Yangon Division Industrial Zones Management Committee holds coord meeting

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YANGON, 29 May—A coordination meeting of Yangon Division Industrial Zones Management Committee took place at the meeting hall of Yangon Command Headquarters in Konmyinttha, here, yesterday afternoon.

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Lush and green pine forests and crop plantations thriving in Kalaw of Shan State (South)

In the cold morning, the panoramic beauty of pine forests can be seen with the mountain ranges in the background. Crop plantations are cultivated on the terraces of the hills. Lush and green seasonal crop plantations are thriving on the red colour soil. Such scenic beauties are located in the gate way town to Shan State (South) or Kalaw. The town is situated at an altitude of 4315 feet.

On 15 May morning, the news crew of the Myanma Alin Daily proceeded to Kalaw after covering the news in Yaksawk. Along the route, we saw pine plantations on both sides.

We witnessed growing of multi-coloured flowery plants in the urban area. To observe progress of the town and socio-economic development of the local people, the news team had an interview with Chairman of Township Peace and Development Council U Myint Aung at his office.

With regard to the location of the town, the chairman said, “Kalaw Township is included in the area of Taunggyi District in Shan State (South). The township is located on 582.13 square miles land. The township is sharing border with Pindaya Township in the north, Pinlaung Township in the south, Taunggyi and Nyaungshwe townships in the east and Thazi and Pyawbwe townships in the west. The temperature of the township is 30.3 degree centigrade in maximum and 3.5 degree centigrade in minimum.”

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A government is under a duty to perpetuate the sovereignty and preserve independence of the nation, as well as to restore peace, stability and the rule of law.

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Make concerted efforts for improvement of health care services


At the meeting, the member countries discussed matters related to prevention and treatment of A/H1N1 flu, production of vaccines, primary health care and enhancement of health system and impact of socio-economy on health.

The Myanmar delegation discussed work carried out for improvement of health, projects being implemented in accordance with the policy of WHO covering the reducing of losing eyesight in 2020.

The Myanmar delegation also expressed thanks to GDF for the providing of medicines for TB patients in Myanmar from 2003 to 2005 and from 2006 to 2008, and clarified works being carried for eradication of TB in Myanmar. As GDF was satisfied with the TB eradication work in Myanmar, an agreement was reached on provision of medicines worth US$ 2 million for TB patients in Myanmar.

Myanmar has been able to distribute traditional medicines provided by Nippon Foundation for eradication of leprosy right down to villages and has made arrangements for extending assistance to disabled lepers and for their rehabilitation. The participant nations are making arrangements for distribution of traditional medicines right down to villages taking Myanmar as a role model.

As the health care of Myanmar has a great impact on the socio-economy, it is incumbent upon the entire national people to actively contribute their services to the drive for improvement of health care services of the people.

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**School-age children enrol in Yangon**

**YANGON, 29 May** — Myanmar Women’s Affairs Federation conducted ceremonies to provide cash to the school-age children during the enrollment in Yangon Division today.

The ceremonies were held at Kanaung Hall in Hmihethaya, No. 2 in Sanyyoung Basic Education High School in Yangon West District, Office of Yangon South District Peace and Development Council and Basic Education High School No. 6, Botataung, in Yangon East District.

The total amount of cash donated by MWA, district/township WAFs and industrialists reached over K190 millions.

Vice-President of MWA Daw Khin Thet Hay delivered an address on the occasion. Vice-President Daw Khin Thet Hay, Daw Kyin Myaing, patron of Yangon Division WAO, Daw Tin Tin Nwe. Member of the Central Executive Committee of MWA, and Dr Daw Sandar Aung presented exercise books, stationery and school uniforms to school children.—MNA

**Monsoon electronic fair at Diamond City Hyper Mart**

LG, T.Home, OTO, Nikon, Samsung, Panasonic, Toshiba, Orchid, Sakura, U Maung Sein and Brothers, Polytron, Zulex and other electronic companies will display and sell their products.

In addition to special presents, these companies will reduce the price by half.

Arrangements were made for customers to be able to buy a variety of electronic equipment at cheap price at one place. And those who buy more than-20000 K items will have one lucky draw lot over refrigerator, TV, DVD, cooker, iron and other domestic electronic goods.

**Vocalist and beauty queen contests held**

**YANGON, 29 May** — Vocalist and beauty queen contests, jointly organized by Premier Coffee Company Limited and Ginsetin, were held in Bago town on 18 May.

Vocalists and beauty queens to compete again in the country level, Premier Coffee and Ginsetin will hold the country level contest at Capital Hyper Market in Yangon soon.—MNA
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A US soldier also was killed Friday in a grenade attack, raising to at least 21 the number of American troop deaths so far in May. That’s the deadliest month for US forces in Iraq since September, when 25 died.

The grenade detonated near a US patrol in the northern province of Nineveh, the military said in a statement, providing no further details.

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Police officers gave the casualty toll on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to release the information.

The US military said the attack occurred near a vegetable market, killing at least one person and wounding 14. Conflicting casualty tolls are common in the chaotic aftermath of bombings in Iraq.

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British marine dies from injuries in Afghan blast

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KABUL, 29 May — Afghan National Army (ANA) backed by the US-led Coalition forces eliminated 35 militants in southern Afghan province of Zabul on Thursday, said a Coalition statement received on Friday.

“Three rockets hit the provincial capital, Asadabad city, 12 pm (1930 GMT) on Thursday,” the statement said.

Moreover, two civilians, according to a statement of Interior Ministry, were killed on their vehicle in Afghanistan’s western Herat province.

A vehicle of the demining agency, heading from capital city of Herat to bordering town of Islam Qala, was attacked by gun fire from rebels in another car, killing four security guards and injuring one other, police commander Delawer Shah Delawer told Xinhua.

However, he did not disclose the name of agency.

No group or individual has yet to claim the responsibility for the attack. However, the Taliban militants, who vowed to intensify their attacks against government interest, were blamed for the involvement of the similar attacks in the past.

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35 militants killed in S Afghanistan

An Internet user has been killed and 35 militants killed in Daychopan district,” the statement said.

Clash, air strikes kill 35 suspected militants in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 29 May — Eruption of clash and using air power against Taliban fighters who vowed to intensify attacks against Afghan and US-led forces this year in Afghanistan have yet to make comment.

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WASHINGTON, 29 May—President Barack Obama on Thursday ratcheted up pressure on Israel to freeze settlements as he sought to reassure visiting Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas of US support for Palestinian statehood.

Faced with an Israeli rebuff of Washington’s latest appeal to halt settlement building, Obama held talks with Abbas 10 days after hosting Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyah, who remains at odds with the US Administration over peace-making strategy.

Seeking to revive stalled peace efforts, Obama made clear he would continue pushing Netanyahu to impose a total freeze on Jewish settlement construction in the occupied West Bank and embrace the goal of Palestinian statehood.

“We can’t continue the drift... We need to get this thing back on track,” Obama told reporters with Abbas, a Western-backed moderate weakened by Hamas Islamists’ control of the Gaza Strip, seated at his side in the Oval Office. —MNA/Reuters

Policy charge seven with sectarian murder in N Ireland

BELFAST, 29 May—Police in Northern Ireland charged seven men on Thursday with the murder of a Catholic community worker which has stirred up sectarian tensions in the British-controlled province.

Kevin McDaid, a father of four, was beaten to death last weekend in Coleraine, about 55 miles (90 kilometres) from Belfast. His wife, a Protestant, was badly beaten trying to stop the attack.

The seven, along with one other man, were also charged with the attempted murder of Damien Fleming, police said. They range in age from 18 to 50.

Another man was charged with affray.

China RC gives $30,000 emergent aid to cyclone-hit B’desh

DHAKA, 29 May—The Red Cross Society of China has donated 205,000 taka (about 30,000 US dollars) as emergent aid to Bangladesh Red Crescent Society for the disaster relief work in cyclone-hit southern Bangladesh.

The Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh Zhang Xianyi transferred the donation to MS Akbar, Chairman of Bangladesh Red Crescent Society here on Thursday. After receiving the donation, Akbar said China is the first country which provided aid to Bangladesh Red Crescent Society. He expressed his heartfelt thanks to China, saying that this reflects the true friendship between the Chinese people and the people of Bangladesh. —MNA/Xinhua

Two other men were arrested later on Thursday, bringing the total number of people detained in connection with the attack to 14.

Two men have been released without charge and one was released on bail, pending further enquiries.

Indian DM urges attainment of self reliance in Nat’l Defence

NEW DELHI, 29 May—Indian Defence Minister AK Antony said on Thursday that India should attain self reliance in national defence by shifting from “buy” to “make” in strategy and taking full advantage of its information technology in developing high-tech weaponry.

The Information Technology (IT) sector must develop futuristic products through a public and private partnership for the Indian military and mark a global impression by exporting such capabilities as well, Antony said while dedicating the fist of the three Israeli-made “eye-in-the-sky” airborne early warning and control systems (AWACS) to the country.

“India’s image as a global leader in Information Technology should be reflected in the national defence domain. The IT industry, therefore, should come up with indigenous products for the transformation of defence,” Antony said.

Stating that the focus of defence should not solely be on imports, Antony called for integrating the public and private sectors for bringing in a positive shift in defence production strategy.

He said that the defence industry should move from “buy” to “make” strategy and the foreign collaborators should offer expertise to the national manufacturers in this regard.

Obama meets Abbas, presses Israel on settlement

WASHINGTON, 29 May—President Barack Obama on Thursday strongly denied a British report on Thursday that images of apparent rape and sexual abuse of Iraqi prisoners are among photographs that it is trying to prevent being made public.

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The outlook is in line with the Met Office’s previous summer forecast at the end of April.

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Japan’s April industrial output rises fastest in 56 years

Tokyo, 29 May—Japan posted a fastest rise in the industrial output in more than 56 years in April, a strong evidence to further prove the economy may have started to pick up, the government said on Friday.

The April industrial output rose a seasonally adjusted 5.2 percent in April from the previous month, the second highest on all records available, only behind a rise of 7.9 percent in March 1953, according to the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

The rate is also far beyond the market expectation, which is around 3.2 percent.

The index of industrial shipments gained 2.3 percent to 74.8 while that of industrial inventories was down 2.7 percent to 97.1.

The ministry projects the production index will surge 8.8 percent in May and gain a further 2.7 percent in June.

Dam break kills four, displaces 2,500 in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, 29 May—At least four people, including two teenagers, died after the break of a dam in the small town of Cocal da Estacao in Brazil’s northeastern Piaui state, local civil defence authorities said on Thursday.

At least 2,500 people were left homeless by the dam break, which according to the authorities was caused by constant rainfall in the past month. The water of the Pirangi River flooded an area of 50 square kilometers and destroyed about 500 houses.

Piaui state governor Wellington Dias visited the site of the disaster, saying the scene is “terrible.”

“I have seen dead animals, houses with their roofs down, dead horses and cattle, fridges on trees,” he said.

The dam started showing cracks about a month ago.

The dam started to pick up, the government said on Friday.

The government said that it authorized the repair service and evacuated the families in the nearby areas, which prevented an even worse tragedy.—Xinhua

Chrysler shuts Mexico plants due to parts shortage

MEXICO CITY, 29 May—US automaker Chrysler announced on Thursday it had suspended production at all Mexican plants due to a lack of US-made parts.

“We have had to stop because some of the components we get here are made in US plants where they had to stop work,” said a spokesman for Chrysler in Mexico.

Chrysler has filed for bankruptcy protection in the United States, a legal procedure that will protect it from creditors for a limited time when it restructures.

Chrysler is waiting for a bankruptcy court ruling on its revival plan that will create a partnership with Italy’s Fiat.

The US automaker has a total of 5,000 employees in three plants in Mexico.

Cyclone death toll rises to 155 in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 29 May—The Bangladesh government on Thursday confirmed 155 people were killed in the cyclone Aila which battered the country’s southwestern coast on Monday.

Spokesman of the Food and Disaster Management Ministry Golam Kibira in a Press release issued on Thursday evening said that 155 deaths were confirmed while ten others are missing.

However, Kibira earlier on Thursday noon said more than 1,100 people in the coastal districts remained missing.

The cyclone Aila formed in the Bay of Bengal crossed Bangladesh’s southwestern coast on Monday with speed of 70-90 kilometres per hour, leaving more than 6,500 people injured and 3.47 million affected in about 15 coastal districts.

This was the biggest natural calamity in Bangladesh after cyclone Sidr battered the country’s southwestern coastal belt on 15 Nov, 2007 leaving more than 4,000 dead or missing.

The food ministry’s release said the government on Thursday allocated additional 300 million taka (about 4.3 million US dollars) and 5,000 tons of rice to the affected areas on Thursday.

With the new allocation, the government has so far allocated a total of 322.3 million taka (about 4.6 million US dollars) and 19,000 tons of rice to the victims.—Xinhua

Casualties from Honduras earthquake reach 56

TEGUCIGALPA, 29 May—At least six people were killed and another 50 were injured in a powerful earthquake that struck Honduras’ Roatan Island early on Thursday, the authorities said.

The quake occurred at 02:24 local time (0824 GMT) off the Caribbean coast of Honduras, 80 miles (130 kilometres) northeast of the beach town of La Ceiba, the US Geological Survey reported.

Some 60 houses and scores of other buildings across the north of Honduras were wrecked. The quake also caused damages to 42 municipalities in the country.

Honduran Education Minister Marlon Breve has canceled school activities on Roatan Island.

The quake also triggered a tsunami alarm in Central America and the Caribbean region.

Xinhua
Obama touts solar power to break US oil addiction

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE (Nevada), 29 May — President Barack Obama provided a spending boost to the solar and geothermal energy industries on Wednesday and said increased use of the fuels would make America more secure.

“We know the cost of our oil addiction all too well,” Obama said in a speech at Nellis Air Force Base, which is home to the biggest solar electric plant in the Western Hemisphere.

Obama said the federal government would spend 467 million US dollars from the recent 787-billion-US-dollar US economic stimulus package to expand and accelerate the development and use of solar and geothermal energy throughout the United States.

“More than 72,000 solar panels built on part of an old landfill provide 25 per cent of the electricity for the 12,000 people who live and work here at Nellis. That’s the equivalent of powering about 13,200 homes during the day,” Obama said. The US solar energy industry grew about 9 per cent in 2008, but the recession cut demand for some solar installations.

The US Energy Department in March offered its first loan guarantee, worth $35 million US dollars, to Fremont, California, solar company Solyndra Inc. under a long-delayed advanced clean energy programme created by a 2005 energy law.

Report says Climate change causes 315,000 deaths a year

London, 29 May — Climate change kills about 315,000 people a year through hunger, sickness and weather disasters, and the annual death toll is expected to rise to half a million by 2030, a report said on Friday.

The study, commissioned by the Geneva-based Global Humanitarian Forum (GHF), estimates that climate change seriously affects 3.25 million people every year, a number that will more than double in 20 years to 10 per cent of the world’s population (now about 6.7 billion).

Highest altitude marathon starts in Mt Everest

KATHMANDU, 29 May — The highest altitude annual marathon held in the south side of Mt Qomolangma (also known as Mt Everest) started on Friday morning.

Nepali officials confirmed.

The marathon started at 07:00 a.m. local time (GMT 0115) as scheduled, Sarad Pradhan, Media Consultant of Nepal Tourism Board told Xinhua. The annual “Tenzing Hillary Everest Marathon” has become a household name in the international adventure sports tourism arena.

Because of its peculiar features, this marathon has been recognized internationally and become a most sought after sports event in the world.

It is being organized annually as a tribute to Late Tenzing Norgay Sherpa and Late Sir Edmund Hillary -- believed to be the first persons to summit Mt. Qomolangma on 29 May, 1953.

Canadian governor eats seal heart raw to support hunters

Canada’s Governor General Michalle Jean cut out the heart of a seal and ate it raw to show her support for the country’s seal hunters.

Jean, the representative of Queen Elizabeth II as Canada’s head of state, gutted the seal and swallowed a slice of its heart raw.

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Laws enacted for State stability and community peace

As the saying that goes “Ignorance of law is no excuse”, no one is free from punishment if they have violated the law. In reality, the people by nature want to lead a peaceful life in line with the law. So, each citizen should avoid committing any forms of acts that can harm peace and stability of the State, in recognition of the desire of the great majority of the people.

Therefore, every citizen is required to abide by the existing laws strictly for security of their motherland, and stability and peace of the public. Here, it is notable that an existing law promulgated by the government, before it is nullified or amended, remains in force as long as it is not against the State constitution that was approved by the vast majority of the voters in May 2008.

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Every country promulgates and exercises internal laws for their security and community peace. After 2001, the United States of America, for instance, enacted Patriot Act, which says that if necessary to prioritize with National Security Interest, Civil Liberties of a citizen may be restricted. Similarly, England practices UK Prevention of Terrorism Act (1974), and Singapore and Malaysia, The Internal Security Act.

Myanmar has promulgated laws on security in successive periods for community peace. Article (5) of 1947 The Public Order (Preservation) Act manifests the rights to detain desperados for prevention of acts that can harm community peace and security of the State. According to Article 5 (a) of the Act, restrictions can be imposed to detain a person, prohibit him from going to a restricted region in the nation, and hold him to stay at a designated place in the fixed period. He can be sentenced to five years’ prison term if he fails to follow the restrictions on him.

Then, Emergency Provisions Act was enacted in 1950. Article (5)(f) of the Act says “Whoever does anything with any of the following intent; that is to say:- to affect the morality or conduct of the public or a group of people in a way that would undermine the security of the Union or the restoration of law and order,- shall be punished with an imprisonment for a term which shall extend to 7 years.”

Furthermore, the Law to Safeguard the State Against the Dangers of Those Desiring to Cause Subversive Acts was enacted under Pyithu Hluttaw Act No. 3 in 1975. It is designed to prevent the infringement of the sovereignty and security of the State against any threat to the peace of the people, and against the threat of those desiring to cause subversive acts causing the destruction of the country, without impeding citizens’ fundamental rights.

According to the provisions stated in Article 2 (a), a term “those desiring to cause subversive acts” means those who are to perform or about to perform, or to abet, or to assist in, any act that either directly or indirectly, in any manner, threatens the sovereignty and security of the state or public peace and tranquility.

According to the provision enumerated in Article (7), the Cabinet is authorized to pass an order, as may be necessary, restricting any fundamental right of any person suspected of having committed or believed to be about to commit, any act which endangers the sovereignty and security of the state or public peace and tranquility. Article (8) says that for the implementation of the authorization mentioned under Article 7, the Cabinet may form a Central Board on its behalf.

Section (10) says that The Central Board, in the protection of the State against dangers, has the right to implement the following measures through restrictive order:
(a) A person against whom action is taken can be detained for a period of not exceeding sixty days at a time, and this can be extended to a period up to one hundred and eighty days.
(b) A person against whom action is taken can be restricted up to one year.

The foregoing provision does not mention Paragraph (a) or Paragraph (b), so action can be taken against the person under both articles. Arrest of a person under Article 10 (a) and prohibition of a person under Article 10 (b) are not the same. So, the two punishments can be sentenced separately one after another. Article (13) says the Central Board shall obtain the prior approval of the Cabinet in case it is considered necessary to extend the restrictions mentioned under Article 10 (b). And Article (14) says the Cabinet may grant prior approval to continue the restrictions of rights of a person against whom action is taken for a period not exceeding one year at a time up to a total of five years. Therefore, apart from the terms stipulated in Article 10 (a) and (b), the restrictions can be extended up to a total of five years with the prior approval of the government in accordance with the said law.

Under the provisions, a person against whom action is taken needs to act in accordance with the law. Article (22) says that any person against whom action is taken, who opposes, resists or disobeys any order passed under this law shall be liable to imprisonment for a period of three years up to five years, or a fine of up to five thousand kyats, or to both.

Every citizen is to understand the fact that the government’s promulgating the laws and taking action against offenders in accordance with the law are not associated with any forms of discrimination against or in favour of particular persons, but just in the interests of the nation and the people.
Yedashe Township facilitated...

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and innovative measures of the Myanmar engineers and the unity and concerted efforts of the national people, he said.

He continued to say that Bago Division plays an important role in the development of the economic sector of the State, and Yedashe Township successfully grows paddy, beans and pulses, sugarcane and edible oil crops. He added that the better transport can contribute to smooth transportation of passengers and commodities. The roads and bridges are linking States, Divisions and Townships as network, he said, adding that the people will have easy access to Nay Pyi Taw through Swa Creek Bridge on Yangon-Bago-Nay Pyi Taw-Mandalay Highway.

He said that thanks to construction of Swa Creek Bridge, heavy machinery manufactured by Thagara Industrial Region of Yedashe Township, finished goods from Yeni Paper Mill and raw materials for agro-based and cottage industries can be transported to the respective regions at low cost. Moreover, he pointed out that the bridge will provide good opportunities for education, health and social sectors.

The government is striving for narrowing the development gap among the regions of the Union and for emergence of a peaceful, modern, developed enduring new nation, he said. The development tasks can be undertaken rapidly due to concerted efforts of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw, he added. In conclusion, the commander urged those present to systematically use the bridge and to maintain the bridge for its durability.

In his address, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Maung said that the government is undertaking construction of road, bridge and railway works in time in order that local people can enjoy the fruitful results, he added. The minister called for public cooperation in nation building endeavours with the use of development infrastructures contributed by the State. Then he expressed gratitude to the Head of State who made close supervision in bridge building tasks and the commander and officials, the ministries concerned and local people for their hard work.
Yangon Division Industrial Zones Management...
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First, Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence instructed that as the government is providing necessary assistance for development of the industrial sector, responsible persons of the industrial zones are to make efforts for meeting the target. Next, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Win Myint gave a supplementary report. Afterwards, departmental officials, chairmen and responsible persons from respective Industrial Zone Management Committees in Yangon Division and entrepreneurs reported on their respective works and needs. Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and officials fulfilled the requirements. The meeting ended with the remarks by Lt-Gen Myint Swe.—MNA

Lt-Gen Tha Aye on inspection tour of Magway Division

NAY PYI TAW, 29 May—Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence met with officers, other ranks and their families at the hall of Salin Station on 27 May morning.

At a briefing hall of Asia World Co Ltd in Ttibogang region of Salin Township, Lt-Gen Tha Aye heard a report on reclamation of vacant and virgin lands for agriculture works presented by the project manager.

He looked into mango and plum plantations in the project area, and instructed officials to plant sesame as mixed cropping in the farm.

Next, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected model summer paddy fields of farmer U Than Htay in Pwintbyu Township. On arrival at Pwintbyu Township People’s Hospital, Lt-Gen Tha Aye and the Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council visited the hospital and provided cash and foodstuffs to the patients, and presented medical equipment to the medical superintendent.

At river water pumping station being undertaken by Pwintbyu Township PDC, they viewed supply of water to the farmlands and thriving summer paddy plantations. At Textile Factory of Myanmar Textile Industries under the Ministry of Industry-I, the factory manager reported on facts about the factory and yearly production of textiles. Lt-Gen Tha Aye gave necessary instructions and inspected the factory.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected construction of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad in Pwintbyu Township, functions of Ywathagyi river water pumping station near Ywathagyi village and regional development tasks.

In Minbu, he met with members of District and Township PDCs, staff of Law Office officials and social workers.

Kyaukme, Momeik townships gaining development momentum


At the tea industry of local farmer U Kyaw Aye, they viewed processing of tea and gave instructions on applying of modern technology in producing tea.

In Pansan and Monglon villages, they met with local people, Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing presented sports gear and books for the library through officials.

At Monglon Station Hospital, they comforted the patients and inspected the operation theatre and the medical store.

They met with officials and local people at the hall of Mabein Township. Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing presented sports gear and books for library to officials. Next, they visited Mabein Township Hospital. After that, they viewed development of Mabein.

Yesterday, they presented medicines to the medical superintendent of Momeik Township Hospital after looking into the operating theatre and the medical store.

At the integrated farm of local farmer U Soe Maung, Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing heard reports on progress of the farm presented by the Township Manager of Myanma Agriculture Service.

After meeting with departmental officials and local people, Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing gave instructions on harmonious participation in the regional development tasks.—MNA
NAY PYI TAW, 29 May—The judges of Yangon North District Court, the district law officers and defence lawyer U Khin Maung Oo together with Mr. John William Yettaw yesterday at about 1.30 pm inspected the scene to make it clear how Mr John William Yettaw entered and left the house compound of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi through Inya Lake in accordance with the Code of Criminal Procedure Article 539 b. (1) and provisions of the article 621 of court manual.

At the scene, Mr. John William Yettaw stated that he entered the house compound of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi in the first time on 30 November 2008 and in the second time from 3 to 5 May 2009. Both times he entered the compound through the underground culvert placed across at the corner of University Avenue and Inya Myaing Road and then stepped over the fence the height of which was about over two feet only from the back of the house via Inya Lake. It was found that in the first time he left the house taking the route he entered but in the second time he left the house heading for the US counsellor’s house compound that shares the fence with the Kanthaya Hospital.

On 6 May morning, the items confiscated from the room of Mr. John William Yettaw at Beauty Land (2) Hotel in Kyauktada Township were one small Sony Model DCR SR 45 video camera, one night vision Bushnell 3x40 binoculars, one Vocal Translator, one mobile phone with Nokia 3110-C card, Gjt brand battery charger, one Video Camera Sony brand charging cable, one Nokia phone charging cable, one 4 GB Memory Stick (black), a pair of scissors made in Pakistan for four purposes, the map published by Myanma Tourism Service and four paper sheets of hotel directory, totalling 61.

The trial against Mr. John William Yettaw continues at Yangon North District Court after the law suit was filed against him for entering secretly the house compound of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, for violating the prescribed rules and regulations though he arrived on a tourist visa, for breaching the restriction on swimming in Inya Lake imposed according to the YCDC Water Supply and Sanitation Rules (41).

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Lush and green pine forests and crop plantations thriving in Kalaw of Shan State (South)

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He continued to say, “Kalaw has 11 wards and Aungban, 12 wards together with 25 village-tracts. Aungban is included in the municipal area of Kalaw Township. The whole township is formed with 268 villages that are home to 142,289 people.”

The chairman explained that Shweyinaye high yield paddy strain was grown on 34,638 acres of farmlands in 2008-2009, and a total of 2,175,674 baskets of paddy could be harvested. Due to production of over two million baskets of paddy, the region achieved food sufficiency. With regard to edible oil crops, the region cultivated groundnut, sesame, sunflower, niger and oil mustard plantations. As Kalaw Township is in the cold area, cotton plants including long staple cotton plants cannot be grown. However, the croplands are put under 400,000 layers and broilers are being raised. In addition, the fish breeding task is being undertaken at 14 fish ponds on 8.38 acres of land. The medium-scale industries are manufacturing various kinds of foodstuffs, personal goods and others.

In the education sector, Kalaw Township is facilitated with four Basic Education High Schools, 10 BEMSSs and 151 BEPSs in addition to 10 branches of BEHS, BEMS and BEPS and one each of Affiliated BEHS and BEPS. Moreover, a total of 23 Basic Education Post-Primary Schools are opened now as a symbol of developing basic education schools. Altogether 28,150 students are pursuing education at the basic education schools in the township.

In providing health care service to the local people, one 100-bed hospital is functioning in Kalaw, one 16-bed hospital each, three rural health centres and one malaria, TB and leprosy control unit each in Aungban and Heho. As one rural health centre is opened for the people of 25 villages from Bawhsaing Village-tract, efforts are being made for setting up a station hospital.

Climate of the township is favourable for the local people, and fertile soil contributes to cultivation of crops and boosting production. Due to better transport, the commodities are being distributed to the various regions easily and speedily.

Up to now, Kalaw with lush and green environment is always attracting and welcoming the visitors to observe the regional development.

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Lush and green pine forests and crop plantations thriving in Kalaw of Shan State (South)

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Brazilian police arrest 50 for online banking frauds

RIO DE JANEIRO, 29 May —Brazil’s Federal Police on Thursday arrested 50 people for alleged online banking frauds.

According to the Federal Police, the so-called Operation Trilha (Track), which started a year ago, involved 691 policemen, and was launched in 28 cities in the states of Maranhao, Minas Gerais, Mato Grosso, Mato Grosso do Sul, Para, Parana, Rio de Janeiro, Santa Catarina, Rondonia, Sao Paolo, Tocantins, and Goias, as well as in the Federal District.

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British scientists make H1N1 strain for vaccine

LONDON, 29 May —British scientists have produced a strain of H1N1 flu virus which could be used for large scale production of a vaccine, health authorities said on Thursday.

The virus strain is being made available to the pharmaceutical industry and other flu laboratories, the Health Protection Agency (HPA) said, describing it in a statement as “a crucial step towards large scale production of a vaccine against swine flu”.

Some 13,000 people across the world have been confirmed as infected with H1N1 flu — often referred to as swine flu — with at least 50 countries affected. It has killed 95 people, according to officially confirmed figures from the WHO.

Britain has 185 confirmed cases, said the HPA, an independent body whose remit includes the monitoring of infectious diseases.

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**Don’t smoke**
**World even closer to H1N1 pandemic, says WHO chief**

**Geneva, 29 May** — Currently the world is still not in a full H1N1 pandemic, but it is even closer to a pandemic than we were last week, World Health Organization (WHO) Director-General Dr Margaret Chan said on Thursday. “Now we are even closer to phase 6 today than we were last week,” Chan said, referring to the highest level of the WHO’s pandemic alert scale. “We need to look at whether or not the criteria for phase 6 is met,” she said.

**China reports first suspected domestic case of A/H1N1 flu in Guangdong**

**BEIJING, 29 May** — China’s Ministry of Health said Friday a new suspected case of A/H1N1 flu in southern Guangdong Province was the first case of domestic infection on the mainland.

The patient used to have a close contact with a Chinese-American man who was confirmed Friday as Guangdong’s third A/H1N1 flu patient by the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the ministry said.

The patients’ samples have been sent to the US Center for Diseases Control (CDC) and the final confirmation will come out on Tuesday.

**Brazil confirms four new cases of A/H1N1 flu**

**RIO DE JANEIRO, 29 May** — Brazil’s Health Ministry confirmed on Thursday four new cases of A/H1N1 flu, lifting the total number of the infection to 14 in the country.

The 14 confirmed cases included six in Sao Paulo, four in Rio de Janeiro, two in Santa Catarina, one in Rio Grande do Sul and one in Minas Gerais.

Eight of the 14 infected patients have already been discharged.

Despite the fact that two of the infected caught the virus in Brazilian territory, the ministry did not reveal details of the new suspected case. Medical experts warned earlier that China faces a growing risk of domestic spread of the A/H1N1 flu as more cases from abroad were being discovered.

**Singapore confirms three more Influenza A/H1N1 cases**

**SINGAPORE, 29 May** — Singapore confirmed three more Influenza A/H1N1 cases on Thursday, bringing the total cases here to four, the country’s Health Ministry said.

The ministry in a statement that the country’s second confirmed case is a 43-year-old female Singapore permanent resident who returned to Singapore from San Francisco via Manila on Tuesday at 17:50 local time. She was on Singapore Airlines, SQ 917 and was seated at 33H.

She became unwell while on board. The third confirmed case is a 28-year-old female Singapore permanent resident who returned to Singapore from Manila via Tokyo on Tuesday at 23:53 local time, on United Airlines, UA 803. She was seated at 33C.

The patients’ samples have been sent to the US Center for Diseases Control (CDC) and the final confirmation will come out on Tuesday.

“Those samples were positive in Bolivia, and immediately the patients received free treatment. We have 20,000 dosages to treat the patients,” Tapia said.
Mesi takes the honours in Rome as Ronaldo flops

ROME, 29 May—Lionel Messi was hailed by his coach as the world’s best player after he scored Barcelona’s second goal in their 2-0 Champions League final victory over Manchester United and ended as the competition’s top scorer.

The match in Rome had been hyped as a duel between the world’s two best players, Argentine Messi and United’s Portuguese winger Cristiano Ronaldo.

Ronaldo was largely ineffective apart from an early flourish and it was Messi who came out on top, scoring his ninth goal of the Champions League campaign and improving his chances of snatching away his rival’s FIFA World Player of the Year crown.

“This is the most important win of my life,” Messi told reporters. “I am the happiest man alive and I am happy for myself, for my family and for my country.”

Barca coach Pep Guardiola said Messi had been superb for the Primera Liga champions all season, helping not only with goals but also with plenty of assists. —INTERNET

Roddy showing form at French Open tennis

PARIS, 29 May—Andy Roddick was the sole American male survivor out of nine starters in the French Open on Friday but he warned not to expect any miracle on clay out of him.

The former world No.1’s last 6-2, 6-2, 7-6(7)/2 win over Ivo Minar of the Czech Republic on Thursday put him into the third round at Roland Garros for just the second time in his career—the first being in 2001.

From now on, it was a case of just taking it one match at a time, he said, and not getting too far ahead of himself on what is by far his least favourite surface.—INTERNET

Chelsea penpix for FA Cup final

LONDON, 29 May—Following is the penpix of Chelsea players ahead of Saturday’s FA Cup final against Everton (ages as at May 30).

Goalkeepers

1-PETR CECH, Age 27. Cech has suffered several uncharacteristic dips in form this season and has not been formidable last line of defence Chelsea fans have come to expect. However, he produced a superb display in the Champions League semi-final, first leg in Barcelona to keep the Spanish champions at bay and his place is not under threat. 40-HENRIQUE HILARIO, 33. Managed just one appearance this season in the league but an able deputy for Cech if needed.

Defenders

17-JOSE BOISINGWA, 26. Established himself as the club’s first choice right back after signing from Porto a year ago. Offers plenty of attacking options with his energy up and down the right flank. Has also proved versatile, having covered on the left from time to time.

25-JOHN TERRY, 28. Chelsea’s captain continues to lead by example, throwing himself headlong into the fray week in, week out. Not the quickest defender, but reads the game instinctively and is fearless in the tackle.

A goal threat from set pieces although he has not scored as many as normal this season.

33-IALIZED VIVIANOVIC, 25. The Serb has impressed when called upon this season, appearing equally comfortable at centre back or full back. Two headed goals against Liverpool in the away leg of their Champions League quarter-final propelled him into the hearts of the fans.

Midfielders

22-ASHLEY COLE, 28. A fixture at left back for club and country with great pace and ball control.

Has avoided the niggling injuries that afflicted him for the last two seasons and is one of Chelsea’s most reliable performers.

2-BRANISLAV IVANOVIC, 25. The Serb has impressed when called upon this season, appearing equally comfortable at centre back or full back. Two headed goals against Liverpool in the away leg of their Champions League quarter-final propelled him into the hearts of the fans.

21-SALOMON KALOU, 23. A versatile striker and country with great pace and ball control.

Forwards:

11-DIDIER DROGBA, 31. Often cast as the pan-tomime villain of English football with his theatrical performances, there is no doubting the Ivory Coast striker’s class. Appeared disinterested early on in the season under Scolari, but is back to his best under Hiddink and remains a terrifying prospect for defenders with his pace, power and his ability on the deck and in the air.

8-FRANK LAMPARD, 30. Voted the club’s player of the year in 2004/05 and has offered power and pace and an eye for goal since joining Chelsea in 2001.

21-SERGIO RAMOS, 19. Young Portuguese right back from Porto and the Portugal international arrived in London from Barca coach Pep Guardiola said Messi had been superb for the Primera Liga champions all season, helping not only with goals but also with plenty of assists. —INTERNET

French State’s Hill is NCAA medalist

TOLEDO (Ohio), 29 May—With just eight holes remaining in the race for medalist at the NCAA Division I men’s golf championship, North Carolina State’s Matt Hill trailed by two strokes. Instead of panic, it was time to take control.

Hill made three birdies down the stretch and then played keepaway with the lead to capture the top individual prize Thursday at Inverness Club. “I’m pretty pumped up, that’s for sure, and a little bit relieved at the same time,” Hill said after shooting his third consecutive 2-under 69 to finish at 6-under 207.

“I don’t think he is the best player and we didn’t need to win to know he is the best,” United manager Alex Ferguson said Guardiola’s decision to move Messi further back into midfield had made it hard for his side to get back into the game after conceding the opening goal in the 10th minute.—INTERNET

Leonardo to replace Ancelotti at Milan

According to reports in Gazzetta dello Sport, Leonardo will take over from Gaetano Donnarumma and has been gathering validity over several weeks. Ancelotti has won the Champions League twice and Serie A once with Milan since taking over in 2001. Leonardo has no previous coaching experience but his performances have proved novices can shine after winning an incredible treble in his charge in charge of the Catalans.—INTERNET

According to reports in Gazzetta dello Sport: Brazillian World Cup winner Leonardo, seen here in 2008, is set to take over from Carlo Ancelotti as AC Milan coach next season.
Two killed, eight injured in Chicago shootings

CHICAGO, 29 May—At least two people were killed and eight others were wounded in separate shootings in Chicago, the third largest city in the United States, on Thursday night and in the early hours of Friday, Chicago police said.

One man was killed and three others injured in a possible drive-by-shooting early Friday morning in West Garfield Park and the injured were taken to hospitals.

Police at the scene said they heard up to 20 shots fired.

Another person was killed in a shooting incident that occurred early Friday morning in the southeastern side of the city.

The Chicago Fire Department also reported that five people were shot in separate shootings Thursday night at the southern side of the city. The five victims were all taken to local hospitals in serious-to-critical condition.
**Yedashe Township facilitated with newly inaugurated Swa Creek Bridge for better transport**

**Nav Pyi Taw, 29 May**—A ceremony to commission Swa Creek Bridge, built by Bridge Construction Special Unit (14) of the Public Works of the Ministry of Construction, was held at the mile post No. 198/2 on Yangon-Toungoo-Mandalay Union Highway in Yedashe Township this morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman of Bago Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Brig-Gen Hla Min said that the newly opened Swa Creek Bridge, an important one for Bago Division, is the 226th facility of its kind in the entire nation. The government had constructed Sittoung Bridge (Shwegyin-Madauk), Ayeyawady Bridge (Nawade-Pyay) and Bago River Bridge (Kawa) in Bago Division, he said. Swa Creek Bridge is the 18th major bridge, over 180-foot long, in Bago Division, he added.

The commander noted that the genuine goodwill of the government can be witnessed obviously as the bridge was completed in a short time. The construction of the bridges one after another indicates the goodwill of the government, techniques (See page 8).

**COMMANDER BRIG-GEN HLA MIN DELIVERS AN ADDRESS AT OPENING OF SWA CREEK BRIDGE—MNA**

**Newly-opened Swa Creek Bridge in Yedashe Township.—MNA**

**Why coral reefs around world collapsing**

**SALEM, 29 May**—An explosion of knowledge has been made in the last few years about the basic biology of corals, researchers say in a new report, helping to explain why coral reefs around the world are collapsing and what it will take for them to survive a gauntlet of climate change and ocean acidification.

The problems facing coral reefs are still huge, and increasing. They are being pressured by changes in ocean temperature, pollution, overfishing, sedimentation, acidification, oxidative stress and disease, and the synergistic effect of some of these problems may destroy reefs even when one cause by itself would not. Some estimates have suggested 20 percent of the world’s coral reefs are already dead and an additional 24 percent are gravely threatened.

**Poor attention in kindergarten predicts lower high school test scores**

**SCIENCE DAILY, 29 May**—As thousands of students nationwide prepare to leave high school, a UC Davis study appearing online May 26 in the June issue of the medical journal Pediatrics shows a clear link between attention problems early in school — as early as kindergarten — and lower high school test scores.

“In our study, a child’s inability to pay attention when they start school had the strongest negative effect on how they performed at the end of high school — regardless of their IQ (intelligence quotient),” said lead study author Joshua Breslau, an assistant professor of internal medicine at the UC Davis School of Medicine and a researcher with the UC Davis Center for Reducing Health Disparities.

He said that addressing attention problems early in life could keep some children from entering “a downward spiral of failure.” —Internet