

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Post Graduate Software Development Programme – MIIT**

**Myanmar Institute of Information Technology (MIIT)** is a National Centre of Excellence established by the Government of the Republic of Union of Myanmar to impart education and conduct research in the areas of Information Technology. The Institute is being established with the help of the Government of India under a MOU entered into between the two Governments. The International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore (IIITB) India is the mentor institution which would provide technical and academic support to the project.

The first batch of MIIT would undergo a nine month Post Graduate Software Development (PGDSD) Programme commencing from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2014. The first six months of the PGDSD programme will be held at IIITB Bangalore, India and the last three months at the MIIT campus at University of Computer Studies, Mandalay.

The PGDSD programme is job-oriented and will have an industry tested curriculum taught by highly rated faculty to enable students obtain software development employment in the world's leading Companies. The participants for the PGDSD programme were selected through an entrance examination and interview conducted by Ministry of Science and Technology Myanmar and IIIT (Bangalore).

Deputy Minister H.E Dr Aung Kyaw Myat, Ministry of Science and Technology Myanmar and Ambassador of India to Myanmar, H.E. Gautam Mukhopadhya interacted with the 30 Myanmar participants prior to the departure.

Ambassador Mukhopadhya said that this endeavor is part of India's continued commitment for development cooperation and human resource development in Myanmar which encompasses major connectivity projects and several capacity building initiatives, entailing a financial commitment on the part of Government of India of US\$ 1.5 billion in direct project aid and soft line of credits. He said that India is at an advanced stage of setting up a Myanmar Institute of Information Technology in Mandalay which is scheduled to commence during the coming academic year December 2014. He said that participants would gain valuable knowledge and experience during their 9 month programme which is being conducted by IIIT(B), which is an IT Institute of excellence in India. He hoped that the participants would herald a new generation of IT entrepreneurs in Myanmar and contribute to the development and growth of Myanmar especially in the IT sector. Ambassador also wished them success.

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