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President U Thein Sein receives PRC Ambassador to Republic of Union of Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein received Ambassador of the People’s Republic of China to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr Li Junhua at the hall of President Office here at 9 am today.

Also present at the call together with President U Thein Sein were Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin and Union Minister for Electric Power No (1) U Zaw Min.

Ambassador of the People’s Republic of China to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr Li Junhua was accompanied by officials of the Chinese Embassy.

At the meeting, they had a cordial discussion on further strengthening friendly ties between the two countries and matters of mutual interests.

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True patriotism

* It is very important for every one 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.
Union Defence Minister receives Indonesian Deputy Minister of Defence

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Union Minister for Defence Lt-Gen Hla Min received the Indonesian delegation led by Deputy Minister of Defence Maj-Gen Suwarno at his office here today.

During the meeting, they discussed matters related to the attendance of the Union Minister to ADMM (Retreat) to be held in Indonesia in October this year.

Deputy Minister for Defence Captain Aung Thaw also attended the meeting.—MNA

Union FM meets Norwegian Deputy Foreign Minister

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin received Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway Mr Espen Barth Eide and party at his office here this evening.

The meeting concentrated on promotion of friendly ties and bilateral cooperation between the two countries.—MNA

Journal of Myanmar Civil Service Volume 9, No. 1 comes out

YANGON, 7 Oct—Journal of Myanmar Civil Service Volume 9, No. 1 of Union Civil Service Board has published recently.

The UCSB publishes the journal twice a year.

The journal carries My politics written by Dr Maung Maung, Gratitude by UCSB member Dr Win Myint (Hlaing Thinn), A journey to Republic of Korea by UCSB member Dr Myint Aung, Tasks of Myanmar Correctional Department by U Kyaw Win, Background History and duties of Directorate of Investment and Companies Administration, State Service Personal life and biography by retired UCSB member UHLa Myint Oo (Chairman of Pyithu Hluttaw International Relations Committee), articles and general sector.

The journal is available at the office of UCSB, Office at No. 17, Win Thuza Shop, Myat Shwetaung Literary House at Myoma Market, Tharaphu Literary House and Thawdasan Literary House in Pyinmana and Sarpay Beikman bookshop and Inwa Literary House in Yangon. Each copy is fixed at K 2000.

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Projects to be selected for Myanmar ICT Award 2011

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—The results of tentative selection of Educational Project Competition for Myanmar ICT Award 2011 were out on 30 September.

The list of names are eight of 56 in senior level, 4 of 13 in high school level, 6 of 56 in middle school level, and 4 of 20 in primary level.

Those related persons are to come for making presentations for final selection at Myanmar Computer Federation at Myanmar Info-Tech on 15 October, 2011.—MNA

Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin receives Norwegian Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr Espen Barth Eide and party.—MNA

All this needs to known

* Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
* Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
* Do not be softened whenever appeased
Fuel tank of F-15 fighter falls to ground, no injuries reported

TOKYO, 7 Oct—An empty fuel tank of an F-15 fighter of Japan’s Air Self-Defence Force (ASDF) fell to the ground near the Force’s Komatsu base in Ishikawa Prefecture on Friday morning just before the plane finished a training flight and landed at the facility and empty lots, in northeast of the Komatsu base, according to the local kyodo news citing officials. The fuel tank that fell to the ground had been placed under the aircraft’s left wing. Authorities are investigating the cause of the accident. Xinhua

Two killed, 19 injured in S Philippines passenger vehicles ambush

MANILA, 7 Oct—Two persons died and 19 others were injured when they were attacked by a group of armed men at a remote village in Datu Odin Sinsuat Town in the southern Philippine Province of Maguindanao early Friday, police said. Citing a report from Philippine National Police (PNP) Directorate for Integrated Police Operations in Western Mindanao chief Director Felcisco Khu, PNP spokesman Agrimero Cruz said the incident occurred around 2 am at the village of La-bungan. Khu said earlier 15 people were injured. The victims were aboard two passenger trucks bound for Sultan Kudarat Province when they were ambushed by the suspects, Cruz said.

One soldier killed in mine blast in southeast Turkey

ANKARA, 7 Oct—One soldier of the Turkish security forces was killed and another injured in a land mine blast in southeastern Turkey on Thursday, the private Cihan news agency reported. The blast took place while a military convoy passed near Ortaklar village in Sembilin town of Hakkari Province, according to the report. The private Dogan news agency said the mines were probably planted by the outlawed Kurdish Workers’ Party (PKK) in eastern and southeastern Turkey. The PKK has recently intensified its attacks on Turkish troops, police and civilians. Turkish officials vowed to reciprocate with absolute determination. Listed as a terrorist organization by Turkey, the United States and the European Union, the PKK took up arms in 1984 to create an ethnic homeland in southeastern Turkey. More than 40,000 people have been killed in conflicts involving the PKK during the past over two decades.

Five killed, 20 wounded in Baghdad twin bombing attacks

BAGHDAD, 7 Oct—Five people were killed and 20 others wounded in two successive roadside bombing attacks that hit northern Baghdad late on Thursday, an Interior Ministry source said. The first roadside bomb went off in Atoifia District in northern Baghdad and struck a passing car on Thursday evening. The second one ensued when police and civilians gathered at the blast scene later, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity. The two explosions killed five civilians and wounded 20 others including four policemen, the source added. It’s an old tactic used by militants to create second explosions after the first draws security forces and passersby in a bid to drive up tolls. Earlier in the evening, another roadside bomb detonated near a school playground in Zaferaniya area in southern Baghdad, wounding five people, the same source told Xinhua.

32 bodies found in Mexico’s Gulf state

MEXICO CITY, 7 Oct—Some 32 bodies were found in Mexico’s Gulf coast state of Veracruz amid growing violence blamed on organized crime, the Navy said on Thursday. “The government regrets to announce the discovery of 35 bodies,” the Navy said in a brief statement. The discovery came after 35 bodies, including 12 women and 23 men, were dumped by unidentified gunmen on a highway in the Veracruz State last month. The people were believed to be victims of turf wars between drug cartels Los Zetas and the Gulf Cartel, which were fighting for the control over drug trafficking routes from Central America and the Caribbean.

An injured man receives treatment at a hospital after a car bomb attack in Kirkuk, 290 kilometers (180 miles) north of Baghdad, Iraq. A suicide bomber detonated his explosives packed car near a bank where policemen were picking up their paychecks, killing and wounding scores of people, police said.—INTERNET

Iraqi firefighters spray the scene of a bomb attack in Karbala, 80 kilometres (50 miles) south of Baghdad, Iraq. A series of blasts hit a Shiite holy city in Iraq on Sunday, killing and wounding scores of people, police and hospital officials said.—INTERNET
Early breast cancer screening may help some

NEW YORK, 7 Oct—Starting breast cancer screening as early as age 25 may help women who carry a genetic mutation linked to a higher risk of cancer live longer, suggests a new study.

“Results indicate that breast cancer deaths will decrease because of screening,” study co-author Dr Jane Lee, who specializes in breast imaging at Massachusetts General Hospital, said by email.

Researchers looked at which breast cancer screenings—mammogram or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)—were effective in women who carry gene mutations BRCA1 and BRCA2, known to increase the risk of breast and ovarian cancer. They looked at women aged 25, 30, 35 and 40 years.

The study, reported in the journal Cancer, found that compared to no screening at all, annual screening starting at age 25 extended life by 1.3 to 1.8 years. Screening with a breast MRI every six months extended life by 1.5 to 1.7 years.

The tests were not perfect. Over the course of their lives, women with BRCA1 who began having mammograms at the age of 25 would have two false positives—a finding that doesn’t turn out to be cancer. Those women with BRCA1 who had an annual mammogram and breast MRI would have four false positives.

For BRCA2 carriers, the corresponding numbers of false positives were three and eight. The authors based their findings on a computer model that may not translate into real life, noted Dr Carol Fabian, who specializes in breast cancer research at the University of Kansas and was not part of the study.—Reuters

Ultrasounds worsen Asia women shortage

HANOI, 7 Oct—Increased access to technology that allows parents to know the sex of their foetuses has left Asia short of 117 million women, mostly in China and India, the UN said on Thursday.

The trend is expected to influence the affected countries for more than 50 years, particularly through a shortage of brides for Chinese and Indian men, according to experts at a conference organized by the UN and Vietnam in Hanoi.

This skewed population sex ratio reflects a preference for sons, in combination with increasing access to new sex-selection technology such as ultrasound, the UN Population Fund said in a conference paper.

Sex determination leads many parents to resort to “selective abortions”, said French demographer Christophe Guilmoto.

In most countries the sex ratio at birth ranges from 104 to 106 male births for every 100 females, “but its level has gradually increased over the last 25 years in several Asian countries, particularly in China and India”, the UN said.

UN figures covering the past few years show China with 118.1 male babies for 100 females, India 110.6, Azerbaijan 117.6 and Vietnam 111.2. “Meanwhile, postnatal discrimination—expressed through excess deaths among female infants and young girls—has not entirely disappeared from several countries and reflects the relative neglect of female children,” Guilmoto said in a conference paper. Internet

Del Monte, Barclays to pay $89.4 million in settlement

A man rides a bicycle past a Barclays bank in London on 5 August, 2010.—Internet

LONDON, 7 Oct—Del Monte Corp and Barclays Capital agreed on Thursday to pay $89.4 million to settle a lawsuit that claimed they had not acted in investors’ best interests in the food company’s $4 billion takeover.

Lawuits stemming from the takeover have raised conflicts of interest issues and struck at the core of the relationship between banks and companies they advise, making boards and bankers nervous about how they run auctions. In the lawsuit, investors claimed that Barclays, which advised Del Monte on the sale, had a conflict of interest because it also arranged financing for the private equity buyers led by KKR and Co Banks helping to sell businesses frequently offer financing to buyers, known as “staple financing.” Del Monte will contribute $65.7 million and Barclays Capital, a unit of Barclays Plc, will pay $23.7 million to Del Monte’s shareholders, the investors’ lawyers said in a statement on Thursday. Around $21 million of Del Monte’s payment is in lieu of fees due to Barclays, meaning the two parties will carry a roughly equal burden.

In a filing with the US Securities and Exchange Commission, Del Monte and Barclays denied any wrongdoing.—Reuters

Spraying insecticide bendiocarb indoors dramatically reduces malaria transmission

WASHINGTON, 7 Oct—A new study has found that indoor spraying with the insecticide bendiocarb dramatically reduced malaria transmission in many parts of Benin, Africa. The finding provides new evidence that insecticides remain a potent weapon for fighting malaria despite the rapid rise of resistance to an entire class of mosquito-killing compounds.

Scientists with Benin’s Entomology Research Centre in Cotonou evaluated the effects of two applications of bendiocarb in homes throughout the West African country over an eight-month period in 2009. They found that after “indoor residual spraying” or IRS, which involves applying insecticide on walls where mosquitoes are likely to land, none of the 350,000 household members living in the treated homes “received infected bites” from the malaria-carrying mosquito Anopheles gambiae. Moreover, none of the mosquitoes collected from the treated homes tested positive for the Plasmodium falciparum—the world’s most deadly malaria parasite.—Internet
**Science**

**S Calif tectonic plates are mapped**

**Providence, 7 Oct—** Southern California’s tectonic plates have been revealed in detail in a new study of one of the most complex, geologic regions in the world, researchers say.

A team from Brown University studying the lithosphere — the crust and part of the upper mantle that carries the globe’s tectonic plates — found its thickness varies widely, from less than 25 miles to nearly 60 miles. 

“We see these really dramatic changes in lithosphere thickness, and these occur over very small horizontal distances,” Karen Fischer, a professor of geological sciences, said.

The team measured the lithosphere in a 400-by-300-mile grid that included Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Diego and the so-called Salton Trough, and found its thickness varies from less than 25 miles to nearly 60 miles.

“The geologic forces that shape the Earth’s surface do their work in the lithosphere, often out of sight and far below the surface,” researchers have now measured the lithosphere’s thickness in southern California. It varies widely, from less than 25 miles to nearly 60 miles. Credit: Fischer Lab, Brown University.

**Int’l forum debuts in Vladivostok to discuss ecological problems**

**Vladivostok, 7 Oct—** An international environmental forum started here Thursday to talk about a wide range of ecological problems, such as mutually beneficial cooperation in environmental protection, biodiversity conservation and sustainable use of natural resources.

One of the main topics is about implementation of some specific environmental projects in preparation for the 2012 APEC Summit, scheduled in Vladivostok in September 2012.

Besides, nanotechnology and ecotourism development, which can help improve energy efficiency, will also be discussed.

The forum has drawn more than 400 delegates from Russia, China, South Korea, Japan, Australia, Germany, the United States, Britain and other countries. They are from scientific institutions, universities, business circles and environmental organizations.—**Xinhua**

**India announces $35 tablet computer for rural poor**

**New Delhi, 7 Oct—** India introduced a cheap tablet computer Wednesday, saying it would deliver modern technology to the countryside to help lift villagers out of poverty.

The computer, called Aakash, or “sky” in Hindi, is the latest in a series of “world’s cheapest” innovations in India that include a 100,000 rupee ($2,040) compact Nano car, a $75 rupee ($15) water purifier and $2,000 open-heart surgery.

Developer Datawind is selling the tablets to the government for about $45 each, and subsidies will reduce that to $35 for students and teachers. In comparison, the cheapest Apple iPad tablet costs $499, while the recently announced Kindle Fire will sell for $199.

Datawind says it can make about 100,000 units a month at the moment, not nearly enough to meet India’s hope of getting its 220 million children online.

Human Resources Development Minister Kapil Sibal called the tablet announcement a message to all children of the world.

“This is not just for us. This is for all of you who are disempowered,” he said. “This is for all those who live on the fringes of society.”

Despite a burgeoning tech industry and decades of robust economic growth, there are still hundreds of thousands of Indians with no electricity, let alone access to computers and information that could help farmers improve yields, business startups reach clients, or students qualify for university.

The launch — attended by hundreds of students, some selected to help train others across the country in the tablet’s use — followed five years of efforts to design a $10 computer that could bridge the country’s vast digital divide.—**Internet**

**Crab Nebula emissions surprise astronomers**

**Cambridge, 7 Oct—** An exploding star that dazzled sky-gazers in 1054 still intrigues US astronomers by pumping out radiation at higher energies than expected, they say.

The explosion witnessed by observers in North America and China centuries ago left behind a gaseous remnant known as the Crab Nebula, which emits gamma rays with energies a million times that of medical X-rays, a release from the Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics said Thursday.

“If you asked theorists a year ago whether we would see gamma-ray pulses this energetic, almost all of them would have said, ‘No.’ There’s just no theory that can account for what we’ve found,” Harvard-Smithsonian researcher Martin Schroeder said.

The gamma rays are coming from an extreme object at the Crab Nebula’s centre known as a pulsar, the collapsed core of a massive star that has become a small but incredibly dense spinning neutron star, astronomers said.

Nepomuk Otte, a postdoctoral researcher at the University of California, Santa Cruz, who was involved in the observations said some researchers had told him he was crazy even to look for pulsar emissions at this energy level.

“It turns out that being persistent and stubborn helps,” Otte said. “These results put new constraints on the mechanism for how the gamma-ray emission is generated.”

Several theories have been put forward to explain the unexpectedly high energy levels observed but it will take more data to understand thoroughly the mechanisms behind the gamma-ray pulses, astronomers said.

**This is an artist’s conception of the pulsar at the center of the Crab Nebula, with a Hubble Space Telescope photo of the nebula in the background. Researchers have discovered pulses of high-energy gamma rays coming from this object.**—**Internet**

**A model displays Sony DEV-5 digital binoculars in Hong Kong, south China, on 6 Oct, 2011. Sony held a Press conference and launched world’s first digital binoculars on Thursday. The binoculars will be put on market in November of this year, priced at 15,980 Hong Kong dollars (2,053 US dollars).—Xinhua**
Nazi hunters look at cases with fresh eye

BERLIN, 7 Oct.— Nazi hunters in Germany say they’re scouring cold case files for former death camp guards after the conviction of John Demjanjuk. Kurt Schrimm, head of the Central Office for the Investigation of Nazi Crimes, told The New York Times he hopes they can make it through the hundreds of files in the next year. The death camp guards would all be in their 80s and 90s now, the report said.

The legal precedent set by Demjanjuk’s conviction means prosecutors have a better chance of winning convictions in other World War II cases, the newspaper said.

A German court found Demjanjuk guilty in May of being an accessory to murder in 28,060 cases, which is the number of people who died while he was a guard at the Sobibor camp in Poland. Prosecutors didn’t focus on a specific death, instead arguing that working as a death camp guard automatically made Demjanjuk, who is now 91, an accessory to murder, the newspaper said.

The Ukrainian-American immigrated to the United States in 1952 and was deported to Israel in 1986 to stand trial for war crimes. He returned to Cleveland and was deported to Germany in 2009. “No individual guilt was proven, how on such a day, this or that person was killed,” Schrimm said. “We stepped onto virgin territory, and the court in Munich validated us.” —Internet

New vending machine that delivers hot, fresh pizza in just 90 secs!

LONDON, 7 Oct.— A New York entrepreneur has created a pizza vending machine that can make and deliver hot, fresh pizzas to you in just 90 seconds.

It will leave outfits like Dominos, which promise pizzas at your door in 30 minutes or less, far behind in the race.

The automated pizzeria delivers freshly baked hot pizzas at the touch of a few buttons, and not only that, you can watch it be cooked right in front of your very eyes - just like a real pizzeria but without the chef, the Daily Mail reported.

Customers have the option of white, cheese or pepperoni pizza. Once they make their selection, they can watch as the machine presses a ball of fresh dough into an eight-inch pie.

The pizza takes anything from 90 seconds to three-and-a-half minutes to bake, depending how many are ordered, during which time customers can either watch the pizza-making process or can look at the 32-inch flat screen TV that blares entertainment and ads. Once the pizza is ready, it is delivered in its own individual box with a disposable pizza cutter, napkin and two spoons. The vending machine itself holds enough fresh ingredients for 150 pizzas, which are all, kept in a sealed and refrigerated compartment. —Internet

Aerial view of deforested area in Alto Parana, 300 km from the City of Asuncion, capital of Paraguay, on 6 Oct, 2011.

According to non-Governmental organizations of Paraguay the rate of deforestation in the area of Alto Parana is alarming. Experts said that in 5 years forests could disappear in the area. Agricultural activities as livestock accelerate the process of deforestation.

World’s longest cake unveiled for a cause

CHENNAI, 7 Oct.— This cake takes the cake, so to speak, for its sheer length and weight — 100 metres and 1000 kgs.

The French Loaf, the country’s largest bakery chain, today unveiled India’s longest eggless, chocolate cake, which was created for a noble cause.

The cake measures 333 ft and is reckoned to be the longest in the world.

Every granule of 500 kilos of chocolate powder, every block of 300 kilos of chocolate, every drop of 200 kilos of fresh cream and every mm of 1000 icing sheets with faces of popular film stars printed on them brought smiles to the faces of under-privileged children fighting against cancer.

The French Loaf organized the making, display and sale of this longest photo cake at the biggest shopping plaza, Express Avenue mall, in the city to commemorate ‘Joy of Giving Week’ an annual event that was glazed by renowned celebrities.

The theme for this year is “Tribute to 75 years of Tamil Cinema.”

The proceeds of this 1000 kg, 333 ft (100 metres) cake went to the Chennai-based NGO Mahesh Memorial Trust in support of the fight against Paediatric Cancer.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr Mahadevan, Founder Chairman of Oriental Cuisines, who owns French Loaf said, “we are extremely happy because we have set a new record.” “It’s very special because this record breaking cake has 1000 faces of renowned film stars carved out of icing which are significant to 75 years of Tamil cinema and shall be the longest one to be made in World,” he said.

What makes us, even more proud is that this initiative will bring smiles on faces that are fighting with hope against paediatric cancer,” he added.

Four killed, seven injured as steel scaffolding falls in N Philippine shipyard

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Photo shows the collapsed hotel gateway in Yifeng, east China’s Jiangxi Province.—Xinhua

Four dead, three injured in building collapse in east China

NANCHANG, 7 Oct.— Four workers were killed, with another three injured, when an arch over a hotel gateway collapsed on Thursday in east China’s Jiangxi Province, local authorities said.

The accident occurred at 12:45 pm, when seven workers were building the gateway arch, in the county of Yifeng, said a spokesman with the county government. —Xinhua

At least 10 killed in Peru road accident

LIMA, 7 Oct.— At least 10 people, including four children, were killed in a highway accident in Peru late Wednesday night when a bus carrying 29 passengers fell off a cliff in a region of the Andes mountains, Peru’s National Police (PNP) said on Thursday.

The accident occurred late Wednesday night near the Matucana District some 72 km east of Lima, when the bus was on its way back to San Mateo after a field trip to the Peruvian Capital.

Train collision injures three in Switzerland

GENEVA, 7 Oct— Three people were injured after two regional trains collided in Olten, northern Switzerland, local media reported on Thursday.

The accident happened at around 1800 CET near the Olten train station. Among the three injured, one was in critical conditions and was immediately transported to hospital by helicopter, local police said. —Xinhua

10 missing after boat sinks in Nile River

EDFU, (Egypt) 7 Oct— Egyptian authorities were looking for 10 people who went missing after a boat sank in the Nile River near Edfu.

The ferry, owned by a local resident, was transporting passengers to a wedding Wednesday morning when the accident occurred, MENA reported. A search and rescue team rescued six other passengers. —Internet

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A diver swims near British artist Jason de Caires Taylor’s sculpture “The Flower of Hope” in this undated handout in the Mexican resort of Cancun.—Xinhua

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NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann received a Norwegian delegation led by Deputy Foreign Affairs Minister Mr. Espen Barth Eide at the hall of Pyithu Hluttaw of Hluttaw Building here this afternoon.

Present at the call together with the Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker were Pyithu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa, chairpersons of Pyithu Hluttaw Committees and members, and together with the Norwegian deputy Foreign Affairs Minister were Norwegian Ambassador to Myanmar Mrs Katja Christina Nordgaard and officials.

The two sides cordially discussed friendly cooperation between the two houses of the countries and political progress in Myanmar.

The Norwegian delegation then observed second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall in Hluttaw Building.—MNA

Chinese Ambassador calls on Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann received Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Li Junhua at the hall of Pyithu Hluttaw of Hluttaw Building here this afternoon.

Also present at the call together with Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann were Pyithu Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa and Chairman of Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee U T Kun Myat.

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Union A & I Minister visits 500-acre mechanized farm in Pobbathiri Tsp

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing visited 500-acre model mechanized farm in Nyaungbingyisu of Pobbathiri Township in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area this morning and urged officials concerned to provide technical assistance to farmers to be able to apply scientific cultivation methods, creating jobs for those without farms in the area, and taking measures to help farmers reap satisfactory profits from agricultural works.

The Union Minister then encouraged farmers at the farm. The Union Minister then visited mechanized rice farm in Bonngyi Farm near Chang Village, 40-acre farmer educative high-yielding rice plantation, 10-acre farmer educative high-yielding farm in Aungthukha Village, Dekkhinathiri Township.

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Fire breaks out in Seikmu Village, Phakant Township

MOYNTIN, 7 Oct—A fire broke out in Seikmu Village, Phakant Township on 28 September, engulfing 11 houses and leaving 130 people from 39 households homeless.

The fire victims were accommodated at the relief camp opened at Sein Mya Thukha monastery, The Phakant Township administrator, members of fire brigades and Red Cross Society, social organizations provided the fire victims with relief aids including 30 bags of rice, 40 viss of oil and K 5.3 million.

The fire started from the candle light at the house (No.1/230) of U Naing Aung Tun, Ward-1. Action is being taken against the owner of the house under section 285 of Pa/427/2011 by Phakant Police station.

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(e) of the Constitution whether it is accorded with the Constitution that Sub-township administrators under the General Administration Department of the Ministry of Home Affairs are vested with judicial power to handle criminal cases took place in respective sub-townships; the proposal No 1(2011) submitted on 1-7-2011 by the Union Chief Justice was heard and the tribunal passed verdict on 14-7-2011; the verdict was published in Vol (64), No (32), Section (1) of Myanmar Gazette on 12-8-2011; the tribunal is working constantly to effectively carry out undertakings prescribed in Section (12) of the Constitutional Tribunal of the Union Law, to obtain experience, knowledge and rationality through research of constitutional court and tribunals works, and to improve works of the tribunal constantly; research papers are submitted and discussed once a week as of 19-5-2011 for building capacity of the staff; papers on works of constitutional courts and tribunals of 19 countries have been read out; the tribunal is studying laws, bylaws, rules and regulations and directives of respective ministries; and whether those are accorded with the Constitution, the tribunal do not have the right issue opinions in accordance with its own wish; only when the proposal will have to be submitted to the tribunal under Section 323 of the Constitution and Sections (13), (14), (15), (16), and (17) if it obtains to happen the interpretation, resolution and opinion of the tribunal, can the tribunal hear the case; and the tribunal is discharging duty of safeguarding the Constitution.

U Tun Myint Oo of Mongpon Constituency asked which stage the installation of power grid from Tahsan Dam to Mekong power grid of Thailand, how much Myanmar side will be invested, how it can profit the public and whether the installation of power grid and construction dam will impact on environment and residents in the immediate area. Union Minister for Electric Power No (1) U Zaw Min answered that the Memorandum of Understanding to implement the Tahsan HydroPower Project was signed with MDX Company of Thailand; it is planned to lodge a lawsuit against MDX Company because the company failed to implement the project in accord with Ministry of Electric Power Project, in more appropriate site on 10-11-2010 with the permission of cabinet meeting No (42/2010); Memorandum of Agreement and cooperation contracts have yet to be signed; the surveys are under way and no project works have started.

Regarding the question raised by U Sai Hla Kyaw of Langkho Constituency who asked whether there is plan to resolve the problem that one-day visitors from the People’s Republic of China do not visit Muse and Namkham in almost past two years in discussion with Chinese Tourism Minister and whether there is plan to allow visitors from China to visit Mandalay and Yangon as in earlier 2006. Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Htay Aung answered that visitors from China visited Myanmar through Muse, Namkham, Kyugon/Panhsai, Chinshwehaw, Lwejel and Langkho in Myanmar side opposite to development of border region tourism industry between Myanmar and China; China suspended day-return entry to Myanmar in September 2009 with the reason to issue new Border Pass book; the ministry arranged negotiations between tourism companies and regional tourism enterprises of both sides and contacted National Tourism Administration of China in Beijing; despite suspension of Border Pass and Entry Permit, Chinese visitors can visit with Passport and Visa, one searchlight-installed vehicle, one vehicle with oxygen concentrator, one water spray fire engine, seven turntable ladder fire engines, one tiller ladder fire engine and two tower ladder fire engines. Besides, one 8000-gallon capacity water tanker and two 3500-gallon water tankers are being put into service for fire fighting and rescue works. So there is enough for fighting fire in high-rise buildings.

A total 23 basic and advanced training courses conducted at Fire Services Department (Head Office), training division and Central Fire Service Training School are turning out 2442 firemen yearly. Likewise, basic fire fighting courses are being conducted in respective townships. From October 2009 to July 2011, 1307 fighting fire courses were conducted for 128804 auxiliary fire brigade members across the nation. From 1988 to date, 180 firemen were sent to 15 foreign countries for further studies and multiplier courses on international fire fighting system are being conducted. So skilled firemen are yearly turned out for fire services.

According to field trip data collected from July to September 2011, 183 of 390 fire hoses are in good condition in Yangon, 69 can be used to some extent and 138 are out of order. Arrangements are being made to use fire hydrants at full capacity in cooperation with Yangon Region government.

Apart from fire taps and hydrants, arrangements have been made in respective townships to supply water from water works and water tanks in times of emergency. Now, water can be supplied from 55 tube wells, 23 3000–20000-gallon capacity brick water tanks and 41 natural lakes. There are three designated places each in Kandawgyi and Innya Lakes for fire engines. As hoses are 28 feet long, water can be pumped out from the lake at any places within reach. Plans are underway in cooperation with Yangon Region government to more build designated places for fire engines at four corners of the lakes.

Regarding the question raised by U Sai Hla Kyaw of Langkho Constituency who asked whether there is a plan to carry out relief works like providing for disaster victims, saying that homeless victims of internal armed conflicts are fleeing to border areas as there is no relief camps in the country and victims are (See page 9)
Second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw...

In relation to village, village-tract, ward, town, sub-township and township that was changed by the Ministry of Home Affairs, if the Union government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar informs Ministry of Home Affairs of agreement, the order will be issued. Kyakikaw village and Thaukhan village are about 12 miles away from Thaton and about four miles from Bilin and they are blessed with economic, social and transport boom. So, if there is a will to upgrade to sub-township level and set as town, step-by-step procedures can be made in accord with rules and regulations.

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint answered questions of two Hlutaw representatives. Dr Khin Shwe of Yangon Region Constituency No. 9 asked whether there is a plan to construct seven miles and six furlongs long Twantay-Yekyaw Road and 19 miles and six furlongs long Twantay-Kawhmu-Kungyangon Town Road by Public Works in Yangon Region. The Union Minister replied that the road linking Twantay-Yek yaw and the road linking Twantay-Kawh mu-Kungyangon Townships are being undertaken by Twantay, Kawhmu and Kungyangon Township Development Affairs Committees. As of 1990-91 fiscal year, Twantay-Yekyaw Road was constructed by rural people on a self-reliant basis. Beginning 1998-1999 fiscal year, Twantay Township DAC upgraded the earthen road to the laterite road. There are 10 bridges along the road.

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The Ministry of Construction is taking responsibility of maintaining Kungyangon-Hmahtaw Road linking Kawhmu and Kungyangon Townships. The fund allotted in 2011-2012 fiscal year is spent on ordinary maintenance of the road by Yangon South District Senior Engineer and part of the Ministry of Construction and engineer team of Kungyangon Township. They have been maintaining four miles and three furlongs long section of the road.

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U Than Swe of Taninthayi Region Constituency No 2 asked whether there is a plan to repair the 400 meter long running track in Mindat in southern Chin Region. The ministry would coordinate to repair the running track. The facilities when they were built in districts and townships, however, the condition of the sports facilities had been degrading because the athletes who trained themselves intensively there were rare. Therefore, it needed to maintain the facilities when they were built in districts and townships, he said.

Concerning the repairing of the 400 meter long running track in Mindat, the union minister replied that the ministry would coordinate to repair the running track. The ministry would build a medium stadium in the town when a land was allocated for the facility, he added.

Afterwards, U Mann Aung Tin Myint, member of the bill committee, submitted the proposal and report the bill committee to consider the bill approved and sent by the Pyithu Hluttaw to the Amyotha Hluttaw to revoke the 1964 Law Defining the Fundamental Rights and Responsibilities. Amyotha Hluttaw announced that those representatives who wish to discuss the proposal can do nomination at the Amyotha Hluttaw department.

U Khin Maung Yoi of Ayeyawady Region constituency No.6 urged the Hluttaw to send message of sympathy to the parliament of Thailand for flood disaster in Thailand. The Hluttaw agreed it and announced that it would send the message to Thailand.

The meeting ended at 2.10 pm and it would resume on 17 October, 2011.
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Google Earth tops 1 billion downloads since launch

SAN FRANCISCO, 7 Oct—Google announced Wednesday that Google Earth, the tech giant’s virtual globe, map and geographical information programme, has been downloaded more than one billion times since it was first introduced in 2005.

According to Google’s official blog, there have been more than one billion downloads of the Google Earth desktop client, mobile apps and the Google Earth plug-in. To celebrate the milestone, Google is aggregating all the interesting ways people have used Google Earth around the world and posting them on “www. OneWorldManyStories.com.”

“We never imagined our geospatial technology would be used by people in so many unexpected ways,” said Google in the blog post.

Google Earth maps the Earth by images obtained from satellite imagery, aerial photography and GIS (geographic information system) 3D globe. It also has versions of Moon, Mars and Sky, enabling users to see images and videos of the planets and distant galaxies.

It is currently available in Google Earth, a free version with limited function, as well as Google Earth Pro and Google Earth Enterprise, subscription services with additional features intended for commercial use. —Xinhua

A tourist runs at the foot of the snow-capped Qilian Mountain in Qilian County, northwest China’s Qinghai Province, on 4 Oct, 2011. —Xinhua

Paris Hilton fuming over lost luggage

LOS ANGELES, 7 Oct—Socialite Paris Hilton has taken aim at airline chiefs after her luggage was lost while returning back 4 Oct when she misplaced her luggage, reports female-first.co.uk.

“Just landed back in LA! What an incredible trip! Loved spending time with my girls and visiting India Turkey and Ibiza! So much fun! So annoying when the airlines lose your luggage. Especially when it’s 8 big suitcases of all my favourite outfits. Hope they find them,” the 30-year-old posted on micro-blogging site Twitter.
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Internet

China’s first space lab module in good condition

BEIJING, 7 Oct—China’s first space lab module were in good condition and all tests went on “smoothly” during the past week, according to a statement issued by the country’s space authorities.

The unmanned module, Tiangong-1, or Heavenly Palace-1, blasted off on 29 Sept from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China’s desert area. Tiangong-1 switched to the orbit of 362 kilometres high and had orbited the Earth for 109 times by 6:00 pm Thursday, the statement said. Tests on the module’s remote control system, video/audio equipment, temperature/humidity sensors, docking facilities and other functions had been conducted successfully, it added.

It also revealed that the Jiuquan Launch Centre and other units were preparing for the launch of the Shenzhou-8 unmanned spacecraft, which is scheduled to join the Tiangong-1 later this year. Shenzhou-8 and Tiangong-1 are expected to perform China’s first space docking at a height of 340 kilometres above the earth’s surface.

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Israel jet makes emergency landing

REHOVOT, (Israel) 7 Oct—An Israeli F-15 fighter jet was forced to make an emergency landing Thursday after a bird hit one of its engines, causing it to catch fire.

The jet landed safely at the Tel Nof Air Base. Ynetnews.com reported.

A military official confirmed the incident, saying, “Around 11:20 am, an F-15 on a training flight was hit by a bird. The pilot and copilot followed procedure and immediately aborted the flight landing safely. The jet is currently undergoing a mechanical and technical inspection to determine whether it sustained any damage.”

Internet

Germany’s 2.5m-wide five-star hotel

‘Eh’haeusl’ is world’s smallest

LONDON, 7 Oct—A miniature 2.5m-wide guesthouse located in Germany that spans over a 53 sq/m has been named the world’s smallest hotel. Eh’haeusl stretches over seven narrow floors and is equipped with all the modern conveniences, from flat screen televisions to a mini spa.

The five-star hotel was originally built as a house in 1728 after the city council ruled that couples could only get married if they owned property. To give lovebirds a chance to tie the knot, a resourceful local came up with an idea to get round the law.

He built a house so small and cheap even the poorest of people could afford it even on a short-term basis. It meant couples could buy the house, get married, move in and then sell it soon after to the next lovers looking to wed.

With a different newlywed couple as occupants every few weeks, it became known as Eh’haeusl — or ‘the Wedding House’.

“Our people who stay here will live happily ever after and never get divorced — it’s an old legend told by the locals of the town and we are keeping it strong,” the Sun quoted Marina Schreiner, the owner of the hotel as saying.

Internet

A figure in the shape of a serpent’s head, below, decorates a newly discovered platform at the archaeological site Templo Mayor in Mexico City, Mexico, on 6 Oct, 2011. Archaeologists say they’ve found a round stone Aztec ceremonial platform studded with carvings of serpents’ heads at Mexico City’s Templo Mayor ruin site. Archaeologist Raúl Barerra said Thursday that records written before the arrival of the Spanish indicate such platforms were the site of royal cremations.—INTERNET
Competitors attend the cooking competition during the 41st Worldskills held at the ExCeL Centre in London, Britain, on 6 October 2011. The biannual Worldskills competition, often regarded as the global "skills Olympics", is a competition for youth from 17 to 22 years to demonstrate their excellence in skilled professions. — Xinhua

Human error blamed for Shanghai subway train crash; 12 punished

SHANGHAI, 7 Oct — A subway train crash that occurred on Shanghai's subway Line 10 on 27 September was caused by negligence, with twelve people disciplined in connection with the accident, investigators said on Thursday.

Among those punished was Tang Zhilin, chief dispatcher of the Line 10 operation control centre. He was removed from his post, according to the report released by the investigation team.

Eleven other managers and workers of the operation control and power supply sections also received penalties ranging from removing from job posts to demotions, said the report.

The crash occurred at 2:37 pm following a signaling system failure at a station on the Line 10 subway, injuring over 290 passengers. So far, 70 people are still receiving treatment at hospital, according to the report.

Xinhua

Beijing airport handles record number of holiday travellers

BEIJING, 7 Oct — The Beijing Capital International Airport has seen a record number of passengers during the week-long National Day holiday, an airport official said on Thursday.

The airport handled 1.35 million passengers between 30 September and 5 October, the official said. The travel peak fell on 1 October, or the start of the holiday, when the airport handled 258,000 travellers.

During the period, the airport handled 8,739 flights, an average of 1,456.5 flights daily and an increase of 3.92 percent compared with the same period last year, the official said. — Xinhua
Ministry of Information
Printing and Publishing Enterprise
Invitation to open tender to purchase
Duplex Board foreign paper (domestic)

1. The tenderers are invited by Printing and Publishing Enterprise under the Ministry of Information for purchasing Duplex Board foreign paper (domestic) for 2011-2012 fiscal year.

(a) Duplex (32’s x 40’) 180 Gsm 3225 packets (each packet with 100 sheets)
(b) Duplex (32’s x 46’) 180 Gsm 1775 packets (each packet with 100 sheets)

2. Forms of opened tender may be taken out from Office No. 7, Ministry of Information, Nay Pyi Taw, from 09.30 hr to 16.00 hr daily from 3-10-2011 to 19-10-2011.

3. The opened tenders are to be submitted in the presence of members of the tender committee at Office No. 7 in Nay Pyi Taw, from 13.00 hr to 14.00 hr on 20-10-2011. The tender applications that were over the prescribed period will not be considered.

4. The forms of opened tenders and detailed information may be available at the following address.

Procurement Committee
Ministry of Information
Office No. 7, Nay Pyi Taw
Tel: 412327, 412323

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MV Bangsaphan Voy no (93)
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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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Shipping Agency Department
Myanmar Port Authority
Agent for: MS Wongsamut Ocean Shipping Co., Ltd

Phone No: 256916/256919/256921

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Heatwave brings rare moths to UK
London, 7 Oct—The recent heatwave has seen hundreds of rare moths arriving in the UK, in what experts are describing as the best migration for the insects in years. A variety of species, many of which are usually found in the Mediterranean, have turned up in the UK and Ireland as a result of the warm weather and southerly winds, Butterfly Conservation said.

The rare flame brocade moth, Trigonophora flammea, normally found in Spain and France, has been seen in its highest numbers for 130 years. Unusually large numbers of the moth, which usually only turns up in double figures in the UK in autumn, recorded at a site in Sussex have led experts to conclude that there could be a colony in the county. Over 20 have been seen per night.

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China’s Apple fans bid final farewell
Beijing, 7 Oct—Apple stores in China were once again packed with people on Thursday—but this time they didn’t come for any new gadget unveiled by the company, but to mourn Steve Jobs, the company’s visionary who died on Wednesday at the age of 56.

In Beijing and Shanghai, emotional diehard Apple fans came to pay tribute to the legendary figure who never came to China, but who changed people’s lives here with innovations like the iPod, iPhone and iPad.

When Jobs showed up at each news conference with some new Apple products, I usually felt quite excited to hear the innovation,” Tian said. Outside the store, a large picture with Jobs was placed on the ground as well as flowers, candles or apples with a bite taken out of them, an imitation of the company’s iconic logo.

A card on top of a bunch of flowers read: “Rest in peace, Steve, you will be remembered”. Yi Ran, 64, a female artist who labeled herself an “iPhone freak”, said that she burst into tears while hearing the news of Jobs’ death.”There are only three apples in the world, one with Eve, one with Newton, and the last one with Jobs,” Yi said. Zhao Wanpeng, a worker at the Sanlitun store, said that the memorial activities were being done spontaneously by fans.

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**Tough decision for Redknapp**

LONDON, 7 Oct — Harry Redknapp has indicated that he will now have to choose between Jermain Defoe and Rafael van der Vaart. Van der Vaart stated earlier this week that he did not enjoy the defensive side of his role after being selected on the right flank for Tottenham Hotspur in Sunday's North London derby victory over Arsenal.

Redknapp recognizes that Van der Vaart is most effective in a central role, but his preference of late has been to use Defoe as a second main striker alongside summer signing Emmanuel Adebayor. With both forwards performing well and Scott Parker, Luka Modric and Gareth Bale also in good form, Redknapp acknowledges it is a problem fitting Van der Vaart into the side, especially now that he has expressed feelings of discontent.

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**Wilshere staying at Arsenal**

LONDON, 7 Oct — Jack Wilshere says he has no intention of following Cesc Fabregas and Samir Nasri out of Arsenal. Wilshere, who was last week ruled out until February after undergoing ankle surgery, is confident he can realise all his ambitions with the Gunners.

**Forlan chasing Uruguayan goals record**

CANELONES, 7 Oct — Uruguay forward Diego Forlan is hoping he can make his country's goalscoring record his own as his side open their South American qualifying campaign for the 2014 World Cup against Bolivia on Friday. The Inter Milan veteran scored twice as the Celeste landed the Copa America in July to take his international tally to 31 and now shares the record with Hector Scarone.

Having been instrumental in Uruguay's record 15th continental triumph Forlan now set a new mark he hopes he can carry over into the 32-year-old focuses on the qualifying campaign for the World Cup finals in Brazil. Scarone became a Uruguayan legend in winning Olympic crowns in 1924 and 1928 before winning the inaugural World Cup in 1930.

**Pedro Leon left ‘humiliated’ by Mourinho**

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**Dempsey hoping for Johnson stay**

LONDON, 7 Oct — Clint Dempsey is hoping Fulham can secure teammate Andy Johnson’s services beyond the end of the season.

The former Everton striker’s current deal is due to expire in the summer, although talks are ongoing to extend his stay. Question marks have been raised over Johnson’s long-term future after manager Martin Jol revealed he had revealed he had shuffled the club’s initial offer. Dempsey has confirmed his credentials over the weekend with a hat-trick in Fulham’s 6-0 win over newly-promoted Queens Park Rangers.

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Indian Ocean tsunami alert system to be tested on 12 Oct

NEW DELHI, 7 Oct—Nearly two dozen countries next Wednesday will take part in a full-scale test of the Indian Ocean’s tsunami alert system, using the 2004 Sumatra quake as the basis for the exercise, UNESCO said on Thursday.

Exercise IOWAVE 11 will re-enact the seismic events of 26 December, 2004, simulating a 9.2-magnitude quake that occurs north-west of Sumatra, sending waves across the Indian Ocean that strike the coasts of South Africa 12 hours later.

It will be a trial run for newly-launched Indian Ocean tsunami warning service Providers (RTSPs), located in Australia, India and Indonesia, which will issue simulated “alerts.” They are part of a region-wide tsunami warning and mitigation service, set up by 28 countries after the 2004 disaster, which claimed nearly a quarter of a million lives.

Until now, two bodies—the Japan Meteorological Agency and the Pacific Tsunami Warning Centre—have been in charge of tsunami alerts in the Indian Ocean.

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An aerial shot shows vehicles ready for shipping being carried by a tsunami tidal wave at Hitaichinaka city in Ibaraki prefecture in March 2011.—INTERNET

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Second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw continues for 34th day

Five questions raised and answered

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—Second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw continued for 34th day at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building here at 1.30 pm today, with the attendance of Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 380 Pyithu Hluttaw representatives.

Hluttaw representatives who want to participate in discussion on amendments of Myanmar Micro Credit Bill sent back by Amyotha Hluttaw are to submit their name list with precise presentation of paragraph and subparagraph they want to discuss not later than 4 pm on 13 October. The bill had been approved by Pyithu Hluttaw on 29 August.

U Thein Lwin of Chauk Constituency asked which and how undertakings are being carried out by Constitutional Tribunal of the Union since its establishment. Chairman of Constitutional Tribunal of the Union U Thein Soe answered that the chairman and members of the tribunal drafted Constitutional Tribunal of the Union Rule to deal with matters submitted by designated persons regarding the interpretation, resolution and opinion of the tribunal and to prescribe procedures; Constitutional Tribunal of the Union Rules were issued with the Notification No (30/2011) of the tribunal on 28-6-2011; Supreme Court of the Union submitted the proposal in accord with Sections 293 and 317 to obtain the interpretation, resolution and opinion of the tribunal in accord with Section 325.

Second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw continues for 33rd day

Four questions raised, one bill submitted and one decision made to send message of sympathy to Thailand

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Oct—The second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw continued for 33rd day at 1 pm at Amyotha Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building here today. The session was attended by Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint and 204 Amyotha Hluttaw representatives.

U Saw Ohn of Mon State Constituency asked whether there is a plan to form a sub-township with a suitable name by combining Kyakkaw and Theinseik villages. If not, whether or not Kyakkaw and Theinseik will be set as towns officially. In response, Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko said that Section 54 of the Constitution states that where there arises a situation to alter or form the territorial boundary or change the name of a village, village-tract, ward, town and sub-township to the Ministry of Home Affairs, General Administration Department (Head Office) is to ask for dossier including report of region or state administrator, agreement minutes of region or state government and endorsement of the President. If the dossier is in hand, Ministry of Home Affairs is to report on extension, changing and forming to the President Office. If the President Office asks to further report to the Union government in accord with rules and regulations, General Administration Department (Head Office) needs to make submission to the Union government compiling detailed facts.