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## ABSTRACT

Mawlamyine became the capital of Tanintharyi Division after the First Anglo-Myanmar War. With the coming of the British, Christian missionaries reached Mawlamyine and established Christian missionary schools. University education began only after independence. According to the 1924 University Act Amendment, the authority was vested in the Ministry of Education to open colleges in other provincial towns including Mawlamyine. Mawtalane Judson School (former Mawtalane Girl High School in pre-war period) was selected as the site for the construction of Mawlamyine Intermediate College. In the 1963-64 academic year Mawlamyine Intermediate College was upgraded to the status of a degree college. On 1 October 1964 according to the new educational system, Mawlamyine College became independent of Rangoon University in terms of administration but still affiliated with it in terms of academic aspect. Mawlamyine Degree College was upgraded on 12 February 1986. Since its opening in the 1953-54 academic year, Mawlamyine Intermediate College had undertaken administrative, financial and academic matters and other activities. Number of students increased year by year. The subjects which could be taught in Mawlamyine University extended yearly. A university is a place where students extend their scope of knowledge more and more widely and where they endeavour to develop their knowledge continuously in keeping with the changing times. A University which can conduct research successfully is a successful university. Mawlamyine University like other universities in Myanmar and other countries is conducting research successfully. Each and every department of Mawlamyine University

had its own research programme. Seminars were held regularly and research papers were presented. Thus Mawlamyine University on its part is doing research on a nation-wide scale and contributing to the intellectual and technological development of the state.

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