THE BEAUTY OF DELTA: PATHEIN

Pathien is the hub of delta region of Myanmar, the Ayeyawady Division. The existence of Pathein can be traced back to AD 583. Pathein can easily be reached by river route, railways and road. Among them road transportation is widely used for its convenience. Previously, all the vehicles were supposed to be carried by Z-craft to reach Pathein.

At present, the completion of Bo Myat Tun Bridge makes all road transportation activities smooth.
and time-reducing obviously. All travelers can commute Yangon-Pathein by car within one day. Pathein and Kyankhin are connected with railways too.

The staple product of Pathein is rice. Fish, prawn, dried fish, fish paste, dried shrimp, timber, bamboo and salt are other major products of Pathein region. The products that attract the visitors to Pathein are Pathein umbrella and Pathein Halawa. Pathein is also well-known as a transit town for domestic and foreign visitors to go the famous beaches-Chaung Tha and Ngwe Saung.

Shwe Mawdaw Pagoda and Laykyunn Mann Aung Pagoda greatly reflect the glory of Pathein. The Mathoe Robe (the robe which has to be weaved before dawn) Festival, held at the month of Tazaungmone, is one of the distinguished festivals in Pathein. The rhythmic voice of looms inspire the mindset of visitors. Other famous festivals include Kuthinayone Pagoda Festival and Nidjawda Pagoda Festival in open season.

Every year at the month of Tabaung, Mawtinsun Pagoda Festival is held near Pathein. Not only pilgrims throughout Myanmar but also foreigners visit the Festival and pay homage to Mawtinsun Pagoda. The native people open restaurants, souvenir shops and religious item shops at Mawtinsun Pagoda that is remarkable since the visitors can pay homage cum enjoy the beauty of beach.
In business prospects of Pathein, rice is processed and manufactured from paddy cultivated in Pathein, Hinthada, Myaung Mya and Maubin districts. Pathein stands as a town that earn foreign exchange since its agricultural and fishery products as well as handicrafts occupy the considerable portion of Myanmar export. In the past, Nga Wun river on which Pathein is situated was accessible for overseas vessels for berthing.

Day by day, it silted up and became inappropriate for large vessels to enter. However, the panoramic view of Pathein with Shwe Mawdaw Pagoda from Nga Wun river can never be wiped out from the heart of visitors.

So come and see Pathein where you can enjoy the beauty and fresh foods of the delta of Myanmar.