

“People are the key”

Republic of the Union of Myanmar Ministry of Health and Sports Order 97/2020 8th Waxing of Wagaung, 1382 ME (26 August 2020)

THE Ministry of Health and Sports has issued this order in exercise of the rights contained in Section 21, sub-section (b) of the Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases Law.

1. As the Ministry of Health and Sports is carrying out preventive measures against (Coronavirus Disease 2019 – COVID-19) in real-time, people residing in respective townships are required to “Stay-at-Home” in order to effectively control the spread of the disease.
2. It is hereby announced that people residing in ALL Townships in Rakhine State are included in the Stay-at-Home programme:
3. People from the ALL Townships included in the Stay-at-Home programme must follow the following rules:
 - a. To stay only at their homes (Those who need to perform their duties at government departments, organizations, companies, factories and workplaces not included)
 - b. Only one person per one household to go out for necessary shopping
 - c. Only two persons per household to go to hospital or clinic if a need arises
 - d. To wear masks when going outside
 - e. To allow only authorized vehicles, and ferries providing transportation service to those who are to going to workplaces to perform their duties, to pass through the wards
 - f. The vehicle is to carry only a driver and a passenger for going shopping in

the ward, and only a driver and two persons for going to hospital or clinic

4. Regarding matters relating to Clauses b, c and f of Paragraph 3, if more persons need to ride on the vehicle or to go for other emergencies, they are to seek approval from the respective Ward Administration Office to go outside, and the responsible persons of the respective Ward Administration Office shall not allow anyone to go out or come in to their wards except those who are going out and coming in to assume their charge of duties.
5. Action will be taken against those who fail to abide by this order under the Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases Law.
6. This order comes into effect from 8 am 27-8-2020.
7. This order will invalidate Order 93/2020 dated on 20-8-2020, and Order 96/2020 dated on 25-8-2020.

Sd/
Dr Myint Htwe
Union Minister
Ministry of Health and Sports

Virtual meeting held to support in drafting Occupational Safety & Health Law

THE Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population held virtual discussions to support in drafting the Occupational Safety and Health Law in Nay Pyi Taw yesterday.

Union Minister U Thein Swe, Deputy Minister U Myint Kyaing, Permanent Secretary U Myo Aung, Liaison Officer Mr Donglin Li of ILO office in Yangon, Senior Technical Advisor Ms Mariana of ILO Vision Zero Fund, International Association of Labour Inspection Chairman Mr Kevin Myers, General Secretary Mr Ho Siong Hin, experts and officials of Singapore’s Ministry of Manpower joined the meeting.

At the meeting, the Union Minister said he welcomed the participation of ILO members and international experts in enacting the rules to protect the workers with safe and secure working environment and to promote scoping safe workplaces and health issues.



Union Minister U Thein Swe engages in a virtual meeting to support the drafting of the Occupational Safety and Health Law from his office in Nay Pyi Taw. **PHOTO: MNA**

Occupational safety and health issues play key role for the economic productivity of the country while challenges are faced daily in these sectors together with the development of the country, said the Union Minister, adding that productive capacity, safety and hygiene workplaces could be developed by the occupational safety and

health law framework.

The workplace safety and health system are being carried out in the respective sectors under the separate laws, rules and organizations in Myanmar and the Factories and General Labour Law Inspection Department drafted the Occupational Safety and Health Law and Pyidaungsu Hluttaw approved it in March

2019, he said.

The further rules, orders and directives will be released depending on the situation and they will be in place with the approval of the President, said the Union Minister, adding copying laws and rules of other countries will not be suitable for Myanmar.

Liaison Officer Mr Donglin Li pledged to support the tech-

nical support in making law and ILO members, officials of IALI and Director-General for Factories and General Labour Law Inspection Department U Nyunt Win discussed their suggestions and performance regarding with the rules.—MNA

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