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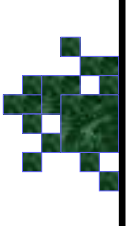
1<sup>st</sup> January 2017

## U Kyaw Win, the Union Minister for the Ministry of Planning and Finance Inspects the Customs Department



The Union Minister for the Ministry of Planning and Finance visited the Customs Department Headquarters in Yangon on 31<sup>st</sup>, Dec 2016. The Union Minister U Kyaw Win discussed with the Director-General and the directorate of the customs at the Meeting. U Win Thant, Director of MACCS Division made a presentation on the implementation of MACCS to the Union Minister and the Union Minister gave necessary instructions.

Afterwards, the Union Minister and the party inspected the customs operations at the MACCS Division and Export and Import Control Division.



## U Maung Maung Win, the Deputy Union Minister for the Ministry of Planning and Finance Inspects the Customs Department



The Deputy Union Minister for the Ministry of Planning and Finance visited the Customs Department Headquarters in Yangon on December 6, 2016. The Deputy Union Minister U Kyaw Win discussed with the Director-General and the directorate of the customs at the Meeting. U Win Thant, Director of MACCS Division made a presentation on the implementation of MACCS to the Union Minister and the Union Minister gave necessary instructions.

Afterwards, the Deputy Union Minister and the party inspected the MACCS Division, the Customs Museum and the Data Center of MCIS.



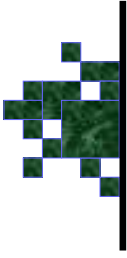


## The Phase II Workshop on Export and Import Management of Ozone Depleting Substances



The Phase II Workshop on Export and Import Management of Ozone Depleting Substances was conducted at the Customs Training School in Yangon on 5<sup>th</sup>, Dec 2016. The Workshop was jointly organized by The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Ministry of Natural Resource and Environment Reservation. The Deputy Director General U San Lwin delivered the opening remarks at the opening ceremony.

The opening ceremony was attended by the Deputy Director General, Directors and Assistant Directors.



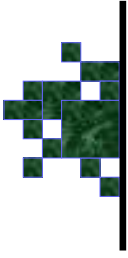
## INTERPOL Project PETRICHOR: Border Biorisk Management Symposium held in Hanoi, Vietnam



The INTERPOL Project PETRICHOR: Border Biorisk Management Symposium held in Hanoi, Vietnam was held from 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December 2016. The Symposium was organized by INTERPOL. Deputy Director U Kyaw Aung Lwin and Assistant Director U Khin Maung Lin attended the said Symposium.

The objectives of the Symposium are to share experiences and best practices with law enforcement border forces regarding the threat posed by biological incidents, to assist in regional communication strategies between key agencies, in light of the threats posed by infectious diseases and develop strategies for the protection of national infrastructure in the event of a biological attack or threat.





## The Opening Ceremony of 17<sup>th</sup> WTOVA Training was held at the Customs Training School



The Opening Ceremony of 17<sup>th</sup> World Trade Organization Valuation Agreement (WTOVA) Training was held at the Customs Training School on 26<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at the Customs Training School and Director U Win Naing delivered the opening speech.

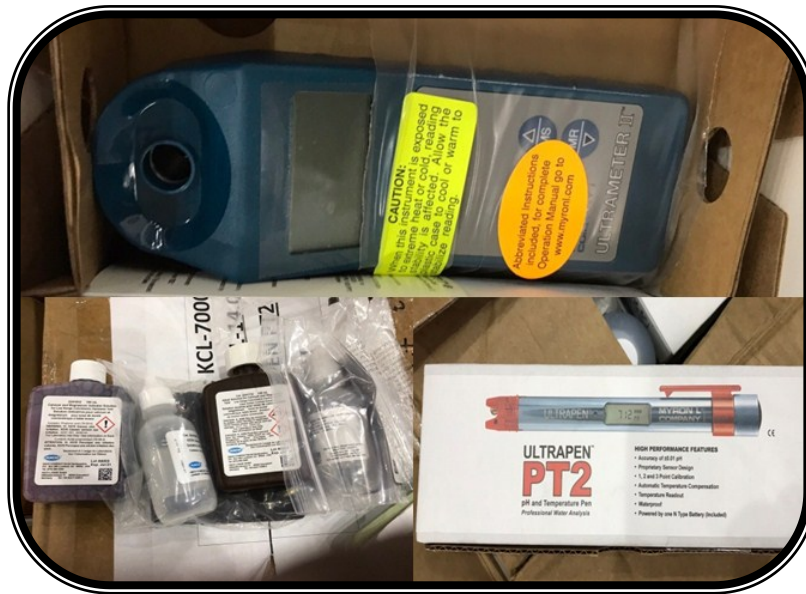
The opening ceremony was attended by the Deputy Directors, trainers and 103 trainees. The 17<sup>th</sup> WTOVA Training lasted five weeks.

## SEIZURES MADE BY MYANMAR CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT IN DECEMBER 2016

Illegal goods which were imported and intended to be exported without relevant documents were seized at the Yangon International Airport, Yangon Airport Warehouse, Yangon Port and regional customs offices and checkpoints. There were altogether 96 cases and the estimated total value of the seized goods was 736.51 million kyats.

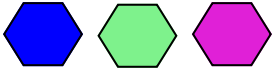
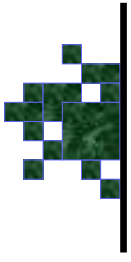


### Detention at International Yangon Airport Warehouse



There was one case of detention on 8<sup>th</sup>, Dec 2016. Myanmar Chemical Machinery Co., Ltd imported testing meters and accessories. But when the goods were examined, the undeclared 9 items such as digital reactor, clorimeter, reagent and water testing meter were found. The estimated total value of the detained goods was 10 million kyats.

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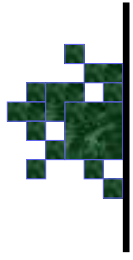
### Detention at Yangon Port



There were seven cases of detention at Yangon Port and the approximate total value of the detained goods was 136.402 million kyats. One significant detention is made at the Myanmar Industrial Port Terminal on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2016. A company named May Yu Marine Products Co. Ltd intended to export 17 items of frozen fresh water fish which were mentioned in the Export Declaration form. But 9 items of frozen fresh water fish were found not correct to the declaration form. The detained 9 items weighed (2010) kg and the estimated total value was 8.72 million kyats.



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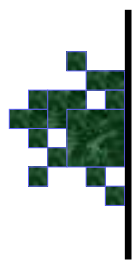


### Detention in Region



There were 88 cases of detention and seizure and the estimated total value of the goods detained and seized 590.108 million kyats. One significant detention was made in Mandalay Region on 25<sup>th</sup> , Dec 2016. A vehicle with vehicle registration number (2G/8310) which came from Muse and headed for Mandalay was searched by an examination team led by Assistant Director U Bo Bo Aung of Mandalay Customs Department. As a result, 9 game machines and 80 cartons of preserved food were found without relevant documents. The estimated total value was 19.4 million kyats.

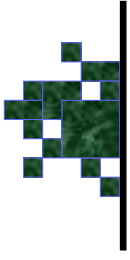




## Mobile Phones, Computer and Accessories, and Forest Products Detained and Seized in December 2016

Sr.	Description of Goods	Yangon Area	Other Regions	Total Cases	Total value (Estimated) Kyats
1.	Mobile Phones and Accessories	-	1	1	1.4
2.	Computer and Accessories	-	-	-	-
3.	Forest Products	-	2	2	2.245
	<b>Total</b>	-	3	3	3.645

There were 3 cases of detention and seizure of mobiles and accessories, and forest products in December 2016. The estimated total value was 3.645 million kyats. There were 47 cases of detention and seizure of mobiles and accessories, computer and accessories and forest products in the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016. The estimated total value of detained and seized goods related to 47 cases was 128.489 million.



## CONFISCATED GOODS SOLD IN AUCTION THROUGH SEALED TENDER



Bales of old and used clothing which will be used as industrial raw materials, totally weighing (99140) kg, were sold in auction through sealed tender at Myanmar Customs Department at 13:00 PM on 22<sup>nd</sup> ,Dec 2016. U Ye Htut Aung, Director of Supply and Transport Division, acted as the Chairperson of the Tender Committee. The confiscated bales, divided into four lots, were sold at a price of 26.47 million kyats.



## CONFISCATED GOODS SOLD IN AUCTION



Confiscated goods were sold in auction at Tachileik Customs Department at 10:00 AM on 27<sup>th</sup>, Dec 2016. U Mya Win, Deputy Director, the head of Tachleik Customs Department, acted as the Chairperson of the Auction Committee. The confiscated goods, divided into one lot, were sold at a price of 3.75 million kyats.

## Discussion Answers upon Questions Concerning Customs Matters at Public Relation Section, Customs Department

Is the import of the ambulance exempted from customs duty? No, the HS Code for the ambulance is 8703.21.91. The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 1%, 5% and 2% respectively.



What are HS Code and the duty rate for the CD-ROM (CD)? The HS Code for the CD (ROM) is 8471.70.40. The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 1.5%, 5% and 2% respectively.

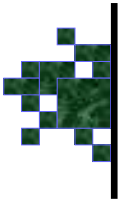
What are HS Code and the duty rate for the printed book? The HS Code for the printed is 4901.99.00. The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 0%, 5% and 2% respectively.



What are HS Code and the duty rate for uniform made of cotton? The HS Code for the uniform is 6211.32.00. The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 20%, 5% and 2% respectively.





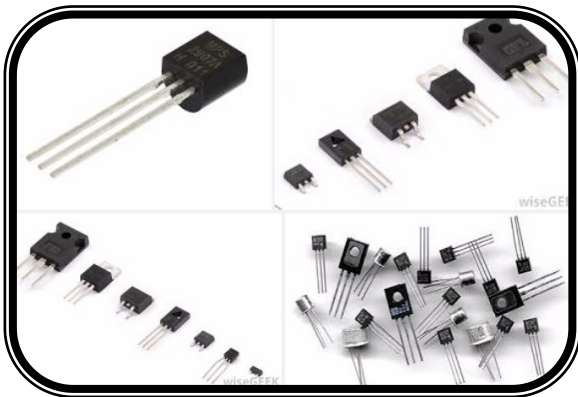


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What are HS Code and the duty rate for tapioca? The HS Code for tapioca is 0714.90.99. The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 15%, Exempted and 2% respectively.



What are HS Code and the duty rate for the transistor and does the import of the transistor require a license? The HS Code for the transistor is 8541.29.00 and the import of the transistor does not require a license. The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 7.5%, 5% and 2% respectively.

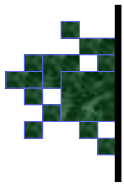


Does the export of coffee powder require a license? No, the export of coffee powder does not require a license.



Does the export of a 10-feet-high Buddha statue require a license from the Ministry of Commerce and an approval letter from the Ministry of Religious Affairs? Yes, the export of a 10-feet-high Buddha statue requires a license from the Ministry of Commerce and an approval letter from the Ministry of Religious Affairs.





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Does the import of the broadcast converter require a license from the Ministry of Commerce and what is the HS Code for the broadcast converter? The import of the broadcast converter requires a license from the Ministry of Commerce and the HS Code for the broadcast converter is 8517.70.29 and The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 15%, 5% and 2% respectively.



Does the import of the theater seats require a license from the Ministry of Commerce and what is the HS Code for the broadcast converter? The import of the theater seats requires a license from the Ministry of Commerce and the HS Code for the broadcast converter is 9401.80.00 and The rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 15%, 5% and 2% respectively.

Does the import of acrylic water proof coating require a license from the Ministry of Commerce and what is the HS Code for acrylic water proof coating and what are the rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax? The import of acrylic water proof coating does not require a license from the Ministry of Commerce and the HS Code for the broadcast converter is 3210.00.99 and the rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 7.5%, 5% and 2% respectively.



What are HS Code and the duty rate for the binders (stationery)? The HS Code for the binders (stationery) is 8305.10.90 and the rates of customs duty, commercial tax and advance income tax are 3%, 5% and 2% respectively.

