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HANDSHAKE CONCERT 2014-MYANMAR EDITION

The Embassy of India in Yangon and Rattle & Hum Music Society of Nagaland, India in cooperation with Ministry of Culture of the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar will present the Handshake Concert 2014-Myanmar Edition on Saturday 5th July, 2014 at 1900 hrs at the National Theatre in Yangon.

The evening's programme will have Pandit Vishwa Mohan Bhatt who is a Grammy Award winning Hindustani Classical Instrumentalist, playing the Mohan Veena (Slide Guitar), "Voices of Hope", led by Mr. Nise Meruno, (a renowned soloist and brand Ambassador of AKG Musical Instruments India) Nagaland's first show choir made up of classically trained singers and musicians from the state of Nagaland, the "Tetseo Sisters", the Naga songsters and siblings, Mercy, Alune and Kuvelu, who have spent their young lives promoting the nearly forgotten music of the *Chakhesang* tribe of Nagaland in the northeastern India and also artistes from Ministry of Culture, Govt of Myanmar who will be presenting recitals on Myanmar Traditional Orchestra including compositions on Myanmar Harp and Drums.

The Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe and Speaker of Nagaland Legislative Assembly Mr. Chotisuh Sazo will the grace the event as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour. The Handshake Concert Myanmar edition is being organized as part of the cultural exchange between our two neighboring countries. The event will go a long way in show cashing the unique music and culture of Nagaland in India, enhancing the mutual understanding and strengthening the strong & friendly relations between the people of India and Myanmar.

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