Developing in Unity

Our national races have lived as a nuclear family, going through all the adversity and prosperity. With these fine traditions and high cultural standard, they consolidated themselves as a people in the simple and single term “Myanmar”.

Senior General Than Shwe
Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council
Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services
(From the message sent on the occasion of 58th Anniversary Union Day)

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Feb—Myanma Motion Picture Enterprise of the Ministry of Information organized the ceremony to present Myanma Motion Picture Outstanding Award (Academy) for 2008 at the open air theatre of the Nay Pyi Taw City Hall, here, this evening, attended by Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin.

Also present on the occasion were senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence and their wives, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and wife, ministers and their wives, the Auditor-General, deputy ministers, senior military officers, departmental heads, Union Day delegate national races, responsible persons of the Myanmar Motion Picture Promotion and Scrutinizing Board, Motion Picture Censorship Board and Video Censorship Board, Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayon, Myanmar Music Asiayon, Myanmar Thabin Asiayon, Myanmar Writers

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Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin cordially greet Academy award winning movie stars and film technicians. — MNA

Four political objectives
* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility, 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
Extensively grow tea and perennial crops for regional development

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“I understand that priority should be given to training Afghan soldiers and providing arms and equipment. He said succeeding in this would make withdrawal of foreign soldiers easier, having established security, peace and stability,” Gul said.

International Security Assistance Force and NATO did not enter Afghanistan to alter the culture, identity and traditions of the Afghan people, he noted.

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KABUL, 6 Feb — A helicopter of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) was under attack from a round of militants small-arms fire on Friday in the country’s northeastern Kapisa Province, leaving one individual injured.

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The helicopter landed safely at an operating base, said the Press release, but it didn’t disclose the identity of the injured person.

Afghan police patrol kills seven civilians

KANDAHAR, 6 Feb — Afghan border police mistook a group of villagers gathering wood near the Pakistani border for militants and opened fire, killing seven civilians, a police official said on Saturday.

All six officers involved in Friday’s pre-dawn shooting have been arrested and the incident is under investigation, said Gen Abdul Raziq, the commander of the border police of southern Afghanistan.

The Afghan-Pakistan border area is a common transit route for both Taliban militants and smugglers, and border police regularly are attacked in the area.

The officers were driving through Kandahar Province’s Shorabak District before sunrise on Friday when they spotted the group of seven men and thought they were about to be ambushed, Raziq said. They started shooting from about 400 yards (metres) away and only discovered when they went to recover the bodies that none were armed, he said.

Afghan police keep watch at the site of a suicide car bombing which killed three Afghans on Thursday, in Kandahar on 5 February, 2010. A suicide car bomber attempting to strike foreign troops in southern Afghanistan blew up his vehicle near a hotel on Thursday, killing three Afghan civilians and wounding 17, police said. — Xinhua

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BRASILIA, 6 Feb—The first shipment of 24,400 tons of Brazilian soybean has left for Russia this week, the Brazilian Agriculture Ministry said on Thursday, adding that another ship was being loaded for departure.

Technical barriers imposed by the Russian government on the import of Brazilian products were removed at a recent meeting attended by representatives from both countries in Berlin in January, according to the Secretary of Agricultural Defence Ignatius Kroetz.

“Russia has invested in chicken and pork production and needs soybean for feed. As Brazil is a major supplier, there is a great chance that export will grow substantially,” said Kroetz.

The latest survey from the National Supply Company (Conab) indicates Brazil is expected to produce 65 million tons of soybean in 2009/2010 harvest season, about 8 million more than in 2008/2009 season.

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“The left hand engine and propeller were badly damaged and the components there on were detached upon impact while the right-hand engine was intact. It is believed that the LH Engine and Propeller were still operating and rotating at high speed when the plane hit the concrete house upon impact,” he said.

Zamudio said the PAF will open the RH engine to determine its condition before impact.

Technical experts from the engine manufacturer will help in this investigation.

3 Teen shot at Ala middle school dies; student held

MADISON, 6 Feb—A ninth-grader was shot to death by another student during a class change on Friday at a north Alabama middle school, authorities said.

Tod Brown, 14, was shot about 1:45 pm and taken by ambulance from Discovery Middle School to Huntsville Hospital, where he died, said hospital spokeswoman Kristen Bishop. She wouldn’t release any other details.

The suspected shooter was arrested inside in the school, where police are regularly stationed.

Police did not release the name of the alleged shooter, also a ninth-grader, citing their ongoing investigation. No one else was injured and it wasn’t immediately clear what prompted the gunfire.

Children wear surgical masks at “Enrique Rebsamen” school in Oaxaca, Mexico in 2009. The global death toll from swine flu has risen to 15,174, up from 14,714 a week ago, but the pandemic is slowly losing momentum around the world, the World Health Organization said on Friday.

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“After all, foreign forces will leave Afghanistan one day. They should not leave behind a devastated country, but a country intact with functioning institutions. We should not forget that Afghanistan belongs to Afghan people,” Gul said.

“As the international community, we need to continue our struggle against terrorism, extremism, arms smuggling and organized crime, in collaboration,” he said.

He underlined that priority should be given to training Afghan soldiers and providing arms and equipment.

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improvement of movie standard and market extension is the life blood of the movie world, movie professionals should strive with added momentum in all sectors.

In addition to encouraging the Myanmar movie world for its development, the government on 12 November 2009 reformed for the third time the new executive committee of MMPA, a reliable body for the film industry under the banner of MMPA. The movie professionals have earned their place in the history books for their harmonious efforts in the interest of movies and the nation and the people.

A review of their accomplishments shows that they founded the movie industry during pre-World War II period amidst difficulties. They gradually develop their industry from silent movies till reaching the struggle, anti-Fascist struggle and independence struggle in person. At present, they in the respective sectors are taking part in the task of safeguarding independence and building a new nation with might and main.

Myanmar movie has its glory in successive ears in its history. The arties not only strive for the development of the movie world but also dutifully serve the national duties in the respective roles. I believe that the professionals will have to actively participate in building a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation.

To be able maintain the fine tradition of the Myanmar movie world, it is required to establish definite and suitable tasks for the present time. I have already stated the five tasks to be implemented by the MMPA and the professionals. I would like to state the five tasks again. They are:

1. To strive for development and solidarity of the Myanmar movie and video world with the aim of improving the living standard and development of movie professionals
2. To strive for development of techniques and technology related to producing movies
3. To upgrade the quality of movies and videos
4. To strive for Myanmar movies to penetrate foreign markets and
5. To join hands with the people for carrying out the national duties

I would like to state the five tasks as follows to enable the film professionals to try to implement them in cooperation:

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1. To build modern studios individually or collectively within the framework of the principles laid down by the State.

2. To cooperate broadly with foreign countries in film-making, film editing and screening and to strive for showing Myanmar films abroad.

3. To strive to change from analogue to digital in film-making and screening

4. To modernize sound and projecting systems of private and State-owned cinemas

5. To strive for emergence of cinema complexes and digital cinemas simultaneously

It is clear that the five tasks are laid down for the development of the movie world. Therefore, I would like to urge all film professionals to strive to successfully implement them. The professionals may face difficulties, disagreements and challenges in implementing them. Success will surely be achieved if the following points are used as the base in overcoming the difficulties, disagreements and challenges:

- Zeal, perseverance and efforts
- Unity
- Cooperation
- Patience and understanding

The ministry will also lend a helping hand for achieving success.

Looking at today’s standard of Myanmar film industry, there are still shortcomings and weaknesses in all parts such as plot, acting, mode of dress, studio, shooting, movie show and services, foreign market penetration, technology and production. But it is encouraging to see that efforts are being made for Myanmar movies to be able to penetrate the foreign market by fulfilling the needs to a certain extent.

A producer has made a Myanmar movie abroad and it is being shown in the country today. And efforts are being made to show it abroad soon. Likewise, another producer is making a movie with digital system and will show it at home and abroad. The Ministry of Information is encouraging such efforts and will continue to encourage similar efforts.

As the production standard has improved, it is also necessary to raise the standard of screening. Only then, will the film industry develop in all aspects. So, I met entrepreneurs from the film industry and adopted eight points and five policies on upgrading the movie theatres. Encouragement was given to build movie theatres of international standard. In Nay Pyi Taw two advanced movie theatres have emerged and building of another one will be completed soon. In Yangon also, more advanced movie halls will emerge. The movie theatres in some big cities of states and divisions such as Mandalay, Monywa, Lashio and Taunggyi are being upgraded into modern ones. As today's world movie production and screening have adopted the digital system, our nation also needs to try to make and screen movies with digital system.

It can be found global nations focus on their national interests to decide whatever they do. In the trend of multi-party democracy in our country, all parties, politicians and the ordinary people will have to act by serving the national interest although they may have different ideologies. Thus, the interests of the State and the people can be served effectively within democratic system. So, it is very important for all the media, including those from the film world, to try to become ones who serve best interests of the nation.

The government is implementing the seven-step Road Map for democracy transition. The Road Map is the best democratization process that is in accord with the reality. It is the safest and most appropriate way to achieve democracy.

(See page 10)
In a recent morning of cold season, we the news crew arrived at the land of Zwegabin. As soon as we entered the land, we saw the misty Zwegabin Hill. I have visited Zwegabin several times.

Hailing 63rd Anniversary Union Day
To write articles on progress of Kayin State honouring the 63rd Anniversary Union Day, we had an opportunity to travel to almost all the towns and villages of Kayin State including Hpa-an, Hlaingbwe, Kawkaikoe, Hlaingbwe, Myainggyingu and Phayagon Village.

Transport
Kayin State had only eight bridges of over 180 feet long in 1988. Now, the region has 16 large bridges including the recently inaugurated Dali Bridge. The 330-foot Pata Creek Bridge, the 340-foot Winyaw River Bridge and the 270-foot Haungtharaw Bridge are ready to provide the transport needs of the local people.

The length of motor road in Kayin State increased up to 9230 miles till today from 554 miles in 1988. As hilly Kayin State has plenty of rivers, creeks and lakes due to many inches of rainfall, the authorities are paying attention to upgrading and maintaining roads yearly. The 110 miles and two furlongs long Hpa-an-Kawkareik-Myayawady Road, the artery of Kayin State, is being upgraded under the plan.

Education
With the farsightedness, the Head of State gave guidance on implementing the Border Areas and National Races Development Plan, the 24-Special Region Development Project and the five Rural Development Tasks for narrowing the development gap among the regions of the Union. Now, Hpa-an University, Technological University and University of Computer Studies have emerged in Hpa-an of Kayin State to enable the local youth for pursuing higher education within their region.

While in Kayin State, we observed the learning of students at the universities. Almost all the students unanimously expressed their feeling that they do not need to go far cities anymore for pursuing higher education; that they are pleased with having easy access to learning the education in the native regions by saving money; and that they would like to apply their experiences of pursuing higher education for serving the interest of the region and the State.

In addition, Education College, Technical High School and 1269 basic education schools are turning out human resources of the state.

Don dance of Kayin national races reflecting Union Spirit.

Health
We visited Hpa-an General Hospital (200-bed) and Kawkareik General Hospital (100-bed). Specialists of Hpa-an General Hospital (200-bed) are at work providing health care services to the local people. Moreover, Midwifery Training School and the Nurses Training School are producing health staff continuously.

For giving health care to the local people of the state, the specialist team goes right down to the grassroots level monthly. The ophthalmologists have provided eye care to over 6,000 local national races, performed free eye surgical operations on over 600 patients and donated optical glasses to them. Members of the medical corps of the Directorate of Medical Services of the Ministry of Defence also made field trips to various regions of Kayin State including Hlaingbwe, Myainggyingu regions.

Communications
The communication networks have been built for enabling towns and villages of the state to have access to Internet, auto telephones, CDMA, GSM and PCO. The state had five telephone offices, 27 post offices, seven telegraphic offices and one microwave stations in 1988. Now, the region has 24 telephone offices, 34 post offices, 15 telegraphic offices and 6 microwave stations.

Information
TV re-transmission stations were built in Myawady, Kyakidon, Phayathonsu, Paingkyon, Papan, Myainggyingu, Kyain-seikkyi and Hlaingbwe townships by the Ministry of Information to inform, to entertain and to disseminate knowledge to the local people. In addition, village libraries and daily newspapers are giving information services for ensuring media cover in the various regions. Moreover, the local people can enjoy the programmes of Nay Pyi Taw Myanma Radio and Shwe FM.

Forestry
Kayin State is blessed with valuable forests. In the absence of peace, the valuable forests were depleted in the past suffering great Loses. The Tatmadaw Government is extracting timber from the forest reserves systematically while establishing forest reserves and protected public forests. The private sector is allowed to establish various kinds of forests and teak plantations. In every rainy season, three teak saplings and 20 Eucalyptus saplings were distributed to every household.

In 2010, the Forest Department nurseries 226,468 teak saplings, 189,060 Eucalyptus saplings and 84,472 other saplings and Kayin State Peace and Development Council, 200,000 teak saplings and 300,000 other saplings in village nurseries. The plan is under way to grow 1 million saplings.

Irrigation
In the time of Tatmadaw Government, many clusters of dams and river water pumping stations have been built across the nation. Two dams including Yebok Dam, six river water pumping stations and drains including Shwegun, Kamni and Takuseik sitting drains were built in Kayin State to benefit 5452 acres of farmlands. As a result, unprecedented development can be seen in the cultivation of crops in Kayin State.

Agriculture
The news crew made a trip to Shwegun, Kawthaik, Honang and Meinmahlagyun Villages. Due to fertile alluvial land given as a gift by Thanlwin River, systematic use of inputs and quality strains, groundnut yielded over 100 baskets per acre. In Shwegun, the groundnut plantation of farmer U Ohn Tin yielded 156 baskets per acre. Farmer U Ohn Tin used Hsinpadetha-7 groundnut strain. Therefore, arrangements are being made to extend cultivation of such groundnut strain in Shwegun, Thayagon, Karpali and Wetkloktaw villages.
Groundnut growers can fetch K 300,000 as profit per acre. After harvesting early-cold groundnut, the farmers re-harvesting early-cold groundnut as double cropping. As a result of growing groundnut, the farmers re-grow groundnut as double cropping. As a result of growing groundnut, the farmers re-

Development of towns and villages

During our visit, we witnessed progress of Kayin region.

**Hoekawkoe**

Hoekawkoe region has been equipped with long and smooth roads and housings. The government is implementing supply of power and water, agriculture, livestock breeding, forestry, education, health, information and communication sectors in the region. A Vocational Training School is under construction with the aim of training the local national races for uplifting their living standard.

**Myawaddy**

While in Myawaddy, we saw pagodas and religious edifices and progress of transportation and supply of water in addition to loving-kindness and goodwill of the Head of State for the Union national races, Kayin State now sees peaceful results and all-round development after restoration of the peace and stability.

**Grandpa Htay Maung of Hoekawkoe region** told us, “Kayin State has much developed more than that of last two decades. The local people have fear no more. No one should achieve progress.”

Phahtai Pado Aung San of Phayagon Peace Village explained, “I went into the darkness in 1967. However, I returned to the legal fold in 1998. Our group was accorded a rousing welcomed by hundreds of thousands of people in Hpa-an, and I will never forget such occasion. In 1992 when the State unilaterally suspended the military offensives in Kayin State, not only the people but also all our armed groups in the jungle were pleased with the move of the State. Now, we all are enjoying fruits of peace. Peace cannot be exchanged for anything.”

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Translation: TTA
**Hailing the 63rd Anniversary Union Day**

**Kyaw Min Khaung**

New nation of national races with consolidated unity

Myanmar national races have been making home with a spirit of perfect amity in the Union of Myanmar for aeons. Once, the city states of Myanmar people such as Beikthano, Srikesta, Hanlin, Thawunnabumi, Mongmao, Tagaung, Pinya, Konbaung, Bagan, Inwa, Vesali, and Danyawady were held in high esteem by neighbouring countries. In spite of different geographical locations, the national races equip themselves with Union Spirit, which inspire them that they live in the same motherland. As regards that point, Head of State Senior General Than Shwe in his message to mark the 46th Anniversary Union Day said, “The Union of Myanmar is home to various national races. As the saying that goes ‘A stem with one hundred fruits in it’, there may be slight difference between the national races in terms of culture, custom, tradition, dialect and lifestyle. However, they in reality make home together and share Union Spirit. So, like the stem with many fruits in it, Myanmar is a land with various national races in it.”

There was a nightmare for the Union due to British colonialists. They annexed Myanmar after the three aggressive wars on the nation: the First Anglo-Myanmar War on 5 March 1824, the Second Anglo-Myanmar War on 5 April 1852, and the Third Anglo-Myanmar War on 11 November 1885. In the three wars, Myanmar national brethren armed themselves with whatever arms they got and repulsed the attacks by the colonialists. Yet, the weapon superiority of the colonialists over Myanmar led to the fall of the whole country on 28 November 1885. Then, the colonialists took Myanmar King Thibaw and the queen, followed by the loss of Myanmar’s sovereignty and independence. National races therefore launched fierce attacks on the invaders in both hilly regions and plains, out of the strong sense of patriotism and the great hunger for liberation from the yoke of the colonialism. In 1942, the colonialists had to withdraw from the Myanmar soil.

The British’s total retreat from the nation was followed by the entry of Fascist troops’, whose atrocities were intolerable for national races. All national brethren had to cohesively drive the Fascists out of the nation. Eventually, national brethren hand in hand with the Myanmar Tatmadaw led by the Thirty Comrades managed to help the mother country regain the independence.

In the course of the Myanmar history, national races have remained united. National unity is, in fact, the lifeblood for the nation. If national people are disunited, there will be disintegration of the Union. If so, the nation will lose independence and sovereignty that cost lives of a very large number of national brethren.

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Poem

*Lest we forget Union Day*

* In the cold season mist
  Scenic was the Panglong

* Agenda was Myanmar future
  A desire for Independence

* Kith and kin
  Meeting in amity

* Descendants of same family
  Living long in same territory

* Weak is a single stick
  Easy to break

* But in a bundle
  So strong they are

* Signing of Panglong Agreement
  Triumph for all

* Preserving ancestral heritage
  With love and homage

* Unity forever
  Brings enormous strength

* Lest we forget Union Day
  A happy anniversary celebration

Hailing the 63rd Anniversary Union Day

Padaung Than Kywe (Trs)
Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe addresses ceremony to mark races, so far 17 major national race armed groups and light of the loving-kindness and benevolent attitude successive previous governments tried in vain. In the to build consolidated national unity, for which used to run poppy farms, have seen signs of progress with farmlands of poppy-substitute crops.

In addition, the Tatmadaw government managed to build consolidated national unity, for which successive previous governments tried in vain. In the light of the loving-kindness and benevolent attitude the Tatmadaw government shows towards national races, so far 17 major national race armed groups and many other small armed groups have returned to the legal fold. Now, some of the national race peace groups have transformed themselves into border guard forces for national defence duties and begun to serve as Tatmadaw members.

Since its taking up State duties, the Tatmadaw government has been working hard to chart a prosperous future for the nation. Now, its earnest efforts have started to yield fruitful results that have brightened the nation’s future. Making the Union of Myanmar their home, all national races share the common sense of working for peace, stability and development of their country. Needless to say, none of the national races wants to make their country a minion of alien countries. The motherland is the real heritage handed down by our forefathers. Therefore, every national is duty-bound to preserve and protect the heritage of our ancestors.

The State Peace and Development Council is trying its best with tenacity, bravery and surmounting a wide range of destructive acts committed by internal and external elements, to complete the seven-step Road Map in its bid to build a new nation. Now, the Road Map is in its fifth step: to hold a free and fair election in 2010 to form hluttaws (parliaments) in line with the new constitution. Surely, the nation has a brighter future ahead of it, now. As a gesture of honouring the 63rd Anniversary Union Day, I would like to urge all national brethren to firm in carrying out nation-building tasks and safeguard the heritage of our forefathers, join hands in line with the new constitution.

For all national races to uphold the national policy—non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity, and perpetuation of sovereignty

For all national races to work harder to build a modern, developed, discipline-flourishing democratic nation in line with the State Constitution approved with the great majority of the ballot

For all national races to defend and safeguard the Union with consolidated unity of all national races against dangers posed to State stability and development by internal and external subversives

For all national races to work harder to make concerted efforts for successful accomplishment of the seven-step Road Map

Road Map...
Secretary-1 and wife attend ...
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adopt democracy in peace and stability. The multiparty
democracy general election, the fifth step of the Road
Map will be held this year.

The entire people including the movie professionals
will have to elect hluttaws and a government with the
ability to lead and administer the task of building a
new democratic nation. In doing so, they need to
to combine their awareness and conviction to choose
persons and organizations worthy of trust for peace,
stability and progress of the future based on past lessons
and present sizable peace, stability and development.

Soon the awards will be presented individually. As
in the previous years, Myanmar motion picture
securitization bodies at different levels will select winners
based on seven fundamental principles. The 12 movies
released in 2008 were scrutinized again and again to award
only the deserved ones depending on the quality or
standard. I would like to urge this year’s winners to strive
to win more awards and those who have not won the
award yet to win in the coming years.

It can be seen that film stars and technicians
actively joined in struggling for gaining and safeguarding
independence of the Union of Myanmar and
stability and peace and development throughout the
history. Nowadays, they are also participating in these
activities actively and harmoniously. I would like to
urge you to take part in building discipline flourishing
democratic nation energetically in the future as media
men who will safeguard national interest by upholding
Union Spirit and Our Three Main National Causes.

In conclusion, I would like to urge the movie
professionals to implement five objectives to be
undertaken by Myanmar Motion Picture Association
for development of movie world and movie world
professionals and 12 basic work programme to be
undertaken for achievement of those objectives; to
strive to acquire required equipment and studios, make
films in cooperation with foreign countries, to upgrade
film projecting system and cinemas that meet
international standards; to preserve and protect cultural
heritage and national characters with the help of their
professional skills; to join hands with the government
and the people for emergence of peaceful, modern and
developed democratic nation.

In the list of Academy Award winners, the Best
Cinematography Award went to Than Nyunt (Pantha)
for his work in “Kyo-dan” movie, the Best Supporting
Actress Award to Khin Moh Moh Aye for role in
“Amyar-hnint-ma-thet-hsang-thaw-thu” movie, the
Best Supporting Actor Award to Ye Aung for his role in
the “Academy Shot” movie, the Best Actress Award
to Moh Moh Myint Aung for her role in the “Myinmo-
htet-ka-tharaphu” movie, the Best Actor Award to
Khant Sithu for his role in the “Amyar-hnint-ma-thet-
hsang-thaw-thu” movie, the Best Film Award to
“Amyar-hnint-ma-thet-hsang-thaw-thu” movie
produced by Myetchei Film Industry and the Best Film
Director Award to Nyi Nyi Tun Lwin for his work in the
“Amyar-hnint-ma-thet-hsang-thaw-thu” movie.

Next, some selected scenes of the award winners
were shown.

Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan presented Academy
Awards to the stars and technicians.

The Academy award winners paid respects to
Secretary-1 General Thiba Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo
and wife.

The Secretary-1, wife and party cordially greeted
the Academy Award winners.

Relax! Baby gorilla takes time out from aping around

There’s only so much swinging through the trees a girl can do.

So after a busy morning playing, Yewande the baby lowland gorilla de-
cided to sit back, take a deep breath and contemplate her navel. Not that she
could actually see it.

Instead, she gazed at her surround-
ings at Calgary Zoo in Canada with an
expression of pure contentment.

Yewande — from Calgary Zoo, Canada — decided to take this time out
after spending a good half-an-hour play-
ing with her favourite pink blanket.

Woman stabbed didn’t notice blade in neck

A woman was stabbed by a mugger
on her way home in Moscow, but
walked calmly home without noticing
it, according to media reports Thursday.

Julia Popova, a 22-year-old office
worker, grappled with the attacker who
snatched her handbag on her way home
from work. During the process, the as-
sailant buried a kitchen knife in her
neck.

Three cheetahs escape New Zealand wildlife park

Three cheetahs swam a moat and
crowded through a hole in a rusty fence to
escape their enclosure and then briefly
roamed inside a wildlife park in New
Zealand. Orana Wildlife Park rushed
visitors to a secure area while rangers
rounded up the big cats on Thursday, park
chief executive Lynn Anderson said on
Friday.

“Our cheetahs, just like a domestic
house cat, they all hate swimming, so if
you had asked me yesterday would any of
our cheetahs swim I would have said no,”

Anderson told National Radio. “They
proved us quite wrong.” The cats, three
youngsters who had been bred at the park,
crawled through a fence hole that was
exposed recently when greenery was cut
back, she said. The breakout at the park
near Christchurch lasted about a half hour.

The whole fence around the cheetahs’
enclosure will be replaced, Anderson said.
Lucy Tame, a 25-year-old park visitor,
said she and her mother took photographs
as the three cats made their escape shortly
after midday.
German ice walker saved by webcam in St Peter-Ording

ST PETER-ORDING, 6 Feb — A tourist lost in the dark on a frozen sea in northern Germany has been rescued after flashes from his camera were spotted on a beach webcam. The man, who has not been named, had become lost after walking onto ice off St Peter-Ording to photograph a sunset, police in the North Sea area said.

A woman watching the sunset via webcam hundreds of kilometres away in southern Germany noticed the flashes. She alerted police who were able to guide the man to safety. The photographer, a German tourist in his 40s, could have frozen to death or fallen through the ice, police said.

“He got lost on the ice and could not find the coast again because it was covered in snow,” spokeswoman Kristin Stielow told reporters. Ms Stielow said local people were well aware of the risk of disorientation as darkness fell and the beach became hard to locate but vivid sunsets over frozen landscapes often drew people away from the shore.

St Peter-Ording is a popular tourist destination known for its beaches and sailing, and the local tourism board runs a website with webcams.—Internet

Cancer rate doubles in Australia

SYDNEY, 6 Feb — Rising levels of obesity and delayed effects of smoking were behind a major increase in cancer rates, Chief executive of Cancer Council Australia, Professor Ian Olver said on Thursday. Australia’s rate of oesophageal cancer had more than doubled in 25 years and the cause was mostly lifestyle-related and therefore preventable.

“This is a big concern, not just in Australia but in many other countries where increasing affluence is being accompanied by expanding waistlines,” Olver said in a statement to mark World Cancer Day 2010 (4 Feb). “Oesophageal cancer is a good example of how Australia is falling short of our potential to prevent cancer through lifestyle change, with 37 percent of cases attributed to obesity and more than 45 percent caused by smoking.”

Olver said although community-wide smoking rates were declining slowly, rates of related illness were rising as the ramifications of tobacco use were only just emerging for many long-time smokers. The number of Australians who were overweight or obese was also in the “disturbing” upward trend, he said, in a call for all tiers of government to do more in the area of prevention initiatives.

“Federal, state and territory governments’ must show genuine commitment to work together to reduce the impact of a disease responsible for more premature death in Australia than any other cause,” he said.
Diabetes patients and doctors can differ on treatment

**CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**

**MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (009)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (009) are here by notified that the vessel will be arriving on 7.2.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

Shipping Agency Department
Myanmar Port Authority
Agent for: M/S Advance Container Lines

Internet

**Doctors, patients can differ on treatment**

**BOSTON, 6 Feb—** A US study evaluating a surgical virtual trainer says the programme enhances cataract surgery teaching as compared with traditional methods. The Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary Cataract Surgery Trainer, a virtual training tool, helps to train physicians to perform cataract surgery—the most frequently performed surgery in the United States on people over 65 years old. Researchers say the programme enhances cataract surgery teaching as compared with traditional methods.

**Virtual programme teaches cataract surgery**

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**World Cancer Day focuses on prevention**

**GENEVA, 6 Feb—** Health groups are drawing attention to World Cancer Day and ways to prevent cancer, World Health Organization officials in Switzerland say. In 2005, 7.6 million people died of cancer worldwide. Each year on 4 Feb, WHO supports the International Union Against Cancer and other groups to promote ways to ease the global burden of cancer.

This year’s theme, focuses on simple measures to prevent cancer such as:

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- No tobacco use.
- A healthy diet and regular exercise.
- Limited alcohol use.
- Protection against cancer-causing infections.

Tobacco is the single largest preventable cause of cancer in the world. It causes 80 percent to 90 percent of all lung cancer deaths. Smoking also causes some 30 percent of all cancer deaths in developing countries, including deaths from cancer of the oral cavity, larynx, esophagus and stomach.

There is a link between overweight and obesity to many types of cancer, but diets high in fruits and vegetables may have a protective effect, while excess consumption of red and preserved meat increases colorectal cancer risk. Regular physical activity and the maintenance of a healthy body weight will also reduce cancer risk. Infectious agents are responsible for almost 22 percent of cancer deaths in the developing world and 6 percent in industrialized countries. Viral hepatitis B and C cause cancer of the liver; human papilloma virus infection causes cervical cancer.

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**NYD repeatedly arrests wrong man**

**NEW YORK, 6 Feb—** A New York man repeatedly mistaken by police for a fugitive with the same name said legal action against the department has not stopped the arrests.

Michael Terry, 37, said he was awarded a $120,000 settlement from the New York Police Department in 2005 after he was jailed for 28 days due to the mix-up with his name. He said a second lawsuit twice since then due to the same name confusion, the New York Post reported on Wednesday.

Terry said he was jailed for a week in 2008 on a warrant meant for the Pennsylvania Terry and a September arrest on the same warrant led to a strip-search and five days behind bars. He said a second lawsuit against the police department is pending.
Strong quake shakes Northern California

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—A magnitude-6.0 earthquake hit the coast of Northern California on Thursday, but there were no immediate reports of injuries or damage.

The quake was centred along the Northern California coastline about 35 miles (56 kilometres) northwest of the town of Petrolia and nearly 50 miles (80 kilometres) west of Eureka, according to the US Geological Survey.

It struck shortly after 12:20 pm local time, the survey said.

The Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office said it received no reports of major injuries or damage.

The National Weather Service said no tsunami warning has been issued following the quake.

5.1 magnitude earthquake hits NZ’s South Island

WELLINGTON, 6 Feb—An earthquake measuring 5.1 on the Richter scale hit New Zealand’s lower South Island on Friday evening, causing no casualties or damages.

The earthquake struck Otago and Fiordland at 10:48 pm on Friday local time (0948 GMT Friday) and was centered 40 km west of Milford Sound at a depth of 5 km, New Zealand’s Institute of Geological and Nuclear Sciences said.

Nigerian gunmen kidnap eight-month-old baby for ransom

LAGOS, 6 Feb—Gunmen have kidnapped an eight-month-old baby girl for ransom in the Nigerian oil city of Port Harcourt, a police spokeswoman told AFP on Friday.

“The gunmen went into the house in Port Harcourt (the state capital) at about 9:30 pm (0930 GMT) on Thursday (and) seized the child ostensibly for a ransom,” Rita Abbey, of Rivers State police, said.

“They went to the house to rob. They must have picked up the little girl when they could not get enough from the robbery,” she said on telephone.

The police were yet to establish contact with the gunmen after they fled, leaving their phone number in the house, she said.

It was not clear if the girl’s parents were at the house during the attack.

Russian cargo space ship docks with ISS

MOSCOW, 6 Feb—A Russian cargo space ship successfully docked with the International Space Station on Friday, said the Mission Control Center outside Moscow.

The Progress M-04M hooked up with the Zvezda service module in automatic mode at 7:26 am Moscow Time (0426 GMT), said the centre.

The vessel was delivering 2.5 tons of food, water, fuel and scientific equipment to astronauts on board the ISS.

The spacecraft hurtled in space for two days after blasting off early on Wednesday from the Baikonur cosmodrome in northern Kazakhstan atop a Soyuz carrier rocket.

Genes may be linked with preterm births

LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—Genetic traits in mothers and fetuses may play a role in premature labour and delivery, US researchers suggest.

The findings could lead to preventive treatment by helping doctors discover which women are at most risk for premature birth, the US National Institute of Child Health and Human Development said in a press release on Thursday.

This would enable doctors to help pregnant women postpone delivery until an appropriate time, said the press release.

The finding was based on analysis of genes from 229 women and 179 premature infants in Chile. All of the women were Hispanic. The traits are found in genes that regulate inflammation—the immune system’s response to invaders—and the material that holds cells within tissues, according to the press release.

“A substantial body of scientific evidence indicates that inflammatory hormones may play a significant role in the labour process,” said Dr Alan E Guttmacher, acting director of the institute.

“The current findings add evidence that individual genetic variation in that response may account for why preterm labour occurs in some pregnancies and not in others.”

The findings were presented on Thursday in Chicago at the annual meeting of the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine.

Yemen seizes more than 13,000 pieces of weapons in January

SANAA, 6 Feb—Yemeni security forces have seized up to 13,154 pieces of various weapons from the country’s major governorates during January, the Interior Ministry said on Thursday.

“The amount of weapons and equipment that has been seized in Yemen’s major cities, while the remaining ones were seized in areas of security belt surrounding the governorates as well as at the entrances and exits of Yemen’s main cities,” said the ministry in a statement posted on its website.

It said “the plan to ban carrying weapons has been implemented in all governorates under the supervision of the ministry and with a daily follow-up course to assure the plan to be put into practice.”

The ministry said that the plan was implemented along with the newly-launched manhunt to chase the wanted suspects, as well as seizing vehicles involved in criminal cases, in order to safeguard the security and stability of society.

Acrobats perform to celebrate the upcoming Spring Festival at Disneyland in south China’s Hong Kong on 4 Feb, 2010. This Spring Festival, the Chinese New Year by the lunar calendar, falls on 14 Feb, 2010.
Chelsea slip lets Gunners into last chance saloon
LUONON, 6 Feb—Wayne Rooney was widely believed to have shattered Arsenal’s Premier League title hopes when he orchestrated Manchester United’s 3-1 win over the Gunners at the Emirates stadium last weekend. So tamely did Arsene Wenger’s men surrender that it was hard to resist the conclusion that the title race had just been downgraded from a three to a two-club contest.

Wenger, understandably, begged to differ and Chelsea’s unexpectedly lacklustre display in a 1-1 draw at Hull on Tuesday suggested the Arsenal manager was right to predict a few more twists in the plot before the denouement of what has been an intriguing season. Chelsea’s midweek slump means Arsenal can move back to within three points of their London rivals if they can repeat last season’s win at Stamford Bridge on Sunday.—Internet

Real Madrid defender Marcelo signs new deal
MADRID, 6 Feb—Real Madrid’s Brazilian defender Marcelo agreed a three year extension to his contract with the club this Friday. The 21-year-old, who arrived at Real Madrid from Flamengo in January 2007, will now remain with the club until the end of June 2015.

His adaptability has seen Marcelo play as both left back and on the left side of midfield this season and he has appeared in 19 of his side’s Primera Liga matches to date. He is the only outfield player who has started 18 of those 20 games in coach Manuel Pellegrini’s starting 11. The Brazilian has so far made 98 first team appearances and has scored a total of six goals.—Xinhua

Rangers face St Mirren in Scottish Cup 5th round tie
GLASGOW, 6 Feb—Rangers have been handed an injury boost as they prepare to take on St Mirren in their Scottish Cup fifth round tie. The match will be the first of three games between the clubs in a month with the sides meeting in the League Cup final on March 21 as well as the Scottish Premier League. Cup holders Rangers are on a great run of form lately and are unbeaten in their last 12 matches despite a horrendous injury list since the turn of the year.

Club manager Walter Smith has had to do without top-scorers Kris Boyd and Kenny Miller as well as American winger DaMarcus Beasley and his international teammate Maurice Edu. However Smith was given a lift when Miller declared himself fit for the match against the ‘Buddies’ as Rangers aim to get to their sixth cup final in a row.—Internet

Terry sacked as England captain
LONDON, 6 Feb—Chelsea defender John Terry lost his captain armband on Friday after a meeting with coach Fabio Capello, said the Football Association (FA). Terry’s position as a skipper since 2006 was under speculation after negative news about his private life splashed newspapers. “After much thought I have made the decision it will be best for me to take the captaincy away from John Terry,” Capello said on the FA website (www.football.com).

“As a captain with the team John Terry has displayed extremely positive behavior. However, I have to take into account other considerations and what is best for all of the England squad. ‘What is best for all of the England team has inspired my choice,’ added Capello.—Xinhua

Stricker, Johnson tied for lead at rainy Riviera
LOS ANGELES, 6 Feb—Dustin Johnson made a hole-in-one and Steve Stricker had seven birdies to brighten an otherwise dreary day at rainy Riviera and finish atop the leaderboard on Friday at the Northern Trust Open. Johnson’s 8-iron from 152 yards landed between the pin and the famous bunker in the middle of the green at No. 6, spinning back into the cup for an ace that put him in the lead for most of the afternoon. He had two holes left when play was halted by darkness.

Stricker, playing in a morning rain that never relented, chipped in for birdie on the 18th and nearly made an ace on No. 4 when his hybrid from 230 yards lipped out. He shot a 6-under 65 and has the clubhouse lead. “I’m very happy to be done with the round, to tell you the truth,” said Stricker, who was at 10-under 132. “It was pretty miserable out there today.” Johnson and Stricker were tied for the lead at 13-under 209.

Bremen clinch first win in seven months
BERLIN, 6 Feb—Werder Bremen claimed their first win in seven months after a 2-1 victory over struggler Hertha Berlin in the German Bundesliga soccer tournament. Marko Marin and Claudio Pizarro were the heroes Friday as Werder Bremen ended a seven-match winless streak with a 2-1 victory over Bundesliga bottom club Hertha Berlin. Bremen went into the clash without a win in seven games and losers in the last five but fully deserved the win after carving out a host of chances.—Xinhua

Ronaldo appeal rejected for second time
MADRID, 6 Feb—The Spanish Committee of Sporting Discipline (CEDD) this Friday rejected the appeal Real Madrid had lodged over Cristiano Ronaldo’s two game suspension. Ronaldo served the first match of the suspension, which he received for lashing out and breaking the nose of Malaga defender Miguela a fortnight ago, when he sat out last weekend’s win against Deportivo la Coruna. Real Madrid wanted the forward to be available for tomorrow’s home match against Espanyol.

Although the CEDD had last week rejected an appeal to suspend the ban, the club again took its case to the government controlled body in a bid to overturn what remained of the suspension. However, the CEDD again rejected Real’s allegations

Ferguson sees United hitting form at right time
MANCHESTER, 6 Feb—Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson feels that his team are hitting form just as the season is beginning to get serious. United have already lost five Premier League matches this season and were knocked out of the FA Cup at the third round stage by League One team Leeds. Having lost in the Champions League at home to Besiktas and also suffered defeat in the first leg of the League Cup semi-final with Manchester City, United have had an unusually inconsistent opening to the campaign.

But, having beaten Arsenal 3-1 at the Emirates last weekend, Ferguson’s team are still firmly in the race for the Premier League title race with Chelsea. They have also lined up a League Cup final date with Aston Villa and are through to the second round of the Champions League, in which they face AC Milan. Ferguson thinks that overcoming City in the second leg and then beating Arsenal have put United’s season on track and he expects his team to get stronger and stronger as the end of the campaign approaches.
Workers enjoy a group dinner for Xiaonian, the festival that falls on the 23rd or 24th day of the 12th month of the Chinese traditional lunar calendar, in a local company in Guang’an, southwest China’s Sichuan Province, Feb. 6, 2010. A local company gave a banquet to its employees to celebrate the festival that falls on the 23rd or 24th day of the 12th month of the Chinese traditional lunar calendar, in a local company in Guang’an, southwest China’s Sichuan Province, Feb. 6, 2010. A local company gave a banquet to its employees to celebrate the festival Xiaonian.

**Dinosaur footprints found in east China city**

Jinan, 5 Feb—Chinese archeologists said Friday they have discovered an exceptional large track of dinosaur footprints in a city in the eastern province of Shandong.

After a three-month excavation, more than 3,000 dinosaur footprints have been uncovered on a 2,600-square-meter slope in a gully of Huanghua National Forest Park in the city of Laiwu, about 120 kilometers southwest of the provincial capital of Jinan.

In total, about 3,000 dinosaur footprints have been uncovered on a 2,600-square-meter slope in a gully of Huanghua National Forest Park in the city of Laiwu, about 120 kilometers southwest of the provincial capital of Jinan.

The footprints in at least three layers are rare in China.

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**WEATHER**

Saturday, 6th February, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.T.

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of slight decrease of night temperatures in the upper Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 7-2-2010:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 7-2-2010:** Generally fair.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 7-2-2010:** Partly cloudy.

**View on today**

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**Transmissions**
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**Local Transmission**
- Signature Tune
- Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
- If you happen to visit Mrauk-U
- Union Day Programme; Hundred Fruits from a Common Stem, Our Union (Kayin State)
- Myanmar Movies Impact; Shadows of the Past (I)
- Dams that contribute to greening of environment
- Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
- Europe/ North America Transmission
  - Signature Tune
  - Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
  - If you happen to visit Mrauk-U
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  - Myanmar Modern Song
  - Dams that contribute to greening of environment
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  - Typical Traditional Customs of Mor Shan
  - Travel & Description (Lashio to Muse)
  - Siwezawar Lacquer-ware
  - Myanmar Modern Song
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  - Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
  - Europe/ North America Transmission

**Website:** www.mrtv3.net.mm

**WEATHER**

Saturday, 6th February, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.

During the past 24 hours, light rain has been isolated in Kachin State, weather has been partly cloudy in Rakhine State and Tanintharyi Division and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below February average temperatures in Kachin, Shan and Rakhine States, lower Sagon, Mandalay, Magway and Yangon Divisions, (5°C) below February average temperatures in upper Sagon Division, (7°C) below February average temperatures in Bago Division, (11°C) below February average temperatures in Chin State, (5°C) above February average temperatures in Tanintharyi Division and about February average temperatures in the remaining areas. The significant night temperatures were Haka (5°C), Loleim and An (1°C) each, Lashio and Pyinlaung (3°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded was Machanbaw (0.16) inch.

Maximum temperature on 5-2-2010 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 6-2-2010 was 58°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 6-2-2010 was 69%. Total sun shine hours on 5-2-2010 was (6.9) hours approx. Rainfall on 5-2-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and (Nil) at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Southeast at (12:30) hours MST on 5-2-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 7th February 2010: Likelihood of isolated light rain in Kachin, Shan and Kayah States, Tanintharyi Division and weather will be partly cloudy in Chin, Mon and Kayin States and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of slight decrease of night temperatures in the upper Myanmar areas.
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 killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Byline
In transport sector, Kayin State had only eight bridges of over 180 feet long in 1988. Now, the region has 16 large bridges including the recently inaugurated Dali Bridge. (Pages 6 and 7)

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In the course of the Myanmar history, national races have remained united. National unity is, in fact, the lifeblood for the nation. If national people are disunited, there will be disintegration of the Union.

Kyaw Min Khaung

Lest we forget Union Day
* In the cold season mist
  Scenic was the Pang-long
* Agenda was Myanmar future