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A starting point for today's Myanmar

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Context brings the news closer

Today we explore life and work in Myanmar through money, regional dialogue and everyday contact.

Understanding a remittance quote

For exchange rates, start with the date, unit and receipt method. For stocks, separate the index, volume and value.

Start with the background →

The context of ASEAN's decision

Understanding the type of meeting and representation helps explain ASEAN's decision and what to follow next.

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Getting to know Viber data packs

Viber packs offer a practical example of local communication and how to read prices and benefits.

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This edition uses the 16 November issue's information cutoff: 10–16 November UTC through retrieval. No field reporting or individual enquiries.

Kyodai / CBM / Market Rate Plus →

From yen to kyat: making sense of exchange rates

Economy, Finance & Markets | 16 November 2026

First, what is an exchange rate?

Living in Myanmar or working with a local company may involve comparing Japanese yen with Myanmar kyat. An exchange rate tells us how one currency relates to another. A quote in "kyat per yen" shows how many kyat correspond to one yen.

A useful term

[1] MMK means Myanmar kyat, JPY means Japanese yen, and USD means US dollars. A reference rate is a guide for comparison. For an actual transfer, check the fees and the terms that apply as well.

Compare the ways to receive money

The Kyodai display checked on the morning of 16 November listed different reference quotes for each receipt method. A wallet is an electronic account or app for receiving money. Start by checking which methods the recipient can use.

Receipt method	MMK per JPY1
Cash	**24.8668**
Bank account	**24.9118**
Wallet	**24.9594**

Display time and a check before use

The displayed time was 10:30:13, with no timezone stated. Retrieval was at 08:00 Myanmar time on 16 November. These variable reference quotes do not establish eligible transfer amounts, fees or net receipts; those three items were not verified. Check them on the service screen when using it.

From yen to kyat: making sense of exchange rates · continued

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Read central-bank figures by date and unit

The Central Bank of Myanmar (CBM) display distinguishes reference rates from market trading rates. The figures checked for this issue were dated 13 November. Match the rate category and currency unit before comparing them.

Unit	Reference (MMK)	Market trading (MMK)
USD1	**2,100.00**	**3,660.00**
JPY100	**1,313.16**	**2,288.64**

From “per 100 yen” to “per yen”

[2] The CBM yen row is per 100 yen. Dividing by 100 gives 13.1316 / 22.8864 MMK per yen. This simply converts the unit; it is not a confirmed remittance or counter quote for 16 November.

For household and business budgets

Editorial view: for rent or purchasing budgets, first align the date, the currency unit and the receipt method. Then check the net amount after fees. Market Rate Plus showed an update date of the 14th when checked on the morning of the 16th, so its numbers are not included as current or prior-day references. The next step is to compare after a fresh value is verified. No price movement is assessed here.

Sources / background: Kyodai · CBM · Market Rate Plus

Three numbers for reading the stock market

Economy, Finance & Markets | 16 November 2026

First, what is a stock market?

A share represents ownership in a company. A stock market is where shares are traded. When reading figures from the Yangon Stock Exchange (YSX), separate the price index, the number of shares traded and the value of those trades. Each tells us something different.

The figures displayed on 13 November

This issue uses the display from 13:00 on 13 November. The MYANPIX price index was 911.22, and the combined trading value across the two boards was 214,974,500 MMK. Read these as observations from the 13th, rather than the closing figures for the 16th.

MYANPIX · 13 NOV	TRADING VALUE · MMK
911.22	**214,974,500**

Compare volume with trading value

Share volume means how many shares changed hands. Trading value means the amount of money represented by those trades. The table separates the two boards.

Board	Shares	Value (MMK)
Main Board	**12,943**	**90,107,600**
Pre-Listing Board	**22,365**	**124,866,900**
Total	**35,308**	**214,974,500**

Three numbers for reading the stock market · continued

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Understanding boards and trade types

[1] Main Board is the main market; Pre-Listing Board is the board for companies preparing for listing. MYANPIX tracks share-price movements on the main market. It is separate from the trading-value figure. [2] The Pre-Listing total of 22,365 shares includes 2,365 in continuous trading and 20,000 in block trading. A block trade handles a sizeable parcel of shares together.

A starting point for learning about companies

Editorial view: the stock market offers one route to learning about local companies. Start with the board and trade type, then read the published information of a company that interests you. This single observation does not assess rising or falling prices, or how easily shares can be traded. A useful next step is to gather comparable observations.

Other prices to follow next

At this issue's check time, the 16 November gold reference price had not yet been posted. Fuel list values could not be retrieved, and the public rice list covered an older July–August period. Fresh comparable government-bond values were also unverified. Compare after checking new releases on the same basis. No old values or estimates fill these gaps, and no movement is assessed.

Sources / background: YSX · YSX · Guide · YSX · PLB · Gold · Fuel · Rice

Myanmar and ASEAN: understanding meeting participation

Politics, International Relations & Security | 16 November 2026

First, what is ASEAN?

ASEAN is a regional framework through which Southeast Asian countries discuss shared issues and cooperate. For news about Myanmar, it helps to ask which meeting is involved and in what capacity a representative may attend. This report is about those arrangements.

Terms that help explain the news

[1] The Five-Point Consensus refers to five points agreed by ASEAN in response to the situation in Myanmar. This decision reviews their implementation. [2] "Non-political representation" distinguishes that form of participation from representation in a political leadership capacity. Read the term together with the type of meeting involved.

What the 15 November decision says

On 15 November in Manila, ASEAN reviewed implementation of the Five-Point Consensus. Non-political representation at summits and foreign-minister meetings continues pending meaningful progress. Participation in other sectoral ministerial bodies or mechanisms is unrestricted at all levels. Separating these meeting types makes the decision easier to follow.

The path for future participation

Sustained, concrete progress may allow consideration of a gradual return to full political representation. This is a possible path subject to progress, not confirmation of a return or an implementation date. Follow the statements from later meetings alongside who actually attends to understand any change.

What businesses and individuals can follow

Editorial view: this news helps explain Myanmar's dialogue with neighbouring countries. When exploring business or investment, separate diplomatic developments from the procedures required for your own project. A decision on meeting participation does not by itself establish changes to import, export, transfer or contract terms.

Checks that support your next step

Start with later ASEAN statements and actual participation. For a specific project, separately verify the required permits, payment arrangements and local safety conditions. Matching each question to the right source helps connect the news with a practical assessment.

Sources / background: ASEAN · 15 NOV 2026

Making everyday contact in Myanmar easier to understand

AI, IT & Communications | 16 November 2026

First, what is Viber?

Viber is a useful app to know when keeping in touch with people in Myanmar. Like LINE in Japan, it lets smartphone users send messages and make voice calls. Using it over a mobile network requires internet data. Here we look at Viber data packs reported to be offered by mobile operator ATOM.

What the report says

Myanmar Tech Press introduced the packs on 13 November, drawing on a release distributed on 12 November. According to the report, availability began in October. This is news about an existing offering, not a service launched on 16 November.

A look at prices and data allowances

The report lists the following pack categories, prices and Viber data allowances. Think about the kinds of contact you make when comparing them.

Pack	Price (MMK)	Viber data
Daily	**549**	**200 MB**
Weekly	**1,299**	**1,400 MB**
Monthly	**4,999**	**6,000 MB**

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Terms at a glance

[1] An app-specific data pack bundles data for a particular app. Consider it separately from data for maps, email and other apps. [2] MMK means kyat; MB measures data. About 1,000 MB equals 1 GB. How long an allowance lasts depends on activities such as messaging, sending photos and calling.

Read benefits together with their expiry

The report lists 24 ATOM-to-ATOM minutes for the daily pack, 100% cashback for weekly and 200% for monthly. The cashback reportedly lasts three days and can be used for on-net calls, SMS and pay-as-you-go data. [3] Here, cashback is a benefit for specified communications; it does not necessarily mean cash returned to you. Check the benefit's expiry separately from the pack's data validity.

How this could fit daily life and work

Editorial example: if a local business contact uses Viber, you might use it to arrange a visit or share product photos. Start with who you contact, which app you use and what you send. Include the cost of maps, email and web browsing if you use those too. No purchase or connection-quality field test was conducted.

What to check when choosing a pack

On the purchase screen, check the tax-inclusive price, pack validity, charges outside Viber, charges after the allowance is used and how to use benefits. At this issue's check time, no public link to the full release or detailed company terms had been obtained. Compare with the latest service information before use. Learning how people communicate and choose services is a practical first step towards understanding life and work in Myanmar.

Sources / background: Myanmar Tech Press · 13 NOV 2026

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"–" means no article in this issue, not that no news exists.

Editorial note

This edition explains the news with background and definitions. Coverage remains 10–16 November UTC through retrieval, using the existing Japanese/English search record for twelve categories. No field reporting or individual enquiries. Tender originals were unavailable, so no verified open invitation is listed. Omission does not mean no news. Market coverage is stated in the articles. Concept images are not news photographs.

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