Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing to pay a State visit to LPDR

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Sept — At the invitation of His Excellency Mr. Choummaly Sayasone, President of the Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing will pay a State visit to the Lao People’s Democratic Republic in the near future. — MNA

For national development, government building economic, transport, education and health infrastructures in all places, whether hilly regions or plains

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept — Prime Minister U Thein Sein accompanied by Maj-Gen Hla Min of the Ministry of Defence, the ministers, the deputy ministers and departmental heads arrived in Pyapon of Ayeyawady Region by helicopter from Yangon this morning.

The Prime Minister and party attended the opening of 200-bed extended Hospital held in front of the new building of the hospital at 9 a.m. It was also attended by Chairman of Ayeyawady Region Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Brig-Gen Tin Maung Win, region/district/township departmental personnel, the medical superintendent and doctors of the hospital, nurses and health staff, teachers and students, members of social organizations, townelders, local people and guests.

First, the commander, Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Soe Naing, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint and (See page 8)

Prime Minister U Thein Sein unveils stone plaque of the new building for 200-bed hospital in Pyapon. — MNA

Extended Pyapon Township Hospital (200-bed) in Pyapon District opened today is one of the successful tasks in rehabilitation work in post-Nargis period in Ayeyawady Region.

Photo shows 200-bed extended hospital in Pyapon. — MNA
Teachers responsible for guiding the youth

National education promotion drive is all-important in transforming the nation into a modern and developed one, and the government is now implementing long- and short-term plans with this object in view.

In the basic education sector, the government is upgrading schools. As a result of a growing number of post-primary schools and teachers, all school-age children have easy access to basic education. Also in the higher education sector, more and more universities and colleges are being opened in order that local youths can pursue tertiary education in their home towns. Now, the youth can learn subjects through modern methods.

Teachers in the basic education sector are mainly responsible for shaping up children. Refresher courses are conducted to enable teachers who shape the future of the nation to understand well the historical background of the nation, and visualize the future prospects of the nation and fruits of national goals.

Apart from teaching youngsters, teachers have to guide students towards ways to success. They also have to broaden the horizons of students and stimulate their senses of behaviors and good habits.

In the Myanmar society, a teacher is held in the highest esteem. Showing good volition and moral conducts, teachers have to boost students' senses of pursuing education, and abiding by school and ward rules and regulations and laws.

Today, the nation is in transition to a modern, developed one with the education in the centre. Therefore, teachers are in a responsibility to systematically teach and guide the youth to help improve the socio-economic life of the Myanmar society.

“You can be an Entrepreneur” on 2 Oct

YANGON, 27 Sept — Myanmar Youth Entrepreneurs Group formed by Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry organizes “You can be an Entrepreneur” Forum at Mingala Hall of UMFCCI Office Tower in Yangon from 9 to 12 am on 2 October.

Professor Dr Aung Tun Thein, Dean Professor Dr Sanda Oo of Management Department of Yangon Institute of Economics and Managing Director U Wai Phyo of Cho Cho Co Ltd will lead the forum. Any enthusiasts of entrepreneurship may independently participate in the forum.

Religious Affairs Minister meets Korean dean

YANGON, 27 Sept — Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung met a team led by Dean of Chunte Buddhist Association of the Republic of Korea Joo Hwa Joong at the Ministry of Religious Affairs (Branch) on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road here this morning.

Also present on the occasion were heads of department from the Religious Affairs Department and the Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana, the pro-rector (Admin) of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University and officials. — MNA
**30 killed as two NATO helicopters strike inside Pakistan**

**ISLAMABAD, 27 Sept—** At least 30 people were killed as two NATO helicopters struck inside Pakistan in its northwest tribal area bordering Afghanistan in the wee hours of Monday, reported local media Express.

According to the report, the Afghanistan-based NATO helicopters fired at the militants hiding in the Pakistani side who earlier launched an attack at a NATO check post in the Khost area of Afghanistan. But the report failed to say when the check post was launched.

Most of the people killed in the incident were believed to be militants.

It was a rare incident in which NATO troops launched military actions against the militants within the territory of Pakistan. So far there is no response yet from the Pakistani government regarding the incident.

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**Gas explosion kills two in Brussles**

BRUSSELS, 27 Sept—Two people were killed and dozens injured in a gas explosion which destroyed three buildings in a suburb of the Belgian capital early Sunday.

According to a statement released by local government, three houses in Schaerbeek were completely destroyed by the blast while nearby buildings were badly damaged.

Two deaths were reported so far. Among the 17 people hospitalized, a 4-year-old victim was in a critical condition, said the office of Schaerbeek’s mayor.

One person was still missing in the rubble of collapsed buildings.

Over the past two years, some violent incidents were caused by gas leaks in Belgium, arousing panic among residents who often alert firefighters to false alarms.

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**Bus crash leaves 13 people dead on German highway**

**BERLIN, 27 Sept—** A Polish tourist bus crashed into a highway bridge on Germany’s highway No 10 (A10) near Berlin on Sunday after it was kicked by a red car which pulled into the road, killing 13 people and injuring 38 others.

It was the worst traffic accident so far this year in Germany, police said.

Police said the coach, operated by Polish PolBus company with 49 people on board, including two drivers, was on its way back to Poland after a company trip to Spain.

As it came close to a junction near Brandenburg State’s Schonefelder, not far from capital Berlin, a red car which was merging into the main stream suddenly lost its control and collided with the bus.

The bus then strongly hit a supporting pillar of a highway bridge, with its head severely cracked.

At least 12 bodies were found at the scene, but the death toll climbed to 13 in the evening. Some 36 people were injured, 14 of them seriously, including the 37-year-old woman driver of the red car.

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**Six people killed in Iraq’s violence**

**BAGHDAD, 27 Sept—** Six people were killed and six others wounded in gunfire and bomb attacks in central and northern Iraq on Sunday, the police said.

A booby-trapped car parked on a main road in the town of Garma, near the city of Fallujah, some 50 km west of Baghdad, detonated near a passing police patrol, killing four policemen, including an officer, a local police source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

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**Residents flee homes as Wis levee starts to fail**

**PORTAGE, 27 Sept—** Some residents in the central Wisconsin town of Portage fled their homes after a levee started to fail, sending water from the rain-swollen Wisconsin River onto a major roadway in one neighbourhood and threatening to leave some people stranded in their homes.

It wasn’t clear how many of the roughly 300 residents remained in the Blackhawk Park area after the only road into and out of the neighbourhood was closed. Officials said part of the levee south of Highway 33 had eroded Sunday and water was leaking out, although the levee had not completely collapsed.

Kathy Matavka said she was taken from her home by boat after she received a second call urging her to evacuate.

“If I didn’t sit there and take the boat, I would be stuck. I would not be able to get groceries. I would not be able to get medications I need to take,” Matavka told WISC-TV in Madison.

The levee is part of the Caledonia-Lewiston Levee System — several dikes built mainly out of sand during the 1890s by homeowners living near the river, according to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

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**Mine blast kills five Afghans, wounds four**

**MAIDAN SHAR, 27 Sept—** Five Afghan civilians were killed and four others sustained injuries as a mine exploded in Wardak Province, 40 km west of Afghan capital Kabul, a local official said Sunday.

“A mine planted by anti-government militants went off in a pasture in Syedabad District late Saturday. As a result five civilians were killed and four others sustained injuries,” Governor of Syedabad District Mohammad Salim told Xinhua.

All the victims were Kuchis, or nomads, who had taken their cattle to the grazing land, he said.

Afghanistan is one of the most mine contaminated countries in the world as millions of mines left over from the past years of wars or planted by Taleban and other anti-government militants groups, which often harm non-combatants.

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**Bus crash leaves 13 people dead on German highway**

Emergency services stand next to the wreckage of a bus and a car following an accident on the A10 motorway near Schoenfeld south of Berlin on 26 September, 2010. —XINHUA

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**Gas explosion kills two in Brussles**

A soldier looks at the remains of a suicide bomber’s vehicle on the outskirts of Mazar-i-Sharif city in Afghanistan’s Balkh Province 24 Sept, 2010. A suicide bomber in a car targeted a NATO convoy, only slightly damaged the convoy, but one child was killed and 28 people were wounded in a wedding party bus that was passing by. —XINHUA

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**Residents flee homes as Wis levee starts to fail**

A flooded baseball field in the town of Renner, SD, is shown in this aerial photograph, on 26 Sept, 2010. Dozens of homes flooded after the Big Sioux River overflowed. —XINHUA

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New Zealand scientists work out how to “see” single atom

WELLINGTON, 27 Sept—Scientists from New Zealand’s University of Otago have developed a technique to not only isolate and capture a single atom consistently, but to “see” and photograph this atom, Radio New Zealand reported on Monday. Their work has been published in the scientific journal Nature Physics and is a major step toward building ultra-fast quantum computers. The process takes a matter of seconds, starting by dramatically slowing down a cloud of about 10,000 atoms in a vacuum chamber. A laser beam is then used to hold about 50 atoms. Finally, light from another laser at a particular frequency causes the atoms to repel each other, leaving a lone atom.

China plans to build 4th Antarctic research station

SHANGHAI, 27 Sept — China is planning to build a new station in the South Pole for scientific research in five to 15 years, which will be the country’s fourth, the State Oceanic Administration said Sunday. Qu Tanzhou, director of the administration’s polar region expedition office, made the statement at the China Symposium on Polar Science held in Shanghai. China’s three existing South Pole research stations are the Great Wall, Zhongshan and Kunlun.

Qu said China would continue to strengthen its scientific research, expand the research scope, and improve the transport support system, emergency management system, communication networks and information sharing system of the polar research stations.

Australian scientists to launch space programme

CANBERRA, 27 Sept—Australian space scientists called on the government to invest more than 100 million dollars (96 million US dollars) to help safeguard from the effects of severe space weather and political obstruction, local media reported Monday.

Academy fellow Professor Malcolm Walter told ABC News on Monday that Australia is one of the few western nations that does not have a space programme.

He said Australia cannot rely on US National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and other nations’ space programmes forever, and the time has come to invest in the “new science frontier”.

The plan has a combined cost of 140 million dollars (134 million US dollars) over the next decade, including a mission to the sun, launching Australian satellites and training young scientists and engineers.

iPhone 4 orders exceed 200,000 in China

HONG KONG, 27 Sept—Pre-orders for Apple Inc.’s iPhone 4 in China have exceeded 200,000 units since the handsets went on sale on Saturday, China Unicom said, adding that it has stopped taking online orders because of strong demand.

About 60,000 buyers had received phones through China Unicom so far, the mobile operator said in a statement. By comparison, it took about six weeks to sell 100,000 iPhone 3GS handsets in 2009.

The iPhone 4 is being offered through China Unicom on a two-year mobile subscription contract and also through Apple retail stores in China, the world’s largest mobile phone market with more than 800 million subscribers.

China Unicom, which counts China Mobile Ltd and China Telecom Corp Ltd as its competitors, is the sole distributor of Apple’s iPhone in the country. Sales for previous generations of the iPhone were slow because of its high price.

French police dismantle mobile phone hacking ring

MARSEILLE, 27 Sept—French police have bust a network of mobile phone hackers, a fraud worth millions of euros, and arrested nine people, including employees of cellular phone companies, investigators said Sunday.

Three people were still in custody Sunday following the arrests across the country that came after a year-long investigation into the network, which had been operating for a decade and is the first of its kind in France, according to officials in an investigative unit of the Marseille gendarmerie.

Investigators explained that fraudsters purchased codes to unlock SIM cards for three euros (four dollars) each from high-ranking phone company employees, who had access to company databases.

The network subsequently sold the codes on the Internet for 30 euros. The money earned from these sales were put into tax-free overseas bank accounts.

Computer attacks linked to wealthy group or nation

WASHINGTON, 27 Sept—A powerful computer code attacking industrial facilities around the world, but mainly in Iran, probably was created by experts working for a country or a well-funded private group, according to an analysis by a leading computer security company. The malicious code, called Stuxnet, was designed to go after several “high-value targets,” said Liam O Murchu, manager of security response operations at Symantec Corp.

But both O Murchu and US government experts say there’s no proof it was developed to target nuclear plants in Iran, despite recent speculation from some researchers.

Creating the malicious code required a team of as many as five to 10 highly educated and well-funded hackers. Government experts and outside analysts say they haven’t been able to determine who developed it or why. The malware has infected as many as 45,000 computer systems around the world. Siemens AG, the company that designed the system targeted by the worm, said it has infected 15 of the industrial control plants it was apparently intended to infiltrate. It’s not clear what sites were infected, but they could include water filtration, oil delivery, electrical and nuclear plants.

Asians are muscling their way into traditionally Western-dominated social media networks such as Facebook, Twitter and Internet blogs, prompting major players to sit up and take notice.

Technology

Science
Health

Five infected with deadly pneumonic plague in Tibet

BEIJING, 27 Sept—Chinese authorities say five people have been sickened with pneumonic plague in Tibet and that the deadly disease has killed one of them.

The Tibetan regional health department says the cases were reported in Laduo, a village in Lang county in the remote region. The department said in a statement Sunday that the first case was found 23 Sept and that the patient died of a severe lung infection. The remaining four people have been quarantined.

The disease can kill in as few as 24 hours if left untreated.

$93,000 cancer drug: How much is a life worth?

BOSTON, 27 Sept—Cancer patients, brace yourselves. Many new drug treatments cost nearly $100,000 a year, sparking fresh debate about how much a few months more of life is worth.

The latest is Provenge, a first-of-a-kind therapy approved in April. It costs $93,000 and adds four months’ survival, on average, for men with incurable prostate tumours. Bob Swenson is honest about why he got it: insurance paid.

“I would not spend that money,” because the benefit doesn’t seem worth it, says Swenson, 80, a former corporate finance officer from Bedford, Mass.

His supplemental Medicare plan is paying while the government decides whether Medicare will cover Provenge and for whom. The tab for taxpayers could be huge — prostate is the most common cancer in American men. Most of those who have it will be eligible for Medicare, and Provenge will be an option for many late-stage cases. A meeting to consider Medicare coverage is set for 17 Nov.

“I don’t know how they’re going to deal with that kind of issue,” said Swenson, who was treated at the Lahey Clinic Medical Centre in suburban Boston. “I feel very lucky.”

Diabetes drug Avandia to be monitored in Shanghai

BEIJING, 27 Sept—Shanghai officials are to closely monitor adverse reactions to an anti-diabetes drug following concerns over the risk of heart disease.

The use of Avandia has been significantly restricted in the United States and sales in Europe are being suspended.

Shanghai’s Food and Drug Administration said it would be cooperating with local health authorities to watch out for any problems in the city.

It asks GlaxoSmithKline, the drug’s producer, to collect and report on any cases of adverse reactions in the city.

The US FDA restricts the use of Avandia to patients who can’t control their diabetes with any other medicine or to current users who are benefiting from the drug.

Business

Commerce official asks foreign businesses to maintain confidence in China

NANCHANG, 27 Sept—A Chinese commerce official on Sunday called on foreign investors to maintain their con-fidence in the country, promising China would make continuous efforts to improve its investment environment.

Qian Fangli, deputy director of the Department of Foreign Invest-
ment Administration under the Ministry of Commerce (MOC), made the statement at a forum during the Expo Central China 2010 that opened Sunday.

Although operation costs in China were rising because of higher labour and raw materials costs, foreign investment con-tinued growing rapidly “because improve-
ments in China’s investment environment helped lower their investment costs and boost confidence,” Qian said.

Further, she noted that the Chinese government would continue to improve policies to encourage foreign investors.

Japanese trade surplus falls 37.5% in August

Tokyo, 27 Sept—Japan’s trade surplus dropped 37.5% in August from a year earlier, the government said Monday.

The trade balance posted a surplus of 103.2 billion yen (about 1.2 billion dollars), the first fall since May 2009, according to the report of the Finance Ministry.

Imports climbed 17.9 percent to 5.22 trillion yen (about 58 billion US dollars), marking the eighth consecutive month of increase. Exports grew 15.8 percent to 5.22 trillion yen (about 60 billion US dollars), the ninth straight monthly gain.

The figures are measured on a custom-
cleared basis before adjustments for seasonal factors.

Asian stocks rally as dollar dips to five-month low

SINGAPORE, 27 Sept—Asian stocks rose on Monday to their highest in more than two years in response to optimism on the US economy, while the dollar dipped to five-month lows against the euro.

Markets climbed broadly, but analysts said data showing increased US business spending, which prompted a rise on Wall Street last Friday, were far from unequivocal.

Suggestions that the Federal Reserve might further resort to quantitative easing to stimulate the economy kept the dollar in check. It lost ground throughout the region.

The index of Asian stocks ex-Japan (.MIAPD 1000PUS) climbed 1.05 percent, hitting its highest point since June 2008. In Tokyo, the benchmark Nikkei (N.225)rose 1.4 percent, buoyed by exporters after the Wall Street jump, but traders said gains were capped by the yen’s enduring strength.

Shares of consumer lenders plunged after media said struggling Takefuji Corp (8564.T) was preparing for bankruptcy protection. Analysts discounted fears that this would seriously affect the Nikkei but also said any rises would also be limited.
Kayan National Party presents its policy, stance and work programmes

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept—Treasurer of Kayan National Party U Kali Min Naing presented party’s policy, stance and work programmes through radio and TV on 27 September.

The translation of his presentation is as follows:

Esteemed national people of the Union

Our Kayan National Party will have 13 representatives compete in four townships of three states in the free and fair multi-party democracy elections to be held by the government on 7 November 2010.

They are Pekhon Township in Shan State (South), Lonkaw and Dimawhso townships in Kayah State and Thandaung Township in northern Kayin State.

According to Myanmar’s history, Kayan nationals have been living in unity since ancient times in Pekhon Township, Dimawhso Township, Thandaung Township, southern Pinlaung Township and eastern Yamethin District.

For the knowledge of national people, especially Kayan nationals, I would like to present the reason why our party is formed and explain what objectives it has and how it will organize.

Esteemed people

It can clearly be seen that Kayan is one of the national races who have been living in the Union of Myanmar since ancient times. There has been firm evidence that in retrospect, Kayan nationals like other national races actively took part in anti-colonialist and anti-fascist struggles and the fight against internal and external destructive elements by playing their respective roles risking their lives.

Similarly, like other national people, they will have to shoulder inborn duties for perpetuation of national sovereignty, national consolidation and nation-building tasks for the development of the State and the people.

We hold the belief that Kayan national race must coexist so long as Myanmar exists in the world so that it can clearly be seen that Kayan nationals representing a national race of the country is performing State duties.

This is why Kayan nationals have formed KNP with the aim of doing their bit in striving for perpetuation of the Union of Myanmar with consolidated strength and enabling themselves to stand tall together with other national people as long as Myanmar exists.

I will continue to present the aims and objectives and work programmes of the party.

Objectives

(1) to cultivate strong Union Spirit for perpetuity of the Union
(2) to forge national unity for national consolidation
(3) to cooperate with other national people for perpetuation of sovereignty.

Political work programmes

(1) to try for the people to fully enjoy basic human rights and the right to establish a democratic nation
(2) to seek ways to make internal peace through political means
(3) to practise progressive national policy by thwarting narrow racism
(4) to try for all national people living in Kayan region to enjoy equal rights
(5) to go into partnership with other parties whose basic policy is similar to that of our party
(6) to maintain and protect international politics in the international relation and to hold five principles of peaceful coexistence by adopting the non-aligned policy

Esteemed Kayan people and national people

As a political party, our party only aims to play a part in serving the interests of the Union with the united strength of Kayan nationals side by side with the Union government and the state government.

Our party is formed with the aim of deciding our own fate and enabling Kayan people to reside with other national people of the Union through thick and thin and in peace and unity. So we hope this concept will be accepted by Kayan nationals and national people living in Kayan region.

As mentioned earlier, our party will have our representatives compete in the Pyithu Hlutaw, Amyotha Hlutaw, State Hlutaw and constituencies of national race representatives in Pekhon Township of Shan State and Dimawhso Township of Kayan State where the majority of Kayan people live.

Likewise, our representatives will compete in two State Hlutaw seats in Loikaw Township and one State Hlutaw seat in Thandaung Township of Kayin State.

The prospect for the success of our 13 candidates solely depends on the outlook and support of the entire Kayan people and national people living in Kayan region.

In conclusion, I would like to request for the ardent support for Kayan National Party so that we can achieve success and engage in the affairs of Kayan nationals in the Union like other national people.

Oil hovers below $77 as global stock markets rise

SINGAPORE, 27 Sept—Oil prices hovered below $77 a barrel Monday in Asia, boosted by a rally in global stock markets. Benchmark crude for November delivery was up 6 cents to $76.55 a barrel at midday Singapore Time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract rose $1.31 to settle at $76.49 on Friday.

A surprise jump in US durable goods orders and corporate spending drove Wall Street higher on Friday and carried over to Asian trading on Monday. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 1.9 percent Friday and all major Asian stock indexes advanced, led by a 1.4 percent increase in Japan.

Oil traders often look to stock markets as a barometer of overall investor sentiment. Investors will be closely watching the latest indicators on US consumer confidence Tuesday and second quarter gross domestic product Thursday, figures “which could make or break the equities rally,” energy consultancy The Schork Report said.

China automaker BYD gets visit from backer Buffett

SHENZHEN, 27 Sept—Warren Buffett’s backing gave Chinese battery and automaking tycoon Wang Chuanfu a huge boost, and on paper represents at least a six-fold return on the investment.

Beginning Monday, Wang’s BYD Autos is launching a series of events in three Chinese cities meant to showcase the company’s electric vehicles and energy strategy, and perhaps to reassure the billionaire investor from Omaha.

The visit by Buffett, who BYD staff say will attend the events here at BYD’s home base in the southern boomtown of Shenzhen, in Beijing and then in the central Chinese City of Changsha, comes at a difficult time for the aspiring automaker.

BYD, which stands for Build Your Dreams — though Wang has also been cited as saying it means “brings you dollars” — has scaled back its sales forecasts for this year by 25 percent. Its sales have slumped, while it lends off legal challenges over its technology and factory construction.

Walmart offers $4 billion for South Africa’s Massmart

JOHANNESBURG, 27 Sept—Walmart (WMT.N) offered more than $4 billion for South African wholesaler Massmart on Monday as the world’s largest retailer seeks to expand in fast-growing Africa.

Massmart (MSMJ.J), South Africa’s third-largest listed store group by value, owns chains such as Game and Makro and has been among the most aggressive South African outlets in expanding into the rest of sub-Saharan Africa, expanding in 14 countries.

There had long been speculation that Walmart would try to expand in Africa with Massmart seen as a likely target.

The two companies said Walmart had offered 148 rand per share for Massmart, valuing it at 28.9 billion rand ($4.1 billion) or a premium of nearly 10 percent over the share price at Thursday’s close of 134.75 rand.

Reuters
Rakhine State National Unity Party, Myanmar presents its policy, stance and work programmes

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept—Chairman of Rakhine State National Unity Party, Myanmar U Aye Kyaw presented party’s policy, stance and work programmes on radio and TV on 27 September.

The translation of his presentation is as follows—

Our party’s policy is to criticize ourselves and others in the interest of the people, not the policy of enjoying fruits if we win and opposing if we lose.

Just after regaining independence from the British colonialists, our nation saw mushrooming parties following the practice of multiparty system. The parties were in rivalry against one another in various regions to gain political power. In consequence, many innocent civilians especially older persons, children and women lost their lives, and our country lagged far behind other countries in development. Learning lessons from past events, we stay away from narrow-minded policies and we will join hands with any parties that are formed in line with the Commission Law. And we will give top priority to the public interest if and when we have to choose either our party interest or public interest.

Our party represents Rakhine State, and so we represent local people of various national races in the state. So, we will work steadfastly for all peoples in the state to develop their languages, cultures and customs freely as well as for all-round development of Rakhine State with stability and peace. I would like to give a brief account of our party’s principles.

With the concept that the State sovereignty resides in the people, our party is designed to improve the socio-economic status of the people through democracy and market economy by doing national politics without personality cult, sectarianism, dogmatism, racism and religion attachment with the aim of ensuring a civil political sector. We will present facts about the political affairs, economy, social affairs, health care, education, farmers, workers, women, children and handicapped students.

1. Regarding political sector, our party will encourage civilian government and bestow discipline-flourishing rights according to democracy and human rights.

2. Regarding economy, our party will encourage market-oriented economic system, inviting local and foreign investments and intellectuals and intelligentsia.

3. Regarding social affairs, our party will enable each people in Rakhine State to freely take refuge in the religious faith concerned, stimulating the morality and nationalistic spirit and safeguarding and preserving literature, arts and national culture.

4. Regarding health care, our party will improve public health standard through
   (a) free health care,
   (b) cost-sharing system,
   (c) fund-raising and insurance system.

5. To serve the interest of peasants, our party will improve the living conditions for peasants by providing capitals, low interest rate loans, advanced agricultural machinery and tools, fertilizers, pesticides and advanced agricultural methods. In addition, we will guarantee freedom of growing crops, and storing, milling, transporting and distributing agricultural produce. We will also encourage formation of peasants’ association or union for farmers’ self determination.

6. To serve the interest of workers, our party will cope with unemployment, ensure reasonable wage rates, ward off forced labour and unfair labour, and encourage formation of workers’ association or union with participation of local people of Rakhine State, regardless of race and religion.

7. We will ensure that women will encourage formation of women associations in order that women enjoy equal rights with their male counterparts and serve the interest of elderly women, mothers and children, and the disabled.

8. We will work hard to serve the interest of students, service personnel and retired service personnel. We will give priority to national politics rather than to party politics in conformity with time, location and the life of the people. In order to enable the nation to catch up with the global changes, our party work for equitable development of all states and regions by firmly standing as a political party that improves the social, economic and health standards of the people in terms of inviting human resources. Only with parallel development of states and regions, can the nation keep abreast of other countries. Strong defence is essential for a nation, so we will place emphasis on raising the national defence sector.

9. Our party will seek ways and means to ensure that any particular cannot monopolize exploitation of land and water resources, and the entire people have equal access to harnessing of natural resources. Therefore, we would like to urge the constituents in Rakhine State to vote for Rakhine State National Unity Party, Myanmar, whose emblem is a cross of two branches of Thazin flower.

High-dose aspirin may reduce withdrawal

SAN FRANCISCO, 27 Sept—Aspirin in high doses may help ease the pain of severe headaches some people suffer during drug withdrawal, a US researcher says.

Dr Peter Goadsby of the University of California’s San Francisco Headache Centre suggests high-dose intravenous aspirin — currently not widely available in the United States — may help ease the pain of severe headaches some patients receiving intravenous aspirin reported a significant reduction in pain 25 percent of the time and a modest reduction of pain about 40 percent of the time.

Russia says to sign China gas deal by mid-2011

BEIJING, 27 Sept—A deal for Russia to supply natural gas to China is expected to be signed by mid-2011, Russian Deputy Prime Minister Igor Sechin said Monday, calling cooperation in the area “strategically promising”.

Sechin, Russia’s powerful energy czar, is accompanying President Dmitry Medvedev on a three-day visit to China, with energy cooperation one of the key focal points of the talks between the neighbours.

Russia’s Gazprom, the world’s largest gas producer, signed a framework agreement with China National Petroleum Company (CNPC) last year that could see about 70 billion cubic metres of gas sent to China annually.

But while Gazprom has said the two sides have agreed on key supply terms, a pricing mechanism has not yet been set.

Chinese authorities present 1 mln DVDs to school children for security education

BEIJING, 27 Sept—Chinese authorities launched a nationwide campaign on Sunday to present 1 million DVD disks on security education to school children in major cities.

Sponsored by the China National Committee for the Welfare of the Young (CNCWY), the Central Committee of the Communist Youth League and the All-China Women’s Federation, the DVD disks contain educational programs that teach young people how to protect themselves and better adapt to society.

The authorities will also conduct school security lectures and sample surveys of school children’s parents regarding security concerns in Beijing, Nanjing, Changchun, Shijiazhuang, Nanchang, Nanjing, Ningbo and other major Chinese cities.
For national development, government building…

(of the successful tasks in rehabilitation work in post-Nargis period in Ayeyawady Region. It was built with a cash donation of U Win Aung, owner of Dagon International Co and Dr Moe Mya Mya and family.

The Prime Minister said he, on behalf of the local people, thanked the family for the construction of the hospital. Likewise, Labutta District Hospital (200-bed) and Pyinsalu Township Hospital Branch (25-bed) will be opened soon. With the opening of hospitals, national people living in Ayeyawady Region who are undergoing treatment in their own districts and townships, thereby contributing to their health standard.

For national development, the government is building economic, transport, education and health infrastructures in all places, whether in hilly regions or plains. Since the delta region has been hit by severe cyclone Nargis more than two years ago, measures have been taken to develop the region more than ever.

The living conditions of the local people have returned to normally and job opportunities have been created for them. Besides, 20 cyclone shelters have been built at the seaside to prevent natural disaster of 11 roads is under construction not only to take preparedness measures against storms but also to improve the regional economy, and they are nearing completion. In building such a network of roads, 458 small and large bridges had to be built including Razudaing Bridges 1&2 in Mawlamyinegyun Township with K36.845 billion of State funds. In addition, a 48.1-mile railroad is under construction linking Hinthada and Pathein and then Hinthada (Yangon) through Einme is under construction. It is 89 miles long and 20.75-mile Pathein (Begarat)-Einme section will be opened soon. Upon completion of those roads and railroads, economic, education and health conditions of the region will improve and the unity among the national people living in the region will be further consolidated.

Ayeyawady Region is rich in marine products. Its terrain with rivers and creeks as well as fertile lands. So, the local people need to work hard and take thrifty measures for improving their living conditions. However, the people should not be complacent about the present conditions and they need to strive for establishment of an industrialized country to build up a modern, developed nation. While keeping momentum for agricultural development, capitals have to be collected to establish an industrialized nation. The State needs to turn out healthy, educated people, intellectuals and intelligentsia.

Therefore, the government has built science and arts universities, universities of computer studies and technological universities in 24 special regions. Those universities have been built in Pathein, Hinthada and Maubin of Ayeyawady Region. Efforts are to be made to turn out healthy, educated citizens in own regions. Only then, can a modern, developed nation be built.

In conclusion, the Prime Minister said, the hospital was built to improve health standard of the national people living in Pyapon District. So all are to maintain the hospital. Overcoming the cyclone Nargis is thanks to the united strength of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw. Holding this concept, efforts are to be made to build up a peaceful, modern and developed nation.

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For national development, …

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Next, the Prime Minister cordially greeted doctors and nurses and townleaders and posed for a documentary photo together with those present in front of the new building of the hospital.

The Dagon Group of Companies built the new building and donated medical equipment, furniture and air-cons. Its total donation including a new building is worth K1208.5 million.

There was a 100-bed hospital in Pyapon Township in the past. Thanks to emergence of the new building, the old one was upgraded to 200-bed Hospital.

The Prime Minister and party left Pyapon by helicopter and arrived in Bogale at 10.30 a.m.

After hearing a report on work progress presented by a responsible person of Htoo Trading Co Ltd and supplementary reports made by Ministers U Thein Nyunt, U Thein Aung and Dr Kyaw Myint at the briefing hall of 100-bed Hospital construction project in Bogale, the Prime Minister looked into a scale model of the hospital and construction work and gave necessary instructions.

The Prime Minister oversaw the newly-opened Town Hall in Bogale and development of Bogale.

At the Bogale river crossing bridge construction project, the Prime Minister inspected the worksite from the view deck where Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint reported on work progress and facts about the project to the Prime Minister.

In order to link Bogale-Kyeinchaung-Kadon Kani and Bogale-Mawlamyinegyun, the 3766 feet long bridge with 28 feet wide two-lane motorway that can withstand 75 tons of load will be built on the Bogale river. Upon completion, it will link Road No(5), Bogale-Setsan-Hawpine-Almar Road, and Road No (6) of Public Work’s of the Ministry of Construction and the main pillar is under construction.

The Prime Minister and party flew over to Mawlamyinegyun. On his arrival at the worksite of 100-bed Mawlamyinegyun Town Hall in Mawlamyinegyun, the Prime Minister viewed construction of Bogale River spanning bridge.

Mawlamyinegyun Town Hall People’s Hospital, the Prime Minister heard reports on work progress presented by Medical Superintendent Dr Myo Thant. So far, construction of main building has been completed 60 per cent.

The Prime Minister inspected development of Mawlamyinegyun in a motorcade and left there by helicopter and arrived in Pathein in the afternoon.
There will emerge the Technological University (Yatanarpon Cyber City) in the science and technological field that has links with international universities. So under the Ministry of Science and Technology, there will be 109 institutions altogether – 36 government technological schools, 12 government technical institutes, four government technological colleges, 31 technological universities, 25 universities of computer studies and one Myanmar Aerospace Engineering University. As the nation has been equipped with necessary facilities for development of science and technology, it will be able to turn out technicians and technologists in the future.

The faculty will be formed with four departments namely (1) the Department of Information Technology, (2) the Department of Communication Technology, (3) the Department of Computing Technology, and (4) the Department of Hardware Technology for providing lectures to the students. The faculty is responsible for conducting two training courses. On completion, B.E. (Information Science) and B.E. (Computer Engineering) degrees will be conferred on the students.

After pursuing advanced technology under the faculty, the graduates will have the brilliant skills to develop software for embedded systems and create the designs of specific system computing and accessories. Due to linking with international community, the graduates will possess the internationally recognized joint certificates.

Faculty of Precision Engineering
The faculty formed with (1) the Department of Machining Technology, (2) the Department of Mould and Die Technology, (3) the Department of Measuring and Quality Control, and (4) the Department of Electro-mechanical Integration will train the students.

By attending the Faculty of Information and Communication Technology, one can be skillful in such areas as machining technology, mould and die technology, measuring and quality control, electromagnetic integration.

Faculty of Electronic Engineering
It has four departments namely Department of Micro-electronic Engineering, Department of Wireless and Mobile Communication, Department of Electronic Devices and Application and Department of Electronic Control Engineering.

By attending the Faculty of Electronic Engineering, students can be specialized in designing ICs and circuits, conducting research on wireless and mobile communication, developing electronics, controlling and driving advanced heavy machines which have to be controlled by CNC machine and computer technology. As the faculty has links with the international community, internationally recognized joint certificates can be available.

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EP-1 Minister visits Yeywa Hydropower Project

NAVPYI TAW, 27 Sept — Minister for Electric Power No. 1 U Zaw Min visited Yeywa Hydropower Project being implemented by Construction No (2) near Ye-Yaman village 31 miles south-east of Mandalay on 25 September.

He inspected running Nos (1) and (2) generators and installation of Nos (3) and (4) generators at power station.

The minister called for completion of the projects ahead of schedule and work safety and then attended to the needs.

He also viewed the supplying of electric power by computer-controlled system in control room, progress in construction of power station, primary spillway, and inflow of water into the dam and storage of water in dam. The minister gave detailed instructions. The Yeywa Hydropower Project, which is generating electric power from two generators now, is expected to spark its third generator soon.—MNA

Technical University (Yatanarpon Cyber City)...

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Faculty of Advanced Materials Engineering

It is formed with three departments — Department of Nanotechnology, Department of Special Material Processing and Department of Advanced Material Production.

At the faculty, trainees can be skillful in material processing for factories and workshops with nanotechnology, conducting nano-based research and advanced material production.

It can be reviewed that the four faculties established at the Technological University (Yatanarpon Cyber City) and their 15 research centres have geared up for providing technologies essential for the nation to be able to catch up with the international community. If youth trainees are to work hard, they will surely be able to reach the international level in the area of technology.

The matriculated students of this year will have the opportunity to join the university. There is an entrance examination and only qualified students are allowed to join the university.

There are five courses — BE (Information Science), BE (Computer Engineering), BE (Electronic Engineering), BE (Precision Engineering) and BE (Advanced Materials Engineering) — and the courses take five years. Like in international curriculums, IELTS (4 skills) syllabuses will be prescribed starting from the first year course. It is the university that trains students to get at least 6.5 IELTS bands when they obtain a BE.

Students will be trained both practically and theoretically. From the second year to the fourth year, students will receive industrial training for a month at the end of academic year. They will have to submit research-based term paper in the final year. As the university has links with international universities, internationally recognized joint certificates will be presented. It is certain that there will be foreign job opportunities.

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The emergence of the Technological University (Yatanarpon Cyber City) will bring glory and honour to young people, who will have to march forward with a life-long learning in this age of IT. I write this article to hail the upcoming opening of the Technological University (Yatanarpon Cyber City), hoping that well-trained engineers and researchers to be trained by the university will help transform their nation into a modern, developed, democratic industrial one.

Translation: TTA+ST

Myanmar Alin/Kyemon: 27-9-2010

Tapain Hydropower ...

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The Tapain-1 Hydropower Project is outfitted with 240 megawatt generator and can generate 1065 million kwh on average. The RC-type hydropower plant is 285 feet in length, 89 feet in width and 152 feet in height.

The project is being implemented by Construction No (5) of the Hydropower Implementation Department under the Ministry of Electric Power No. 1 day in, day out. The concrete embankment is 672 feet long and 151 feet high.

Power intake tunnel No.1 is 26 feet in diameter and 9770 feet in length, and power intake tunnel No. 2 is 26 feet in diameter and 10,003 feet in length.

Two dams to save surplus water were constructed. No.1 Dam is 59 feet in diameter and 292 feet in height, and No.2 Dam is 59 feet in diameter and 259 feet in height.

Its catchment area is 2180 square miles and annual water inflow is 6.2647 million acres.

Water diversion tunnel is 23 feet in length and 806 feet in length. In order to complete the diversion tunnel ahead of scheduled time, the labourers were carrying out concreting works day in, day out.

Then, we proceeded to construction site of the main dam where we witnessed engineers and labourers working hard to meet set standard within targeted time. It was admirable of them to carry out works in earnest.

Main dam seen with the background of mountain ranges.

To meet the electricity demand of the country, Tapain-1 Hydropower Project is being built in Momauk Township, Bhamo District of Kachin State. Upon completion, the plant will be able to supply power to immediate environs and factories.

Translation: ZZS

Myannya Alin: 27-9-2010
Indians suffer heart disease at younger age

MUMBAI, 27 Sept — As the world marked the World Heart Day on Sunday, India is faced with an alarming risk of heart disease affecting younger Indians. Around 10 percent of the population in the age group of 30 in urban India have coronary heart disease, says a recent report, and the figure is expected to add up to 60 million people. The figures from rural India — though considerably lower — at four percent — were compared to the figures from urban India, are no consolation.

Doctors and health authorities have taken note of this grave health risk among the young Indian workforce and are driving the message of “taking heart health into your own hands,” on this year’s World Heart Day.

Pre-mature explosion kills two militants in S Afghanistan

QALAT, 27 Sept — Two Taleban militants were killed as a mine planted by them went off pre-maturely in Zabul Province south of Afghanistan on Monday, spokesman for provincial administration Mohammad Jan Rasoulyar said. “Two terrorists were busy in planting a mine on a road in Shahjoi District in the wee hours of Monday when the device exploded pre-maturely killing both on the spot,” Rasoulyar told Xinhua. He did not provide more details. Taliban militants who are largely relying on roadside bombings and suicide attacks have yet to make comment.

Standing on a soapbox for early cancer detection

VANCOUVER, 27 Sept — It’s estimated that nearly 90 percent of all forms of cancer can be cured if caught early enough. Do Listwin knows this all too well. The former Cisco Systems executive watched his father survive a grueling bout with cancer, and then lost his mother to the disease — ovarian cancer in her case — after her illness was twice misdiagnosed as a bladder infection. When her cancer was finally diagnosed, it was stage four terminal.

Convinced he is going to get cancer himself, and realizing that his parents could have both been spared the ordeal with early detection, Listwin created the Canary Foundation in 2004 to raise the awareness level about catching cancer early.

A baby female Masai Giraffe who has been named Shani, stands beside her mother Nora after being born three weeks ago at the Los Angeles Zoo, on 24 Sept, 2010. — XINHUA

Painless laser device could spot early signs of disease

LONDON, 27 Sept — Portable devices with painless laser beams could soon replace X-rays as a non-invasive way to diagnose disease. Researchers say that the technique could become widely available in about five years.

The method, called Raman spectroscopy, could help spot the early signs of breast cancer, tooth decay and osteoporosis. Scientists believe that the technology would make the diagnosis of illnesses faster, cheaper, and more accurate.

Raman spectroscopy is the measurement of the intensity and wavelength of scattered light from molecules. It is already being used in the chemical and pharmaceutical industries. For instance, Raman lasers are used to measure flame characteristics.
LA trial over massive emerald begins

A California man says he is the rightful owner of an 840-pound emerald even though the giant gem burned up in a fire.

Anthony Thomas, a construction executive from San Jose, testified in Los Angeles Friday that he paid $60,000 for the Bahia Emerald to a couple of Brazilians in 2001 and was awaiting its arrival when a house fire consumed his home.

The emerald never showed up and, Thomas testified, prosecutors in San Jose told him there was nothing they could do since Brazil was outside their jurisdiction.

Thomas is one of at least a half dozen people claiming ownership of the emerald, which the Los Angeles Times said has been valued as high as $372 million. Along with Thomas, a group of investors contends they obtained ownership of the Bahia through various business deals. They contend Thomas is throwing a legal Hail Mary and his claims of a fire and that the emerald was stolen before it could be shipped to him were unbelievable.

But Thomas’s attorney, Jeffrey Baruh, said in court Thomas “is the only person who ever paid a cent for the Bahia Emerald.”

The trial will resume next month, the Times said. In the meantime, the emerald itself is being kept in an evidence locker by the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department.

Lost iPad helps owner find it across US

Cogdill realized his iPad was missing when he landed in Portland. Neither he nor his wife had held onto it so it flew across the country. Using the MobileMe application on his iPad, Cogdill located the iPad at the Orlando, Fla. airport.

“You can zoom all the way in and can tell it was sitting where an airplane is going to be sitting at the terminal,” he said. Cogdill called Southwest Airlines and reached a supervisor in Orlando.

As he tracked the iPad out of the airport and to a home, the supervisor contacted police, who retrieved it.

New Mexico novel headed to big screen

Santa Fe, 27 Sept.—A film based on New Mexico author Rudolfo Anaya’s novel, “Bless Me, Ultima” will shoot in the Santa Fe area beginning in October. The film is the big-screen adaptation of Anaya’s 1972 novel, which is considered a classic in Hispanic American literature. It chronicles the coming-of-age story of Antonio, a young boy growing up in New Mexico during World War II, and his relationship with Ultima, an elderly traditional Hispanic healer, or curandera.

Boring names will stop rural sign theft

A rural Georgia county is losing about 500 street signs a year to thieves and a commissioner says he has a solution: Make the names boring.

McIntosh County Commissioner Mark Douglas serves a rural county about 60 miles south of Savannah. He says signs marking Green Acres, Boone’s Farm and Mary Jane Lane are frequently stolen.

He suspects the thieves are targeting those signs because they share names with a popular TV series, a low-cost wine or, in the third case, a slang term for marijuana.

Then there’s the stolen signs for Harmony Hill. Douglas figures the thieves just like the alliteration.

It’s become a costly problem. County Manager Luther Smart says the area is paying $17,000 a year to replace the signs.

Man wins 1 million dumplings for karaoke

MOSCOW, 27 Sept—US telephone engineer Edward Pimentel has won 1 million dumplings for his performance at the World Karaoke Championships in Moscow, organizers said.

Pimentel won the dumplings for singing rhythm and blues standards, but he didn’t win the contest outright; he was named “audience favourite,” the BBC reported.

At the rate of 100 dumplings a day, Pimentel should have enough to last for 27 years, the report said.—Internet

3D TV — not much to watch

New York, 27 Sept.—The problem for 3D television is not the health concerns reported by some consumers, an industry analyst said, but a lack of content to watch.

Media stories say consumers fear 3D-induced nausea, headaches and even AIDS. The Hollywood Reporter said, but President Jim Chabin of the International 3D Society told delegates to the 3D Experience gathering in New York, “There’s absolutely no data at all that shows there is any problem with viewing 3D. But if you ask the public, this (AIDS) is one of their concerns.”

DiCaprio joining efforts to save tiger

NEW DELHI, 27 Sept.—US actor Leonardo DiCaprio will use his celebrity to help India in its efforts to save the tiger, environmentalists said.


The Reporter said Ramesh was quoted as saying the star was “very interested in the cause of tiger conservation. Somebody like him could play an important role in sensitizing the global community to the cause of the Indian tiger.”

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**Lazio put pressure on after Inter loss**

ROME, 27 Sept — Lazio joined reigning champions Inter Milan at the top of Serie A on Sunday after a second-half goal from Argentine striker Mauro Zárate brought a 1-0 win at fellow high-fliers Chievo.

Zárate, who had a spell in the English Premier League with Birmingham, ought to have calmed the visitors’ nerves prior to his neat finish past keeper Stefano Sorrentino with a brace but missed a simpler early chance from point blank range.

Chievo had been looking for a win which would have taken them top after winning three of their opening four games - but Zárate instead ensured that Lazio moved onto ten points from four games, level with Inter after the latter’s 1-0 loss Saturday to Roma.—Internet

**Trezeguet brace helps Hercules beat Sevilla in Spanish league**

MADRID, 27 Sept — Veteran French striker David Trezeguet scored twice as promoted Hercules took another big scalp early in the season.

Hercules caused the sensation of the season when they beat champions Barcelona 2-0 a fortnight ago and followed that by downing Sevilla, regulars on the Champions League circuit and fourth last season.

It was a first league defeat of the season for Sevilla who lie sixth, five points off leaders Valencia with Hercules now just a point behind them.

**Lyons won’t be rushed into sacking Puel**

PARIS, 27 Sept — Lyon president Jean-Michel Aulas said he will not be rushed into a decision on whether to sack coach Claude Puel after the French club’s disastrous start to the season.

“We’re not going to rush into changing everything on a whim,” Aulas told the Telefoot television programme on Sunday after watching his team lose 1-0 to regional rivals St Etienne.

The result left Lyon, who hit the woodwork three times and had two shots cleared off the line, second-bottom in the Ligue 1 standings and the spotlight squarely on French Ligue 1

**PSG finally cure travel sickness, beat Lens**

PARIS, 27 Sept — Paris Saint Germain clinched their first away league victory since December 2009 on Sunday when they defeated Lens 2-0, a victory which elevated them into fifth place on the French first division.

An own-goal by Yohan Demont in the 50th-minute and a stoppage time strike from Brazilian summer signing Nene, his fourth of the campaign, put an end to PSG’s 14-match run without a win on the road.

Toulouse blew their chance to nip ahead of Saint Etienne on goal dif-

**Lyon coach Claude Puel reacts during the French L1 football match Lyon vs Saint- Etienne.—INTERNET**

**Giggs out for ‘couple of weeks’**

BOLTON, 27 Sept — Manchester United’s Ryan Giggs is set to be out for a “couple of weeks” according to Sir Alex Ferguson after the veteran winger suffered a hamstring injury in Sunday’s 2-2 draw with Bolton.

Both Giggs and England striker Wayne Rooney were substituted in the second half at the Reebok Stadium during a match which saw United leapfrog Arsenal into second place in the English Premier League.

“Ryan is the most serious, it’s a hamstring and I’m afraid he will be out for a couple of weeks,” Ferguson said before adding he expected Rooney to be ready for the midweek Champions League tie away to Valencia.

“I’m sure Wayne will get ready for Wednesday. —Internet

**McClaren on roll, little Mainz eye German record**

BERLIN, 27 Sept — Former England manager Steve McClaren guided his Wolfsburg team into the Bundesliga top six on Sunday as little Mainz refused to get carried away by their record-chasing start.

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**Nadal gets Asian swing under way in Thailand Open**

BANGKOK, 27 Sept — World number one Rafael Nadal returns to action at the Thailand Open this week fresh from sealing a career Grand Slam at the US Open as he gears up for the final leg of a stellar season.

The Spanish top seed, who has also won Wimbledon and the French Open this year, arrived in the country last week for a holiday in Hua Hin, a town favoured by Thai royalty about 200 kilometres (124 miles) south of capital Bangkok.

World number one tennis player Rafael Nadal arrives at Suvarnabhumi airport in Bangkok.—INTERNET
WEATHER

Monday, 27th September, 2010
Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, Southwest monsoon has withdrawn from the Central Bay and Deltaic areas. Weather has been partly cloudy in Chin and Kayah States, Magway, Bago and Ayeyawady Regions, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kayin State, lower Sagain and Yangon Regions, scattered in Shan, Rakhine and Mon States, upper Sagain and Mandalay Regions, fairly widespread in Taninthayi Region and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with locally heavy falls in Mandalay Region and isolated heavy falls in Kachin State and Sagaing Region. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Pyin U Lwin (4.17) inches, Hpakant (3.58) inches, Machanbaw (3.15) inches, Amarpura (2.46) inches, Myitkyina (2.17) inches, Sagaing (2.01) inches, Paung (1.53) inches, Singu (1.50) inches and Madaya (1.44) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather
Maximum temperature on 26-9-2010 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 27-9-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 27-9-2010 was (85%). Rainfall on 27-9-2010 was (N/A).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)
Maximum temperature on 26-9-2010 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 27-9-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 27-9-2010 was (79%). Total sunshine hours on 26-9-2010 was (6.5) hours. Rainfall on 27-9-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and (0.24) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (69.49) inches at Mingaladon, (80.67) inches at Kaba-Aye and (89.61) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southeast at (13:30) hours MST on 26-9-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and weather is partly cloudy everywhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 28th September 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Chin and Kayah States, lower Sagaing and Magway Regions, scattered in Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and fairly widespread in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of decrease of rain in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 28-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 28-9-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 28-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

INTERNATIONAL DEFEATS CORINTHIANS 3-2

RECOGNIZED, 27 Sept—International defeat leader Corinthians 3-2 on Sunday in the 25th round of the Brazilian Championship. As a result of their loss, Corinthians dropped out of first place, trailing once again Paranense. Internazionale scored first in the 29th minute when Tinga received a through ball from D’Alejandro, leaving him face-to-face with keeper Julio Cesar, allowing him to blow the ball into the right side of the goal. Corinthians responded by tying the match in the 64th minute when Jorge Tinga received a through ball from D’Alessandro, leaving him face-to-face with keeper Julio Cesar, allowing him to blow the ball into the right side of the goal. Corinthians tied the match once again in the 77th minute when Henrique streaked down the field to score the equalizer. Internazionale reclaimed the lead in the 77th minute when a crossed ball from Andrezinho rolled through the Corinthians defense and to the feet of Alessandro, heading the ball into the goal. Corinthians tied the match once again in the 90th minute when Bruno Cesar converted a penalty kick after a hand ball inside of the Internacional goalie box.—Internet

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Maximum temperature on 26-9-2010 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 27-9-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 27-9-2010 was (79%). Total sunshine hours on 26-9-2010 was (6.5) hours. Rainfall on 27-9-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and (0.24) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (69.49) inches at Mingaladon, (80.67) inches at Kaba-Aye and (89.61) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southeast at (13:30) hours MST on 26-9-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and weather is partly cloudy everywhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 28th September 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Chin and Kayah States, lower Sagaing and Magway Regions, scattered in Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and fairly widespread in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of decrease of rain in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 28-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 28-9-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 28-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).
Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

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

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

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

Tapain Hydropower Project taking shape

Tapain-1 Hydropower Project is one of the special projects. Its location is on the Tapain River near Kalonkha Village, Momauk Township, Bhamo District of Kachin State.

While in Kachin State, our Myanma Alin news crew observed Tapain-1 Hydropower Project. The first thing we noticed immediately on arrival at the project was the copiously flowing Tapain River. We saw nearly completed Tapain Hydropower Project at the end of Tapain suspension bridge. It was very nice to have a look at the superb panorama of the Kachin Mountain Ranges, the Tapain River, the suspension bridge and the Tapain-1 Hydropower Plant.

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Kayan National Party, Rakhine State National Unity Party, Myanmar present their policies, stance and work programmes

MRTV-4 coverage reaches Taunggyi

Nay Pyi Taw, 27 Sept — Myanma Radio and Television of the Ministry of Information, which is widening coverage of MRTV-4 (Free to Air) Channel, now has launched airing the channel at UHF Channel (J-16) in the neighborhood of Taunggyi with 1kW UHF Analog Transmitter.

Starting from 28 September, dwellers of Taunggyi and nearby areas can receive the channel clearly with UHF TV antenna.

Multiplier electoral courses conducted in Singu Township

Nay Pyi Taw, 27 Sept — Singu Township Election Subcommission of PyinOoLwin District in Mandalay Region is opening electoral process courses for polling station officers, deputy polling station officers and members. A total of 984 trainees completed the courses conducted at seven separate places in the township on 22 September.

The trainers of courses are Chairman of Township Election Subcommission U Tun Than, Secretary and members of TE Subcommission.