companies and over \$353,900 to fuel oil-importing companies on 11 September.

CBM also injected over 372,000 yuan into the market, after sales of over \$241,000 to CMP companies and those who made non-trade payments.

CBM announced on 10 September that it would sell \$22 million to fuel oil entrepreneurs. CBM also sold over \$1.17 million to edible oil-importing companies on that day.

CBM sold \$1.5 million to edible oil-importing companies and over \$350,000 to fuel oil-importing companies on 9 September.

Additionally, CBM injected \$560,000 and 306,000 yuan into the financial market. CBM sold \$11,350 to those who made non-

trade payments on that day.

CBM over \$2 million purchased from companies working on a Cut, Make, and Pack basis to edible oil-importing companies and over \$464,400 to CMP companies and those who made non-trade payments on 8 August, in addition to an injection of 1.9 million yuan into the market.

CBM sold over \$1 million, 11 million yuan and four million baht in August. Furthermore, CBM also pumped over \$32 million, purchased from the companies working on a Cut, Make, and Pack basis, into the

financial market.

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



The Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM) in Yangon.

The people are urged to receive vaccination of COVID-19 without fail as full-time vaccination of COVID-19 and receiving booster shots can effectively mitigate infection of the virus, severe suffering from the disease and increase of death rate due to the disease.

Strive to be credible Hluttaw representatives

THE election to be held in Myanmar on 28 December must be dignified, free, and fair, and the Hluttaw must likewise be a dignified one, said Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, Acting President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Chairman of the State Security and Peace Commission of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar at the coordination meeting between the SSPC and the Union government the other day.

The Senior General stressed that the relevant security authorities shall give priority to ensuring that election candidates can campaign safely and securely. Effective action shall also be taken against saboteurs who attempt to disrupt the success of the election. As such, he highlighted the important functions for authorities over the electoral process.

In the election, people will elect candidates to represent them in the Hluttaw as a platform to speak out about their aspirations and administrative processes for the State. Hence, when those representatives assume power, they must not become arrogant or ungrateful, but rather govern with respect, treating the people as their benefactors. Only then will peace and prosperity prevail throughout the country.

sectors of their areas in their terms.

Actually, as those candidates have decided to serve the interests of the State and the people, they have to avoid all forms of malpractices such as corruption, illegal movements and unexpected wicked ways over others in breaking the laws. If so, people will recognize those Hluttaw representatives as their credible ones. The respective Chief Ministers shall take the lead to ensure the success of the election and the emergence of those who will work for the good of the State.

In the election, people will elect candidates to represent them in the Hluttaw as a platform to speak out their aspirations and executive, legislative and judicial processes for the State. Hence, when those representatives assume power, they must not become arrogant or ungrateful, but rather govern with respect, treating the people as their benefactors. Only then will peace and prosperity prevail throughout the country.



Book Title	-	Glossaries of Linguistic Terms (Part II)
Author	-	Maung Khin Min (Danubyu)
Publishing House	-	Daung
Publishing Date	-	July 2025 (1 st Edition)
Price	-	K13,000

Glossaries of Linguistic Terms (Part II)

I am convinced this book will be helpful from generation to generation, particularly for those who are interested in languages and linguistics. Let's say you're wavering when you see people who are common language enthusiasts debating in a stubborn attitude and seem never to give up their opinion on linguistics. If you have read about "Prescriptivism" in this book, you might have a clear reason. (I'm unsure whether Part I includes "Descriptivism"). If you have read the prescriptivism, you will clearly see the root of the debate. Is it a row between Prescriptivism and Descriptivism, or even if it is just a row, you will clearly think in a very logical way; it's a common problem with languages. But, for language

enthusiasts, this book is beyond that. They can understand the meaning of the glossaries of the linguistic terms, which you will sometimes find puzzling. Even for myself, I've become familiar with the meaning of some glossaries from learning this book and realized many times how it's useful in the journey of studying the Myanmar Language. Saya Aye defined his books as articles, but I feel proud to call his masterpiece "Linguistic Encyclopedia". This is a remark by Saya Saw Lu for Glossaries of Linguistic Terms (Part II) by Saya Maung Khin Min (Danubyu).

Mindfulness, consistent effort and memory are not enough to make such a masterpiece work, but you need to be fluent in linguistics, have

in-depth knowledge of the Myanmar Language and have an "all things considered" habit for decision-making. His linguistic volunteer work proved that Saya Aye meets all these requirements.

He used his encyclopedia "Introduction", but it's beyond perfection. Besides, this book is not about linguistics alone but also reviews the Myanmar Language in the context of linguistics. That is why you will see that no one else, even a non-Myanmar expert, can do so. He mentioned Sayagyi Maung Khin Min (Danubyu) and his book.

The introduction opens with the theme — native speaker — meaning it is a person who uses the mother language as the first language in their

childhood. Since he spoke the mother tongue from his childhood, that's why the language is worth trusting that the native speaker knows by their common sense. For language usage, his decision is worth trusting, too. For learning a language, using a native speaker as an interviewee will give you a reliable source for the linguistic terms, as he expressed in his foreword.

The owner of Daung Publisher, "Htiike", says: "Sayagyi Maung Khin Min (Danubyu) wrote articles for years and completed the series of articles about the glossaries of linguistic terms to number 96 just before he passed away. Daung published Part I of the Glossaries of Linguistic Terms in a compilation of his articles from numbers 1 to 50 in 2019. Initially planned to stop the series at number 100, it ended sadly at 96. As a memorial to Sayagyi's long-term contribution and to honour his great literature, we've published Part II of his book in a compilation of articles from 51 to 96 so that his readers can read and keep it as a collection.



Book Title	-	The Myanmar Language That We Speak
Author	-	Hein Latt
Publishing House	-	KHIT Publishing House
Publication Date	-	August 2024 (1 st Edition)
Price	-	K12,000

The Myanmar Language That We Speak

THE author Saya Hein Latt revealed in the preface that his grandfather, U Ba Yi, was one of the Myanmar nationals who earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. He built a book of Myanmar Lexicon and Archives for Sociolinguistic studies, evolved from his grandfather's notes and his lifelong recording of information.

This book also includes Myanmar Sayings and Proverbs to illustrate the main point and convey thoughts and observations, to make eloquent speeches and to engage in a lively conversation. This book can also be considered a Myanmar Lexicon-Dictionary.

This book provides a background of Myanmar linguistics and documents 1,000 Myanmar words for young people who value and admire Myanmar cultural and linguistic identity, defining

Myanmar words and phrases.

The book explains the etymology of Myanmar words: "Htin" (firewood), in which pieces of wood are placed in fire, 'Oe Chan Pe' or 'Gaung Chan Kwel' (broken piece of pot), 'Hle Ta Sie' or 'Hle Ta Sin' (two oxen pulling a wooden cart). 'Mway Ta Kaug' (a snake) can also be called 'Mway Ta Sin'. Similarly, a sword with a long, sharp metal blade and a handle is commonly known as 'Dar Ta Lat' in Myanmar, and people also call it 'Dar Ta Sin', otherwise. The same meaning goes for 'At Ta Sin' (a needle).

Which one is correct between 'Hle Ta Sin' and 'Hle Ta Sie' in Myanmar terms? Something horizontal rather than up or down can be regarded as 'Sin', and transport vehicles designed to carry people or cargo can be linked with the 'Sie' term in Myanmar.

For instance, 'Sie' is used in riding a horse, travelling by ship and travelling by train in Myanmar phrases, he stated in the introduction.

Some excerpts from this book feature etymology, nuances, regional dialects, insights, poetic forms, endangered lexicon and cultural metaphors.

Theindaw-Sindaw (horse)

It is known as Sindh in Sanskrit. It has the same pronunciation as Centaur (mythical creature with the head, arms and torso of a human and the body of a horse). That breed is unlike 'Aththado Myin' (the strongest martyr horse).

Yone Tan (speaking falsehood)

'Yone Tan' is just like a rumour that states false utterances.

Some colloquial speeches are voicing statements that do not align with reality.

Four classical poetic forms

'Thi Shet' (dealing with words of foolish speech spoken by Brahmin and practising moral understanding as knowing right from wrong)

- Na Pone (alternating gender identity)
- 'Thin Gut' (Eunuch)
- 'Let Swe' and 'Nauk Lite' (faithful follower)

Kapali (black people)

It is not Pali. People with dark skin from Africa or whose ancestors came from Africa are called 'Kapali' in Myanmar. It is Kafir in Arabic, meaning someone with a different faith in religion or a non-believer.

Nin Kyan

A temporary bridge built across a pond or creek is called 'Nin Kyan', while 'Tada' (a bridge) is a structure carrying a road, railroad or path built across from one side to the other.

A Kyay

Lower regions are called 'A Kyay'.

Anyar

The people widely call the upper region Anyar (in Myanmar).

The Union's Song of Unity




By Min Zan

From ancient days our hearts have tied,
Through hills and plains, we lived with pride,
Though colours differ, blood runs one,
Together shines our nation's sun.

When chains of rule sought to divide,
Our leaders stood with steadfast stride,
At Panglong's vow, they made it clear,
One Union strong, we all hold dear.

So let us guard what ancestors gave,
Their love, their strength, their spirits brave,
With unity, our land will rise,
A lasting star beneath the skies.



Love or Friendship: Your Choice

By @Editor

We aren't friends in the first place,
But we love one another in such a grace.

Love involves passion and intense desire,
Friendship embodies a lesser intensity without backfire.

Love might lead to vulnerability and jealousy sometimes,
Friendship cultivates trust and shares support every time.

Friendship is the foundation of trust and understanding.
Love provokes emotional and sometimes physical connection blending.

The riverside bathing place at the front of the bed

By Zaw Thit (Translated by Myint Zan)

the whole body, the whole little (residential) quarters is cold and shivering if that is so karma jumps from the opening of the condensed milk tin box some even make fun of it if that is funny one has to wear black then laugh go straight on this road a little hither turn left, and then right continue walking

the one with the lights on is your house the Uruvela forest* is very far u carry the darkness and walk thither

* The forest where the Buddha resided before his enlightenment, according to Buddhist texts. Poem published in Sataing Thit ('New Style') magazine, Volume 141, April 2005. Translated on 11 September 2025.

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Entertainment

Child Art Exhibition holds to help pay for school fees of low-income families' children

THE child art exhibition will be held on 14 September, starting at 10 am, at the Good Mood Gallery (Sule Pagoda Road) and the East Vine Art Gallery (34th Short-Block) to help cover school fees for children from low-income families.

“The paintings in the exhibition were created by teenagers from the New Zero Village Art School in Hmawby Township. Each painting measures two feet by 1.5 feet and is painted with acrylic on canvas. Each painting can be purchased for K200,000 (including the frame). All proceeds from the sale of the paintings will be donated to help cover school fees for children from low-income families,” said the exhibition organizer.

The children's art exhibition will continue until 16 September, and visitors are welcome to view and purchase the artwork. — Htun Htun/MKKS



Poe Mamhe Thar

ACTRESS Poe Mamhe Thar, who first collaborated with MaiMi Myanmar and filmed a short advertising video clip with Sai Sai Kham Leng, shared it with her fans on her social media page. On 8 September, Poe Mamhe Thar donated food and medicine to 250 patients undergoing treatment at the National Cancer Treatment Centre to commemorate the two-month anniversary of the passing of her mother, Daw Kay Thi Nwe.



Fay Soe Aung

Artist Fay Soe Aung's solo art exhibition, titled Lines of Fay Soe Aung, will be on display at BRICK Studio from 10 am to 5 pm from 12 to 16 September. BRICK Studio is located at the Secretariat Yangon and can be accessed via the entrance on Anawrahta Road, Free Zone, Secretariat Yangon. The unique exhibition has attracted interest not only from art fans but also from art professionals.



Nann Su Yati Soe

Actress Nann Su Yati Soe held a consecration ceremony and made a donation at her Moe Kaung Condo on 12 September to mark her move into her new home. The ceremony was led by the Kyaikmaraw Sayadaw, and offerings were made to the ancient Buddha images of the Mon Queen Shin Saw Pu. Her fellow film stars also attended the event.

Dee - Dee

The opening ceremony of The Hidden Cave Cafe & Whispers, held on 10 September, was attended by famous artistes and singers, including model and actress Dee-Dee, according to photos posted on social media. At the event, the Hidden Cave, jointly launched by The Best One, also entertained the audience with fashion showcases. Dee recently visited Bangkok, Thailand. — Htun Htun/MKKS

Aye Wutt Yi Thaung

As expected, the famous senior actress appearing in the TV series “Seventy Nights” will be Aye Wutt Yi Thaung, the organizers announced on 12 September. Since this is Aye Wutt Yi Thaung's first TV series after a long absence from the big screen, audiences will soon see how she performs alongside seven other actors. Director Ko PK will be responsible for the story and direction of “7 Reasons in Nights”.



Celebrity

BRIEF

NATIONAL

KBZ Centre Mandalay offers free X-rays and orthopaedic exams

KBZ Centre in Mandalay said free X-ray screening and medical examination by orthopaedic specialists will be launched on 17 September.

In addition to free general medical service, KBZ Centre has now expanded free ultrasound screening every Tuesday and Friday, said Dr Htwe Thiri Kyaw Nyunt, in charge of the medical team.

Starting from 17 September, free X-ray screening and free medical examination by orthopaedic specialists will be expanded every Wednesday and Friday, and patients can book for this service through the call centre.

The KBZ centre introduced the free general medical service on 25 June, and it is being provided from 9 am to 5 pm from Monday to Friday.

Bookings can be made to the call centre 09 941600999 and short code 1010 for U9 subscribers, between 9 am and noon, a day in advance. — MT/ZS



The KBZ Centre in Mandalay provides healthcare for the public.

MoI to set up Agro-based Textile Complex at No 1 Textile Factory



This photo shows the No 1 Textile Factory (Shwedaung).

THE Ministry of Industry stated that the Agro-based Textile Industrial Complex will be developed on 258 acres of land owned by the No 1 Textile Factory (Shwedaung) in Pyay Township, Bago Region, and the Ministry of Industry called for interested developers to submit a proposal for the construction of an agro-based textile industrial complex.

The developer is responsible for funding the construction of the Agro-based Textile Industrial Complex project.

“The tender process of the project has finished. The pilot project will start this year. This production chain will benefit the cotton growers, cotton thread and fabric producers as well. Furthermore, the project will also contribute to the socio-economic development of the region,” said an official of the Ministry of Industry.

The project includes textile training schools, industrial meeting hall, product display room and laboratories under Phase I, paint remover, dyeing and printing factories under Phase II and textile factories, weaving factories, warehouses, logistics department, industrial zone management committee office, fire-fighting system, clinic, industrial solid waste management, dormitory for trainees, Delayer Fire Fighting System, Amulet Industrial Solid Waste Management: Recreation Centre and staff hostels under Phase III. — ASH/KK

Taunggyi Tazaungdine hot-air balloon festival to run for eight days

THE Taunggyi Tazaungdine traditional hot-air balloon festival will be held in Taunggyi, Shan State (South), from 29 October to 5 November at the Aweiya hot-air balloon ground, according to the Southern Shan State Traditional Hot-air Balloon Artists Association.

“We are holding this event to further promote tourism in southern Shan State and to sell local food and accessories. During the day, the festival includes the release of two-legged and four-legged balloons, and at night, Seinnapan and Nyameegyi will be launched,” said U



This photo features the Taunggyi Tazaungdine traditional hot-air balloon festival in the previous year.

Sai Paeti, an executive of the Southern Shan State Traditional Hot-air Balloon Artists Association.

The festival, held every year at the Aweiya hot-air balloon ground, was suspended for three years due to the COVID-19 pandemic and resumed in 2023.

The festival is a traditional Shan celebration that attracts not only residents but also visitors from across the country, and it is a popular attraction for both domestic and international tourists. — ASH/TH

YESC trims trees for power line clearance in Ahlon Township

TREE trimming was carried out along the 6.6 kV power line around Minyekyawswa Road and Baho Road in Yangon Region’s Ahlon Township from 9 am to 1 pm on 12 September, said the Yangon Electricity Supply Corporation.

The 15-member team, comprising the staff from the township electricity office and Yangon City Development Committee’s Playgrounds, Parks and Gardens Department, carried out the clearing, with a platform truck and two garbage trucks.

YESC has carried out tree trimming work for the public to be free from electricity hazards, reduce electricity loss, to provide full voltage and reduce power shortages. — Htun Htun/ZN



Tree trimming is underway in Ahlon Township. PHOTO- YESC

ECONOMY
WORLD

S Korean president says
companies would hesitate
about US investment after
immigration raid

Lee highlighted ongoing negotiations between Seoul and Washington regarding visa issuance linked to US investments.



South Korean workers arrive at Incheon International Airport in Incheon on 12 September 2025 after their detention in a US immigration raid at a Hyundai-LG plant in Ellabell, Georgia. **PHOTO: ANTHONY WALLACE/AFP**

SOUTH Korean President Lee Jae-myung said Thursday that domestic companies would hesitate about their US investment after last week’s immigration raid in the United States that led to the detention of hundreds of South Korean workers.

“As it stands, our companies will inevitably be very hesitant about direct US investment,” Lee told a televised press conference marking 100 days in his office, saying it could have a significant impact on the investment in the future.

Lee noted that negotiations between Seoul and Washington were underway for visa issuance relevant to the US investment, adding that the United States would resolve it if there is its practical need. — Xinhua

Ecuador’s Noboa announces
surprise diesel subsidy cut



Diesel price for automotive use will increase from 2.80 per gallon until early December. **PHOTO: REPRESENTATIVE IMAGE/WIKIMEDIA COMMONS**

ECUADORAN President Daniel Noboa announced on Friday the surprise elimination of a diesel subsidy, a politically risky move in a country where similar steps have sparked violent protests.

Under a decree signed by Noboa, the price of diesel for the automotive sector will rise from \$1.80 to \$2.80 per gallon (3.8 litres) through early December, allowing the government to re-direct \$1.1 billion to social assistance and agricultural support programmes. — AFP



Prime Minister Sebastian Lecornu’s first week on the job ended with a credit rating downgrade for France. **PHOTO: AFP**

Fitch downgrades
France’s credit rating
in new debt blow

FRANCE’S already strained public finances came under fresh pressure after Fitch downgraded the country’s credit rating, a move that underscores both the political turmoil in Paris and the mounting challenge of controlling debt.

French politicians sounded the alarm after the Fitch agency downgraded the country’s credit rating, with the outgoing interior minister on Saturday blaming the move on “decades of fiscal mismanagement”.

The US ratings agency, one of the top global institutions

gauging the financial solidity of sovereign borrowers, downgraded France late Friday on its ability to pay back debts, from “AA-” to “A+”.

It also said France’s debt mountain would keep rising until 2027 unless urgent action was taken.

The downgrade comes just days after Francois Bayrou resigned as prime minister after losing a parliamentary confidence vote over disagreements on how to put the country’s strained public finances in order. — AFP

British economy stalls
in July: ONS

BRITAIN’S real gross domestic product (GDP) showed no growth in July, with a sharp downturn in manufacturing dragging on output, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) said Friday.

The flat reading followed 0.4 per cent growth in June, underscoring a slowdown in economic momentum.

Among the three main sectors, production output fell 0.9 per cent, reversing a 0.7 per cent gain in June.

Within production, manu-

facturing output dropped 1.3 per cent, the ONS said, pointing to broad-based weakness across manufacturing industries as the main driver of the decline.

By contrast, services and construction output inched up 0.1 per cent and 0.2 per cent, respectively.

ONS also noted that the country’s real GDP went up 0.2 per cent in the three months to July compared with the three months to April. — Xinhua

China sets 2025 auto sales target at 32.3 mln units

CHINA has unveiled a two-year work plan to stabilize auto sector growth, targeting sales of approximately 32.3 million vehicles in 2025, up around three per cent year on year.

The plan, jointly issued by eight government departments, including the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, projects sales of new energy vehicles (NEVs) to hit around 15.5 million units in 2025, marking a year-on-year increase of around 20 per cent.

Other targets include steady growth in auto exports and a six-per-cent rise in the added value of



Stella Li, vice-president of the Chinese multinational manufacturing company and EV manufacturer BYD, at the International Motor Show IAA. **PHOTO: AFP/FILE**

the auto manufacturing industry in 2025. By 2026, the industry is projected to sustain robust growth, with enhanced efficiency, quality, and scale.

The plan outlines over 60 measures across

four key areas, which include stimulating domestic demand, strengthening supply chains, optimizing the business environment, and deepening opening-up and cooperation. — Xinhua

Employees of major chemical maker Daikin underwent PFAS blood tests

MAJOR Japanese chemical maker Daikin Industries Ltd conducted blood tests on employees in the past following possible exposure to potentially harmful PFAS chemicals, a source familiar with the matter said Saturday. It is the first known case of a

Japanese manufacturer conducting PFAS blood tests, which took place from the early 2000s to around 2015. Some results showed PFAS blood concentrations that were 500 times the level in guidelines set by US academies, although no impact on health was

confirmed, according to the source. While Japan has not set a safety standard for PFAS blood levels due to insufficient expertise, an Environment Ministry official said the Daikin data, if made public, could be useful for PFAS-related research. — Kyodo

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Boeing defence workers reject deal to end strike

BOEING workers at its St Louis area defence factories will stay on strike after union members voted Friday to reject a new contract offer from the US aviation giant.

The strike began 4 August, involving some 3,200 workers in Missouri and Illinois represented by the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM) District 837. This marks the third time that workers have rejected a company offer, and Boeing said in a statement that no further

talks were scheduled for now.

“Boeing’s modified offer did not include a sufficient signing bonus relative to what other Boeing workers have received,” the union said Friday in a statement, in which it also cited the lack of improvement in other benefits. IAM is among the biggest unions in North America, representing some 600,000 members in aerospace, defence, shipbuilding, transportation, health care, manufacturing and other industries. — AFP



Defence plant workers take part in a strike outside a Boeing facility in Berkeley, Missouri, near St Louis, on 5 August 2025. **PHOTO: AFP**

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

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Consignees of cargo carried on **M.V SITC HAKATA VOY.NO. (2524S)** are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on **14-9-2025** and cargo will be discharged into the premises of **AWPT** where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

Shipping Agency Department
Myanma Port Authority

Agent For:

M/S SITC CONTAINER LINE CO., LTD

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Myanma Port Authority

Agent For:

M/S SAMUDERA SHIPPING LINE

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Agent For:

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Myanma Port Authority

Agent For:

(ONE) OCEAN NETWORK EXPRESS LINE

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS DIGEST



Visitors learn about an intelligent recycling machine at the 2025 China International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS) in Beijing, capital of China, 12 September 2025.
PHOTO: LI XIN/XINHUA

SEPT 13

Green technology empowers global trade in services

GLOBAL trade in services is accelerating its shift towards greener and smarter development, with green technologies and environmental solutions emerging as new growth drivers and creating broader opportunities for international cooperation.

At the ongoing China International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS) in Beijing, new-type energy storage technology, interactive waste-sorting bins, unmanned

weed-cutting boats, and a range of other green products and services have attracted wide attention.

Beistar CZ, a Czech company making its debut at CIFTIS, showcased an energy storage technology that converts surplus grid electricity into thermal energy, storing it inside a unit filled with hot air and high heat-resistant material, at a cost about one-fiftieth that of battery storage. — Xinhua

SEPT 12

EU split on 2040 climate goal

PERSISTENT divisions among member states on the EU's 2040 climate goal might leave the bloc unable to strike a deal before a key UN summit in November, diplomats told AFP on Friday.

Denmark, which holds the rotating EU presidency, said it was working for an agreement "before the end of the year", after diplomats for several states called for talks on the target to be pushed back.

The European Commission has announced plans for the 27-country union to cut emissions by 90 per cent by 2040, compared to 1990 levels.

A key milestone towards the EU's goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2050, the target needs approval from the European Parliament and member states. — AFP

SEPT 11

Trial begins for golf course plot to kill Trump

THE trial of a man charged with plotting to shoot Donald Trump on a Florida golf course during last year's election campaign began in earnest Thursday after three days of jury selection.

In an unusual step, defendant Ryan Routh, 59, is representing himself at the trial in Florida, which is expected to last between two and four weeks.

Minutes into his opening statement, Judge Aileen Cannon interrupted Routh as he talked about the history of humanity and conflicts around the world, according to US media.

Routh pressed on with rambling digressions on matters unrelated to his case, the outlets reported, so the judge said opening statements were over and asked the prosecution to call its first witness. — AFP

SEPT 10

Sweden to lower age of criminal responsibility

SWEDEN'S government announced plans Wednesday to reduce the age of criminal responsibility from 15 to 13 to combat the soaring recruitment of children to carry out shootings and bombings for organized crime networks.

The Scandinavian country has struggled to contain a surge in the networks' violent crime for more than a decade, linked primarily to score-settling and battles to control the drug market. "The number of suspected crimes involving children under the age of 15 has doubled in a decade. And the suspects in deadly shootings have become increasingly younger," the coalition right-wing government and its far-right ally the Sweden Democrats wrote in a piece published in the Expressen daily.

Young teens are being recruited on encrypted apps to carry out crimes in exchange for money, so older criminals do not risk getting caught and because they know the youths will not face long prison sentences due to their age. — AFP

SEPT 9

Chinese scientists trace phased rise of oxygen

CHINESE scientists have found that Earth's atmosphere experienced three major oxygen surges over the past two billion years as it shifted from an anoxic to an oxygen-rich state, offering fresh insights into the origins of life, its evolution and the planet's long-term habitability.

The study, led by researchers from Chengdu University of Technology and Nanjing University, was recently published in Nature. It presents a record of the triple oxygen isotope composition of sulfate trapped in sedimentary rocks.

"For the first time, our research provides the most direct atmospheric evidence to date that Earth's oxygen levels reached modern levels around 410 million years ago, confirming the three-stage oxygenation process of the planet's surface," said Li Chao, a professor at the Institute of Sedimentary Geology, Chengdu University of Technology. Meanwhile, during the Neoproterozoic, sharp, interconnected shifts in carbon, sulfur and oxygen isotopes show that after atmospheric oxygen increased, it began periodically oxidizing the largely oxygen-poor oceans. — Xinhua

SEPT 8

Battle to pick next LDP head effectively kicks off

THE battle to pick the next leader of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party effectively kicked off Monday, with heavyweights such as former economic security minister Sanae Takaichi and Chief Cabinet Secretary Yoshimasa Hayashi emerging as prominent candidates.

The presidential election is likely to feature some of the candidates who ran in 2024, including Takaichi, who hopes to become Japan's first female prime minister, Hayashi, former Foreign Minister Toshimitsu Motegi and farm minister Shinjiro Koizumi. Following Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba's announcement that he will step down, the LDP is expected to decide soon on the timing of its leadership race, with party sources saying arrangements are being made to allow rank-and-file members to vote. — Kyodo

SEPT 7

Russia convinced most countries oppose unipolar world

RUSSIA is convinced that the vast majority of countries do not want a unipolar world or someone to dictate rules to them, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said in an interview with Sputnik at the Eastern Economic Forum (EEF).

"The only thing we are convinced of is that the overwhelming majority of countries on the planet do not want a unipolar world, do not want someone dictating rules, want to live not by rules but by law, and want to be guided by the only thing we have in common - the UN, its charter, and its principles. Because that is the only tangible common ground we have. Whether we can develop something better, we do not know yet. Unfortunately, we cannot be certain of that," Peskov said. — SPUTNIK

SPORTS

Yadanabon FC wins; Yangon United match postponed by heavy rain

YADANABON FC secured a full points victory during the second day of the 2025-2026 MNL Matchweek 3, which was held on 13 September at Thuwunna Stadium. They defeated Thitsa Arman FC 4-2. Under the new coach, U Myint Ko, Yadanabon FC earned six points from three matches. Despite two consolation goals from Thitsa Arman FC, Yadanabon maintained their lead, with Thet Htun Aung and

Pyay Moe scoring in 19 and 25 minutes, and Soe Min Oo adding two more in 73 and 79 minutes. Min Maw Oo and Saw Myo Zaw scored for Thitsa Arman FC in 28 and in 64 minutes. Meanwhile, the Yangon United versus ISPE FC match at the Yangon United Sports Complex was suspended after 20 minutes due to heavy rain flooding the pitch. The match will be rescheduled, with no



Yadanabon FC in action against Thitsa Arman FC. PHOTO: MNL

goals recorded at the time of suspension. On 12 September, Hanthawady United defeated Dagon Port 5-4, while Maha United and Rakhine United drew 0-0. Matchweek 3 will conclude today with Shan United facing Rakh-

ine United at Taunggyi Stadium and Dagon Star United playing Ayeyawady United at Thuwunna Stadium. — Ko Nyi Lay/KZL



Eh Mwi in action against Thai fighter Memut. PHOTO: ONE

Myanmar Fighter Eh Mwi loses at ONE Friday Fights 124

MYANMAR fighter Eh Mwi suffered a loss during ONE Friday Fights 124 at Lumpinee Boxing Stadium in Bangkok, Thailand, on the evening of 12 September. Eh Mwi faced Thai fighter Memut in the Co-Main Event. Although he struggled in the first round and was scored once against him just before the one-minute mark, Eh Mwi gained momentum in the second and third rounds, landing effective strikes that troubled his opponent. Despite his efforts, the fight went the distance, and the judges awarded victory to Memut. This marked Eh Mwi's sixth bout under ONE Championship, with four wins and three consecutive losses in his last three fights. — Chit Ko Ko/KZL

Arsenal ruin Postecoglou's Forest debut as Zubimendi bags brace

ARSENAL ruined Ange Postecoglou's first game in charge of Nottingham Forest as Martin Zubimendi's double sealed a 3-0 win at the Emirates Stadium on Saturday. Zubimendi bagged his first goals for the Gunners following his close-season move from Real Sociedad. The Spain midfielder opened the scoring in the first half and netted again in the closing stages after Viktor Gyokeres doubled Arsenal's lead soon after the break. Arsenal's third win in four games took them to the top of the table on goal difference ahead of Liverpool, who face Burnley on Sunday. A 1-0 defeat against champions Liverpool in their last match before the international break had punctured the optimism at Arsenal after successive wins against Leeds and



Arsenal's Martin Zubimendi (L) celebrates scoring against Nottingham Forest. PHOTO: AFP

Manchester United to start the season. But this was the kind of confident display, highlighted by Noni Madueke's virtuoso performance, that Gunners boss Mikel Arteta believes will keep his side in contention to win the title. — AFP

Kenya's Chebet wins 10,000m gold to set up tilt at world double

KENYA'S Beatrice Chebet won the women's 10,000 metres title at the world championships on Saturday in a first step towards her tilt at a rarely-achieved distance double. Chebet, the world record holder in both the 5,000m and 10,000m, clocked a winning time of 30 minutes 37.61seconds for the first track gold of the championships in Tokyo. Italy's Nadia Battocletti claimed silver in a national record of 30:38.23, while Ethiopia's defending champion Gudaf Tsegay took bronze in 30:39.65. Chebet took last year's Paris Olympics by storm as she won both the 5,000m and 10,000m crowns, and she now has her sights set on a world double. Two past winners of the women's 10,000m at the world championships have also completed the double by winning the 5,000m: Ethiopia's Tirunesh Dibaba in 2005 and Kenya's Vivian Cheruiyot in 2011. Cheruiyot was also the last Kenyan woman to claim the 10,000m title, back in 2015. — AFP



Saul 'Canelo' Alvarez and Terence Crawford face off during a ceremonial weigh-in before their super middleweight world title fight in Las Vegas. PHOTO: AFP

Alvarez, Crawford both scale 167.5 pounds for blockbuster bout

UNDISPUTED super middleweight world champion Saul "Canelo" Alvarez and American challenger Terence Crawford faced off for one last time before their blockbuster bout at a raucous ceremonial weigh-in on Friday. Both were 167.5 pounds (75.9 kilogrammes), half a pound under the supper middleweight limit, at the closed-door official weigh-in on Friday morning. They then both tipped the scales at the same weight before around 10,000 fans at T-Mobile Arena hours later. It was a career-high weight for Crawford, a four-division champion who is jumping up from super welterweight in the hope of becoming the first man to win undisputed titles in three weight classes. — AFP



The Alameda Avenue entrance to the Walt Disney Studios in Burbank, California. **PHOTO: WIKIMEDIA COMMONS/FILE**

OpenAI backs AI- animated film for Cannes debut

The production will blend AI technology with human work.

CHATGPT-MAKER OpenAI is backing the production of a feature-length animated film created largely with artificial intelligence tools, aiming to prove the technology can revolutionize Hollywood filmmaking with faster timelines and lower costs.

The movie, titled “Criterz”, follows woodland creatures on an adven-

ture after their village is disrupted by a stranger, with producers hoping to premiere at the Cannes Film Festival in May 2026 before a global theatrical release, they said in statement on Monday.

The project has a budget of under \$30 million and a production timeline of just nine months — a fraction of the typical \$100-200 million cost and three-year development cycle for major animated

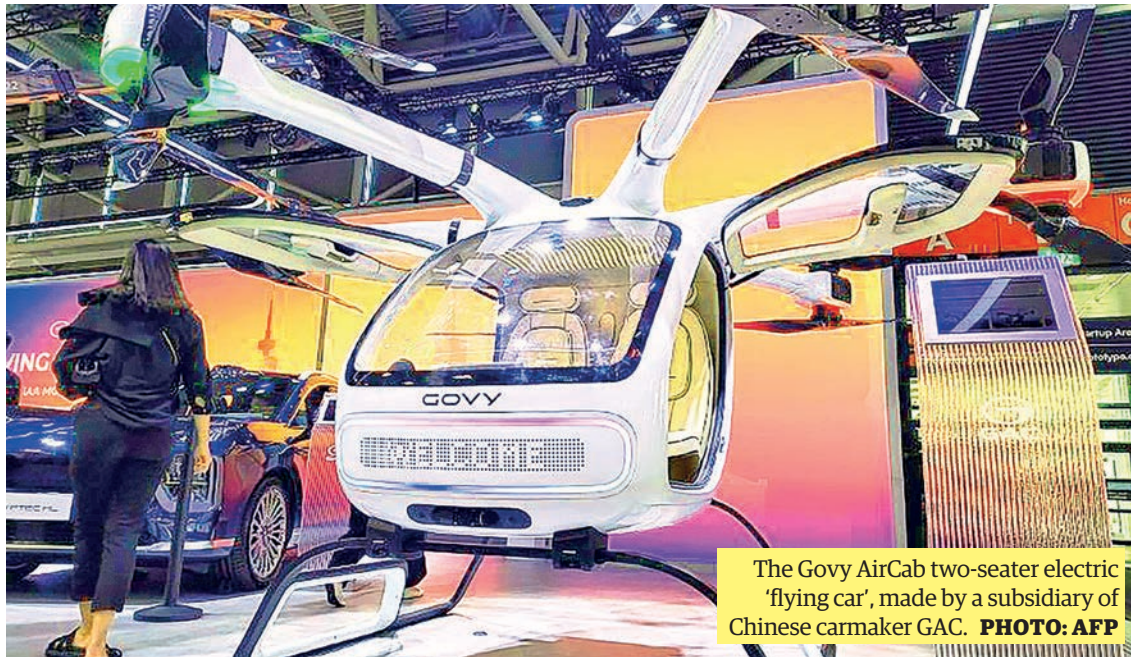
features.

“Criterz” originated as a short film by Chad Nelson, a creative specialist at OpenAI, who began developing the concept three years ago using the company’s DALL-E image generation tool.

Nelson has partnered with London-based Vertigo Films and Los Angeles studio Native Foreign to expand the project into a full-length feature. — AFP

Flying cars, robot dogs, and electric innovations at Munich auto show

Uses AI, including GPT-powered intelligence, to understand the environment and make decisions autonomously.



The Govy AirCab two-seater electric ‘flying car’, made by a subsidiary of Chinese carmaker GAC. **PHOTO: AFP**

AT the Munich auto fair IAA Mobility, several cutting-edge innovations were showcased. Chinese companies presented “flying cars,” small electric aircraft powered by multiple rotors for short trips.

Xpeng’s Land Aircraft

Carrier, combining an electric car with a fold-out two-seat aircraft, aims for mass production in 2026, priced under \$281,000. GAC’s Govy AirCab, a quieter, self-driving two-seater electric aircraft with a 120 kilometres per hour top speed and 30 kilo-

metres range, has 1,500 orders at about \$235,000 each. Robotics also featured prominently, with the Go2 robotic dog from Unitree Robotics, powered by Eve Energy batteries, designed for dangerous tasks to replace humans in hazardous environments. — AFP



Umeno Sumiyama and Koume Kodama were certified as the world’s oldest living identical twins by Guinness World Records on 1 September 2021, at the age of 107 years and 300 days. **PHOTO: GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS /KYODO/FILE**

Japan’s centenarians increase to new record of over 99,000, up 4,600

THE number of Japan’s centenarians grew for the 55th straight year to a record 99,763, the government said Friday.

The number of those aged 100 or above is estimated to increase by 4,644 from a year earlier as of 15 September, according to the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare, which released the data ahead of Monday’s Respect for the Aged Day holiday.

Women accounted for about 88 per cent of the total, at 87,784, while the number of male centenarians stood at 11,979.

The oldest person was Shigeko Kagawa, a 114-year-old woman in Yamatokoriyama, Nara Prefecture. The oldest man in the country was Kiyotaka Mizuno, 111, in Iwata, Shizuoka Prefecture. There were an average 80.58 centenarians per 100,000 people in the country. By prefecture, Shimane in western Japan led others for the 13th straight year, with 168.69 per 100,000 residents. — Kyodo