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.

President U Thein Sein welcomes back
Vice-President Thiha Thura
U Tin Aung Myint Oo on his return from
8th China-ASEAN Expo and Business
and Investment Summit in Nanning

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein welcomed back the Myanmar delegation led by Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo on their return from the People’s Republic of China at Nay Pyi Taw Airport here at 6 pm today. Myanmar delegation attended the 8th China-ASEAN Expo and Business and Investment Summit in Nanning at the invitation of the government of the People’s Republic of China.

Together with President U Thein Sein, Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham, Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services General Min Aung Hlaing, Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Winna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Industry-1 and for Industry-2 U Soe Thein, Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Maung Maung Aye and departmental heads, Charge d’Affaires ai of Chinese Embassy in Myanmar and officials concerned welcomed back the delegation.

Army airlift relief items for flood victims in Pakokku District

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—The flood victims in Seikpyu and Pauk Townships in Pakokku District yesterday accepted relief aids carried with the use of eight choppers.

Officers from the local battalion presented aids to the flood victims being accommodated at Basic Education Middle School in Tansu Village, and gave a hand to the tasks for doing up in the places in Tansu Village in Pauk Township due to the torrential rain.

The officers then comforted the flood victims at the relief camp in Thaphanta Village in Seikpyu Township giving the relief aids to them.

The relief aids supplied to the flood victims were rice, soy beans, potatoes, aluminium pots, edible oils, packets of instant noodle, clothes, bottled water, mineral salt packets, enamal wares, and packets of fried rice.

Besides, social organizations are contributing to the flood victims at Laytha Taikthit, Tilawka monastery, and Mogok meditation centre in Pakokku Township.

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall
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The Myanmar delegation led by Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo comprised Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Union Minister for Science and Technology U Aye Myint, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint, Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Ohn Thun, Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thaung Lwin, Economic Adviser to the President U Sett Aung and high-ranking officials. —MNA
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Flood victims in the care of State

The world is suffering from harsh climate which comes together with flood in urban areas, blocking transportation routes and stopping production of factories. Myanmar and neighbouring nations are facing inundations with loss of lives and property as well.

Heavy rain on 19 and 20 October caused inundation in central region of Myanmar. Death toll of flood caused by torrents of Yaw, Kyaw, Yama, Myaing and Shwe creeks reached over 100. The deluge destroyed over 2000 houses, five monasteries, over 3000 acres of croplands and over 2400 livestock.

President U Thein Sein and party visited Pakokku, Myaing, Pauk and Seikphyu Townships on 25 October and provided cash and kind to survivors. Rice, oil, salt, pulses and beans, clothes, food, domestic goods, water-purifying agents and cash were presented to flood victims in respective townships.

As emergency search and rescue measures are speeded up in region, districts and townships, the President and party are answering the call for food. While assistances for foods, clothes, health and education for children are being provided, temporary houses will be built for providing shelter.

Replacement for destroyed crops and rehabilitation tasks will have to be carried out urgently. Alongside the State, ministries, social organizations, businessmen and donors are working heart and soul in rehabilitation measures, pouring money, materials and manpower into the activities.

Natural disaster could strike at any time. The State is responding to it effectively regardless of its devastation with the contribution of well-wishers. Regional authority, organizations and people are to show their courage and strength to rise from the ashes like a phoenix with zest and zeal.
**Bangkok’s residents flee floods**

Bangkok, 27 Oct—Bangkok residents were fleeing the capital Thursday after authorities called an emergency five-day holiday and urged people in flood-prone parts of the city to leave to avoid a massive deluge.

Flood waters were already seeping into central parts of Bangkok in the morning, with waters entering the iconic Grand Palace, near the Chao Phraya river, an AFP photographer said.

After days of preparing for the onslaught of water, many citizens abandoned their homes on Wednesday night and Thursday morning and were heading to safety in other areas, especially southern beach towns of Hua Hin, Phuket and Pattaya.

“We have learned that all of these destinations are packed with Thais who have moved from Bangkok,” said the Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) deputy chief Sansern Ngaorungsi. He said domestic flights from the country’s main air hub, Suvarnabhumi — which is still operating as normal — were also “very, very packed”.

Televised footage showed crowded bus terminals in the capital as people sought to escape, while officials said Bangkok’s main train station was also filling up and roads north and east out of the city were choked.

“Traffic congestion to Pattaya in (southeastern) Chonburi Province began on Wednesday evening,” Major General Norraboon Nanna, commander of the highway police, told AFP by telephone.

**11 injured in bomb blast in NW Pakistan**

ISLAMABAD, 27 Oct—At least 11 people were injured on Thursday morning in a bomb blast in Pakistan’s northwest metropolitan city of Peshawar, local media and officials said.

According to reports, the blast took place near the shops in the Rampura bazaar of Peshawar, the capital of Pakistan’s northwest restive Province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Rescue teams reached the site and started rescue work. All the injured persons were shifted to the Lady Reading Hospital of the city where three of them were reported in critical condition.

Eyewitness told media that the blast took place when a shopkeeper tried to open the shutter gate of his grocery shop in which 11 people were injured, four shops and four vehicles were destroyed.

Bomb disposal squad confirmed the usage of explosive in the blast and said the bomb was planted in an empty cooking oil tin besides the shop while linking explosive in the blast and said the bomb was planted in a grocery shop in which 11 people were injured, four vehicles were destroyed and four vehicles were destroyed.

**Cyber attacks hit Japan diplomatic missions**

TOKYO, 27 Oct—Computers at several of Japan’s overseas diplomatic missions have been hit by cyber attacks, a report said Wednesday, just a day after it was revealed the country’s parliament had been targeted.

Computers at embassies and consulates in nine countries were infected with viruses in the summer, the Yomiuri Shimbun said, citing unnamed sources.

An official for the foreign ministry said no classified information had been stolen and there appeared to be nothing out of the ordinary about the viruses.

“Virus infections are not a recent phenomenon, but have been experienced for a long time,” he said. “We have got rid of the viruses every time and no problem for a long time,” he said. “We have got rid of the viruses every time and no problem for a long time,” he said. “We have got rid of the viruses every time and no problem for a long time,” he said.

The paper said the infection included a “backdoor” virus, which opens a route to systems.

**NATO helicopters violate Pakistan’s airspace**

ISLAMABAD, 27 Oct—NATO helicopters Wednesday violated Pakistan’s airspace and intruded inside the volatile North Waziristan tribal region, which the US and Afghan officials claim is the main base for al-Qaeda and Afghan Taleban, officials in the region said.

The choppers entered Pakistani airspace from neighbours Afghanistan in the border area of Datta Khel, just few km from Miranshah, centre of North Waziristan, they said.

Local tribesmen also spotted the NATO helicopters at around 02:00 pm local time, who they said had been flying for five minutes.

They had arrived from Paktia Province. Officials said that Pakistani forces fired warning shots forcing the NATO helicopters to return to Afghanistan.

Witnesses said that the helicopters had been flying at low altitude and created panic among the people, who are worried over the US drone strikes.—Internet

**Residents search for belongings among debris after a bomb attack in the Town of Isakandarion, 40 km (25 miles) south of Baghdad, on 25 Oct, 2011. —INTERNET**

**Snowfall in quake-hit Turkey as toll 534**

ERCIŞ, 27 Oct—Snow blanketed eastern Turkey Thursday, complicating rescue efforts and bringing more misery for the thousands left homeless by a devastating earthquake as the death toll surged 534.

Ninety-one hours after disaster struck in the eastern province of Van, rescuers pulled a 19-year-old from the rubble in the town of Erçis but the prospects of finding more people alive were fading fast.

After the government acknowledged failings in the initial rescue efforts, help from abroad was beginning to arrive, including an aid plane from Israel.

But in a sign of the disquieting nature of aid, some of the supplies they had received so far, some families who had been staying in tents began returning to their homes despite warnings that they were still at risk of collapse from landslides and floods.

Many families have been forced to sleep in overcrowded tents or even out in the open around fires as the temperatures dropped to below freezing.—Internet

**One dead, five hurt in Philippine blast**

ZAMBOANGA CITY, (Philippines) 27 Oct—One person was killed and at least five others wounded in a bomb blast late Wednesday while two more improvised explosives were detonated in a village near the southern Philippine port city of Zamboanga, officials said.

Senior Superintendent Edwin de Ocampo, chief of the local police force, said two bombs planted at a lottery outlet and at another site about 100 metres away were discovered. Police were in the process of detonating two of the bombs when the third device went off hitting a roadside eatery in the village of Sangalian at around 9:15 pm, about 30 kilometres east of downtown Zamboanga.—Internet
Chester X-rays for lung cancer do not save lives

New York, 27 Oct— People who received chest X-rays to screen for lung cancer showed no better survival rate after four years than those who were not screened at all, said a US study released Wednesday.

The research, published in the 2 November issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA), follows a separate study last year that showed X-rays fell short compared to modern CT scans in saving lives from lung cancer, the leading cancer killer worldwide.

The latest trial followed 150,000 participants, about half of whom were women. About 10 percent were current smokers, and the rest were nearly evenly divided between former smokers and people who never smoked.

Subjects were either offered a chest X-ray or no screening at all. After four years of follow up, more cancers were found in the chest X-ray group, but there was no significant difference in deaths across either group.

Over the course of the 13-year study, "there were 1,696 lung cancers detected in the intervention group and 1,620 lung cancers in the usual care group," the study said.

However, "1,213 lung cancer deaths were observed in the intervention group versus 1,230 in the usual care group."

The findings suggest that even though more cancers are found by chest X-rays, they are not detected early enough to have an impact on survival.

The Prostate, Lung, Colorectal, and Ovarian (PLCO) Cancer Screening Trial was led by doctor Martin Oken of the University of Minnesota and presented Wednesday at the annual meeting of the American College of Chest Physicians (CHEST 2011).

Harold Sox, of Dartmouth Medical School in West Lebanon, New Hampshire, said the findings should end any debate over the effectiveness of lung cancer screening by X-ray.

"The PLCO lung cancer study result provides convincing evidence that lung cancer screening with chest radiography is not effective," Sox wrote in an editorial that accompanied the JAMA article.

Can a muffin help doctors diagnose diabetes?

New York, 27 Oct—Giving a “muffin test,” or to people at risk for diabetes might help doctors diagnose the disease and its warning signs, according to a new study.

Tests for diabetes and its precursor, impaired glucose tolerance, check how well the body uses glucose, a type of sugar.

In one common test, called an oral glucose tolerance test, a person fasts overnight and then drinks a sugary solution while doctors monitor how the body reacts and how much sugar sticks around in the blood. Researchers behind the new report wondered if people might prefer munching on a muffin to downing the glucose drink — and if a muffin test would give doctors a better idea of how the body deals with real food.

“Women really hate to get tested” with the oral glucose tolerance test, said Dr Michael Traub of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in Bronx, New York, who worked on the study.

“It’s really not such a pleasant test,” he told Reuters Health, adding that many people often feel ill from the drink.

“A muffin more closely resembles what someone really eats — it may just provide a more adequate test.”

The findings suggest the muffin test was able to diagnose women with impaired glucose tolerance, and was cheaper than the standard sugar drink. But a diabetes researcher not involved in the study wondered if doctors really need a baked-good test and how convenient it would be in the first place.

Muffins are different everywhere, said Dr William Herman, director of the Michigan Diabetes Research and Training Centre in Ann Arbor — whereas doctors know exactly what’s in the glucose drink and can judge how each person responds to a National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) statement added to its website Thursday.

The 27-percent growth in January-September marked the slowest expansion rate of industrial profits in the year, as compared to 28.2 percent for the January-August period, 28.3 percent for January-July and 28.7 percent for the first half of the year, according to new figures, but the pace has slowed compared to the year’s previous measurement periods.

The combined profits of industrial enterprises amounted to 3.68 trillion yuan (580 billion US dollars) between January and September, according to a National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) statement added to its website Thursday.

Among 39 industries surveyed, 37 sectors reported profit growth. But the oil refining, coal and nuclear-fuel processing sector saw profit plunge 83.9 percent in the period. Communications equipment, computer and other electronic device manufacturers suffered a 2.5-percent profit drop.

Visa 4Q profit rises 14 percent on heavy card use

New York, 27 Oct— Increased use of debit and credit cards throughout the world pushed Visa Inc.’s fiscal fourth-quarter profit up 14 percent. But its quarterly revenue came in shy of Wall Street expectations, in part because because the company has been cutting deals with merchants to hold onto or attract business as it tries to cope with new regulations.

The San Francisco-based company said Wednesday that it earned $880 million, or $1.27 per share, for the three months that ended 30 Sept. That compared with $774 million, or $1.06 per share, in the year-earlier period.

Revenue rose 13 percent to $2.38 billion, up from $2.12 billion last year. After the company repurchased shares, there were 5 percent fewer outstanding, which also boosted earnings per share. Analysts, on average, expected profit of $1.25 per share, on revenue of $2.4 billion, according to data from FactSet. The rare revenue shortfall pushed Visa’s stock down about 2 percent, or $2.20, to $90 in extended trading following the release of the earnings report. It had ended regular trading up $1.34 at $92.02 Spending on Visa credit cards in the US rose 15 percent to $228 billion, the seventh-straight quarter of growth after a sharp drop during the height of the recession.—Internet

Money traders work under a screen indicating the exchange rate of the Japanese yen against the US dollar at a foreign exchange firm in Tokyo on 26 Oct, 2011.—INTERNET

China’s industrial profits growth slows

Beijing, 27 Oct—China’s industrial enterprises posted a year-on-year profits growth of 27 percent in the first three quarters of 2011, according to new figures, but the pace has slowed compared to the year’s previous measurement periods.

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Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo visits Myanmar booth at 8th China-ASEAN Expo

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo visited Myanmar booth to be displayed at the 8th China-ASEAN Expo at Nanning International Convention & Exhibition Centre in Nanning of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region of China on 20 October afternoon.

They were welcomed at Nanning International Convention & Exhibition Centre by Vice-Presidents of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Zaw Min Win and U Aung Lwin, responsible persons and members of the expo organizing committee.

The Vice-President viewed display of documentary photos on Nay Pyi Taw as pleasant capital at the hall of the pleasant capitals of countries. Officials of the Ministry of Commerce and RUMFCCI reported on display of the booth at the expo.

Myanmar booth comprised 84 booths of associations and companies where industrial products, agro-based foodstuffs, agricultural produce, finished wood products, ornaments and Myanmar handicrafts were displayed.

Pluto and dwarf planet Eris called twins

MUNICH, 27 Oct—The distant dwarf planet Eris is a virtual twin of Pluto, which was stripped of its planetary status when Eris was discovered in 2005, European astronomers say. Eris passed in front of a faint background star in November 2010 in an event called an occultation, which allowed observatories on Earth to make calculations of the dwarf planet’s size, a release from the Munich headquarters of the European Southern Observatory said Wednesday.

New analysis of the observations show Eris is almost the exact same size as Pluto, astronomers said. The discovery of Eris was one of the reasons for the creation of a new class of objects called dwarf planets and the reclassification of Pluto from planet to dwarf planet in 2006. “It is extraordinary how much we can find out about a small and distant object such as Eris by watching it pass in front of a faint star, using relatively small telescopes,” astronomer Bruno Sicardy said. “Five years after the creation of the new class of dwarf planets, we are finally really getting to know one of its founding members.” Eris is currently three times further from the sun than Pluto.—Internet
Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo meets Chinese Premier...

Mr Li Junhua, Deputy Secretary-General of the State Council of China Mr Siang Zhao Lun, Vice-Chairman of National Development and Reform Commission Mr Mu Hong and senior officials.

Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and Premier of the State Council of PRC Mr Wen Jiabao exchanged views on matters related to promotion of Comprehensive Strategic Cooperative Partnership between the two countries, implementation of projects on oil and natural gas sector, hydropower sector, mining sector, transport sector, agriculture, health and education sectors with momentum between the two countries, peace and stability in border areas, cooperation in ensuring regional peace and stability between the two countries, and bilateral cooperation in issues between China and ASEAN.  

Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo receives Standing Committee Chairman of People’s Congress of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Secretary of Guangxi Committee

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo received Standing Committee Chairman of People’s Congress of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region of the People’s Republic of China Secretary of Guangxi Committee of Communist Party of China Mr Guo Shengkun at Li Yuan Resort in Nanning on 20 October evening.

The Vice-President was accompanied by Union ministers, deputy ministers, Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and departmental heads.

The Standing Committee Chairman of People’s Congress of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region of the People’s Republic of China Secretary of Guangxi Committee of CPC was also accompanied by Governor of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Mr Ma Biao, senior officials of Communist Party and administrative body of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

At the call, they cordially exchanged views on cooperation between Myanmar and Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

Prize winning medalists in Performing Arts Competitions honoured in Bago Region

YANGON, 27 Oct—Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win attended the ceremony to honour winners representing Bago Region in the 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Competitions at the town hall of Bago yesterday evening.

Next, Chairman U Win Aung of Committee for Ensuring Success recounted experiences in the competitions. The Chief Minister and wife presented gifts to the first prize winners, the Chief Justice of Bago Region High Court the second prize winners and the Deputy Speaker of Region Hluttaw the third prize winners.

Bago Region secured 10 gold, eight silver and four bronze medals in the 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Competitions, standing the fourth position among regions and states.—MNA

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker attends meeting on clarification of amendment, revocation and promulgation of laws

Nay Pyi Taw, 27 Oct—Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann this afternoon attended the clarification meeting on amendment, revocation and promulgation of laws among the existing laws at Thabin Hall of Hluttaw Building, here. It was also attended by Deputy Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw U Nanda Kyaw Swa, representatives of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw and law experts.

Professor Dr Myint Thu Myaing of Law Department of Yangon East University explained findings on amendment, revocation and promulgation of new laws among the laws enacted in the time of the Revolutionary Council. As the Hluttaw representatives raised questions and participated in the discussions, the professor responded to their discussions.

CCTV International Channels launched

Yangon, 27 Oct—An event to mark the launch of CCTV international channels in Myanmar by CCTV of the People’s Republic of China and MRTV-4 and Sky Net of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar took place at Sedona Hotel here this morning. On the occasion, Deputy Minister Mr Tain Jin of National Broadcast, Film and Television General Bureau said he was very pleased with the launch of CCTV international channels in Myanmar and thanked the Ministry of Information, companies, and personnel for their contribution to successful broadcast of the news of the two neighbours at a time when China and Myanmar was entering to strategic partnership from Paupaw relation.

Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win noted that from the launch of CCTV channels onwards, ministries of information and TV stations of the two nations could more closely cooperate in the information sector, promoting friendship and mutual understanding between the peoples of the two nations; in 2004, Myanma Radio and Television and private media company Forever Group Co could launch MRTV-4 channel with DVB-T system which now can cover 70 per cent of the entire nation, moreover, one of the media companies, Shwe Than Lwin Media Co could also Launch Sky Net DTH service channels this year with Direct to Home (DTH) system which had now spread its wings over the whole country, CCTV-4, CCTV-News, CCTV-9 Documentary channels will be aired with DVB-T and DTH channels commencing today for Myanmar TV audiences and the red-letter day of successful broadcast will be engraved in the mind of Myanmar audience throughout the country.

Deputy Minister U Soe Win, Deputy Minister Mr Tian Jin, Charge d’affaires Mr Wang Zongying of Chinese Embassy, CEO U Win Maw of MRTV-4 (Forever Group) and Chairman U Kyaw Win of Shwe Than Lwin Media Co (Sky Net) officially launched CCTV-4, CCTV-News, CCTV-9 Documentary of CCTV International and posed for documentary photo together with guests.

Next, CEO U Win Maw and Chairman U Kyaw Win spoke words of thanks and the event came to an end with performance of China and Myanmar traditional dances.

9th Handmade Products Trade Fair and 7th Handmade Crafts Expo in Nepal on 24 November

Nay Pyi Taw, 27 Oct—The 9th handmade products trade fair and the 7th handmade crafts expo are on schedule to be held in Kathmandu of Nepal on 24 and 28 November. Pashmina, Garment, Carpets, Silver Jewellery, Handmade Paper Products, Textile, stone craft, wood craft, bone & horn products, incense, leather products, beads items, bamboo products, gems & jewellery, miscellaneous handicraft products, latest machinery, tools and accessories used in handicraft products, woolen, hemp/aloo goods, Dhaka products, paubha (Thanka) etc, are to be displayed at a total of 160 booths in the trade fair and the expo, which were organized by the Association of Craft Producers of Nepal, the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supplies and another four organizations.

For details, visit www.nepalhandicraft.org.np. Those interested to exhibit their crafts are to apply their companies’ names, items, responsible persons with a copy of passport and invoice to the Directorate of Trade under the Ministry of Commerce through Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, not later than 9 November, 2011.
Second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw continues for 42nd day
Seven questions replied, one new proposal submitted, one bill approved and scrutiny of one bill suspended

Nav Pi Taw, 27 Oct—The second regular session of the first Pyithu Hluttaw continued for the 42nd day at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, at 10.45 am today, attended by Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 372 Hluttaw representatives.

At today’s session, seven questions were replied, one new proposal submitted, one bill approved and scrutiny of one bill suspended.

U Win Swe of Nyangshwe Constituency asked whether the government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in its time has a plan to organize celebrations of Independence Day, Union Day, traditional regatta race, etc., on a grand scale. Deputy Minister for Culture Daw Sandar Khin replied that the ceremonies will be held with full necessary assistance for holding the above-mentioned celebrations at the respective regions in line with the traditions.

Deputy Minister for Education U Aye Kyu replied six questions raised by four MNA representatives. U Sai Thiha Kyaw of Mongyai Constituency asked whether there is a plan to open Law Department at Hpa-an University. The deputy minister answered that the number of day students from seven towns of Kayin State attending the law major at Mawlamyine University in 2010-2011 academic year are 29 first year students, 24 second year students, 18 third year students and 20 fourth year students. Although those day students wishing to learn Law major courses are to attend Mawlamyine University, those of Law major in distance education are to attend Hpa-an University. In this academic year, a total of 141 Law major students—38 in first year, 28 in second year, 42 in third year and 33 in fourth year—are attending Hpa-an University. Those who are not willing to attend Mawlamyine University may learn Law major in distance education at Hpa-an University.

Arrangements have been made for students to undergo their courses at Mawlamyine University because students can study education under distance education system in their own regions without having any effect on their carriers. Day students can take their respective courses at Mawlamyine University, saving time and money. Arrangements have been made to use effectively human resources. Some specialized courses are not taught at every university like universities in international community. Students can gain experiences and regions knowledge by attending Mawlamyine University and they can share their own traditions and customs each other, enhancing friendship and unity among national races. As teachers who are proficient in Law are not enough to be appointed recently, there is no plan to open Law major course (day course) at Hpa-an University during the present academic year.

Regarding the question raised by U Sai Thee of Leshi Constituency who asked whether there is a plan to open a exam centre at Panslaung sub-township BEHS, the deputy minister replied that there are prescriptions to open a new exam centre for matriculation examinations. It is required for an exam centre to have a fence for safety of school compound and examination rooms that can guarantee safety. It is also necessary to have a bank, a treasury, regiments and units and Myanmar Police Force for keeping service question and answer papers safe. If there is only Myanmar Police Force at the region where an exam centre will be opened, it is required to have a safe meeting set standards. Besides, local authorities have to give a guarantee that they have a fully responsibility for security of questions and answer papers so as to be able to hold examinations successfully.

Responsible persons of a school who want to open an exam centre are to compile abovementioned facts including photo and documents and submit them to relevant Basic Education Department and Myanmar Police Force. The deputy minister replied that the number of school officers in region/state/township education offices will be increased. Only when inspection tour of officials from Basic Education Departments is finished, will opening of a new exam centre be carried out.

If there is a problem at an exam centre, other exam centres across the nation will be affected. Opening of a new exam centre calls for close scrutiny. So Hsmayar BEHS (Branch) in Leshi Township and Leshi BEHS will be granted permission to open new exam centres if they meet abovementioned standards.

Regarding the question raised by U Khin Win of Pandalung Constituency who asked whether there is a plan to relax rules for graduate education staff, general workers, aged over 25 in order to appoint them as PATs, the deputy minister answered that the Ministry of Education has opened 41272 basic education schools including 36181 primary schools across the nation up to 201-2012 academic year. A primary school is allowed to appoint a general worker. There are 42000 staff who are discharging duties at same pay scale at the posts of cleaners, peons and school guards in BEHSs and BEMSSs.

A total of 4000 trainees are allowed to take teachership diploma courses being opened at Education Colleges. Numbers of staff at those courses make up 25 per cent.

Application-submitted graduates (external) aged under 25 and graduate staff aged under 30 qualified with specific qualifications are to sit examinations and those with high marks will be allowed to choose science and arts subject.

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Second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw continues for 41st day

Questions raised, one bill discussed, two bills approved and one proposal submitted

Nye Pyi Tone, 27 October—Second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw continued for 41st day at Amyotha Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building here this morning.

Today’s session was attended by Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint and 207 Amyotha Hluttaw representatives.

U Myo Aung, the Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw (Region—Taninthayi) said that he followed the proceedings of the Hluttaw representatives up to 26 October. Pyithu Hluttaw decided to approve the Amyotha Hluttaw-approved Bill. It will be carried out in accord with Pyithu Hluttaw Rule-168. Then the Bill Committee chairman submitted a report of the committee regarding the Hluttaw Office Bill approved and sent by Amyotha Hluttaw. The chairman said that Pyithu Hluttaw Bill submitted by Pyithu Hluttaw Rights Committee was sent to Amyotha Hluttaw, and works are being carried out in accord with the laws and rules by Amyotha Hluttaw, the Bill prescribes Hluttaw Office, Hluttaw representatives offices, matters related to separate allotment of finance, administrative and management.

Pyithu Hluttaw Law, Amyotha Hluttaw Law and Region or State Hluttaw Law are to be amended and promulgated after Pyithu Hluttaw Bill was approved. The process of scrutinizing the Hluttaw Office Bill should be suspended as the works for the Bill would be carried out completely and widely after Pyithu Hluttaw Law and Amyotha Hluttaw Law were enacted and Pyithu Hluttaw Bill is under scrutiny with laws and rules in both Hluttwas.

In seeking the approval of the Hluttaw for the report of the Bill Committee, the Hluttaw decided to set the process of scrutinizing the Bill as an ongoing task.

The 42nd regular session came to an end at 12.25 pm and the 43rd session will be held within the coming week.

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Second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw... (from page 9)

bullying or harming those who participated in peaceful gathering or peaceful procession in line with the permission, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years or with fine not exceeding fifty thousand kyats or with both; Chapter (7) Paragraph (18) is amended to state that anyone found guilty of an act in participation in peaceful gathering or peaceful procession without permission, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty thousand kyats or with both; according to Section 8 Subsection (5), it is amended that anyone found guilty of breaking a set rule or rule prescribed in Sections 10, 11 and 12, shall be be punishable with imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or with fine not exceeding ten thousand kyats or with both; Paragraph (20) of Chapter (7) is amended that offences described in Chapter (7) is designed not to be cognisable offences; paragraph 21 of Chapter (8) is amended that if anyone violates security, rule of law and community tranquility or breaks laws enacted for the interests of the morality of the public or commit acts harming someone in participating in peaceful gathering or peaceful procession in line with the permission, actions shall be taken against him according to related existing laws; Chapter (8) is supplemented with a new Paragraph (2) (f) in accordance with provisions in this law in practicing such rights as peaceful gathering and peaceful process in order to express his own beliefs and opinion freely."  23. If the citizen or organization that got permission for peaceful gathering or peaceful procession does not wish to do so for various reasons, he or she shall report to the head of the township Police Force within 24 hours; Chapter (8) Paragraph (2) (a) is amended as "24 (a) Necessary rules, regulations or principles can be issued under the agreement of the Union government." The Hluttaw approved all the amendments.

Pilot killed in mid-air collision

Wilkinsonville, 27 Oct.—The pilot of a small plane died in a mid-air collision in Oregon while two people in the other airplane landed physically unscathed, officials said Wednesday.

Investigators said they were nearly certain no one else died in the fiery crash Tuesday west of Wilsonville but police and federal investigators were searching debris over a wide area to make sure, The (Portland) Oregonian reported.

Stephen L. Watson, 58, of Beaverton, a retired state police sergeant, died in the collision, which occurred about 4:19 pm, between his Beech Bonanza V35 and a Piper PA44 with a flight instructor and his student aboard.

Watson’s plane broke up immediately after the collision northwest of Aurora State Airport, while the flight instructor landed the crippled Piper in a field next to Champoeg State Heritage Area park, and both he and the student walked away without injuries, officials said. The flight instructor and his student were identified.—Internet
Over 6500 Indian students in Australia facing deportation for flunking visa tests

CANNBERA, 27 Oct—Around 6536 Indian students in Australia are facing deportation for flunking subjects or missing classes at a vocational training level, leading to cancellation of their visas in that country. The crackdown has targeted lax students who had won visas to study at a vocational training level like cooking or hairdressing, but failed to get enough marks to maintain their degree, The Daily Telegraph reports. The Immigration Department has already cancelled 15,066 foreign student visas last year, a 37 percent rise from 2009. Of these, 6536 were Indians, 1624 Chinese, 924 South Korean, 527 Nepali, and 293 Pakistani students. Of the 15,066 cancellations by DIMIA in the past year, 3624 students lost their visas because they flunked some or all subjects or were no-shows at class. A further 2235 visas were cancelled for students who quit their courses and were either working illegally, with some found even in brothels. Besides, 212 were of students who had finished their courses early.

The 332,709 international students in Australia in June, over half were studying at university, while a third were on vocational training visas studying diploma courses.

One in every five international students is Chinese, while one in every six is Indian. Courses are also popular with South Korean, Brazilian and Malaysian students. The majority of international students study in New South Wales and Victoria.

Yoghurt consumption curbs heart disease

SYDNEY, 27 Oct—Moderate daily consumption of yoghurt prevents thickening of the carotid artery and keeps heart disease at bay. Dietician Kerry Ivey from Sir Charles Gardener Hospital said lack of research into the effect of dairy products on cardiovascular disease, but there has been a demonstrated cardiovascular benefit in probiotic and yoghurt consumption, "adds Ivey, according to the journal American Society for Nutrition. The trial used a cohort of 1,080 Perth women over the age of 70, who had been randomly selected for a "Calcium Intake and Fracture Outcome Study", according to a Sir Charles Gardener statement. Participants answered questionnaires with the aid of a research assistant who used food models, cups, spoons and charts to ensure identical measurements representing consumption were used. Three different measurements of the left and right carotid arteries at two different angles were averaged out to find the participants mean (average) IMT (intima-media thickness), both initially and after three years. Those with a high to moderate yoghurt consumption of 100 grams per day or above had significantly lower CCA-IMT than those with yoghurt consumption of 100 grams per day or less. Research also highlighted that high milk and cheese consumption equalled higher CCA-IMT compared with high yoghurt consumption.

People of Tujia ethnic group perform Maogusi dance in Xiangxi Tujia and Miao Autonomous Prefecture, central China’s Hunan Province, on 15 Oct, 2011. Maogusi is an old form of dance popular among the Tujia people living in the western Hunan Province. It is performed to remember their ancestors' achievements in cultivation, hallucistics and hunting.

Photo taken on 23 Oct, 2011 shows Tibetan gazzelles in protection zone of northwest China’s Qinghai Province. Flocks of Tibetan antelopes, wild asses and Tibetan gazzelles live in the protection zone...—Xinhua

Five cans of fizzy soft drinks every week make teens violent

WASHINGTON, 27 Oct—Teens who drink more than five cans of non-diet, fizzy soft drinks every week are significantly more likely to behave aggressively, a new study has suggested. This includes carrying a weapon and perpetrating violence against peers and siblings. The findings were based on the study of 1,878 teens from 22 public schools in Boston, Massachusetts. The teens were asked how many carbonated non-diet soft drinks they had drunk over the past seven days. The researchers then looked at potential links to violent behaviour in this group, by asking if they had been violent towards their peers, a sibling, or a partner, and if they had carried a gun or knife over the past year. Those who drank 5 or more cans of soft drinks every week were significantly more likely to have drunk alcohol and smoked at least once in the previous month. But even after controlling for these and other factors, heavy use of carbonated non-diet soft drinks was significantly associated with carrying a gun or knife, and violence towards peers, family members and partners. In all, for those teens who were heavy consumers of non-diet carbonated soft drinks, the probability of aggressive behaviour was 9 to 15 percentage points higher than the same magnitude as the impact of alcohol or tobacco - the findings showed...—Internet

Tokyo stocks close to 8-week high on EU agreement

TOKYO, 27 Oct—Tokyo stocks jumped to 8-week high, with the Nikkei stock index rising over 2 percent after European Union leaders agreed on a comprehensive package to solve the eurozone debt crisis. The 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average ended up 178.07 points, or 2.04 percent, from Wednesday to 8,926.54, the highest close since finishing at 8,950.74 on 2 Sept. The broader Topix index of all First Section issues on the Tokyo Stock Exchange finished 16.31 points, or 2.18 percent, higher at 762.79.

Gainers included the securities, the sea transport and the insurance sectors. The fishery and forestry, the glass and ceramics and the electricity and gas sectors were the only decliners.

Artists from the Phibada Opera Troupe give performance in Changchun, capital of northeast China’s Jilin Province, on 25 Oct, 2011. An opera adaptation of “the Butterfly Lovers”, a traditional Chinese love tragedy, was staged by Phibada Opera Troupe from the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (DPRK) in Changchun on Tuesday, which launched the troupe’s 3-month performance tour around China...—Xinhua
CLAIMS DAY NOTICE
MV BANGSRIMUANG VOY NO (102)
Consignees of cargo carried on MV BANGSRIMUANG VOY No (102) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 27.10.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W (4) 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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Gold tops 1,700 dollars amid safe-haven buying

CHICAGO, 27 Oct—Gold futures on the COMEX Division of the New York Mercantile on Tuesday settled above 1,700 US dollars per ounce, rising for a third day in a row, as wide concerns over resolving the EU debt problems triggered increasing safe-haven buying.

The most active gold contract for December delivery hiked 48.1 dollars, or 2.9 percent, to 1,700.4 dollars per ounce.

Gold and silver are benefiting from increased demand for "safe haven" investment as disenchanted investors are showing their skepticism that Wednesday's EU summit will result in a solution to the region's financial crisis, said Mike Daley, a senior gold analyst with PFGBest.

It is reported that a meeting of EU finance ministers that had been set to take place ahead of Wednesday's EU summit has been canceled, intensifying doubts among some investors about the ability of EU leaders to conclude a solution to the eurozone debt crisis.

A Cambodian man sits inside a mosquito net in Kandal Province, Cambodia, on 26 Oct, 2011.

Foreigners get in act

BEIJING, 27 Oct—Although the Shanghai dialect is widely believed to be declining, expatriates in the city are learning it in hopes of improving their communication with local people and better understanding local culture.

Tongji University, one of the city's top universities, started a course on the dialect course four years ago in its International School, which caters to overseas students.

This year, the course has attracted 36 students from seven countries, including the United Kingdom, the United States, Russia, Japan and Kazakhstan.

Javan rhino ‘now extinct in Vietnam’

London, 27 Oct—A critically endangered species of rhino is now extinct in Vietnam, according to a report by conservationists.

The WWF and the International Rhino Foundation said the country's last Javan rhino was probably killed by poachers, as its horn had been cut off. Experts said the news was not a surprise, as only one sighting had been recorded in Vietnam since 2008. Fewer than 50 individuals are now estimated to remain in the wild.

“It is painful that despite significant investment in Vietnamese rhino conservation, efforts failed to save this unique animal,” said WWF's Vietnam director Tran Thi Minh Hien. “Vietnam has lost part of its natural heritage.”

Drinking coffee may cut risk of skin cancer

BEIJING, 27 Oct—The more coffee people consume, the less likely they develop the most common form of skin cancer, a new study suggests, according to media reports Tuesday.

“Our study indicates that coffee consumption may be an important option to help prevent basal cell carcinoma,” stated Fengjun Song, lead researcher of the study and a postdoctoral fellow in the department of dermatology at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School in Boston.

Basal cell carcinoma (BCC) is reported to be a slow-growing form of skin cancer that accounts for 75 percent of all skin cancers. It is the most common type of skin cancer, with nearly one million new cases diagnosed each year in the United States.

Although BCC is hardly fatal, if ignored, there may be consequences of treatment, including disfigurement, according to a USA Today report.

The US researchers found that women who drank over three cups of coffee a day were 20 percent less likely to develop BCC, whereas the risk of having BCC for men who consumed more than three cups per day lowered 9 percent.

To get the findings, the researchers analyzed data from almost 113,000 people between 1984-2008 and over 23,000 were diagnosed with BCC.

Indian actress Freida Pinto poses on the red carpet during the opening of the 3rd Doha Tribeca Film Festival in Doha, Qatar, on 25 Oct, 2011.

The five-day film festival kicked off here on Tuesday.

Malaria death toll in Cambodia down 22% in 9 months

PHNOM PENH, 27 Oct—Malaria had killed 64 Cambodians during the first nine months of this year, 22 percent decline from 82 deaths at the same period last year, said health officials Tuesday.

From January to September, some 43,991 cases of malaria had been reported, up 15 percent from 38,321 cases during the same period last year. Char Meng Choua, the director of the National Centre for Malaria, said in a Press briefing on the mosquito net distribution campaign on Tuesday.

He said that Cambodia has committed to eradicate the death of malaria by 2015. With this target, Cambodia needs the total budget of 131 million US dollars.

Malaria is a mosquito-borne infectious disease. In Cambodia, the disease is often found in rainy season and mostly happens in border provinces, forest and mountainous provinces.

Iran plans to generate 25,000 MW of electricity by 2015

TEHRAN, 27 Oct—Iranian Energy Minister Majid Namjou said Iran will boost its electricity generation capacity to 25,000 megawatts by 2015, when the fifth national development plan is completed, the local Tehran Times daily reported Thursday.

Namjou made the remarks at the opening ceremony of the Tehran international power industry fair on Wednesday. Meanwhile, Iranian Deputy Energy Minister Mohammad Behzad predicted that the country’s electricity exports would amount to one billion US dollars by the end of the current Iranian calendar year (19 March, 2012), according to the daily. Behzad said that three billion US dollars worth of technical and engineering services will also be exported by the year end.

During the first half of the current Iranian calendar year, starting from 20 March, 2011, Iran’s electricity exports to neighbouring countries reached four billion kilowatts per hour (kwh). Behzad was quoted as saying. “Iran currently exchanges electricity with Turkey, Armenia, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Iraq,” he said, adding that the country’s electricity export to Iraq this year reached its highest volume and Iran is negotiating with Turkey to increase electricity export.
### Woman’s bike sold by thrift store

A Swedish woman whose bicycle was mistakenly sold by a thrift store while she was inside the store said she was relieved when the item was returned.

Ulfa Oderyd and Eveline Olsson said they locked up their bikes, which both belong to Olsson, on a rack outside the thrift shop in Gavle and emerged to find the bike Oderyd had ridden was missing, Swedish news agency TT reported Thursday.

The women said they asked employees if they had seen the bike and were shocked to hear it had been sold.

“I asked them; ‘Do you sell locked bikes?’ I didn’t get what they were saying,” Oderyd said.

Goran Lofjard, manager of the store, said he mistakenly sold the bike because it had been on a rack filled with for-sale bicycles. He said bikes sold at the store often have locks on them because they frequently come from the estates of deceased people.

The bike, which Olsson purchased for 758, was sold for about 50.

Oderyd said she was relieved when the person who purchased the bike read about the incident in a newspaper and returned the item.

“Thank goodness,” she said.

Lofjard said the store also sent flowers to Oderyd and issued her a voucher for 75.

“We should have marked the stand with a sign saying those were bikes for sale,” he said.

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Hodgson encouraged by Long update

LONDON, 27 Oct—Roy Hodgson is relieved that striker Shane Long will only be sidelined for four weeks after fearing a much longer lay-off. West Bromwich Albion striker Long suffered a knee injury in a challenge from Aston Villa’s Alan Hutton during Saturday’s derby, a tackle Hodgson claimed merited a red card.

But he could be back in action by the early part of December although that will still rule him out of the Republic of Ireland’s Euro 2012 play-off with Estonia.

Hodgson said: “I was a bit relieved although six weeks is still a lot. It means he will possibly miss six games. “You don’t take the situation lightly — but we know it could have been a lot worse.”

“The ideal scenario would have been no injury at all but, if there has got to be one, at least it’s not a serious break or ligament damage.”

Hodgson said Albion had “no plans at the moment” to recall striker Chris Wood from his loan spell at Birmingham City after Long’s setback.

Spurs pair set to return

LONDON, 27 Oct—Injured Tottenham Hotspur duo Steven Pienaar and William Gallas could fit to face Queens Park Rangers at White Hart Lane on Sunday.

South Africa midfielder Pienaar underwent groin surgery in the summer and French defender Gallas has been battling calf injuries, resulting in both missing the start of the season.

Steven Pienaar has recovered after groin surgery in the summer. Internet

But Allen is hopeful the players will be available for selection as Spurs look to extend their unbeaten run to seven Barclays Premier League matches.

“We’re pretty much as we were at the weekend,” Allen said. “There’s one or two players coming back who are joining in.”

Steven Pienaar and William Gallas are back in training, which is good, so we’ll hopefully have one or two more to select from on Sunday.

“I don’t know if William will play but he could well be involved, he may make the bench. It just depends on the reaction to his training this week.”

Wenger pleased with Park

LONDON, 27 Oct—Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger felt Park Ju-young showed exactly what he is capable of in the Carling Cup on Tuesday.

The South Korea striker scored the winning goal against Bolton Wanderers after 56 minutes, a precise curling effort that beat Adam Bogdan and secured a 2-1 victory.

Park’s only other start came in the previous round against Shrewsbury Town when he struggled to make an impression.

“For me I am very pleased with his performance,” said Wenger. “He had a very, very good game. He has shown intelligence in this link play with others.”

The quality of his movement was exceptional and his finishing is absolutely fantastic. He has shown that he is a very, very good player. He is ready to play in league games, yes.”

“Compared to the player who played in the first match [against Shrewsbury] where he was a bit inhibited, I felt he played with freedom and has showed what a good player he is.”

Park Ju-young shone against Bolton on Tuesday. Internet

LPG Tour to co-sanction Women’s Australian Open

MELBOURNE, 27 Oct—The LPGA Tour is returning to Australia, co-sanctioning the Women’s Australian Open in February at Royal Melbourne.

“All credit goes to Golf Australia for their consistent vision to bring the LPGA Tour to Australia,” LPGA Tour Commissioner Michael Whan said.

“The LPGA is delighted to partner with Golf Australia to showcase some of the greatest golfers in the world in one of the greatest locations in the world—the famous Melbourne Sandbelt—and at one of the most respected golf venues in the world—Royal Melbourne.”

Andre Villas-Boas: Chelsea is desperate to win trophies

LIVERPOOL, 27 Oct—Chelsea manager Andre Villas-Boas has hailed the commitment of his side after a hard-fought win over Everton in the League Cup on Wednesday.

The Londoners played much of the match with 10 men after keeper Ross Turnbull’s dismissal, but forced an extra-time winner through Daniel Sturridge after Everton’s Royston Drenthe also saw red.

The Portuguese boss was particularly pleased with the character shown to win as his side faced a second game in four days with a numerical disadvantage.

“We were very committed showed strength of character and resilience once again,” he told reporters. “We went down to 10 men unfortunately once again and made things even more difficult for us and we are able to triumph in difficulty and this is an extremely good sign for us.”

Spearng relishing fight for place

LONDON, 27 Oct—Jay Spearing knows he has a fight on his hands to get back into the Liverpool midfield.

The young midfielder is aiming to showcase his battling qualities in Wednesday night’s Carling Cup fourth round match with Stoke City.

Spearing has endured a generally frustrating time of it so far this sea-

otictoning Potters team as the ideal opportunity to show he can handle a physical assignment.—Internet

Li Na, Azarenka, Zvonareva notch wins on day 2 of WTA finale in Istanbul

ISTANBUL, 27 Oct—Li Na, Victoria Azarenka, and Vera Zvonareva saw off their opponents Wednesday in the round robin stage of the season-ending TEB BNP Paribas WTA Championships in Turkey’s largest city Istanbul.

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Li Na took to the court in Istanbul for the first time Wednesday and earned a hard-fought 7-6, 6-4 victory over Sharapova in straight sets, virtually sealing the exit from the tournament of the world No 2 player.

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Andre Villas-Boas: Chelsea is desperate to win trophies

LIVERPOOL, 27 Oct—Chelsea manager Andre Villas-Boas has hailed the commitment of his side after a hard-fought win over Everton in the League Cup on Wednesday.

The Londoners played much of the match with 10 men after keeper Ross Turnbull’s dismissal, but forced an extra-time winner through Daniel Sturridge after Everton’s Royston Drenthe also saw red.

The Portuguese boss was particularly pleased with the character shown to win as his side faced a second game in four days with a numerical disadvantage.

“We were very committed showed strength of character and resilience once again,” he told reporters. “We went down to 10 men unfortunately once again and made things even more difficult for us and we are able to triumph in difficulty and this is an extremely good sign for us.”

Spearng relishing fight for place

LONDON, 27 Oct—Jay Spearing knows he has a fight on his hands to get back into the Liverpool midfield.

The young midfielder is aiming to showcase his battling qualities in Wednesday night’s Carling Cup fourth round match with Stoke City.

Spearing has endured a generally frustrating time of it so far this sea-

otictoning Potters team as the ideal opportunity to show he can handle a physical assignment.—Internet

Li Na, Azarenka, Zvonareva notch wins on day 2 of WTA finale in Istanbul

ISTANBUL, 27 Oct—Li Na, Victoria Azarenka, and Vera Zvonareva saw off their opponents Wednesday in the round robin stage of the season-ending TEB BNP Paribas WTA Championships in Turkey’s largest city Istanbul.

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Weather forecast for 28th October, 2011

New Delhi, 27 Oct—A computer operator who earns just $130 a month has become the first person to win the $1 million top prize on the Indian version of the “Who Wants to be a Millionaire?” television quiz.

Sushil Kumar, 27, from the impoverished eastern state of Bihar, scooped 50 million rupees on “Kaun Banega Crorepati?” during recording on Tuesday, the show’s host Amitabh Bachchan revealed on his blog. “A young man from the interiors of Bihar, earning a meagre salary of just Rs 6,500 per month, coming from the most humblest of back grounds, reaches the Hot Seat and cracks the ultimate prize (50 million rupees),” Bachchan wrote.

“An incredible feat! This is what the common man is all about,” he added, describing the excitement on set during filming as “unimaginable.” Bollywood star Bachchan, who began presenting the quiz 11 years ago, said the celebrations that followed were “rare and once in a lifetime.”

The show has had winners in previous series, but at lower jackpot levels. “I love reading,” Kumar said in an interview after his win. “Before winning this amount, I couldn’t buy many books, but now, I will make a huge library.” He added he would use part of the prize to train for gruelling examinations to secure a coveted civil service post.

The Times of India said on its website that the episode would be broadcast next month. “Kaun Banega Crorepati?” is one of India’s most popular television shows and inspired the best-selling book “Q and A”, by Vikas Swarup, which was turned into the Oscar-winning film “Slumdog Millionaire.” —Internet

$130-a-month worker wins Indian ‘Millionaire’ quiz

Friday, 28 October
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7:25 am
2. To Be Healthy Exercise
7:30 am
3. Morning News

7:40 am
4. Dhamma Puja Song
7:50 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
8:00 am
6. Health Programme
8:10
7. The Mirror Images of the Musical Oldies
8:15 am
8. Teleplay (Agri)
8:30 am
9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
8:40 am
10. International News
8:45 am
11. Musical Programme
4:00 pm
1. Martial Song
4:10 pm
2. Musical Programme
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3. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
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4. Dance of National Races
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5. Songs of Yester Years
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6. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - First Year (Home Economic)
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Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo meets Chinese Premier Mr Wen Jiabao

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Oct—Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and Premier Mr Wen Jiabao of the State Council of the People’s Republic of China held a meeting at the hall on the first floor of the Li Yuan International Conference Centre in Nanning of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region on 20 October afternoon.

Also present at the meeting were Union Ministers and deputy ministers of Myanmar delegation, Myanmar Ambassador to China U Tin Oo and departmental heads.

The Chinese Premier was accompanied by Governor of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Mr Ma Biao, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr Zhang Zhijun, Vice Minister of Trade Mr Gao Hu Chen, Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar (See page 6)

Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo arrives in Nanning, PRC


The Vice-President together with Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Union Minister for Science and Technology U Aye Myint, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint, Deputy Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Ohn Than, Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thaung Lwin, Economic Advisor to the President U Sett Aung and departmental heads, arrived Nanning International Airport in Nanning in the afternoon.

Myanmar Mr Li Jun Hua, Vice-Chairman Mr Li Bin of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Provincial Political Consultative Congress, Consultant General of Nanning Myanmar Consulate General’s Office U Myint Swe, Vice-Presidents of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Zaw Min Win, U Aung Lwin and members greeted the Myanmar delegation at the airport.

The two Chinese children presented bouquets to the Vice-President and members of indigenous ethnic cultural troupe welcomed Myanmar delegation with traditional cultural dances.

The Vice-President and his entourage then proceeded to Li Yuan Resort in Nanning.