Maj-Gen Myint Soe of Ministry of Defence oversees river water pumping project, regional development tasks

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept — Maj-Gen Myint Soe of the Ministry of Defence accompanied by Chairman of Mandalay Region Peace and Development Council Commando of Central Command Brig-Gen Ye Aung and departmental officials inspected tarmacking of road section on Yangon-Mandalay Union Highway yesterday. After hearing reports on progress of road works, Maj-Gen Myint Soe gave necessary instructions.

At the work site of repairing Yintaw Tank near Yintaw Village in Pyawbwe Township of Mandalay Region, Maj-Gen Myint Soe heard reports on work progress, water storage capacity and arrangements being made for supplying water to farmlands presented by the director of Mandalay Region Irrigation Department and project in-charge and fulfilled the requirements.

On his arrival at Ngwechi (6) long staple cotton model farmland at Shwekokko village in Meiktila Township, Maj-Gen Myint Soe heard reports on progress of cotton cultivation and production, and greeted local people. (See page 7)

Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon) reflecting national development

Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon) lying splendidly across the Ayeyawady River, the gift of nature, makes commodity flow swift, for the bridge can reduce traveling time obviously.

If you take a look at Sagaing from Khawataung of Mandalay bank, residential buildings with the greenish mountain ranges in the background will be seen. Sagaing of Sagaing Region shares border with Mandalay of Mandalay Region. But the Ayeyawady River is flowing between them.

Although Inwa Birde bonded Mandalay and Sagaing together in the past, it is now in aging state. So, the government set down a project to build the Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon) 2000 feet upstream of the Inwa Bridge.

Byline: Maung Maung Myint Swe; Photos: Kyaw Myint Than (Lanmadaw)

The bridge is 5614 feet long steel girde type, with 49-foot-wide four lanes motor road flanked by six-foot-wide pedestrian ways, and can withstand 60 tons of loads. Vessels and motorboats can run in the clearance area of the bridge.

While having a stroll on the Ayeyawady Bridge from Mandalay, I witnessed the bridge is beneficial to every national race as it serve as an all-season-use facility, starting at various vehicles driving along the bridge. (See page 7)

Construction of extended approach road of Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon) on Mandalay bank.

Photo shows magnificent Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanabon).
**PERSPECTIVES**

**Friday, 10 September, 2010**

**Gear up literacy campaign**

Literacy can change living standard of a person and helps develop life of families, communities and human society. New knowledge and skills through literacy can create development. As literacy is essential for development and prosperity, all the global countries are placing emphasis on literacy programme.

Myanmar society has sound foundation in the education sector since yore. Only educated and healthy citizens can bring prosperity to the nation.

At present, programmes of formal and non-formal education gather momentum in Myanmar. Over 40,000 primary, post-primary, middle and high schools have been opened throughout the nation for enabling the school-aged children to pursue education conveniently.

Myanmar is steadfastly implementing the literacy programmes in accord with the aim: “Education for All”. Basic literacy programme and Continuing Education Programme are being implemented in the non-formal education sector. Due to opening the learning centre and 3-Rs courses, the number of literates has been increasing in all the regions of the nation including border areas.

Literacy campaign are conducted successfully thanks to concerted efforts of the local authorities, education staff, social organizations and local people. In 2010, Myanmar achieved 94.95 per cent of adult literacy rate.

Higher literacy rate of Myanmar is pride of the entire people, reflecting the higher living standard of the people. Literacy campaign for each and every citizen and the Continuing Education Programme are to be geared up in order that Myanmar sees literacy rate on the increase.

**UMFCCI official meets Philippine guest**

**YANGON, 9 Sept—** Vice-President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and Chairman of Kitchen Crops Producers Association U Win Aung and general secretary U Soe Than Min Din received Post Harvest Consultant Mr Rosende Ropusas from the Philippines at UMFCCI Office here on 6 September. They cordially discussed cooperation in educative course, opening of fruits and flower markets and exchange information.—MNA

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**Int’l Literacy Day observed in Yangon**

**YANGON, 9 Sept—**

Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than delivered address at a ceremony to mark International Literacy Day 2010 held at No.2 Basic Education High School in Sangyosung Township yesterday.

It was attended by departmental officials, officials of the Basic Education Department, members of social organizations, teachers and students.

After delivering opening address, the commander awarded the winners of the essay and poster competitions held to mark the International Literacy Day 2010.

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**Practical demonstration on Wireless Router Configuration EnGenius 12 Sept**

**YANGON, 9 Sept—**

Myanmar Computer Professionals Association (MCPA) is carrying out practical work by making monthly LAB schedule so as to help facilities members’ practical study of ICT.

MCPA Executive U Tin Htoo Khaine (Access Spectrum Co., Ltd) will provide a practical demonstration on Wireless Router Configuration EnGenius on 12 September.

* Members and interested persons may practice and register not later than 10 September. The number of those wishing to make practical test is limited to 24. For more information, contact MCPA Office in Myanmar Info-Tech, Building, Room No.4 and dial ph-652276.—MNA

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**Concordia to conduct land survey, GPS & Google Earth Software course**

**YANGON, 9 Sept—**

Concordia Int’l Co., Ltd will open advanced certified land survey course (11/2010) at Mandalay from 17 to 30 September and applied GPS & Google Earth Software course from 17 to 21 September.

* UMFCCI Vice-President U Win Aung meets Post Harvest Consultant Mr. Rosende Ropusas of Philippines.

The courses cover total station, handheld GPS, GPS downloading and processing to Garmin Mapseource & Google Earth Software subjects. The students who passed matriculation exam may attend the courses. The enrolment will be accepted as from 10 September. For more information, contact Mandalay SY Building, 30th street and between 77th and 78th street, Chanayethazan Township and dial ph-02-36428, 69303 and 095067172.—MNA
Nine dead in Portuguese bus crash in Morocco

RABAT, 9 Sept—Nine Portuguese tourists were killed and 14 injured when their tour bus plunged into a ravine in northern Morocco on Wednesday, the interior ministry said.

Eight of the dead in the accident near the border with the Spanish enclave of Ceuta were female, including a teenager, and one of the injured was a Moroccan guide, medical sources added. “It was very foggy and drizzling,” a witness said. “The coach skidded and fell into a ravine.” A Spanish government representative in Ceuta told AFP the bus was carrying Portuguese tourists who arrived on Wednesday morning in the enclave on a cruise ship.

Witnesses quoted by Portuguese media said it was in a convoy of buses when the accident happened some 15 kilometres (ten miles) from Ceuta.

The injured were ferried to hospitals in Tetouan, Fnideq and M’diq, near Ceuta, the Moroccan police said, adding that the driver of the bus was among them.

Bomb blast wounds 12 outside Colombia spy agency

BOGOTA, 9 Sept—Twelve people were wounded when a bomb exploded outside the Colombian intelligence agency’s offices in the southern city of Pasto, near the Ecuadoran border, the Red Cross said.

A “low-intensity package bomb was left outside the Administrative Department of Security (DAS) building, next to a lamppost, by a man who then ran away,” Pasto Red Cross official Henry Palacios told AFP.

He said 12 passersby and workers from the DAS building were wounded in the blast and taken to area hospitals.

Narino department Governor Antonio Navarro told Caracol radio that two of the wounded were in serious condition and that the damage wrought by the bomb was considerable.

He said authorities suspect the bombing was the work of the leftist Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), the country’s oldest and strongest rebel group.

Shortly after the blast, DAS agents detained a man and a woman who were leaving the area in a taxi and are suspected of being behind the blast, DAS Director Felipe Munoz said.

Pasto is the capital of Narino department, one of the FARC’s strongholds in southern Colombia. On Tuesday, six police officers on road patrol were ambushed and killed in Samaniego.—Xinhua

14 killed, 24 injured as bus turn turtle in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 9 Sept—Over a dozen people were killed and two dozen others sustained injuries as a passenger bus turned turtle in Ghazni Province south of Afghanistan on Wednesday, a local television channel reported.

“A passenger bus heading for Kandahar from Kabul turned turtle on the highway in Ghazni Province this morning as a result 14 people were killed and 24 others sustained injuries,” Tolo broadcast in its news bulletin.

Women and children are among the victims, citing local officials, the television further said.

Reckless driving on congested roads and highways is the main cause of road accidents in Afghanistan.

More than 50 people have lost their lives in road accidents mostly in the restive southern region where militants are active and the law and order is poor, over the past couple of months.—Xinhua

No injuries in Palestinian mortar attack on Israeli kindergarten

JERUSALEM, 9 Sept—Palestinian militants in northern Gaza fired a mortar into a nearby Israeli kibbutz community Wednesday morning that slammed down between kindergarten classrooms.

The shell, which caused slight damage but no casualties, failed to trigger an early-warning system meant to detect rocket fire from the Hamas-ruled area.

The structure’s rooms were unoccupied at the time, although children were on their way to classes within about half an hour, local security officials said.

“We heard a loud explosion. I woke up in panic. The shell exploded about 100 metres from my house. The blast was so powerful that it set off the car alarms. It was very frightening,” a report on the local Ynet news website quoted a kibbutz resident as saying.
Science

Russia sends three satellites into space

Moscow, 9 Sept—Russia has sent three satellites into space early Wednesday, said spokesman for Russian Space Forces Alexei Zolotukhin.

A Roket launch vehicle blasted off from the Plesetsk space centre in northern Russia at 07:30 am. Moscow Time (0330 GMT), with two military satellites of “Cosmos” series and the “Gonets-M” satellite atop.

The launch was completed in normal mode, said Zolotukhin, adding that the Breeze-KM third stage with three satellites on board is scheduled to separate from the carrier rocket at around 09:14 am Moscow Time (0514 GMT) on Wednesday.

The Cosmos satellites will be used for military communications, while the Gonets-M communications satellite will be part of Russia’s Glonass satellite navigation system, an equivalent of the US GPS system.

Brain scientists discover a tiny traffic cop

WASHINGTON, 9 Sept—Scientists have discovered a protein that helps direct traffic within brain cells.

The discovery of the role filled by the protein, called MEC-17, could play a part in research of diseases like Huntington’s, Parkinson’s and Alzheimer’s, in which brain cells degenerate, the researchers say.

Scientists have known that the degeneration is partly due to changes in the tiny tubes inside brain cells, called microtubules. These tubes work like train tracks inside cells, making sure proteins, nutrients and waste products get to their destinations.

Asteroid near-misses actually common, scientists say

WASHINGTON, 9 Sept—Asteroid near-misses actually are not actually rare, NASA scientists say.

“This is the first time we’ve seen [two] combined within a 24-hour period, but that’s probably because we don’t know everything that is out there,” said Lindley Johnson, programme executive of the Near-Earth Object programme at NASA head quarters in Washington.

Single asteroids have been known to make such close passes, but they usually slip by unnoticed, Johnson told SPACE.com.

In fact, with a rough estimate of 50 million unknown asteroids, a 33-foot-wide (10-metre) near-Earth object could pass harmlessly between Earth and the orbit of the moon every day, Johnson added. Such an asteroid might hit Earth’s atmosphere once every 10 years, but because of its small size, it would pose no substantial threat to the people or property below.

New arm chip to stretch from smartphones to servers

NEW YORK, 9 Sept—Arm Holdings has taken the wraps off its next major chip design, promising a five-fold increase in performance that the company hopes will take it beyond smartphones and into new types of equipment such as high-performance routers and servers.

Arm’s top executives launched the Cortex-A15 MPCore at a press conference in San Francisco Wednesday evening. The name is supposed to reflect how much of an advance the chip represents—Arm’s current designs are the Cortex-A8 and the Cortex-A9.

“This is a huge day for us,” said Eric Schorn, Arm’s vice president of marketing. “Today is the biggest thing that has happened to Arm, period.”

Arm chips are used in most of today’s smartphones, including the iPhone and Android-based devices. They are also found in printers, hard disk drives and a myriad of other electronics products. Arm creates the designs for the chips, which are then licensed and manufactured by companies such as Texas Instruments and Samsung.

The A15 is still a long way from shipping in products. In fact, even its predecessor, the Cortex-A9, isn’t expected to appear until the end of this year. Smartphones and other devices using the A15 will go on sale toward the end of 2012, Schorn said.

Operators get creative due to spectrum crunch

NEW YORK, 9 Sept—The spectrum shortage is forcing mobile operators to experiment more with pricing models, new technologies and partnerships, executives speaking at the Mobile Future Forward event in Seattle said on Wednesday.

“There is a spectrum shortage, and demand will exceed supply, and something has to be done,” said Mike Sievert, chief commercial officer for Clearwire.

At the same time, demand for wireless data services is growing fast. The mean average data usage is 0.5 GB per month, per user in the US, he said. Users of Clearwire’s USB data sticks, however, consume a mean average of 7 GB of data per month, he said. Clearwire’s smartphone users consume less, but “way above the average,” he said.

“It means that when you give people 4G, they use it,” he said. “If the industry average grows to even 1 GB or 2.5 GB, most carriers in the US are in big, big trouble.”

Mophie releases juice pack air for iPhone 4

NEW YORK, 9 Sept—If you own an iPhone 4 and find that you burn too quickly through its battery despite the 16 percent capacity bump, you have a new battery expansion option from an old favourite. Mophie has announced the Juice Pack Air for iPhone 4.

Maker of accessors for a variety of Apple products, Mophie has designed its Juice Pack Air line for the iPhone for some time—the company claims to have been first with a ‘Works with iPhone’ battery pack. Now in its seventh version, the Juice Pack Air has been updated to fit the iPhone 4. The redesigned extended-battery-slash-case offers a 1500 mAh battery (the iPhone 4’s built-in battery is 1420 mAh), which Mophie claims to add up to 6 hours of talk time on 3G, and up to 12 on EDGE, or an extra 36 hours of audio playback, or nine hours of video playback.—Internet
Health

Immune system genes show links to type 1 diabetes

LONDON, 9 Sept—The exact cause of type 1 diabetes is still unknown, but international researchers have found a link between the blood sugar disorder and a network of immune system genes. Using a genome-wide association study, the researchers found that a certain group of genes that react in response to viral infections were present in both rats and humans, and that those same genes were also associated with a susceptibility to type 1 diabetes. “Diseases arise as a result of many genetic and environmental factors through gene networks that cause tissue damage,” explained study senior author Dr Stuart Cook, the group head of molecular and cellular cardiology at the Medical Research Coun-cil Clinical Scie-nces Centre, and a professor of clinical and molecular cardiology at Imperial College in London.

Health Tip: Stay safe around the school bus

Teaching children to take precautions while waiting for, entering and exiting a school bus can help keep them safe.

The National Safety Council offers these suggestions:
• Wait for the bus far away from traffic. Stay on the sidewalk, and pay attention to passing cars.
• Use the handrail while entering and exiting the bus.
• Don’t approach the bus until it has completely stopped, and the door is open.
• Allow at least 10 feet clearance if you cross the street in front of the bus. Wait for the driver to tell you that it’s safe to cross.
• Make sure the driver can see where you are after you’ve left the vehicle.
• Stay well away from the bus’s rear wheels.

2009 H1N1 flu not more serious than other seasonal influenza

WASHINGTON, 9 Sept — An analysis of data from influenza cases in the US state of Wisconsin indicates individuals with 2009 H1N1 infections were younger than those with H3N2, and that the risk of most serious complications was not higher in adults or children with 2009 H1N1 compared with recent seasonal strains, according to a study to be published on Wednesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Spartech posts fiscal 3Q loss, misses expectations

ST LOUIS, 9 Sept—Plastic sheet and packaging maker Spartech Corp reported a net loss for its fiscal third quarter on Wednesday and said that despite higher revenue, the overall market recover is slower than expected.

For May through July, Spartech said its net loss was $3.9 million, or 12 cents per share. In the same period last year, the company reported net income of $1.5 million, or 5 cents per share.

Excluding one-time items, the company said its net loss was a narrower 5 cents per share.

Analysts surveyed by Thomson Reuters were looking for stronger results, an estimated net income of 27 cents per share.

Revenue increased 17 percent to $269.6 million from $230.5 million a year earlier and slightly higher than the $268.2 million Wall Street expected.

Nissan team checks quality in Thai-made March cars

YOKOHAMA, 9 Sept—Thai-made March cars — the first major model from a Japanese automaker being mass produced abroad for sale in Japan — are getting extra scrutiny from a team of quality experts to meet choosy consumer standards, a senior executive said on Thursday. The team of about 50 people went on sale in July, with orders topping 20,000 so far.

Nissan is thinking about making other models in Thailand for export, Hasegawa said, as a surging yen, high labour costs and stagnating domestic demand make production in Japan less lucrative for automakers.

Internet

Business

FTSE 100 closes higher on Wednesday after a boost from a successful Portuguese debt auction, although many financial stocks remained. — INTERNET

London shares closed higher on Wednesday after a boost from a successful Portuguese debt auction, although many financial stocks remained weak.

The benchmark FTSE 100 index added 0.41 percent to close at 5,429.74 points.

Lloyds Banking Group (LBG) was the most traded stock, seeing 119 million shares switch owners, followed by Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS), which saw 116 million units change hands.

Arm Holdings was the top blue-chip performer, adding 5.84 percent — or 21.4 pence — to end at 387.7, followed by Lcap, which rose 3.51 percent — or 14.7 pence — and end at 434.1.

Internet

Two rescuers carry a simulated victim poisoned by gas in an anti-terror drill at Tianjin Meijiang Convention and Exhibition Centre in Tianjin, east China, 8 Sept, 2010, as a part of preparation for the 2010 Summer Davos Forum which will kick off 13 Sept. — Xinhua

Internet
Chinese citizens ranked EU’s 10th biggest foreign population group

BRUSSELS, 9 Sept—Chinese citizens are the 10th largest foreign population group within the European Union’s 27-member states in 2009, according to a Eurostat report.

The total number of foreigners living in an EU country from which they are not citizens is 31.9 million, of which 11.9 million are citizens of another member state and 20 million from a third country, said the report published on Tuesday by Eurostat, the statistical arm of the EU.

In EU’s top 10 biggest non-national groups, Turkish citizens rank first, representing 7.5 percent of the total EU foreign population in 2009. As for Chinese citizens, they account for 2.1 percent, thus becoming the 10th largest group. Some half of non-EU foreign population are mainly from Turkey, Albania and Russia, while around 25 percent come from India and China. Eurostat also pointed out that nonnationals bring a younger population to the EU, with a median age of 34.3 years (36.9 for the EU non-nationals and 33.0 for citizens of non-EU countries) against 40.6 years in the EU-27 population.

Hyundai shows off S Korea’s first electric car

SEOUL, 9 Sept—Hyundai Motor unveiled its first electric car Thursday — the BlueOn — as it moves to catch up with Japanese rivals that have jumped ahead in the field.

Hyundai showed off the car on the grounds of Seoul’s hillside Blue House, the office and residence of South Korean President Lee Myung-bak, who took it for a spin while Cabinet ministers, officials and electric-vehicle industry representatives looked on.

Russia hosts discussion on international financial centre

IKUTSK, 9 Sept—Hundreds of Russian and foreign representatives gathered here Wednesday to discuss building an international financial centre in Russia.

Sergei Naryshkin, the head of the Kremlin administration and chair of the round-table conference, said the creation of the financial center should not merely be an idea but rather a “working draft” by implementing Russia’s global status.

Establishing an international financial centre, he said, is conducive to a better macroeconomic environment in Russia and would enhance the competitiveness of Russia’s domestic financial system in the global market.

Meanwhile Naryshkin suggested that the center should not be created at the level of Moscow only, but also at the regional level.

That view was echoed by Alexander Voloshin, the head of the working group involved in establishing the centre. Voloshin voiced favour for Ikutsk.

“Ikutsk as any other big city is already a regional financial center and the rest is the question of size and scale,” he said.

Seven Mexican gunmen arrested in migrant massacre

MEXICO CITY, 9 Sept—Mexican authorities arrested seven suspected drug cartel members believed to have killed 72 migrants heading to the United States, in what is said to be the worst massacre in the country’s escalating drug war, the government said on Wednesday.

The victims, mostly Central and South American migrants, were kidnapped last month in the northern state of Tamaulipas by the feared Zetas drug gang. They were blindfolded and

bound before being lined up against a wall and gunned down, authorities said. “These seven people arrested in recent days are presumably part of the operational structure of the Zetas, responsible for the killings,” national security official Alejandro Poire told a news conference. “This will clarify fully what happened in San Fernando, Tamaulipas, and signifies an important step to halt attacks on migrants perpetrated by organized crime,” he added. —Reuters

Internet

INTERNET

DESERT QUEEN 2010

A Jeep Journey for Women Only in the South of Israel 27 October to 2 November 2010. —INTERNET

TEL AVIV, 9 Sept—Tens of women from Israel and around the world are expected to participate in the third annual women-only Desert Queen jeep expedition through Israel’s desert landscape, which will take place from 27 October to 2 November 2010. Desert Queen 2010 combines a competitive outdoor adventure and 4WD driving expedition with personal empowerment — and the opportunity to experience the sheer beauty of Israel’s deserts and the warmth of its people. Organized by the Jewish Agency for Israel and Geographical Tours with the Tourism Ministry, the project is a sister project of international cooperation of the Tourism Ministry, the Israeli Agency for Israel and Geographical Tours with the Mexican authorities and the EU.

Four days and 1100 kilometers across the desert, the seven-day journey will take place in the beautiful desert terrain of Israel’s southern region, including Mitzpe Ramon, Nahal Barak and Moa, with an orientation day on 26 October. In addition to the traditional jeep and outdoor adventure, Desert Queen 2010 will also include special features for example, a unique desert-based ecological project. The final route will be kept confidential by the organizers with details only revealed to the participants on a day-to-day basis.

Mechanism controls quick or safe decision discovered

THE HAGUE, 9 Sept—The ability to switch from speed to accuracy in perceptual decision making is determined by the strength of the connection between two brain areas, an international team said in the latest issue of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS).

Quick decisions generally have a greater chance of error than decisions which take longer time. Therefore it is important for both humans and animals, to provide a flexible switching from quick to risky to virtually error-free but slow decision making. However, the ability to adjust was not known.

Neuroscientist Birte Forstmann of University of Amsterdam and his British, German and Australian colleagues explained, when people make decisions they often face opposing demands for response speed and response accuracy, a process likely mediated by response thresholds.

The researchers conducted two experiments on perceptual decision making in which they used cues to vary the demands for speed vs accuracy. In both experiments, behavioral data and mathematical model analyses confirmed that instruction from the cue selectively affected the setting of response thresholds.

Internet
After inspecting monsoon paddy and Ngwechi (long staple) cotton plantations on both sides of Yangon-Mandalay Union Highway in a motorcade, Maj-Gen Myint Soe looked into roadwork of Meiktila-Mandalay road section and called for maintenance of road.

At the worksite of river water pumping project for availability of water in Meiktila Plain, Maj-Gen Myint Soe of Ministry of Defence oversees...
Let’s vote to choose reliable representatives

Democracy general elections will take place on 7 November 2010. All eligible voters can cast votes in polling stations.

Voting is, indeed, a fundamental right of every citizen. Those deceiving the people into refusing to enjoy the voting right are none other than anti-democracy activists. In reality, every citizen has the right to vote in Myanmar. They are not under any negative influence in that regard. They can vote if they want to and they may not vote if they don’t want to; it is up to them. If a citizen, despite having the voting right, does not participate in elections, such a person may be deemed to be an irresponsible opportunist. I do not think such persons deserve democracy. And if so, they are too foolish to enjoy democracy. Now, the country is transforming from the government-centered into public-centered system. Therefore, the people will have to enjoy fundamental rights and take fundamental duties. Voting is a responsibility of every citizen under which they have to express their desire freely. So, I would say every citizen should vote in elections.

Anyone can ask a question “For whom will we have to vote, then?”

The answer is “You may vote for any candidate you favour”.

In that case, a voter just has to put a tick in the box beside the candidate he is in favour of. All voters have the right to vote for any candidate. They do not need to claim who they voted for. The secret ballot system is applied in all polling stations to ensure free and fair elections. Rest assured no one can know for who a person voted in elections.

What should be taken into consideration is that which candidates are reliable for national interest.

If a citizen, despite having the voting right, does not participate in elections, such a person may be deemed to be an irresponsible opportunist. I do not think such persons deserve democracy.

Voting should not be based on relationship, same location, and canvassing. Voters should try to know what the candidates for the constituency concerned are like.

Some say “I don’t think it matters if I don’t vote in the election.” Democracy is a system in which the strength of every citizen is mobilized to build a democratic nation. Every citizen is responsible for democratization.

Here, I would like to tell a story. Once upon a time, there existed a livestock village of a tribe without much civilization. Villagers raised cattle, goat, sheep, chicken and duck. One day, the village head set a glazed pot in the middle of the village and said to the villagers that he had a plan to hold a festivity the next day. He asked them to prepare meals for themselves and put a quart (a bottle) of milk each into the pot from the evening onwards. He also said that the villagers might add milk at night, and milk would be boiled and a banquet would be held the next morning.

Commencing the dusk, villagers put milk into the pot till late at night. The following morning, the pot of milk was opened and it was found that what in the pot was all water, not milk.

Every villager thought that other households would add pure milk into the pot. It did not matter even if he put water. And no one could notice that.

After all, inside the pot was all water due to irresponsibility of every villager.

Nothing added and nothing enjoyed. The village head said to the villagers that their village remained poor whereas the village to the east and the village to the west of their village had become affluent; that he would like to ask why their village was still poor; that day, they could know the root cause of why their village was poor; and that it was due to lack of goodwill or sense of responsibility. And he exhorted his followers to have a sense of duty. Later, every villager did their bit in the tasks for development of their village. Before long, the village became economically developed.

Only each and every person has a sense of altruistic spirit in a society, will it be possible for such a society to enjoy progress and prosperity. The total strength of everyone is mighty. No sweat to go to the polling station and cast votes. The number of the citizens who have voted in the general elections is an indicator for the political sense of the people.

If the people all take part in the elections, the image projected to the international community by Myanmar will be very positive.

Then, the countries that are in favour of Myanmar will show their praise. The countries that dislike Myanmar will be shocked.

The countries that want Myanmar to enjoy development will be happy.

The countries that want to get Myanmar into trouble will be unhappy.

So, every citizen is solemnly urged to vote in the elections. Voting is a duty entrusted to every citizen.

Whoever is found guilty of disturbing the people from casting votes in elections may face a one-year prison term or a fine of 100,000 kyats or both. The people should, therefore, weigh the broadcasts aired by certain foreign radios as to the forthcoming elections. They should not let themselves under the sway of such broadcasts.

At first, an eligible voter has to search his name in the list of voters on the board. It will be convenient if he put his roll number into his memory. It will be easy for the polling booth officer or the deputy polling booth officer to identify him if he lets them know what is his roll number in the book of the names of 500 to 1000 voters. Voters should extend a helping hand to those responsible for elections.

If his name is not included yet in the list of voters attached to the board, a voter should inform the ward election commission about that. Every eligible voter is to be on the voters list. Rest assured. (A voter shall not vote twice nor does he vote in two elections. Every voter shall vote only one time).

Suppose today is 7 November 2010 (First Waxing of Tazaungmone, 1372 Myanmar Era):

(1) Go to the polling station and draw a ballot paper. What he just needs is to put the ballot paper into the ballot box. Put a tick-marked vote in the box shown against the name of the Pyithu Hluttaw candidate he favours. That is all he has to do. (Remark: Do not put any cross-marked vote in the box.) If a voter puts a cross mark in the box, his ballot paper will be a canceled vote.

The names and party emblems of candidates are stated on the ballot paper.

A voter can choose the candidate he favours in the polling booth and put a tick-marked vote in the box shown against the name of the candidate. Then, put the paper into the green-coloured ballot box. (See page 9)
Let’s vote to choose reliable…

(2) He also has to draw another ballot paper to vote for a township candidate to the Amyotha Hluttaw. The number of the candidates to Amyotha Hluttaw may be three to five.

Put a tick-marked vote in the box shown against the name of the favoured candidate. And put the ballot paper into the blue-coloured ballot box.

(3) Also draw the third ballot paper to vote for a candidate to State (or) Region Hluttaw. The number of the candidates to State (or) Region Hluttaw may be two to three. Put a tick-marked vote in the box shown against the name of the favoured candidate. And put the ballot paper into the violet-coloured ballot box.

(4) If a local in Yangon Region is a Kayin national, he also can enjoy the right to choose a candidate for the seat of Kayin people. Draw out a ballot paper. Put a tick-marked vote in the box shown against the name of the favoured candidate. And put the ballot paper into the fourth ballot box.

To vote, it is needed to take into consideration the behaviors of each candidate and party. Elected representatives should be all qualified. And the favoured parties should be the ones with correct policies capable of serving national interests. The people should vote the most reliable, suitable candidates.

Fire Services Department demonstrates rescue task in Mayagon

YANGON, 9 Sept—A concluding ceremony of 13/2010 rescue technique training course of Fire Services Department under the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement took place at Fire Services Department (Head Office) in Mayagon Township here this morning with demonstration.

Director-General of Fire Services Department U Tin Moe enjoyed practical demonstration of rescue technique of the trainees and presented prize money.

A total of 60 trainees including Officers of Fire Services Department (Head Office), heads of Township FSID, trainers from the States and Regions attended the 6-week course. MNA

Myanmar Sports Meet for the Disabled commences

NAVP TAW, 9 Sept—The 22nd Myanmar Sports Meet for the Disabled 2010 was opened at Aung San Gymnasium, here, yesterday morning.

On behalf of the Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee, Minister for Sports, MOC General-Secretary Dr. Andrew H. Mitchell, MNA from Myanmar Olympic Committee, MNA and Vice-Chairman of Olympic Committee, U Thaung Htaik of the Sports and Physical Education Department, opened it. Mr. Douglas J. Kirwin from Society of Economic Geologists and Dr. Andrew H. Mitchell from Ivanhoe Myanmar Holding Ltd will give talks on mineral deposits in the Republic of Korea and Australia and copper deposit in Monywa and gold deposit in Yamethin, Myanmar.

The association has invited its members and enthusiasts to attend the talk.

Talks on geosciences on 11 Sept

YANGON, 8 Sept—Myanmar Geosciences Association will conduct an educative talk at Myanmar Engineering Society in Hline University campus at 1 pm on 11 September.

The opening ceremony of 1st Myanmar-Korea ICT Products & Solutions Exhibition 2010 in progress at Myanmar Info-Tech in Hline University Campus in Yangon. (News on page 16)—MNA

MCPA to hold symposium and workshop on 13, 14 Sept

YANGON, 9 Sept—With a view to improving information and communication technology, Myanmar Computer Professionals Association plans to hold symposium and workshop titled “Ethic and Technology” with sponsorship of Myanmar Blogger Society (MBS) at Myanmar Info-Tech in Hline Township, here, on 13 and 14 September.

The symposium titled “Culture and Technology” will be held at the conference hall of Myanmar Info-Tech from 9 am to 5 pm on 13 September, and workshop “Ethic and Technology” at Room No. 205, Myanmar Info-Tech from 9 am to 5 pm on the next day. For further details, contact MCPA, Room No. 4, Building No. 4, Myanmar Info-Tech, Hline University Campus (Ph: 652276 or 7308830).—MNA
Commander looks into regional development tasks in Mawlamyine District

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—Chairman of Mon State Peace and Development Council Commander of South-East Command Brig-Gen Tun Nay Lin on 2 September attended fertilizer scattering ceremony on monsoon paddy fields at Kawkpyan Village. The officials reported on growing of monsoon paddy and high yield sample saplings to him.

Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Aung Thein Lin being welcomed by Ambassador of Democratic People’s Republic of Korea Mr Kim Sok Chol at the reception to mark 62nd National Foundation Day of DPRK in Yangon on 9 September.—MNA

Commander inspects upgrading of Minbu-An road

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Brig-Gen Soe Thein paid an inspection tour of Minbu-An road construction site on 3 September.

After hearing reports on construction works being carried out at the briefing hall, the commander left instructions and then he extended his tour to the construction site of Hnyetwet Dam.

On 4 September, he looked into road construction project of Yangon-Sittway road and An-Kyarintuang road. The commander then oversaw progress in construction of Pikauk Bridge and gave necessary instructions.

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Want to learn engineering and design?

YANGON, 8 Sept—Entrance test for BCA Academy in Singapore will be conducted in Myanmar on 10 October. Future Way Education & Services is the agent of BCA Academy in Myanmar. BCA Academy is turning out qualified engineers. The students who have passed matriculation exam or GCE “O” level can take entrance test. The students can choose any subject out of six subjects. Entrance test will be on 10 October. For more information, contact Future Way Education & Services, No. 9, Room (6-A), Yawmingyi street, Thamada Condo, and dial Ph: 254185 and 241099.—MNA

Gusto to open graphic design course

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—Gusto computer training school will open graphic design courses. By using Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator and Adobe InDesign software, the course covering design principle, colour theory, design process, typographic technique, business logo creation, text and graphics file preparation for print processing will be conducted.

The three-month course will start on 22 September. Trainees are limited to 15. They must have basic computer skill and may enroll by 15 September. For more information, contact Gusto computer training school, No. 26, 14th street (lower block), No. 9, Room (6-A), Lanmadaw Township and dial Ph: 01-224496 and 09-8628806.—MNA

EP-2 opens basic course on storage of materials

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Myint attended a ceremony to open No 1/2010 basic course on storage of materials of Electricity supply Enterprise at the Ministry here yesterday morning.

It was attended by managing directors of Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise and Electric City Supply Enterprise and 30 trainees who are going to take two weeks course.

MNA

Drunken brawl grows into gunfire in Bago

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept—Two young men were shot dead in a conflict between drunken young men on Mya Street in Zaiganai (South) Ward, Bago, on 4 September.

They opened fire, leading Maung Soe Paing Zaw, 17, and Maung Aung Thu Hein, 21, dead.

The clash between some young civilians and some young soldiers was, indeed, due to drinking.

The two late youth were shot dead in a drunken brawl in the street between some young soldiers and some young civilians, not a fight between the Tatmadaw and the public.

Such cases take place sometimes. So, the attempt to exploit such cases to cause mass demonstrations is deemed to be a destructive act.

Today, the people are not happy with any attempts to undermine State stability and peace, and are keen to help wipe out such elements provoking mass protests for political gains. And they want the government to expose and take action against such instigators.

To comply with the public desire, the government is now gearing up hand in hand with the people for stopping and taking action against those elements deceiving the people into taking to the streets with the intention of destroying State stability and peace.

MNA

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence visits 1st Myanmar-Korea ICT Products & Solutions Exhibition 2010. (News on page 16)—MNA

Nay Pyi Taw, 9 September, 2010
34 rescued from China oil platform accident

Beijing, 9 Sept—Emergency teams with helicopters rescued 34 workers on Wednesday from an oil drilling platform that was leaning dangerously in the East China Sea after a storm, and searched for two others still missing, officials said.

The No 3 drilling platform in the Shengli oil field, operated by Sinopec, Asia’s largest refiner by capacity, started tilting over on Tuesday, causing four workers to fall into the water and trapping 32 of them on the platform, the Transport Ministry said in a statement on its website.

Rescue helicopters were dispatched to the site from the coastal city of Dalian at around 6 am local time, the ministry said. The platform was tilting at a 45 degree angle to the sea, around five nautical miles (nine kilometres) from the coast, where the water is 23 feet (seven metres) deep, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

A typhoon caused the platform to tilt, said a man surnamed Sun from the Shengli Oil Management Bureau of Sinopec, also known as China Petroleum & Chemical Corp, in Dongying in Shandong Province.

Sun said winds were blowing at up to 55 miles per hour (24.4 metres per second), causing 13-foot (four-metre) waves.

12 die as passenger bus overturns in Pakistan’s Quetta

Islamabad, 9 Sept—At least 12 passengers died while many others sustained injuries when a passenger bus overturned near Thal point on RCD Highway in Quetta on Thursday morning, reported local media Geo News.

According to the report, the rescue efforts are underway while injured have been shifted to hospitals. No other details are immediately available.

Devastating Mexico flooding to worsen

Villahermosa, 9 Sept—Floods that have affected almost one million people in the south and east of Mexico will likely worsen after the opening of a dam and predictions of more rain, a state governor said Wednesday.

“Heavy rains are predicted, not only in Tabasco (state) but also in the whole south-southeastern region, including storms and hurricanes... which would put us in a more critical situation,” Tabasco governor Andres Granier told local journalists.

The opening of the region’s Penitas dam could release up to 2,000 cubic meters of water per second to the Carrizal and Samaria rivers, which were already at critical levels, Granier said.

“The worrying thing is that for people in Tabasco, the worst — our real rainy season — is starting now,” he added.

Four plead not guilty in Tongan ferry sinking case

Nuku’alofa, 9 Sept—Four men have pleaded not guilty to manslaughter over the sinking of the Tongan ferry Princess Ashika last year with the loss of 74 lives.

The four, the Shipping Corporation of Polynesia’s managing director John Joness as well as the ferry captain, first mate and a senior public servant, face up to 25 years in jail if convicted.

At a directions hearing in the Supreme Court on Wednesday, the accused pleaded not guilty and judge Robert Slusher adjourned the matter to 8 October, when a trial date is expected to be set.

The Princess Ashika sank in August last year while on an overnight voyage from Nuku’alofa, the capital of the South Pacific nation, to an outlying island.

Survivors told of water building up in the cargo hold of the boat before the ferry capsized around midnight, trapping sleeping passengers below deck.

An inquiry into the sinking described the tragedy as “scandalous” and found there was a lack of due diligence by the shipping firm and government when the unsafe ferry was bought.

The Princess Ashika, built in the early 1970s, was on its fourth voyage in Tonga when it sank, and the inquiry blamed authorities for allowing it to sail as evidence mounted of its unsavouriness which led to the 74 deaths.

Fires flare up as Russia pledges better forest protection

Moscow, 9 Sept—Forest fires flared again in Russia on Wednesday as President Dmitry Medvedev demanded better protection for the country’s prized forests to avoid a repeat of this summer’s disaster.

“Fresh fires destroyed more than 400 houses in the Siberian region of Altai, officials said, as flames spread across the region’s border with the Central Asian country of Kazakhstan.

“The village of Nikolayevka has been entirely taken by the flames. According to preliminary information, 433 houses burned down,” emergency ministry spokeswoman Irina Andryanova was quoted as saying by Interfax news agency.

All 1,000 residents of the village were safely evacuated, the spokesman said.

An evacuation was underway in the village of Bastan, where flames had already destroyed four houses, she said.

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Digital art comes to Sanlitun

BEIJING, 9 Sept—This Saturday, Dream Worlds — Australian Moving Image 2010, a digital exhibition curated by Melinda Rackham, brings art to The Village. —Xinhua

Daniel Crooks’ piece stretches and compact time and space. —Xinhua

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Busno, 9 Sept—This September, Dream Worlds — Australian Moving Image 2010, a digital exhibition curated by Melinda Rackham, brings art to The Village at Sanlitun. Dream Worlds is just one of the many events that make up Imagine Australia, a year-long festival of performances, exhibitions, concerts and forums, to be held all over China. It presents the moving images of eight leading Australian artists, each two to six minutes long, which

Cambodia hosts Asia-Pacific French-speaking Parliaments

PISIN PEEU, 9 Sept—Cambodia hosts Asia-Pacific French-speaking Parliaments on Thursday to discuss regional issues.

Speaking at the opening of the three-day forum, Nguon Nhel, vice president of Cambodia’s National Assembly and who presided over the forum said the topics for discussions include roundtable discussion on the policy for socio-economic development after the global economic crisis and the visions for cooperation among French-speaking countries in Asia-Pacific.

He said the meeting which is called in French as “Assemblée Parlementaire de la Francophonie” is also to discuss education sector at the post-secondary level.

The meeting, the 5th APF, is participated by members of parliaments from Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, Belgium, and France as well as diplomats and representatives from many other French-speaking countries. —Xinhua

Smartphone wins butterfly contest

By Yang Rui

Shenzhen, 9 Sept—A butterfly contest, a common sight in areas with higher temperatures and humidity, recently took place in Shenzhen, a major city in southern China.

However, for the 400 students participating in this competition held on Monday, the butterflies they werepted were actually smartphones.

The contest was held for the annual butterfly awards, which were launched by the local education bureau.

The main criterion for winning the contest is to “draw a picture of a butterfly” on smartphones. The winners were announced on Thursday.

A smartphone with the highest number of “like” responses is deemed the winner of the competition. —Xinhua

Brazil’s car production jumps in January-August period

RIO DE JANEIRO, 9 Sept—Brazil’s vehicle production amounted to over 2.4 million units in the first eight months of 2010, up 17.4 percent year on year, the National Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association (Anfavea) said on Wednesday. In August, vehicle production reached 329,092 units, up 3.4 percent from July and 11.5 percent compared with last August. Lower default rates, higher credit, and the rise of employment attributed to this increase, Anfavea said.

This file photo shows a security officer helping a woman to carry a map of China across a street in Shanghai. China has granted licences to 31 companies to provide web mapping services in the world’s biggest online market, an official said on Thursday, but many foreign firms including Google have yet to apply. —Xinhua

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Obscure word in headline sparks complaints

The Baltimore Sun says several readers groused about the use of the word “limn” in a recent headline. The newspaper said it received several complaints about the headline, “Opposing votes limm difference in race,” which utilized the synonym for describe, from people who had to look up the definition of the word.

“I had to keep looking at it again and again,” Sun reader Carol Shaw wrote in an e-mailed complaint about the Tuesday headline. “I consider myself an educated person ... I have never heard of the word ‘limm.’” ... To put a word like ‘limm’ in the headline for the lead article on the front page of this newspaper seems to me to be unbelievably arrogant and patronizing.”

The Sun said a check of its records found the word “limm” had been used 47 previous times in the newspaper since 1991, including two headlines.

‘Low pants, no chance’

A Baton Rouge Metro Council member wants the parish to support a public awareness campaign against men who wear their pants so low that their boxer shorts show.

Councilwoman C Denise Marcelle has a slogan for the campaign: “Low pants, no chance.” “I hate to see it and I see so much of it in my district,” Marcelle said. “It’s disrespectful to the elderly, to young kids and to women.”

Her resolution, on the agenda for discussion Wednesday, says wearing saggy pants creates negative stereotypes and that “those who wear saggy pants are hurting their chances of becoming employable, educated and productive citizens.”

Marcelle said she’d like to pass a law allowing police to cite and fine people for wearing saggy pants that expose their underwear, but acknowledges that constitutional issues prevent such a law.

Mystery eye problem at dairy show caused by cow urine

The cause of a mystery eye ailment that struck about 50 visitors to a dairy pavilion at an agricultural show in Australia has been traced — to cow urine.

The Royal Adelaide Show had to close its dairy cattle pavilion after an rising number of people reported sore eyes when visiting the judging marquee. Officials from the South Australia (SA) Health Department were called in to investigate and found the cause of the outbreak was stagnant cow urine.

Show spokeswoman Michelle Hocking told local reporters that a recent spell of wet weather may have created conditions within the pavilion where ammonia from cow urine was released. About 30 people were treated on site by volunteers from the first aid group St John Ambulance but about 20 went to the emergency department of the Royal Adelaide Hospital. “From our institutional memory we can’t recall an incident of this nature before,” Peter Jackson from the St John Ambulance told Reuters.

Five most explosive music documentaries

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**Astro Villa name Houllier as new manager**

**London, 9 Sept**—Former France coach Gerard Houllier was named the new manager of English Premier League side Aston Villa on Wednesday, the club announced. The 63-year-old, who coached Liverpool between 1998 and 2004, has been working as National Coaching Director at the FFA since leaving his last top club, French side Lyon, in 2007.

However, he had been given permission to step down from that position earlier on Wednesday by interim French Football Federation president Fernand Duchaussay, who also said he would be signing a two-year contract.

**Tired Tevez unsure he will last to next World Cup**

**Buenos Aires, 9 Sept**—Argentinian international striker Carlos Tevez revealed on Wednesday that he could retire from international football before the 2014 World Cup finals in Brazil. The 26-year-old Manchester City star told Argentinian daily Clarin he was unsure of his future commitment to the national side, for whom he scored in the impressive 4-1 friendly victory over world champions Spain on Tuesday.

“The truth is, I don’t own whether I will remain in the national side until 2014,” said Tevez, who was part of the side that were humbled 4-0 by Germany in this year’s World Cup quarter-finals.

“Because while I was able to prepare well for South Africa, I will not be able to do the same for 2014. I am not really sure whether I will have anything else to give to the national side.”

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**Batista gets Argentina job until end of year**

**Buenos Aires, 9 Sept**—Interim Argentina coach Sergio Batista will keep the job until the end of the year, a reward for Tuesday’s 4-1 victory over World Cup champion Spain. Batista replaced Diego Maradona and opened with a 1-0 win over Ireland last month. He will remain for an exhibition against Japan and two against Brazil.

—Internet

**Gillis takes the long way to the BMW Championship**

**LeMond, 9 Sept**—Living off fast food and pocket change as you chase a dream from one small tour stop to another is easy — romantic, even — when you’re young and have no responsibilities. At 39, with one small child and another on the way, Tom Gillis wasn’t sure he had it in him again.

“We went back to Michigan and spoke with a few people about work, and times were tough there. There wasn’t a lot of opportunities,” he said on Wednesday. “Snow and three months in the cold weather. I found this isn’t so bad.”

—Internet

**Real Madrid report ‘world record’ revenues**

**Madrid, 9 Sept**—Real Madrid Wednesday announced net profit for the 2009-2010 season jumped 11.5 percent from the previous year on what said were the highest revenues “of any sports institution in the world.”

The big-spending Spanish club reported annual profits of 24 million euros (30.6 million dollars), up from 21.5 million a year earlier. It said gross revenues for the season were 442.3 million euros, up 8.6 percent from the previous year, “an amount that is the highest of any sports institution in the world.”

The club said its net debt had fallen 25.1 percent to 244.6 million euros. Real was listed as the largest revenue-generating football club in the world, ahead of arch-rivars Barcelona and Manchester United of England, in the Football Money League released by the Deloitte business advisory firm in March.

—Internet

**Djokovic advances to US Open semi against Federer**

**New York, 9 Sept**—Blasted by the trickiest winds yet at this year’s US Open, Novak Djokovic adjusted his game and blew out French 17th seed Gael Monfils 7-6 (7/2), 6-1, 6-2 to reach the US Open semi-finals.

The Serbian third seed on Wednesday joined Roger Federer, Jimmy Connors, Ivan Lendl and John McEnroe as the only men to reach the US Open semi-finals.

**Russian Djokovic semi-finals four years in a row since the Open Era began in 1968.**

Djokovic will play for a spot in Sunday’s final against Swiss second seed Roger Federer, who eliminated Swedish fifth seed Robin Soderling 6-4, 6-4, 7-5.

Djokovic, whose only Grand Slam title came at the 2008 Australian Open, is only 5-10 against Federer, including losses in the 2007 US Open final and 2008 and 2009 US Open semi-finals.—Internet
WEATHER

Thursday, 9th September, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Mandalay and Magway Regions, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kayah States and lower Sagain Region, scattered in upper Sagain, Bago and Yangon Regions, fairly widespread in Shan, Chin, Rakhine, Kayin States and Ayeaywady Region and widespread in the remaining States and Regions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Taunggyi (2.24) inches, Theinza (2.05) inches, Yangon (Kaba-Aye) (2.00) inches, Heho (1.89) inches and Cooygun (1.73) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 8-9-2010 was 97°F. Minimum temperature on 9-9-2010 was 79°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 9-9-2010 was (79%). Rainfall on 9-9-2010 was (0.55) inch at Mingaladon, (2.00) inches at Kaba-Aye and (Nil) Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (63.15) inches at Mingaladon, (72.28) inches at Kaba-Aye and (79.65) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southwest at (15:30) hours MST on 8-9-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is weak to moderate in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

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Russia’s GDP up 4.2 percent in first six months

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The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Taunggyi (2.24) inches, Theinza (2.05) inches, Yangon (Kaba-Aye) (2.00) inches, Heho (1.89) inches and Cooygun (1.73) inches.

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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

1st Myanmar-Korea ICT Products & Solutions Exhibition 2010 kicks off

The 1st Myanmar-Korea ICT Products & Solutions Exhibition 2010 was opened at Myanmar Info-tech in Hline University Campus here in the presence of Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence.

Also present at the ceremony to open the exhibition were Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Myanmar Mr. Cho Byung-jae, responsible personnel from Myanmar Computer Federation and information and communication technology companies.

Ambassador Mr. Cho Byung-jae, the president of the Myanmar Computer Federation and officials concerned formally opened the exhibition. Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, the commander and officials concerned visited the exhibition. —MNA

Most penguin populations continue to decline, biologists warn

The effects of climate change, overfishing, chronic oil pollution and predation by introduced mammals are among the major factors cited repeatedly by penguin scientists as contributing to these population drops. Prior to the conference, thirteen of these penguin species were already classified as endangered or threatened. Some penguin species may face extinction in this century.

More than 180 penguin biologists, government officials, conservation advocates, and zoo and aquarium professionals from 22 nations have convened in Boston for the five day International Penguin Conference, which is being hosted this year by the New England Aquarium. The conference is held every three to four years, and this is the first time that it has been held in the Northern Hemisphere.

Talks on anti-human trafficking held in Haka

Chairperson of Chin State Women’s Affairs Organization Daw Thin Htwe made a speech and responsible persons gave talks on prevention against human trafficking. The chairperson presented teaching aid books and clothes to the trainees through the principal. —MNA

Let’s vote to choose reliable representatives

Free and fair general elections will be held in the Union of Myanmar from 6 am until 4 pm on 7 November 2010. (Those who have got into the polling stations before 4 pm are allowed to cast votes although it is already 4 pm.) Voters are hoped to cast votes in the morning in order that votes can be counted ward-wise as soon as possible. (A polling station can be closed before 4 pm if all the voters whose names are on the list all have cast votes.)

Scientifically, Adele penguins usually live in the sub-Antarctic islands. Now scientists want to move some penguins to Colonel Island off the coast of Antarctica where there is a new, larger penguin colony.

Penguins are warm-blooded, marine birds which are closely related to flightless birds such as ostriches. They are found almost exclusively in the Southern Ocean, with only one species, the Emperor Penguin, found north of the Antarctic Convergence in the Southern Ocean, and the Galapagos Penguin north of the equator. The only countries that have penguins are Argentina, Australia, Chile, Brazil, South Africa, New Zealand and the southern parts of France and the United Kingdom.

The Galapagos Penguin is the world’s northernmost penguin and is therefore the only penguin species found in the Northern Hemisphere. It is a rare and endangered species, which is threatened by climate change and introduced predators.

The Southern Ocean is one of the last great wilderness areas on Earth. Despite its remote location, the region is a place of peak biodiversity and a crucial link in the marine food web, affecting the health of the planet as a whole. It is home to the largest concentration of marine life on Earth, and is a critical stopping point for hundreds of millions of seabirds, many of which are threatened with extinction.

Penguins are found in water and on land. Their bodies are streamlined for swimming, and they have wings modified as flippers. They have heat-sensitive whiskers and can detect food underwater using echolocation. Penguins are also able to take breaths underwater, which helps them dive in search of food.

Adele penguins jumping off of iceberg, Antarctica.