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Daw Aung San Su Kyi

Chairman

Daw Khin Kyi Foundation

Subject : **Progress Report on Mobile Library Project By Daw Khin Kyi Foundation For the month of May 2013**

Dear Daw Aung San Su Kyi,

I would like to report the following progress report of mobile library project.

### **1. Book Collection**

We have started to purchase Burmese language books starting from 3<sup>rd</sup> week of May onwards. They are being catalogued by our librarians and keyed into our library automation software, eLib which is donated by our company. eLib is widely used in almost all institutions in Burma and hence it will be easier for us to get linkage with these institutions in the future.

### **2. Librarians**

One senior librarian and an assistant librarian are now working on the project. They are honoured to be working for Daw Khin Kyi Foundation.

### **3. Future Collaboration Programme**

During my recent trip to Singapore for a conference called Asian Festival of Children Content, I coincidentally met Ms Natsuo Miyashita as she is visiting Singapore too. Through her introduction, I was able to meet with National Library of Singapore Board. They are very excited to learn about our mobile library project as Singapore is currently running one too. I was able to study their programme and this will be valuable for us to apply in our project too.

Currently, one mobile library is running in Singapore and it is called "Molly". It is visiting to schools and underprivileged area and handicapped schools. Story telling section, activities such as art and craft making, literary talks, debates are holding in cooperation with community schools. We can apply them here in Myanmar too.

Singapore national library is willing to help in training of our library staffs too. We will hold a short term course here in Burma and later they would like to train the outstanding staffs in Singapore free of charge. This is a good opportunity for our Burmese librarians to get this kind of training.



#### **4. MOU with Ministry of Information**

MOU was signed with Information Public Relation Department under the Ministry of Information. However, we are yet to sign our MOU with Ministry of Education. We still do not what is their response to our request.

#### **5. Fund Receipt**

We have received US\$ 3,000 each from Asia Foundation and Ms Natsuo Miyashita respectively. So, we have received total of US\$ 6,000 already.

#### **6. Media Coverage**

Recently, NHK has interviewed me about the mobile library project. It was broadcasted on 2<sup>nd</sup> June. During my recent attendance at the Young Global Leaders Forum and World Economic Forum, I have already spread this information to quite a lot of media. We will start to do a lot of local and international media coverage within July when we can fix the official launching date.

The following actions have to be taken in order to launch our mobile library by middle of July '13.

- 1) We need to get approval from Ministry of Education to visit to their schools.
- 2) Construction of the garage, storage facility, internet connection have to be done at the Kaw Hmu IPRD office.
- 3) Training of the IPRD staffs have to be made.

Once accomplish the above, we are able to launch our project within July '13.

Kindly please let me have your comments and recommendations on this report. Your guidance is highly appreciated. Again, I am very much honoured to participate in this project and thank you very much to give a chance to work for Daw Khin Kyi Foundation.

Thanking you in anticipation.

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With best regards,

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