

## 1/ Parliament confirms appointments at Central Bank

<http://www.mizzima.com/news/myanmar/9766-parliament-confirms-appointments-at-central-bank>  
<http://www.irrawaddy.org/archives/40912>

Parliament has confirmed the appointment of members of the Central Bank governing body. U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Central Bank Governor during 1997-2007, is appointed as Central Bank Governor. Three Vice-Governor are U Than Nyein, the former Central Bank Governor, U Set Aung, Deputy Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and Daw Khin Saw Oo.

## 2/ Myanmar calling out for Indonesia's Telkom

<http://www.myanmar-business.org/2013/07/myanmar-calling-out-for-indonesias.html>

Telekomunikasi Indonesia, the nation's biggest telecommunication company, has won a tender to manage Myanmar's international networks. Telkom's expansion into Myanmar follows a call by State Enterprises Minister Dahlan Iskan last week for companies under his watch to aggressively pursue opportunities in the fellow ASEAN member.

## 3/ Telenor, Ooredoo announced pricing plan

Myanmar Business Today, 25-31 July 2013

Telenor and Ooredoo, two international companies winning the telecom licenses, have announced their mobile pricing plan. Both companies said the price of SIM cards would not exceed 1,500 kyats (1.5 USD). Telenor committed to 83 percent geographical coverage for voice and 75 percent for data over 5 years. Ooredoo promised 84 percent geographical coverage in the same timeframe for voice and data.

## 4/ Myanmar-China gas pipeline starts to deliver gas to China

<http://www.myanmar-business.org/2013/07/myanmar-china-gas-pipeline-starts-to.html>

A Myanmar-China gas pipeline (Myanmar section), co-invested by six parties from four countries including China, Myanmar, South Korea and India, was inaugurated in Myanmar on Sunday and started to deliver gas.

## 5/ First local credit card to be introduced

Myanmar Business Today, 1-7 August 2013

The Cooperative Bank Ltd. (CB Bank) announced plan to issue credit cards for Myanmar citizens by the end of this year. The company wishes to introduce Visa and Master Card branded credit. At present, Banks in Myanmar are not allowed to issue credit card but it is expected that the regulation that would permit the credit card issuance may be approved within the next few months.

## **6/ Fuel prices increase**

Myanmar Business Today, 1-7 August 2013

The prices of Octane 92 and Diesel rose about 45 kyats per litre from 870 kyats to between 910 and 920 kyats a litre. The increasing price is in line with the trend of the world price.

## **7/ South Korea to help develop Myanmar agro sector**

Myanmar Business Today, 1-7 August 2013

Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) will provide assistance to ongoing projects to help develop Myanmar agriculture sector. Under a five-year plan, KOICA will help establish a post harvest technology application centre in Nay Pyi Taw.

## **8/ Vegetable Exports to Singapore soon**

Myanmar Business Today, 1-7 August 2013

Singapore is planning to import vegetables from Myanmar following its first-ever importation of fruits in May 2013. Potential items include potato, cabbage, parsnip, eggplant, drum-stick and red pepper.

## **9/ ANA to increase flights on Tokyo-Yangon route**

Myanmar Business Today, 1-7 August 2013

ANA will increase capacity on its Tokyo-Yangon route this year, from the existing three flights per week to seven. The seat capacity will also be increased by replacing B737-700ER aircraft with B767-300ER.

## **10/ Ground Survey for oil refinery in Myanmar**

Myanmar Business Today, 1-7 August 2013

A Joint Venture between the Myanmar Economic Cooperation (MEC) and a Chinese company will conduct a ground survey in an effort to build a 5-million-ton oil refinery in southwestern Myanmar. The refinery will be built on Kalargote deep seaport, located between Mawlamyein and Yay.