

**Vice-President U Nyan Tun visits Sittway, Maungtau,  
Buthidaung Tsps in Rakhine State**

Nay Pyi Taw, 4 Feb— Accompanied by Union Minister U Htay Aung, Rakhine State Chief Minister U Hla Maung Tin and deputy ministers, Vice-President U Nyan Tun arrived at Mawwyawady village in Maungtau district today.

First, the Vice-President cordially greeted students at a makeshift school and spoke words of encouragement to departmental personnel and local people in the village.

Next, he inspected inter-village road, village post-primary school, staff housing and resettlement of local people at the village.

After explaining measures for ensuring peace and stability and development in the region, the Vice-President presented school uniforms and cash assistance for 140 students through the school head. He also offered provisions to the abbot of the village monastery.

In meeting with departmental officials, members of social organizations and townsenders of the two communities at Thiri Mingala Hall of Maungtau Township, the Vice-President clarified the government's sweeping reforms. He then observed peace and tranquility and development of the township on a motorcade.

On his arrival at Buthidaung, the Vice-President explained measures to be taken for ensuring development and peace and stability in the region fulfilled the requirements of local people.

Next, he inspected construction of a two-storey building for the postprimary school in Thabyaykon ward and observed learning of students at the school. After inspecting development undertakings being implemented in the township on a motorcade, the Vice-President flew back to Sittway.

In the afternoon, the Vice-President delivered a speech in meeting with officials, Hluttaw representatives, social organizations and local people at a hall of Rakhine State government office in Sittway.

First, the state chief minister, Union ministers U Zeyar Aung and U Htay Aung and Deputy Ministers Brig-Gen Kyaw Kyaw Tun and U Aung Than Oo presented their respective reports.

In the evening, Vice-President U Nyan Tun visited the Kaladan River transportation project at Sittway Port.

The Sittway Port is being upgraded to handle a 20,000-ton vessel. During his visits in Rakhine State, Vice-President U Nyan Tun clarified the efforts of the government to cease the armed conflicts in the country while working hard for transition to democracy and for building market-oriented economic system.

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