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.

Practical and theoretical courses to be conducted for coaches, referees and managers to be well-versed in tactical management of international standard, internationally practised rules and regulations of football from A to Z

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham delivers concluding remarks at national level workshop on improvement of Myanmar’s football ability.

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Nav Pyi Taw, 19 Oct—National level workshop on improvement of Myanmar’s football ability continued for the second day at Myanmar International Convention Centre, here, this morning, with an address by Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Dr Sai Mauk Kham.

Secretary of Myanmar National Sports Committee Deputy Minister for Sports U Aye Myint Kyu chaired the workshop at which Dr Mya Lay Sein (Assistant Director) submitted the paper on football and medical treatment, Police Col Htay Aung on spectators and security role, U Win Thu Moe (Reid Assistant Director) on right selection of players and role of coach, and Director U Tun Hla Aung of Referee Committee of Myanmar Football Federation on more knowledge about and adherence to rules and regulations of football sport.

Next, Union Minister U Tint Hsan, Deputy Minister U Aye Myint Kyu, Director-General U Thaung Htaik and MFF President U Zaw Zaw replied to queries raised by those present.

The chairman of the workshop read out the main points of the papers and the MFF President elaborated on future plans based on ideas suggested at the workshop. Union Minister U Tint Hsan then suggested measures calling for cooperation concerning the reports.

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham, in his concluding remarks, said that during the two-day workshop aimed at improving the football ability of the country, 16 papers were submitted; it could be assumed that the root-causes of the decline in Myanmar football ability had been made clear after the discussions at the workshop; and guidelines could be set after solutions were found for those major and minor problems through brainstorming.

As the attitudes towards football sport had changed and thus it had become necessary to differentiate between amateur and pro in football; if Myanmar’s football sport continued to be going on like this as amateur sport, it would be lagged behind international countries; and only with complete transformation of football sport into pro nationwide, can Myanmar football sport move towards international stage.

With the aim of rejuvenating Myanmar football standard, the MFF turned the previous amateur level football league into pro level Myanmar National League in 2009 and now, the league had seen fierce rivalry among 12 football clubs for the championship.

However, football clubs still needed to walk the long way to reach Asian football standard and international one; and football infrastructures were much in need of developing to arouse the interests of people from all strata of life in football clubs, increase the number of younger generation of footballers and turn out talented footballers.

It was urgently needed to take increased measures for infrastructural development which are much important in revitalization of Myanmar football, based on its conditions; efforts were to be exerted to achieve the best possible result with financial assistance of the State and sponsorship of businessmen.

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker receives former chairman of Japan-Myanmar Parliamentarian League senior speaker of Japanese House of Counsellors

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—Speaker of the Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann received a goodwill delegation led by former chairman of Japan-Myanmar Parliamentarian League and senior speaker of Japanese House of Counsellors Mr Watanabe Hideo at the Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, at 2 pm today.

Also present at the call were chairman and secretaries of Pyithu Hluttaw Committees.

The Japanese guests were accompanied by Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Takashi Saito. They focused on promotion of friendly relations between Myanmar and Japanese Hluttaws and further cementing relationship and friendship between Myanmar and Japan. After the call, Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann, the chairmen and secretaries of Pyithu Hluttaw Committees, the former chairman of Japan-Myanmar Parliamentarian League and senior speaker of Japanese House of Counsellors and party posed for documentary photo.—MNA

Member of UCSB U Soe Oo enjoys performance of Mon State troupe in “Power of Youths” drama contest.—MNA

Pyae Sone self-reliant library opened in Putao Tsp

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—A ceremony to open Pyae Sone self-reliant library was held in Namthwamkhu Village of Putao Township, Putao District, on 17 October morning. Staff Officer of Putao District Information and Public Relations Department U Aung Kyaw Tun, Head of Township IPRD U Phon Zee Dee and Village Administrator U J Sar formally opened the library.

IPRD donated 100 books, U Aung Zaw Moe (Mamuaying Tea Shop) one colour TV and EVD worth K 150,000, wellwishers 229 books worth K 230,000 and villagers K 100,000.

The library was built at a cost of K 1.8 million by local people. —MNA

Mon State’s troupe participates in “Power of Youths” drama contest

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—Mon State’s troupe competed in “Power of Youths” drama contest of the 18th Myanma Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions at Convocation Hall of University of Agriculture in Yezin Universities’ Campus, Nay Pyi Taw Zeyathiri Township this evening.

Member of Union Civil Service Board U Soe Oo enjoys performance of Mon State troupe in “Power of Youths” drama contest.—MNA

Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—advised to move safety in advance, announced by the feet. People from Coastal areas of those regions are reach 60-70 mph and Storm surge may rise (6) to (8) with rough seas will be experienced off and along Northern Rakhine Coast and Bangladesh Coast.

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Strive to revitalise Myanmar football ability

Football today is no longer considered as a sport for physical exercise and entertainment but as a professional career and business. It has become a kind of investment which calls for long-sighted calculation.

Myanmar needs to move with the global trends to step on the path to success and without sweeping reforms like global countries, its dream of winning championships will be difficult to come true.

The other day, National Level Workshop on Improvement of Myanmar Football Ability was kicked off at Myanmar International Convention Centre with an address by Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham.

The workshop was aimed at rejuvenating Myanmar football, national sport of Myanmar, through multifaceted discussions and suggestions from various points of view.

To restore the former standard, it needs to upgrade current sports grounds across the nation, build sports grounds in wards and villages and basic education schools the length and breadth of the nation, to dissuade football fanatics from unruly behaviors, which are uncivilized manners and educate them to support their favourite teams in politeness. Moreover, basic education schools and universities need to add physical training in their curriculums and organize systematic training for the emergence of younger generations of athletes.

Moreover, it is needed to turn out a vast number of qualified coaches and referees to disseminate ever developing football tactics and techniques, and internationally-practised rules and regulations of football, establish Football Academies, equip athletes with never say die attitude, ensure continuous generations of footballers, and systematically set up football teams according to age limits.

The workshop will focus on practicable solutions for promotion of Myanmar football standard from various aspects and because of this we believe Myanmar will be able to resuscitate its glorious football history.
First 200 French soldiers to leave Afghanistan

PARIS, 19 Oct—A first group of 200 French soldiers was due to leave Afghanistan on Wednesday as part of an early troop withdrawal announced in July by President Nicolas Sarkozy. A further 200 French soldiers are due to return home before Christmas, with another 600 leaving in 2012, ahead of a full drawdown of NATO’s combat mission scheduled in 2014.

France has some 4,000 troops deployed in Afghanistan, mostly in the District of Surobi and in the neighbouring Province of Kapisa, part of the NATO-led force of 130,000 foreign troops, two-thirds of whom are Americans.

The departures are in line with a transition process that began in seven areas in July, meant to hand responsibility for security across the country to Afghan security forces by the end of 2014.

The United States, Britain and Belgium have also announced partial withdrawals, with some US troops already heading home this summer as Western voters tire of more than a decade at war against a strong Taliban militancy.

A total of 194 soldiers, including 172 legionnaires from the 2nd Company of the 2nd Foreign Airborne Regiment, based in Calvi on the island of Corsica, southeast of France, were due to take off in the afternoon from Kabul.

The legionnaires were deployed at Torah base in Surobi, about 50 kilometres (30 miles) east of Kabul.

The departure of the men “will not have an impact on operations at the (Torah) base and the pace of operations,” Colonel Lionel Jean’heurs, who commands the French contingent deployed in Surobi, told AFP recently. —Internet

India deploys naval aircraft in Maldives

NEW DELHI, 19 Oct— In its effort to bolster Maldives’ anti-piracy patrols and maritime surveillance, India has deployed another naval Dornier aircraft in the Indian Ocean island nation, local media reported Wednesday.

“The Dornier will operate from Male and other places from Wednesday for at least three weeks,” The Times of India newspaper quoted an official as saying. Ever since Indian Defence Minister AK Antony visited Maldives in August 2009, Indian warships and Dornier aircraft have been regularly assisting the 1,190-island archipelago in maritime patrolling, the newspaper said.

India is also assisting Maldives in setting up a network of ground radars in all its 26 atolls and link them with the Indian military surveillance systems, the report said. —Xinhua

Roadside mine kills five Afghan troops

KABUL, 19 Oct—The spokesman for the governor of Herat Province says five Afghan army troops were killed by a roadside mine. Mohyaddin Noori said the four soldiers and one officer were on their way back to their base in the western Afghanistan Province’s Pashtun Zarghan District at about 10 am Wednesday, and the mine blew up as their army pickup truck was passing by.

He said it was not immediately clear if the mine was detonated by remote or if they had driven over it. The deaths come as Afghan and international forces are stepping up their fight against Taliban and al-Qaeda-linked militants in other parts of the country, with the focus along the eastern border area with Pakistan. —Internet

US-Britain extradition fair

LONDON, 19 Oct— The 2007 extradition treaty between Britain and the United States is fair, a legal panel said Tuesday after a year-long review.

The report by a team headed by Sir Scott Baker, a former appeal court judge, recommended the home secretary no longer be able to get involved in extradition cases, The Guardian reported. Currently, the home secretary can stop extraditions on human rights grounds.

Baker found the United States has requested 130 extraditions since the treaty was adopted and Britain has requested 54. He said both countries require about the same level of proof.

US Attorney General Eric Holder welcomed the report. “The fundamental fairness of the treaty has been demonstrated by its application during the years it has been in force,” he said. “The treaty has enabled us to work closely with our partners in the United Kingdom to pursue the interests of justice in both our nations.”

One of the most controversial pending cases is that of Gary McKinnon, who faces charges in the United States for allegedly hacking into government computers. His supporters argued cases in which crimes were committed mostly in Britain should be tried there.

AEC says all nuclear plants in India pass stress tests

NEW DELHI, 19 Oct— In a reinforcement of nuclear safety in India, all the atomic power plants have “passed” the stress tests ordered by Prime Minister Manmohan Singh in the aftermath of the Fukushima accident. “Indian reactors have passed the stress tests ordered after Fukushima,” Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) Chairman Sri-kumar Banerjee told a group of reporters here today. The stress tests, which are a combination of simulated quake events on the design of a nuclear plant, were ordered by Singh to address issues of safety of the country’s atomic plants in the aftermath of the Fukushima nuclear accident in March.

Seeking to allay apprehensions on the Kudankulam nuclear power project in Tamil Nadu, he said the Indo-Russian joint venture was the safest unit of its type built anywhere in the world. “Kudankulam plant will be a showcase for Russian nuclear industry themselves. There is not a single VVER-type nuclear reactor which has such an array of safety features,” Banerjee said. However, he admitted that the nuclear establishment did goof up in reaching out to the locals at Kudankulam which was one of the factors responsible for the current agitation.

A man looks at a bus that was affected by the suicide car bomb attack that targeted the Somalia’s foreign ministry building in Mogadishu, on 18 Oct, 2011. —Xinhua

A burnt NATO supply container is seen in Dasht area near southwest Pakistan’s Quetta on 19 Oct, 2011. At least one driver was injured as unknown men burnt a NATO supply container near Quetta. —Xinhua

In this image from Egypt TV on 18 Oct, 2011 Israeli soldier Gilad Schalit is seen at an undisclosed location in the Gaza-Egypt border area accompanied by Hamas guards as he is moved in to Egypt from captivity in Gaza beginning an elaborate prisoner swap deal in which hundreds of Palestinian inmates are to be freed in return for the captured tank crewman. —Internet

Members of the nuclear rapid-response team take part in a nuclear emergencies drill at the Cruas nuclear power station in Ardeche, southern France, on 18 Oct, 2011. The rapid-response force was proposed since the 11 March Fukushima accident. —Xinhua

AEC (Atomic Energy Commission) Chairman Sri-kumar Banerjee, right, along with Ministers of State for Power, Priyaranjan Dey, left, and Environment and Forests, Jairam Ramesh, unveil the Basis of Nuclear Power Project in Tamil Nadu. — PTI

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The Dornier will operate from Male and other places from Wednesday for at least three weeks,” The Times of India newspaper quoted an official as saying. —TOI
CPC Central Committee plenum ends with cultural development guideline

Hu Jintao, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC), addresses the sixth plenary session of the 17th CPC Central Committee in Beijing, capital of China, on Oct. 17, 2011. The plenum was held in Beijing from Oct. 15 to 18.—Xinhua

US flight makes emergency landing due to unruly passenger

HOUSTON, Oct. 19—A Southwest Airlines flight made an emergency landing in a Texas town Tuesday afternoon after a male passenger attempted to break into the cockpit, authorities said.

Crew of Southwest’s Flight 3863 from Los Angeles to Kansas City asked for emergency clearance to land in Amarillo, Texas, after the passenger confronted the crew, local aviation chief Patrick Rhodes told reporters.

The man, Ali Reza Shahsauri, a 29-year-old US citizen, was arrested on a charge of interference with a flight crew and turned over to federal authorities for questioning. None of the 136 passengers and five crew members aboard the flight was injured, said Brad Hawkins, spokesman for Dallas, Texas-based Southwest Airlines.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) were involved in the investigation, with TSA spokeswoman Sarah Horowitz saying information was still being gathered on the incident. The FBI said initial probe found that the unruly passenger had no terrorist intent.

The plane departed for its scheduled destination after security sweep, officials said.—Xinhua

Japanese prime minister to return ancient Korean books

SEOUL, Oct. 19—Japan’s new Prime Minister Yoshihiko Noda will return five volumes of ancient Korean documents to South Korea during his official visit that began Tuesday. Seoul’s presidential office said.

Noda will return the books of “symbolic significance” during the summit talks with South Korean President Lee Myung-bak, slated for Wednesday, a presidential house release stated.

The five books are part of the 1,205-volume collection of Korean archives from the Joseon Dynasty (1392-1910), including texts of royal protocols known as “Uigwe,” looted during Japan’s 1910-45 colonial occupation of the Korean peninsula, Xinhua reported.

The partial retrieval comes after Noda’s predecessor, Naoto Kan, pledged last year to return royal Korean books in a friendly gesture marking the 100th anniversary of the colonisation.

Ties between the two Asian neighbours have been hit by recurring territorial disputes and diplomatic rows over what Seoul sees as Tokyo’s attempts to beautify its colonial past.

Himalayas may be the new Saudi Arabia of solar energy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19—Some of the world’s coldest landscapes — including the Himalaya Mountains, the Andes, and even Antarctica — could become new Saudi Arabias of solar energy, a new study has suggested.

Kotaro Kawajiri and his colleagues, point out that cold regions at high elevations receive so much sunlight their potential for producing power from the sun is higher than some desert areas.

The researchers used one established technique to estimate global solar energy potential using the data that are available. It takes into account the effects of temperature on the output of solar cells.

They found, for instance, that the Himalayas, which include Mt Everest, could be an ideal locale for solar fields that generate electricity for the fast-expanding economy of the People’s Republic of China.

The study has been published in the ACS journal Environmental Science & Technology.
Biological computers come closer to reality

LONDON, 19 Oct—Scientists have claimed that they can build some of the basic components for digital devices out of bacteria and DNA, suggesting a new generation of biological computing devices. The researchers, from Imperial College London, have demonstrated that they can build logic gates, which are used for processing information in devices such as computers and microprocessors, out of harmless gut bacteria and DNA. These are the most advanced biological logic gates ever created by scientists.

“Logic gates are the fundamental building blocks in silicon circuitry that our entire digital age is based on,” said professor Richard Kitney, co-author of study from the Centre for Synthetic Biology at Imperial College London. “Without them, we could not process digital information. Now that we have demonstrated that scientists.

Although still a long way off, the team suggest that these biological logic gates could one day form the building blocks in microscopic biological computers. The scientists constructed a type of logic gate called an “AND Gate” from bacteria called Escherichia coli (E Coli), which is normally found in the lower intestine.

The team altered the E Coli with modified DNA, which reprogrammed it to perform the same switching on and off process as its electronic equivalent when stimulated by chemicals. The researchers were also able to demonstrate that the biological logic gates could be connected together to form more complex components in a similar way that electronic components are made.—Internet

.activision jumps into kids’ game with ‘skylayers’

NEW YORK, 19 Oct—To impress kids these days, it’s not enough to make another video game. Mere action figures won’t do, either. So Activision is merging the two.

With “Skylanders: Spyro’s Adventure,” Activision is using some of its “Guitar Hero” technology in a new venture that’s part handheld toy, part digital entertainment. Aimed at kids, “Skylanders” is among the latest and most ambitious game in a growing genre that blends a child’s physical world with a video game and online media.

The new game marks Activision’s latest stab at a must-have holiday hit, less than a year after it killed off its iconic “Guitar Hero” franchise. Although Activision Blizzard Inc. still has hit titles such as “Call of Duty,” people are increasingly turning to free or cheaper games on mobile devices and social networks and buying fewer expensive video game discs that account for a large chunk of Activision’s business.

Using a plastic platform about six inches in diameter, the figures connect wirelessly to your video game system, the same way plastic instruments can dock it to one of Motorola’s lapdocks, in order to run full Firefox browser.—Internet

Cichlid male nannies help out, especially if they’ve been sneaking

NEW YORK, 19 Oct—Subordinate male cichlid fish who help with the childcare for the dominant breeding pair are occasionally actually the fathers of some of the offspring they help to rear, according to new research from the University of Bristol published in the online journal PLoS ONE. This sneaky paternity increases the subordinate fish’s investment in the offspring in their care.

The highly social cichlid fish Neolamprologus pulcher are related to Lake Tanganyika in Africa, live in social groups consisting of a dominant breeding pair and between 1 and 15 subordinates of both sexes that perform brood care, territory defence and maintenance. Subordinates are often distantly related or unrelated to the dominants.

Cooperative breeding of this kind has puzzled evolutionary biologists for a long time as it is costly and often does not generate obvious fitness benefits to subordinates.

In the case of N pulcher, the main benefit for subordinates in staying in a territory of dominant breeders seems to be the protection gained against predators provided by the large group members.

The team, led by Dr. Rick Braunijes, tested this theory by studying groups of cichlids at Kasakalawe Point, Zambia and found that while dominant females were the mothers of 99.7 percent of all offspring, the dominant males only sired 88.8 percent.

Motorola launches world’s ‘thinnest’ smartphone

WASHINGTON, 19 Oct—Motorola has launched what a called an “impossibly thin” Droid RAZR phone with a stainless-steel core, a Gorilla Glass screen and a nanotechnology splash-guard that protects even the electrical boards inside.

Motorola Mobility’s Indian-American president Sanjay Jha declared the 7.1mm-thick mobile device the world’s thinnest smartphone. Not only is it thinner than other 3G phones, it will run on Verizon Wireless’s 4G LTE network in the US. In other countries, the phone will be called the Motorola RAZR. The details on international carriers and network compatibility will come soon.

With a 4.3-inch screen with qHD resolution, it will have higher contrast and richer colour than iPhone 4S, said Jha. Not only will it have an incredibly high-res screen and a powerful 1.2GHz dual-core processor, but it will be the “first device to download HD movies from Netflix.” On the software front, it runs Android 2.3.5, aka Gingerbread. It will not launch with Ice Cream Sandwich, the next version of the Android OS.

The Droid RAZR supports the webtop interface, like the Droid Bionic. Atixx, Photon and others, so one can dock it to one of Motorola’s lapdocks, in order to run full Firefox browser.—Internet

First photographed UFO’ could be massive comet that nearly hit earth in 1883

LONDON, 19 Oct—A photograph taken in 1883 was heralded as the first photographic evidence of UFOs. But now scientists believe it could be a massive comet that came close to hitting the earth with the same force as that which killed the dinosaurs, the Daily Mail reported.

Mexican astronomer Jose Banilla took the image, which appears to show something passing in front of the moon, on 12 August 1883. When it was released publicly in 1885 in the magazine L’Astronomie it was dubbed the first photo of a UFO. Now, a new study by the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico suggested that it was a comet in the process of breaking up.

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Practical and theoretical courses...

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development such as building affordable sports grounds and gyms in schools across the nation, holding inter-school football tournament, and football tournaments at ward/village/township/district/region and state level, opening sports equipment shops in every town, promoting books, magazines and advertisements about football knowledge.

It is needed to establish a large number of Myanmar Football Academy Training Schools where athletes, coaches and referees directly connected with football can receive theoretical and practical skills.

Theoretically, success could be ensur with a harmonious combination of tactics, techniques, stamina, mental strength, perceptive decisions and initiative; practically, success called for high performance at fixed position, ability to play at different positions, accurate penalty shots, plus all-round intensive trainings.

Practical and theoretical courses were to be opened in order that coaches, referees and managers would be well-versed in tactical management of international standard, internationally practiced rules and regulations of football from A to Z.

The State would provide most possible financial assistance, which is the most important in revitalization of Myanmar football, based on its conditions; efforts were to be exerted to achieve the best possible result with financial assistance of the State and sponsorships of businessmen. In conclusion, the Vice-President urged to make joint efforts to draw up effective guidelines on promotion of football standard based on discussions, suggestions and queries and replies of the two-day workshop and to move towards international stage of football, maintaining the latest success of U-21 while striving for continuous successes. The workshop then came to an end.

RUMFCCI members leave for China

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—Vice-Presidents of the Republic of the Union, Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Zaw Min Win and U Aung Lwin, CEC members U Nyen Aung, U Paul Hein and U Maung Maung Swe left here by air for China on 18 October morning to attend the 8th China-ASEAN Business and Investment Summit and the 8th CAEXPO 2011 to be held in Nanning of PRC from 21 to 26 October. They were seen off at Yangon International Airport by President U Win Aung and responsible persons of the federation.

New protein behind aging, cancer identified

WASHINGTON, 19 Oct—Scientists have found a new aging-associated protein known to be involved in cancer. The new study by investigators at Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Centre and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) identifies the protein SIRT2 as a tumour suppressor linked to gender-specific tumour development in mice. Previous studies indicated that two other members of the sirtuin family — SIRT1 and SIRT3 — have tumour suppressor functions. These findings suggest that a third member of this protein family acts as a tumour suppressor.

“The single most important prognostic factor in cancer is increasing age,” said Gius, a professor of Radiation Oncology and associate professor of Cancer Biology at Vanderbilt-Ingram. “It seems logical that the genes that play a role in aging – or perhaps better stated, anti-aging – would be connected to cancer,” he stated.

In the new study, Gius’ lab – working with senior author Chu-Xia Deng, PhD, and colleagues at the NIH’s National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases – investigated the physiological functions of SIRT2 by eliminating the protein in cultured cells and in mice.

They found that SIRT2-deficient mice developed tumours in multiple tissues – and, strangely, male mice and female mice developed tumours in different tissues. Lack of SIRT2 in female mice led to mammary (breast) tumours, while male mice lacking SIRT2 developed a range of gastrointestinal tumours (in the liver, pancreas, colon and stomach).

“It’s kind of a startling observation, that you’d knock a protein out, and you’d get gender-specific tumours, suggesting a physiological connection between gender and the function of sirtuin proteins,” Gius said.

While the mechanism underlying the gender-specific tumours was not determined, the researchers did find evidence that SIRT2 acted as a tumour suppressor in cultured cells.

Myanmar, PRC agree to explore natural resources, mineral deposits

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik received a delegation led by Deputy Director Mr. Lu Yu Fu of Yunnan Nonferrous Metals Geological Bureau of the People’s Republic of China at his office here at 10:30 today.

They had a cordial discussion on exploration of natural resources and mineral deposits.

Stunt performers ride cars on the walls of the “Well of Death”, one of the attractions at Ramilala fair, in the old quarters of Delhi recently. The performers earn their livelihood by performing daredevil stunts such as driving their bikes and cars on the walls of the “Well of Death” attraction, which draws a large number of spectators.

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Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint attends seminar on budgeting process

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct — Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint attended the second day session of the seminar on budgeting process at the Thabin Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, at 1.30 pm today.

Also present at the seminar were Deputy Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw U Nanda Kyaw Swa, Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives.

Professor/Dean (Retd) Daw Nyunt Nyant Swe of Yangon Institute of Economics discussed Public Budgeting; Policy Process and Politics.


They replied to queries raised by Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw representatives. The second day session of the seminar ended in the evening.

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Performing Arts Competitions continues for 5th day

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct — The 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions continued for the fifth day at the designated places in Yezin Universities’ Campus in Zeyathiri Township today.

Among the enthusiasts were Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung, Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik, Member of the Leading Committee for Organizing the Competitions Union Minister for Education Dr Mya Aye, Secretary of the committee Deputy Minister for Culture Daw Sandar Maung Aung Aung of Ayeyawady Region taking part in basic education level (10-15 aged) boys’ harp contest.—MNA

Maung Aung Aung of Taninthayi Region competing in basic education level (15-20 aged) women’s dancing contest.—MNA

Maung Thet Naing Soe of Sagaing Region participates in basic education level (5-10 aged) boys’ Maha Gita song contest.—MNA

A total of five contestants participated in the basic education level (5-10 aged) boys’ Maha Gita contest and six in the amateur level (first class) women’s Maha Gita contest.

A total 16 contestants participated in the basic education level (10-15 aged) boys’ dancing contest and 13 in the high education level women’s old/modern song contest.

A total of 16 contestants participated in the basic education level (10-15 aged) women’s dancing contest and 14 in the basic education level (15-20 aged) boys’ dancing contest.

A total of four troupes participated in the amateur level (second class) religious story narration (Kwetseik), eight contestants participated in the amateur level (first class) men’s/women’s song composing contest, six in the basic education level (5-10 aged) girls’ solo orchestra contest, six in the basic education level (10-15 aged) girls’ solo orchestra contest and four in the amateur level (women’s) solo orchestra contest.

A total of two contestants participated in the basic education level (5-10 aged) girls’ piano contest and eight contestants participated in the amateur level (second class) men’s piano contest.

A total of eight contestants participated in the basic education level (5-10 aged) girls’ xylophone contest and seven contestants participated in the amateur level (first class) men’s xylophone contest.

A total of six contestants participated in the basic education level (10-15 aged) boys’ harp contest, six contestants participated in the basic education level (10-15 aged) girls’ harp contest, one contestant participated in the basic education level (15-20 aged) girls’ harp contest and five participated in the amateur level (second class) men’s harp contest.

A total of 10 contestants participated in the amateur level (second class) men’s oboe contest and three contestants participated in the higher education level (first class).—MNA

Maung Thet Naing Soe of Sagaing Region participates in basic education level (5-10 aged) boys’ Maha Gita song contest.—MNA

Ma Wu Hmon Tun participates in high level women’s song singing contest.—MNA

Maung Thet Naing Soe of Sagaing Region participates in basic education level (5-10 aged) boys’ Maha Gita song contest.—MNA

Police steps up hunt for criminals through online lists

BEIJING, 19 Oct — Police departments around China will make strengthened efforts from now to the end of this year to nab criminals at large by using online wanted lists, the Ministry of Public Security (MPS) said Monday.

Liu Jinguo, vice minister of the MPS, said in a videophone meeting concerning the “hunting convicts online initiative” on Monday, that the police will wage a “decisive battle” against criminals at large, in a bid to finish the initiative half a year ahead of schedule. The MPS initiated the one-year initiative in May.—Xinhua
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ready to clear heaps of sand caused by landslides occurred yearly at the place between mile post Nos 31/0 and 46/0. Maintenance for Hseinwi-Kunlong-Chinswehaw road section is being carried out by Asia World Company under the BOT system. The company is upgrading the road section from Hseinwi to Chinswehaw to be a better one.

Regarding the question raised by U Htay Lwin (a) U Di Lone of Namshan Constituency who asked about measures to be taken in supervising companies and entrepreneurs who are responsible for collecting tolls but failed to carry out repair works for damaged roads in some townships in Shan State, the Union Minister answered that construction works are to be completed meeting set standards within the period of three years under BOT system. Work progress of roads and bridges construction works which are being undertaken by companies of national entrepreneurs in Regions and State under BOT system is under close supervision of 19 road/bridge inspection groups of the ministry.

Toll gates have been opened on the road section which are under BOT system and they are allowed to collect tolls to accord with the prescribed rates for use of road and bridge. If tolls are collected more than the prescribed rates, complaints can be lodged to Region/State governments. If they are found guilty of collecting tolls more than usual, they will temporarily lose their licences to collect toll for one month. If they continue to break the rules, their licenses will be revoked.

Regarding the road sections under BOT system, the Ministry of Construction is encouraging and supervising the tasks of companies of national entrepreneurs.

Regarding the questions raised by U Thaung of Mawlawa Constituency who asked whether there is a plan to upgrade the road linking Mawla and Kalewa as all weather tarred one and upgrade the four-mile road including ring road and Kannar road in Mawlaik as a tarred or concrete one, the Union minister replied that Mawlaik-Mawlaik road is 36 miles long and it links Mawlaik to Kalewa in Sagaing Region. It was built in the 2002-2003 fiscal year and it was transferred to the ministry in February 2008. There are 157 bridges over the river from culverts to 180-foot and above bridge on the road as it is situated near Chindwin river.

As it is a hilly road, expansion of road is required at the places where landslides occurred in rainy season and leveling of road is also needed at the places where the road sections are steep. Moreover, it is required to upgrade the existing wooden bridges as the facilities suitable for 13-ton vehicles. The ministry has no plan to upgrade the road into a tarred one. Depending on the funds for the 2012-13 fiscal year, works will be carried out to be an all weather one. Mawlawa District Senior Engineer Office was opened on 11 July 2011 for better maintenance of roads and bridges in Mawlawa.

In responding to the second question, the Union minister said that 5734 feet long Mawlaik ring road is a hard road. The 1006 feet long Pyinnya road, a road section of the ring road, is also a hard road. Kannar road in downtown Mawlaik comprises 7030 feet long tarred road and 3600 feet long earth road. The total length of the ring road and Kannar road is ten miles and five furlongs.

The ring road and Kannar road was built by Mawlaik Township Development Affairs Committee. So the ministry has no plan to upgrade the road to a tarred or concrete one.

Regarding the question raised by U Ye Htut Oo of Natinall Constituency who asked whether there is a plan to repair eight mile and six furlongs and half long Natinall-Tarpun gravel road, the Union minister replied that the Natinall-Tarpun road section situated on Natinall-Mayinngoe-Moeno-Hainkaw-Tawtawla road linking Natinall of Bago Region (West) and Tarpun village is 10 miles long. The Ministry of Construction built eight miles and six furlongs and half long section of road from mile post Nos 1/1.5 to 10/0. Up to 31 May 2011, eight miles and six furlongs and half long road section is hard road. Starting from 25 July 2008, the road is under maintenance of Natinall Township engineering group of the ministry.

Depending on funds for 2012-13 fiscal year, normal maintenance and upgrading of five-mile road and three bridges are being carried out by Natinall Township engineering group led by Senior Engineer of Thawadya District. Depending on normal maintenance funds for 2012-13 fiscal year, repair works for Natinall-Tarpun road section will be carried out.

Complexes is capacity building. These complexes are formed for development of private and public owned industries with monetary and machinery assistance by the State. It is aimed at fulfilling the requirements of technology, investment, energy and raw materials that are obstacles in building the industrialized nation. Furthermore, implementation of the aim is leading to national industrial production and industrialization of the nation and then emergence of market-oriented economic system.

Moreover, a wider range of job opportunities is to be created at home for engineers, technicians, economists, managers, skilled workers and labourers who sacrificed their social life due to lack of job opportunities in the past, and chances are continuously to be created for them to work at home, to work for the mother land, to explore the natural resources without reliance on the foreign countries, and to improve social life of the State and the entire national people.

In this regard, it is not equal to considering the market trend because production is not based on Commodity Goods Production. Private sector and individual entrepreneurs are to consider the market situation and sales of goods. Today, the State-owned factories being reduced on a basis of market economy are consumer goods industries. The capital goods industry has not emerged at the factories of the State-owned sector yet.

Capital goods industries are a main drive in the industrialized countries. It is controlled by State-owned or multi-national corporation (MNC). At present, the factories concerning the nature of capital goods industries among the State-owned factories should not be privatized. According to the experience of industrial technology and investment, it is to emerge Multi National Corporation (MNC), and it is a condition for the State to take responsibility of the industries. Thus, nature of MNC does not differ from practising the strategy of ideological market oriented economic system.

A plan is underway to systematically apply technology for manufacturing the training aircrafts meeting set standards to be technology maturity and airworthiness step by step. After that, new generations of graduates from Myanmar Aerospace Engineering University are to be nurtured for emergence of aeronautical technicians and aviation engineers to be provided with practical and theoretical trainings by developing human resources in line with the aspiration of the State.

As the ministry has received the aircraft (type) certificate for production of initial aircrafts, it has exemption of the certificate of airworthiness. Therefore, these aircrafts are granted to fly in the aviation territory of Myanmar. From now on, the long-term plan has been adopted for manufacturing various types of aircrafts and helicopters.

U Aung Sein of Manaung Constituency asked whether there is a plan to grant exemption for two types of taxes on marine products of Rakhine State. Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun replied that according to No. 57 of appendix table No. 1 of the Commercial Tax Law, tax shall be levied on those who are engaged in producing and selling fresh fish and prawn. However, No. 3 of appendix table No. 7 of the law is prescribed that five per cent of commercial tax shall be paid for the proceeds of the trading the commodities. Therefore, fishery entrepreneurs from Rakhine State who catch fresh fish and prawn to be sent to companies and factories in Yangon through aviation and land transport are to pay tax at the Township Internal Revenue Department under the law.

Enjoying the benefits from trading of marine product industry, the entrepreneurs are responsible for paying income tax under the law. Paying commercial tax and income tax is prescribed not only in Rakhine State but also in the entire nation in line with the provisions of the Commercial Tax Law and the Income Tax Law. The Union government grants exemption of commercial tax on proceeds of the eight kinds of export items including fresh water and seawater products of the exporters.

Daw Zai Ta Lem of Thantlang Constituency asked whether there is a
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plan to undertake necessary tasks for Thantlang Township of Chin State by designating it as border trade zone. Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint replied that in opening border trade camps at border shared with neighbouring countries, Tamu border trade camp was opened in Tamu in Sagaing Region at Myanmar-India border on 12-4-1995, and Reed border trade camp in Reechordha of Chin State on 10-12-2003. To designate Thantlang Township as a border trade town at the border of Myanmar and India, it is necessary to consider Lonle border area, 35 miles and four furlongs long east of Thantlang and Sanchin border area, 44 miles from Thantlang. With regard to basic needs of opening a border trade camp, the area must be secure and better transport for smooth trade. Moreover, the both countries have agreed to open the border trade camp through the bilateral relations. On completion of the agreement, the border trade camp is to be facilitated with buildings for trade, customs, banking service and immigration staffs. The trading at the camp must have trade balance of export and import goods between the two countries to some extent, not at ordinary trade level. Moreover, the camp must be capable to trade with other regions and states at home.

Despite being peaceful and security, the position of Thantlang Township of Chin State does not meet another significant points for opening the border trade camp. Indeed, the camps are to be opened at the important areas along the border lines between the two countries. Therefore, when Thantlang Township has been facilitated with basic requirements to open the border trade camp, the Union ministries will form a coordination team to make field trips to the township for studying regional security and betterment of roads and bridges for carrying out border trade, and findings in the studies will be submitted to the Union government. As the Amyotha Hluttaw sent back the Myanmar Microfinance Industry Bill with the amendment on 5 October, Pyithu Hluttaw representatives did not submit any amendment for the limited period. Therefore, the Hluttaw approved the bill in line with amendment of the Amyotha Hluttaw, and it will be submitted in accord with the Pyithu Hluttaw Rule-163.

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also to pay K 500 a month and K 6000 failure and additional 100 kyats for each fine for overdue payment for first month failure and additional 100 kyats for each next month; 600 kyats a year for radio, amplifier, TV and video license and collected K 2000 kyats in fine for overdue payment for first month failure and additional 200 kyats for each next month. In collecting satellite receiver license fee and extension fee starting from 1994, 12000 kyats is collected for annual fee for a satellite receiver—dish amplifier license and 1000 kyats in fine for overdue payment for first month failure and additional 100 kyats for each next month failure and additional 100 kyats for each next month; 2400 kyats a year for a satellite receiver licence extension, as the current fee payment system is no longer agreeable to present situation, arrangements are being made to draw communication law. It will take a long time to have opinion of the Attorney-General’s Office and approval of the Hluttaw.

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the school at the start of or during the succeeding academic year after completing an academic year and asks for school dropout certificate, the guardian is required to submit the letter stating the reason of dropout; if the headmaster/ headmistress satisfies the letter, he/she reports to the Township Education Officer office to allow depositing 1 Kyat to bank as a fine for delay; the Township Education Officer lets the client to deposit into Myanma Economic Bank by himself/ herself; if the bank sends him/her the fee for deposit form, the client has to pay for it; if the letters and forms are complete, the headmaster/headmistress will issue the dropout certificate, the schools/offices issued the delayed dropout certificates systematically since 1975; the banking fee then was collected, depending on the amount of annual circulation of money, under no separate title; the fine for the delayed drop certificate is intended for disciplinary purpose; the rate should be modified to be suited with the current age; as the compulsory education system is being translated into reality, those who request for delayed dropout certificate for primary school students are not fined and respective school scrutinizes the request and issue the dropout certificate; the fine for middle and high school students will be increased to K 200 to be in conformity with banking regulations in 2012-2013. (See page 10)
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Dr Tin Shwe of Yangon Region Constituency (6) asked whether there is plan to recognize schools established by contractors in Yangon Region and there is situation that these schools turn to housings. The Union Minister answered that nine basic education schools earmarked as danger building by Yangon City Development Committee were assigned to construction companies to rebuild with the benefit ratio between the ministry and the company as 40:60, the ministry obtained apartments which were then handed over to State-owned property handling committee; there is no housing apartment owned by the ministry; already-built schools are open; there is no further project apart from nine basic education schools.

As the Ministry of Education will implement the matters stated in the question of U Khin Maung Yi of Ayeyawady Region Constituency (6) whether there is plan to ask the client to pay for banking charge in issuing delayed school transfer form by basic education students”, the Hluttaw approved the question as the proposal “the Union government is urged to increased fine for delayed school transfer from K 1 to K 200.”

On behalf of the Union government, Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing submitted the Vacant Lands, Fallow Lands and Virgin Lands Management Bill.

The Hluttaw approved to discuss the bill.

Regarding the proposal submitted by U Khin Maung Yi of Ayeyawady Region Constituency (6) that “the Union government is urged to amend the organizational setup with suitable types of staff allowed by the department as allowed organizational setup of township education offices under Basic Education Department of the Ministry of Education across the nation are inadequate for operating their tasks,” U Bo Yal of Kayah State Constituency (3), U Nu of Yangon Region Constituency (10) and U Tun Myint of Sagaing Region Constituency (6) seconded the proposal, saying township education offices are dealing with financial matters including salaries of basic education school staff, quality improvement of schools and teaching works at the same time supervising the schools closely; they are overloaded; now the offices recruit the staff from basic education schools as joint staff to thoroughly operate its tasks; there is no adequate staff there; and the new and extended organization will be a huge contribution.

The Hluttaw approved the proposal.

The 36th day second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw concluded at 11.30 am and the session will continue for 37th day on 20 October.

At today’s session, six questions were answered; one question was changed to the proposal and approved; one bill was submitted; and one proposal was approved.

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Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung and wife enjoy performance of Yangon Region’s troupe.—MNA

**Drama Contest “Birth of Buddha” continues**

SYNOPSIS

**NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct**—The Drama Contest entitled “Birth of Buddha” in the 13th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions continued at the convocation of the University of Veterinary Science in the Yezin Universities’ Campus, here, at 7 pm today.

Among the enthusiasts were Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung and wife, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Deputy Minister for Education U Aye Kyu, members of the work committee and the organizing committee. A drama troupe representing Yangon Region participated in the drama contest.

They held comprehensive discussions on mutual cooperation in the areas of investing in cooperative sector, trade and technological assistance and capacity building for staff. Also present at the call were the director-general of Cooperative Department, the acting director-general of Small Scale Industries Department, the managing director of Cooperative Export Import Enterprise and departmental officials.

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**Union Cooperatives Minister meets Malaysian Ambassador**

**NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct**—Union Minister for Cooperatives U Ohn Myint received Malaysian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr. Ahmad Faisal Bin Muhammad and party at his office here yesterday morning.

They held comprehensive discussions on mutual cooperation in the areas of investing in cooperative sector, trade and technological assistance and capacity building for staff. Also present at the call were the director-general of Cooperative Department, the acting director-general of Small Scale Industries Department, the managing director of Cooperative Export Import Enterprise and departmental officials.

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**Hong Kong cross-harbour swim returns after 33 years**

**Hong Kong, 19 Oct**—Hong Kong’s iconic cross-harbour swimming race made its return Sunday after a 33-year suspension forced by pollution and heavy traffic on the famous waterway.

The annual race, a tradition dating back to 1906 when in its heyday attracted hundreds of swimmers to the city’s famed Victoria Harbour, was halted in 1978 as water quality deteriorated. The event was revived this year due to popular demand, with

**Parents urged to shun buggies for kids’ health**

**London, 19 Oct**—British parents are being advised to make their children walk for better health instead of letting them enjoy buggy rides.

To handle the growing obesity epidemic – which also costs the National Health Service (NHS) 4.2 billion pounds a year - politicians are urging parents to take responsibility for their youngsters’ weight and fitness, the Daily Mail reported. One fourth of adults in Britain are now classed as clinically obese and almost one in five 10 to 11-year-olds are overweight.

Politicians are urging parents that the three-year-olds should be made to walk on short trips to curb the problem.

Anne Milton, the public health minister, said: “Encouraging children to walk is one way of getting the whole family to take more exercise.” Nickie Aiken, Westminster council’s cabinet member for children, has advised parents to stop using strollers, which have become increasingly fashionable.

She said by taking steps such as encouraging their children to walk to school, to eat healthily or stop using buggies on short trips at the age of three, they can help ensure their children lead an active life.—Internet

**Swimmers take part in a race across Victoria Harbour in Hong Kong. Hong Kong’s iconic cross-harbour swimming race made its return after a 33-year suspension forced by pollution and heavy traffic on the famous waterway. Internet**
Toddlers learn better from play, not TV screens

WASHINGTON, 19 Oct—The temptation to rely on a surfeit of TV programmes for ‘educating’ babies and toddlers seems to have become a trend among parents. But playing may actually be a far better way to make them learn than passive TV watching. Young children learn best from and need interaction with humans, not screens. Parents who watch TV or videos with their child may add to the child’s understanding, but children learn more from live presentations than from televised ones, says an American Academy of Paediatrics (AAP) report.

In a recent survey, 90 percent of parents said their children under age two watch some form of TV. On an average, children this age watch televised programmes one to two hours daily, the journal Pediatrics reports.

By the age of three, almost a third of children have a TV in their bedroom. Parents who believe that educational TV is “very important for healthy development” are twice as likely to keep the TV on all or most of the time.

Ari Brown, member of the AAP Council on Communications and Media, who co-authored the report, provided guidance on media use for children under age two in 1999, including a recommendation that discouraged TV viewing for them.

“The concerns raised in the original policy statement are even more relevant now, which led us to develop a more comprehensive piece of guidance around this age group,” said Brown.

The key findings of the AAP report are that while video programmes for infants and toddlers are marketed as “educational,” there are not supported by evidence.—Internet

Thailand donates 200,000 USD to flood-hit Cambodia, Vietnam

BANGKOK, 19 Oct — Thai government allocated three million baht (100,000 US dollars) to neighbouring Cambodia and Vietnam each for humanitarian aid for flood-stricken areas, local media reported Wednesday.

Foreign Minister Surapong Tovichakchaikul handed the cash donations together with letters of condolence from Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra to Cambodian ambassador You Aye and Vietnamese ambassador Ngo Duc Thang on Tuesday evening.

In the letters, the prime minister said the disaster was an unprecedented challenge that had caused immense damage. On behalf of Thai government and people, the premier vowed to stand side by side with the two countries in the battle against the catastrophe and called for collective cooperation from ASEAN nations and its alliances in solving the problem.

The disaster in Cambodia has so far claimed 247 lives and affected 1.2 million others. In Vietnam, 43 people have been killed and over 70,000 houses submerged. Thailand’s worst floods in over 50 years have already claimed 317 lives and affected 2.4 million others.

Residents watch “Spiderman” Alain Robert, a French urban climber, scale the 77-meter high Hotel Intercontinental with free hands in Bucharest, capital of Romania, on 14 Oct, 2011. The Hotel Intercontinental is the 2nd highest building in Bucharest.—Xinhua

Indo-Asian News Service

A shepherd herds sheep on a snow-clad meadow at the northern foothills of the Yinshan Mountains in Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, north China, on 14 Oct, 2011. Snow hit the northern foothills of the Yinshan Mountains early this week.—Xinhua

Indian air force MiG 29 fighter crashes in N state

NEW DELHI, 19 Oct—An Indian Air Force MiG 29 fighter crashed in the northern Indian State Himachal Pradesh, Indo-Asian News Service reported Wednesday.

The report quoted police as saying rescue workers had begun to search for survivors in the mountain terrain where the fighter crashed at about 20:00 pm Tuesday evening. There is no official confirmation about the number of people on board the aircraft, said the report. The crash took place at Chokhan Village in Himachal Pradesh’s Lahaul Valley, about 450 km from state capital Shimla.—Xinhua

Pyongyang holds 7th Autumn International Trade Fair

PYONGYANG, 19 Oct — The 7th Pyongyang Autumn International Trade Fair opened Monday at the Three-Revolution Exhibition.

Present at the opening ceremony were Kang Sok Ju, vice-premier of the cabinet, Foreign Trade Minister Ri Ryong Nam, Pak Yong Jong and other trade officials and foreign delegations and envoys.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, Kim Mun Jong, director of the Korean International Exhibition Corporation, and Vice Foreign Trade Minister O Ryong Chol, said the fair played an important role in promoting economic and trade relations among countries and achieving common economic development.

The Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (DPRK) would conduct multifaceted cooperation with other countries based on the principle of equality and mutual benefit, they said. Companies from countries and regions, including the DPRK, China, Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, Austria, Italy, the Czech Republic and France are participating the exhibition.

The fair will last till Thursday.—Xinhua

Chinese brewery to open first overseas plant in Bangkok

BANGKOK, 19 Oct — China’s brewery giant Tsingtao Beer announced Monday that it is setting up its first overseas plant in Bangkok, capital of Thailand.

The brewery exports beer to over 70 countries around the world. The overseas plant is expected to expand its share in the southeast Asian and European market, according to a statement from the company.

The plant will create hundreds of local jobs and produce about 200,000 kiloliters of beer each year. It will be completed in 18 months and put into operation in 2013, said Jin Zhiguo, chairman of the brewery.

Economic and cultural exchanges between China and Thailand has been growing rapidly, laying foundation for Chinese companies to invest in Thailand, said Li Qin, mayor of Qingdao on China’s east coast where the brewery is based.

Xinhua

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Announcement of notice to U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt (The Directors and Share Holders of Premier Machinery Co., Ltd.) and the General Public.

Under the instructions of my client, Daw Zin Mar Myint, 12/Tama (Naing) 091551, I hereby advise in this newspaper that,

U Myaing Than Toe Oo, U Minn Thwin Nyunt and my client Daw Zin Mar Myint were invested in the business of machinery trading as the three parties in the Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. which is situated at No. 65(w) Thirimon Estate, Bayint Naung Road, Hlaing Township, Yangon Region, Myanmar.

In early days of 2011, my client desired to resign from the post of Director and a share holder of that company. After many discussions made among the parties, U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt agreed Daw Zin Mar Myint to resign from the company and agreed to completely pay the amount of 264,200,000 Kyats (Total amount of Kyats Two Hundred and Sixty Four Million and Two Hundred Thousand only) to Daw Zin Mar Myint on 31-3-2011 as her investment and the reasonable amount of profit from the said machinery trading business due to the internal negotiation in discussion and calculation among the three parties.

The three parties mutually considered the terms and conditions of their agreement and executed an Agreement on 18-2-2011. Based upon the said Agreement Daw Zin Mar Myint did not interfere or involve in the business of the Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. since on the day of 18-2-2011.

On the day of 31-3-2011, U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt requested to postpone the payment amounting 264,200,000 Kyats (Total amount of Kyats Two Hundred and Sixty Four Million and Two Hundred Thousand only) to Daw Zin Mar Myint although the provision contained in the 18-2-2011 dated Agreement mentioned that the payment to Daw Zin Mar Myint shall be made completely on 31-3-2011. However, Daw Zin Mar Myint accepted the request, and the three parties executed the further Agreement on 31-3-2011.

After the 31-3-2011 Agreement, the payment of 54,000,000 Kyats (Total amount of Kyats Fifty Four Million only) was made by U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt on 18-5-2011 although the provision contained in the 18-2-2011 Agreement mentioned that the said amount shall be paid in the month of April, 2011. The total amount of Kyats 123,200,000 (Total amount of Kyats One Hundred and Twenty Three Million and Two Hundred Thousand) is still due to pay Daw Zin Mar Myint up to this day by prolonging the payment in various ways of U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt.

In these days, Daw Zin Mar Myint considered to support the smooth operation of Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. and sent the resignation letter from the post of Director and Share holder of the Company together with the relevant documents of the Share Transfer on 16-6-2011 to the company. Also the resignation letter of Daw Zin Mar Myint from the account holder name of Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. was sent to the Myanmar Investment and Commercial Bank on 9-9-2011. The above said documents are already received by Premier Machinery Co., Ltd.

Therefore, this notice is demanded to U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt to pay the remaining amount of Kyats 123,200,000 (Total amount of Kyats One Hundred and Twenty Three Million and Two Hundred Thousand) to Daw Zin Mar Myint within (14) days of this advertisement, and on default of this demand, you are left with no alteration other than to bring this matter up with the relevant authorities and the Court of justice of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Furthermore, General Public is hereby honestly given this notice by my client that any person or any entity who involved in the business of Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. in any way, then they who receivable any cash or any product or service from Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. or U Myaing Than Toe Oo and U Minn Thwin Nyunt are requested by my client not to contact her as she is not responsible to any activities of business relating to Premier Machinery Co., Ltd. since she was resigned from that company.

By instruction,

U Myo Nyunt Win (LL.B, D.B.L, D.M.L)
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**Take Fire Preventive Measures**

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**CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**

**MV TAN BINH 32 VOY NO ( )**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV TAN BINH 32 VOY NO ( ) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 20.10.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT**

**MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY**

**AGENT FOR: MS INTER FREIGHT LINC LOGISTICS PTE LTD**

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

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**CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**

**MV CENA FAITH VOY NO (009)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV CENA FAITH VOY NO (009) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 20.10.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT**

**MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY**

**AGENT FOR: MS COSCO SHIPPING CO LTD**

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**CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**

**MV KOTA MACHAN VOY NO (319)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA MACHAN VOY NO (319) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 20.10.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT**

**MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY**

**AGENT FOR: MS ADVANCE CONTAINER LINES**

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

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**Babies born under weight are known to prone to a variety of cognitive problems.**

**INTERNET**

**US study says low birthweight ‘linked to autism’**

**LONDON, 19 Oct — Babies born weighing less than 4lb (1.8kg) could be more prone to developing autism than children born at normal weight, a study suggests. Writing in Pediatrics journal, US researchers followed 862 New Jersey children born at a low birthweight from birth to the age of 21. Some 5% were diagnosed with autism, compared to 1% of the general population. But experts say more research is needed to confirm and understand the link. Links between low birthweight and a range of motor and cognitive problems have been well established by previous research. But the researchers say this is the first study to establish that these children may also have a greater risk of developing autism spectrum disorders. The babies in the study were born between September 1984 and July 1987 in three counties in New Jersey. They all weighed between 0.5kg and 2kg or a maximum of about 4.4lb. But experts say more research is needed to confirm and understand the link.**

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**Take Fire Preventive Measures**
**Enzyme ‘switch’ clue to infertility and miscarriage**

**LONDON, 19 Oct**—Scientists have identified a “fertility switch” protein which appears to increase infertility if levels are too high and fuel miscarriage if too low. An Imperial College London team took samples from the womb lining of more than 100 women. Writing in Nature Medicine they said women with unexplained infertility had high levels of the enzyme SGK1, while those who miscarried had low levels. One fertility expert said the research offered new avenues for research.

About one in six women have difficulty getting pregnant, and one in 100 women try to conceive experience recurrent miscarriages, defined as the loss of three or more consecutive pregnancies. The Imperial team also carried out mouse studies which found levels of SGK1 in the womb lining decline during the window of time during which they can fall pregnant. When extra copies of the SGK1 gene were implanted into the womb lining, these mice were unable to get pregnant.

The researchers say this suggests a fall in SGK1 levels is essential for making the uterus receptive to embryos. However, if low levels of SGK1 persist into pregnancy, this appears to cause different problems. —*Internet*

**Guns stolen from SWAT building**

**LOS ANGELES, 19 Oct**—A cache of weapons, including 21 machine guns, has been stolen from a Los Angeles police SWAT training site. The 30 weapons were altered to fire only blanks, but officials told *Los Angeles Times* they could be converted back to lethal use.

The Deputy Chief of LAPD, Michael Downing, said the weapons were moved on Wednesday to a building and stored in a locked box on the first floor. They were gone when a Swat unit arrived the following morning. —*Internet*

**Pilot’s mid-air horror after discovering speedometer had been sabotaged with glue**

**ANGLESEY, 19 Oct**—A pilot averted disaster after discovering in mid-air that his flight instruments had been sabotaged with glue.

Doug Blair had already taken off in his light aircraft, accompanied by his five-year-old son Daniel, when he realised that the airspeed indicator was not working. North Wales Police confirmed today that they are investigating what the 56-year-old said was ‘malicious interference’ and have issued a warning to other pilots after the incident at Mona airstrip in Anglesey, North Wales. Without an airspeed indicator the pilot has no way of knowing how fast he is going and faces the possibility that the plane will stall and crash. Keeping a cool head, the father-of-two managed to land the ARV Super2 plane. It was then that he discovered glue had been used to tamper with the aircraft’s instruments. Mr Blair, a Scot who lives in Conwy, told how he was forced to speed up his plane and land as his wife and son Thomas, 4, watched from below. —*Internet*

**More false alarms with annual mammograms**

**NEW YORK, 19 Oct**—A new study supports getting mammograms every other year instead of annually. It finds that more than 60 percent of women who get tested each year for a decade will be called back at least once for extra tests that turn out not to show breast cancer.

Screening every other year, as a government task force recommends, drops this false alarm rate to 42 percent without a big risk of cancer being found at a late stage, the study suggests. Having your previous mammogram available for comparison to the new one cuts the chance of a false alarm in half.

The study appears in the *Annals of Internal Medicine*. It does not get into the debate over whether mammograms should start at age 40 or 50.—*Internet*

**Air Force plane crashes in southern Pakistan**

**ISLAMABAD, 19 Oct**—At least one officer was killed on Wednesday when a trainer plane of Pakistan Air Force (PAF) crashed in the country’s southwestern Province of Balochistan, local Urdu TV ARY News reported. According to the report, the incident took place at about 12:30 pm (local time) when a trainer aircraft of PAF crashed in Hub District of Balochistan during routine training session. Pilot of the plane died on the spot. There is no official statement about the incident so far and the reason of the crash is also not determined yet. Earlier on 15 Aug, one man was killed and a female pilot got injured in a trainer plane crash in eastern Pakistan.—*Xinhua*

**Doctors: Pap remains best test for cervical cancer**

**NEW YORK, 19 Oct**—There’s more news on cancer screening tests — this time for women. Scientists advising the government say a Pap test is a good way to screen young and middle-aged women for cervical cancer, and it’s only needed once every three years. But they say there is not enough evidence yet to back testing for HPV, the virus that causes the disease. That’s odds with the American Cancer Society and other groups, which have long said that using both tests can be an option for women over 30.

Those groups and the US Preventive Services Task Force recently plan to release proposed new guidelines for cervical cancer screening on Wednesday and invite public comment. The task force is the same group that recommended against routine PSA tests to screen for prostate cancer, saying they were doing more harm than good for men at average risk. Cervical cancer screening is a success story. In the United States, cases and death rates have been cut more than in half since the 1970s because of Pap smears — lab exams of cells scraped from the cervix, the gateway to the uterus. The test can find early signs of this slow-growing cancer and treat them before a tumor has a chance to develop.

So “the bar is set pretty high” for a test to replace or supplement Paps, said Dr Evelyn Whitlock of Kaiser Permanente Northwest’s Centre for Health Research in Portland, Ore.—*Internet*
**10-man Man United wins in Champions League**

LONDON, 19 Oct — Wayne Rooney made two penalty kicks Tuesday to lead 10-man Manchester United to a 2-0 road victory over the Romanian club Otelul Galati in the Champions League. Rooney opened the scoring in the 56th minute, but captain Nemanja Vidic was sent off two minutes later. Rooney’s other penalty kick came during injury time, giving United its first victory in Group C.

Real Madrid routed Lyon 4-0 to maintain its perfect record this season, getting goals from Karim Benzema, Sami Khedira, Mesut Oezil and Sergio Ramos. Substitute Sergio Aguero had a late score to lead Manchester City past Napoli.

**Wayne Rooney (L) of Manchester United is congratulated by team mates Michael Carrick (C) and Nani after scoring in front of Otelul Galati during the Champions League Group C soccer match at the National Arena in Bucharest on 18 Oct, 2011. — INTERNET**

to the top of Group B. Giampaolo Pazzini scoring the only goal in the 22nd minute. — INTERNET

**Fontas extends contract with Barcelona**

MADRID, 19 Oct — FC Barcelona have extended the contract of young central defender Andreu Fontas until the end of June 2015.

The 21-year-old, who was promoted into the Barcelo- na first team squad from the B-team last January and who went on to make six first team appearances, has only made one league appearance so far this season, but is a key part of coach Pep Guardiola’s plans for the future.

Barcelona have agreed to extend his deal by two years while raising Fontas’ buyout clause to 70 million euros. — XINHUA

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**Benzema opens scoring as Madrid wins 4-0 vs Lyon**

MADRID, 19 Oct — Karim Benzema scored one goal and made two more against his former club as Real Madrid claimed a third straight Champions League win with a 4-0 home victory against Lyon on Tuesday.

Benzema tapped home the opening goal after Cristiano Ronaldo flicked a corner on the 19th minute and provided assists for Sami Khedira in the 47th and Mesut Oezil’s effort that went in via goalkeeper Hugo Lloris in the 55th.

Sergio Ramos volleyed the fourth goal in the 81st. Benzema scored in both legs of Madrid’s win over Lyon in the knockout stage last season and justified his selection ahead of in-form Argentine teammate Gonzalo Higuain, who had scored two consecutive hat tricks for Madrid in the Spanish league.

**McIlroy leads at PGA Grand Slam in Bermuda**

HAMILTON, 19 Oct — Rory McIlroy made four birdies on the back nine Tuesday to grab a share of the lead with Keegan Bradley at the PGA Grand Slam, featuring the winners of this year’s majors.

The pair finished the first round tied at 4-under 68, well ahead of Charl Schwartzel, The Masters winner who shot a 74, and British Open champion Darren Clarke, who finished with a 77.

McIlroy, who won the US Open, missed a host of putts on the front nine. “It was getting frustrating,” he said.

**Evans, Contador emerge as 2012 Tour de France favourites**

PARIS, 19 Oct — Cadel Evans and Spanish nemesis Alberto Contador emerged as the big favourites for the 2012 Tour de France yellow jersey after the race route was unveiled on Tuesday.

Evans, a former two-time runner-up, ended Australia’s long wait for victory on the world’s premier bike race when he won the 98th edition in July.

The BMC team leader’s success — during what was considered a largely clean race, with only one doping positive — has met with the approval of organisers who, on Tuesday, were quick to pay tribute to the Australian.

But despite nearly 100 km of time trials and fewer stages in the high mountains, Tour chief Christian Prudhomme stopped short of saying he had Evans in mind when the 99th edition was created.

"This route will inspire many different kinds of riders," Prudhomme said after its unveiling in the presence of Evans, Contador and a few dozen other top stars of the peloton. — INTERNET

**Defender Vermaelen signs new deal with Arsenal**

LONDON, 19 Oct — Arsenal defender Thomas Vermaelen has signed a new long-term contract with the Gunners, announced the Premier League side on Tuesday.

Vermaelen, 25, has made 54 appearances for the north London club since arriving at Emirates in 2009 from Ajax. The Belgium international has not played since August 24 but is expected due back in full training soon.

"I am really happy to have signed a new contract with Arsenal. I always had the intention to stay here," said Vermaelen, who spent nine years with Dutch giants Ajax. — XINHUA

**Cynthia Valencia of Mexico shows her gold medal after winning the rhythmic gymnastics individual final competition during the Pan American Games Guadalajara 2011, in Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, on 17 Oct, 2011. — XINHUA**

**Benzema's ‘very harsh’ red card**

LONDON, 19 Oct — Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson won’t appeal against Nemanja Vidic’s sending off, but claimed the Serbian’s dismissal during the 2-0 Champions League victory over Otelul Galati was “very harsh”.

After a sluggish first half, the Old Trafford side claimed all three points in Group C with two penalties from Wayne Rooney, helping put his side onto five points and into second place.

However, the victory was marred by a straight red for Vidic after United’s first goal for a lung on Gabriel Giurgiu. “He’s raised his foot and in the context of referee’s interpretation, especially in Europe, I can see why he’s given the red card, but it’s very harsh I think,” Ferguson told Sky Sports.

When asked whether the Old Trafford side would look to appeal the dismissal, the Scot added: “I don’t think you can win these things.”

Ferguson was delighted, though, with the performance of Wayne Rooney, who he restored to the starting lineup after coming off the bench during the 1-1 draw with Liverpool.

**Nemanja Vidic (2nd L) of Manchester United is booked by the referee during the Champions League Group C soccer match against Otelul Galati. — INTERNET**

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BAA to sell Edinburgh airport and keep Glasgow

LONDON, 19 Oct—British airport operator BAA said it would sell Edinburgh airport following a ruling earlier this year by the Competition Commission ordering it to sell off London Stansted airport and either Glasgow or Edinburgh airport in Scotland.

“BAA is now commencing preparations for a sale and expects to formally approach the market in the New Year with a view to agreeing a sale (of Edinburgh airport) by summer 2012,” BAA, owned by Spanish infrastructure firm Ferrovial said in a statement on Wednesday.

“Choosing which airport to sell has been a difficult decision ... Glasgow airport has great opportunities for future growth and development and we think BAA is well-placed to build on its recent success.”

BAA owns London’s Heathrow — Europe’s busiest airport — as well as Southampton and Stansted in England and Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen airports in Scotland.

Earlier this month the CC told BAA that it must sell one of its Scottish airports before it disposes of Stansted airport. The CC’s decision followed a two-year battle between BAA and the CC after the CC ruled in 2009 that BAA exerted a dominant hold on British airports and told it to sell Gatwick and Stansted airports and one of its Scottish airports.

BAA is seeking a judicial review of the competition watchdog’s ruling requiring it to sell off Stansted.

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Second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw continues for 37th day

Nine questions answered, one bill approved

Nay Pyi Taw, 19 Oct — The second regular session of the first Pyithu Hluttaw continued for 37th day at the hall of Pyithu Hluttaw of Hluttaw Building here, at 10:10 am today, attended by Speaker of the Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann and 380 Hluttaw representatives.

At today’s session, nine questions were answered and one bill was approved.

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint answered six questions on matters relating to construction raised by five representatives.

Regarding the question raised by U Win Myint of Myingyan Constituency who asked whether there is a plan to build an appropriate bridge at the place of Taungtha creek crossing concrete culvert on Myingyan-Taungtha motorway, the Union minister replied that a 300-foot concrete culvert was built across the Taungtha creek at mile post No. 433/2 on Myingyan-Taungtha road section of Yangon-Pyay-Magway-Myingyan-Mandalay road in Myingyan District of Mandalay Region in which water flows when the rain comes.

A 295-foot wooden bridge for pedestrian was built, 15 feet downstream from the culvert, under the regional development programme in 2006. As time went by sandbanks were formed between the wooden bridge and the culvert, blocking the flow of water. After the 600 feet long and 100 feet wide sandbanks have been removed, there was no longer outflow of creek water. So there is no plan to build a bridge at the place of Taungtha creek crossing concrete culvert on Myingyan-Taungtha motorway by the Ministry of Construction.

Regarding the question raised by U Kyin Wun of Hophon Constituency who asked that the Union government can upgrade itself the road section from Hsenwi to Chinshwehaw or can provide necessary assistance in cooperation with Asia World Company which is the in-charge of the road, the Union Minister answered that construction of 66 mile long Hsenwi-Kunlong-Chinshwehaw tarred road section linking Hsenwi in Shan State (North) and Chinshwehaw is being carried out by Asia World Company under BOT system starting from 9 July 1999. Two wooden bridges were upgraded to RC type facilities during 2011-12 fiscal year by the company. New pier and approach structure for two bailey bridges near Nartee village were also constructed.

Road works were completed at the narrow sections on Hsenwi-Kunlong-Chinshwehaw and the road works for the remaining sections are in progress. Upgrading and tarmacking of road are underway. An excavator is upgraded to RC type facilities during 2011-12 fiscal year by the company. New pier and approach structure for two bailey bridges near Nartee village were also constructed.

Plan has been drawn to upgrade V-sat satellite system into microwave system and will be in motion in 2012-2013 fiscal year.

U Tun Myint of Sagaing Region Constituency No. 6 in his question said that different annual fees for ID caller system in line phone, asking whether there is a plan to allow such system for free of charge like that in hand phone. In response, the Union Minister said that arrangements are being made that auto telephone (line phone) users are to pay K 500 a month if they want to install ID caller system and K 6000 annual fee on equal grounds across the country, and that mobile phone (hand phone) users are...