**Electoral process explained in Zabuthiri Township**

* NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct—Chairman of Zabuthiri Township Election subcommission in Nay Pyi Taw District U Thein Tun and members met polling station officers, deputy polling station officers and 380 members from Pyinnyatheiddhi, Wunnatheiddhi, Thukhatheiddhi, Nyanatheiddhi and Balatheddhi wards of the township at the respective gathering points on 10 October. They made clarification on electoral process there.

**Taninthayi Region achieving development in leaps and bounds**

* Article & Photos: Tekkatho Ko Latt

Taninthayi Region located in southern coastal area of Myanmar has 16736 square miles of area.

The 522 miles long coastal region is stretching from the area that shares border with Mahlwe Hill in Mon State and Dawei District to Bayintnaung Cape in Kawthoung. The Region is home to over 1.6 million population of various national races.

Before 1988, Taninthayi Region was formed with Myeik and Dawei Districts. At present, the region has three districts by adding Kawthoung District as a new one. Although the Region had 10 townships in the past, there are 16 townships at present.

The Region has reclaimed about 900,000 acres of farmlands and irrigated over 20,000 acres of farmlands by implementing 10 river water pumping projects, damming 322 creeks and dredging drains. In the past, Kawthoung had faced shortage of water. Now, the local people are enjoying sufficient water thanks to Yinwah Dam. Likewise, Thayetchaung Township and villages have undertaken generating hydropower on a manageable scale. Kyunsu Township has operated generating of Kattu hydropower project and a total of 10 island villages were installed with hydropower generators in 2009.

As Taninthayi Region is blessed with favourable weather, fertile soil and sufficient water, the government encouraged it to grow oil palm with a motto “Taninthayi Region must be oil pot of Myanmar” for satisfying edible oil demand of increasing population. Over 277,120 acres of land have so far been put under oil palm against the target of 500,000 acres. Crude palm oil mills have been established in many areas. The crude oil is transported to Yangon to prepare it at oil refinery. The plan is under way to extend over 700,000 acres of oil palm plantations. As such, palm oil imported in the past can be produced at home.
**Perspectives**

**Myanmar, Thailand to boost bilateral trade**

Being immediate neighbouring countries, Myanmar and Thailand share the same borderline and have similar cultures, customs and traditions.

So, bilateral relations and friendship, mutual understanding and cooperation in various sectors are improving. Owing to reciprocal visits of State leaders, the two countries deepen cooperation in regional affairs and friendly ties.

The goodwill delegation led by Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand Mr Abhisit Vejjajiva was on a visit to Myanmar the other day at the invitation of Prime Minister U Thein Sein.

Head of State Senior General Than Shwe received the Thai delegation at Zeyathiri Beikman in Nay Pyi Taw. The meeting focused on exchange of views on boosting bilateral friendship and cooperation.

The Thai prime minister also called on Prime Minister U Thein Sein at Zeyathiri Beikman in Nay Pyi Taw. They cordially discussed matters on maintenance of strengthening bilateral friendly relations, the rule of law in the border areas, and further cooperation for stability, peace and development along with economic and technological cooperation, increasing trade and investment, and tourism industry promotion.

Trade and investment between Myanmar and Thailand are on the increase, thus yielding fruitful results. It is, therefore, believed that the goodwill visit led by Thai Prime Minister Mr Abhisit Vejjajiva will improve not only bilateral friendly ties but also cooperation for mutual interests.

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**Book “Diabetes” in circulation**

**Yangon, 12 Oct**—The book “Diabetes” by Professor U Nay Win (Medicine) came out in Yangon today.

The book is divided into nine sections — causes; associated problems and diseases; treatment; diabetes and diet; diabetes and exercise; diabetes test; subsequent problems; and emergency; and general facts about diabetes.

The book is distributed by Aryon Thit Book Centre at 365-367, Bogyoke Aung San Street, Pabedan Township, Yangon (Ph: 01-241263, 250199). MNA

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**Transport Minister inspects Thandwe Airport**

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct—Minister for Transport U Thein Swe went to Thandwe Airport in Rakhine State yesterday and inspected the airport’s services and extended construction there.

The minister called for cleanliness, security and good services of the airport. Director of the Department for Civil Aviation U Kyaw Soe reported to the minister on progress of work on upgrading and extending of the runway and installation of communication equipment at the airport.

During the visit, the minister inspected the terminal, runway, departure lounge and air traffic control tower. — MNA

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**Conference of MMA’s Rehabilitation Unit on 15-16 Oct**

**Yangon, 12 Oct**—The seventh conference of Rehabilitation Unit of Myanmar Medical Association (Central) will be held at auditorium (A) of MMA from 9 am to 4 pm on 15 and 16 October.

Physiotherapists, doctors, medical students, nurses, artificial limb and brace experts, those interested may attend the conference. Those wishing to attend the conference may register at prosthesis Physiotherapy unit (outpatient department) of Yangon General Hospital from noon till 4 pm on 13 and 14 October and at the auditorium (A) of MMA on Theinbyu Road, Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon during 8 am to 8:30 am on 15 October.

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**Calsome cereal game competition held**

**Yangon, 12 Oct**—Myanmar Distribution Group Co Ltd-Calsome Quaker organized Family Challenge competition at City Center here on 1 October.

Dream Boat group managed the games.

The remaining games will be held at Ocean (East Point), Sein Gay Har (Parami), Sein Gay Har (Pyay Road), Junction Centre Maw Tin and Orange Supermarket (N-Okkalapa).

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**Fire engine on donation in Maubin Tsp**

**Yangon, 12 Oct**—Ayeayawady Bank Family held a ceremony to donate fire engine to Maubin Township in Maubin District, Ayeayawady Region on 10 October.

On the occasion, Chairman of Maubin District Peace and Development Council U Aye Thaung extended greetings and Deputy Director U Kyi Win of Fire Services Department (Lower Myanmar) presented fire-service tasks.

Director U Wai Lin Tun of Ayeayawady Bank Family and Member Dwe Aye Theingi Than handed over documents related to the donation through the Deputy Director. — MNA

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**Funfair of Calsome cereal in progress**—MNA
Nato helicopters breach Pakistani airspace again

ISLAMABAD, 12 Oct—NATO helicopters violated Pakistan’s airspace Tuesday morning near Chaman border area in the southwest Balochistan Province, local media reported citing official sources.

According to details, two NATO helicopters flew 200 metres inside Pakistani territory and returned after creating panic and fear among the border area residents, official sources added.

The NATO helicopters continued flights inside Pakistani territory for 20 minutes and had entered through “Bab-e-Dosti” or the Friendship Gate area on Pakistani-Afghanistan border, local media reported.

This is the second violation of Pakistani airspace by NATO gunship choppers within a week, official sources said.

Insurgent IED kills three civilians in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 12 Oct—An insurgent-placed improvised explosive device (IED) killed three civilians and seriously wounded a child in southern Afghanistan’s Zabul Province on Monday.

A press release issued by the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said the wounded child was medically evacuated from southern Afghanistan’s Zabul Province on Monday.

According to details, the blasts occurred at a village near Ghan-e-Shah chain of the Zabul district in Zabul Province, south of Kabul.

An Afghan man with mental health problems is chained in a mud room at the Mia Ali Baba shrine, in line with a traditional belief that the shrine can cure the illness, in Jalalabad 8 October, 2010. Afghanistan is struggling to fight the mental health problems that afflict an estimated two thirds of its population after decades of violence, the country’s health ministry said on Sunday, World Mental Health Day.—INTERNET

Six Iraqis killed in bomb attacks

KABUL, 12 Oct—Two people were killed and 10 others sustained injuries as a chopper of NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) crashed in east Afghanistan on Tuesday, a press release of the alliance said.

“Ten people were wounded and two killed after an explosion onboard an International Security Assistance Force helicopter that had just landed in eastern Afghanistan today,” the press release added.

The helicopter was on the ground when an explosion of unknown origin occurred, it further said. However, it did not mention the exact place of the incident and the nationalities of those aboard.

Initial reports indicate there were 26 people onboard the aircraft, the press release said. The landing site has been secured by Afghan and ISAF soldiers and the cause of the explosion is under investigation, the press release emphasized.—Xinhua

Roadside bomb kills four Afghan civilians in southern province

QALAT, 12 Oct—Four civilians were killed and two others sustained injuries as a roadside bomb struck civilian car in Zabul Province south of Afghanistan, Mohammad Jan Rasoulyar, the spokesman for provincial administration, said on Tuesday.

“A civilian car ran over a mine in Shahjoy District Monday evening as a result four travelers were killed and two others injured, all innocent civilians,” Rasoulyar told Xinhua.

He blamed Taliban militants for planting the mine, saying the insurgents often organize roadside bombings to harm both civilians and security personnel. Taliban militants have yet to make comment.—Xinhua
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Brazil eyes microchips in trees for forest management
NOVA MUN, 12 Oct—A chainsaw buzzes, branches snap, and an Amazon tree crashes to the ground. It could be just one of the thousands of trees felled each year in Brazil’s portion of the world’s largest forest except for one detail: a microchip attached to its base holding data about its location, size and who cut it down.

With a hand-held device, forestry engineer Paulo Borges pulls up the tree’s vital statistics from the chip — a 14-meter-high (46-foot) tree known as “mandiocao” cut down in Mato Grosso state, the southern edge of the Amazon where the forest has largely been cleared to create farmland.

It is only a small pilot project, but leaders say the microchip system has the potential to be a big step forward in the battle to protect the Amazon.

The chips allow land owners using sustainable forestry practices to distinguish their wood from that acquired through illegal logging that each year destroys swathes of the forest.—Reuters

Ascent Solar passes key reliability test, shares soar
BANGALORE, 12 Oct—Ascent Solar Technologies Inc, a developer of thin-film photovoltaic modules, said it passed a key performance and long-term reliability test that would give it larger market opportunities, pushing its shares to a 26-week high.

The US solar modules maker said it received full IEC 61646 certification after passing a battery of tests conducted by an independent laboratory.

The IEC prepares standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies.

Thorton, Colorado-based Ascent said the certification “opens the door for an aggressive push into building integrated photovoltaic (BIPV) and building applied photovoltaic applications for use in commercial, industrial and residential rooftop markets.”

BIPVs, which companies like Ascent and Energy Conversion Devices Inc make, can be built into the structure of a building.

Given their unobtrusive nature, BIPVs were once touted as the next big thing in solar power, but have so far not taken off as expected.

The company’s shares, which have been topsy-turvy this year, were up 41 percent at $4.79 Monday morning on Nasdaq.

Reuters

Illegally logged timber, which has been confiscated, is floated down the Guam.

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Health

Geron tests stem cell treatment on patient

NEW YORK, 12 Oct—Geron Corp has begun testing an embryonic stem-cell treatment on a patient with spinal cord injuries, marking the first time such a medical therapy has been used on a human in a government approved study.

The company said it enrolled the first patient in the early stage study, which will look at the safety of the treatment and how well the patient can tolerate it. The patient was enrolled at Shepherd Centre, a spinal cord and brain injury rehabilitation centre in Atlanta, one of seven potential sites in the United States. In order to participate, a patient must have been injured within the previous two weeks.

“When we started working with human embryonic stem cells in 1999, many predicted that it would be a number of decades before a cell therapy would be approved for human clinical trials,” Dr. Thomas B Okarma, Geron’s president and chief executive officer, said in a statement.

While a milestone in the technology, the drug candidate is still a long way from being proven and reaching the market.

Health Tip: Is earwax a problem?

Earwax protects the ear from dirt and other foreign particles. It may not cause any medical issues and doesn’t always have to be removed.

On the other hand, if your child is complaining of a problem that relates to earwax, the Nemours Foundation offers these suggestions:

* If earwax causes discomfort, gently clean the ear with a washcloth.
* Earwax that is causing pain should be examined and treated by a doctor.
* Never attempt to remove earwax at home with an object such as a cotton swab into the ear canal in an attempt to remove earwax.
* An ear infection may be treated with antibiotic drops.—INTERNET

Students learning abroad increase drinking

SEATTLE, 12 Oct—Students who go abroad while in college are likely to increase in alcohol intake while they’re away, a new study has found.

Drinking increased most dramatically in Europe, Australia and New Zealand, the study by researchers at the University of Washington found. Students reported drinking more when they perceived their fellow travelers were drinking more heavily, and those who planned to make drinking part of their cultural immersion did so.

The study published in the current issue of Psychology of Addictive Behaviors looked only at drinking habits of students who went abroad from the University of Washington, but UW graduate student Eric Pedersen said he would expect to get similar results at other universities.

“I don’t think this is just a UW problem,” said the psychology student, who noted, however, that his study sample included more women than the national average for studying abroad and the students he looked at were more diverse ethnically than the national average.—INTERNET

Business

Oil falls below $82 as stock market rally wanes

SINGAPORE, 12 Oct—Oil prices fell below $82 a barrel Tuesday in Asia as a global stock market rally stalled ahead of several key corporate earnings results.

Benchmark oil for November delivery was down 61 cents to $81.60 a barrel at midday Singapore time on electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract lost 45 cents to settle at $82.21 on Monday.

Oil broke out of a yearlong trading range in the $70s last month fueled by a jump in equities and a falling US dollar, but it’s struggling to hold above $80. The Dow Jones industrial average was little changed Monday, most Asia stock indexes dropped Tuesday while the euro was steady against the dollar.

“With equities staying flat, oil has lost its fizzle,” Sander Capital Advisors said. “The price of oil could easily fall back below $80 a barrel.”

Investors will be watching closely for clues about the strength of the US economy in results this week from Intel Corp, JPMorgan Chase & Co and General Electric Co as quarterly earnings season heats up.

In other Nymex trading in November contracts, heating oil was down 2.6 cents to $2.154 a gallon. Natural gas dropped 2.6 cents to $3.575 per 1,000 cubic feet.

In London, Brent crude slid 49 cents to $83.32 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.—INTERNET

China raises bank reserve ratio for some banks

SHANGHAI, 12 Oct—China’s central bank has ordered six lenders to temporarily increase the amount of money they must keep in reserve to rein in lending and combat rising inflation, state media said Tuesday.

The People’s Bank of China on Monday hiked the reserve requirement ratio for the six lenders by 50 basis points to 17.5 percent for two months, the China Securities Journal said, citing unnamed sources.

The six banks include the four major state-owned lenders — Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, China Construction Bank, Agricultural Bank of China and Bank of China, the report said. The other two lenders are China Merchants Bank and China Minsheng Banking Corp, it said.

It is the fourth time this year that China has raised banks’ reserve requirement ratio and comes after new lending in September “significantly exceeded regulators’ expectation”, an unnamed source was quoted as saying.

The move is also in response to rising inflation, the source said, which rose at the fastest pace in nearly two years in August, as severe floods and unusually hot weather destroyed crops, driving up food prices.

The four major lenders extended more than 200 billion yuan (30 billion dollars) in new loans last month while the nation’s total lending in September may have reached 500 billion yuan.

Beijing has set a full-year loan target of 7.5 trillion yuan for 2010 after a record 9.6 trillion yuan was lent last year following calls by the government to help support the economy during the global downturn.—INTERNET

An oil rig extracts crude in California. Oil prices fell slightly on Monday after the US dollar rose and as attention switched to the OPEC oil producers’ cartel which holds its latest output meeting this week.—INTERNET

A night view of the Hong Kong skyline. Too much light at night appears to lead to weight gain, according to a report released Monday, based on studies of mice that provide fresh clues on obesity.—INTERNET
Chinese aerospace delegation to visit Indonesia

Jakarta, 12 Oct— Chinese aerospace delegation will visit Indonesia on Wednesday to enhance cooperation on space technology between the two countries, a Chinese official said here on Tuesday. During the visit on Oct. 13-17, there would be several supporting activities.

Liu Cheng, director of press division of China’s Manned Space Engineering Program Office, told reporters that the visit is aimed to celebrate 60 years of diplomatic ties and Friendship Year between the two countries. “The visit is also very important for experience exchange in the field of aerospace. This will have a big effect to enhance our relationship,” said Liu.

Toto Marnao Kadi, head of Aerospace Electronics and Technology Center at the Indonesia’s National Institute of Aeronautics and Space (LAPAN), said that the visit could encourage Indonesians, especially youths who love aerospace technology, to learn more about the technology. “It also could increase cooperation between the two countries,” said Kadi.

Ratih Dewanti Dimyati, LAPAN director of Cooperation and Public Relation Bureau, said that this would be the first time for the Chinese aerospace delegation to visit Indonesia where they could share their experience.

WLS journalist training programme opens in Beijing

BEIJING, 11 Oct— A training program for young journalists, organized by the World Media Summit (WMS) secretariat members, opened in Beijing Monday.

Eleven Asian and African journalists with media organizations such as Kenya News Agency, Cameroon News and Publishing Corporation, and Berita National Malaysia will participate in the five-day training programme. Senior professionals from Xinhua News Agency, Reuters, AP, Itar-Tass, BBC, CNN, News Corporation, and ITAR-Tass’s Beijing bureau chief Andrey Kizilov described the programme as necessary and timely.

Many journalists told Xinhua it was their first trip to China and first experience of such training programme.

The program would provide journalists from developing nations a better understanding of China’s progress since its opening to the outside world in 1979, and a platform for future exchanges.
ESTEEMED NATIONAL PEOPLE,

The consequencesless fall on you and may all of you enjoy healthy soul and body.

I am Vice-Chairman U Kyaw Tun Khaing of Mro or Khami National Solidarity Organization who will compete a seat in State Hluttaw of No (2) Constituency in Kyauktaw Township in Rakhine State. Our organization has nominated nine candidates for three Hluttaws – seven from Rakhine State and two from Paletaw Township in Chin State. I would like to thank the Union Election Commission for allowing me to present our policy, stance and work programmes on State-run radio and televisions. I am proud of it.

ESTEEMED NATIONAL PEOPLE,

I would like to introduce the historical background of Mro (or) Khami national race as many among the public will still have no idea about our national race.

According to words from elders, lyrics, tales and stories in our own language, Mro (or) Khami moved to Tibet Plateau from West Majhima Region crossing Himalayas mountain ranges. From Tibet to Assam and Manipur, then the Mro (or) Khami reached Kyaukpantaung and Nilarpantaung, called as “Kimar” in its own language, about 10 miles east of Paletaw in southern part of present Chin State. Some of them spread to regions upstream and downstream of Kıpandji (Kaladan) River and along Laymyo River and some of them reached East Pakistan (Bangladesh).

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The very early human beings lived in caves and then in a compound within seven fences out of the cave with the permission of the elders because of the growing population, the outbreak of diseases and the disputes among the cave dwellers. The practice of living in the place bounded by seven fences is so called in Mro (or) Khami language as “Muarasaka-aldek”. “Maru” became “Maro”, and then “Mro”. It does mean the people who lived in the place surrounded by fences. And then the national race refers itself as Khami (human being) of which origin is “Khawmunt”.

MRO (OR) KHAMI NATIONAL SOLIDARITY ORGANIZATION PRESENTS ITS POLICY, STANCE AND WORK PROGRAMMES

The translation of his presentation is as follows:-

(1) To actively take part in stability and development undertakings of the nation.

(2) To safeguard cultural traditions, culture and unity.

(3) To cooperate with all national races for flourishing of genuine democracy.

(4) To systematically set up businesses and enterprises across the Union of Myanmar according to geographical features of the regions.

(5) To occasionally cooperate with other political parties that have common views and work programmes.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT OF HEALTH, SOCIAL AND EDUCATION SECTORS OF NATIONAL BRETHREN OF OUR REGION, STATE AND THE COUNTRY.

We will strive for all-round development of our region, state and country. Development of a particular region means development of a part of the Union. The next one I would like to mention is Union Spirit. It is vitally important for every one in the Union to have strong Union Spirit regardless of the place they reside.

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Thank you everybody!

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NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct — Vice-Chairman of Mro (or) Khami National Solidarity Organization U Kyaw Tun Khaing presented party’s policy stance and work programmes on radio and TV on 12 October. The symbol of our party is king crow.
Nay Pyi Taw, 12 Oct—Chairman of Sagaing Region Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Brig-Gen Soe Lwin on 1 October heard report on tea growing in Falam District submitted by the district agriculture manager at tea plantations of all departments in Falam Township, and inspected thriving plantations. He then met officers and other ranks and their families and presented foodstuff, medicine and stationery to them at local battalion in Falam. He also viewed thriving tea plantations of the battalion.

At Haka Township local battalion, he met officers and other ranks and their families and gave away foodstuff, medicine and stationery to them.—MNA

Taninthayi Region achieving development...

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The Region grew 435556 acres of monsoon, 10472 acres of summer paddy, 202743 acres of rubber, 35124 acres of pepper and other crops.

As disease prevention and treatment for animals is being undertaken, Taninthayi Region has increased breeding of animals four times benefiting the meat sector. The coastal region has gained development momentum of marine fishery industry. At present, the region is engaged in breeding of fish and prawn. The region is undertaking 269 fish ponds and 821 ponds of prawn. Taninthayi Region earns over 700 million US dollars through exporting fish and prawn yearly.

To ensure smooth transport of commodities, roads and bridges have been constructed as networks in Taninthayi Region linking with other States and Regions. Taninthayi Region has 522 miles and four furlongs long road including 464 miles long Yangon-Dawei-Myeik-Taninthayi-Bokpyin-Kawthoung Union road. So far, the region had constructed over 757 miles long roads including asphalt and other extended roads in March 2010.

The Region has been facilitated with 14 large bridges of above 180 feet long, 16 bridges of less than 180 feet long, nine wharves, four airports in addition to Dawei Airport, the runway of which is being extended up to 12000 feet and four highway bus terminals.

Especially, Kyweku-Kyaukphya Bridge is 3612 feet long leading to the mouth of Myeik sea. The 102.38 miles long Ye-Dawei railroad has been inaugurated. Construction of the 150 miles long Dawei-Myeik railroad started in 2009. As such, the railroads of Nay Pyi Taw-Yangon-Mawlamyine and the Ye-Dawei-Myeik will be direct routes in the near future. In addition, Dawei Deepseaport will be main course for linking the western and the eastern parts of the world.

In the communication sector, the Region has increased the area of cell phones and telephones. In the Region, 53 facsimiles, six computerized telegraph offices, 50 post offices, 20140 telephone lines, 20931 direct lines, 14150 CDMA mobile phones, 5000 GMSs and 19 internal microwave stations, facilities of Internet, e-mail and ADSL lines. GSM mobile phone stations have been opened in Myeik, Dawei and Kawthoung in 2009.

The Region produced 694 tons of tin, 170 tons of tin mixed tungsten, 76293 tons of coal and 241,800 mommie of pearl. In addition, the Region is striving for producing over 200,000 pieces of pearl yearly.

Sub-printing House (Myeik) was opened on 23-3-2008 to deliver newspapers to the region. In 2009, a total of 17 TV re-transmission stations, 17 Information and Public Relations Departments and libraries were opened in the Region. Moreover, two arts and science universities, two technological universities, two universities of computer studies, colleges and institutes and 200-bed general hospitals have emerged one after another in the region.

Despite encountering slow development before 1988, Taninthayi Region has now achieved remarkable progress similar to that of other States and Regions.

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Nay Pyi Taw, 12 Oct—Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar U Nyan Win received Mr Kazuya Shinba, member of the House of Councilors of Democratic Party of Japan, at the ministry here today. At the call, both sides discussed promotion of bilateral relations between Myanmar and Japan.

Also present at the call were Director-General U Kyaw Tin of Political Department, officials of the Ministry. The visiting member of the House of Councilors of Japan was accompanied by Colonel Yuji Saito, Defence Attaché and officials of Japanese Embassy.—MNA
**Commander inspects flood-hit areas as flood recedes in Mandalay**

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct — Chairman of Mandalay Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Brig-Gen Ye Aung went to some flooded wards in Mandalay and assisted in providing relief aids to the flood victims.

From 8 to 12 October, the commander went to the low-lying areas which were submerged due to torrential rain and also met with the flood victims at temporary shelters.

The commander gave relief aids to the residents from the low-lying areas of Pathemyingyi and Chanmyathazi townships.

He inspected the low-lying areas while the flood was receding today and went to Pyaythazen Township Election Commission Office where members of the Tatmadaw and police force presented relief aids donated by wellwishers to the residents from the flooded areas. During the inspection tour of flood areas today, the commander also comforted the residents staying at the homes as the flood water had receded.—MNA

**English proficiency course concludes at SWRR Ministry**

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct — The English proficiency course No. 2 of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement concluded at the ministry, here, 8 October. Minister for SWRR U Maung Maung Swe presented completion certificates to the trainees.

He presented prize to an outstanding trainee. Altogether 38 trainees attended the 12-week course.—MNA

**UMFCCI Vice-President receives Japanese guests**

Vice-President U Zaw Min Win of UMFCCI receives International Operation Division General Manager Mr Hiroshi Suguta of Eitochu Cooperation and party.—MNA

**CPT Minister visits staff quarters**

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct — Minister for Communications, Posts and Telecommunications U Thein Zaw went to the low-lying areas staying at the homes as the flood water had receded.—MNA

**Hospitality Management Course in Nov**

YANGON, 12 Oct — Star Resources Hospitality Management Academy will conduct International Hospitality Management Course in November.

This course is intended for those who want to serve at management level in hotels, restaurants, hospitality industry at home and abroad and to run own hotels, restaurants and coffee shops. The five-month course covers management subjects such as people resource, sale & marketing, front office, food & beverage and house keeping. Those interested may register at Star Resources Hospitality Management Academy, Building (267), Room (302), Pyay Road, Myenigon, Sangyoung Township, Tel: 01-525623, 523200, 4412256 and 099020302.—MNA

**Six wounded in train collision in Bago Township**

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct — A Yangon-Shwenyaung up cargo train awaiting for a shunt was collided from the back by Yangon-Mandalay up mail train at Htongyi Station in Bago Township at about 5.40 am yesterday, leaving six passengers injured.

Of the six victims, one is now in Yangon General Hospital and two, in Bago General Hospital for treatment. Officials also provided assistance for the remaining three victims with slight injuries.

The train schedules resumed this afternoon.—MNA

**Fire preventive measures inspected at Tatkon Myoma Market**

NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct — U Aung Khant, Head of Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee of Tatkon, together with U Kyaw Kyaw, Head of Township Fire Services Department and officials concerned, inspected fire preventive measures at Tatkon Myoma Market in Tatkon in Nay Pyi Taw District this evening. They inspected the shops to make sure they use fire systematically.—MNA
The Secretary-General message on the International Day for Disaster Reduction

13 October 2010

Biggest, deadliest, worst ever. We have seen those words in the headlines too often this year. We have used them about earthquakes, floods, hurricanes and forest fires, about loss of life and income. Those words are likely to be heard for years to come, as the climate changes and hazards multiply. To complicate the picture, just as weather patterns have altered, so has human society. We are more urban. If earthquakes, floods or storm surges were deadly in the past, they are deadlier still in an increasingly urbanized world. Many cities are on the coasts, vulnerable to storms, inundation and sea level rise. More than a billion people in Asia live within 100 kilometres of the sea, and two-thirds of the population of Latin America and the Caribbean live within 200 kilometres. Too many people live on flood plains, others above earthquake fault lines. Some settle downstream from treeless areas, with little buffer against the elements. The risk of disaster quietly accumulates. And, while natural hazards menace everyone, the poor are by far the most vulnerable.

On the positive side, we are learning to cope. Today, on the International Day for Disaster Reduction, we recognize what local governments and communities are doing to protect themselves while building more sustainable towns and cities.

Last May, the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction launched a global campaign called “Making Cities Resilient.” More than 100 cities, with nearly 110 million residents, have signed up to the “Ten Essentials” – actions that will make communities safer from disasters. The role models with good practices include Albay Province in the Philippines, Hyogo Prefecture in Japan, Bangkok, Bonn, Mexico City and Mumbai.

The Ten Essentials translate broad ideas about sustainable cities into workable solutions. They recommend that governments assign a budget Treasury for everyone – rich and poor alike – and that they invest in risk assessment, training on disaster risk reduction, ecosystem protection, and early warning systems. City planners must also tackle the principal sources of risk in urban areas: poor governance, planning and enforcement. Decision-making should be inclusive and participatory and the principles of sustainable urbanization must be embraced and upheld, especially for the benefit of people living in slums and informal settlements.

Reducing disaster risk is everybody’s business, and needs everyone’s participation and investment – civil society and professional networks as well as municipal and national governments. On this International Day for Disaster Reduction, I commend those cities that are acting to build resilience to climate, environmental and social risks. And to all others I pose this question: Is your city ready? —UNISDR

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Tropical Storm Paula threatens Honduras, Mexico

This NOAA satellite image taken on 11 October, 2010 at 01:45 PM EDT shows clouds associated with an area of low pressure in the Caribbean Sea. The system currently has a high chance of tropical storm development and spreads heavy rains and thunderstorms over Nicaragua, Honduras, Belize, the Yucatan Peninsula, the Cayman Islands, and western Cuba.—INTERNET

TEGUCIGALPA, 12 Oct—Honduran emergency officials urged coastal residents to evacuate low-lying areas Monday, and Mexico issued a hurricane warning as Tropical Storm Paula battered the Caribbean coast with strong winds and rain.

Paula formed Monday of Honduras and was expected to develop into a hurricane by Tuesday, said the National Hurricane Centre in Miami, Florida.

It had winds of 70 mph (110 kph) and was centered about 90 miles (140 kilometres) east-northeast of Isla Guanaja, Honduras, the center said.

Paula is expected to dump from 3 to 6 inches (8 to 15 centimetres) of rain in eastern Honduras, the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico and northern Belize, it said.

The government of Mexico issued a hurricane warning for the country’s Caribbean coast from Punta Griesa north to the resort city of Cancun and the island of Cozumel.

Warnings are issued when hurricane conditions are almost certain to occur. Belize issued a tropical-storm watch for its coast.

The Honduran National Emergencies Commission issued a tropical-storm warning for the coastal provinces of Gracias a Dios, Islas de la Bahia, Colon, Atlantida and Yoro.

The commission also warned of possible flooding and landslides and suggested residents avoid fishing trips or engaging in water sports.—INTERNET

Unemployed find old jobs now require more skills

WASHINGTON, 12 Oct.—The jobs crisis has brought an unwelcome discovery for many unemployed Americans: Job openings in their old fields exist. Yet they no longer qualify for them.

They’re running into a trend that took root during the recession. Companies became more productive by doing more with fewer workers. Some asked staffers to take on a broader array of duties that used to be spread among multiple jobs.

Now, someone who hopes to get those jobs must meet the new requirements.

As a result, some database administrators now have to manage network security.

Accountants must do financial analysis to find ways to cut costs.

Factory assembly workers need to programme computers to run machinery.

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Chesapeake Energy floor crew are seen in operation at a natural gas well in Fort Worth, Texas. Drilling in urban areas in the texan city has been a contentious issue between councils, local residents, large land holders and influential energy companies with objections to heavy truck traffic, road destruction, noise and waste water removal. —INTERNET

New York holds Columbus Day Parade

NEW YORK, 12 Oct.—Tens of thousands of people and more than 100 bands and floats joined the 66th annual Columbus Day Parade on Monday in New York. The Fifth Avenue of New York was lined with red, white and green as more than 35,000 people and 100 bands and floats marched through during the parade.

The crowds celebrated this day with high spirits as Christopher Columbus was the man who introduced the lands of America to the world in 1492.

Though the holiday primarily honours the discovery of America, the Columbus Day Parade is also the world’s largest celebration of Italian-American culture and heritage.

Former Mayor Rudy Giuliani and New York gubernatorial candidates Andrew Cuomo and Carl Paladino — all Italian-Americans — attended this year’s parade.—Xinhua

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Don’t Smoke
Final rescue of Chilean miners to begin Wednesday

SAN JOSE MINE, 12 Oct—The operation to lift out 33 miners trapped for over two months in northern Chile will kick off early Wednesday, Mining Minister Laurence Golborne said Monday. The rescue is scheduled to begin just after Tuesday midnight when a driller diggins a tunnel toward the miners is removed. Golborne said at a press conference at the San Jose copper mine. “So if we are in conditions of starting the rescue, we will do it,” he said. A China-made crane is lowering down a special capsule into the tunnel to reach the miners 622 metres underground, and will lift out the capsule carrying one miner each time. It will take an estimated 48 hours to pull all miners out. Golborne said a test on the Fenix One Capsule, which will carry the miners and has arrived 610 metres deep, was successful, adding the rescue team is “optimistic,” because “from the technical point of view, the rescue is advancing well.”

He said after testing the capsule and the reinforcement of the tunnel, rescuers are setting the needed mechanisms to lift the capsule, adding the capsule had a good performance during the test, as there was even no dust falling.—Xinhua

Train accident kills six, injures 60 in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 12 Oct—Six people were killed and 60 others injured by a train when they came to attend a meeting near the Mulibari rail cross in Bangladesh’s Sadar sub-district of Sirajganj District, 134 km northwest of capital Dhaka, Monday afternoon, according to the private news agency UNB. Witnesses were quoted as saying by UNB that the Dhaka bound train ploughed through a crowd at about 3 pm local time when they gathered near the Mulibari rail cross to attend a meeting of the main opposition party Bangladesh Nationalist Party, leaving six people dead. Twenty six of the injured were rushed to the Sadar hospital and various clinics. Condition of the 10 injured people was stated to be critical. Agitated people set the whole train on fire soon after the incident and also severely beat up the train driver and its guard. A contingent of police and the Rapid Action Battalion rushed in and fired blank shots to drive away the mob.——Internet

Gangsters kill eight policemen in N Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 12 Oct—Eight policemen have died in a checkpoint in Sonora, a state on northern Mexico’s Pacific Coast, during an attack launched by some 30 armed gangsters, officials said Monday. Those killed included six state police officers and two city policemen from the port city of Culiacan, officials from the state attorney’s office (PGJ) were quoted by local newspaper El Universal as saying. Three other police officers suffered life-threatening wounds. At the time, the policemen were making routine stops at the checkpoint on the Culiacan-Las Brias Highway, as part of the government’s efforts to deploy soldiers and police to search for the killers in the area close to Guamuchil, a nearby city to which witnesses reported the gunmen had fled. The incident took place a day after the bodies of eight men, all killed in execution style, were found in the state. Mexico has been carrying out a fierce campaign to crack down on drug traffickers, a war that began in 2006 Dec within days of Felipe Calderon taking over as president. At least 28,000 people have died since then, according to official data.——Xinhua

French hospital searched after bomb alert

PARIS, 12 Oct—A hospital in central Paris was searched on Monday night by the police after a bomb alert was reported, local media reported. The hospital called the Hotel-Dieu in the fourth arrondissement of Paris, where the famous Notre Dame Cathedral was located, was reported of bomb alarm near 9:00 p.m. The Paris public hospital system told local reporters the information and said no evacuation was ordered. Though there was no reports of evacuation, the hospital area was cordoned off by police, local media said. Since mid-September, France has recorded a series of bomb alerts in or near Paris, all turned out to be fake alarm in the end. However, the government has raised the vigilance level to red, the penultimate to the scarlet alarm in the end. However, the government has raised the vigilance level to red, the penultimate to the scarlet alarm in the end.

The United States and Japan also issued travel alarm to their expatriates or nationals in Europe, especially in France.—Xinhua

Drought emergency declared in Brazilian Amazon

BRASILIA, 12 Oct—A state of emergency has been declared in 21 municipalities of Brazil’s Amazon as a severe drought has affected some 40,000 families there since early August, local press reported on Monday. According to the Amazonas state government, transportation of six tons of humanitarian food aid to the affected area began this week, but it has been slow due to low levels of rivers that prevented large vessels from navigating. “The boats cannot navigate, and then the transportation can only be done by canoe. In some places, people were running out of food,” said Anisso Saturnino, representative of one of the municipalities under emergency rule. Besides the lack of food, many people are suffering intestinal problems caused by poor water quality. Ane Alencar, geographer and researcher with the Amazon Institute for Environmental Research (IPAM), said the drought affecting the Amazon is an extreme weather event resulting from El Nino, which occurred in late 2009 with its fallout being felt this year.—Xinhua

A damaged bus sits on a highway after a road accident in Simpang Ampat, 100 km (60 miles) south of Kuala Lumpur on 10 Oct. 2010. At least 12 people were killed and 73 injured in a massive accident involving two buses and three cars at a highway in the Malaysian central state of Negeri Sembilan Sunday night.—Xinhua

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30-year-old death under investigation

DARWIN, 12 Oct—Authorities in Australia are going to take another shot at establishing the cause of death of a baby girl whose parents said she was killed by a dingo in 1980. The death of 10-week-old Azaria Chamberlain near Uluru (Ayers Rock) in Australia’s Northern Territory was at the centre of one the nation’s most sensational trials when her parents were charged, convicted and then eventually cleared in her death. In the 30 years since Azaria’s death, three coroner’s inquests, a trial, two appeals and a royal commission have all failed to put the matter to rest. Azaria’s body has never been found and her death certificate still lists the cause of death as unknown.

The latest efforts by the Chamberlains focus on establishing that a dingo, an Australian wild dog, took the child while the family visited the rock monolith in central Australia. — Internet

Greek container ship collided with Cypriot tanker in North Sea

SCHIEVENINGEN, 12 Oct—A Greek tanker carrying aviation fuel collided with a Cypriot container ship at around 0700 Tuesday morning, leaving a hole leaking fuel from the tanker, local media reported.

The situation is under control, the report said.

The collision happened 30 kilometers west of Schieveningen, a very small town famous for its beautiful beach.

There are 25 people on board the tanker and 12 on the container ship, nobody were injured.

Airplane crashes in eastern Nepal

KATHMANDU, 12 Oct—A Dornier airplane crashed in landing at the Lukla Airport in Solukhumbu district in eastern Nepal, nearby Mt. Qomolangma base camp, on Tuesday morning.

According to eKantipur.com report, 11 people on board including the pilot and the crew members survived the crash.

It has been reported that the airplane, owned by Sita Air, took off from the capital Kathmandu for Lukla.

The airplane’s front part has been completely damaged.

Four killed in one-car crash in Quebec

DORDUMONDVLE, 12 Oct—A car careened into a tree on a curve in Quebec province early on Sunday, killing four people inside, police said.

Police identified the dead as driver Carl Francouer-Ouettele, 22, Alexandre Jutras, 18, Gabriel Savoie, 19, and Jean-Benoit Pelletier, 18, all of Drummondville.

At least two of the victims were stuck in the vehicle and had to be extricated by firefighters using special tools, police said.

Police said the driver of the vehicle was travelling at a high speed.

An investigation is under way.

Vehicle blast likely vandalism

LOS ANGELES, 12 Oct — Los Angeles police say they are investigating what appeared to be vehicle vandalism at a bus depot early Tuesday when a bus crashed head-on with a truck in central Poland, police said.

The incident occurred on a local road near Nowe Miasto, some 80 km south of Warsaw, capital of Poland. Cause of the accident is under investigation.

Emirates flight makes emergency landing in India due to technical snag

NEW DELHI, 12 Oct — A Dubai-bound international flight of the Emirates airlines Tuesday made an emergency landing at the Kochi airport in the southern Indian state of Kerala, after it developed a technical snag after take-off, a senior official said.

“The Koch-Dubai Emirates flight with 205 passengers and 14 crew on board took off from the Nedumbassery airport at 04:30 am but made an emergency landing at Kochi airport 30 minutes later, after the pilot spotted a hydraulic system failure,” the official said.

The plane was immediately taken to the parking bay for a thorough inspection and the passengers have been shifted to a hotel, the official added.

17 people killed in bus-truck crash in central Poland

WARSAW, 12 Oct—Seventeen people were killed and another one injured early Tuesday when a bus crashed head-on with a truck in central Poland.

The accident occurred on a local road near Nowe Miasto, some 80 km south of Warsaw, capital of Poland. Cause of the accident is under investigation.

Collision between minibus, train kills 32 in E Ukraine

KIEV, 12 Oct—As many as 32 people were killed on Tuesday morning when a minibus collided with a train in the Dniproprov-tsk region in eastern Ukraine, local media reported.

In addition, four others were seriously injured.

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**Women had 77 cats living in two cars**

Two women have been cited for animal cruelty in Vermont after police found 77 cats living in two cars.

The Bennington Banner reports that prosecutors will consider whether to upgrade the civil citations to criminal charges against 54-year-old Regina Millard and 61-year-old Bertha Ryan, both of Troy, NY.

Police say one of the cats was found dead in the trunk of one of the cars Friday.

Plates of food were inside and some of the cats had fecal matter matted to their fur. Bennington Police Chief Paul Doucette says the women owned two of the cats and were apparently looking for homes for the rest.

Police investigated after someone complained about seeing people sleeping in the cars with the cats.

A telephone number for a Regina Millard in Troy was not in service, and a number for a Bertha Ryan rang unanswered.

**Rhys Ifans cast as villain in new ‘Spider-Man’**

Los Angeles, 12 Oct—Rhys Ifans is playing the bad guy in the next “Spider-Man.” But the filmmakers aren’t saying which character he’ll be.

Sony Pictures announced Monday that Ifans, widely known as a comedic actor in such films as Julia Roberts and Hugh Grant’s “Notting Hill,” will co-star as the villain in the superhero adventure due out 3 July, 2012.

The studio’s announcement notes that the “filmmakers prefer to not reveal which character Ifans will be playing.”

The Marvel Comics vaults are loaded with villains that Spider-Man has taken on over the decades.

Whoevers winds up playing Ifans will be up against Andrew Garfield, who stars as Peter Parker, the ordinary youth transformed by the bite of a mutant spider into the web-slinging superhero.—Internet

**Washington man escaped while handcuffed**

A 26-year-old Washington state man managed to escape from a Department of Corrections car while handcuffed. Police aren’t just looking for him. They also want him to be charged with stealing the handcuffs.

The Daily News of Longview reports that Eric Mitchell Lair was arrested on 1 Oct on a felony warrant. He was handcuffed behind his back, but still was able to open the door of the car that was taking him to Cowlitz County jail and run off.

Officers from several agencies searched the area but couldn’t find him, and a judge issued a warrant Thursday for his arrest on suspicion of first-degree escape. Police say the handcuffs are valued at $29, and stealing them would constitute third-degree theft.

**Pirate rap station interrupts broadcasts in Fla**

Listeners of two South Florida radio stations got a surprise when their Christian and classical music was interrupted with rap and profane language. On Thurs-day, A authorities found out why: A pirate radio station was using a nearby frequency.

The Broward County Sheriff’s Office says the illegal signal came from a Lauderdale Lakes home where an aspiring rapper had attached a laptop, audio mixer and computer to a large antenna.

The station called itself Trap Radio and was using a frequency in between Christian and classical music broadcasts. Listeners called the licensed stations to complain.

Mikhail Rhodd has been charged with unauthorized transmission or interference with public or commercial radio. He could not immediately be reached for comment.

**Freeman to receive American Film Institute honour**

Los Angeles, 12 Oct—The American Film Institute is honouring Morgan Freeman with its Life Achievement Award.

AFI says the 73-year-old Oscar winner will receive the award in June.

AFI chair Sir Howard Stringer calls Freeman “an American treasure” who brings a calm authority to his roles, “whether playing a prisoner, a president or God.”

Freeman has received many awards throughout his career, including the Kennedy Centre Honour in 2008.

Freeman can next be seen in the thriller “Red.” He is the 39th recipient of the AFI Life Achievement Award.

**George Michael released from jail after four weeks**

LONDON, 12 Oct—George Michael has regained his freedom.

The wayward singer was released from jail Monday after serving almost four weeks for driving under the influence of drugs.

Michael thanked those who had supported him while he was jailed and said outside his north London home: “I just want to start again.”

The former Wham! singer received an eight-week sentence on 14 Sept for crashing his car into a tree.

The musician, whose hits include “Faith” and “Freedom,” also received a 1,250 pound (about $2,000) fine and lost his driver’s license for five years.—Internet

**Sobieski Vodka, Mary-Louise Parker arrives at the Sobieski Vodka-sponsored premiere of ‘RED’ at Grauman’s Chinese Theatre in Los Angeles on Monday, 11 Oct, 2010.**

INTERNET

London photo shop in July while high on prescription drugs and marijuana.

The judge ordered Michael to serve four weeks of the sentence in prison and the rest on parole.

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In this photograph taken by AP Images for Sobieski Vodka, Mary-Louise Parker arrives at the Sobieski Vodka-sponsored premiere of ‘RED’ at Grauman’s Chinese Theatre in Los Angeles on Monday, 11 Oct, 2010. Internet

British singer George Michael outside his house in Highgate, London, after being released from prison, on 11 Oct, 2010. Michael, 47, was freed from Highpoint Prison in Suffolk after serving four weeks for crashing his vehicle whilst under the influence of cannabis. The former Wham! star, whose real name is Georgios Panayiotou, was jailed on 14 September.

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**Liu Wei wins the final of China’s Got Talent, at Shanghai Stadium. Liu’s arms were amputated from the shoulders at age 10 after he was electrocuted while playing hide-and-seek with his friends and is now appearing in Chinese talent show Dragon TV’s ‘China’s Got Talent.’**

Three-time world champion at 2002 and 2003, Liu Wei, 17, is the second person to be crowned champion of Dragon TV’s ‘China’s Got Talent’ show.

A participant rides in a self-made flying craft during the annual Red Bull Flugtag (Flight Day) event in Bucharest on 19 September, 2010. Teams compete to build a craft capable of flying the furthest without the use of an engine.
Top guns hope to avoid Euro 2012 slip-ups

PARIS, 12 Oct — Holders Spain join fellow Euro giants England, Germany and France in hoping to avoid major slip-ups Tuesday following largely positive respective starts to Euro 2012 qualifying.

Having carried on from where they left off in winning a maiden World Cup by taking six points from their opening two fixtures, Vicente Del Bosque’s Spain will look to keep that form going against Scotland in Glasgow. — Internet

FIFA studying goal-line technology proposals

PARIS, 12 Oct — World football’s ruling body FIFA are currently pondering over a raft of proposals that could finally end years of goal-line controversy.

FIFA initially asked 17 companies to submit proposals for goal-mouth technology that would allow referees to determine, almost immediately, whether the ball has crossed the goalline.

According to the International Football Association Board (IFAB) on Monday, only 13 different submissions were made to FIFA by the end of last week.

FIFA general secretary Jerome Valcke said here Monday that FIFA would seek to create a system that could alert the referee as soon as the ball crossed the goalline, for example via a transmitter “on his watch”. — Internet

Holloway touchline ban for ref rant

LONDON, 12 Oct — Blackpool boss Ian Holloway has been given a one-match touchline ban after an altercation with officials during his team’s 2-1 defeat by Blackburn last month, the Football Association confirmed on Monday.

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Holloway, who admitted a charge of improper conduct, had raged at match officials for allowing Brett Emerton’s injury-time winner which he believed was off-side as well as an apparent foul in the build-up.

Blackpool’s English manager Ian Holloway seen here in September 2010, has been given a one-match. — Internet

LA stadium developers seek World Cup

LOS ANGELES, 12 Oct — Developers of a new NFL stadium on a hilly strip of land east of Los Angeles are sketching out plans for a second high-profile use for the venue: World Cup soccer.

Architects for Majestic Realty Co. said Monday they were tweaking the design of the stadium to incorporate field measurements and bleacher configurations based on guidelines from World Cup organizer FIFA, which wants a width of 68 meters (75 yards).

The news came amid possible competition from sports and entertainment powerhouse AEG, which is deciding whether to build a stadium in downtown Los Angeles to hire an NFL franchise. Dan Meis, principal stadium architect for AEG, said Monday they were tweaking the design of the stadium to incorporate field measurements and bleacher configurations based on guidelines from World Cup organizer FIFA, which wants a width of 68 meters (75 yards).

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Contador’s lawyers face uphill task in doping case

PARIS, 12 Oct — Alberto Contador advances a host of claims, from contaminated meat to questionable laboratory practices, to explain why he shouldn’t be punished for testing positive at this year’s Tour de France for the banned performance-enhancer clenbuterol. But closer scrutiny of his arguments suggests that his lawyers could have a very hard time getting the three-time Tour champion off the hook.

Here are some reasons why: Contador says the only possible explanation is that a few mignon he ate was contaminated by clenbuterol and that is why minute traces of the drug showed up in his urine. It is true that farmers in Spain, where Contador says the meat was bought, and other countries are known to have used the drug to bulk up animals and that dozens of people fell ill because of clenbuterol-tainted meat in Spain and elsewhere in Europe in the 1990s. — Internet

Brazil beat Ukraine in friendly match

DRESDEN, 12 Oct — Brazil made it three wins out of three for new coach Mano Menezes here on Monday as they beat Euro 2012 co-hosts Ukraine 2-0 in an international friendly watched by just 13,000 spectators in a ground with a 33,000 capacity.

The Brazilians — who are rebuilding after their disappointing World Cup where they went out in the quarter-finals beaten by the Netherlands — scored a goal in each half through full-back Dani Alves and AC Milan striker Alexandre Pato. — Internet

New tennis number one Wozniacki wins China Open

BEIJING, 12 Oct — Denmark’s Caroline Wozniacki celebrated her new world number one ranking on Monday by dethroning injured American superstar Serena Williams as the WTA’s can superstar Serena Williams as the WTA’s No. 1.

The Dane looked tentative at the start of the match, which was postponed from Sunday due to heavy rain. She looked especially vulnerable on the forehand side, giving Zvonekova several free points on misses and falling behind 3-1.

But she stormed back to take the next five games and the set, unleashing ferocious cross-court backhands and keeping the 26-year-old Russian off balance by changing up her baseline game.

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Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark returns a shot against Vera Zvonareva of Russia in the women’s singles. — Internet

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Brazil’s Paolo celebrates scoring during the friendly international football match between Ukraine and Brazil. — Internet

Stewart wins, while Johnson pads lead at Fontana

FONTANA, 12 Oct — Tony Stewart figured the only way to work his way back from a big hole to start the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship was to ship away.

He took one small step last week by finishing fourth at Kansas and took a huge one at a place where he had never won before.

Stewart vaulted five spots in the Chase standings by pulling away from points leader Jimmie Johnson on a late restart on Sunday to win at Auto Club Speedway for the first time in 19 career starts.

Stewart’s still 107 points back in the Chase, but it’s a lot better than where he was just a day before. — Internet

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Blackpool’s English manager Ian Holloway seen here in September 2010, has been given a one-match. — Internet

Singapore businessman to renew Liverpool bid

LONDON, 12 Oct — Singapore billionaire Peter Lim is to make a renewed bid for ailing English Premier League giants Liverpool by offering to buy the club for more money than the Americans preferred by the club’s board the BBC claimed on Monday.

Lim, who made his fortune in fashion, logistics and agri-business, thought he was the preferred option to buy the club off the unpopular American owners Tom Hicks and George Gillette the BBC citing sources close to the Singapore businessman claimed.

However, Liverpool chairman Martin Broughton announced last Wednesday that Liverpool would instead be sold to John Henry’s New England Sports Ventures for $300 million pounds. — Internet

For Sale’ sign pictured above a shop, opposite Liverpool Football Club’s Anfield Stadium. — Internet

Brazil beat Ukraine in friendly match

DRESDEN, 12 Oct — Brazil made it three wins out of three for new coach Mano Menezes here on Monday as they beat Euro 2012 co-hosts Ukraine 2-0 in an international friendly watched by just 13,000 spectators in a ground with a 33,000 capacity.

The Brazilians — who are rebuilding after their disappointing World Cup where they went out in the quarter-finals beaten by the Netherlands — scored a goal in each half through full-back Dani Alves and AC Milan striker Alexandre Pato. — Internet

Stewart wins, while Johnson pads lead at Fontana

FONTANA, 12 Oct — Tony Stewart figured the only way to work his way back from a big hole to start the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship was to ship away.

He took one small step last week by finishing fourth at Kansas and took a huge one at a place where he had never won before.

Stewart vaulted five spots in the Chase standings by pulling away from points leader Jimmie Johnson on a late restart on Sunday to win at Auto Club Speedway for the first time in 19 career starts.

Stewart’s still 107 points back in the Chase, but it’s a lot better than where he was just a day before. — Internet

New tennis number one Wozniacki wins China Open

BEIJING, 12 Oct — Denmark’s Caroline Wozniacki celebrated her new world number one ranking on Monday by dethroning injured American superstar Serena Williams as the WTA’s can superstar Serena Williams as the WTA’s No. 1.

The victory in Beijing by the 20-year-old Wozniacki — who has dethroned injured American superstar Serena Williams as the WTA’s top player — came as sweet revenge for her loss to Zvonekova in the US Open semi-finals.

The Dane looked tentative at the start of the match, which was postponed from Sunday due to heavy rain. She looked especially vulnerable on the forehand side, giving Zvonekova several free points on misses and falling behind 3-1.

But she stormed back to take the next five games and the set, unleashing ferocious cross-court backhands and keeping the 26-year-old Russian off balance by changing up her baseline game.

This file photo shows cyclist Alberto Contador speaking during an interview. — Internet

Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark returns a shot against Vera Zvonareva of Russia in the women’s singles. — Internet

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This file photo shows cyclist Alberto Contador speaking during an interview. — Internet
Police van destroyed in ambush in SW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 12 Oct—A police vehicle was destroyed in an ambush Tuesday morning in Hazar Ganji area in the outskirts of provincial capital Quetta in the southwest Balochistan Province, local police said.

No casualties were reported in the hand grenade attack on the police van, police sources added.

The frequency of attacks on law enforcement personnel has increased many folds during this year. Over a dozen policemen were killed and several others were injured in different attacks on police and paramilitary Frontier Corps personnel in Quetta and its suburbs.

Different ethnic Baloch separatist groups often choose sabotage as favorite means of demonstrating their unhappiness over policy issues and to press their demands.

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8:40 am 10. International News
8:45 am 11. Musical Programme
7:00 pm 2. “ASEAN” Programmes
7:15 pm 3. International Science News
7:25 pm 4. Melody Tunes (Sogya Pyawshin
Tay Thansin)
8:00 pm 5. Evening News
8:15 pm 6. Weather Report
8:20 pm 7. Traditional Boxing
6:45 pm 8. Htetmyet Pyawshin Einhtuangshin (Quiz)
7:05 pm 9. Ratha Pawlwin Thaytesaung Lwin Pyin (Character Contest)
7:40 pm 10. How to cast Vote (Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayone)
8:00 pm 11. News
8:10 pm 12. Talks of the Political Parties (Repeat)
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15:00 pm 15. TV Drama Series
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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

Low pressure at Bay of Bengal
NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct—According to observations at (17:30) hrs M.S.T today, low pressure was found at central part of Bay of Bengal, said the Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA

Dokehtawady at 903 cm in Myitnge
NAY PYI TAW, 12 Oct—According to the (12:30) hr M.S.T observation today, the water level of Dokehtawady River at Myitnge is 903 cm. It may remain above its danger level 870 cm during the next 24 hrs commencing noon today.

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (12-10-2010)

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ECEXPhoto shows extension of tarred road between mile post No.13/1 and 13/2 of Pyawbwe-Ywamon-Natmauk-Kanbya (Magway) Road.

National Development and Peace Party, Mro (or) Khami National Solidarity Organization present their policies, stance and work programmes