**Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association** 

# NEWSLETTER



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## h MGMA New Members' Orientation 2022

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) organized 4<sup>th</sup> New MGMA Members' Orientation 2022 on July 18, 2022 at MGHRDC. Vice - Chairman of MGMA U Kyaw Win delivered the opening speech and Executive Committee Members of MGMA introduced in person.

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**Regular Exchange Meeting for Garment Sector Development** 

### AFTEX 47<sup>th</sup> Council Session and 43<sup>rd</sup> Plenary Session

AFTEX members representing Myanmar, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippine, Thailand, Vietnam, and Brunei presented national report respectively and discussed about the development direction and future of AFTEX.

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### ACTIVITY



center and operator training of MGHRDC Training Center. MGMA's Chairman, Vice - Chairmen, CEC/ECs and (41) representatives from MGMA's member factories participated in this event and took group photos in the final wrap up.



MD of MGMA presenting MGMA's activities



Labour Officer of MGMA presenting Employer's Package



**Group Photo** 



Manager of MGHRDC presenting about MGHRDC



Sr.Administrative Officer of MGMA presenting online license process



Fabric Resource Center



Orientation tour to fabric resource center



**Orientation tour to MGHRDC** 



### The Monthly MGMA Executive Committee Meeting

The Monthly MGMA Executive Committee Meeting with hybrid meeting was held on July 16, 2022 at MGMA meeting room.



Managing Director of MGMA chaired the meeting. In the meeting, CEC/EC members were discussed about association's activities, training in collaboration with project activities, issue of Labour Law Awareness training can be provide in every members



factories, re-activating of AFTEX meeting and other events of MGMA, overcoming the difficulties of some systems in online license verification with MOC as well as ongoing process of MGMA. The association's Chairman, Vice-Chairmen, Secretary General and members of Executive Committee attended the meeting.

AFTEX's 47th Council Session and 43rd Plenary Session

Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association's CEC/ECs U Kyin Tun, U Thein Pe Win, U Aung Myo Hein, U Tun Tun, Daw Yin Yin Moe and Managing Director of MGMA Daw Aye Mi Shein were attended the ASEAN Federation of Textile Industries (AFTEX)'s 47<sup>th</sup> Council Session and 43<sup>rd</sup> Plenary Session on 2022, July 20 via zoom application, hosted by VITAS.

In the session, Chairman of AFTEX Mr.Giang Yu Duc delivered opening speech and approved the financial settlement report for the period 2020-AFTEX 2021. Then, members Myanmar, representing Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippine, Thailand, Vietnam, and Brunei presented national report respectively and discussed about the development direction and future of AFTEX.

In the wrapping up, The Prime Source forum from Hong Kong introduced to hold in Thailand and discussed about possible collaboration with AFTEX partners to participate in this event. F

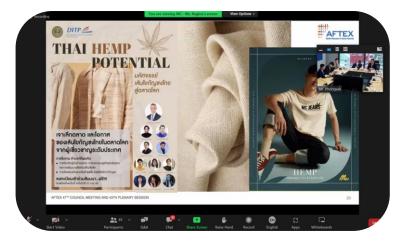


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The session attended by delegates from Vietnam Textile and Apparel Association (VITAS), Garment Manufacturers Association in Cambodia (GMAC), Indonesia Textile Association (API), Association of the Lao Garment Industry (ALGI), Malaysian Textile Manufacturers Association(MTMA), Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA), Confederation of Garment Exporters of the Philippines (CONGEP), Singapore Textile and Fashion Federation (TAFF), The National Federation of Thai Textile Industries (NFTTI).



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### **Regular Exchange Meeting for Garment Sector Development**



ong Kong Myanmar Manufacturers' Association (HKMMA) organized the regular exchange meeting of garment sector development with foreign garment associations in Myanmar. The meeting dinner was held on July 30, 2022 at Four Seasons Seafood Restaurant with 4 garment associations of HKMMA (Hong Kong), MGMA (Myanmar), KOGAM(Korea), JGMA (Japan) and CTGA (China). Chairman, Secretary General and some CECs were joined together and the four association exchanged their usual meeting topic.



Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) organized The Environmental Compliance Workshop on 21-22 July, 2022 at Myanmar Garment Human Resources Development Training Center (MGHRDC), supported by LIFT Myanmar.

Managing Director of MGMA Daw Aye Mi Shein explained the purpose of this workshop is to understand more about environmental compliance related to the law, procedure and follow up action in the operation.

The training team from Myanwei Environmental Solutions Co., Ltd presented Myanmar's

Law relating to Environmental Management, Environmental compliance management approach, EIA procedure. In addition, trainers shared and discussed about legal, social compliance policies, guideline in garment factories and ground experience to link the environmental practice and Social & Occupational impacts. Total (32) participants from (20) MGMA's member factories attended to the workshop. Executive Committee of MGMA U Ye Khant gave remarks in the warp up workshop.



MD of MGMA explaining workshop's objective



**Group Photo** 





Trainer presenting environmental compliance

Trainer presenting environmental compliance



**Group Discussion** 



Participants

### Labour Law Awareness and WCC Training



Myanmar Garment Manufacturers Association (MGMA) organized Labour Law Awareness and WCC Training in July, 2022 in three garments factories in Yangon , supported by UNICEF Myanmar.



The purpose of this training is to provide the soft skills needed industrial development and creating better workplace for garments workers. The training was held on July 8 at Hyatt Knitwear Co.Ltd, July 15 at Star Sandar Garment and General Economic Co-Op Society Limited and July 26 at Unique HTT Co.,Ltd.

In the training, Managing Director of MGMA Daw Aye Mi Shein explained the project's objectives and then Labour Officer of MGMA U Min Soe Han presented Employment, Work Hours, Payment of Wages, Employment Termination, Leave Holiday, Workplace Coordination Committee (WCC), and Settlement of Labour Dispute with Q & A session.

Labour Law Awareness is one of the soft skills required by garment workers and the training attended by (18) participants from at Hyatt Knitwear Co.Ltd, (25) participants from Star Sandar Garment and General Economic Co-Op Society Limited and (26) participants from Unique HTT Co.,Ltd. MGMA awarded certificate to each participant and distributed Labour Law Vinyl, MGMA CoC Vinyl, Nutrition Bowl, Nutrition pamphlet to piloted factories.



MD of MGMA explaining the project's objectives



Labour Officer of MGMA presenting Labour Law at Star Sandar Garment



Hyatt Knitwear Co.Ltd



Star Sandar Garment and

**General Economic Co-Op** 



Unique HTT Co.,Ltd



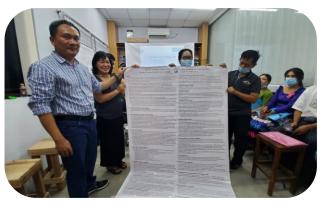
**Distribution Nutrition Bowl** 



**Distribution MGMA CoC Vinyl** 



**Distribution Nutrition Pamphlet** 



Distribution MGMA CoC Vinyl

### **Voluntary Labour Compliance Assessment**



Voluntary Labour Compliance Assessment Program of Garment Manufacturers Association scrutinized three member factories in July 2022. They are Saiform International Garment Myanmar Co.,Ltd at Shwe Than Lwin Industrial Zone, Great Glowing Investment Co.,Ltd at Yangon Industrial Park and Hyatt Knitwear Co.,Ltd at Hlaing Thar Yar Industrial Zone (5).

Inspected various factories that Saiform International Garment Myanmar Co.,Ltd on July 1<sup>st</sup>, Great Glowing Investment Co.,Ltd on July 20<sup>th</sup> and Hyatt Knitwear Co.,Ltd on July 29<sup>th</sup> and Labour Officer of MGMA scrutinized all the documents relation to the VLCA. Voluntary Labour Compliance Assessment is an assessment tool implemented by the collaboration project between MGMA and ILO/ACTEMP, Bureau for Employer Activity under International Labor Organization, in 2019. VLCA was officially launched on 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 by MGMA to all its member factories.



Great Glowing Investment Co.,Ltd

Hyatt Knitwear Co.,Ltd

Saiform International Garment Myanmar Co.,Ltd

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#### **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

New Members in July 2022

Country	No. of New Member Factories
MC	1
Total	1

#### Membership Update as of July 2022

Status	Country	No. of Factories	
	Myanmar	67	
Active	China	283	
Active	Korea	57	
	Japan	18	
	Others	21	
	Joint Venture	27	
	Local, Sub-Con, Marketing, Inspection, Textile	46	
	Total (Active)	519	
	Grand Total		