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## Manufacturing Sector

### Water purification plant to be built near Letpadaungtaung copper project

Source – Eleven Media

Thailand and Myanmar will invest US\$5 million to build a water purification plant near Letpadaungtaung copper mining project in Monywa, Sagaing Region, according to the Directorate of Investment and Companies Administration (DICA) in Sagaing Region. The name of Thai company is not disclosed at the moment. Sagaing Region's DICA supports the plan on construction of water purification plant in that area as the region already needs to get the purified water.

This project for the second phase will begin in July. POSCO Daewoo aims to produce gas in Shwe Gas Field beginning in April 2021 and in Shwe Phyu Gas Field beginning in April 2022.

## Trading Sector

### Myanmar relies Medicine imports as local production meets about 10 pc of local demand

Source – Eleven Media

Myanmar imports medicine and medical equipment worth US\$ 400 million every year as the country's medicine production meets about 10 percent of local demand, according to the Myanmar Pharmaceutical Industrial Enterprise. It is reportedly known that almost all medicines are imported from other countries. Medicines produced by the BPI have a huge market share of local products.

Medicine gets imported via border gates and other routes. Illegal medicines are rampant in local markets. Citizens are urged to complain to respective Food and Drug Administration Department in regions and states about sub-standard and/or fake drugs. Myanmar imports medicine mainly from pharmas based in Thailand, China and India. Low quality medicines are mostly comes through Myanmar-China and Myanmar-India borders.

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## Service Sector

### Grab to invest US\$100million in Myanmar expansion

Source- Mizzima Media

Grab has announced it will deepen the company's presence in Myanmar by investing US\$100 million over the next three years. The money will allow Grab to strengthen its presence in Yangon and work with local governments to launch its ride-hailing services to other cities across the country.

The company also plans to unveil other products from the Grab suite such as GrabPay, moving more people in Myanmar into the digital economy and driving the adoption of mobile payment nationwide. According to the press statement, it works with local banks such as CB Bank and Wave Money to make banking and financial services available to all of its driver partners in Yangon.

### Dulwich College Yangon to invest \$30m in 1<sup>st</sup> phase construction of world-class campuses

Source- Eleven Media

Partnered with Yoma Strategic Holdings Ltd., Dulwich College Yangon is making a capital investment of more than US\$30 million to develop the first phase of their two world-class campuses. It has also announced the details of a US\$8 million investment into the sport facilities at its campus. The 20-acre StarCity campus will be introducing state-of-the-art sports facilities in August 2018 including a sports field with 400-metre running track, an indoor gymnasium complex, a dance studio and an aquatic centre with a 10-lane, 50-metre Olympic-size swimming pool and a 20-metre training pool. The College aims to broaden the students' breadth of experience to include key life skills such as sport, music, the performing arts, public speaking and community service.

### Golden Myanmar and Air KBZ to fly Ygn-Nyaung U-Mdy-Heho daily

Source- Daily Eleven

Golden Myanmar airlines and Air KBZ will be flying a daily codeshare flight to Yangon-NyaungU-Mandalay-Heho starting from June 1 till September 30.

The promotion period is from June 1 to September 30 and reservations will be accepted by phone. The airlines will charge Ks 45,000 per ticket for citizens and US\$81 per ticket for foreigners in Yangon-Mandalay, Mandalay-Yangon, Yangon-NyaungU and Yangon-Heho flights. They will charge Ks43,000 per ticket for citizens and US\$79 per ticket for foreigners in NyaungU-Yangon and Heho-Yangon flights.

## Upcoming events

### New Companies Law Seminar

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> July

Organizer: Lincoln Legal Services

Contact: [sebastian@lincolnmyanmar.com](mailto:sebastian@lincolnmyanmar.com)

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### Myanmar International Tourism Expo 2018

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Organizer: ICVeX

Contact: [info@icvex.com](mailto:info@icvex.com)

### Understanding of Intellectual properties in Myanmar

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> July

Organizer: SAGA ASIA Consulting Co., Ltd

Contact: [yu@sagaasialaw.com](mailto:yu@sagaasialaw.com)

## **MPT FTTH service starts in 10 townships**

Source- MPT

MPT, Myanmar's first and leading telecommunications operator, announced that it is launching the next phase of its Fibre to the Home (FTTH) Internet Rollout Plan on 5<sup>th</sup> July. MPT is now covering the whole of downtown Yangon, 10 townships, enabling families to access high-quality and modern internet infrastructure. In addition, there are no initial fees for new customers during the promotion period until the 25th of July.

For those customers who want unlimited downloads for a simple monthly fee, MPT is will offer fibre internet from only 39,000 Ks per month with no annual fee. MPT is also planning to expand its FTTH internet network to other areas of Yangon, Mandalay, and the regions.

## **Construction Sector**

### **Yoma Strategic rebrands to expand property business**

Source – Eleven Media

Yoma Strategic Holdings Ltd announced the launch of Yoma Land, a property-focused company that will unify all their real estate projects in Myanmar. The firm will continue to implement luxury residential buildings as well as to explore new opportunities to accommodate more “mass market housing”, bringing home ownership to many more people.

As of March 31, the firm has sold more than 2,000 apartments in its StarCity, large-scale residential development near the Thilawa special economic zone. Galaxy Towers, which is in the third phase of development, has six residential towers with 1,038 apartments available for sale.

It also aims to fully complete another mixed use development in downtown Yangon within three years. It will feature the Peninsula-branded luxury residences which will include two Grade A office towers, a hotel, serviced apartments and a retail podium. The site will be anchored by the former headquarters of the Myanmar Railways Company which will be restored into a luxury hotel named The Peninsula Yangon.

## **Industry Sector**

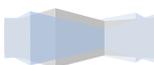
### **POSCO Daewoo Starts Second Phase of Myanmar Gas Field Development Project**

Source- Business Korea

POSCO Daewoo has started the second phase of a Myanmar gas field development project, the company announced on June 28. It began to develop eight additional production wells by signing a contract with world-class companies.

POSCO Daewoo announced that its president Kim Young-sang signed an engineering, procurement, construction, installation and commissioning (EPCIC) contract with Baker Hughes and McDermott for the second phase of the Myanmar gas field development project.

The contract is worth 300 billion won. The McDermott-Baker Hughes consortium will install subsea production facilities, subsea gas pipelines, and underwater production controllers to develop a total of eight subsea wells, four in Shwe Gas Field and the other four in ShwePhyu Gas Field. POSCO Daewoo will manage and supervise the EPCIC project while directly conducts drilling work at the eight subsea wells.



## **PanAust gets green light to mine gold, copper**

Source – Myanmar Times

PanAust, the Australian mineral miner had received three new licenses for the prospecting and exploration of gold and copper in Myanmar on 6th July.

PanAust is an Australian-headquartered copper and gold producer with operations in Laos. It is also pursuing pre-development and exploration opportunities in Myanmar and Papua New Guinea. In Myanmar, PanAust holds an 80 percent interest in Wuntho Resources Company Limited (WRCL) and has established a joint venture with Myanmar Energy Resources Group International Company Limited (MERG), a Myanmar-based company, which holds the remaining 20pc of WRCL.

## **Legislation**

### **DICA issues five notifications of the Myanmar Companies Law 2017**

Source- Global New Light of Myanmar

The Directorate of Investment and Company Administration (DICA) issued five notifications (56,57, 58, 59,60/2018), under the Myanmar Companies Law 2017, on 9 and 10 July 2018.

Those notifications state requirements for public companies and business associations, prescribed fees and late lodgment fees, prescribed forms for an instrument of transfer for shares or other registrable interests in a company, prescribed form of model constitution for a private company limited by shares, which will come into effect from 1 August 2018.

## **Economy**

### **Exchange rate rises again in Early July**

Source – Global New Light of Myanmar

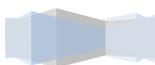
Exchange rate in mid-June was over Ks1,350 per dollar and reached Ks1,390 at the end of June. It then increased to its highest point of Ks 1410 per US dollar on 13 July. With the increase in the foreign exchange rate, the Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM) set the rate at Ks1,408 per dollar, recently.

According to a senior advisor to Kanbawza (KBZ) bank, the dollar-to-kyat interbank exchange rate is on the rise, because of the global political condition, not because of the local market condition. America's increased tariff to China is one of the reasons for the increasing US dollar exchange rate. It is reportedly known that there is no US dollar demand in the local market. The exchange rate was on the rise throughout 2017 and hit an all-time record high of Ks1,380 per dollar.

### **Ministry plans to stabilize fuel oil price**

Source –Eleven Media

In an attempt to control rising fuel oil prices, eight State-owned fuel filling stations will directly sell fuel at a fair price as of July 1, according to the Ministry of Electricity and Energy. Rising fuel prices are coupled with an increase in the global fuel price and currency exchange rates. The ministry will sell gasoline produced by Petrochemical Factory (Thapayarkan) under Myanmar Petrochemical Enterprise (MPE), at a fair price, to small vehicles and motorbikes.



The eight fuel filling stations are: one in Nay Pyi Taw, three in Yangon, two in Mandalay, one in Bago and one in Taungoo.

In order to reduce rising fuel oil prices in local market, the Ministry of Electricity and Energy distributed three million gallons of A-72 gasoline at a price of Ks-3200 per gallon, to Myanmar Fuel Oil Importers and Distributors Association, at the end of April.

### **Inflation rate hits 4.29 pc in May**

**Source- Eleven Media**

The average inflation rate in late May stood at 4.29 per cent, a slight increase compared with 4.12 per cent in late April, according to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Inflation Rate by the Central Statistical Organisation.

In late May, Mandalay topped the list of inflation with 8.51 per cent, followed by Rakhine with 8.41 per cent and Ayeyarwady with 5.25 per cent. According to the year-on-year inflation rates, Mandalay region saw the biggest change at 11.38 per cent while the Union Territory saw the least change with 2.50 per cent.

### **FDI hits as low as US\$ 394 mil in first quarter of 2018-2019 FY**

**Source – DICA**

The amount of FDIs hit \$ 394.87 million in this 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2018. This amount is almost \$1 billion lower compared to the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2017-2018 FY.

Between 1 April and 30 June of 2018, MIC has approved 26 enterprises to invest in the country. The agriculture sector received one foreign investment with a capital of \$5.6 million. The real estate sector also attracted one investment worth \$2.8 million. Similarly, the hotels and tourism sector attained one FDI of \$9.26 million. Over \$88.9 million FDIs were flowed into other services.

By means of country, Japan stands 1<sup>st</sup> position in the list with the largest investment of \$85 million, followed by China and the United States. Similarly, Hong Kong, India, South Korea, Singapore, Viet Nam and the United States made investments over the past three months.

### **Foreign trade records high by nearly US\$ 9 billion in first quarter**

**Source – MOC**

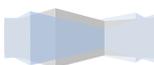
From 1 April and 29 June of 2018, total trade value reaches to almost \$9 billion – nearly 4 billion worth of exports, and 5 billion worth of imports. The amount exceeds over \$1 billion compared to the same period of 2017-2018 FY.

As for import, the country imported \$1,815 million worth of capital goods, \$ 2,082 million worth of intermediate goods and 1,097 million worth of consumer goods over the past three month period. Regarding export, Myanmar earns largest trade income from exporting manufacturing goods, which worth \$ 2,198 million, followed by agricultural products with \$ 710 million and minerals with \$ 326 million in this 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2018.

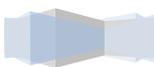
### **General cargo wharf to build in Thilawa Port**

**Source- Eleven Media**

With the aid of Japanese ODA loan, the construction for general cargo wharf was started on June 2016 and will be completed in December 2018, and ships will be able to dock in early 2019, according to Myanma Port Authority (MPA). The construction will undertake in an



area where containers can keep at the back of container and general cargo wharf in Thilawa port. The project is expected to complete the construction work carried out on No.25 and 26 land plots owned by the MPA in December, 2018. The project consists of building and buying a steel jacket type main bridge, dockyard buildings, three smaller bridges, two quay cranes, three reach stackers, six RTGs, six chassis and six chassis trailers.



## Invitation for Bids

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018

Loan Agreement No: MY-P5

IFB No: ICB-06

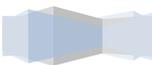
1. The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has received a loan from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) toward the cost of Greater Yangon Water Supply Improvement Project (MY-P5). It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the Contract for the Supply and Delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite.
2. Bidding will be conducted through procedures in accordance with the applicable Guidelines for Procurement under Japanese ODA Loans, and is open to all Bidders from eligible source countries, as defined in the Loan Agreement.
3. The Yangon City Development Committee now invites sealed Bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the procurement of the Supply and Delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite (“the Goods”).
4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the Bidding Documents at the office of Engineering Department (Water and Sanitation) , Yangon City Development Committee at 12 1/2 Storey Office Building, No.390, Merchant Road, Yangon, Myanmar.
5. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be purchased by interested Bidders on the submission of a written application to the address above, and upon payment of a non-refundable fee 50,000 Myanmar Kyats.
6. The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions of Contract are the provisions of the Standard Bidding Documents under Japanese ODA Loans for the Procurement of Goods.
7. Bids must be delivered to the above address at or before 14:00 on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and must be accompanied by a Bid Security of 17,000,000 JPY or 170,000 USD.
8. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders’ representatives who choose to attend at 14:00 PM on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018 at the office of Engineering Department (Water and Sanitation), Yangon City Development Committee, 12 1/2 Storey Office Building, No.390, Merchant Road, Botahtaung Township, Yangon, Myanmar. Mr. Aung San Win Head of Department Engineering Department (Water and Sanitation) Yangon City Development

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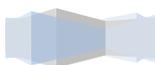
**THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR**  
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**(INVITATION FOR OPEN TENDER )**  
**( 12/ 2018 )**

1. Open tenders are invited for supply of the following respective items in Myanmar Kyats.

Sr. No	Tender No	Description	Remark
1	DMP/L-047(18-19)	Welding Electrodes (5) Groups	Ks
2	DMP/L-048(18-19)	Magna Dewax PT-2066 Parafin Solvent & Demulsifier 2 Items	Ks
3	DMP/L-049(18-19)	Steel Wire Ropes (2) Items	Ks
4	DMP/L-050(18-19)	PAC-R (50) MT	Ks
5	DMP/L-051(18-19)	Spares for D-375 Pump Ex Card Well and GEFCO Drilling Rig (12) Items	Ks
6	DMP/L-052(18-19)	Chrome Lignite (XP-20) (200) Tons	Ks
7	DMP/L-053(18-19)	Assorted Kinds of Engineering Workshop Tools (7) Groups	Ks
8	DMP/L-054(18-19)	Spares for FLC 504 Derrick Shaker Unit (7) Items	Ks
9	DMP/L-055(18-19)	Spares for Komatsu Dozer (D 155A-1) (19) Items	Ks
10	DMP/L-056(18-19)	Spares for Komatsu Dozer (D 85 ESS-2) (37) Items	Ks
11	DMP/L-057(18-19)	Spares for Zoom Lion Crane (54) Items	Ks
12	DMP/L-058(18-19)	Spares for C-18 Marine Engine Ex MTBN-5 River Craft (24) Items	Ks

2. The Open Tender forms including Description of Materials / Quantity with details specifications and Tender Terms & Conditions can be available free download at the Ministry of Electricity and Energy Website Portal ([www.moee.gov.mm](http://www.moee.gov.mm)) as from 16 July 2018. Tender forms will not be sold.

3. The interested Bidders should submit the **Technical Specifications with Original Bid Bond and Commercial Quotation in each separate sealed** envelope on which to be addressed to



the Managing Director, Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise and should reach in Tender Box of the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise not later than **14:00 pm on 15 August 2018**.

4. Tender Closing Date & Time- **15-8-2018, 14:00 pm**

**Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise**

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Source- Global New Light of Myanmar

