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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

Prime Minister U Thein Sein attends opening of Myodaw Cement Plant

Roads in Yangon to be concreted using cement produced at Myodaw Cement Plant

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—Prime Minister U Thein Sein pressed the button to inaugurate Myodaw Cement Plant of Yangon City Development Committee near Pyinyaung Village of Thazi Township, Mandalay Division, at 9 am today. Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung, Chairman of YCDC Mayor U Aung Thein Lin and Import & Export Manager Ms Liu Yaqin of Jiangsu Pengfei Group Co Ltd of the People’s Republic of China formally opened the Cement Plant.

The Prime Minister sprinkled scented water on the plaque of the plant together with Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, the commander, the ministers and the mayor.

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Myodaw Cement Plant in Pyinyaung Village, Thazi Township, Mandalay Division.—MNA
Wipe out narcotic drugs once and for all

Countries, regions and peoples all around the world are facing the danger of narcotic drugs which have the evil power to create a lot of problems not only for the drug addicts themselves but also for the families and relatives.

Social and economic losses are common in human communities under direct or indirect impact of drug production and trafficking a menace to the human society. So hazardous are the narcotic drugs that global countries are focusing on eliminating drug production and trafficking once and for all.

In our country Myanmar, we are giving encouragement to opium substitute programmes, setting up a large number of crops, farms and plantations on former poppy fields to generate good income for locals whose lives depended on the deadly crop.

In addition, we are winning the help of the locals in searching and destroying poppy fields. Thanks to this cooperation, Myanmar was able to wipe out over 20,000 acres of poppy fields in 2009-2010 cultivation season alone.

Similarly, anti-drug trafficking campaigns are also achieving greater momentum, and in March this year we were able to seize a large amount of drugs including heroin, opium and stimulant tablets and arrest over 300 persons in 216 cases.

The government on its part has been accelerating the momentum of anti-narcotic drive with community assistance always trying to enhance public awareness and involvement to free the whole nation from danger of drugs. People, especially the young are receiving education on drug menace on a wider scale and reaching every corner of the nation. So the entire nation is seeing signs of sustainable progress in trying to root out the global menace.

**Union Election Commission holds 23/2010 meeting**

Meeting No 23/2010 of Union Election Commission in progress.—MNA

**Donate Blood**

* Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

**Myanmar PBSMA to attend International Pulses Conference**

YANGON, 29 April—A Myanmar delegation, led by Joint Secretary-1 U Soe Paing and executive U Tin Maung Latt of Myanmar Pulses, Beans & Sesame Merchants Association, left here today for Australia to attend International Pulses Conference organized by International Pulses Trade and Industry Confederation be held in Brisbane, Australia from 1 to 4 May. They were seen off at Yangon International Airport by the chairman and secretary of the association. —MNA

**Union Election Commission held its meeting 23/2010 at the office of the commission here today.**

Chairman of the commission U Thein Soe delivered an opening address at the meeting. The chairman and members of the commission scrutinized applications for formation as political parties and registration for political parties. The participants of the meeting also discussed matters related to the elections, and the meeting ended with concluding remarks by Chairman of the commission U Thein Soe. —MNA
**US soldier killed in bomb attack in Iraq’s Diyala**

BAGHDAD, 29 April—A US soldier was killed by a bomb explosion in Diyala Province northeast of Baghdad, the US military said on Wednesday. A military statement said that the soldier assigned to United States Division-North (USD-N) was killed on Tuesday, without giving further details. USD-N, also known as Task Force Marne, is also responsible for areas including the cities of Balad, Tikrit, Samarra north of Baghdad, along with the country’s northern areas including cities of Kirkuk and Mosul, the capital of Nineveh Province.

Diyala Province, which stretches from the eastern edges of Baghdad to the Iranian border east of the country, has long been a stronghold for al-Qaeda militants and other insurgent groups since the US-led invasion of Iraq in 2003 despite repeated US and Iraqi military operations against them.

**Hezbollah pledges to continue adopting arms**

BEIRUT, 29 April—Lebanese Shiite group Hezbollah accused Washington of killing thousands of innocent people around the world and pledged to continue arming itself. “Hezbollah’s weapons do not measure up to the level of armament and crimes of the US,” MP Hasan Fadlallah told local daily Assafir in remarks published on Wednesday.

“The United States uses its arms in its crimes against peoples around the world, from Hiroshima to the more than 100,000 martyrs killed in Iraq and the tens of thousands killed in Palestinian territories, Lebanon and Afghanistan,” he added.

Fadlallah, a member of Hezbollah’s parliamentary bloc, stressed that the group’s choice was and remains to secure all the arms that the group can get.

**43 towns in southern Brazil declare state of emergency due to storms**

RIO DE JANEIRO, 29 April—Forty-three towns in southern Brazil have been forced to declare state of emergency due to storms over the past week in the country’s Santa Catarina state, local Civil Defence Services said on Wednesday.

About 210,000 people from 69 towns have been affected by floods and mudslides caused by the week-long storms. Some 7,800 people had to leave their homes, 954 of whom had nowhere to go and had to be taken to public shelters. Over 4,000 buildings were damaged and several highways were blocked.

The storms will continue until at least Thursday, according to weather forecast.

So far, there has been no report of deaths in the disaster, although seven people were injured.

Over 300 Brazilians have been killed in storms this year: 69 by the storms in Sao Paulo in January, and 253 by the storms which hit Rio de Janeiro state in early April.

**Armed men storm bar in Mexican city, killing eight**

MEXICO CITY, 29 April—Eight people, including two teenagers, were killed when a group of armed men stormed a bar in the northern Mexican city of Ciudad Juarez on Tuesday night, the authorities said on Wednesday.

There were some 30 people at the bar when the attack occurred, the Prosecutor’s Office of Chihuahua state said in a statement issued on Wednesday. Ciudad Juarez, bordering the US state of Texas, is part of Chihuahua State.

Witnesses said that the hit men separated the victims before killing them. The preliminary investigation showed that all the slain were under 25 years old and two of them under 18.

Ciudad Juarez is notorious for rampant violence among criminal cartels.

**Clash leaves four militants, one police dead in Afghanistan**

KABUL, 29 April—Clash between Taliban militants and police in Afghanistan’s eastern Ghazni Province on Wednesday left four Taliban militants and a personal of Afghan National Police (ANP) dead, a statement of Interior Ministry said. “The rebels ambushed a police patrol in Sabar District at 9:30 am local time triggering firefight which left four militants dead,” the statement added.

A policeman with the ANP was also martyred in the incident, it said.

The incident took place on the same day while Afghans are celebrating the 18th anniversary of Mujahadin or Afghan resistance victory against the erstwhile Soviet Union and its backed regime in 1992.

**Two car bombings hit military checkpoints in Baghdad, 5 killed**

BAGHDAD, 29 April—Two explosive-loaded cars were detonated at two military checkpoints in southern Baghdad on Wednesday, leaving 5 killed and 10 wounded, an initial report said.

The explosions occurred in the Abu-Ther District at rush hours when Iraqis usually are on their way back home from work.

An Interior Ministry source said on condition of anonymity that at least 5 people were killed on the spot and 10 others were injured.

The blasts occurred within minutes of each other, according to Xinhua reporters.
Cambodian PM leaves for Shanghai World Expo

PHNOM PENH, 29 April—Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen on Thursday left here for Shanghai, China to attend the opening ceremony of the World Expo 2010.

Sneer Tham Ronn, senior adviser to Prime Minister Hun Sen said at the airport that Cambodia and China enjoy a long history of friendship and such friendly relations have developed rapidly and enhanced steadily in recent years. “The Shanghai World Expo 2010 is the largest one in its history, so we are happy to have the chance to participate in it. We believe that we can learn more from it and let more people know Cambodia,” he added.

Xinhua

S Korean President to attend Shanghai World Expo opening ceremony

SEOUL, 29 April—South Korean President Lee Myung-bak will visit China on Friday to attend the opening ceremony of the Shanghai World Expo, where he will meet with his Chinese counterpart Hu Jintao, local media reported on Thursday.

Lee will hold a 30-minute summit meeting with Hu during his fifth visit to China, where the two leaders are expected to discuss ways to strengthen their strategic partnership, a bilateral free trade pact and the G20 summit of the world’s major economies, Yonhap News Agency said.

Xinhua

4 killed, 5 wounded of suffocation in Gaza smuggling tunnel

GAZA, 29 April—Four local Palestinian workers were killed and five wounded on Wednesday evening from suffocation in a smuggling tunnel under the borderline between southern Gaza Strip and Egypt, medics and witnesses said.

Adham Abu Selmeya, an emergency official, said according to initial investigations, the nine Palestinian workers had apparently inhaled a poisoned gas spread in the tunnel as they were working there.

The workers were evacuated by ambulances to Abu Yousef al- Najjar hospital in Rafah town in southern Gaza Strip, according to the official.

Meanwhile, witnesses said earlier that the Egyptian security forces blew up a tunnel under the borderline with the Gaza Strip on Wednesday evening, which resulted in the collapse of the tunnel, killing one and wounded eight others.

Xinhua

Pakistan workers receive medical treatment at a hospital in Rafah, southern Gaza Strip on 29 April, 2010. Four local Palestinian workers were killed and five wounded on Wednesday evening from suffocation in a smuggling tunnel under the borderline between southern Gaza Strip and Egypt, medics and witnesses said.

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More than 50 new earthquake faults discovered in California

LOS ANGELES, 29 April—In a bid to help guide future emergency planning, the California Geological Survey (CGS) has added more than 50 new surface earthquake faults to a new state map, it was reported on Wednesday.

The state’s fault activity map is the first in 16 years and offers a sober reminder of California’s quake risks, the Los Angeles Times said. The new faults range from small ones that don’t pose much threat for major tremors to very large ones, like that responsible for the 7.1 Hector Mine earthquake that shook Southern California in 1999, according to the paper.

Most of the faults have been known to researchers, and information on them is contained in scientific files. But state officials and quake experts hope that putting all the faults on one map will educate the state about quake risk zones and help residents grasp the geography of the fault lines.

“I think every classroom in California should have these maps on the wall,” said seismologist Lucy Jones at the California Institute of Technology. “I don’t think we do enough to educate the general public about these features. We turn it into something for the specialists, as if science is only for scientists.”

Xinhua

China completes second undersea tunnel

QINGDAO, 29 April—Major digging finished Wednesday on an undersea tunnel linking the east and west parts of Qingdao, a coastal city of east China’s Shandong Province, said local authorities.

It is China’s second undersea tunnel, with the first, which opened on Monday to traffic, connecting Xiamen Island and the mainland in southeastern Fujian Province.

The construction of the tunnel started in December of 2006. The tunnel is scheduled to open to traffic in the first half of 2011, which will help cut travel time from one side of the bay to the other from one hour to ten minutes.

The cost of the tunnel is 3.3 billion yuan (about 485 million US dollars).
Australia plans first no-brand cigarette packets

SYDNEY, 29 April—Australia on Thursday said it would become the world’s first country to ban logos and branding on cigarette packets, sparking a furious response from the tobacco industry.

Cigarettes will be sold in plain, standardised packages carrying large, graphic warnings against smoking — and the brand name in small print — from 2012, under proposed new legislation.

The government also sharply raised taxes on cigarettes by 25 percent from midnight on Thursday, adding about two dollars (1.85 US) to a packet of 30, with the proceeds ploughed into healthcare.

“Cigarettes are not cool, cigarettes kill people,” said Prime Minister Kevin Rudd.

“This will be the most hardline regime for cigarette packaging anywhere in the world,” he added.

Rudd said Australia also planned new curbs on Internet tobacco advertising and would spend 27.8 million dollars on a “hard-hitting” anti-smoking campaign.

Methadone babies at risk of eye problems

GLASGOW, 29 April—British researchers found vision problems in 95 percent of children born to mothers given methadone while pregnant.

Methadone is a synthetic opioid likely to be misused and often prescribed as a heroin substitute to allow a more stable maternal lifestyle and decrease the likelihood of poor fetal growth or preterm birth. Researchers said it still causes the babies to have significant withdrawal symptoms that need to be treated in up to 80 percent of cases.

Dr. Ruth Hamilton of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children in Glasgow and colleagues looked at the eyesight of 20 children with vision problems whose mothers had taken methadone during pregnancy, and found involuntary eye movement in 11 out of 12 children treated for withdrawal symptoms — vs. three out of eight children whose withdrawal symptoms did not warrant treatment.

The study, published in the British Journal of Ophthalmology, found one in three children had a squint and a similar proportion had blurred vision or farsightedness or nearsightedness problems and one in four had impaired brain function relating to sight. The underlying causes of the eye problems were unclear, the researchers said in a statement, but they noted the developing visual system is particularly sensitive to unexpected stresses before birth.

Red wine may protect against stroke

Baltimore, 29 April—US researchers say red wine may help protect the brain from stroke damage. Researchers at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore found a molecular pathway in mice that may explain the protective effect of resveratrol — a compound found in the skins and seeds of red grapes.

“Our study adds to evidence that resveratrol can potentially build brain resistance to ischemic stroke,” study leader Sylvain Dore says in a statement. Dore and colleagues induced an ischemic stroke by cutting off blood supply to the brains of mice and found those fed a modest dose of resveratrol two hours beforehand suffered significantly less brain damage than mice not given the compound.

The study, published in the journal Experimental Neurology, also finds resveratrol had no protective effect in mice lacking the enzyme heme oxygenase. Dore suggests resveratrol increases levels of this enzyme, which, in turn, helps shield nerve cells in the brain from damage.

Folic acid may help spinal, brain trauma

MADISON, 29 April—A study of rodents found folic acid might help promote healing of brain and spinal cord injuries, US researchers said.

Study leader Bermans Iskandar of the University of Wisconsin in Madison said the team of researchers uncovered a molecular pathway by which folate promotes nerve cell regeneration following injury in rodents.

Iskandar said women who may become pregnant or who are pregnant are advised to eat enough folic acid to prevent their child from developing neural tube defects — defects in the development of the spinal cord or brain.

The findings were published in the Journal of Clinical Investigation.

Fisherwomen draw wall paintings at Huangsha Village in Shengsi County of Zhezhuang City, east China’s Zhejiang Province, on 28 April, 2010. The wall paintings with bright colours and abstract lines is a unique tradition and landscape of the small island where is only 31 nautical miles away from Shanghai.

Swarms of visitors watch a giant panda strolling around with leisure at its new habitat, inside the Giant Panda Ecological Happyland, at Xiuning County, east China’s Anhui Province, on 28 April, 2010.

People of Miao ethnic group play their traditional musical instruments in a grand parade at the opening ceremony of “Miao Ethnic Sisters Festival” in Taijiang County, southwest China’s Guizhou Province, on 27 April, 2010. A lot of activities such as traditional dance, Miao ethnic dress show, dragon boat racing and bullfighting will be held in the festival.—XINHUA

Smoking, fructose may worsen liver disease

BARCELONA, 29 April—Smoking and eating fructose can worsen non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, US researchers suggest.

Dr Ramon Bataller and colleagues at the Hospital Clinic in Barcelona, Spain, investigated the effects of cigarette smoking in obese rats. Consumption of dietary fructose has increased by 1,000 percent in the last four decades, contributing to obesity, which is a major cause of non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, the researchers said.

The study, published in the journal Hepatology, also finds evidence that resveratrol is effective in preventing brain damage in rats exposed to cigarette smoke.

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Eliminating weeds could put more cows on the pasture

MILES, 29 April—A weed calculator developed by an Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientist tells ranchers the number of additional cows they could raise if they eliminated one or two widespread exotic invasive weeds.

Rangeland ecologist Matt Rinella at the ARS Fort Keogh Livestock and Range Research Laboratory in Miles City, Mont., created a computer model that predicts weed impacts on forage production. The model came from 30 weed researchers working throughout the western United States. In addition to developing the calculator so that ranchers can calculate what weeds are costing them on any given site, Rinella used the data to estimate what weeds are costing ranchers in a 17-state region. He calculated that if leafy spurge were eliminated, ranchers in that entire region could graze up to 200,000 or more cows a year and save tens of millions of dollars.

Spotted knapweed is another exotic invasive weed whose elimination would greatly increase the number of cows ranchers could support, and the calculator also predicts its impacts.—Internet

Researchers reveal process of making ribs

LISBON, 29 April—Like all vertebrates, snakes, mice and humans have in common a skeleton made of segments, the vertebrae. But a snake has between 200-400 ribs extending from all vertebrae, from the neck to the tail-end, whereas mice have only 13 pairs of ribs, and humans have 12 pairs, in both cases making up the ribcage.

In the latest issue of Developmental Cell, researchers from the Institute Gulbenkian de Ciência, in Portugal, reveal that, contrary to what was thought, making ribs is not the default state for vertebrates, but is actually an active process of balancing the activities of a remarkable class of genes — the Hox genes.

It was thought that the rib less region of the mouse embryo was the result of a rib-inhibiting programme, driven by Hox10 genes. Indeed, previous studies, in which Hox10 genes were inactivated in the embryo, generated mice with extra ribs. However, by forcing another class of Hox genes (Hox6) to be activated in future rib-less regions of the mouse embryo, Moises Mallo and his team bred mice that also have extra ribs, both in the neck area, and from just after the rib cage, all the way down to the tail, resembling a snake-like skeleton.—Internet

How we can sense temperatures: discovery could lead to novel therapies for acute and chronic pain

SCIENCEDAILY, 29 April—The study, which was led by Scripps Research and GNF Professor Ardem Patapoutian, was published in an advance, online edition of the journal Nature Neuroscience on 22 April, 2010.

To better understand temperature sensation, the team focused on a protein called TRPV1, which is a member of a small family of proteins known to enable temperature sensation, and is involved in inflammation and the communication of pain to the brain. After producing thousands of mutants of this protein, the scientists were able to identify a region of the protein that enabled temperature sensitivity and to detail some of the molecular mechanisms at work in the molecule. “Ever since the discovery of these proteins, it has been an outstanding question how they can be activated by temperatures,” said Research Associate Jörg Grandl, a member of the Patapoutian lab and first author of the paper. “The new study addresses this question.”

“But our ability to sense temperature is closely linked to our ability to sense pain, some of these ion channels are considered targets to treat chronic inflammatory and neuropathic pain indications,” said Patapoutian. “Understanding these proteins could be crucial in designing future drugs that can either activate or block them.”

Soviet moon rover helps US scientists

ALBUQUERQUE, 29 April—A Soviet moon rover, out of contact since 1971, is providing information for US scientists using it for precise measurement of the moon’s distance from Earth.

Tom Murphy of the University of California San Diego was able to identify Lunokhod 1 using images from the Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter, a NASA satellite, the Albuquerque Journal reported. The rover is small, the size of a riding lawn mower.

Murphy heads a team of scientists working at the Apache Point Observatory in New Mexico. They bounce laser beams off reflectors on the moon’s surface, three left by Apollo missions and one on Lunokhod 1’s successor, Lunokhod 2. Lunokhod 1 gives the team a fifth reference point.

The rover spent about a year moving around a small patch of the lunar surface before it stopped communicating with scientists. It was never really lost — Mark Robinson of Arizona State University, who is part of Murphy’s team, said its location was known within about a mile.—Internet

Traces of early Native Americans — in sunflower genes

BLOOMINGTON, 29 April—New information about how gene duplications can lead to functional diversity in organisms. In this case, the scientists learned how duplications of a gene called FLOWERING LOCUS T, or FT, could have evolved and interacted to prolong a flower’s time to grow. A longer flower growth period means a bigger sunflower — presumably an attribute of great value to the plant’s first breeders.—Internet

Science

People stand on a platform of the Helix Bridge leading the soon to be opened Marina Bay Sands casino in Singapore, on 25 April, 2010.—Internet

Sunflower (Helianthus annuus) is among the first wild plants cultivated by Native Americans.—Internet

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Some loss and damage caused by strong winds, heavy rain in Bago Div, Mon State

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—Some loss and damage occurred in Bago Division and Mon State due to strong winds yesterday evening.

The strong winds flatten two footstalls, blew off the roofs of some office buildings and houses in Shwegyin and Kyaukdaga townships, destroyed six sections of brick wall at Shwegyin People’s Sports Ground, broke off branches of some trees on the roads, blew off corrugated iron sheets of the gymnasmium of Kyaukdaga Township, destroyed one temporary pandal in Kwinnauk Ward of Kyaukdaga. In the incidents, eight persons were injured but they are not in critical condition.

In Myoma Ward 1 of Pyuntaza in Nyaunglebin Township, some buildings were collapsed, roofs of some buildings and some schools blown off, some telephone posts fell down on the roads and commercial boards and some lamp-posts fell down by the strong winds. A student of 14 years was killed in the strong winds as the broken branch of mango tree fell on him beside the railroad near Kaukkway Village of Nyaunglebin Township.

Due to heavy rain and strong wind, branches of trees broke down and power outage occurred in Kyaipto Township. A young person died in the strong winds as the broken coconut trunk fell on him in the precinct of the monastery on Seinban Street in Gangaw Ward of Kyaipto. During this season, the department concerned has reminded the public to be aware of strong winds that may occur loss of human and animal lives and property damage due to fallen trees and lamp-posts. Therefore, it is necessary to take preventive measures against natural disasters.

Myittha Bridge creates better transport between Sagaing and Magway Divisions

Myittha Bridge on Gangaw-Kalay Road seen across Myittha River.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein unveils the stone inscription of Myodaw Cement Plant of Yangon City Development Committee.

MNA

The cement plant was established with a view to upgrading the roads in Yangon to concrete facilities.

Prime Minister U Thein Sein inspects main control room of Myodaw Cement Plant.

MNA

Thazi Kalaw Road in Thazi Township Mandalay Division. The plant will manufacture 500 tons of cement per day.

The cement plant is built to produce cement to be used in construction tasks in Yangon, maintenance tasks and building of bridges.

The cement to be manufactured by the plant will be used in concreting roads in Yangon.

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Photo shows Myodaw Cement Plant of Yangon City Development Committee.—MNA

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Next, the Prime Minister visited the laboratory, main control room, kiln and packaging sections and viewed operating of machines.

At the briefing hall, the mayor reported on implementation of the plant, location and area, requirements and availability of raw materials and supply of power and water, completion of buildings, testing and strength of staff.

After attending to the needs, the Prime Minister gave instructions on efforts to be made for manufacturing of quality products and operating of machines in full swing.

The Prime Minister presented the fruit basket to experts from Jiangsu Pengfei Group Co Ltd and viewed samples of raw materials and cement.

Myodaw Cement Plant is located about four miles southeast of Pyinyaung Village near Pyinyaung Village near...
YANGON, 29 April — Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence went to Seikkyi Khanaungto and Dalla townships today and assisted in supplying drinking water to residents by Yangon City Development Committee. Before the tour, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint held a meeting with officials concerned of the YCDC in Yangon and heard reports on water supply tasks in the Seikkyi Khanaungto township. Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party also inspected supplying drinking water with motorized boats and a water tanker in Khanaungto Chaungwa and Hlinebone villages. They also inspected storage of drinking water in concrete tanks and lakes. Lt-Gen Myint Swe also met with departmental officials at Seikkyi Khanaungto Township PDC office and assisted in supplying water in the township. Lt-Gen Myint Swe also went to Dalla and fulfilled the requirements for supplying water to residents.

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Applications to form political parties scrutinized...

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So far, permissions have been given to 12 groups that submitted applications for setting up political parties to form political parties and to three parties that submitted applications for continued existence as political parties to register as political parties. The Commission is scrutinizing the applications of the remaining parties for giving permissions to them.—MNA

Applications to form political parties, continued existence as political party scrutinized, passed

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—Those wishing to set up political parties are submitting applications to the Union Election Commission. Union Solidarity and Development Party, Wa National Unity Party and Inn National Development Party submitted their applications today.

Of the application-submitted groups, the Commission has found the following groups to be in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules and thus the Commission has passed their applications on 29 April, 2010.

(1) Democratic Party (Myanmar)
(2) Kayin People’s Party
(3) National Political Alliances League
(4) Myanmar New Democratic Society Party
(5) Difference and Peace Party
(6) New Era People’s Party

Up to date, 12 of 25 groups had already been permitted to form political parties and the Commission is in the process of scrutinizing the applications of the remaining groups.

Besides, parties which are in compliance with the Article 25 of the Political Parties Registration Law are submitting their applications of registration for continued existence as political parties to the Union Election Commission. Of them, the Commission has found the National Unity Party and Lahu National Development Party to be in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules and thus the Commission passed the registration for formation of these parties as political parties on 29 April, 2010.

Up to now, three of four parties that submitted their applications for continued existence as political parties have already been allowed to register as political parties and the remaining one is scrutinized.—MNA

Go and get high-tech digital cameras

YANGON, 29 April—Various kinds of high-resolution digital cameras and video cameras inspired by cutting-edge technology are on sale by Pacific Digital Photo Service & Digital Camera Shop at Life Style and IT 2010 Exhibition at Tatmadaw Convention Center on U Wiraya Road here up to 1 May. Pacific Digital Photo Service & Digital Camera Shop offers one-stop service to the customers with the use of new digital photo processing machines. Cameras sold at the exhibition are given special discount and one-year warranty. For further information, contact No. (177/179) at the corner of Anawrahta Road and 33rd Street in Kyauktada Township, Yangon (Ph: 01 385173 and 01 241073).—MNA
Spectators watch a float decorated with cartoon character on streets in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province on 28 April, 2010. A cartoon carnival parade was held on Wednesday to raise the curtain of the 6th China International Cartoon and Animation Festival, the biggest cartoon festival in China.—Xinhua

Australia abandons greenhouse gas goals

MELBOURNE, 29 April—Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd’s government has shelved its ambitious plan to cut greenhouse gas emissions.

Radio Australia reported on Wednesday that the federal government, after campaigning hard in 2009 about the costs of delaying approval of its plan, pushed back consideration of its emissions trading scheme until at least 2013.

The government also said it was abandoning its previous position of wanting the legislation passed to send a signal to the world about the immediate need to tackle global warming.

At the 2009 Copenhagen international climate summit, intended to draft a global treaty on climate change, a last-minute compromise deal was brokered by around two dozen nations including Australia, but the summit collapsed with reaching consensus.

Had it passed, the “Copenhagen Accord” would have established a goal of limiting warming to 2 degrees Celsius while pledging $30 billion in aid to poor countries by 2012 to assist them in combating climate change.

Moscow hosts theme week for World Expo tourism

MOSCOW, 29 April—A photo exhibition on the 2010 World Expo and a theme week for Expo tourism was unveiled here on Wednesday.

The photo exhibition, staged at the square of the All-Russia Exhibition Centre and featuring photographs displaying Shanghai Expo pavilions and Chinese landscapes, was co-hosted by the Chinese National Tourism Bureau and the Chinese embassy in Russia.—Xinhua

SAARC development fund launched in Bhutan

THIMPHU, 29 April—The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Development Fund (SDF) has been officially launched here by Bhutanese Prime Minister Jigmi Y Thinley.

The SDF which was proposed by Bhutan during the 15th SAARC summit held in Sri Lanka came into full operation after the inauguration at the opening session of 16th SAARC summit on Wednesday.

All SAARC leaders addressing the opening session of the summit agreed to a full-fledged operation of SDF as one of the major achievements made since SAARC was formed 25 years ago.

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IBM wins 130-mln-dollar deal to upgrade Canadian airport services

TORONTO, 29 April—IBM has signed on a 130-million Canadian dollar (about 130 million US dollars) deal to provide cheaper and more effective IT services at Canada’s busiest airport.

The five-year deal with the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTA), which operates Toronto Pearson International Airport, is expected to result in lower fees for airlines.

The project is expected to generate double-digit savings while improving responsiveness and service levels at the airport. Air carriers will receive IT services directly from IBM to support critical operations at kiosks, passenger and bag check-in counters, as well as aircraft gates.

“This transaction puts in place an innovative new model for delivering complex technology at Toronto Pearson,” said Gary Long, vice president and chief information officer for the GTA.

With more than 30.4 million passengers each year, Toronto Pearson is one of the world’s largest airports built on a “common use equipment” model—a model by which most airport resources, such as check-in counters, boarding gates and kiosks, can be accessed and used by any of the airport’s 60 airlines.

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Library patrons surf the Internet at the Harold Washington Library in Chicago, Illinois. Crashing machines, slow boot times, and agony dealing with technical support have Digital Age people suffering from Computer Stress Syndrome, a study available online on Tuesday found.

Xinhua

Exercise good for the brain

A US researcher says regular aerobic exercise may speed learning and help blood flow to the brain.

Dr. Judy Cameron of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine found monkeys trained to use a treadmill — an hour a day five days a week for five months — performed a mental task twice as quickly as the control group that spent the hour sitting on an immobile treadmill.

The study, published in the American Journal of Physiology—Regulatory, Integrative and Comparative Physiology, found the exercising monkeys more engaged in the task and more willing to make mistakes.

Later in the testing, the two groups had similar performances and Cameron suggested practice may eventually overshadow the impact of exercise on cognitive function.

Woman cyclist on Mongolia ride

In a country where women are still hesitant about equality with men, one expert woman is taking the initiative to inspire others with a grueling, nine-month trip across China for charity.

Armed with just a bike, a tent and a camera, American Eleanor Moseman is setting off on Saturday on a solo cycling odyssey from Shanghai to the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region and back again.

The trip will cover 15,000 to 20,000 kilometres and Moseman plans to return by mid-February, 2011.

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Egypt painting nets Middle Eastern record auction price

CAIRO, 29 April — A work by an Egyptian painter has been sold for $2.4m (£1.6m) at an auction in Dubai — a record price for an artist from the Middle East. The painting by Mahmoud Said, called Les Chadoufs, shows Egyptian peasants drawing water from the Nile.

Christie’s, the auctioneers, had originally estimated the painting’s value at up to $200,000 (£131,500). The painting was put up for auction by the former mayor of Jeddah, while the identity of the buyer is unknown. — Internet

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2. The applicants -

(a) must be citizens of the Union of Myanmar;
(b) must not be over 35 years of age (40 years if service personnel) on 21 May 2010;
(c) must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs.

3. Applications must be sent to Office No.(17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board, Nay Pyi Taw in person, or by expedited Mail Service, or by registered letter not later than 21 May 2010.

4. The applicant who wants to apply more than one position has to pay examination fee separately and submit the application forms for respective position.

5. With regards to filling in the application form, documents to be attached, mode of payment of Ks.500 for examination fee, subjects to be studied for written examinations and personal interview, candidates applying for the vacant positions will have to follow the instructions manifested in the Guide Booklet published under Letter No. 1440/Selection (Main)/2009, dated 6 August 2009 (Amendment).

6. For service personnel, his or her original application altogether with the recommendation of the ministry concerned and a passport photo of the applicant must be sent to Office No.(17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in Nay Pyi Taw through the Head of Department by 21 May 2010. An extra copy of the application together with photo must also be attached.

7. Written examinations will be held in Nay Pyi Taw.

8. Examinations will be held on 26 and 27 June 2010. Identity cards for candidates sitting for the examination will be issued at Office No. (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in Nay Pyi Taw commencing 24 June 2010.

World Expo a boost to Shanghai’s global financial centre goal

SHANGHAI, 29 April — The Shanghai World Expo provided a boost to the city’s efforts to transform itself into a global financial centre, a leading Shanghai-based economist said in an interview with Xinhua Thursday.

The six-month event not only stimulated infrastructure construction and consumption, but could also showcase Shanghai’s managerial expertise and economic vitality on this unique stage, said Lian Ping, chief economist of the Bank of Communications, China’s fifth largest lender. Xinhua
CLAIMS DAY NOTICE
MV BANGKAJA VOYNO( )
Consignees of cargo carried on MV BANGKAJA VOYNO ( ) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 29.4.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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 Claim Day.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S WONGSAMUT OCEAN SHIPPING CO LTD
Phone No: 256916/256919/256921

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE
MV DIBENA WIN VOYNO (128)
Consignees of cargo carried on MV DIBENA WIN VOYNO (128) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 30.4.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.
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SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S ADVANCE CONTAINER LINES
Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY HOLIDAY NOTICE
As the wharves, warehouses and channal Offices of Yangon Port will be closed on the 1st May 2010 (May Day) being the public Holiday Goods. Will be received, shipped or delivered on payment of Holiday Fees.

SeaWorld killer whale ‘caught trainer’s hair’
WASHINGTON, 29 April — A trainer at a US aquatic park was dragged to her death by a killer whale after her long hair drifted into the animal’s mouth, a police report says. Trainer Dawn Brancheau was lying nose-to-nose with the orca in shallow water when the incident happened at the SeaWorld park in Florida.
She escaped to the surface briefly but the animal struck her twice more before she was dragged under again. Ms Brancheau, 40, was killed while performing with ‘Tilikum’ in February. The medical examiner ruled that she died from drowning and traumatic injuries.

Warning over salt levels in curry
LONDON, 29 April — Curry lovers are being warned about the high levels of salt in the dish. Research by Consensus Action on Salt and Health (Cash) showed the salt content in some dishes was more than the daily recommended limit. The campaign group warned with side dishes, such as naan bread and chutney, salt levels could be even higher—but some healthier options were found too.
Nearly 800 products in supermarkets, independent shops and takeaways were analysed during the research. The recommended maximum intake of salt is 6g a day. But the researchers found one chicken tikka masala takeaway had 6.8g per portion, while curries on sale at Iceland also had more than the daily limit.— Internet

Boy, 13, shoots, kills cousin
SANTA ANA, 29 April — A 13-year-old Southern California boy is “desivated” after shooting and killing his 19-year-old cousin with a rifle, apparently by accident, police said. The victim, identified as Catherine Gonzalez, had gathered friends and family to a home in Santa Ana, Calif, on Tuesday when the boy shot her, Santa Ana Police Cpl. Anthony Bertagna said on Wednesday.
He said the rifle was one of four or five rifles at the house where the shooting took place, the Los Angeles Times reported.— Internet

Many curries were found to be high in salt.

Internet
Battling Henin survives German test

For the first set after Goerges forced a tie-breaker, the four-times Roland Garros winner then held her nerve to take the set despite a furious protest from her German opponent over a line-call which left her remonstrating with the umpire long after the point was awarded against her. Henin then only needed exactly 30 minutes to take the second set for a 7-6 (7/3), 6-1 victory. “She was in a position to win the set, I just tried to keep focused,” said a relieved Henin who won this tournament in 2007.

World Cup hosts S Africa back on winning trail

South Africa got back on the winning trail by defeating non-qualifiers Jamaica 2-0 in a friendly at Kickers Offenbach Stadium on Wednesday.

Veteran striker Sur-Moritz punisher sloppy defending off a cross to drive a low shot into the corner of the net on 51 minutes and set up Bafana Bafana (The Boys) for a first success in four international outings.

Maradona hands veteran Ortega Argentina recall

Buena Aires, 29 April — Argentina coach Diego Maradona on Wednesday handed veteran midfielder Ariel Ortega a surprise recall to the national team for a friendly international against Haiti.

Ominous Nadal blasts into Rome third tennis round

ATP Rome Masters 1000. The 23-year-old Spaniard broke his opponent four times and gave up only one break point as he easily avoided the fate that befell world number one Roger Federer when he was stunned by Ernesto Gulbis on Tuesday. “It probably wasn’t my best match but I did well, I played safe,” said four-time champion Nadal.

Jankovic breezes through in Stuttgart’s WTA tournament

Stuttgart, 29 April — Fourth-seed Jelena Jankovic needed just over an hour on Wednesday to breeze into the second-round of Stuttgart’s WTA tournament with a straight sets win over Anisimova. Former world number one Jankovic is on course to meet last year’s beaten finalist Dinara Safina in the quarter-finals, but first faces Bulgarian qualifier Tsvetana Pironkova in Thursday’s second-round match.

Japan’s Kashima stand alone in AFC Champions League

SINGAPORE, 29 April — Japanese powerhouse Kashima Antlers earned the honour of being the only team to win all six of their AFC Champions League group games on Wednesday while Beijing Guoan booked a berth in the round of 16.

Japan’s Kashima Antlers striker Shinzo Koroki (right) fights for the ball with South Korea’s Jeonbuk Motors defender Lim Youhwan during their group F match of the AFC Champions League in Kashima.

Jankovic of Serbia blasted two aces and took the first set after just 32 minutes against the Argentinian before slowing briefly in the second, but was in firm control for a 6-2, 6-2, win in 75 minutes. – Fourth-seed Jelena Jankovic needed just over an hour on Wednesday to breeze into the second-round of Stuttgart’s WTA tournament with a straight sets win over Anisimova.

Pachuca wins CONCACAF Champions League

Pachuca, 29 April — Pachuca won the CONCACAF Champions League on Wednesday night when Edgar Benitez scored in the third minute of stoppage time for a 1-0 win over rival Mexican club Cruz Azul. The result tied the two-game final 2-2 on aggregate, giving Pachuca its third title in four years with more away goals. “It’s off the charts,” sporting director Andres Fassi said, “to win a game like this. It’s more energy for a club already full of passion.” Cruz Azul won the first leg 2-1 in its stadium in Mexico City. Benitez scored on a bouncing shot that got past Cruz Azul goalkeeper Jesus Corona. “I asked God to let me have the ball in front of the goal, and it was the last play,” Benitez said. “I turned and when it went in I couldn’t believe it.” The victory puts Pachuca into the Club World Cup later this year, as the top team in the Caribbean, North America and Central America region.

10-man Inter stun Barca, face Bayern in Champions League final

Inter Milan reached the Champions League final on Wednesday, beating Barcelona 3-2 on aggregate in their semi-final defeat despite losing the second leg 1-0 and playing an hour with the game of 10 men. Jose Mourinho’s Inter, who won the first game 1-0 last week, will face Bayern Munich in the final on 22 May in Madrid. Despite Gerard Pique’s 84th-minute goal, defending champions Barcelona were unable to find the crucial second goal as 10-man Inter held on, with a sigh of relief when Bojan Krkic had a stoppage-time effort chalked off for handball. Inter will be playing in their first European Cup final since 1972 while Mourinho will attempt to lead the Italian giants to Europe’s most prestigious prize for the first time since 1965.

“The greatest moment of my career,” said Mourinho. “For the players, me, the fans, it’s the greatest. “It’s been 38 years since Inter played in the final. This is not a team of tough players who can wait 15 years to make the final — they will not have another 10 opportunities to play in one. “Against Barcelona, it’s difficult with 11 players but with 10, it’s an historic experience to win like this. It’s the most beautiful defeat of my life."

Valenciennes inflict more misery on Bordeaux

PARIS, 29 April — Out-of-sorts Bordeaux’s woes were compounded on Wednesday when Laurent Blanc’s reigning French champions were defeated 2-0 at Valenciennes.

This latest loss left Bordeaux’s prospects of qualifying for the Champions League almost non-existent, even the Europa League could be a struggle as they remained in sixth place, on 57 points, 15 adrift of leaders Marseille.

Vieira’s forward Gregory Pujol celebrates after scoring against Bordeaux during their L1 football match in Valenciennes.

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**WEATHER**

**Thursday, 29th April, 2010**

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Bago Division, isolated in Taninthayi Division and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above April average temperatures in Kachin, Shan and Rakhine States, Bago and Ayeayawady Divisions, (6°C) above April average temperatures in Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and about April average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Thayawady (41.2°C), Nay Pyi Taw (Teyin) and Minbu (41.0°C) each and Hinthada (40°C). The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nyaunglebin (1.93), Moe (0.71) and Shwegein (0.67) inch. Maximum temperature on 28-4-2010 was 104°F. Minimum temperature on 29-4-2010 was 80°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 29-4-2010 was 66%. Total sun shine hours on 28-4-2010 was (10.1) hours.

Rainfall on 29-4-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (3) mm from Northwest at (08:30) hours MST on 28-4-2010.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman sea and South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 30th April 2010: Rain or thundershowers are likely to be scattered in Kachin State and upper Sagaing Division, isolated in Chin, Northern Rakhine and Mon states, Mandalay, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions and weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining areas. 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 day temperatures in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 30-4-2010: Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 30-4-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 30-4-2010: Partly cloudy.
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

Applications to form political parties scrutinized and passed
25 groups submit applications to set up political parties, four apply for continued existence as political parties
Permission given to 12 groups to form political parties, three parties permitted to register as political parties

NAV PYI TAW, 29 April—Those wishing to form political parties are submitting their applications with the names of parties to the Union Election Commission in line with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules. Up to 29 April 2010, a total of 25 groups submitted applications to set up parties.

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Earthquake Report
NAV PYI TAW, 29 April—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology today announced that a moderate earthquake of magnitude 5.1 Richter Scale with its epicenter (about 60 miles southeast of near Sittway), about 260 miles northwest of Kaba Aye seismological observatory was recorded at 00 hr 33 min 28 sec MST on 29 April 2010.

The significant day temperatures
(29-4-2010)
Thayawady 41.2° C
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Minbu 41.0° C
Hinthada 40.0° C