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PERSPECTIVES

Strive for timely completion of ongoing projects

Concerted efforts are being made for national development. So, basic needs are being fulfilled to develop all parts of the Union on an equal basis. In the economic sector, the State is implementing a good number of projects, some of which have been completed and some of which are afoot. With the sooner completion of those projects, the more it will contribute to national development.

No.5 Fertilizer Plant (Pathein) project is being undertaken near Ohbo Village in Kanyidaunk Township, Pathein District. The project started on 24 March 2004 and has completed by 93 percent. On completion, the plant will be able to produce 500 tons of urea and 325 tons of ammonia a day.

As for the agricultural sector, the main business of the nation, more than 200 dams and reservoirs have been built to help extend cultivation of crops. No.4 Fertilizer Plant (Myaungdaka) and No.5 Fertilizer Plant (Pathein) are being built in order to meet the fertilizer demand.

Moreover, tasks for better transport are being carried out. Myanmar Railways is constructing Begarat (Pathein)-Einme-Kangyidaunk, Kyaungkon-Einme, Pathein-Kangyidaunk, Nyaungdon and Hlaingthaya Township in Mandalay Region on 29 September.

The emergence of the 80-mile railroad passing through Pathein-Kangyidaunk, Kyaungkon-Einme, Pantanaw, Nyaungdon and Hlaingthaya Township will contribute a lot to transport of local products.

With the extended construction of dams and reservoirs, cultivation of crops has been boosted. Therefore, there will be more fruits of development by speeding up the ongoing projects, including road and railroad projects.

Star Resources to conduct SOP course for Hotel and Cruise Staff

YANGON, 1 Oct — Star Resources Hospitality Management Academy will conduct new class of SOP Course for Hotel & Cruise Staff within second week of October.

Maj-Gen Myint Soe inspects No (2) Inter-District Road

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Oct— Maj-Gen Myint Soe of Ministry of Defence views broadcasting of fertilizer at paddy field in Htanaunggon Village of Yamethin Township. —MNA

Maj-Gen Myint Soe, accompanied by Chairman of Mandalay Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Brig-Gen Ye Aung and departmental officials, met local people at Hlinetet briefing hall, military officers, Tatmadawmen and family at the hall of local battalion in Thazi Township in Meiktila District and military officers, Tatmadawmen and family at the hall of the battalion in Meiktila.

Rammar grand cars on the market

Chariot Micro Bus (a) MPV cars manufactured by Rammar Auto Maker in the queue.—MNA

Experienced professionals will lecture and demonstrate the food and brewery service, housekeeping and the art of napkin folding.

The academy will also open IELTS Foundation Course and Intensive Course in the second week this month as well.

Those interested may contact the academy at No. 267), Room (302), Pyay Road, Myaynigon, Sanyyoung Township, Yangon (Ph: 01-523623, 523200, 411 2256, 095020302). —MNA

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Rammar Auto Manufacturing Company has been manufacturing three kinds of Chariot Micro Bus (a) MPV vehicles equipped with new engines and other advanced appliances of Mitsubishi Motor Co Ltd.

All customers are given one year guarantee for mechanical failures. Royal Chariot, Super Chariot and Limited Chariot, using latest interior design, are available at reasonable prices.

For more information about the vehicles, contact No. 53/54, Satsaya U Tun Street, Shwepyitha Industrial Zone-4, Insein Township, Yangon (Ph: 01-618377, 618388, 618399, 09-50-13389 and 09-53-94888), Fax: 01-618322, Email: r a m m a r - c a r @ goldenland.com.mm.
California to enter fourth month without budget

SACRAMENTO, 1 Oct—California will enter the fourth month of its fiscal year on Friday without a state budget in place after Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and top lawmakers failed to agree on Thursday on a spending plan.

A spokesman for the governor told reporters in the state capital of Sacramento that Schwarzenegger and top lawmakers did not reach a budget agreement after meeting throughout Thursday but that they were inching toward a deal. “Every day they meet they get closer,” spokesman Aaron McLear said Thursday night, adding that budget talks would resume on Friday.

The state government of the most populous US state is in the midst a record stalemate pitting Schwarzenegger and fellow Republicans in the legislature’s minority against Democrats who control the body over a spending plan to balance the state’s books.

Thursday marked the 92nd day of the impasse.

California’s leaders must close a $19.1 billion shortfall caused by weak revenue, the result of a state economy battered in recent years by recession, double-digit unemployment and housing, mortgage industry and financial market turmoil.

Four people, including two utility vehicle, were killed when the sport utility vehicle they were traveling in skidded off a rain-slicked highway and tumbled into a ditch filled with water, North Carolina troopers said. A fifth victim in the state likely drowned when his pickup veered off the road and into a river that was raging because of the rain.

The rain was part of a system moving ahead of the remnants of Tropical Storm Nicole, which dissipated over the Straits of Florida on Wednesday. Much of the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast were starting to move into a drought after the dry summer, and the fall storm provided several inches of much-needed rain.

In Walpole, NH, Erin Beckford said the deluge was a welcome sight for her eight acres of vegetables. She said she hoped the moisture also would recharge wells that went dry in the town.

Storms drench much of the East Coast; five killed

Flood waters surround a condominium’s pool in Carolina Beach, NC, Thursday, 30 Sept, 2010.—INTERNET

RALEIGH, 1 Oct—A massive rainstorm drenched the East Coast from the Carolinas to Maine on Thursday, causing at least five deaths, flooding roads and washing away months of dry weather.

The worst of the rain fell in North Carolina, where Jacksonville picked up 12 inches — nearly a quarter of its typical annual rainfall — in the six hours. Four people, including two

Five NATO service members killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 1 Oct—Five NATO service members were killed on Thursday in southern Afghanistan, the scene of heavy fighting as troops push into areas long controlled by the Taliban, the coalition said.

Three died when a homemade bomb exploded and two were killed separately one following an insurgent attack and another in an explosion.

No other details or the nationalities of the troops was immediately disclosed.

Three Afghan civilians also died in the south in a suicide attack on a NATO convoy, a local official said. Nine other civilians were wounded in the bombing, which occurred near the airport in Kandahar, a Taliban stronghold. The suicide attacker detonated explosives while in his vehicle, causing the casualties, said Zulmat Ayubi, a spokesman for the Kandahar governor.

Photo taken on 30 Sept, 2010 shows a subway carriage, which is going to be exported to Teheran, capital of Iran, in the workshop of Shanghai Alstom Transport Co, Ltd (SATCO) in Shanghai, east China. A batch of 98 subway carriages produced for the subway systems in Teheran rolled off the assembly line of SATCO, marking the railway facilities produced in Shanghai entered the international market.

Three killed in NATO convoy attack in southern Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 1 Oct—At least three people were killed and another three injured following an attack at a NATO convoy early Friday morning in southern Pakistan, which has left 27 NATO oil tankers and three other private vehicles and two petrol stations burnt, according to local media reports.

The attack took place at about 2:00 am Friday when some 20 militants opened fired and fired rockets at a NATO convoy of oil tankers parked nearby petrol stations near the city of Shikarpur in Pakistan’s southern province of Sindh, District Coordination Officer, Saeed Akhtar Mangijo said. Following the attack, the oil tankers caught fire and fire fighters were called in to extinguish the blaze, Mangijo said. He said most of the tankers were burnt. Fire fighters were also called out from other cities as the local fire brigade failed to extinguish the blaze.

NJ man shoots 3, 2 fatally, before being killed

PENNSAUKEN, 1 Oct—Authorities say a man shot three teenagers, two fatally, in southern New Jersey before police killed him.

Jason Laughlin, a spokesman for the Camden County Prosecutor’s Office, says the shootings occurred late Thursday at a home in Pennsauken, a Camden suburb.

Laughlin says police shot the gunman after he charged a group of officers while holding a gun, a lighter and a can of gasoline.

The home where the shootings occurred also was badly burned.

Pennsauken is a town of about 35,000 people, just across the Delaware River from Philadelphia.
**Science**

**Dinosaurs taller than thought**

WASHINGTON, 1 Oct—Some dinosaurs may have been at least 10 percent taller than previously thought, US paleontologists said in a study that found the creatures had large amounts of cartilage.

The dinosaurs had thick layers of cartilage in their joints that may have added more than a foot (30 centimetres) to their height, according to researchers at the University of Missouri (MU) and Ohio University, who said this may have changed their speed and posture. “Our study of the limbs of modern-day relatives of dinosaurs shows that dinosaurs were significantly taller than original estimates,” said study lead author Casey Holliday, an anatomy professor at the MU School of Medicine. She explained that many dinosaurs’ long bones, such as the femur or tibia, lack major articulations and have rounded ends with rough surfaces.

“This indicated that very thick cartilages formed those structures, and therefore the joints themselves, and would have added significant height to certain dinosaurs,” Holliday added.

In contrast, mammal bones have small protrusions at their ends that help them connect with other bones at a joint. The bones are then linked with a very thin layer of cartilage.

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**Researchers decode genome of mosquito that spreads West Nile virus**

WASHINGTON, 1 Oct—Scientists have sequenced the genome of the Southern house mosquito, shedding new light on the transmission of mosquito-borne diseases such as malaria, encephalitis, West Nile virus and filariasis, according to two reports to be published Friday in the journal Science.

BREEDING IN DRAINS, cesspools and other polluted water bodies, Culex quinquefasciatus feeds on blood from birds, livestock and humans and transmits West Nile virus, St. Louis encephalitis and the microscopic roundworm that causes lymphatic filariasis, leading to 120 million infections and over 40 million cases of elephantiasis each year.

Already, researchers have sequenced the genomes of two other mosquitoes, Aedes aegypti, which transmits yellow fever and dengue fever, and Anopheles gambiae, a species that carries malaria, a disease that infects 250 to 500 million people each year and kills nearly one million people annually, mostly young children in sub-Saharan Africa.

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**Fossil of giant penguin found in Peru**

AUSTIN, 1 Oct—The fossil of a giant red penguin, nearly twice as tall as the largest living species, has been discovered in Peru, US paleontologists say.

Standing 5 feet tall, nearly twice the height of an Emperor penguin, the fossil, discovered in Peru’s Reserva Nacional de Paracas and nicknamed Pedro, is 36 million years old, the BBC reported.

The ancient bird, named Inkayacu paracasensis—the Water King—had reddish-brown feathers suggesting the distinctive black and white “tuxedo” marking of modern penguins is a relatively recent evolutionary development.

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**Technology**

**India rejects RIM corporate email solution**

NEW DELHI, 1 Oct—India’s telecommunications ministry has rejected a solution offered by Research In Motion for its BlackBerry corporate email services, and it has not been able to access chats on the BlackBerry Messenger platform. Last week a government source told Reuters that India and RIM had hit technical glitches in their talks on access to corporate email, but access to the messenger services was satisfactory. India, which along with several other countries has expressed concerns that BlackBerry services could be used to stir political or social instability, had threatened RIM with a ban if it were denied access to data.

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**Yahoo losing three top execs, raising more worries**

SAN FRANCISCO, 1 Oct—Three top Yahoo Inc executives are leaving the struggling Internet company in an exodus that could push CEO Carol Bartz on the hot seat as she approaches the end of her second year trying to engineer a turnaround.

The company disclosed the departures Thursday, confirming an earlier report published on the technology site All Things Digital.

The departing executives are: Hilaria Schneider, an executive vice president who oversaw Yahoo’s advertising in the US; David Ko, a senior vice president in charge of mobile and audience; and Jimmy Pitaro, a vice president who ran the division that produced the heavily trafficked news, sports and finance sections of Yahoo’s website.

“These are some of the most important people at the company,” said Standard and Poor’s equity analyst Scott Kessler. “It’s definitely going to put more pressure on Carol Bartz.”

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**Free speech group fights lawsuits vs news sharers**

LAS VEGAS, 1 Oct—A San Francisco group that defends online free speech is taking on a Las Vegas company it says is shaking down news-sharing Internet users through more than 140 copyright infringement lawsuits filed this year.

The Electronic Frontier Foundation’s counterclaim represents the first significant challenge to Righthaven LLC’s unprecedented campaign to police the sharing of news content on blogs, political sites and personal Web pages.

At stake is what constitutes fair use when and how it is appropriate to share content in an age where newspapers increasingly encourage readers to share stories on Facebook, Twitter, Digg and other social networking sites.

The EFF argues that the lawsuits limit free speech and bully defendants into costly settlements by threatening $150,000 in damages and the transfer of domain names. The foundation represents Democratic Underground LLC, which Righthaven sued in August for posting content on a Las Vegas Review-Journal article on a message board.
Health

**Coffee, tea linked to lower risk of brain tumour**

Coffee and tea lovers may have a decreased likelihood of developing the most common form of malignant brain tumour in adults, a new study suggests.

The findings, from a study of more than 500,000 European adults, add to evidence from a recent US study linking higher coffee and tea intake to a lower risk of gliomas, a group of brain tumours that makes up about 80 percent of malignant brain cancers in adults. It does not, however, prove that the beverages themselves confer the protection.

"This is all very preliminary," said lead researcher Dominique Michaud, of Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, and Imperial College London. "This study shouldn’t be the reason that anyone changes their coffee or tea intake."

And even if coffee and tea have some direct effect on glioma risk, the impact would be small. Brain tumours in general are uncommon; in Europe, for instance, annual rates are estimated at between four and six cases per 100,000 women, and six to eight cases for every 100,000 men.

Overall, the odds that a person will develop a malignant (cancerous) brain tumour in his or her lifetime are less than 1 percent. Still, Michaud said, if higher coffee and tea intake is somehow protective against glioma, that could give researchers insight into the causes of the tumours.

_Bisphenol-A, a chemical used in baby bottles that is banned in Australia, Denmark, Canada and France, poses no health risks, the European Food Safety Authority said Friday._

**Health Tip: taming a toddler’s tantrum**

Tantrums are a common part of toddlerhood, but parents can take steps to head them off.

The Nemours Foundation offers these suggestions to help avoid temper tantrums:

* Give your child praise and attention for good behaviour.
* Let your child have control over some decisions, such as choosing the fruit to have with lunch.
* To avoid frustration, encourage your child only to play with age-appropriate toys.
* Don’t automatically say no when your child asks for something; pick what’s really important to deny, and say yes when you can.
* Don’t push your child beyond his or her limits, especially when the child is tired.

**Bottle feeding may lead to obesity**

LONDON, 1 Oct— Bottle feeding infants can put them on the path to a life of heart disease and obesity, a study by British researchers says.

The study by the Institute of Child Health in London says the use of baby formula can cause health problems in later life as children develop unnaturally large appetites, The Guardian reported Thursday.

Overfeeding in infancy causes at least a fifth of adult obesity cases, Professor Atul Singhal from the MRC Childhood Nutrition Research Centre says.

Breastfed babies limit their own intake of milk because they have to work hard to get it, Singhal said, whereas bottle-fed babies lie back and take in what they are given.

Business

**Canadian government acts to boost sluggish economic**

OTTAWA, 1 Oct— Canada’s finance minister has scaled back a scheduled tax increase to try to return Canada to the high post-recession growth rates that have shown signs of stagnation in recent months.

Thursday’s announcement of a drastic cutback in the planned increase of workers’ and employers’ unemployment insurance payroll taxes came on the same day that the national statistics office showed the Canadian economy shrank in July for the first time in nearly a year.

A Statistics Canada report published Thursday said real gross domestic product fell 0.1 percent in July, which represents the first monthly decline since August 2009 following a relatively strong recovery from the recession. The nation’s manufacturing, retail, wholesale trade, construction and forestry industries all posted declines. Mining increased by 1.1 percent.

In manufacturing, GDP fell 0.7 percent in July as 11 of the 21 major groups in that sector retreated. Construction and real estate also saw declines.—_Xinhua_

**Japan’s consumer prices drop for 18th straight month in August**

Tokyo, 1 Oct — Consumer prices in Japan, excluding volatile fresh food, fell 1.0 percent from a year earlier, marking the 18th straight monthly decline, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications said in a preliminary report on Friday.

The core consumer price index (CPI) stood at 99.1 against the base of 100 for 2005 and the pace of decline in August matched the median market expectation and marked a slight easing from July’s 1.1 percent year-on-year fall. Additionally, the core CPI for Tokyo’s 23 wards in September fell 1.0 percent from a year earlier to 99.2 against the base of 100 for 2005, marking a 0.3 percent rise from the previous month, but down 0.6 percent on an annualized basis, the ministry said.

However, September’s reading beat median market forecasts of a 1.1 percent decline.—_Xinhua_

**China to keep housing price at reasonable, stable level**

BEIJING, 1 Oct — Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao said Thursday that the government will keep housing price at a reasonable and stable level.

Addressing a grand reception marking the 61st anniversary of the founding of the People’s Republic of China, Wen said the nation will improve support for the elderly, medical care and other social security schemes, to allow all the citizens to benefit from China’s economic growth.

Present at the reception were Chinese President Hu Jintao and other senior Chinese leaders Wu Bangguo, Jia Qinglin, Li Changchun, Xi Jinping, Li Keqiang, He Guoqiang, Zhou Yongkang and more than 1,000 Chinese and foreign personalities.

Premier Wen reiterated the country’s adherence to the paths of scientific development, reform and opening-up, and peaceful development.

“China’s development will neither harm anyone nor pose a threat to anyone,” he said, adding that the argument that a strong country is bound to seek hegemony does not apply to China.—_Xinhua_

**Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao addresses the reception to celebrate the National Day at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China, Sept. 30, 2010. China’s State Council (Cabinet) on Thursday held the reception to mark the 61st anniversary of the founding of the People’s Republic of China, which falls on 1 Oct. —Xinhua**
Most men unaware of breast cancer risk in males

WASHINGTON, 1 Oct—Nearly 80 percent of men at higher risk for breast cancer aren’t aware that males can develop the disease, a new study finds, and none of the men surveyed said their doctors had talked to them about breast cancer.

In the study, published in the October issue of the American Journal of Nursing, the researchers surveyed 28 men who were at higher risk for male breast cancer because they had at least one blood relative with the disease on their mother’s side. Seventy-nine percent of the men didn’t know that men could develop breast cancer, and 43 percent said having the disease might cause them to question their masculinity, the survey found.

“This study provides a first step toward an improved understanding about men’s perceptions and knowledge of male breast cancer,” study author Eileen Thomas, an assistant professor at the College of Nursing at the University of Colorado Denver, said in a news release from the journal’s publisher.

“Male breast cancer is uncommon and so has largely been ignored by the media, general population and health care community,” Maureen Shawn Kennedy, editorial director and interim editor-in-chief of the journal, said in the news release. “Still, nurses in all settings need to raise awareness about male breast cancer among men as well as women, especially those men at high risk for the disease.”

Bill would exempt wolves from federal protection

CHEYENNE, 1 Oct—US senators from Wyoming, Idaho and Utah proposed legislation Thursday that would strip federal endangered species protections from wolves in the northern Rockies.

The legislation is the latest in a series of recent bills generally aimed at short-circuiting lawsuits from environmentalists. Much of the environmentalists’ concern has centered on Wyoming, where the state has proposed bills generally aimed at short-circuiting lawsuits from wolves in the northern Rockies.

The legislation would exempt wolves from federal protection from wolves in the northern Rockies.

Wolves were reintroduced in the northern Rockies in the mid-1990s and more than 1,700 live in Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and parts of Oregon and Washington state. “Recovery numbers and science show that wolves no longer need to be on the endangered species list,” said Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo, one of the sponsors.

“States are completely capable of managing wolves on their own without the federal government micromanaging them at every turn,” Enzi said.

World’s oldest high-altitude settlements ‘found in PNG’

Papua New Guinea—archaeologists said Friday.

Researchers have unearthed the remains of about six camps, including fragments of stone tools and food, in an area near the town of Kokoda, said an archaeologist on the team, Andrew Fairbairn.

“What we’ve got there are basically a series of campsites, that’s what they look like anyway. The remains of fires, stone tools, that kind of thing, on ridgetops,” the University of Queensland academic said.

“It’s not like a village or anything like that, they are these campsite areas that have been repeatedly used.” Fairbairn said the settlements are at about 2,500 metres (6,600 feet) and believed to be the oldest evidence of our human ancestors, homo sapiens, inhabiting a high-altitude environment.

“For homo sapiens, this is the earliest for us, for modern humans,” he said.

“The nearest after this is round about 30,000 years ago in Tibet, and there’s some in the Ethiopian highlands at around about the same type of age.”

Camel-crazy UAE using cutting-edge breeding technology

ABU DHABI, 1 Oct—Camel-crazy Abu Dhabi is using cutting-edge camel breeding technology, including embryo transfers and cloning, to reproduce the prized desert beasts that now fetch staggering sums.

At an auction in the desert near Abu Dhabi in February, an Emirati paid 24 million dirhams (6.47 million dollars) for three camels, including one which cost 2.72 million dollars. Known as “ships of the desert” and used since ancient times as four-footed transportation across the sands of Arabia, camels are hugely popular with Gulf residents, but the field of camel biology barely existed three decades ago.

Now the UAE now has the most advanced camel research centres in the world, said Abdul Haq Anouassi, the Moroccan director of the Veterinary Research Centre (VRC) in Sweihan, Abu Dhabi, which breeds camels on a commercial basis and for research.

Research on camel breeding has been driven by the popularity of camel racing in the Gulf and the demand for improved stock, he said.

VRC, which is owned by Sheikh Hamdan bin Zayed Al-Nahayan and Sheikh Hizaa bin Zayed Al-Nahayan, two brothers from the Abu Dhabi royal family, is the only centre to perform embryo transfers on a commercial basis, Anouassi said.

It employs four veterinarians, another researcher with a doctorate, and eight technicians, and is home to 1,500 camels, he said.

Facebook and Skype exploring partnership

BANGALORE, 1 Oct—Social networking website Facebook and Internet telephone company Skype are in talks to establish a partnership that is aimed at integrating their communication services, Wall Street Journal said, citing a person familiar with the situation.

Under the proposed partnership, Facebook users would be able to sign into Skype through their Facebook Connect accounts, the Journal said.

Once signed in, the users would be able to send text messages, voice chat and video chat with their Facebook friends from within Skype, according to the paper. The integrated functions are built into Skype’s 5.0 version, which is expected to be released in the next few weeks, the person told the paper.

Enabling Skype’s voice and video chat on Facebook would be a “logical progression” to the partnership, the person told the paper. Facebook and Skype could not immediately be reached for comment by Reuters.
Esteemed people,

Myanmar citizens who have attained the age of 18 will be going to cast vote in the upcoming elections. The 88 Generation Student Youths (The Union of Myanmar) under my chairmanship will stand for 28 seats in Pyithu Hluttaw, six seats in Amyotha Hluttaw and five seats in State/Region Hluttaw totalling 39.  

Esteemed people,

Our party has adopted the following policies. They are: to emerge of a genuine democracy through national politics on the basis of the concept that the State power rests in the people, emergence of a state practising genuine multiparty democracy system in which political parties with different stances can be set up freely and they are granted to exercise the power, to ensure that every citizen shall enjoy a social system in which equal rights are guaranteed according to their physical and intellectual powers and diligence in taking part in national affairs in accord with the worldly values such as justice, liberty and equality, to create a social system endowed with strong and genuine democratic practice that minority has to adhere to the wish of the majority and the majority has to recognize that of the minority, to stand as an independent sovereign democratic nation in accord with the motto, “National strength lies in the hands of the people”, to build a social system equipped with a strong sense of patriotism and Union Spirit, emergence of a social system that can guarantee free formation of equal rights due to gender discrimination, to shape a social system with full protection from an act of terrorism derived from anarchism, to ensure every citizen is free from harming equal rights due to gender discrimination, to promote multiparty democracy system in which political parties can join the international community with high dignity. Without undermining culture, customs and fine literature and culture of all national races and that of social class, social affairs, religious affairs, economic organizations and sports.  

Esteemed people,

Our party will try to upgrade and update the national political system, economic system, military and defence system, legislative system, administrative system, judicial system, mass media, education, healthcare, land settlement, monetary affairs, environmental conservation and disaster preparedness. 

Short- and long-term plans are to be adopted for implementation of investment, manufacturing, production of energy, trade, services, information and communications, transport, tourism, foreign direct investment. With a view to ensuring the welfare and interests of the citizens, we will encourage free formation of organizations for language, literature and culture of all national races and that of social class, social affairs, religious affairs, economic organizations and sports. 

Esteemed people,

Our party’s motto is “Enduring strength of fighting peacock, set to win victory.” With regard to the party’s flag and emblem, there was a yellow fighting peacock and 14 white stars in the background of red colour. A fighting peacock is at the centre of the flag. Equal size of seven white stars are kept two a row above and under the fighting peacock. Red colour background indicates courage. Fourteen white stars represent the Union of Myanmar where all the national races are residing in unison. Fighting peacock means active endeavours to ward off the destructive acts against the State and the people’s interests, religions, democratization process and human rights and if necessary, they will perform these tasks sacrificing their lives.

Esteemed people,

All the citizens who have attained the age of 18 are to pledge to serve the interests of Myanmar and people, to constantly uplift the prestige and integrity of Myanmar and to improve the living standard securing democracy and human rights after joining the 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar) Party with a view to ensuring national reconstitution, enabling all the citizens to enjoy equal rights in the national politics sector, contributing to peaceful democratic transition process, enabling every citizen to firmly set up a social system for enjoying inborn human rights and democracy rights, wiping out destructive elements for emergence of market-oriented economic system and joining the international community with high dignity.

Esteemed people,

We have to build Myanmar as a multi-party democratic nation. We think that the 2010 election is a milestone that all the Myanmar people have to pass in the change of period. We have steadfastly marched onward along the journey to democratic goal for over 22 years. Although those who participated in the journey have strong spirit, they will not achieve success if the people don’t support their activity. We firmly believe that if the people unanomously support such activities, the democratic nation that we inspire to will emerge and will achieve success in building a democratic nation. As we have marched on towards the goal steadfastly, we can now join hands with the people legitimately. We can see the opportunity to represent the people legally. If the people decisively cast votes for candidates of our party, the 22-year old endeavours can create a meaningful reality. We would like to urge the voter to decisively cast votes for candidates of our party and our brother party Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics in the respective constituencies.

We would like to request the people to make the tick beside the dancing peacock for our brother party. We would like to note that it is an expression of support for the democratic process. May all the Myanmar citizens live together in peace and amity and free from dangers.
International Day of Older Persons observed

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Oct — International Day of Older Persons-2010, observed by Social Welfare Department under the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, was held at the ministry, here, this morning.

Also present were SWRR Minister U Maung Maung Swe.

Minister for Industry-2 U Soe Thein, deputy ministers, departmental heads and officials, UNFPA Resident Representatives Mr. Mohamed S. Abdel-Ahad, residents representatives of the UN agencies, responsible persons of the social organizations, staff and the elderly persons.

In his address, the minister stressed the need to maintain and protect fine traditions of Myanmar culture and extended family system, render assistance to durability of homes for the aged, to make a greater collaboration in home care for the aged in cooperation with the ASEAN countries, to strive for formation of community-based home care services and to focus on role of senior citizens for the success of the UN Millennium goals and transition to a new modern and developed nation.

Next, the UNFPA Resident Representative extended greetings.

The minister presented cash donation for the oldest man and woman and homes for the aged in states and regions to the director-general of Social Welfare Department.

The deputy minister and officials presented cash and kind to the aged.

On behalf of the aged, an elderly person spoke words of thanks.

After the ceremony, the minister and party observed documentary photos to mark the International Day of Older Persons. — MNA

Refresher Course No. (1/2010) for Junior Engineer concludes

YANGON, 1 Oct — The concluding ceremony of Refresher Course No. (1/2010) for Junior Engineer of Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 took place at Central Training School (Hlinethaya) in Hlinethaya Township, Yangon North District today. Chairman of Yangon City Electric Supply Board U Khin Maung Soe gave a speech and Secretary U Maung Maung Latt gave out completion certificates for the trainees through a leader.

A total of 79 trainees attended the 4-week course. — MNA

Certificate in Retail Management Skills course on 9 Oct

YANGON, 1 Oct — The course on certificate in retail management skill, organized by Wise International School for Executives will be conducted from 5 pm to 8 pm on 9 October.

Those wishing to open modern supermarkets, hypermarkets, super centers, convenient stores, department stores, clothes shops and mini-marts should attend the course.

The course will last 10 days and course fee will be K 50,000. Those wishing to attend the course may contact Wise International School for Executives, room 1009, 10th floor, Yuzana Tower, Bahan Township, Tel: 01-556183 and 095157032. Wise International School for Executives conducts the retailing course monthly. — MNA

MDA to hold educative talk

YANGON, 1 Oct — An educative talk of Myanmar Dental Association sponsored by Fame Company will be held at Mindon Hall in Sedona Hotel here at 8 am on 3 October. Dr U Khin Maung Lwin of Fame Company will give talk on Alternative Medicine in Dental Practice. All members and any interested persons may attend the talk. — MNA

Myanmar golf team waves victorious flag

YANGON, 1 Oct — Myanmar selected golf team embraced the victory beating golf giant Thailand in Etiqa ASEAN Cup 2010 golf competition held at Seri Selagon Golf Club in Kuala Lumpur of Malaysia from 21 to 24 October.

Myanmar crew stood first place with total 281 strokes. Thailand finished runner-up with 283 strokes, followed by the Philippines with 291 strokes.

The competition was held in the form of 72 holes stroke play team with two players. First and third days were “four-ball (best ball)” form and second and last day were “foursomes (alternate shots).”

Myanmar swept to victory in the competition which was the new form in ASEAN region. — MNA

Mangrove forest established: Pauktaw Township Fisheries Department organized the collective mangrove plant growing ceremony on the bank of Kweku river in Ward-4, Pauktaw Township on 17 September. — FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, Commander of Triangle Region Command Brig-Gen Than Tun Oo, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Soe Naing, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Transport U Thein Swe, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint and departmental heads. — MNA

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State Peace and Development Council Thihathura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin.
Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe visits local battalions in Yemon Tatmyo, attends ceremony to mark 46th Anniversary MPF Day

YANGON, 1 Oct—Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence yesterday met officers at the office of local battalion in Yemon Tatmyo and visited the battalion.

At the hall, he met servicemen and family members and presented a TV set to them. Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and party looked into progress of construction of No. 3 war veterans model village (Thabeikon) in Hlegu Township. Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe delivered an address at the ceremony to mark 46th Anniversary Myanmar Police Force Day at the hall of Drugs Elimination Museum, here, this morning and presented prizes to the respective winners.

On the occasion were Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than, departmental heads, the commander of Yangon Region Police Force and guests.

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe awarded departmental officials, social organization members and outstanding people. The commander also presented prizes to the respective winners.

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and party viewed round documentary photos on task of Yangon Region Police Force. The commander of Yangon Region Police Force read the message to mark the 46th Anniversary MPF Day sent by the Chief of MPF.

Officials presented prizes to outstanding police members and family members.

Commander looks into progress of roads

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Oct—Chairman of Ayeyawady Region Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Brig-Gen Tin Maung Win on 25 September looked into conditions of Pathein-Maubin-Pyapon road, Pyapon-Mawlamyinegyun road and bridges. After inspecting condition of Maubin-Yaylegale-Shwe- taungmaw-Kyaikpit-Mawlamyinegyun road, the commander heard reports on progress of building bridges. The commander viewed thriving paddy plantations in Mawlamyinegyun. At the local battalion, the commander looked into tasks of agriculture and livestock breeding of family members.

He met servicemen and family members and presented cash assistance to them.

Commander attends opening of Commander’s Shield Boxing Contest

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Oct—Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Brig-Gen Hsan Oo on 19 September attended the opening of Commander’s Shield Boxing Contest in Taunggyi.

On 24 September, he met servicemen and their families at the office of local battalion of Mongpyin Station and presented gifts to them. The commander and party inspected crop plantations and breeding farms at the battalion.

Traffic rules talks in Mawlamyine Tsp

YANGON, 1 Oct—Organized by Mon State Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee, Mawlamyine Township Traffic Police Force organized traffic rules talks at No. 7 Basic Education School in Mawlamyine on 15 September. Members of the committee gave talks on traffic rules.
Loikaw, beautiful city in Kayah State

Article & Photos: Thet Htet Ko (Bawgarmyay)

Recently, we the news crew of Myanma Alin Daily had an opportunity to meet Executive Officer of Loikaw Township Development Affairs Committee U Tun Zaw Chit during the visit to Loikaw for writing bylines on progress of Kayah State.

The Executive Officer explained, “Loikaw Township Development Affairs Committee is making relentless efforts for beautifying the town, supplying potable water to urban and rural areas, upgrading roads and bridges and constructing new ones in financial years.”

Senior Engineer U Aung Kyaw Moe said, “We have completed 52 per cent of urban roads, 79 per cent of rural roads, 53 per cent of urban bridges and 50 per cent of rural bridges in 2010-2011 financial year.”

Together with Junior Engineer (2) U Wai Yan Min Soe, Inspection (Electricity/Road. Indeed, Loikaw has easy access to Taunggyi of Shan State (South) in the north and Dimawhso Township in the south.

The grand clock tower in the downtown can be seen as a monument. The roundabout at the junction of Sithu and Chikel roads is decorated with beautiful landscaping work.

The city is decorated with Myanmar handicrafts. The religious buildings can be seen as significant edifices together with of Taungkwe Pagoda. Departmental buildings, housings and department stores add beauty to urbanizing Loikaw.

We witnessed construction of Hsanban gravel road in Pankan Village. Skilled workers were actively participating in the road construction work with the use of road rollers.

JE-2 U Wai Yan Min Soe said, “We have constructed eight urban gravel roads, three rural concrete bridges and three rural concrete bridges this financial year.”

At Kandayawady Park, we saw the Union Monument decorated with ceremonial bronze drums of Kayah nationals in the centre of the park.

Daw Nan Kyawt Kyawt Yi Yi Aye explained, “The township has Kandayawady and Athonlon Parks. Kandayawady Park has grown 150,000 flower plants and 50,000 shade trees.”

The Township DAC has No. 1 Mongkon water pumping station, No. 2 Ottarayon water pumping station, DawUkhu pumping station and Nankut water pumping station to supply 1.2 million gallons of water to the residents daily.

We visited Kandayawady two-story market near Bilu Creek and Thiri Mingala Market in Lawdhamma Ward.

Loikaw, the city of Kayah State, has city characteristics thanks to concerted efforts of the Township Development Affairs Committee and local people.

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City Hall in Loikaw decorated with Myanmar handicrafts.
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People look at the flood near the landslide-hit Santa Maria Tlahuitoltepec town in Oaxaca state, Mexico.

OAXACA, 1 Oct—A rain-soaked hillside crumbled and crushed an elderly couple in their home Thursday, and rescuers found more bodies buried by earlier landslides, raising the death toll from a series of slides in southern Mexico to at least 32.

In the worst disaster, a mudslide surged into a community in Chiaapa state Wednesday, killing 16 people and injuring 13, while another avalanche claimed three lives in the nearby town of Angel Albino Corzo, federal officials said.

Heavy rains have beleaguered much of Mexico’s south for weeks.

Another landslide Thursday morning in the town of Villa Hidalgo Yalalag in Oaxaca state buried an 80-year-old man and his 68-year-old wife, said Mayor Onesimo Cuervas. Internet

Costa Rica declares state of emergency

SAN JOSE, 1 Oct—Costa Rica’s President Laura Chinchilla signed Thursday a decree of “national emergency” due to the damages caused by the recent heavy rains in the country.

Chinchilla said that with this decree, her government would collect more than 5 billion colones (10 million US dollars) to provide residence to those who lost houses in flooding and landslide.

The money will also be used in infrastructure because 59 highways and roads have been damaged.

The government is also applying a loan of 19 million US dollars from the World Bank to assist these disasters, she added.

Meanwhile, the National Commission of Emergency President Vanessa Rosales said that 133 families had lost their houses and most of them were living in high risk zones.

Internet

Japanese climbers missing in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 1 Oct—Three Japanese climbers and their guide are missing after an avalanche on a mountain in central Nepal, a Nepalese government official said Thursday.

The four were part of an expedition trying to climb Dhaulagiri, considered one of the most difficult and dangerous mountains in the world, when the avalanche struck on Wednesday.

Top Chinese legislator says China still a developing country

BEIJING, 1 Oct—China’s top legislator Wu Bangguo says the country is still a developing country despite remarkable economic growth over the past 30 years.

Wu, chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress (NPC) and also a member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, has made his opinion known in an article in the latest issue of the CPC’s flagship magazine “Qiushi”, which is set to be published Friday.

Though China has registered remarkable economic growth, various structural problems and a growth model heavily reliant on labour and resources still plague the economy, says the memo sent to Xinhua outlining the article’s contents. Wu also stressed in the article that striking divides remain between the urban and rural areas, among different regions, and between economic growth and social development.

Additionally, while Chinese people in general lead a moderately well-off life, there is still a sizable number of people living under the poverty line or who are paid poorly.

Xinhua

Heavy rain results in deaths in US

WASHINGTON, 1 Oct—Heavy rain drenched the US east coast on Thursday, causing accidents and at least five deaths. The rain is estimated to last until Friday night.

The National Weather Service on Thursday said heavy rains are expected along the east coast through Friday, associated with a northward stream of tropical moisture ahead of and with the remnants of Tropical Storm Nicole.

Flood and flash flood watches were in effect from South and North Carolinas north through much of New England. As the rain pours, North Carolina is the hardest hit, with Jacksonville drenched in 300 mm of precipitation. Elsewhere in the state, the Highway Patrol says five people were killed when the vehicle they were traveling in skidded off a road and into a water-filled ditch.

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Two climbers and a sherpa were airlifted from the 8,167-metre (26,795-foot) Himalayan peak — the seventh highest in the world — and two other climbers stayed at their camp, but rescuers were unable to find the other four men. “We sent a helicopter up this morning to search for the missing four,” tourism ministry official Baburam Bhandari told AFP.

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**HK finds meat samples fail safety check**

**HONG KONG, 1 Oct —** Hong Kong’s Centre for Food Safety on Wednesday said nine meat samples were found with sulphur dioxide, a preservative forbidden in fresh, chilled or frozen meat. Pork, beef and mutton samples were collected for tests in July and August and most of it can be removed through washing and cooking, according to a spokesman for the center.

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**Mexico City, 1 Oct —** Mexican marines on Wednesday captured 30 suspected Gulf cartel members and seized an arsenal of weapons during two days of raids in a northern border state torn by drug gang battles, officials announced. The troops seized more than 50 guns, two shoulder-fired rocket launchers, 21 grenades and ammunition. The 30 suspects, including one woman, were paraded before reporters at an air base in Mexico City, handcuffed and flanked by masked marines in black-and-white combat gear. They were lined up in front of a helicopter, the arsenal of weapons laid out in front of them.

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**Mexico artists perform traditional Libyan dance in front of the Libya Pavilion in the Shanghai World Expo Park in Shanghai, east China, on 29 Sept, 2010.**

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**Oh look: there’s a mouse in my bread**

**LONDON, 1 Oct —** It was hard to explain, that dead mouse baked into a loaf of bread. British officials have released the photo which proved that Stephen Forse wasn’t kidding when he claimed to find the wee creature while making sandwiches for his children. Forse, who bought the bread from a supermarket in 2009, said on Monday he first thought a dark spot in the bread — branded Best of Both — was some poorly mixed dough. Then he noticed it had fur. The case wound up in court. Premier Foods pleaded guilty to violating health laws, and was fined 16,821 pounds ($26.470) on Friday. Forse says his gruesome discovery made him feel ill, and he felt sick again when health officers noted that the mouse’s tail was missing, perhaps already eaten in a sandwich.

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**Family charged over lottery theft**

**ONTARIO, 1 Oct —** Police in Canada are searching for the rightful owner of a 12.1 million dollar (£7.4 million) ticket after charging a family with stealing the jackpot. Ontario provincial police Inspector Bill Price said a man and his son and daughter allegedly stole a Super 7 ticket from the retail store where they worked in Burlington, Ontario, after a customer cashed in a winning ticket in 2003. Police said the family had allegedly been actively stealing lottery tickets from customers and claim the father gave the ticket to the daughter to claim the prize. The scandal-plagued Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corp has been under scrutiny for several years in connection with insider wins.

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*The logo of the Windows 7 operation system seen in 2009. Microsoft plans to unveil smartphones using the latest version of its Windows operating system on October 11 which will be sold exclusively by AT&T, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday.—Internet*
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Man City test mettle against Juve in Europa draw

PARIS, 1 Oct—Manchester City kept Juventus at arm’s length in Europa League Group A after a 1-1 draw between the sides on Thursday, while Liverpool and holders Atletico Madrid also recorded draws. City fell behind in the 11th minute when a long-range effort from Vincenzo Iaquinta took a deflection off Kolo Toure and fizzed past Joe Hart, but the hosts drew level eight minutes before the interval with a goal of real quality. Yaya Toure picked up possession in the centre of the pitch and slid a beautifully weighted pass through to Adam Johnson, whose first touch caught Alex Manninger flat-footed and allowed him to toe the ball into an unguarded goal.

Ancelotti to face Arsenal despite father’s death

LONDON, 1 Oct—Chelseaman Carlo Ancelotti is set to be pitchside for the Premier League leaders’ match at home to London rivals Arsenal on Sunday despite the death of his father. Giuseppe Ancelotti died in Italy on Wednesday with his son at his side and the funeral has now been scheduled for Saturday.

“Everyone at Chelsea sends our deepest condolences to Carlo and his family. They are all in our thoughts,” said a statement on the club’s official website, www.chelseafc.com.

France leave out Toulalan for Euro qualifiers

PARIS, 1 Oct—France coach Laurent Blanc on Thursday recalled midfielders Samir Nasri and Yoann Gourcuff to the squad to face Romania and Luxembourg in Euro 2012 qualifiers on 9 and 12 October. Saint-Etienne winger Dimitri Payet, who has scored seven goals since the start of the season, was rewarded for his fine form with a first call-up, but there was no place in the squad for Lyon’s Jeremy Toulalan.

Giggs rules himself out of Wales job

LONDON, 1 Oct—Ryan Giggs ended speculation he might become the next Wales manager on Thursday by insisting he intends to concentrate solely on his career as a footballer with Manchester United. The Welsh winger did not rule out the possibility of one day taking charge of the national side but said now was not the time. Giggs’s name has been in the frame ever since Toshack quit as Wales boss at the start of this month. Former Manchester United star Mark Hughes took on the Wales job while still playing for Southampton but, with United in the Champions League, Giggs has no intention of following that example.

Schiavone squeezes through to Pan Pacific semi

TOKYO, 1 Oct—Fifth seed Francesca Schiavone took over three hours to beat Kaia Kanepi of Estonia in the quarter-finals at the Pan Pacific Open women’s tennis tournament on Thursday. The French Open champion, ranked eighth in the world, had to come back from a service break down in the first two sets before scoring 7-5, 4-6, 7-5 victory over Kanepi, the world number 25. Top seed Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark progressed after Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland abandoned the match at 5-0, while eighth seed Victoria Azarenka of Belarus made quick work of American qualifier Coco Vandeweghe, 6-2, 6-1.

Germany boss expects ‘away’ game at home to Turkey

BERLIN, 1 Oct—Germany coach Joachim Loew is concerned next week’s Euro 2012 qualifier against Turkey in Berlin could be an away game for his side given the amount of Turks living in the German capital. “I can imagine it will be like that,” Loew told Berlin newspaper B.Z.

“I was at the Euro 2000 qualifier in 1999 at Munich as a spectator and it was similar. “Many Turks live in Berlin and it is expected that at least half of the fans will be Turkish, but my team can handle that.” The game will be held at Berlin’s Olympic Stadium next Friday with both unbeaten sides on maximum six points in Group A after two matches.

Woods, Stricker paired for Ryder Cup start

NEWPORT, 1 Oct—Good thing for the Americans the Ryder Cup ultimately comes down to golf shots, not style points. US captain Corey Pavin, his voice unsteady at the opening ceremony on Thursday, introduced the 11 players on his squad and was about to sit down when he realized each team had 12 to a side. He overlooked Stewart Cink, one of his captain’s picks.

Then came the lineups for the opening session, with Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker in the third slot. It was the first time since 1999 that Woods was not in the first match, leading European captain Colin Montgomerey to suggest the Americans were trying to hide him. Leading off for the Americans in fourballs is Phil Mickelson and Dustin Johnson, a big hitter whose driver broke on the range.

Seven players from English clubs set for US friendlies

CHICAGO, 1 Oct—Thirteen World Cup players, seven from English Premier sides, were among 20 named on Thursday to the United States roster for upcoming football friendly matches against Poland and The Americans. Outaged by Ghana in the round of 16 in South Africa last June, will face Poland at Chicago on 9 October and meet Colombia in suburban Philadelphia on 12 October. US coach Bob Bradley went with a largely Europe-based unit for the matches because Major League Soccer is in the final weeks of its playoff chase, so Los Angeles Galaxy star Landon Donovan is not among those in the lineup.

Etverton’s Tim Howard and Aston Villa’s Brad Guzan were named as goalkeepers. Other Premiership players are Fulham teammates Clint Dempsey and Eddie Johnson, West Ham’s Jonathan Spector, Villa’s Eric Lachay and Bolton’s Stuart Holden. Villarreal striker Jozy Altidore is back from the World Cup along with Michael Bradley and Steve Cherundolo. Also chosen were Carlos Bocanegra of French leaders Saint-Etienne, Maurice Edu of Everton, Edouard Trezeguet, and Feyenoorder Jimi Jamieson, who has five goals in his past three matches for Danish side Aalborg.

USA goalkeeper Tim Howard (L) and forward Jozy Altidore

Fans in the sell-out crowd cheered and clapped wildly for Nadal, who has won the last three majors, and the popular Spaniard also met Thai Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva, the pair exchanging gifts. “The first round is for sure never easy,” said Nadal.
Ten injured as UN flood relief helicopter crashes in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Oct—At least 10 aid workers including three foreigners were injured as a United Nations flood relief helicopter crashed into a lake in Pakistan’s southern Province of Sindh on Friday morning, local media reported.

According to the rescue operation chief, Zubair Ahmed, the crash was due to technical problems. Rescue teams have been sent to the crash area and rescue work is underway.

No further details are immediately available. Xinhua

Chinese peacekeeping soldiers hold a singing contest at their battalion base in southern Lebanon on 30 Sept, 2010, to celebrate the 61st anniversary of the founding of the People’s Republic of China.—XINHUA

Weather outlook for first weekend of October

During the coming weekend, rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Nay Pyi Taw, Mandalay and Yangon Regions.
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Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

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

People’s Desire
- We favour peace and stability
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VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Officials oversee construction of village libraries in Lashio, Muse Districts

Chairman of Union Election Commission U Thein Soe meets members of Election Subcommission at different levels in Yangon Region.—MNA

Yangon, 1 Oct—Chairman of Union Election Commission U Thein Soe and members met with members of Subcommissions at different levels in Yangon Region at National Theatre on Myoma Kyaung Road in Dagon Township here this morning.

Also present at the meeting were member of UEC Yangon Region in-charge Dr Tin Aung Aye and members of UEC Dr Daw Myint Kyi and Daw Khin Hla Myint, Chairman of Yangon Region Subcommission U Ko Ko, Chairmen of District/Township Subcommissions and members and officials concerned.

On the occasion, Chairman of UEC U Thein Soe delivered an opening speech and heard reports by Chairman of Yangon Region Subcommission U Ko Ko on electoral work and by Chairman of Yangon East District Subcommission U Khin Maung Kyaw, Chairman of Yangon West District Subcommission U Aung Myo Myint, Chairman of Yangon South District Subcommission U Myat Soe and Chairman of Yangon North District Subcommission U Aung Khine on electoral work being carried out.

The chairman and members of UEC together with the Chairmen of Yangon Region Election Subcommission and the District/Township Subcommissions viewed demonstration on casting votes at polling station No. 1, 2 and 3 in Ward 3 of Latha Township in Yangon West District.

The trainees of Journalism course (1/2010) organized by Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association and media persons observed the demonstration.—MNA

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