Four political objectives
- Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- National reconsolidation
- Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives
- Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives
- Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

MWVO a reserve force of Tatmadaw joining hands with other social organizations, national brethren in active and dutiful service for national defence, national task

First-day session of MWVO conference (2009) held

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The first session of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization conference (2009) was held at MWVO HQ in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe on 8 October, with an address by Chairman of Myanmar War Veterans Organization Central Organizing Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung. Speaking on the occasion Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung said that now is the time when the State Peace and Development Council or the Tatmadaw government is in the process of implementing the seven-step Road Map for national reconsolidation and the emergence of a new enduring State Constitution.

Regarding anti-narcotic drugs, Myanmar is ready to cooperate with any country and organization. If the US recognizes the Myanmar’s genuine goodwill and efforts and cooperates with Myanmar, more tangible and greater success will be achieved soon.

Myogyi Dam, under construction to green Meiktila Plain

Surprisingly, we heard a roar of heavy machinery. Excavators, rollers and bulldozers were used in the ground work at the construction site of building Myogyi Dam between Kyaykan and Shwemyintha hills, parts of Shan mountain range near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township, Shan State (South).

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Arouse people’s national political awareness

The second-day session of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009) took place at the conference hall of MWV O Headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw Lwee on 9 October. Patron of Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe attended the conference and gave guidance.

With very fine traditions, Myanmar has stood tall with her own culture, custom, independence and sovereignty for more than one thousand years.

In his guidance, Senior General Than Shwe said, “Historic lessons reveal that the Union was on the verge of collapse in times of disqualified leaders and disunity of national brethren. Sovereignty will be lost if the Union collapses. So, in this regard, national politics and true sense of Union Spirit are the most important things.”

To encourage the members to have a sense of national causes and political awareness sharing the common belief and concept in order to organize the people, MWVO Central Organizing Committee is constantly taking measures under the leadership of the Tatmadaw such as implementing programmes on national politics, conducting training courses designed to improve the number of members of the organization and reserve members.

The number of infrastructures in all fields including the economic, transport, education, water supply and health sectors across the nation to expedite the border areas and national races development project, the 24 special region development project and rural development programmes is very great in proportion to the period of a couple of decades.

The result is largely due to the cooperation of the three major forces: the government, the people and the Tatmadaw.

All in all, war veterans are part of the Tatmadaw and they are standing as reserve members forever to perform national defence duties under the leadership of the Tatmadaw.

Commander enjoys ASEAN U-16 Women Championship Football match

YANGON, 10 Oct—An opening ceremony of ASEAN U-16 Women football match took place at Thuwanna stadium, here, yesterday evening.

It was attended by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, the Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department, General secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee, the Director-General of Department of Basic Education No. 3, the President of Myanmar Football Federation, Chairperson of Myanmar Women’s Sports Federation, patrons of MWSF, officials of ASEAN embassies, guests and fans.

On the occasion, the commander, the President of MFF and officials from ASEAN Football Federation greeted football players and referees. And performers also presented bouquets to them.

Afterwards, the commander and the officials enjoyed playing Myanmar Women team against Malaysia Women team.—MNA

Press conference on Parkroyal Youth Art Award 2009 entitles “Sights of Myanmar” held

YANGON, 10 Oct—A press meet on Parkroyal Youth Art Award 2009 took place at Parkroyal here, yesterday.

General Manager of Parkroyal Yangon Hotel Mr Teddy Chia briefed on holding of the contest.

The Art Award will be organized again this year for all Myanmar youths aged between 14 to 20 years. And it would sharpen the talent of local youth artists. Its title is “Sights of Myanmar”.

The artwork must be original and only one artwork of each participant will be allowed; medium and materials that allowed for this contest are watercolour on paper 15” x 20” or Oil / Acrylic / Ink on canvas, 18” x 24”; the selected artworks shall remain the property and copyright of the Parkroyal Hotel, will be used in publicity campaigns. Handsome prizes will be awarded to winners. The Nanyang Academy of Fine Art (NAFA) of Singapore, will make judgment together with reputable local and famous artists. Entries are to be submitted to Parkroyal Yangon, No. 33 Alamy Pagoda Road, Dagon Township or MCTA – No. 69 (2), between 53rd street and 37th street, Mandalay, not later than 10 November.

Those wishing to participate may contact (Tel: 250388 and Ext: 8116 or 8123).—MNA

UMFCCI President meets President of KAMCO

YANGON, 10 Oct—Korea Delegation led by President of Korea Asset Management Corporation(KAMCO) Mr. Lee Chol –Hwi and party together with members of Myanmar DAEWOO Limited met with President of UMFCCI U Win Myint, Vice- President U Tun Aung, Secretary Dr Mg Mg Lay, Joint Secretary Dr Myo Thet, Central Executive Members U Sai Ba Nyan, U Tun Aung, U Myint Zaw and Dr Thin Ngwe Win at Head Office, here on 2 October.—MNA

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Number of Afghan militants grow rapidly since 2006

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — The number of Taleban-led militants in Afghani-stan has grown rapidly from 7,000 to 25,000 since 2006, according to a new US intelligence estimate. The estimate, presented to US President Barack Obama and leaked out by the New York Times and other news outlets on Fri-day, includes so-called “hard-core” Taleban loyalists and other militants af-filiated with them.

US officials said the fig-ure are not necessarily ac-curate, given the fact that the militants often operate in small units and some of them are not full-time fighters. They also hope some moderate elements of the insurgency could break away from the “hard core” Taleban loyalists if situa-tions change in the future. Nevertheless, US offi-cials said the insurgency not only grows in ranks, but also remains very re-silient and very flexible.

How to deal with Taleban emerges as a core question to Obama’s ongoing re-view of his Afghan strategy.

White House aides said Thursday that the focus of the strategy is now shifting away from the Talibah in Afghani-stan to al-Qaïda cells in Pakistan.

Israelis bring green power to West Bank village

A woman calls for help as they flee their homes after hearing of rumors that nearby San Roque dam has cracked in San Manuel town, Tarlac Province, northern Philippines on 10 Oct 2009. — INTERNET

Montserrat volcano spews ash, residents wear masks

SAN JUAN (Puerto Rico), 10 Oct — Rock falls from a spewing volcano stirred up more volcanic ash on Friday on the tiny Caribbean island of Montserrat, which lost half its popula-tion after a devastating eruption last decade.

Dozens of small earthquakes accompa-need ash plumes that have billowed up 20,000 feet (6,000 meters) this week, prompting officials to distribute masks to residents, said James White Jr, acting director of the Disaster Management Co-ordination Agency.

A thin layer of volcanic residue now covers several northwestern towns, and ashfall — which can cause respiratory problems and tiny scratches on the eyes — is expected to continue, said Paul Cole, director of the Montserrat Vol-cano Observatory. — INTERNET

In this 8 Jan 2007 photo, a cloud of superheated ash and gas flows from the Soufriere Hills volcano, as seen from Olveston, Montserrat.

Setback for British ‘hacker’ in US extradition fight

LONDON, 10 Oct — A Briton accused of hacking into US military and NASA space agency computers was on Friday refused permission to appeal to the new Supreme Court in London against his extradition to the United States.

The High Court had turned down Gary McKinnon’s extradition challenges and on Friday refused him leave to appeal, ruling that that his case did not raise “points of law of general public importance” — a prerequisite of being able to pursue a cause in the Supreme Court.

The 43-year-old could spend life in prison if convicted by a US court of gain-ing access to 97 computers in 2001 and 2002 in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States. — INTERNET

Water scarcity of global concern

ST PETERSBURG, 10 Oct — A looming global water shortage means world leaders should act now to assure peace in water-poor regions, a climate change expert told a Min-nesota audience.

“There is no more cru-cial issue to human soci-ety than the future of wa-ter on this planet,” Nobel-Prize winner Rajendra Pachauri said, speaking in the US state known as “The Land of 10,000 Lakes.”

Citizen Yao Shaowu shows the making process of his stamp collage with the pattern of “Along the River During the Qingming Festival”, a famous Chinese painting, in Wuhan, capital of central China’s Hubei Province, on 9 Oct 2009. — XINHUA

Three NATO soldiers killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Oct — Militancy and hostile fire have left three soldiers of the NATO-led International Security As-sistance Force (ISAF) dead in Afghanistan, a press release of the alliance said Saturday.

“Two International Security Assistance Force service members were killed in an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) strike on 9 Oct, in eastern Afghanistan,” the press release added.

Nevertheless, it did not identify the nationality of the two dead soldiers, adding the third soldier died on the same day on Friday is an American national. “On the same day, one US service member died of wounds sustained in an IED attack in southern Afghanistan,” it stressed.

The military alliance also said that a joint operation, launched by ISAF and Afghan security forces, led to the arrest of 10 militants in Pul-e-Alam, capital city of southern Logar province. “The search was conducted without inci-dent, and no Afghan civilians were injured during the operation,” it added.

Conflicts and violence have claimed at least 406 foreign soldiers, including 240 from the US, so far this year in war-torn Afghanistan. — XINHUA
World's leading direct-selling company eyes China market

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Herbalife, one of the world's top five direct-selling companies, is investing in China a lot more aggressively than before to increase the size of its business from its current fourth place to become the largest in the Asia-Pacific region within four years, China Daily reported on Saturday.

Michael O Johnson, chief executive officer of the US personal care and nutritional products maker, made the remark during a three-day China visit to Nanjing, Jiangsu Province.

He refused to be specific about numbers, only saying the volume would be "larger" than in previous years.

The company’s China investment has amounted to 38 million US dollars so far. The majority, 31.25 million US dollars, went to its Suzhou factory, one of its two manufacturing plants worldwide whose products have been mainly sold in China.—Xinhua

Republicans attack Obama on US dollar

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — Leading Republicans echoed Sarah Palin on Thursday in attacking President Barack Obama over the weakness of the US dollar.

Analysts warn it is risky business playing politics with the US currency, which has traditionally been off limits as a way to score points against political opponents. That taboo appears to have been broken.

Palin, the former Republican vice presidential candidate and ex-governor of Alaska, launched her dollar criticism on her Facebook page. She linked dollar weakness to US dependence on foreign oil, large US deficits and questions about whether the dollar deserves to retain its vaunted status of reserve currency.

Republicans in Congress said the previous Republican administration of former president George W Bush also deserved blame for dollar weakness but, since taking office on 20 January, Democrat Obama was calling the shots.

“I agree with her,” Senator Charles Grassley, top Republican on the Senate Finance Committee, said when asked by Reuters about Palin’s dollar criticism.

“A lot of the recession we are in now goes back to Bush. But the extent to which we passed the 787-billion-US-dollar stimulus bill that is not doing any good — this president is responsible for,” he said.

MNA/Reuters

German exports slide unexpectedly in August

BERLIN, 10 Oct—German exports slid unexpectedly in August, according to the provisional data released by German Federal Statistical Office (Destatis) on Friday. Germany exported commodities to the value of 60.4 billion euros (about 89 billion US dollars) and imported commodities to the value of 52.2 billion euros in August 2009, said Destatis. Exports decreased by 1.8 percent on July 2009 and imports increased by 1.1 percent, when adjusted for calendar and seasonal variations.

This is the first time in four months that German exports fell, according to the local media reports. The previous expectations of local media are that exports increased 1.7 percent and imports rose 0.9 percent.

On an annual basis, German exports decreased by 20.0 percent and imports by 19.3 percent in August 2009 against August 2008, said Destatis. The surplus had amounted to 10.6 billion euros on calendar and seasonal adjustment, lower than a surplus of 10.8 billion euros in August 2008. (1 US dollar = 0.6787 euros)

Xinhua

Japan to obtain rights to platinum in Africa

TOKYO, 10 Oct—Resource-poor Japan has obtained rights to develop platinum mines in South Africa and Botswana in a bid to ensure a stable supply of the metal, officials said on Friday.

The government-backed Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corp (JOGMEC) has signed a contract with Discovery Metals in Australia to jointly develop nickel and platinum mines in northeast Botswana, it said in a statement.

It has inked another deal with Canadian firm Platinum Group Metals to explore for platinum in South Africa. It will pay three million Australian dollars (2.7 million US dollars) to Discovery Metals over three years for exploration costs, in return for 60 percent of the rights to the metals.

JOGMEC will pay 3.2 million US dollars to Platinum Group Metals over four years for a 37 percent share, it said in a statement.—Internet

Mad cow fear: Japan suspends beef from US plant

TOKYO, 10 Oct—Japan has suspended beef shipments from an American meat-packing plant after finding cattle parts banned under an agreement to prevent the spread of mad cow disease, the agriculture ministry said on Saturday.

Japanese quarantine inspectors found bovine spinal columns in one of 732 boxes sent by Tyson Fresh Meats, Inc, which arrived in Japan last month, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries said in a statement.

The box contained 35 pounds (16 kilograms) of chilled short loin with spinal bones.

The suspension only affects Tyson’s factory in Nebraska, one of 46 meat-packing plants approved to export beef to Japan.

The Japanese ministry also asked the US Department of Agriculture to investigate how the box containing the banned parts ended up in Japan.

Japan banned all US beef imports in 2003 after the first case of mad cow disease was discovered in the United States. Japan resumed buying American beef in 2006 after a bilateral trade agreement setting new safety standards.

Internet

Eole Water SAS Chief Executive Officer Marc Parent poses next to a windmill turbine, which produces drinking water by condensation of dampness of the air, in Sainte Tulle, southeastern France, on 9 Oct, 2009. This new technology allows a production of water and electricity coming from wind power.—Xinhua

Japanese hostess holds the world's most expensive handbag — made in Japan out of platinum and diamonds and worth $2 million — in Vienna in 2008. Resource-poor Japan has obtained rights to develop platinum mines in South Africa and Botswana in a bid to ensure a stable supply of the metal.—Internet

A Japanese hostess holds the world’s most expensive handbag—made in Japan out of platinum and diamonds and worth $2 million—at a meeting in the Netherlands.—Internet

Two officers of Italian police, left and right, and their Swiss colleague pose near a Lamborghini Gallardo of Italian traffic police ‘Polizia stradale’, which is told to be the world’s fastest police car, at a highway rest area in Bellinzona, southern Switzerland, on 7 Oct, 2009. The Lamborghini will be presented at an international police meeting in the Netherlands.—Internet
France offers to train more Somali forces

PARIS, 10 Oct—France has proposed to train 3,000 more Somali security forces in order to ensure stability in the piracy-infested area, the French Defence Ministry said Friday in a statement. Defence Minister Herve Morin made the offer in a letter sent on 6 Oct to his Swedish counterpart, whose country currently holds the presidency of European Union, the ministry said. France are already training Somali forces at the request of the Somali government, according to the statement. 150 Somali soldiers have been in French training camp in Djibouti. France is “committed to actively participating in European missions, especially by providing training and logistical support. A robust training of Somali security forces could lead to an efficient action to stabilize the area,” Morin said in the statement. The European Union launched a naval mission, nicknamed Operation Atalanta, last year, to fight Somali pirates in the Gulf of Aden, and France plays a key role in the mission.

Stars in mega concert for Expo countdown

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Around 40 stars and celebrities will sing their hearts out next Tuesday to fuel Expo fever and mark the 200-day countdown to the World Expo 2010 in Shanghai.—Xinhua

200-day countdown to the World Expo 2010 in Shanghai.

The concert at Shanghai Grand Theater will be live broadcast worldwide through Dragon TV starting 7:30 pm. Tickets are not on sale to the public, but some will be given away to those who answer an Expo quiz sponsored by China Mobile and Tencent Co. Stars and celebrities include Andy Lau, one of Cantopop’s “Four Heavenly Kings” from Hong Kong; Coco Lee, the first female and singer-songwriter Sa Dingding, BBC World Music Awards winner in 2008. They all will sing Expo songs — and some of their hits — to stoke enthusiasm for the six-month event that opens on 1 May, 2010. “Better City, Better Life! Let’s cheer for the Shanghai Expo. Best wishes for the countdown concert,” says a message from NBA star Yao Ming, a Shanghai native who is one of three ambassadors for World Expo 2010.—Xinhua

5.8 magnitude aftershock hits Solomon Islands

WELLINGTON, 10 Oct—An earthquake measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale struck off Solomon Islands on Saturday, the US Geological Survey reported. There were no immediate reports of damage or casualties.

The quake, occurred at 09:49 am on Saturday Solomon Islands local time (2249 GMT Friday), was at a depth of 27 km and about 230 km northwest of the capital of Honiara. Three tremors measuring over 5.0 magnitude were also recorded earlier on Saturday. The region has been hit by more than 25 aftershocks since Thursday’s triple tremors measuring more than 7.3.—Xinhua

11 dead in UN plane crash in Haiti

UNITED NATIONS, 10 Oct—All 11 people aboard were killed on Friday when a UN plane crashed near the Haiti-Dominican border, a UN spokesman said here. There are no survivors in the accident, the spokesperson said, adding that all the bodies were found and will be transported back to Haiti’s capital of Port-au-Prince. UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon “extended his heartfelt condolences to the family members, friends and colleagues of these brave peacekeepers who lost their lives in the service of peace,” said a statement issued here by his spokesperson. According to the statement, the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) said that the plane was on a regular reconnaissance flight, and those who aboard the Uruguayan CASA-212 military aircraft were from Uruguay and Jordan. An investigation is underway to determine the cause of the crash, which took place in the area of Fonds-Verrettes approximately 45 kilometers from Port-au-Prince.—Xinhua

New Zealand scientists to study tsunami impact on infrastructure

WELLINGTON, 10 Oct — A team of New Zealand engineers and scientists has arrived in Samoa to study the impact of last week’s tsunami on the Pacific island country’s buildings and infrastructure.

The eight-person group from New Zealand’s National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research (NIWA) and the Institute of Geological and Nuclear Science (GNS Science) is joining other international survey teams there, Radio New Zealand International reported on Saturday.

One of the co-leader, William Power from GNS Science, said the aim is to help New Zealand and Samoa become better prepared for the threat of a tsunami. Power said a better understanding of the mechanics of tsunami wave movements in coastal settings will help improve the accuracy of computer models.—Xinhua
China says rich countries undercut climate talks

BEIJING, 10 Oct — China accused rich countries of undermining key elements of an international climate change agreement that nations hope to agree by the end of 2009, adding to a chorus of discord over the negotiations.

Su Wei, who led Beijing’s delegation to climate treaty talks inBangkok that ended on Friday, said splits over the framework for a new pact to fight global warming remained “quite large,” just two months before negotiations culminate in Copenhagen.

China, as both the world’s biggest developer country and world’s biggest emitter of greenhouse gases from human activity, is at the heart of those disagreements.

Su told China’s official Xinhua news agency that rich countries were seeking to abridge key principles of the Kyoto Protocol, the treaty that governs nations’ efforts to address climate change up to the end of 2012. — Internet

A/H1N1 influenza death toll rises over 4,500, says WHO

GENEVA, 10 Oct — At least 4,525 people worldwide have been killed by the A/H1N1 influenza virus since the new flu virus was identified in April, the World Health Organization (WHO) said in a latest update on Friday.

Of all the deaths, 2,392 occurred in the Americas, 480 occurred in South-East Asia and 410 occurred in the West Pacific. The other three WHO regions, Europe, East Mediterranean and Africa reported 193,80 and 70 deaths respectively.

The WHO, which declared the A/H1N1 flu as a pandemic in June, said the total number of lab-confirmed cases worldwide is now over 378,223, but this case count is significantly lower than the actual number of cases that have occurred because many countries have stopped testing and reporting individual cases.

In the temperate regions of the northern hemisphere, transmission of influenza virus and rates of influenza-like illness continue to increase, marking an unusually early start to fall and winter influenza season in many countries, the UN agency said.

But in the temperate regions of the southern hemisphere, influenza transmission has largely subsided or continues to decline substantially.—Xinhua

A/H1N1 swine flu vaccine at the Children’s Hospital Boston primary care clinic in Boston, Massachusetts on 7 October, 2009.—Xinhua

Afghan forces kill six Taleban fighters

KABUL, 10 Oct — Afghan commandos with the support of NATO-led forces eliminated a Taleban commander and five of his armed men in Wardak Province, 35 km west of Afghan capital Kabul, police said on Saturday.

“The special forces backed by international troops carried out operation in Chek district very early on Friday against Taleban hideout,” killing Mullah Yasin a senior Taleban commander along with five of his men,” senior police officer General Abdul Raazq said.

Meantime, Taleban purported spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid confirmed the incident and in talks with media from undisclosed locations via telephone said that Mullah Yasin along with four of his fighters were killed.

Another Taleban key commander in west Afghanistan Ghulam Yahya Akbari along with 12 of his men were killed late Thursday night. —Xinhua

Online woman produces 1,725-pound pumpkin

An Ohio couple have raised what could be the real Great Pumpkin, a monster weighing in at 1,725 pounds. Nick and Christy Harp of Jackson Township near Massillon learned their pumpkin was a world record-holder Saturday at the Ohio Valley Giant Pumpkin Growers Weigh-In, WWW-TV, Cleveland, reported.

Christy Harp told the television station this year’s big pumpkin was her work. Every year she and her husband have their own private competition with each taking half the pumpkin patch on their farm. “Last year he beat me by 200 pounds. This year I beat him by 400 pounds. This year I beat him by 400 pounds. My side of the patch! We separate the patch and never step foot on the other side.”

The Harps prepare the soil with coffee grounds, manure and compost and then select seeds with good genes. Christy Harp said the formula works so well that growing August her pumpkin grew an average of 33 pounds a day for a while.

With two more weeks of weigh-ins, Christy Harp knows that a bigger pumpkin may be out there somewhere, waiting for the scales.

But she said no matter what happens she will have had her moment as a pumpkin grower.

In outage, keep generators 25 feet away

Gasoline-powered generators may need to be as far away as 25 feet from a house during a power outage, a US federal technology agency researcher says.

Steven Emmerich of the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, Md, says the operating distance to make residents “safe” from carbon monoxide lingering by windows, the release of the gas that can lead to carbon monoxide intoxication, ranges depends on the house, the weather conditions and the distance to make residents “safe” from carbon monoxide lingering by windows, the release of the gas that can lead to carbon monoxide intoxication.

Slow winds or stagnant air seem to be the worst case, leading to carbon monoxide lingering by windows, the researchers say.

Man accused of putting beer into infant’s bottle

A Charleston man was accused of putting beer into an infant’s bottle while baby-sitting the child. James Michael Williams was charged with felony child neglect creating the risk of injury. A criminal complaint accuses Williams of putting Natural Ice beer into the bottle. —Xinhua

Video shows cars, trucks tossed by tsunami waves

HONOLULU, 10 Oct — The FBI on Friday released video footage showing waves rushing in and violently tossing cars and trucks in a parking lot as a deadly tsunami struck American Samoa last week.

The dramatic video was taken on the morning of 29 Sept from a stationary security camera at the FBI office in Pago Pago. The video shows about a dozen cars, ranging from an SUV to a Volkswagen Beetle, being thrown around like whitewater rafts.

The two-minute clip also shows three people walking in the parking lot shortly before the wave struck. One man runs quickly in the opposite direction less than 30 seconds before the water enters the scene.

The FBI said because of its second-floor location at Pago Plaza, the office suffered only minimal damage. No agents were inside at the time. The building is located about 100 yards from the shoreline.

The water hit the parking lot at 7:14 am in American Samoa, about 26 minutes after an 8.3-magnitude earthquake shook the South Pacific.

The time stamp on the video is in Hawaii Standard Time. Local time in American Samoa is one hour earlier.

At least 183 people were killed in the 29 Sept tsunami, including 142 in Samoa. An additional 32 people were killed in American Samoa and nine in Tonga. —Xinhua

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Two giant figures placed at Brandenburg Gate during the third day of a street theatre in Berlin. The four-day street performance with the giant puppets is based on a fairytale called The Giants by French streets arts company Royal de Luxe and marks the 19th anniversary of the formal re-unification of Germany in the German capital.

Skull of a 66-million-year-old Tyrannosaurus rex skeleton dubbed “Samson” is displayed at the Venetian Resort Hotel Casino, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Samson failed to sell at a Las Vegas auction after the top bid of $3.6 m fell way below the minimum price.

Palestinian children look at white donkeys dyed like zebras at a zoo in the Zeitoun neighborhood of Gaza City. The zoo dyed two donkeys because the zebra of the zoo died of starvation during the Israeli military offensive as the zookeeper could not feed the animals.
Hanmyintmo Model Village of Kyaukse Township is located at mile post No. 396 on Meiktila-Kyaukse-Mandalay Union Highway. The border post between Mandalay Division and Shan State is 10 miles and six furlongs from the Union Highway. A three-mile and six-furlong long road section is leading to Myogyi Myogyi Dam, under construction to green Meiktila Plain

U Htay Oo, Deputy Director of Construction-7 of Irrigation Department.

Myogyi Dam is being constructed by damming the area between Kyaykan and Shwemyintha Hills near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township, Shan State (South).

Heavy machinery being used for ground work of Myogyi Dam.

On completion, the water flown from Zawgyi River that originated in Pindaya and Yaksawk of Shan State and the water from the watershed areas of Myogyi and Zawgyi dams can be supplied to 30,000 acres of monsoon and summer paddy in Meiktila Plain. The following day, the news crew of the Myanmar Alin Daily continued the trip and waved at Shan mountain range. All in all, we believed that Myogyi Dam will contribute to the development of agriculture task and the greening of Meiktila Plain soon.

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Myanmar Alin. 7-10-2009
Myanmar welcomes any offer to cooperate on anti-narcotic drugs

Ko Myanmar

Myanmar has been engaged in many projects in far-flung areas to persuade poppy farmers to quit the evil livelihood, and alleviate poverty.
After Vietnam War, Soviet troops entered Afghanistan and the people. He then elaborated on the internal and external attempts to harm the National Convention and constitution. Although there were disturbances, the constitution was approved with 92.48% public support. It is a milestone in history and plans are under way to implement the remaining steps including the transition process. Hence, the nation has a firm future.

MWVO is formed with members equipped strong Union Spirit with camaraderie as the cornerstone under the directive of the Tatmadaw. Although it is a social organization, it is also a reserve force of the Tatmadaw joining hands with other social organizations and national brethren in its active and dutiful service for national defence and national task.

Patron of MWVO (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe met MWVOOC members for seven times and gave guidance. The MWVO anti-narcotics programme laid down at the MWVO conference (2005). He also elaborated on all kinds of assistance rendered by the organization for its members and families.

The secretary of the Central Organizing Committee will explain detailed points on successful implementation of the five major sectors under the leadership of the Tatmadaw by constantly following the guidelines of Patron of Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Senior General Than Shwe. All the delegates are invited to point out strong and weak points in discussing their respective sectors and give sound advice and suggestions.

MWVO is to cooperate in successful implementation of the seven-step Road Map by upholding Our Three Main National Causes, the 12 State objectives, the four-point people’s desire and the people’s six resolutions as national politics for the emergence of a peaceful, modern and discipline-flourishing democratic nation. All the members are to strive for their organization to stand with dignity and win trust and confidence of the people. As the organization serves as a bridge between the Tatmadaw and the people, it is necessary to enlist the strength of the people. It is to perform the duties of national development and State defence and security based on Union Spirit and true patriotism in cooperation with the people.

In conclusion, Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung said war veterans organizations at various levels are to try to be financially strong in order to successfully carry out welfare service and public welfare tasks. At the same time, they are to try for development of human resources of the members and their family members. With the financial strength of the organization alongside development of human resources, each and every sector will improve as well. So, the members are to choose to establish their businesses based on resources and climatic conditions of their own regions. As today is the age of information technology as well as the age of market economy, they are to keep track of information technology and to try for their businesses to seek the market not only locally but also internationally. All necessary assistance can be provided for the members and their families only when the organization is financially strong. The organization’s objectives will be successfully realized if State/Division War Veterans Supervisory Committees are to assign systematic duties to township war veterans organizations under their close supervision.

The morning session adjourned. MWVOCC member Col Thein Nyunt chaired the afternoon session. General round of discussions were then held by the participants.

MINISTER U AUNG THAUNG EXPLAINING MATTERS ON MEETING OF THE FIRST-DAY SESSION OF MWVO CONFERENCE (2009).—MNA

Myanmar welcomes American Scholar Noam Chomsky in his book “What Uncle Sam Really Wants” says that narcotic drugs spread to everywhere CIA gets to. CIA helped Afghan Mujahidin and drug lords to exchange narcotic drugs with arms through a black bank like BCCI.

What has been going on in Afghanistan since 2001 in which the US occupied the nation? According to the article “CIA, Heroin Still Rule in Afghanistan” by Victor Thorn in RAWA Website, poppy farming in Afghanistan has increased by 4400 percent if compared with that on 7 October 2001 on which the US entered the country, its opium output has jumped 33 times, accounting for $250 tons. Among those who engage in the opium industry are Talaiban, and some with close friendship with the puppet government installed by the US. Nonetheless, only few were arrested for narcotic drugs cases. Many of those were granted amnesty under the order of the President. The US and NATO know that very well, but Afghanistan is not included in the list of the countries that do not cooperate with other countries in anti-narcotics drive. Frankly, in Nicaragua (Iran-Contra affairs) and Venezuela in Latin America, CIA had close relations wit anti-government groups, it turned a blind eye to whatever acts the groups did, and it ignored the groups’ trafficking narcotic drugs to the US. Such dishonest acts may have been black marks in the history.

Mr Obama, who took presidency with his campaign slogan change, is found practical in international relations and is trying for some positive changes. As a result of his effort, he has won international recognition in a short time. I noticed that the US’s policy has turned some what positive towards Myanmar. The US government has geared up to launch direct relations with Myanmar government. Its willing to work together with Myanmar in combating narcotic drugs. Myanmar is cooperating actively with international community to fight narcotic drugs with a sense of national duty. It has been constantly cooperating with the US in the survey on poppy farming and poppy outlet. Regarding anti-narcotic drugs, Myanmar is ready to cooperate with any country and organization. If the US recognizes the Myanmar’s genuine goodwill and efforts and cooperates with Myanmar more tangible and greater success will be achieved soon.

Translation: MS

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Camp Commandant Office of Ministry of Defence offers Kathina robes

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The 56th ceremony to offer Kathina robes of the Camp Commandant Office of the Ministry of Defence was held at KanU Kyaung Pariyatti Sarthintaik (Yezin Village) in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Township this morning, attended by Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Amy Khine, Lt-Gen Ko Ko and wife Daw Sao Nwan Khun Hsam, and other members of the Sangha recited partsitas.

After that, Bhaddanta Vicareindabhivamsa delivered a sermon, followed by sharing of merits gained by the congregation. The ceremony ended with the recitation of Buddha Sasanam Ciramtitthatu three times. After the ceremony “soon” was offered to members of the Sangha.

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Lt-Gen Tha Aye and wife offer Kathina robes to Sayadaws.

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Myitkyina-Shwebo road bringing about smooth and swift commodity flow

(Translation: TKK (Myanma Alin: 9-10-2009))

At the entrance to Mohinyin there were a series of rubber plantations. Teak plantations, teak trees large and small were found in Mawhe and Nansiaung regions. Mountain ranges, woods, forest and paddy fields make Myitkyina-Shwebo road more beautiful and pleasant.

U Myo Aung explained to us that Myitkyina-Shwebo road was a strategic road, and it is now Union Highway; that there is 100 miles from Myitkyina to Mohinyin and 188 miles from Mohinyin to Shwebo; that Along the road were Mohinyin, Hopin and Mogaung; and that the emergence of the road contributed much to swift commodity flow.

On arrival at Nansiaung adjacent to Kachin State and Sagaing Division, a demarcation post was found and near it was a small Nansiaung creek bridge. On the side of Sagaing Division there was the Myitkyina-Shwebo stone inscription. The stone inscription reads: “The Myitkyina-Shwebo road leading to Myitkyina, Kachin State from Shwebo, Sagaing Division was constructed in the time of the Tatmadaw Government with the aim of bringing about smooth and secure transport; the road is 121 miles long in Kachin State side and was built at a cost of K 217 million by Kachin State Public Works in cooperation with Tatmadawmen and was opened on 31 November 1996”.

The emergence of Myitkyina-Shwebo road in the time of the Tatmadaw Government will surely contribute much to ensuring swift commodity flow in the region and bringing about rural development.

Translation: TKK (Myanma Alin: 9-10-2009)
Car blast kills Afghan army officer in N Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Oct — A car blast rocked Kunduz province in northern Afghanistan, killing an army officer on Saturday, provincial governor Mohammad Omar said.

“Some ones planted an explosive device on the car of the Speed Reaction Force official who was killed in the blast,” Omar told Xinhua.

He did not give more details.

Kunduz, relatively peaceful province until early this year, has been the scene of increasing militancy over the past several months.

The militancy-plagued Afghanistan has been experiencing suicide bombings and roadside attacks over the past couple of years and a bloody one on Thursday left 17 dead and 83 injured with majority of them civilians.

Internet
Hungary pageant for surgically enhanced beauties

BUDAPEST, 10 Oct—It was a night for unnatural beauties. Contestants showed off breast implants, nose jobs and face lifts as Miss Plastic Hungary 2009 strove to promote the benefits of plastic surgery in a country where artificial enhancements are viewed mostly with a wary eye.

“I think this competition is long overdue,” said photo-grapher Marton Szpal, one of the pageant judges. “Hungarians used to laugh about plastic surgery but it’s time for Hungarian women to care more about their appearance. They are the most beautiful in Europe.”

Plastic surgeon Dr Tamas Rozsos said the pageant also means to show that cosmetic corrections did not necessarily have to be about over-sized breasts, bulbous lips and skin stretched too near tearing point.

According to the Ministry of Health and Welfare, the 68-year-old male patient, who has suffered from intestinal cancer, died Friday in a country where such artificial enhancements are viewed mostly with a wary eye.

S Korea reports 12th A/H1N1 flu death case

SEOUL, 10 Oct—South Korea on Friday reported its 12th death case related to A/H1N1 virus.

The patient was tested positive for the A/H1N1 virus on Sept. 14 after showing flu symptoms such as coughing and high fever. Then he was treated for pneumonia caused by the infection. But his health condition kept deteriorating and died of pneumonia and intestine bleeding, the ministry said.

South Korea reported its first death case from A/H1N1 on 15 Aug, and the 11th on 24 Sept as the new flu broke out in the country in early May.

Chronic rhinosinusitis, depression linked

SAN DIEGO, 10 Oct—US researchers say depression may be common but under-reported in those with chronic rhinosinusitis — long-term sinus and nasal inflammation.

Dr James R Litvack, Dr Timothy Smith, Jess Mace and Kenneth James of Oregon Health and Science University in Portland in Oregon recommend physicians who wish to optimize their patients’ health, screen for both chronic rhinosinusitis and depression.

The researchers studied 73 patients with chronic rhinosinusitis — long-term sinus and nasal inflammation. They found 9.6 percent reported histories of depression. However, when the patients were screened using an objective questionaire, 20.5 percent scored in the range of a major depressive disorder.

The researchers also find patients with both depression and chronic rhinosinusitis scored significantly worse than the chronic rhinosinusitis patients without depression in most quality of life measures — including bodily pain and physical and social functioning.

NASA acquires data after spacecraft’ twin impacts into moon

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct—NASA has successfully collected data after two spacecraft — the Centaur rocket and the Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) — impacted the moon’s south pole, the space agency said on Friday.

“We have a tremendous amount of data gathered through observation campaign, both ground-based and space-based,” said Jennifer Heldmann, coordinator of the LCROSS observation campaign, at a press conference held after the impacts. It will take some time to understand what is seen in the data, Heldmann said.

Anthony Colaprete, LCROSS principal investigator, reports the Centaur impacted as planned and they observed the flash and crater.

“There was an impact,” Colaprete said. “We saw the impact. We saw the crater.”

Spectrometers aboard LCROSS also gathered a wealth of data from the impact, according to Colaprete.

“Thas, by itself, may constitute enough information to answer some fundamental questions,” Colaprete said.

Colaprete also projected it would take several weeks to determine whether and how much hydrogen-bearing compounds were found.

Needle biopsy called the gold standard

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—A third of US women suspected of having breast cancer get open surgery biopsies, though the needle biopsy represents “best practice,” researchers say.

A panel recently convened at the International Consensus Conference on Image Detected Breast Cancer unanimously agreed that percutaneous needle biopsy is the way to go and should be the “gold standard” for initial diagnosis of breast abnormalities.

Their report, published in the Journal of the American College of Surgeons, says the open surgery biopsies are still being done despite needle biopsies being equally accurate with much less risk of infection and at lower cost.

Officials’ body found hanging from Tijuana bridge

TIJUANA, 10 Oct—The mutilated body of a state official who authorities said was suspected of giving fake driver’s licenses to drug gang members was found hanging from a bridge Friday in the Mexican border city of Tijuana.

Relatives identified the man as Rogelio Sanchez, a Baja California state official in charge of driver’s licenses, said Prisma Perez, a spokeswoman for the state Attorney General’s Office. Sanchez, 44, was kidnapped on Wednesday in Tijuana.

“The investigation indicates he had been giving licenses to organized crime,” Perez said. His body was found hanging from the Morelio bridge at 5:30 am in an industrial zone of Tijuana, just as factory workers were beginning to arrive for work.

MILWAUKEE, 10 Oct—Liver cells grown from patients’ skin cells could lead to the treatment of liver disease without relying on organ transplants, scientists in Wisconsin said.

“This is a crucial step toward developing therapies that can potentially replace the need for scarce liver transplants, currently the only treatment for most advanced liver disease,” Stephen Duncan, a genetics professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, said in a release on Thursday.

Duncan’s team generated large numbers of patient-specific liver cells by reprogramming skin cells to resemble embryonic stem cells. The cells performed many of the activities associated with healthy liver function, he said.

Scientists turn skin cells to liver cells

Los Angeles, 10 Oct—Chronic rhinosinusitis, a long-term condition that causes inflammation, affects about 13 million Americans. Researchers are looking for better ways to treat it.

A new study published in the Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology found that non-surgical procedures, such as saline nasal lavage, are better at treating the condition than surgery.

The study, which was conducted at the University of California, Los Angeles, found that patients who underwent saline lavage had significantly less nasal congestion, coughing and sneezing compared to those who underwent surgery.

The findings suggest that saline lavage may be a better treatment option for chronic rhinosinusitis than surgery.

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NASA’s Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) impact view is seen in this image released on 9 Oct, 2009. Two US spacecraft were crashed into a lunar crater on Friday but scientists said it was too early to say whether the mission to search for supplies of water on the Moon had been a success.

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Link between body clock, blood sugar identified

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—US researchers have identified a strong link between body clock and blood sugar, a finding that could lead to better diabetes treatments, according to a new study.

The Stanford University School of Medicine said in a news release that the finding was based on lab experiments on mouse and human stem cells, as well as genetically engineered mice.

The researchers found that daily fluctuations in hormones called glucocorticoids synchronize the biological clock as part of the mechanism for regulating blood sugar levels, according to the release.

The finding may help lead to new ways to control diabetes' blood sugar levels and may improve understanding of why night-shift workers are at risk for obesity and diabetes, said the release.

The research may also help find ways to reduce the disabling side effects of glucocorticoid drugs such as prednisone, an immune system-suppressing medication used to treat severe asthma, cancer and other conditions, the release said.

Side effects include weight gain, poor blood sugar regulation and diabetes.

"The most surprising part of our findings is that our internal biologic rhythms are embedded directly into another pathway, one that is essential to regulate metabolism," said Dr. Brian Feldman, an assistant professor of pediatric endocrinology at the school.

"Some very simple modifications in how we use glucocorticoids may change whether these drugs cause diabetes," Feldman said.—Xinhua

Chemo cocktail may block breast cancer

CHICAGO, 10 Oct — A US researcher says he has found a way to "tame" cancer in the breast so it does not spread.

Dr. Seth Corey of the Feinberg School of Medicine and director of the pediatric oncology program at the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University, said lab tests showed a "chemo cocktail" combining a drug normally used to treat leukemia — dasatinib — with a common breast cancer drug — doxorubicin — inhibited breast cancer cell invasion by half.

Dasatinib targets an enzyme called the Src kinase, which is believed to play a key role in breast cancer invasion and metastases, Corey said.

"This is an entirely new way of targeting a cancer cell," Corey said in a statement.

An 11-day-old male baby giraffe runs in a compound at the Bioparco zoo in Rome on 9 Oct, 2009. Children are being asked to send in their suggestions to name the giraffe, born on September 28, in a contest being held next month.—Xinhua

Vaccination reduces Japanese encephalitis

LIVERPOOL, 10 Oct—Vaccination reduces Japanese encephalitis, British researchers say.

Japanese encephalitis is found in pigs and wading birds and transmitted by mosquitoes in areas of Southeast Asia and the Western Pacific, killing 15,000 people annually, the researchers say.

Japanese encephalitis invasion of the disease and immunization of more than 50 million people.

"Although we knew this disease was important, five years ago it was virtually unrecognized due to the difficulty in diagnosing cases," Tom Solomon of the University of Liverpool said in a statement "Japanese encephalitis invades the central nervous system and can cause seizures, paralysis and in severe cases, death. Approximately 50 percent of these people who survive the infection are left with physical and mental illness, which could lead to personality changes."
Germany, Italy, close in on South Africa 2010

PARIS, 10 Oct—Footballing superpowers Italy and Germany can seal their places at the 2010 World Cup on Saturday as qualifying for South Africa enters the home straight. England, Spain and the Netherlands are the only European countries to have already secured their tickets for next year’s finals leaving six automatic places still up for grabs. A further four countries will gain qualification through the play-offs.

World Cup winners Italy travel to Dublin to play the Republic of Ireland requiring only a point to guarantee their presence in South Africa as winners of Group Four. Germany are in Moscow to take on Guus Hiddink’s Russia where a win for Joachim Loew’s side will see them safely through from Group Four.—Internet

Jacques Rogge re-elected as IOC president

COPENHAGEN, 10 Oct—Jacques Rogge easily won re-election as president of the International Olympic Committee on Friday for a final four-year term. The 67-year-old Belgian, who has served as IOC president since 2001, was the only candidate and needed a simple majority in the vote. The IOC voted 88-1 in favor of his re-election on the last day of its session in Copenhagen. Three members abstained from voting.

“You have given me a great honor. We have accomplished a lot together,” Rogge said. “Our focus now is on the future. We have a lot of work to do.” Brazilian IOC member Joan Havelange asked that the vote be done simply by acclamation, but Rogge insisted on a secret ballot. Later Friday, Rogge scored another victory when the IOC approved golf and rugby sevens as new sports to the Olympic program for the 2016 and 2020 Games.—Internet

Ancelotti says English are more sporting than Italians

ROME, 10 Oct—Chelsea manager Carlo Ancelotti hit out at his countrymen in an interview in La Gazzetta dello Sport on Friday, claiming they are not as sporting as the English. Ancelotti began his first job outside of his homeland this season when he took over the reigns at the west London club following eight years with AC Milan and previous spells at Juventus, Parma and Reggiana.

And already he has noticed several differences between the football culture in his adopted home and his motherland. “The first thing is the stadiums. Here in England they’re attractive, comfortable, suited to the show,” he said. “In Italy, they’re not. And then there’s the fans who come to a game to be entertained and not to get angry with the referee or the opponents. “It’s more sporting, it’s a different culture. Here there’s more of a sporting culture.”

Serena disciplinary fate could take weeks to decide

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Soon-to-be world number one Serena Williams should know by year’s end whether she will be barred from the Australian Open over her outburst at the US Open, the WTA’s chief executive said on Saturday. The result of an International Tennis Federation probe was likely to be known in the coming months, Stacey Allaster told a press conference Saturday on the sidelines of the China Open. Williams drew a 10,000-dollar fine in Flushing Meadows for her verbal assault of a female line judge after she called a foot fault at a key point in a semi-final loss against eventual champion Kim Clijsters.

Russia launches bid for 2018 World Cup

MOSCOW, 10 Oct—Russia on Friday officially launched its bid to host either the 2018 or 2022 football World Cup. “We are a society of sport fans, where no single sport is more universal or more revered and passionately pursued than football,” the bid committee said in a statement on its website.

“We are a people universally dedicated to our bid — from our government, to our economy, to our people,” it said. Russia has never hosted a major football tournament, although Moscow was the host city for the 1980 Olympic Games and the Black Sea resort of Sochi will stage the 2014 Winter Olympics. “This project is important not only for football, but for the whole country,” Russian Sport Minister Vitaly Mutko, who also chairs the Russian Football Union, was quoted as saying by RIA Novosti news agency. “Hosting the World Cup will exert a positive influence on the youth of the country and leave a sporting and economic legacy,” he said.
Fergie issues Wiley apology
But United boss still wants fitness levels addressed

LONDON, 10 Oct—Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson has apologised to Alan Wiley, but still insists the fitness of referees must be addressed.

Ferguson launched a scathing attack on Wiley in the wake of the Red Devils’ recent 2-2 draw with Sunderland at Old Trafford.

The Scot claimed in a post-match interview that the experienced referee ‘walking up the pitch for that standard’ and accused Wiley of ‘backing down from his outburst’.

Ferguson has now issued a public apology to Wiley for any embarrassment he may have caused, and intends to contact the referee personally in the coming days.

However, he has not backed down from his viewpoint that the overall fitness of referees in the Premier League needs to be addressed given the ever-increasing pace of football in England.

Sir Alex Ferguson representatives of the professional referees have condemned his outburst.

Don’t Smoke

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

WEATHER
Saturday, 10th October, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30hr MST:
During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Shan, Kayah and Kayin States, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin and Mon States, upper Sagaing and Taninhtayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Rakhine State, scattered in Chin State and isolated in the remaining areas with isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine State, lower Sagaing and Taninhtayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Longlon (5.51) inches, Kyaukat (3.15) inches, Maungtaw (2.67) inches, Kanbalu (1.85) inches, Kalewa (1.57) inches, Katha (1.42) inches, Ye (1.38) inches, MraukU (1.23) inches and Aunglan (0.08) inch.

Maximum temperature on 9-10-2009 was 94°F.
Minimum temperature on 10-10-2009 was 71°F.
Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 10-10-2009 was 79%. Total sun shine hours on 9-10-2009 was (9.5) hours approx.

Rainfall on 10-10-2009 was (0.23) inch at Mngaladon, Nil at Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (109.17) inches at Mngaladon, (119.57) inches at Kaba-Aye and (125.00) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (7) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 9-10-2009.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the Andaman Sea and Southeast Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 11th October 2009:
Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Kachin and Mon States, Taninhtayi Division, fairly widespread in Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing Division, scattered in Ayeyawady Division and isolated in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Seas will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of rain or thundershowers in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 11-10-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers.
Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 11-10-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 11-10-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Week’s International News
11:30 am
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MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (11-10-2009) (Sunday)

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2. Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
3. Children Art Form
4. Honeymoon Trip
5. Myanmar Melody on Screen “Elegance in Flower”
6. Donation towards Promotion of Health Care
7. Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
8. Live Programme
9. News
10. Weather Report

Programme Schedule

11.00 am
1. Martial Song
2. Musical Programme
3. Round up of The
4. Weather Report

11:30 am
1. Children Art Form
2. Children Art Form
3. Live Programme
4. Weather Report

12:00 pm
1. Myanmar Modern Song
2. Pride of Place in Bagan (The Ananda Temple)
3. Myanmar Modern Song
4. Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights

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2. Pride of Place in Bagan (The Ananda Temple)
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1. Dragon Adventure
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Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
Riots beget riots, not democracy
Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People’s Desire
- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
Do not allow ourselves to be swayed
By broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Myitkyina-Shwebo road bringing about smooth and swift commodity flow

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

In the time of the State Peace and Development Council, a large number of roads and bridges were built in different regions including border regions for secure and smooth transport. As a result, national races from the states and divisions have been able to travel from one place to another with peace of mind.

At present, the emergence of roads and bridges has brought about swift commodity flow in all parts of the nation. And with this, trade and commerce is in full swing, thereby resulting in economic development and improvement of socio-economic status of national races.

When we news crew of Myanmar Alin Daily arrived in Mohnyin, (See page 10)