Regional Development Party (Pyay) granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 82/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

Union of Myanmar
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The Union Election Commission granted permission to Regional Development Party (Pyay) with its headquarters at No. 415, corner of Pweczartan Road and Strand Road, Kyaunggyi-ohan Ward, Pyay Township, Bago Division, to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 16 July.

The registration number of Regional Development Party (Pyay) is 39.

By order
Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Applications for registration of political parties scrutinized, passed

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Groups that have been granted permission to form political parties are submitting their applications to register as political parties to the Union Election Commission. National Development and Peace Party submitted the application to register as a political party to the Union Election Commission today. Of application-submitted groups, the Commission has found the Unity and Democracy Party of Kachin State (UDPKS) to be in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules and thus the Commission passed the registration of the party today.

Up to date, there have been 44 parties that submitted their applications to set up or to continue existence as political parties. Thirty-nine parties have been permitted to register as political parties. The remaining parties are in the course of being scrutinized.

Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan plants a teak sapling at the third week of the monsoon tree planting ceremony 2010.
**PERSPECTIVES**

**Saturday, 17 July, 2010**

**Produce marketable fresh water and sea fish and prawn**

To be able to supply sufficient meat, fish and food for the increasing world population, works are being extended in the fishing industry in addition to fresh water and sea fish breeding.

In Asia, most of the breeders focus on breeding of various species of fish, fresh water and sea prawns and crabs.

Myanmar is blessed with water resources such as fresh water and sea fish and prawn along her coastal regions, rivers, creeks and lakes. Those engaging in fresh water and sea fish and prawn production and offshore and onshore fishing work on a commercial scale achieve economic development.

At present, over 200,000 acres each of fish and prawn breeding ponds satisfy the domestic demand and export the surplus. Breeding of fish is being upgraded with the use of modern technology. As the entrepreneurs are taking care of sanitation at the fish breeding ponds, use of quality feedstuff and production of quality fingers, they can produce best species of fingers with higher growth rate successfully.

Moreover, the disease-free prawn species with higher growth rate caught from the sea are used in breeding and producing quality fresh water and sea prawns. Likewise, remarkable success has been achieved in breeding crabs, prawns and lobsters.

Quality fresh water and sea prawns of Myanmar are marketable and have high demands in domestic and foreign markets. The government is providing necessary assistance for achieving success in fish and prawn industry. It is incumbent upon the breeding entrepreneurs to use quality fish and prawn with the use of modern techniques, hand over advanced breeding methods and participate in the extended prawn breeding projects in order to secure greater achievement in the fish and prawn breeding industry.

**Myanmar Judo Team camped**

**YANGON, 16 July—** Under the arrangement of A sia Youth Development Project, Asia Olympic Council and Judo Union of Asia will jointly organize the Asia Youth Judo Camp (free Training Camp) from 17 July to 29 July in Bangkok, Thailand. Personnel from Sports and Physical Education Department and Myanmar Judo Federation yesterday saw off Myanmar Youth Selected Judo Team who left here for Thailand.

The tam comprises coach Daw Khin Mu Mu (Ministry of Construction), and players Chit Min left here for Thailand.

**Earthquake Report**

**Nay Pi Taw, 16 July—** Meteorology and Hydrology Department announced that a slight earthquake of magnitude 4.5 Richter scale with its epicenter inside Myanmar about 25 miles west of Mandalay seismological observatory was recorded at 13 hrs 54 min 36 sec M. S. T today.

**Member of UEC supervises electoral works in Yangon South District**

**YANGON, 16 July—** Member of the Union Election Commission (in-charge of Yangon Division) Dr. Tin Aung Aye, on 14 July, accompanied by Chairman U Ko Ko of Myanmar Division Election SubCommission, Chairman U Myat Soe of District Election SubCommission and commission members, visited offices of Thanlyin Township, A shan Ward, Koyinseik Village-tract, Thongwa Township, Thakhtugun Village-tract, Patokgyi Village-tract, Kayan Township, No. 3, No. 5 and Myohla Ward election subcommission.

Yesterday, he also visited subcommission offices of Twantay Township, Ohnbin Ward, K yantaw Ward, K anbe Village-tract, Peinnegon Village-tract, Natsinong Village-tract, Myothit Ward in Kawhu Township, Kung yangon Township, In galon Village-tract, Dedanaw Village-tract, Seikkyi-khanaungto Township, Dalla Township, Kamakhtwe Ward and inspected ongoing works and fulfilled the requirements for smooth running of electoral works.

**Mandalay Mayor inspects factory and fleet department**

**Mandalay, 16 July—** Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor U Phone Zaw Han and member U Myint Tha yesterday visited Factory and Fleet Department on 62nd Street in Chaymyathazi Township, here, on 2 July and left necessary instructions.

Next, the mayor and party viewed two excavators (120) and two excavators (70) of Hitachi imported from Japan.

The mayor looked into drainage system and construction of new roads. The mayor then inspected dragging drains on 60th Street between Seinpan Road and Aung Mingala Road on the east of No. 17 Basic Education Primary School and fulfilled the needs.
Two explosions kill at least 22 in SE Iran

In this picture released by Iran’s official IRNA news agency, a man helps a victim who was wounded in a bomb blast in the city of Zahedan, 940 miles (1570 kilometres) southeast of the capital Tehran, Iran, on 15 July, 2010. Xinhua

TEHERAN, 16 July—At least 22 were killed and more than 100 injured in two explosions that hit a mosque in Iran’s southeastern city of Zahedan on Thursday, the official IRNA news agency reported. “Two explosions in the front of Zahedan’s Grand Mosque have left more than 22 dead and over 100 injured,” Fariborz Rashedi, the head of Sistan-Baluchestan’s emergency unit told IRNA.

The first of the twin explosion occurred at 9:20 pm local time (1650 GMT) in front of the provincial capital city’s Grand Mosque, followed by the second within minutes, IRNA said.

Iran’s Deputy Interior Minister Ali Abdollahi described the incident as a “terrorist act,” Fars news agency reported.

Along those killed in the blast were members of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC), the country’s most powerful military force, the official said.

The Sunni group Jundallah said in an email it sent to Al Arabiyeh television that it had carried out the attacks in retaliation for Iran’s execution in June of the group’s leader, Abdolmalek Rigi. Xinhua

Nine killed in car bombing outside restaurant in Iraq’s Tikrit

TIKRIT, 16 July—At least nine people were killed and 15 others injured in a car bomb explosion outside a restaurant in the city of Tikrit, the capital of Iraq’s Salahuddin Province, on Thursday, a provincial police said.

The blast occurred about local time 11:10 am (0810 GMT) at the al-Ennab restaurant in central Tikrit, some 170 km north of Baghdad, killing four police officers and five civilians and wounding 15 others, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

The blast targeted the restaurant which is usually attended by police officers and businessmen in the Sunni dominated province, the source said.

The blast destroyed part of the restaurant and several nearby shops and buildings and left four vehicles charred at the scene, the source added.

Sporadic attacks still common in the Iraqi cities more than four months after the country held its landmark parliamentary election which is widely expected to shape the political landscape of the war-torn country.—Xinhua

Suicide attack rocks western Afghan Province, kills policeman

HERAT, 16 July—A suicide bomber attacked police in Herat Province west of Afghanistan on Friday, killing at least one policeman and wounding two others, police said.

“A terrorist riding an explosive-laden car blew it up next to the convoy of police in Gazarah District at 8 am, leaving one police constable dead and two others dead,” deputy to provincial police chief Dilawar Shah Dilawar told Xinhua. Close to the incident was NATO-led forces base but it caused no damage to the alliance, Dilawar further said. The suicide bomber was also killed in the blast, he said.

He also blamed the “enemies of peace,” a term used against Taliban militants but the outfit has yet to make comment. Taliban militants fighting Afghan and NATO-led troops have vowed to speed up activities this year in Afghanistan.—Xinhua

Hotel fire in northern Iraq kills 43, wounds 21

SULAIMANIYAH, 16 July—The death toll of a fire at a hotel Friday in Iraq’s northern Kurdish city of Sulaimaniyah has increased to 43, and 21 others were also wounded, local police source said.

The fire occurred at about 5:15 am (0215 GMT) at the Somo hotel in Sulaimaniyah; many of the dead were from Bangladesh, Philippine and Thailand, said the source, adding four Americans were among the dead. At least six of the victims jumped from the fourth floor of the hotel because of the fire, he added. Most of the dead were killed because of the heavy smoke, according to a source from the local hospital.

Local police has said this incident does not look like a terrorist attack but a result of an electricity problem. Different from the Arab Iraq, Sulaimaniyah, the capital of Iraq’s northern Kurdish autonomous region, enjoys relative peace and prosperity after the US-led invasion in 2003. Many foreigners visit the area for tourism and business every year.—Xinhua

Two US troops killed by bomb blast in Afghanistan

KABUL, 16 July—Two US service members were killed in a roadside bombing in restive southern Afghanistan, where thousands of American troops have been deployed to wrest back control of militant strongholds.

Also in the south, gunmen kidnapped five Health Ministry employees in volatile Kandahar Province while militants killed a district official elsewhere, reportedly on the orders of the Taliban supreme leader, officials said on Thursday.

Militant bombings, gunbattles, assassinations and abductions have skyrocketed this year. The circumstances surrounding the deaths of the two American troops were unclear as NATO released no more details.

Members of a medical team were abducted Wednesday while returning to Kandahar city, the provincial capital, after visiting a project in Marwand District, provincial spokesman Zulmi Ayubi said on Thursday. Xinhua
Tiny marine microbes exert influence on global climate: Microorganisms display a behaviour characteristic of larger animals

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Smoking changes gene activity

LOUISVILLE, 15 July — Smoking changes a person’s gene activity across the body, thus raising the risk of developing various diseases, a new study, published Thursday in the journal *Medical Genomics*, suggests.

The findings may be a clue to why smoking affects overall health — from heart disease to combating infections, according to the study conducted by a team of researchers from San Antonio, Texas and the Menzies Research Institute Tasmania in Australia.

The researchers analyzed blood cell samples of 1,240 people, ages 16-94, who were participating in the San Antonio Family Heart Study. —Xinhua

S Korea’s exports surge in H1 amid economic recovery

SEOUL, 16 July — South Korea’s exports expanded 34.4 percent year-on-year in the first half on the back of an economic recovery, a government report said Thursday.

According to the report by the Korea Customs Service (KCS), exports totalled a record high of 221.5 billion US dollars during the January-June period, up from a 164.8 billion US dollars a year ago.

Meanwhile, imports also marked a sharp growth of 40.2 percent year-on-year, hitting 203.9 billion US dollars, with the nation’s trade surplus for the cited period topping 17.6 billion US dollars.

The large gain in exports, according to the KCS, came as the rebounding global economy boosted demand for locally made semiconductors and vehicles.

Meanwhile, exports in June also jumped 30.1 percent to a monthly record of 41.9 billion US dollars, while imports rose 38.2 percent to 35.5 billion US dollars, summing up the month’s trade surplus at 6.4 billion US dollars, according to the report. —Internet

Experts warn against being happy too early about child obesity stabilization in developed world

STOCKHOLM, 16 July — A study from European Childhood Obesity Group (ECOG) showed that child obesity in developed world is stabilizing and even decreasing in France, but experts warned against being happy too early for that at the ongoing 11th International Congress of Obesity in Stockholm on Wednesday.

Martine Francoise Rolland-Cachera from ECOG presented that developed countries including the US, Britain, France, and Greece had experienced a constant increase of child obesity between 1970 and 2000 at a rate ranging from 12 percent in northern Europe to 38 percent in Southern Europe.

“But from 2000 to 2006, America, Britain, France and Greece as well as many other countries all saw stabilization of child obesity due to various efforts made by governments and societies,” said Rolland-Cachera.

“The trend is that high income family child obesity stabilizes earlier than low income family child obesity, but later they all stabilized,” she said. —Internet

Ministry says tightening measures on housing market will continue in China

BEIJING, 16 July — The State Council’s policies to rein in rapidly soaring housing prices in cities will continue and local governments should implement them “unservingly”, according to a statement released Monday from the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, while also delaying some media reports on a possible policy withdrawal.

“We will urge local governments to make sure that they strictly implement the differentiated housing loans policy to crack down on housing speculations,” the ministry said in a brief statement posted on its website. —Xinhua

Health

S Korea reaches agreements on life-sustaining treatment termination issue

SEOUL, 16 July — Social consensus has been achieved in South Korea in terms of the scope and details of cutting off life-sustaining treatment for terminally ill patients including those in a vegetative state, Seoul’s government said on Wednesday.

The Ministry of Health and Welfare on Wednesday delivered major agreements made by a consultative group, launched in December last year and composed of 18 experts from different sectors of the society, such as religious, medical and legal circles.

Under the agreements, patients with terminal conditions including terminally ill patients in a vegetative state, with their own consent, can be free from life-sustaining treatments like respiratory support and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, in order to die with dignity. However, the group has failed to hammer out an agreement on whether doctors can assume the will of a patient in a too critical condition to express it directly, and a representative of the patient can make a decision instead.

The debate over the right to die in South Korea had intensified after last year’s case in which the Supreme Court ordered to remove the respirator from Kim Ok-geong, a 77-year-old comatose woman, upon her family’s request to stop the futile life-sustaining treatment. She was the first case of death with dignity in South Korea. —Internet

Researchers develop different treatments for local cancer genes

The first case of death with dignity in South Korea was reported on Wednesday. —Xinhua

Indonesia sees PC sales surges 76% in 2nd quarter

JAKARTA, 16 July — The sales value of personal computers on Indonesian market surged by 76 percent year on year in the second quarter this year, thanks to the popularity of netbooks, the Jakarta Globe reported on Friday.

Wijaya Suhanda, chairman of the Indonesian Computer Business Association, said that Indonesia’s PC sales volume reached 1.2 million units from April to June, as against 690,000 units in the same period of 2009, while the sales value hit 2.8 billion US dollars, up 76 percent from 1.62 billion dollars in the year-earlier.

Business

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Situates 7 kilometres from Venice, Burano is an island in the Venetian Lagoon. It probably is the most “colourful” place in the world.

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Children’s obesity in the US, Europe and Asia is stabilizing, according to a study presented Wednesday at the ongoing 11th International Congress of Obesity in Stockholm.

But in the US, the obesity rate is likely to continue to increase, according to an ECOG presentation on Wednesday.

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The ministry added it would adopt “positive” measures to increase the supply of commercial homes in the market, speed up construction of housing for low-income residents and renovation of shantytowns, and strengthen supervision of the real estate market conditions.

The statement came shortly after the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) released its latest figures on housing prices in Chinese cities.

Housing prices in major Chinese cities rose 11.4 percent year on year in June, one percentage point lower than the increase in May, according to NBS statistics. —Xinhua

Drummers perform during the opening ceremony of the 43rd annual Caribana Toronto Festival in Toronto, Canada, on 15 July, 2010. The festival kicked off here on Thursday. —Xinhua

Women smoke in central Sydney recently. —Xinhua

Photo taken on 15 July, 2010 shows hot air balloons during the Golden Ring of Russia in Pereslavl-Zalessky, Russia. —Xinhua

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At least 33 killed in Sudan floods

KHARTOUM, 16 July—At least 33 people were killed and several others were missing following powerful floods in eastern Sudan, police said on Thursday.

“Thirty-three people died, several are reported missing,” said Ali Sokar, police chief of Agige District, following days of rain caused flooding in Sudan’s Red Sea state.—Internet

Residents stand on a sunken fishing vessel after Typhoon Conson hit Mariveles, Bataan, of Manila on 15 July, 2010. Nine ships and and more than 20 fishing boats were reported sunk, and some run aground as Conson hit Bataan, local media reported.—Internet

Typhoon Conson death toll rises to 38 in Philippines

MANILA, 16 July—The death toll from Typhoon Conson has risen to 38 in the Philippines, local media said on Friday.

Citing reports from the National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC), ABS-CBN News said the fatalities were recorded in various parts of Northern Philippines, the region hit most when Conson struck the country on Wednesday.—Internet

Heavy rains leave five dead, eight missing in western Japan

TOKYO, 16 July—The death toll from torrential rains that hit western Japan this week has reached five, while eight others remain missing, media reported on Friday.

In Matsue, Shimane Prefecture, three members of a family were buried under a collapsed house after two 4-meter-wide rocks from a mountain slope hit it at around 2 am Friday, and two were confirmed dead at a hospital, Kyodo News said, quoting police source. Mizuki Kusamoto, 11, was rescued some three hours later, but her 7-year-old brother Ryoga and their mother Rumiko, 37, were found around noon and were confirmed dead after being taken to hospital.—Xinhua

Southern China braces for Typhoon Conson landfall

BEIJING, 16 July—Southern China braced for torrential rains and lashing winds on Friday.

Conson had been downgraded to a tropical storm after blowing out of the Philippines but strengthened again into a typhoon late Thursday with winds of 75 miles per hour (120 kilometres per hour), China’s National Meteorological Centre said. It was expected to make landfall on Huanan island on Friday afternoon or evening.

In addition to Hainan, parts of Guangdong province and neighbouring Guangxi region will see torrential rains over the next 24 hours as Conson moves toward the northwest at 9 to 13 mph (15 to 20 kph).—Internet

Arsenic may help treat breast cancer

CHICAGO, 16 July—Nanotechnology may help an old drug — arsenic trioxide — fight aggressive breast cancer, US researchers say. Researchers at Northwestern University in Chicago are using mice to test if nanotechnology packaging of a drug long part of Chinese medicine and useful in treating blood cancers can help fight a very aggressive and difficult-to-treat breast cancer prevalent in young women, particularly African-American women.

The study, published in Clinical Cancer Research, finds the drug arsenic trioxide encapsulated into a nanoparticle called a nanobin before injection effectively reduced breast tumors in the mice. Non-encapsulated arsenic had no effect.

“The anti-tumour effects of the arsenic nanobins against clinically aggressive triple negative breast tumours in mice are extremely encouraging,” study co-senior author Vince Cryns said in a statement. “There’s an urgent need to develop new therapies for poor prognosis triple negative breast cancer.”

Cryns explained without the nanobin packaging the arsenic trioxide is excreted before getting to the tumor. The nanobin — a fat vessel called a liposome along with a cloaking chemical — allows the drug to travel through the blood until it is absorbed by the abnormal, leaky blood vessels of the tumour.

Chinese literary classics go symphonic in Sydney

BEIJING, 15 July—Australia’s renowned Sydney Opera House held a symphonic concert of Chinese literary classics on Sunday.

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 World largest passenger aircraft A380 lands at Indian capital

NEW DELHI, 16 July—The world’s largest passenger aircraft Airbus A-380 Thursday became the first international flight to land at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGI)’s brand new Terminal 3 in the Indian capital.

The commercial flight of 517-seater A-380, belonging to Emirates, landed at IGI airport in the Indian capital amid huge welcome. It came from Dubai.

The new Terminal 3 was inaugurated by Indian Prime Minister Mammoth Singh, along with ruling Congress Party President Sonia Gandhi and Indian Civil Aviation Minister Praful Patel on 3 July.

The new terminal building, which has made IGI the world’s fifth largest airport, can cater up to 34 million passengers annually and has 95 immigration counters.—Xinhua

Ethnic art gems showcased in S China

BEIJING, 15 July—The 4th China Ethnic Minority Folk Art Showcase got underway on Monday in Guiyang, the capital of Southwest China’s Guizhou Province. The city will host quite a variety of performances with 36 programmes from 15 provinces, municipalities, and autonomous regions.

41 different art forms of 15 ethnicities will be showcased, including traditional ballads intoning of life and romance, as well as modern productions. Prizes for best actor, best programme, and best new artist are all part of the fun.

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Information Minister plants teak sapling, releases fingerlings

Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan
plants a teak sapling at the third week of the monsoon tree planting ceremony 2010.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 16 July—Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan attended the rainy season tree growing ceremony held for 2010 for the third week and releasing of fish at the Ministry of Information this morning.

It was also attended by heads of departments and enterprises under the ministry, officials and staff. The minister planted a teak sapling at the designated place. Departmental heads and officials grew teak saplings.

Next, the minister and departmental heads viewed participation of staff in growing trees and weeding. They cordially greeted the staff.

The minister released fingerlings into the small dam in front of the ministry. Departmental heads, officials and staff also joined the fish releasing ceremony at No. 38 dam of the ministry.

The third week of the rainy season tree growing ceremonies 2010 took place at Myanma Radio and Television, Nay Pyi Taw Printing Press of Printing and Publishing Enterprise and Nay Pyi Taw Daily of News and Periodicals Enterprise in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon. It was attended by staff.

At the rainy season tree growing ceremony of the ministry, departments and enterprises planted 450 teaks, 1700 perennial, shade and windbreaker saplings, totaling 2150 and released 45,000 fingerlings.

A green plan is under way to grow trees this rainy season. So far, the ministry has grown 3403 mango plants, 26,500 teak, ironwood, shade and windbreakers and perennial trees, totaling 29,903, and arrangements have been made to grow more saplings in the coming weeks.

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CEC members of UMFCCI receive Australian Second Secretary

YANGON, 16 July—Great Casabella sales promotion is being introduced at Casabella Luxury Home Furnishing Center (Branch of Nat Ray Co Ltd) at No. 22, Pyay Road, 9th Mile in Mayangon Township here from 9 am to 8 pm from 16 to 18 July daily. The sales promotion takes place twice a year.

Casabella Luxury Home Furnishing Center is selling furniture for office, house and hotels, health and sports equipments, accessories for kitchen. Ten to 50 per cent discount will be offered the buyers.

Casabella Mandalay branch is at No. D-5, Mann Myanmar Building on 78th Street between 27th and 28th streets (Ph: 02-72342).

Customers in Yangon may dial 95-1-664363 or 660769, E-mail: nr-casabella@myanmar.com.mm.

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Sales Promotion of Great Casabella

Hlawga Wildlife Park runs extra hours

YANGON, 16 July—The Forest Department runs the Hlawga Wildlife Park from 8 am to 4 pm daily. For comfort and convenience of the holidaymakers, it will be kept open till 6 pm on 19 July (Martyrs’ Day) and on 26 July (Fullmoon Day of Waso).

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All this needs to be known

* Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
* Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
* Do not be softened whenever appeased
Dramatic progress in agricultural and livestock sectors

Maung Maung Myo (Bago)

A thriving paddy yield in an irrigated farm.

As mixed crops, vegetables including beans and pulses, watermelon, elephant foot yam tuber, and taro are grown among other crops, including groundnut, sesame, sunflower, mustard and niger; 2,143,712 acres during 2009-2010. In that regard, rubber farming has improved from 191,916 to 1,143,712 acres during the period between 1988 and now.

A cowshed in an integrated farm.

Now, it produces 4.975 million tons of beans and pulses from 10.57 million acres of farmlands. So, Myanmar has become the largest beans and pulses exporting country in the region, and the second largest beans and pulses exporting country after Australia in the world.

In some regions in the arid zone, growing paddy was just in the dream world. Now, cultivation of paddy has been a dream come true in those regions, owing to the fact that a large number of dams and river water pumping stations have been established under the guidance of the visionary Head of State. Paddy can be grown both in the rainy season and in summer in the regions where irrigation water was scarce in the past. In the arid zone, some regions have launched the triple-paddy cropping pattern in a year, and some regions, the triple-cropping pattern: summer paddy, monsoon paddy, and a cold season crop. Myanmar’s rice export has increased from 47.800 metric tons in 1988-99 to 818,100 metric tons in 2009-2010. In that regard, the rice which is exported is just surplus.

In the agricultural sector, Myanmar has achieved considerable success, if compared with the success in 1988. In the same period, oil palm sown acreage has jumped from 18,493 to 2,455,000 tons. The nation’s tea sown acreage has surged from 143,746 acres to 229,577 and tea produce, from 29,918,000 viss to 57,643,000 viss. Regarding coffee farming, the sown acreage has grown from 33,811 to 64,221, and output, from 961,000 to 4,374,000 viss. Early, sugarcane was grown in 123,227 acres of farmlands, producing 2,161,000 tons of sugar. Now, sugarcane sown acreage is 395,635, and sugar output, 9,561,000 tons. Similarly, the nation has increased cotton sown acreage from 443,180 to 888,118, and output, from 38,915,000 to 320,293,000 viss; rubber farming, from 191,916 to 1,143,712 acres, and raw rubber output, from 31,695,000 to 247,091,000 pounds. The figures indicate that the nation has enjoyed incredible success both in farming and in production.

With respect to edible oil crops, Myanmar has increased groundnut sown acreage from 1,355,201 to 2,141,095, and output, from 38,641,000 to 120,113,000 baskets; sesame sown acreage, from 2,994,372 to 4,038,477, and output, from 5,913,000 to 35,239,000 baskets from 523,562 to 2,181,780 acres and from 8,871,000 to 53,875,000 baskets in sunflower; from 43,194 to 246,747 acres and from 321,000 to 3,311,000 baskets in mustard; and from 95,837 to 385,346 acres, and from 339,000 to 4,005,000 baskets in niger.

Likewise, paddy sown acreage has jumped from 11,807,160 to 19,932,702, and output, from 630,925,000 to 1,561,948,000 baskets; and corn sown acreage, from 340,645 to 896,501, and output, from 7,735,000 to 49,918,000 baskets.

Moreover, pepper sown acreage has gone up to 113,535 from 859, and output to 115,861,000 from 131,000 baskets.

In order to speed up agricultural farming, the government has laid down a plan to grow all suitable crops among the 10 major crops in all suitable regions. Now, Ayeyawady Division has been known as the nation’s granary; Taninthayi Division and (See page 9)
Dramatic progress in agricultural and livestock sectors

Maung Maung Myo (Bago)

The acreage of fish ponds has mounted from 6300 in 1988 to 217,836. The launch of more and more fish farms generates a great number of jobs for local people and helps improve living conditions for them. Paddy plus fish programmes, for instance, boost incomes of farmers.

Up to 1988, the nation did not see large prawn farms. However, now the nation has seen 224,868 acres of prawn ponds, 4,626 acres of crab ponds, and 14 acres of lobster ponds. The number of live- stock farms is growing significantly in regions with favourable conditions. For progress in the meat sector, the government is providing animals of pedigree species, feedstuff, veterinary medicines and livestock methods, and giving health care to farm animals. Now, the plan has showed successful.

In the meat and fish sector, the nation produced 1,099,371 million viss of meat and 2,400.2 million viss of fish and prawn in 2009-2010. The target for 2010-2011 is to increase the output to 2,451 million viss of fish and prawn.

Long ago, the nation did not export its meat and fish. It exported 5802 tons of beef, 2945 tons of fish, 2494 tons of prawn, and 8383 tons of crab

Livestock animals are bred not only on a manageable scale but also on a commercial scale in the private-owned and cooperatives-owned farming zones. Fish and prawn farming has made dramatic progress, thereby generating potential for greater export. Now, the government is working hard to improve the economic prospects.

Considerable success in the agriculture sector and the livestock sector due to the guidance of the Head of State results in more and more livelihoods being provided. The government has been working hard to increase the output to 1,099.371 million viss of meat and 2,400.2 million viss of fish, 2945 tons of fish, 2494 tons of prawn, and 8383 tons of crab.

In order to achieve that great success, the government, the people, and the Tatmadaw have to work in collaboration. The government has been able to ensure food safety region-wise through agricultural farms, and implement projects for success in farming multipurpose crops. It has also improved the livestock sector, apart from the agricultural sector. To this extent, cumulative development in the agricultural sector and the livestock sector is due to the government’s benevolent attitude and the people’s hard work.

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Myanmar’s export of crops

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Indonesia’s state-run power firm to develop solar power station

JAKARTA, 16 July—Director of Indonesian state-run power firm PLN Dahlan Iskan said that it plans to develop and build several solar power stations on islands outside Java this year, local media reported on Friday.

“The pilot project is estimated to cost 250 billion Rupiah (about 27.8 million US dollars) and will include the construction of solar power generating stations (PLTS) in five provinces,” Dahlan said recently.

The five PLTS will be located in Bunaken (North Sulawesi), Wakatobi (Southeast Sulawesi), Derawan (East Kalimantan), Banda Island (Maluku) and West Papua. “Solar Energy power generators are still rare now due to high installation costs,” Dahlan was quoted as saying by the Jakarta Post, adding that the plants are essential because they did not rely on a finite fuel, such as coal or fossil fuels.

“They are both expensive to build, why don’t we try and develop PLTS,” Dahlan said. He said that PLN had targeted to have completed one solar power station and evaluated its performance by the end of the year. —Xinhua

Social, economic factors blamed for obesity

STOCKHOLM, 16 July—Social and economic factors are the main reasons why it is difficult to reduce obesity problems, said Gary Egger, an expert from Southern Cross University of Australia, at the 11th International Congress on Obesity in Stockholm on Thursday.

Egger said that obesity is not just a problem of weight with energy in and energy out, but a problem related to the total economic, social, environmental and behavioural changes at the postindustrial period.

“To deal with obesity problem, one must try to change the post-industrial environment and decouple progress with growth,” Egger said.

“We just cannot keep economic growth at exponential rate,” he said.

“What we need is a systemic approach and thinking outside the box, that is to pay more attention to quality growth instead of quantity growth and better environment,” Egger said. He said that the mentality of trying to maximize everything is also contributing to obesity. Instead one should optimize it and avoid going extreme in behavior, such as eating too much, watching too much television, and driving too much.

Toyota to build third plant in Brazil

The Toyota logo is displayed during the 80th Geneva Car Show.

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TOkyo, 16 July—Toyota will build a new 600-million-dollar auto plant in Brazil that is set to initially churn out 70,000 vehicles a year and employ 1,500 workers, the world’s biggest car maker said on Friday.

The factory in Sorocaba, 100 kilometres (60 miles) west of Sao Paulo, will be the Japanese auto giant’s third in the South American country, where it opened its first overseas plant in 1962.

Construction will start in September on land the company bought two years ago and production of a newly developed compact car, both for the domestic market and export, is set to begin in the second half of 2012.

Toyota do Brasil Ltda already produces auto parts at its Sao Bernardo plant with 1,200 workers and the Corolla model at its 2,000-staff Indaiatuba plant, which are both also located in Sao Paulo state.

Kuwaiti petrol firm to invest in Indonesia’s oil refinery

JAKARTA, 16 July—Indonesia’s Industry Minister MS Hidayat said that state energy firm PT Pertamina and Kuwait Petroleum Corp will invest as much as 9 billion US dollars in a joint-venture oil refinery located in Balongan, West Java, with a capacity of 300,000 barrels a day, local media reported here on Friday.

The move would help cut fuel shipments into Asia’s biggest gasoline and diesel importer, where dilapidated refineries cannot keep pace with local demand and the government pays billions of dollars in fuel subsidies each year. However, no time frame was offered for the project. Previous plans to build refineries have fallen through.

Hidayat said on Thursday that the Kuwaiti firm, also known as KPC, and Pertamina would sign an MoU on the project at the end of this month. “The crude oil will be supplied from Kuwait Petroleum at a discount price. This is a business-to-business negotiation with the backing of each government,” Hidayat said was quoted by the Jakarta Globe as saying.

Hidayat said Pertamina would take a majority stake in the project, with the output slated to serve the domestic market. —Xinhua

Three killed in drug gang attack on police in Mexico

CIUDAD JUAREZ, 16 July—Members of a northern Mexico drug gang rammed a car bomb into two police patrol trucks on Thursday in the border city of Ciudad Juarez, killing two officers and a medical technician, and wounding nine people.

Federal police said the attack — which may be one of the first uses of an explosive-packed car in Mexico — was in retaliation for the arrest of a top leader of the La Linea drug gang, Jesus Acosta Guerrero, earlier in the day.

Seven officers and two civilians were wounded in the attack, said a state police source who was not authorized to be quoted by name. He said the compact passenger car had apparently been carrying some kind of explosive or inflammable device when it rammed the police pickup trucks.

Japanese toymaker Wee’s spring-activated toy “Wee-nee dog” is shown at International Tokyo Toy Show in Tokyo on 15 July, 2010. The toy is displayed at the toy show which will be held until on 18 July.—Xinhua
Los Angeles Times

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Researchers monitoring 14 right whales — seven
males and seven females — in Canada’s Bay of Fundy
found the animals increased their call amplitude in
proportion to increases in background noise levels, the
Los Angeles Times reported Sunday.

“Whales are compensating for increased ocean noise
by going up in volume when they call to one another,”
said Joseph Gaydos, chief scientist for the SeaDoc Society
at UC Davis, “which is basically the same thing that
humans do when they’re trying to talk in really noisy
bars.” The North Atlantic right whale is listed as an
endangered species, and its primary habitat is the coastal
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BEIJING, 16 July—Chinese President Hu,
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Party of China and the
whole country to give
priority to education in
their work, in order to
build a moderately
prosperous society, push
forward socialist
modernization, and
achieve the great
rejuvenation of the
Chinese nation.

Hu made the remarks
during a high-profile
work conference on
national education held in
Beijing.

Senior leaders Wen
Jiabao, Jia Qinglin, Li
Changchun, Xi Jinping,
Li Keqiang, He
Guoqiang and Zhou
Yongkang also attended
the conference.

Planes fly during the France’s Bastille Day
military parade held in Paris,
capital of France, on 14 July, 2010.—Xinhua

Brazil creates 1.5 mln jobs in 1st half of 2010

RIO DE JANEIRO, 16 July—Brazilian Labour
Minister Carlos Lupi said on
Wednesday that 1.5 million jobs were created in the
first half of 2010 in the country,
a record high.

The official figures will be released on Thursday by the Labour Ministry. With
Lupi’s prediction confirmed, the figures will surpass the 1.1 million jobs created in
the first half of 2008.

During the same period in 2009, the Brazilian economy generated 299,000
jobs due to the international financial crisis. In addition, Lupi reaffirmed his belief
that the Brazilian economy would create 2.5 million jobs in 2010. If confirmed, the
figures will also reach an all-time high.

The minister also commented on the figures released earlier in the day by the
country’s central bank, according to which, Brazilian economic activity remained
stable.—Xinhua

Seven missing after boat
sinks in E China river

HANGZHOU, 16 July—Seven people are missing
after a boat transporting sand crashed into a construction
platform on an east China river and sank on Friday,
authorities in coastal Zhejiang Province said. The
accident happened at 2:15 am in Haining, a city 200
kilometres east of Shanghai.

When the accident occurred, the boat was sailing
against the high tide of the Qiangjiang River, which was
swollen after days of heavy rain.

The boat hit a construction platform where a
bridge to connect Jiaxing and Shaoxing cities is being
built.

All nine people on board the boat fell into the
water. Two were saved and rushed to the People’s
Hospital in Haining. Rescuers are still searching for
the others.—Xinhua

Plants show they can
‘remember’ light

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MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY HOLIDAY NOTICE

As the wharves, warehouses and chellan Offices of Yangon Port will be closed on the 19th July 2010 (Martyrs’ Day) and 26th July 2010 (Full Moon Day of Wase) Shipped or delivered on payment will be received as Holiday Fees.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV DUCKY SAPPHIRE VOY NO (60)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV DUCKY SAPPHIRE VOY NO (60) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 18.7.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W (5) where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY AGENT FOR: RO RO LINE CO. LTD

Phone No: 256924/256914

Medal of Honour hero Vernon Baker dies at age 90

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Global PC market rebound continues in second quarter

San Francisco, 16 July — Despite mixed economic outlook, the global personal computer (PC) market remained robust in the second quarter this year with PC shipments jumping 22.4 percent over the same period of 2009, research firm IDC said on Thursday.

On a worldwide basis, desktop PC shipments topped expectations, to help Russia modernize economy

Yekaterinburg, 16 July — President Dmitry Medvedev Thursday called on German firms to help Russia modernize its economy as he met Chancellor Angela Merkel in Yekaterinburg.

“Taking into account the strategic partnership in the economic sphere I believe the prospects here are not too bad,” Medvedev said, during what is his fifth meeting with Merkel this year.

Germany is Russia’s main economic partner and enjoys close diplomatic relations with Moscow.

Medvedev also invited German business people to invest in companies that have until recently been off limits to foreigners.

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AIDS vaccine

Dr Sanjay Phogat, a scientist at the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative laboratory, looks over test— Internet

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On Wall Street, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 32.25 points,
Three-year-old girl addicted to cigarettes

Like her Indonesian counterpart, Yawen from Huizhou, Guangdong Province reportedly throws severe tantrums if deprived of a cig.

However, unlike the boy who appears to be otherwise healthy, she is reportedly in bad shape after being hit by a truck and in a five-day coma in February 2009.

She left the hospital in June last year, but soon began sneaking smokes and stealing money from her parents to buy them. "Like candy," said her mother, surnamed Gao. Her mother said she’s been smoking a pack a day since October and attempts to break her bad habit have failed.

One doctor said she’s been traumatized by the accident and smoking makes her "feel more secure." She also has been drinking alcohol. Her mother said she is taking her to a psychiatrist in an attempt to cure her addictions.

Men accused of beating Porky Pig at theme park

Police said authorities at Six Flags Great America ejected two off-duty employees from the theme park after they allegedly attacked a female colleague dressed as "Porky Pig." Gurnee Police Sgt Jon Ward says two young men took a photo with Porky on Monday afternoon, and then punched the mascot in the head 10 to 15 times.

Ward said park security detained the men until police arrived. He said the men were issued local ordinance citations for battery. He said the suspects declined the attack, but witnesses confirmed the story.
**England boss Fabio Capello set to meet FA officials**

*LONDON, 16 July—Eng- land manager Fabio Capello will be back to work at Wembly on Thurs- day to meet senior FA offi- cials to discuss his side’s disappointing World Cup. The 64-year-old kept his job, despite England’s poor showing in South Africa as they went out after being thrashed 4-1 by Germany in the last 16. The Football Associa- tion will also hold its first post-World Cup board meeting. Capello will not address the board but will meet FA chairman Sir Dave Richards and chief executive Alex Horne.

Italian Capello has hinted that, having kept his job in the wake of England’s World Cup exit, he will focus more on youth and the first steps towards that strategy could be visible when England play Hungary in a friendly at Wembly on 11 August.—Internet*

**Argentine striker Rukavitsya heads to Hertha**

*BERLIN, 16 July—Australian international striker Nikita Rukavitsya has signed a three-year contract with Hertha Ber- lin, the German second division side announced on Wednesday.

“Nikit is very quick and very adaptable up front,” said Hertha’s sporting director Michael Preetz.

The 23-year-old, who was born in Ukraine but moved to Australia aged 14, was out of contract at Dutch side FC Twente. He spent last season on loan at Belgian side KV Oostende who were re- latged from the top flight.

Rukavitsya played for Australia at the 2008 Olympics - an under 23 side - and has since played six times for the Socceroos. He was a member of the World Cup squad in South Africa, making two appearances off the bench. Hertha finished bot- tom of the Bundesliga last season, winning just five times, and were relegated to the second division. Internet*

**Manchester City complete £24m David Silva transfer**

*ST A N D R E W S, 16 July—Manchester City have completed the £24m transfer of Spain interna- tional winger David Silva from Valencia. Silva, 24, had a medi- cal on Wednesday before signing a four-year con- tract at City, where he hopes to earn Champions League qualification next season.

“I will be happy if at the end we are in the Champions League - or if we win a trophy,” he told the club’s website.

“My first target is to get into the team, and then to fight for the league and the other competitions.”

Silva becomes City manager Roberto Mancini’s third signing of the summer following the complete £24m David Silva transfer.

**Bolton beat Charlotte in club friendly**

*CHARLOTTE, 16 July—Martin Petrov made a quick impact in his Bol- ton debut Wednesday, scoring one goal and set- ting up another as the English Premier League club beat the Charlotte Eagles 3-0. Gary Cahill and Johan Elmander also scored as Bolton launched a three-game tour of North America.

Former Manchester City midfielder Petrov sent a short corner kick to the near post which Cahil headed into the net in the eighth minute. Elmander scored in the 50th minute and Petrov made it 3-0 with a hard shot in the 80th. Bolton are making the pre-season trip without World Cup players Stuart Holden, Danny Shuttu and Lee Chung Yung.—Internet*

**Daly off to rousing start at British Open**

*ST ANDREWS, 16 July—Fifteen years after his stunning win at the Old Course, John Daly was off to another rousing start at the British Open. The mercurial Ameri- can birdied seven of the first 11 holes Thursday to move atop the leader- board, taking advantage of benign conditions that threatened to turn worse at any moment. Daly birdied the first two holes, had another at the sixth and re- rolled off four consecu- tive birdies starting at No. 8 before the streak ended with a 4-footer that lipped out at the 12th.

Daly, whose personal woes have long overshadowed his occasional golf- ing successes, also made quite an impression with his attire. He was playing in purple paisley pants, a light blue sweater and a pink shirt.—Internet*

**Denmark’s Rommedahl signs with Olympiakos**

*PIRAEUS, 16 July—Danish international winger Dennis Rom- medahl signed a two-year contract to play for Olympiakos Piraeus, the Greek first division club announced on Wednesday. The Dane, who played for Dutch side Ajax last season, was out of contract. Olympiakos have not re- leased full details of the deal but local media reports that he will be earning a yearly salary of $80,000 euros plus bonuses.

“I know we must be- come champions once again and that’s why I came,” Rommedahl said. “I know that it is the big- gest club in Greece. I had other offers but my man- ager said the most serious was from Olympiakos.”—Internet*

**Tour rivals Schleck and Contador relax in Stage 10**

*PARIS, 16 July—Andy Schleck of Luxembourg maintained the leader’s yellow jersey at the Tour de France with little diffi- culty on a day when the main contenders were happy to sit back and let others do the suffering. After several days of brutal racing and crashes in searing heat combined to knock both seven-time winner Lance Armstrong and two-time runner-up Cadel Evans out of con- testion, Wednesday’s 10th stage was never going to be contested by Schleck or defending champion Alberto Contador.

One day after a mam- moth 9th stage spent try- ing to outwit each other in the high Alps, Contador and Schleck stayed safely in the main pack on an- other hot day over the 111- mile trek from Chambery to Gap. It featured only one difficult climb — the Laffrey pass.—Internet*
Rare Sumatran tiger kills an Indonesian farmer

BANDA ACEH, 16 July—A rare Sumatran tiger has mauled a cocoa farmer to death in Indonesia’s Province of Aceh, a conservationist and witnesses said on Thursday.

The mangled body of Cut Hasan was found Wednesday in a mountainous area about 12 miles (20 kilometres) away from his plantation in Pucok village, said Aribakar Cekmad, head of the local conservation agency. The area is on the northern tip of Sumatra island, where about 150 Sumatran tigers still live in the wild.

Photo taken on 12 July, 2010 shows a sand sculpture at the 8th International Sand Sculpture Festival in Pera, Algarve, Portugal. Sculptures of rare animals, people and buildings were showed at the annual festival under the theme of living world.—Xinhua
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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
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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

Dramatic progress in agricultural and livestock sectors

The Union of Myanmar, an agro-based country, is attractive with impressive geographical features and lush and green with plantations of crops of various species. In a bid to put into reality one of the four economic objectives: development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well, the government has introduced many advanced agricultural methods and constructed irrigation facilities. As a result, Myanmar has reaped a good reward of prudent projects: greater success in the agricultural sector due to irrigation water, and successful maintenance of water sources due to thick forests and woodlands.

Rubber farming has become more successful due to advanced farming patterns.

In 1988, the nation saw 138 dams, whose irrigated areas stood at 1,336,199 acres. In 2010, the number of irrigation facilities has climbed to 370 with a total benefited area of 4,163,275 acres, thus accounting for 232 more irrigation facilities and 2,827,076 more acres of farmlands.

In like manner, the pumping of water from rivers, the tapping of underground water, and the damming of creeks and canals have been launched since 1988. Up to now, the nation has witnessed 322 river water pumping stations that benefit 467,028 acres, 8012 tube-wells that benefit 98,335 acres, and small-scale dams that benefit 184,570 acres of farmlands.

Exclamation of vacant lands has brought the total sown acreage to 53.1 million, up from just 23.8 million.

When it comes to the output of rice, the staple food in Myanmar, paddy output has risen from 630 million in 1998 to over 1560 million baskets. An output of 1625 million baskets of rice is on target for the 2010-2011 season. Without doubt, farmers will achieve a bumper harvest and the State will achieve a record paddy output this season.

In 1988, the nation put 1.8 million acres under beans and pulses and got an output of 170,000 tons.

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