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JOINT WORKING GROUP ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The 7th Myanmar-India Joint Working Group (JWG) meeting on India-Myanmar Scientific and Technological Cooperation was held on 16-17 May 2024 at Nay Pyi Taw.

The meeting was co-chaired by Dr Sai Kyaw Naing Oo, Permanent Secretary, Myanmar Ministry of Science and Technology (MoST) and Dr Praveenkumar Somasundaram, Director, Department of Science and Technology, India and attended by 05 Indian and 13 Myanmar delegates.



INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH ISRF AND INDIA-ASEAN FELLOWSHIP ALLUMNI

The Indian delegation from the **Department** of Science and Technology held an interactive session with the Indian Science and Research Fellowship (ISRF) and the India-ASEAN Fellowship alumni/ scholars at India Centre, Yangon, on 18 May 2024. Dr Phyu Phyu Win, Director General under Ministry of Science and Technology and Dr Kay Thi Lwin, Rector, Technological University, Hmawbi also graced the session.



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FEEDBACK SESSION OF OFFICIALS FROM MINISTRY OF RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS AND CULTURE

On successful completion of 2-years 'Master in Social Work' at Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai, H.E Shri Abhay Thakur, Ambassador of India to Myanmar held a Feedback session with 19 Myanmar participants from the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture was organized at India House, Yangon on 04 May 2024.

These participants from the various states and Regions will be deputed as the trained Faculty at the forthcoming Department of Social Work, Naypyitaw State Academy (NSA).

The course was fully funded by the government of India under its ITEC programme. While sharing their valuable experience, the participants expressed gratitude, appreciate the course contents and explained how it is beneficial for the country and further enhancement of their career growth.



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE FIELD OF COMPETITION POLICY

On invitation of Ministry of Commerce, Myanmar, a 03-member expert team from the Competition Commission of India (CCI), led by Shri Ved Prakash Mishra, Adviser (Law) visited Myanmar and successfully imparted 4 days training in the field of Competition Policy to around 30 Myanmar candidates at Nay Pyi Taw from June 3 to 6, 2024.

The training was fully funded by the Government of India and well appreciated by the Myanmar side



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ITEC INTERACTION SESSION

An Interactive session was organised on 18 June 2024 for the participants from the Anti-Corruption Commission for various training courses conducted under ITEC programme for the FY 2024-25.

The participants were representing different states and Regions of the country.



ITEC ORIENTATION/BRIEFING SESSION

18 Myanmar participants of ITEC course on "Progress to Proficiency Iteration-I" commencing from 02-29 July 2024 at "English and Foreign Languages University", Hyderabad attended an Orientation/Briefing session at the Embassy of India, Yangon on 28 June 2024.



INDIAN TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION (ITEC) PROGRAMME

To enhance skill development and capacity building, 400 ITEC slots are allocated for Myanmar of which 20 Myanmar participates from various Ministries/private sectors successfully attended several ITEC courses till 30 June 2024.

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Celebration of 163rd birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore

On 8th May 2024, Swami Vivekananda Cultural Center Yangon, Embassy of India celebrated the 163rd birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore together with friends from Myanmar and Indian community. Gurudev visited Myanmar in 1916, 1024, and 1927. The plaque at a building on Merchant Street commemorates his stay in Yangon 100 years ago.

The famous play Chandalika was staged in the auditorium of the centre. This entire drama was staged and presented by the students of Swami Vivekananda Cultural Center and dance teacher Ms. Lalan Desai. The emotional presentation was greatly appreciated by the audience present.



International Day of Culture

International Day of Cultural Diversity organized by Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Embassy of India, Yangon on 21 May 2024. The program was inaugurated by lighting of Lump by Ambassador Shri Abhay Thakur, Counsellor Shri Ram Chandra Yadev and diplomats of Russia and Nepal.

In 2002, UNESCO in 2002 had declared 21st May as International Day of Culture. International Day for Cultural Diversity reminds us that the beauty of our world lies in its diversity.

The purpose of celebrating this day is to understand and promote the importance of cultural diversity around the world.



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Celebration of 10th International Day of Yoga, 2024

As part of the celebration 10th International Day of Yoga, the Embassy of India, Yangon organized multiple yoga events on the theme "Yoga for Self and Society" across various iconic places in Myanmar that includes Kandwagyi Lake, Star City Sports Complex, Bhoothnath Temple, India Centre, Central Mall, Uppatasanti Pagoda, Nay Pyi Taw, Maravijaya Statue Complex, Nay Pyi Taw, and Thilawa Port, Thuwana National Indoor Stadium. All the events have received wide responses from people of different walks and ages.

First event to 10th International Day of Yoga (IDY) was organized at People's Park. Yangon with the alluring view of iconic Shwedagon Pagoda on June 1, 2024.

Celebrations of 10th IDY was culminated with a grand event at Thuwana National Indoor Stadium, Yangon on 21 June 2024. Chief Minister of Yangon Region and Mayor & Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee attended the event as Chief guest. Ambassador of Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and members of diplomatic Mission of several other countries attended the event. More than 700 participants have attended this event.

Ambassador in his address spoke about the roots of yogic practice which dates back to ancient India and urged everyone to incorporate yoga in to daily life.



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Deployment of Medical Team

A five member Indian Armed Forces Medical delegation visited Myanmar from 06-10 May 2024 to provide assistance in training and setting up of a 'Liver Transplant and Gastroenterology Department at No 2 Defence Services General Hospital (DSGH) (1000 Bedded) Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar.



6th Air Force Staff Talks (AFST)

6th Air Force Staff Talk conducted in Nay Pyi Taw from 14-16 May 2024. Three member IAF delegation led by Air Vice Marshal II Kuttapa, VM, VSM, ACAS (Int), attended the talks.



6th Army to Army Staff Talks (AAST)

6th Army to Army Staff Talks conducted at Nay Pyi Daw, Myanmar from 11-13 Jun 2024. Two member Indian Air Force delegation led by Major Genenal Charanjeet Singh Dewgun, YSM, ADG MI (A) attended the meet.



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Construction of Sarsobeikman Building

The 1st JPMC meeting for construction of Sarsobeikman Building was held on 28th May 2024 in Yangon .Representative of Ministry of Information (MoI), Ministry of Construction (MoC), Ministry of Home Affairs, Yangon City Development Committee (YCDC). Representative of Embassy of India and Ministry of External Affairs have also attended the meeting

Detailed discussion was held on the implementation modalities as well as decision on floating of tender and the modality of implementation in accordance with the guidelines outlined in the Project Agreement.



2nd Joint Working Group Meeting on Health

A 5 Members delegation led by the Director General, Ministry of Health, Myanmar held 2nd Joint Working Group Meeting in New Delhi on 17th May 2024. Both side has productive discussion to more collaboration on Digital Health, Drug regulation, Communicable, Non Communicable disease and Cancer, Child and Matternal Health.

