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Four political objectives

* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
* National reconsolidation
* Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
* The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

* Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
* Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
* Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Myanmar has experience to ensure better-than-past life in disaster-hit areas

***Prime Minister U Thein Sein presents relief aids for storm victims in Pauktaw Township.*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Nov— Accompanied by Maj-Gen Hla Min of the Ministry of Defence, ministers, deputy ministers and departmental heads, Prime Minister U Thein Sein left here by air on 22 November evening and arrived in Sittway of Rakhine State at 3.50 p.m.

The Prime Minister was welcomed by Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Brig-Gen Soe Thein and state/district/township level departmental officials.

The Prime Minister together with Maj-Gen Hla Min, the commander, ministers, deputy ministers and departmental heads arrived in Pauktaw by helicopter from Sittway the following day.

First, the Prime Minister inspected progress of construction of fishing boats for fishermen in storm-stricken regions and fishing nets.

At Basic Education High School in Pauktaw, the Prime Minister and party looked into repairing the school. After asking about academic matters in meeting with the headmistress and teachers, the Prime Minister stressed the need to adopt education system that can contribute towards emergence of human resources needed for establishment of an industrialized nation in accord with the State's objectives.

Next, the Prime Minister met townselders, departmental officials, members of social organizations at the office of township Peace and Development Council.

After hearing reports on rehabilitation works presented by the Pauktaw Township PDC chairman, the Prime Minister attended to the needs and presented relief aids for storm victims in Pauktaw Township.

As the local people are residing in the area adjacent to the sea, they should be vigilant against dangers of natural disasters, take preventive measures against natural disasters, and pay attention to weather forecasts broadcast by the State.

True patriotism

* It is very important for everyone of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
* Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Then Ministers U Maung Maung Swe and U Thein Swe presented clothes, tarpaulins and foodstuff to responsible persons.

The Prime Minister cordially greeted townselders, departmental officials and Pauktaw Township representatives-elect.

The Prime Minister and party flew to Myebon and viewed rehabilitation works from the helicopter.

On arrival at the temporary timber shop of Myanma Timber Enterprise, the Prime Minister oversaw supplying timber for reconstruction of storm-ravaged religious buildings and houses.

***Prime Minister U Thein Sein inspects fishing boats provided by Rakhine State Fisheries Department in Myebon Township.*—MNA**

Next, the Prime Minister and party inspected low-cost housing and construction of fishing boats by Rakhine State Fisheries Department for rehabilitation of fish firms.

The Prime Minister looked into construction of temporary warehouse for WFP and advised responsible persons to provide foodstuff, personal goods and medicines which are essential for storm victims.

At BEHS in Myebon, the Prime Minister met the headmaster and teachers and urged teachers to

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PERSPECTIVES

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Nurture youths to become brilliant ones

Nowadays, all the countries throughout the world are trying to become modern and developed by applying their technological, financial and natural resources as well as human resources in all aspects.

Innovative measures and capability of qualified human resources are the main factors in achievement of developed nations. So, in shaping the future nation, it is necessary to nurture the new generation youths to become reliable ones for the State.

Myanmar is gaining sound foundations in political, economic and social sectors. It is our duty to build more infrastructures and create more opportunities through the power of national education. At present, the 30-year long-term national education promotion plan is under implementation.

Efforts are being made for every citizen to have easy access to basic education. Urban and rural areas are enjoying the learning opportunity on equal terms. Local youths in various regions have the opportunity to learn vocational education of their choice. Basic education schools are striving for emergence of the centres that will contribute to development of the regions.

Education does not stop in the classroom but influences day-to-day routine of the people. Teachers are to nurture students not only to become the educated but also to be outstanding persons in the human society.

Teachers out of their goodwill are to teach new generation youths to become qualified human resources. It is necessary to equip the youths with the spirit to adore and value traditional culture and customs, and nationalistic spirit. In consequence, the outstanding youths who can strive for development of human society will emerge in the new nation continuously.

People's Desire

* **Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views**
* **Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation**
* **Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State**
* **Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy**

Mines Minister visits 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Nov—Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint looked into the sales of jade lots at Mani Yadana Jade Hall of the Gems Museum, here, this morning.

The minister viewed sales of jade lots through tender system, sales of jewellery at the shops, and tasks of the central committee and subcommittees and greeted local and foreign gem merchants.

Today, a total of 1583 lots of jade were sold through tender system.

The central and subcommittees open their offices on the second floor of the museum for convenience of the merchants.

On the 8th day of the emporium, gem merchants viewed jade lots, and jewellery shops were crowded with merchants.

Officials opened the tender boxes and inspected sealed tenders.

Jade lots will be sold through tender system tomorrow morning, and competitive bidding sales of jade lots commenced tomorrow afternoon.—*MNA*

***Local and foreign merchants observing jade lots.*—MNA**

U Paw Lwin Sein accredited New Zealand

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov—The Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar has appointed U Paw Lwin Sein, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Union of Myanmar to the Commonwealth of Australia, concurrently as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Union of Myanmar to the New Zealand.

MNA

ASEAN-China Youth friendship camping kicks off

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Nov — A ceremony to open the ASEAN-China youths friendship camping under "Cultural Trail From China to ASEAN" was held at Myayeiknyo Royal Hotel in Bahan Township here today.

To mark the 15th ASEAN-China dialogue partnership, the youths friendship camping is scheduled from 18 November to 3 December in Thailand, Myanmar and the People's Republic of China. Myanmar has hosted the youths camping from 23 to 28 November in Yangon.

***D-G of ASEAN Affairs Department U Tint Swe making speech at opening of ASEAN-China youths friendship camping.*—MNA**

***Youth representatives and officials from ASEAN and China pose for documentary photo.*—MNA**

Director-General of the ASEAN Affairs Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs U Tint Swe delivered an opening speech, and on behalf of the chairman of the ASEAN Culture and Information Committee, Daw Nandar Hmoon, the director-general of the Historical Research Department, extended greetings.

Also present at the ceremony were officials from Myanmar ACIC, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, ambassadors from ASEAN countries and China, Charge d' affaires ai and youth delegates and guests.

In the afternoon, the youths from ASEAN and China have learnt Myanmar language and practiced for performance. —*MNA*

Residents gather around the wreckage of a vehicle at the site of a car bomb attack in Kirkuk, 250 km (155 miles) north of Baghdad, recently. Three car bombs went off early in the morning in the centre of Kirkuk, wounding 15 people, police said. Police said they went off close to the homes of Kurdish Provincial security officials.

INTERNET

Pentagon report says Afghan violence at record high

WASHINGTON, 24 Nov—The US Defence Department on Tuesday said violence in Afghanistan was at an all-time high since the nine-year-old war started, and progress made by the NATO-led forces there were limited. The assessment was made in a congressionally mandated report. It said combat incidents in Afghanistan from 1 April to 30 Sept were up 300 percent comparing with 2007 figures. It also noted a 55 percent rise over the previous quarter in "kinetic events," including direct and indirect fire, surface-to-air fire and exploded, found or cleared roadside bombs.

The report attributes the rise to the increase in coalition and Afghan forces and their expansion into new areas, a dramatically accelera-ted pace of operations and a spike in incidents during the September parliamentary elections. US President Barack Obama ordered the deployment of 30,000 additional troops to Afghanistan late last year, but even with the new troops influx, the Pentagon report found progress across Afghanistan "uneven," with only modest gains in security, governance and development in key areas. The report indicated the number of Afghans rating their security situation as "bad" is the highest since the nationwide survey began in September 2008.—*Xinhua*

Medics treat a wounded boy after a bombing in the Shiite neighbourhood of Sadr City in Baghdad, Iraq, recently.

INTERNET

Air strikes kill 20 Taleban insurgents in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 24 Nov—Two separate air strikes left 20 Taleban insurgents including eight militant commanders dead in Afghanistan's southern restive Helmand Province, a statement of provincial administration released to media on Tuesday said.

"Several Taleban fighters had gathered in a house in Kajaki District on Sunday but international forces targeted the location by air strike that resulted in killing of Mullah Abdul Qauom Tandar a Taleban shadowy governor for Sangin District and two more commanders namely Mullah Khan Muhammad and Mullah Yunas along with 13 armed insurgents," the statement said.—*Xinhua*

Two NATO helicopters violate Pakistan's air space

ISLAMABAD, 24 Nov — Two NATO helicopters violated Pakistan's air space Tuesday night by flying into the country's territorial space in the northwest tribal agency along the Pakistan-Afghanistan border area, reported local Urdu *TV channel DAWN*.

According to the report, the NATO helicopters flew about 400 yards into Pakistan and then flew back to Afghanistan. But Geo News, another local *Urdu TV channel*, reported that explosions were heard during the violation by the NATO helicopters.

Pakistani officials have neither confirmed nor denied the violation of the country's territorial air space rights by the NATO helicopters.

It is not the first time that NATO helicopters fighting in the neighboring Afghanistan have violated the Pakistan's territory air space. Not long ago, some NATO helicopters fired at some suspected militants' hideouts on the Pakistani side by flying across the border from Afghanistan, killing two or three Pakistani border troops.—*Xinhua*

US and allies kill, injure Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 24 Nov— There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 24 November reached 704338 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1274865, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	704338
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1274865

Internet

Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 24 Nov—The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 33443 Afghan people were killed and 40565 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 24 November.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	33443
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	40565

Internet

Explosion wounds six civilians in Afghanistan

KHOST, 24 Nov—Six civilians were injured as an explosive device went off in eastern Paktika Province 130 km away from capital Kabul on Monday, spokesman for provincial administration said Tuesday.

"The blast took place in Panda Khil village of Khirkot District yesterday as a result six innocent civilians including four children were injured," Mukhlis Afghan told *Xinhua*.

Similar incident in the neighbouring Paktia Province left four civilians dead and injured two others on the same day Monday.

Civilians have been largely bearing the brunt of conflicts and militancy in Afghanistan as over 1,300 innocent non-combatants have been killed in the first six months of the year, according to officials.

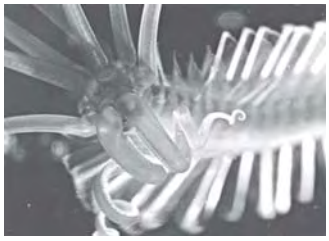
Xinhua

Iraqi boys look at a destroyed car at the site of a blast in the Sadr City district of Baghdad recently. Al Qaeda's Iraqi affiliate said it was behind car bombings against Shiites in Baghdad this week that killed 64 people, saying they were revenge for "insults" and threatening more attacks.

INTERNET

Science

Spindly species found in ocean's crushing depths



The squidworm, a gossamer, ghostly creature discovered in the deepest reaches of the ocean between Indonesia and the Philippines.
INTERNET

PARIS, 24 Nov—Scientists unveiled on Wednesday a gossamer, ghostly creature discovered in the deepest reaches of the ocean between Indonesia and the Philippines.

The squidworm, up to 9.4 centimetres (3.7 inches) in length, is far more elegant than its name would suggest.

Swimming upright, it navigates by moving two body-length rows of thin, paddle-shaped protrusions that cascade like dominoes.

Ten tentacles as long or longer than its body stick out of its head, along with six pairs of curved nuchal organs that allow the squidworm to taste and smell underwater.

Using a remotely operated submersible, a trio of marine biologists led by Karen Osborn of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in California found the previously unknown animals in the Celebes Sea at a depth of 2.8 kilometres (1.7 miles).

Internet

US funds study of flying snakes

WASHINGTON, 24 Nov— The US Department of Defence is funding research to discover how species of Asian snakes are able to glide long distances through the air, researchers say.

Researchers at Virginia Tech are studying how snakes of the genus Chrysopelea, found in Southeast Asia, India and southern China, glide without the benefit of any wings or wing like parts, *The Washington Post* reported Monday. The snakes undulate from side to side, almost as if slithering through the air, to glide from the tops of 200-foot tall trees to land almost 800 feet away.

"Basically they become one long wing," John Socha, a Virginia Tech researcher who has studied and filmed the snake in Asia, says. "The snake is very active in the air, and you can kind of envision it as having multiple segments that become multiple wings," he says. "The leading edge becomes the trailer and then the trailer become the leading edge."

The National Geographic Society initially sponsored Socha's research, but his most recent work and paper were funded by the Defence Advanced Research Projects Agency.—*Internet*

Imported trees deliver deadly mushrooms

VANCOUVER, 24 Nov— The roots of decorative trees being imported from East Asia have introduced the most poisonous mushroom to humans in Vancouver, British Columbia, experts say. The fungal growths known as death cap mushrooms are showing up increasingly in the coastal western province after latching onto the roots of hornbeam trees, which are planted to beautify city streets, the *Vancouver Sun* reported. Mushroom expert Paul Kroeger, also the vice-president of the Vancouver Mycological Society, told the newspaper the mushrooms first showed up in the city of Mission in 1997 and he has personally seen numerous other clusters of them around hornbeam trunks in Vancouver.

"It is the most deadly mushroom in the world," he said.

"They take down more people every year than any other mushroom." If eaten, the mushrooms cause stomach pains, vomiting and diarrhea, and after several days, can lead to jaundice and complete liver and kidney failure with fatal results, he said.

***Young Amanita phalloides. This is a personal photo taken by Julien Thurion, recently.—*INTERNET**

Statistics show 42 people were poisoned in the United States by the death cap variety of mushroom last year and three died.

He warned people who enjoy eating wild mushrooms to be careful, as the death cap variety strongly resembles the paddy straw mushroom that is commonly eaten in Southeast Asia, the newspaper said.

Internet

Technology

Acer unveils range of tablets

NEW YORK, 24 Nov—Acer Inc, the world's No 2 PC manufacturer, unveiled a range of tablet computers to help it compete with Apple Inc's iPad, wading into the fast growing market.

The tablet computer market is becoming crowded as more companies produce the new devices, which fall between traditional PCs and smartphones.

Chief Executive Gianfranco Lanci announced at a news conference in New York on Tuesday that the tablets would have 5-, 7-, and 10-inch screens, running on Google's Android software. A second 10-inch tablet will run on Microsoft's Windows.

The company said the WiFi-only models of the tablets would come out in April 2011, while the third-generation (3G)-capable models would arrive about a month later. The 5-inch tablet doubles as a smartphone.

Separately Tuesday, Acer's rival Dell Inc announced a new tablet that runs on Microsoft's Windows software. Acer, based in Taipei, said it was in talks with US phone carriers for 3G connectivity for its tablets.

No prices had been set for the devices, the company added.

Reuters

The Acer 10.10 Android full capacitive touch screen tablet is seen during a news conference in New York, on 23 November, 2010.
INTERNET

TSA App tries to ease air travel pain

NEW YORK, 24 Nov— It won't save you from "enhanced patdowns," but an iPhone app from the TSA tries to ease the pain of air travel by offering guidance on prohibited items, security wait times and packing tips.

Called My TSA, short for Transportation Security Administration, the free app lets users fill in the blank to ask if they can bring various objects through the airport security checkpoint.

The app also lists wait times for security lines for US airports, as submitted by users, shown either as a map or a list. Users can also search for specific airports. A recent check for "pie" yielded five results, showing that under the TSA's rules solid pies can be either checked or carried on, though they may be subject to additional screening. "Turkey" was not found.

Internet

Facebook makes people more social

NEW YORK, 24 Nov— Contrary to common belief social media websites such as Facebook do not weaken personal ties, they strengthen them in unique ways for different age groups, according to a new study.

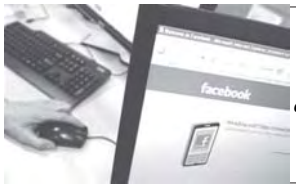
The rapid spread of Facebook, which has more than 500 million users worldwide, has prompted concerns about its negative effects, but researchers at the University of Texas have reached a different conclusion. "Our findings suggest that Facebook is not supplanting face-to-face interactions between friends, family and colleagues," said S Craig Watkins, an associate professor of radio, TV and film who headed the research team. "In fact, we believe there is sufficient evidence that social media afford opportunities for new expressions of friendship, intimacy and community."

The researchers questioned 900 college students and recent graduates about how and with whom they interact on Facebook.

More than 60 percent of Facebook users said posting status updates was among the most popular activities, followed by 60 percent who wrote comments on their profile and 49 percent who posted messages and comments to friends.

The researchers also found that although about the same number of men and women use Facebook, they do so in different ways. "Facebook brings all our different networks and social scenes together. We present ourselves in different ways, whether to friends, co-workers, or family," Watkins said.

Reuters



A Facebook page is displayed on a computer screen in Brussels.
INTERNET

Health

A bottle of antiretroviral drug Truvada. A landmark study across four continents has shown that a daily dose of an oral antiretroviral drug reduced the number of HIV infections among sexually active gay men by 44 percent, researchers said on Tuesday.—INTERNET

Health Tip: Treating an ear infection

Children who get ear infections often end up in a lot of pain and discomfort.

The American Academy of Family Physicians offers these treatment suggestions:

* If the cause is bacterial, your pediatrician may prescribe an antibiotic. This type of drug will have no effect if the cause is viral.
* Offer your child a pain reliever, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen. Never give a child aspirin.
* The pediatrician may prescribe ear drops to help relieve pain.
* Encourage your child to hold a warm heating pad over the sore ear, but make sure it's not too hot.—*Internet*

Health ins firms to spend more on care

WASHINGTON, 24 Nov—New US regulations require health insurance companies to spend 80 percent to 85 percent of premiums directly for patients and not overhead, officials said.

Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius says the regulation, known as the "medical loss ratio" provision of the Affordable Care Act, said healthcare reform requires insurance companies publicly report how they spend premium dollars beginning in 2011.

"These new rules are an important step to hold insurance companies accountable and increase value for consumers," Sebelius said in a statement.

Many insurance companies spend a big chunk of consumers' premium dollars on administrative costs such as executive salaries, overhead and marketing as well as profits, Sebelius said.

Consumers will receive more value for their premium dollar because insurance com-panies will be required to spend 80 percent to 85 percent of premium dollars on actual medical care and healthcare quality improvement, not administrative costs, Sebelius said.

Insurance companies that do not comply will be required to provide a rebate to their customers beginning in 2012, Sebelius said.

Health officials estimate up to 9 million Americans could be eligible for rebates starting in 2012 worth up to $1.4 billion — with an average rebate per person of about $164 in the individual market, Sebelius added.

Internet

Exercise may help prevent Alzheimer's

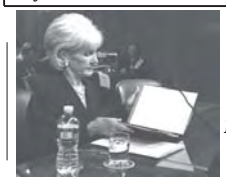
MILWAUKEE, 24 Nov—Those at high risk for Alzheimer's disease need to exercise, researchers at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee advise.

J Carson Smith says physical activity promotes changes in the brain that may help protect against cognitive decline, especially in those individuals who carry a high-risk gene for Alzheimer's disease.

"Our study suggests that if you are at genetic risk for Alzheimer's disease, the benefits of exercise to your brain function might be even greater than for those who do not have that genetic risk," Smith says in a statement.

Functional magnetic resonance imaging indicated greater brain activation in exercising individuals at genetic risk for Alzheimer's disease — especially in memory-related regions of the brain — than those who exercised but were not gene carriers for the disease.

Smith and colleagues compared brain activation in four separate groups of healthy 65- to 85-years-olds. High risk individuals were those caring the apolipoprotein E-epsilon 4 allele. Smith noted evidence already associated physical activity with maintaining lifelong cognitive function. However, most of this research has been done with healthy people, without any consideration of their Alzheimer's risk level, Smith says.—*Internet*



Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius prepares to testify before the Senate Appropriations Labour, HHS, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee.
INTERNET

Business

Kinder Morgan files for IPO of up to $1.5 billion

Richard D Kinder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners LP addresses the Reuters Energy Summit in Houston.
INTERNET

NEW YORK, 24 Nov—Carlyle-backed pipeline company Kinder Morgan Inc, which was taken private in a $14.6 billion management buyout in 2007, on Tuesday filed with US regulators for an initial public offering of up to $1.5 billion.

It is the latest in a string of private equity-backed portfolio companies to move to go public, such as Carlyle-backed government consulting firm Booz Allen Hamilton (BAH.N).

The window for private equity IPO exits was shut during the financial crisis but cracked open late last year. Private equity firms have a large number of companies to sell in coming years as they look to profit from buyouts done during the boom years of the last decade.

However, some have run into problems; such as Harrah's Entertainment Inc, which pulled a planned $500 million offering on Friday, citing difficult market conditions.

Some potential private equity-backed IPOs which have already filed, such as retailer Toys R Us Inc, may sit it out until next year. Investors historically have been more critical of private equity-backed companies, which typically have higher debt. Kinder Morgan, backed by Carlyle Group (CYL.UL) and Goldman Sachs Group Inc's (GS.N) buyout fund, said all of the common stock in the offering will be sold by existing investors, including Carlyle, Goldman, Highstar Capital and Riverstone Holdings.

Kinder Morgan said it would not receive any proceeds from the offering.

Goldman Sachs and Barclays Capital (BARC.L) are joint book-running managers for the offering.

Reuters reported in July that the pipeline company was preparing for the offering, citing a source familiar with the matter.—*Internet*

Treasury gets $11.7 billion from GM stock sale

WASHINGTON, 24 Nov—The Treasury Department says it has received $11.7 billion from the sale of 358.5 million shares of General Motors stock. Treasury announced that the net proceeds from the GM stock sold last week were delivered on Tuesday. Treasury officials said that the government could receive an additional $1.8 billion assuming the underwriters exercise options to purchase an additional 53.8 million shares of GM common stock within 30 days of the initial stock offering. The government put $49.5 billion into GM as part of its bailout of the giant automaker.

In addition, Treasury said it will receive another $2.1 billion from GM when the automaker repurchases preferred stock that was issued under the government's $700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program. That sale is supposed to take place in December.

The $11.7 billion in net proceeds represented the amount the government received after subtracting fees paid to the banks which handled the initial public offering.—*Internet*

A car dealership in New York selling GM vehicles.
INTERNET

Russia to spend two bln dollars for space clean-up

MOSCOW, 24 Nov—Russia's Rocket and Space Corporation Energia announced Tuesday that it will build a special orbital pod designed for sweeping-up the near-Earth space from satellite debris. The system was estimated to cost about 60 billion rubles (1.9 billion US dollars). Every year, the near-Earth space becomes more and more densely populated with used satellites and their debris, said the company.

"The corporation promised to clean up the space in ten years by collecting about 600 defunct satellites on the same geosynchronous orbit and sinking them into the ocean subsequently," said Victor Sinyavsky from the company as quoted by the *Interfax* news agency.

Xinhua

Cholera death toll in Haiti rises to 1,415

PORT-AU-PRINCE, 24 Nov—The death toll of the cholera epidemic in Haiti has risen to 1,415, while the hospitalized people are 23,377, the United Nations Office for Humanitarian Affairs said Tuesday, quoting Haitian government figures. According to the sanitary authorities, Artibonite, in the north of the country, continues being the most affected zone by the epidemic, as well as the departments in the center and northwest of the country.

According to the Haitian Public and Population Ministry, there are 56,901 infected people who have been assisted in different hospitals in the country since the epidemic began on 19 Oct.

Xinhua

A polluted gutter is seen in downtown Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on 22 Nov, 2010. Haiti has been gravely affected by the cholera epidemic since the first outbreak of the disease detected one month ago in the north of the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince. **XINHUA**

Winged victims of growth

The Quanshui Wetlands near downtown Dalian is threatened by property development.— **INTERNET**

BEIJING, 24 Nov— A patch of wetlands that lies on the route of migratory birds, near downtown Dalian, is slowly being eaten up by property deve-lopment.

Zhang Xiaomin reports Xu Weiwei is a deeply worried man. And the object of his worry is the estuary wetlands near downtown Dalian, in Northeast China's Liaoning Province. "Every winter, tens of thousands of birds stop over at the mouth of the Quanshui River on their migratory route. But now, property development is devouring their resting space," says 38 year old Xu, an accountant who started a volunteers' initiative to protect the Quanshui Wetlands in 2008.

Fewer birds now stop at the once quiet wetlands, shrouded in the dust and noise kicked up by heavy trucks carrying stones to reclaim land from the sea, Xu tells *China Daily*.

He is strongly against the reclamation, saying wetlands are natural filters that must be protected.

They remove pollutants from water and help control floods, offer breeding and nesting areas for wildlife, and serve as migration corridors for birds, he says.

"This is an important rest area for migrating birds. They can find food here during their migration. If destroyed, the birds will have to change their migration routes," Xu continues.

Few residents in Dalian know this place, however.

Amateur photo-grapher Luan Yuwei used to travel to East China's Shandong Province to take pictures of swans.

In 2009, Luan saw a TV report that showed Xu appealing for its protection.—*Xinhua*

Electricity fraud drastically increases in Havana

HAVANA, 24 Nov — The Cuban Capital has reported a drastic increase in electricity fraud this year, a municipal government official said on Tuesday.

More than 5,800 cases of electricity fraud have been detected in Havana in the first ten months of this year, greatly exceeding the number of over 100 cases discovered in the same period of the previous year, said Inaudis Mora, director of the Electric Union in Havana.

Under a law signed by the Council of Ministers, the violators are punished with fines of 500 pesos (20 US dollars), with their electricity supply cut off 72 hours.

If the offender relapses, the fine is 1,000 pesos (40 dollars) and a longer period of service suspension. A permanent file for electricity fraud will be opened against the offender.

According to Rolando Hernandez, an expert from the electricity company of Havana, more than 11 million megawatt-hours of electricity were recovered after the exposure of the violations.

Havana consumes a quarter of the country's energy, while the residential sector uses 50 percent of that proportion.

Xinhua

Shoppers select vegetables at an indoor market in the Putuo District of Shanghai Municipality, east China, on 23 Nov, 2010. Direct sale of vegetables has been initiated in four pilot districts of Shanghai, a metropolitan with a population of nearly 20 million, as part of the government's price control measures. **XINHUA**

German economy expands 0.7% in Q3

FRANKFURT, 24 Nov— Private and public consumption, gross investments and exports drove the continued upturn of the German economy, a detailed breakdown of the data released by the Federal Statistics Office (Destatis) showed Tuesday, adding to evidence that the economy entered the next stage of a typical recovery with increa-singly selfsustainable growth.

The gross domestic product (GDP) in the third quarter of 2010 was 0.7 percent higher upon price, seasonal and calendar adjustment than in the second quarter and 3.9 percent higher on a year-to-year basis, confirming the preli-minary estimate pub-lished by Destatis on 12 Nov.

Destatis reported that the economic growth was based on both domestic and foreign demand.

Domestic uses accounted for the larger share in GDP growth in the reference quarter Household final con-sumption expenditure rose 0.4 percent and government final con-sumption expenditure increased by 1.1 percent. Gross investments grew by 1.3 percent. Foreign trade supported the upswing of the economy in the third quarter.

Internet

Archers prepares to compete at the Aoti archery range during men's individual qualification round at the 16th Asian Games in Guangzhou on 19 November. Stroking the backside of a tiger, manhandling snakes — women archers at the Asian Games have been put through a bizarre and daunting range of initiations to build up their mental strength.— **INTERNET**

EU inspectors criticize Naples for new waste crisis

ROME, 24 Nov— The European Union (EU) officials on Tuesday criticized Naples' mismanagement of the waste emergency saying that the crisis had reached the same levels as in 2008.

"Two years later, the situation has changed very little," said Pia Bucella, head of the European Commission's Civil Protection body, during an inspection of the city.

Her team of EU inspectors visited several waste dumps and incinerators around Naples, urging local authorities to do more in tackling the emergency.

As over 3,000 tons of rubbish are piling on Naples' streets, Bucella complained of a lack of strategy in waste treatment and management, calling for urgent measures aimed at boosting differentiated waste disposal methods.

"Naples is covered with rubbish and it still doesn't have a plan for recycling," said Bucella.

In March the European Court of Justice ruled that the Italian state was to blame for the 2008 crisis and ordered the regional authorities to adopt effective waste management measures.—*Xinhua*

Sharing my elation…

Dr Win Naing

I am used to getting up at about 5 am as I walk along with my father every morning. However, the other day, I woke up at about 3 am. I could not get back to sleep. It was on 7 November 2010. Maybe, I got excited about having the opportunity to cast a ballot on the day of elections held for the first time in more than 20 years or on the day that would open a new page in Myanmar's history.

At about 6 am, I together with family members left home to cast our votes in the polling station concerned. Initially, I thought that we would be the first to vote as it was very early in the morning. But I knew I was mistaken about it only when I got to the polling station. There were a lot of people lining up. Happily, I put ticks distinctly in the boxes next to the candidates, who I thought were capable of serving the interests of our nation and people and those from our own constituency.

The US and some EU countries alike did not come to the situation they are in within a day, a month or a year. They know best how long they took and how they had to try. It would be wrong if they measured the situation of Myanmar, which is in its initial stage, with their yardstick.

I went to Japan in 1980 for further studies and obtained a PhD from Chiba University in 1989. Without pursuing my career in information technology, I worked as a personal assistant of a member of Japanese House of Representatives. Actually, I worked under a member of the House of Representatives, who became the finance minister and a member of the House of Counsellors, who became the deputy minister of defence. I think I worked in the political cycle of Japan for more than 20 years. I had to do my best for the members of those houses I was working for to win the many elections held in Japan. I also studied lots of polling stations there. Yet, it was the first time for me to get to the polling station of Myanmar, my native country, only on 7 November.

According to my experience, Myanmar's elections were free and fair as I had witnessed the volunteer staff of the polling station inspecting the right names of voters and giving out the ballot papers, the voters voting for the candidates they liked through the secret ballot system, having the ballot boxes sealed systematically and granting no permission to take photos and use mobile phones at the polling stations in order not to disturb the voters.

After the elections, I happened to read local journals and browse the foreign websites and blogs interested in Myanmar affairs. It is found that local journals and magazines have been able to express freely to a certain extent regarding the subject of politics. I feel that in comparison with the situations in 1988 and 1990, both the journalists and the people of today have freedom of speech to a certain degree, even it is not 100 percent. The people were able to speak out in the interviews carried in the private journals, saying that which party they liked, why they liked it and which party they voted for. The journals on their part carried those interviews in the framework of law.

During the elections, I had a chance to be familiar with a candidate, who upheld the motto "A hluttaw candidate is not a privileged one, but the servant of the people." He won the election getting more than 26000 votes. One of his opponents got over 1000 votes and the other, less than 10000. The three candidates respectfully vied for their ideologies with the aim of seeking the public interest. Their votes did not fall from the sky. Simultaneously counting the votes cast at the polling stations and the advance ballots was indeed fair and just. The value of an advance ballot is equivalent to that of a ballot from the polling station. They all came from the hearts of the voters.

I have seen in a local journal the remarks of some candidates who lost in the election. They remarked: "It is not strange to lose in politics. I am sorry for those favoring me because we could do nothing for them. We gained experience. We have both losers and winners in our party. Our party still has the right to exist next five years. During the period, we have to continue to work for the wellbeing of the people. We are satisfied. All the votes got were fair. In this very important time, we thank all the people for their support." Anyhow, we should respect and value both the losers and winners of the elections.

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While the nieghbouring countries that understand Myanmar well are saying positively about the 2010 elections, the US and some EU countries are shaming the elections in a negative way. It is regrettable that some foreign websites interested in Myanmar affairs are highlighting such criticisms on the net.

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I respect every candidate, regardless of which party they come from, holding the motto "Myanmar is Myanmar. Myanmar is the country of Myanmar citizens." I am elated by the motto.

I am also delighted to know the candidates who competed each other in the elections with mutual respect for their stances and capabilities.

I am also happy to have cast a ballot like others on 7 November on which the free and fair elections took place although the people of Myanmar have less experience in voting than the international community.

I share my elation with friends of mine at home and abroad.

Translation: ST

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turn out disciplined students equipped with the Union Spirit and to do constant learning to be proficient in their respective subjects.

In meeting with the medical superintendent and doctors and nurses at the People's Hospital, the Prime Minister asked about health care services being provided to the public.

After viewing documentary photos on repair works of the hospital, the Prime Minister comforted patients and inspected the hospital.

After hearing reports on work progress presented by the chairman at the meeting hall of the office of township PDC, the Prime Minister made a speech and presented relief aids for storm victims.

Next, Maj-Gen Hla Min, the commander, ministers, deputy ministers presented medicines, clothes, school uniforms and tarpaulins to responsible persons.

The Prime Minister cordially greeted townselders, members of social organizations and Myebon Township representatives-elect.

The Prime Minister and party to Minbya.

At Ramoung Hall in Minbya, the Prime Minister met townselders, departmental officials and social organization members.

Chairman of Township PDC U Nay Lin Tun reported on undertaking of supplies and reconstruction in the post-storm period.

After attending to the needs, the Prime Minister gave instructions on regional development.

Next, he presented supplies for storm victims of Minbya Township through officials. Maj-Gen Hla Min also gave medicines, clothes and school uniforms to officials.

The Prime Minister cordially greeted local people and departmental officials.

On arrival at Ponnagyun, the Prime Minister and party met townselders, departmental officials and social organization members at the town hall.

In his speech, the Prime Minister said that as the local people are residing in the area adjacent to the sea, they are to be vigilant against dangers of natural disasters, to take preventive measures against natural disasters, and to pay attention to weather forecasts broadcast by the State. The Prime Minister stressed the need to organize the rural people for changing their lifestyle with strong residential buildings through their incomes.

Next, he cordially greeted the local people. The Prime Minister and party arrived in Sittway in the afternoon.

During his visit to inspect progress of rehabilitation works, the Prime Minister met departmental officials, social organization members and local people in Pauktaw, Myebon and Minbya townships.

In meeting with them, the Prime Minister said that he together with Maj-Gen Hla Min of the Ministry of Defence, ministers, deputy ministers and officials arrived in Rakhine State to inspect progress of rehabilitation works and future tasks at storm-hit towns and villages of the state and to fulfill the requirements.

He continued to say that Myanmar has good experience on undertaking the effective relief and rehabilitation works thanks to concerted efforts of the State, the people and the Tatmadaw in providing a better life in a short period during post-Nargis.

Thus, he said that when the towns and villages in Rakhine State were hit by the storm, ministers and officials were sent to the storm-ravaged areas for providing relief and assistance for these areas.

The Prime Minister added that they visited the storm-hit towns and villages on 2 and 3 November to inspect relief and care services and fulfilled their basic needs.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein visits Myebon Township People's Hospital.—MNA

Prime Minister U Thein Sein presents relief aid to a storm victim in Myebon Township.—MNA

Prime Minister U Thein Sein presents relief aid to a storm victim in Minbya Township.—MNA

Prime Minister U Thein Sein views fishing nets to be provided to fishermen in storm-hit areas.

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As storm-ravaged towns and villages are being rehabilitated at present, construction materials, timbers and corrugated iron sheets are being provided to the storm victims for repairing and reconstruction of damaged buildings. In addition, arrangements are being made for construction of new buildings in the places of destroyed ones.

He said that plans are under way to recover the businesses ravaged by the storm and distribute quality strains of crops. Moreover, fishing nets have been given to fishermen for earning incomes. In addition, arrangements are being made for providing fishing boats to the fishermen who lost their boats in the storm.

As rehabilitation works of storm-affected towns and villages are in progress, the government, the people and the Tatmadaw are to work in concert for achieving better conditions, he said.

The Prime Minister noted that the multiparty democracy general elections have been held successfully on 7 November, adding that the remaining steps of seven-step Road Map will be realized.

In the time of any government, the national people are to participate in implementing tasks of peace, stability and development of the nation, he said.

In conclusion, he said that all the national people and their new generations are to uplift national prestige and integrity through national unity with the Union Spirit.

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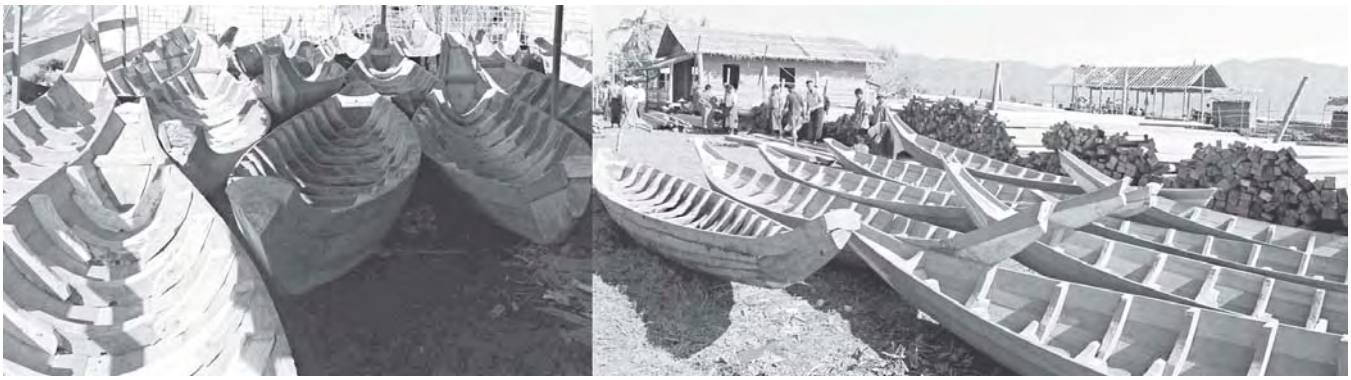

Photo shows worksite of building boats by Rakhine State Fisheries Department for rehabilitation of fishery industry in Myebon Township.—MNA

PBANRDA Minister lands in Myanmar after taking part in Vientiane's 450th Anniversary and 35th Anniversary of the Founding of LPDR

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Nov—At the invitation of Vientiane Mayor Mr Sombath, Vialihef of Lao People's Democratic Republic, Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Nay Pyi Taw Mayor U Thein Nyunt together with officials of Nay Pyi Taw Development Affairs Committee and the ministry arrived in Vientiane of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on 17 November to attend the celebration of Vientiane's 450th Anniversary.

On 19 November, the minister and party attended the ceremonies to mark Vientiane's 450th Anniversary and 35th Anniversary of the Founding of the Lao People's Democratic Republic which were held at National Sports Complex.

Deputy Prime Minister of LPDR Mr Somsavat Lengsavad made an opening speech and President Mr Choummaly Sayasone made a speech on Vientiane's 450th Anniversary and 35th Anniversary of the Founding of Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Minister U Thein Nyunt called on Chairman of Ceremony Organizing Committee Deputy Prime Minister of LPDR Mr Somsavat Lengsavad on 18 November.

Next, the minister attended the dinner hosted by the Laotian deputy prime minister at Lao International Trade Exhibition Convention Center, along with Laotian President, Prime Minister and Vientiane Mayor.

The minister and party left Lao PDR on 20 November and arrived in Myanmar on the next day.

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Minister for PBANRDA Mayor of Nay Pyi Taw U Thein Nyunt attends 450th Anniversary of Vientiane in Lao PDR.—MNA

On-job Auditing Course No. 33 opened

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Nov—An on-job training course for audits was opened at the Auditor-General's office here today.

A total of 114 audits are attending the two-and-half moth course.

Auditor-General U Lun Maung delivered opening speech at the ceremony to open the course No. 33.

Plans are underway to open more auditing courses for service personnel.—*MNA*

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lots through tender system and 24 lots through competitive bidding one from 17 to 20 November.

During the period of emporium, the Accommodation Subcommittee provided 4060 foreign gem merchants with 1596 rooms of hotel and 244 merchants with 23 bungalows for their convenience. On 18 November, a total of 3242 foreign gem merchants took accommodation.

The Reception Subcommittee made arrangements for 3031 guests to Emporium could win the high interest of the people.

Under the arrangements of the Welcoming and Transportation Subcommittee, a total of 100 Parami taxis of Bandoola Transport Service Ltd are daily providing transport service to the merchants from their hotels to the gems emporium and other places. In addition, Myanma Airways is giving aviation services for arrival of foreign gem merchants and departure of the foreign merchants who have completed buying pearls and jewellery through Nay Pyi Taw-Yangon flights.

Treasure Gems jewellery shop opens at 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium.

Gem merchants visit Treasure Gems jewellery shop being opened at 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium.

As local jewellery companies open jewellery shops on the second floor of the museum during the period of the emporium, local and foreign gem merchants enthusiastically bought and visited there.

In an interview, sales in-charge Daw Tin Shan and staff of Myanmar VES Gems & Jewels Shop jointly established by Myanma Gem Enterprise and VES Group Co. Ltd of Thailand said that Myanmar VES Gems & Jewels Shop was kept open the same day when the Gems Museum (Nay Pyi Taw) was inaugurated. Sales of the shop are higher during the emporium period than usual. The merchants are interested in ornaments made up of Mogok jewellery. The Mid-year merchants were interested in jade more than others, and merchants from Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand are focusing on ruby, sapphire and pearl. Priority is being given to showing rare and high quality works of jewellery to enable the gem merchants of international community to know higher quality of Myanma gems.

Manager Daw Nanda Win of Thingaha Hotel.

Executive of Mandalay Gems Association Daw Kay Thwe Tun Tun from Mandalay Gems Center explained that Mandalay Gems Center is kept opened near Zegyo Clock Tower on 26 (B) Street in Mandalay. During the period of mid-year

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simultaneously have meals at 10 dinning halls of 10 hotels in Nay Pyi Taw and 24 foot stalls around Mani Yadana Jade Hall, totaling 34. The Subcommittee invited eight Chinese foods restaurants to open food stalls for the merchants. The Information Subcommittee opened a temporary office on the second floor of the museum to be able to daily issue news on the Myanma Gems Emporium on Myanmar TV, Myawady TV and at daily newspapers. As such, the Mid-year Myanma Gems

Manager U Aung Naing Tun of Kumudra Hotel and a Chinese interpreter explain meal service for the convenience of foreign gem merchants.

Gems Emporium is more crowded than that of Yangon, they said.

General Manager Daw Tin Myo Thet of Treasure Gems Shop said that Treasure Gems Shop is kept open at Myanmar Shopping Mall on Sule Pagoda Road in Yangon and at the departure lounge of Yangon International Airport. The shop is opened for the first time at the emporium. The shop won the interest of local and foreign gem merchants. Chinese

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emporium in Nay Pyi Taw, the gems center is opened at the emporium for the first time. Foreign gem merchants cast covetous eye at jade and pearl. As the emporium was held in Nay Pyi Taw, the merchants focused on sales of jewellery. She said that she had never seen the past gems emporiums packed with large and small sizes of vehicles. She does not seem that the emporium she had attended at Myanmar Convention Centre in Yangon in the past is less bustling than the present emporium.

We had interviews with some gem merchants from China. They said that they are convenient in accommodation and meals. They expressed they satisfied to visit the vast location of the emporium in Nay Pyi Taw. While staying in Nay Pyi Taw, they are pleased with enjoying fresh air because there was no factory and workshop. Displays of jade lots are excellent, and they have good relations with staff on duty. Although jade is produced in China, they are more interested in jade of Myanmar. Various kinds of jade produced by Myanmar are significant ones. They are pleased with organizing the present emporium. Later, they said that they will attend next gems emporiums without fail.

Director U Aung Nyunt Thein of Myanma Gem Enterprise, who is also discharging duty as Joint-Secretary-1 of Central Committee for Organizing the Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium said that although the mid-year gems emporium is for the first time in Nay Pyi Taw, gems merchants are convenient in viewing and buying jewellery because preparations could be made completely for displaying jade, gems and pearl lots. So, the gem merchants enthusiastically purchased jade lots, he said.

Chinese gem merchants to 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium say they are satisfied with accommodation and meals.

Chinese gem merchants to 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium find accommodations convenient and meals delicious.

Hotel Manager Daw Nanda Win of Thingaha Hotel from Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone explained that a total of 202 guests including gem merchants are staying at Thingaha Hotel. The hotel translated menu in Chinese language and assigns them with a Chinese interpreter. Arrangements have been made for giving catering service with special food for Chinese gem merchants. During the period of emporium, the prices for all services of the hotel do not expend. She said she welcomes the emporium held in Nay Pyi Taw. As hotels meet international standards, they can provide best services to the foreign guests. Holding the emporiums contribute to the hotels to be able to earn increased incomes and Nay Pyi Taw and its surrounding areas to gain remarkable development.

Moreover, Manager U Aung Naing Tun and Manager (Management) U Ye Myint Aung of Kumudra Hotel, Reception Manager Daw Myo Myo Naing of Taw Win Nay Pyi Taw Hotel, General Manager U Kyaw Thu of Shwe Guest Hotel, and Manager (Management) U Ko Ko Gyi of Myat Tawwin Hotel expressed their opinions that although there may be some weak points in hotel services at the first emporium in Nay Pyi Taw, they are trying hard to provide better services to the guests in coming emporiums. Due to holding gems emporiums in Nay Pyi Taw, hotel industry will improve. They took pride in holding the gems emporium.

Up to 24 November evening, a total of 6712 local and foreign gem merchants arrived at the 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium. A total of 6235 lots of jade lots have been sold through tender system. The emporium will go on till 29 November. At present, Mani Yadana Jade Hall and Jade Garden are bustling with local and foreign gem merchants and other guests.

Translation: TTA

A foreign gem merchant views jewellery items at Myanmar VES Gems & Jewels Shop at 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium.

General Manager Daw Tin Myo Thet of Treasure Gems jewellery shop explains about display of rare and quality works of jewellery.

Golf tournament to be held to mark 500th Anniversary of founding Kaytumadi (Toungoo)

YANGON, 24 Nov—To commemorate the 500th Anniversary of founding ancient city, Kaytumadi (Toungoo), a golf tournament, organized by Myanmar Golf Federation and Myanmar PGA and mainly sponsored by International Beverages Trading Co., Ltd (IBTC), will take place at Southern Star Golf Course in Kaytumadi Myothit (Toungoo) from 2 to 5 December on a grand scale.

Golfers who are eligible to take part in the tournament must be professional (Myanmar PGA) level and amateur (Handicap 0-12) level golfers. Handsome prizes will go to Hole-In-One golfers. Those wishing to compete are to register at Southern Star Golf Course (ph-09-2037671 and 09-5177956) not later than 30 November. Main sponsor is International Beverages Trading Co., Ltd (IBTC) and co-sponsors, Grand Royal Premium Drinking Water, Srixon and Southern Star Golf Course.—*MNA*

Slight earthquake hits Kalay Township

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Nov—A slight earthquake of magnitude 4.6 Richter Scale with its epicenter inside Myanmar (near Thayagon village in Kalay Township) about 150 miles Northwest of Mandalay seismological observatory was recorded at (03) hrs, (04) min (36) sec M.S.T today.

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Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
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AGENT FOR: M/S PHULSAWAT SHIPPING CO, LTD

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***People try to look at pictures of victims of the stampede posted on a billboard outside the Calmett.—*INTERNET**

Families to pay respects to Cambodia crush victims

PHNOM PENH, 24 Nov—Grieving families in Cambodia were due to pay their last respects on Wednesday to relatives among the nearly 380 victims killed in a massive stampede at a water festival in the capital. The annual three-day celebration ended in tragedy on Monday, with survivors recalling scenes of fear and panic as crowds surged on an overcrowded bridge, crushing and trampling people underfoot.

Relatives were left with a harrowing search through hospitals and makeshift morgues in the capital Phnom Penh, desperate for news of the missing.

Many were faced with the heartbreak of identifying the bodies of their loved ones.

Hundreds of families are set to hold funerals for the victims in the coming days amid a national outpouring of grief. Prime Minister Hun Sen described the disaster as Cambodia's worst tragedy since the Khmer Rouge's 1975-1979 reign of terror, which left up to a quarter of the population dead. He declared a national day of mourning on Thursday.

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***A neighbour stands by an attic door that was kicked in earlier in the day in a police raid in Amsterdam.—*INTERNET**

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***Afghan soldiers keeping watch over a ridge in Surobi District in September 2010.—*INTERNET**

US confirms likely fake Taleban in secret talks

BERLIN, 24 Nov—The top US commander in Afghanistan on Tuesday acknowledged that a man claiming to be a leading Taleban negotiator engaged in secret talks with Afghan officials might have been an impostor. General David Petraeus, on a trip to Germany, refused to confirm directly a *New York Times* report, but said there had long been doubts about one alleged Taleban peace overture towards the Afghan government.

"There was scepticism about one of these all along and it may well be that scepticism was well founded," he told a press briefing following talks with German Defence Minister Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg.—*Internet*

***Irish Prime Minister Brian Cowen leaves after speaking to the media at the Government building in Dublin.—*INTERNET**

Irish PM fights for survival as euro fears resurface

DUBLIN, 24 Nov—Irish Prime Minister Brian Cowen battled for his political survival on Tuesday, while Germany said Ireland's international bailout showed the future of the euro itself was on the line.

The efforts of the European Union and the International Monetary Fund to shore up the debt-laden Irish economy were called into question as the euro sank to a two-month low, dipping under 1.34 dollars.

As anger at Cowen and the Irish government grew at home, Portugal — tipped to be the next eurozone economy to need a bailout — German Chancellor Angela Merkel said: "We now have the difficulties in Ireland, different from those in Greece but which are no less worrying.

Internet

FDIC says list of 'problem' banks grows in Q3

WASHINGTON, 24 Nov—The number of banks on the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp's "problem" list grew over the summer, even as the industry posted solid net income and fewer loans soured. The number of troubled banks rose to 860 in the July-September quarter from 829 in the previous quarter. That's the most since 1993, during the savings and loan crisis.

The FDIC also said banks earned $14.5 billion during the third quarter. That was a decrease from the previous quarter's result of $21.4 billion.

The FDIC said earnings fell because Bank of America Corp took a one-time hit of $10.4 billion. That was because of new limits on debit card swipe fees that retailers pay to banks. The industry's third-quarter results were well above the $2 billion that banks earned a year earlier. Banks constricted lending more modestly in the third quarter, reducing total loans and leases by $6.8 billion.—*Internet*

Belgium rounds up 26 in anti-terror raids

BRUSSELS, 24 Nov—Police busted Tuesday a Chechnya-linked network plotting to attack Belgium and rounded up another extremist group suspected of recruiting jihad fighters, amid heightened terrorism fears in Europe.

Authorities detained 11 people in Belgium, the Netherlands and Germany as part of an investigation into a plot against an unspecified target in Belgium.

Internet

Aim was to destroy pot, not use it

Soldiers accused of breaking into a Colorado medical marijuana dispensary and then accidentally locking themselves inside told police they planned to destroy the marijuana — not smoke or sell it. *The Gazette* in Colorado Springs reports a police affidavit says two of the three Fort Carson soldiers told officers they were trying to steal the marijuana so they could get rid of it.

Police say the three were arrested Saturday on second degree burglary charges after they accidentally locked themselves in the Colorado Springs dispensary during a burglary attempt.

Officers say they were on an unrelated call at a nearby business around 2 am when they heard someone banging on glass inside the dispensary.

The soldiers are 23-year old Pfc Darius Thomas, 22 year old Pvt Cory Young and 22-year-old Pfc Ramone Hollins. It was unknown Thursday if any of them had an attorney.

Some white christmas trees are seen in Manila, capital of the Philippines, on 18 Nov, 2010.

Chefs put in chilly sauce on bibimbap, or rice in stone pot, at the Wanda Plaza in Chuangchun, capital of northeast China's Jilin Province, on 13 Nov, 2010. Bibimbap is a Korean dish with rice mixed with assorted vegetables and meat in a hot stone pot. It took nearly the whole day to prepare the king-size dish, which measures 2 metres in diameter, and cost 150 kilograms of rice and 50 kilograms of vegetables.

Men hold up NY pizza makers, flee with wrong dough

Police in New York City say thieves held up the owners of a pizzeria and then fled with a bag of full dough — the kind that crusts are made of.

Police say Salvatore LaRosa was charged with robbery after surrendering to police.

According to court papers, LaRosa and an accomplice followed the owners of Brothers Pizzeria on Staten Island. After donning masks, the papers say, they pointed guns and demanded the men turn over a bag they believed held the day's proceeds.

But instead, the bag was full of pizza dough.

LaRosa was released on $1 million bail on Monday. His attorney, James Froccaro, declined to comment.

Russian woman calls police to 'bomber' cat

A Russian woman who was a little worse for wear with alcohol called police in the middle of the night to warn that her cat was about to blow up after swallowing explosives.

"A woman aged 45 called the police around 4:00 am to say that her cat contained explosives," a statement from St Peterburg police said. "Officers went to the scene and spoke to the lady, who was in a drunken state." Police searched the premises and the surroundings to make sure there were no explosives, the statement said, adding, "The cat is safe and sound." Abuse of alcohol kills half a million people a year in Russia.

News Album

Semat Imi, a teacher of Physical Education from Shanshan County of Xinjiang, does stilt-walking on a 22-metre-long steel wire that is 12-metres above the ground in Urumqi, capital of northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, on 26 Oct, 2010.

Members of the group Muse pose in the photo room after winning the award for Alternative Rock Music - Favorite Artist at the 2010 American Music Awards in Los Angeles 21 November, 2010. **XINHUA**

'Ugly Betty' actor killed mom with sword

NEW YORK, 24 Nov—An actor who once had a small part on "Ugly Betty" was charged Tuesday with stabbing his mother to death with a 3-foot sword in her home after a fight, police said.

Officers responding to a call of a family dispute found 55-year-old Yannick Brea kneeling in the bathroom of her Brooklyn apartment at about 2:20 am. She had cuts to her head and was pronounced dead at the scene, Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly said. "In a bedroom was her son with a 3-foot sword," Kelly said.

The son, Michael Brea, 31, was arrested on charges of murder and criminal possession of a weapon. He was undergoing a psychiatric evaluation at Kings County Hospital, and police didn't know if he had an attorney. No phone number was listed at the address provided by police.

Internet

Professional dancer Lacey Schwimmer and her partner Kyle Massey perform during the ABC reality series "Dancing with the Stars" finals in Hollywood, on 22 November, 2010. **XINHUA**

Cast members Dwayne Johnson and Carla Gugino pose at the premiere of "Faster" at the Grauman's Chinese theatre in Hollywood, California on 22 November, 2010. The movie opens in the US on 24 November. **—XINHUA**

Taylor Swift tackles four continents on 2011 tour

NASHVILLE, 24 Nov—Taylor Swift will be hitting the road again in early 2011 with an ambitious schedule that includes 19 countries on four continents. Swift announced plans for an 87-date tour in a news release Tuesday that includes six stadium dates in the United States.

The tour kicks off 9 Feb in Singapore, then moves on to several European dates in March. The US leg starts 27 May in Omaha, Neb Swift will then hit Australia and New Zealand later in the year.

Taylor Swift poses with the award for country favorite female artist backstage at the 38th Annual American Music Awards on 21 Nov, 2010 in Los Angeles. **INTERNET**

The 20 year old is one of music's top concert draws, selling out all 107 dates on her wildly successful Fearless Tour in 2009-10. Swift's latest album, "Speak Now," sold more than 1 million copies in its first week of release — the best debut for an album since 2005.—*Internet*

Brazilian actress Fernanda Lima arrives at the 38th International Emmy Awards in New York City on 22 November, 2010. **XINHUA**

Apple sells two million Beatles songs in first week on iTunes

SAN FRANCISCO, 24 Nov— More than 450,000 Beatles albums and two million individual songs were sold worldwide in the first week after the band's music went on sale on Apple Inc's iTunes online music store, US media reported on Tuesday.

In the United States, Beatles album sales totaled 119,000 units while individual digital track sales reached 1.4 million, *the Billboard magazine* reported on its website, citing industry sources. The best selling Beatles album in the US was "Abbey Road" and best-selling song was "Here Comes the Sun," the report said.

The Beatles catalog was available for purchase and download on iTunes for the first time on 16 Nov, ending years of negotiations between Apple, Beatles' recording label EMI and the band's management company.

Xinhua

Roma down Bayern after stunning comeback in Champions League

ROME, 24 Nov—Roma are on the brink of the Champions League knockout stages after coming back from a 2-0 half-time deficit to down Bayern Munich 3-2 in a thriller at the Stadio Olimpico here on Tuesday.

Hot-shot Mario Gomez took his tally to 14 goals in his last 10 games as the Germans appeared to be cruising at the break.

But Marco Borriello, Danielle De Rossi and a late Francesco Totti penalty completed a remarkable and unlikely turnaround.

The 3-2 defeat still ensured Bayern won the group as only Roma can draw level with them on points in Group E but the Germans have the better head-to-head record.—*Internet*

***AS Roma's forward Francesco Totti (C) celebrates with teammates after scoring against Bayern Munic.—*INTERNET**

SPORTS

Laboured Arsenal must wait after Braga loss

BRAGA, 24 Nov—Arsene Wenger opted for pragmatism rather than panache on Tuesday and paid the price as his Arsenal side lost 2-0 in Braga to leave in doubt a berth in the last 16 of the Champions League.

Arsenal are hoping to reach the knockout phase for the 11th consecutive season, but they did their cause no good at all in shipping two late goals to a side they had thumped 6-0 on home turf.

Their discomfort was music to the ears of Ukraine's Shakhtar Donetsk, who won 3-0 at tailenders Partizan Belgrade to cement top spot with one match remaining.

Internet

***SC Braga's forward from Brazil Matheus Nascimento celebrates after scoring his second goal.—*INTERNET**

Milan edge Auxerre to reach last 16

AUXERRE, 24 Nov—AC Milan booked their place in the Champions League knockout phase after goals from Zlatan Ibrahimovic and Ronaldinho earned them a 2-0 win at an obdurate Auxerre on Tuesday.

The French side were unbeaten in their eight previous matches and they had created the match's most clear-cut chances until Ibrahimovic rifled home the winner in the 64th minute.

Ronaldinho, a late substitute, put the game beyond Auxerre in injury time when he drifted in from the right wing before curling a precise shot into the bottom-left corner with his left foot.

Internet

***Milan's Swedish forward Zlatan Ibrahimovic celebrates after scoring a goal during the UEFA Champions.—*INTERNET**

Champions League results on 23 November

Champions League - Group E

AS Roma	3 – 2	Bayern Munich
Basel	1 – 0	CFR Cluj

Champions League - Group F

Spartak Moscow	0 – 3	Marseille
Chelsea	2 – 1	Zilina

Champions League - Group G

Ajax Amsterdam	0 – 4	Real Madrid
Auxerre	0 – 2	AC Milan

Champions League - Group H

Braga	2 – 0	Arsenal
Partizan Belgrade	0 – 3	Shakhtar Donetsk

***Mathieu Valbuena(L) of Marseille vies with Dmitri Kombarov of Spartak Moscow during their UEFA Champions.—*INTERNET**

Ancelotti warning after Chelsea scrape win

LONDON, 24 Nov—Chelsea boss Carlo Ancelotti warned his side would struggle to win the Champions League if there was any repeat of their lacklustre first half performance in a 2-1 win over MSK Zilina.

Chelsea were forced to come from behind after conceding a shock early goal to the Slovakian minnows, second-half goals from Daniel Sturridge and Florent Malouda eventually clinching first place in Group F for Ancelotti's men.

The win came as welcome relief to Chelsea, who had suffered a traumatic week after consecutive Premier League defeats and lingering uncertainty about the popular Ancelotti's future at the club.

Ancelotti however insisted his side could forget about lifting the Champions League at Wembley next May if they reproduced the dismal form of the opening 45 minutes at Stamford Bridge on Tuesday.

Internet

Marseille sparkle to reach Champions League last 16

MOSCOW, 24 Nov—French champions Marseille qualified for the last 16 of the Champions League here on Tuesday with a convincing 3-0 victory over nine-time Russian champions Spartak Moscow.

Goals by French internationals Mathieu Valbuena and Loic Remy and one from Brazilian Brandao saw the 1993 champions through to the knockout stage with one match to spare.

The hosts finished the match with 10 men as Welliton was sent off in the 63rd minute for pushing over Souleymane Diawara.

While both sides can finish on the same total of points, Marseille would progress by virtue of a better head-to-head record between the two teams as they were beaten 1-0 in the reverse fixture in September.

It is the first time in 11 years that Marseille have reached the latter stages of the competition — a fact that surprised coach Didier Deschamps.—*Internet*

***Chelsea's Ivorian Didier Drogba (C) holds off a challenge from MSK Zilina's Roman Gergel (R).—*INTERNET**

Ronaldo scores double as Real outclass Ajax

AMSTERDAM, 24 Nov—A double from Cristiano Ronaldo formed the centrepiece of a masterclass by Real Madrid here on Tuesday as they eased to a 4-0 away win over Dutch side Ajax in their Champions League Group G clash.

The Portuguese star scored twice in the second-half after first-half goals by Karim Benzema and a stunning effort by Alvaro Arbeloa had put them in cruise control mode the only blot on their evening were two late sendings off of World Cup winning duo Xabi Alonso and Sergi Ramos.

Ajax coach Martin Jol had gone for broke in his line-up with three strikers - including Uruguayan Luis Suarez despite his being punished by the club for a biting incident at the weekend and two attacking midfielder.

Internet

***Real Madrid's French forward Karim Benzema celebrates after scoring against Ajax Amsterdam.* INTERNET**

Hendrick Motorsports shuffles lineup for three teams

CHARLOTTE, 24 Nov—Hendrick Motorsports made sweeping changes to its organization Tuesday, shuffling the lineup for every team except five-time defending champion Jimmie Johnson.

A crew chief change for slumping Dale Earnhardt Jr was not unexpected, but nobody predicted the stunning swap team owner Rick Hendrick ordered just two days after celebrating the organization's record 10th Cup championship.

Earnhardt, who has just one win through three seasons with HMS, now will be paired with crew chief Steve Letarte. He will move into the building that Letarte shares with Johnson and crew chief Chad Knaus.

Four time NASCAR champion Jeff Gordon will move out of that shop to work with crew chief Alan Gustafson. That team will be partnered with crew chief Lance McGrew and Mark Martin.

Internet

***NASCAR driver Jimmie Johnson's pit crew work on the car during a pit stop at the Ford 400 auto race.—*INTERNET**

A caddie gives playing one last shot

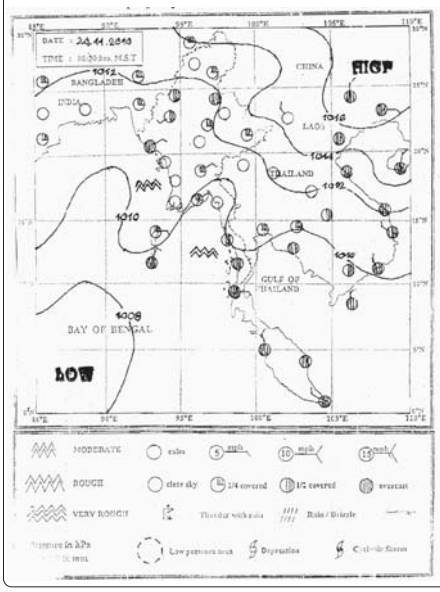
JACKSONVILLE, 24 Nov—Brett Waldman received his share of quizzical looks at the second stage of Q-school because he had no reason to be there. He caddies for Camilo Villegas, who won the Honda Classic and earned over $3 million this year. Except that Waldman wasn't working.

He was playing.

And even though his own clubs have been collecting dust, he's playing well enough that he might not be a caddie much longer. Waldman shot a 68 in the final round at the TPC Craig Ranch outside Dallas last week and made it through yet another stage of PGA Tour qualifying. He is one of only nine players still alive after starting this improbable journey by having to go through prequalifying.

Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Wednesday, 24th November, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy over Kachin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions and generally fair in the remaining States and Regions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below November average temperatures in Shan, Chin, Rakhine and Kayah State s and Magway and Bago Regions, (6°C) above November average temperatures in Mon State and about November average temperatures in the remaining States and Regions. The significant night temperatures were Haka (2°C) and Mindat (6°C).

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 23-11-2010 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 24-11-2010 was 64°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 24-11-2010 was (74%). Rainfall on 24-11-2010 was (Nil) .

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 23-11-2010 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 24-11-2010 was 71°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 24-11-2010 was (74%). Total sunshine hours on 23-11-2010 was (9.4) hours.

Rainfall on 24-11-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (82.76) inches at Mingaladon, (96.34) inches at Kaba-Aye and (108.62) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Northeast at (09:30) hours MST on 23-11-2010.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy over the the Andaman Sea and South Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 25th November 2010: Except for likelihood of isolated light rain in Taninthayi Region, weather will be partly cloudy over the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of slight decrease of night temperature in the Upper Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 25-11-2010: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 25-11-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 25-11-2010: Generally fair weather.

Asleep in Jesus
U Hla Tin, St Paul Stanley Hla
Aged 77 years

No.B-32, Padaukwa 3rd lane, FMI city, Hlaing Tha Yar Township. Son of (Mr and Mrs A Mookerdum). Eldest brother of Allen, Bertha, Harry, Rosy, Annie, Gilbert and (Kenneth). Husband of Daw Charity Tapa. Father of Nila Tin - Hsah Law Lah, Thida Tin - Saw Htay Lin, Thuza Tin - Saw Lah Say, Phyu Pya Tin - Saw Chester, Ohma Tin - U Soe Thein, Soe Ya Tin - Nyo Nyo Htwe, Thanda Tin - Saw D Hlaing Myo Thein. Grandfather of 13 grandchildren. Experied on 23.11.2010, Tuesday morning at 5:50 am.

Service will be held at Judson Church at 10:00 am, 25.11.2010, Thursday, will be buried and entomb at Yayway.

Bereaved Family

***Gold medal winner Li Caixia (R) of China and compatriot Li Ling the silver medal winner stand during the medal ceremony for the women's pole vault at the 16th Asian Games in Guangzhou, Guangdong province on 24 November, 2010.—*INTERNET**

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(25-11-2010)(Thursday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission	- (25-11-10 09:30 am ~ 26-11-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

* Opening
* News
* A Visit to Htan Hsan Cave: A Miraculous Place
* News
* ICT Exhibition (2010)
* News
* Secret Places for Yummy Foods (Aung Thu Kha Myanmar Rice Meal)
* News
* MNL- Special (A Big Challenge of 2 Giants)

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* News
* MNL- Special (A Big Challenge of 2 Giants)
* News
* MI People's Celebrities ''Soe Myat Nandar''
* Artist Ahead: Min Wai Aung
* News
* Being Young (Youth and Fashion)
* News
* Famous Pagoga Festival in Shwebo
* Music Gallery
* News
* Orchid Survey in Hponkanrazi
* Eco-Friendly Rattan & Hyacinth
* Myanmar Movie ''I miss you painfully''

Myanmar TV

Thursday,
25 November
View on today

7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw Uppatathandi Paritta

7:25 am
2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am
3. Morning News

7:40 am
4. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am
6. Dance Of National Races

8:10 am
7. Dance Variety

8:25 am
8. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

8:40 am
9. International News

8:45 am
10. Musical Programme

4:00 pm
1. Martial Song

4:10 pm
2. Cute Little Dancers

4:20 pm
3. Musical Programme

4:35 pm
4. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

4:45 pm
5. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (Economic)

5:05 pm
6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

5:10 pm
7. Teleplay (Health)

5:30 pm
8. One village and one Product

5:45 pm
9. Science and Enviroment (Forgs: The Thin Green Line) (Episode-7) (Final Part)

6:00 pm
10. Evening News

6:15 pm
11. Weather Report

6:20 pm
12. Myanmar Series

6:40 pm
13. Approaching Science Discovery World

7:00 pm
14. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm
15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. Documentary
19. TV Drama Series
20. 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

2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium bustling with gem merchants

Article: *Tin Htwe (MNA);* **Photos:** *Ko Htwe & Htein Nan Naw*

Gem merchants visiting Mandalay Gems Center at 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium.

Beginning 17 November, local and foreign gem merchants are jostling for buying and viewing jade, jewellery and pearls at the 2010 Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium which is being held for the first time in Nay Pyi Taw, at Mani Yadana Jade Hall near the Gems Museum (Nay Pyi Taw).

Although the sales of pearl and jewellery lots have completed, most of the gem merchants are viewing and purchasing jade lots. As such, the emporium is still alive with activities of gem merchants. The local and foreign gem merchants daily leave hotels for Mani Yadana Jade Hall where the emporium is being held by chartered express bus and saloon. At 8 am, the gem merchants can be seen among jade lots.

At the Mid-year Myanma Gems Emporium 2010, Myanma Pearls Enterprise and local pearl companies sold 237 lots of pearls—207 lots of pearl through tender system and 30 lots through competitive bidding system on 18 and 19 November.

Likewise, Myanma Gem Enterprise and local jewellery companies sold 31 lots of jewellery—seven

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INSIDE

The US and some EU countries alike did not come to the situation they are in within a day, a month or a year. They know best how long they took and how they had to try. It would be wrong if they measured the situation of Myanmar, which is in its initial stage, with their yardstick.

Dr Win Naing

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Significant night temperatures (24-11-2010)

Haka	**(2° C)**
Mindat	**(6° C)**