Lighting festival and Mathoe Thingan offering ceremonies held on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmon

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov.—Today is Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmon (Samaññaphala Day). Lighting festival was celebrated around the country. Mathoe Thingan and Shwekyar Thingan (robes) were offered at the pagodas dedicated to the Lord Buddha and Kathina robes and alms were offered to members of Sangha.

Third Shwekyar Thingan offering ceremony to Buddha Padima Jade Buddha Image and 21st Maha Pathana Recitation Ceremony was held in the cave of Uppatasanti Pagoda, here, this morning. Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Dr Maung Maung Huy, Deputy Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo, departmental heads and religious associations of ministries were present at the ceremony.

The congregation received Nine Percepts and respectfully heard Parittas recited by members of Sangha.

The Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman and officials offered alms to members of Sangha.

Uppatasanti Pagoda was packed with pilgrims who paid homage to the Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic. A total of 9000 oil lamps were offered to the Pagoda in the evening.

A total of 9000 oil lamps were offered to Datuçaya Pagoda in Danatheikdi ward and Historic Koesu Pagoda in Pyinmana Township in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area.

Lawka Mareinzein, Koekhangyi and Lawka Yanhnein Pagodas in Pyinmana were also crammed with merit-seekers who offered lights to the pagodas.

Yan Aung Myin (Shwe Let Hla) Pagoda in Lewe Township, Mogauung Pagoda and other pagodas in Tatkon Township in Nay Pyi Taw Council Area were also packed with those who made meritorious deeds.

The 27th Mathoe Thingan Offering Ceremony and Lighting Festival were held in Shwedagon Pagoda yesterday.

Winners in Mathoe Thingan weaving ceremony were awarded that midnight and Mathoe Thingans were offered to the Buddha Images. Alm offering ceremony was held this morning.

Shwekyar Thingan offering ceremony and rice offering ceremony were held in Varadahta Datuçaya Sacred Tooth Relic Pagoda in Yangon. Members of Sangha consecrated Buddha Images.

The congregation received Nine Percepts from Chairman of State Sangha Maha Nayak Committee Presiding Nayaka Sayadaw of Bhamo Monastery in Mandalay, Abbuhaja Maha Rahita Guru Abbuhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Dr Bhaddanta Kumarabhivamsa.

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**Way to catch the tide**

There is a saying that goes, “Time and tide wait for no man”. Time defines success in life. Struggling for self and family, all the human beings need duly manage every priceless moment.

To read text since earlier academic year is a student’s obligation. Exam will not make a concern. Student with the hunger for success must handle time management. No one can swim twice in the same river.

Each of office staff, factory workers, businessmen and so on are tasked with responsibilities obliged to perform within certain time frame. Time wasters will be punished with economic loss. They will miss the target and suffer the setback.

Pining their hopes on hard work, each person is pursuing better lives all the time. For a workaholic, 24 hours for a day are not enough. Time is such precious.

Every one has to cut down on wastes of time. Books are unique partners to spend spare hours. One will have to bolster his/her morale while chasing the dream. Confronting the problems is practical than living under a cloud hanging over. A stitch in time saves nine.

Competent time management will enable anyone to live a successful life and serve the community and country at the very peak of performance.

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**Fire prevention educative talks given to hotels in Nay Pyi Taw**

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Under the instructions of Nay Pyi Taw Council and Fire Services Department (Head office), Nay Pyi Taw Fire Services Department organized an educative talks on prevention against fire and fire-fighting demonstration for hotels in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone on 8 November, attended by Director U Than Kyaw Kyaw, Assistant-Director U Win Myint and managers of 16 hotels.

Director U Than Kyaw Kyaw delivered an address and Assistant-Director U Win Myint gave talks on fire prevention.

Next, In-charge of No. 4 Fire Brigade and members demonstrated putting out oil fire with chemical powder extinguishers and hotel staff participated in the demonstration.—MNA

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**Union Religious Affairs Minister receives French Ambassador**

YANGON, 10 Nov — Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung received French Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Thierry Mathou at the Yangon branch of the ministry, here, this evening.

Also present at the call were Deputy Director-General U Aung Theing Nyunt of Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana, Pro Rector (Admin) of International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University Dr. Thant Zin Naing and officials.

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**Enterprise India Show kicks off in Yangon**

YANGON, 10 Nov — Jointly Organize by Confederation of India Industry (CII) and Embassy of India, the opening of Enterprise India Show 2011 took place at Tattmadaw Convention Hall, here, this morning.

Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing, Union Minister for Industry-1 and for Industry-2 U Soe Thein, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint, Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe, President of Confederation of India Industry Mr. Shri Sanjay Kirlosker, Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr. Villur Sundararajan Seshadri and Vice-President U Zaw Min Win of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry formally opened the show, and the CII President and Indian Ambassador extended greetings.

In his address, Chairman of Myanmar Investment Commission Union Minister U Soe Thein invited Indian entrepreneurs to invest in Myanmar where reforms are being made so as to be able to attract more foreign investments and necessary measures taken to facilitate investment process.

Next, Union Minister U Win Myint said that the show will benefit both countries, encouraging bilateral cooperation in industrial technology, pharmaceutical and medical equipment and information technology and boosting trade and investment between the two countries. Only when increased mutual friendship and investment between Myanmar and Indian entrepreneurs, can bilateral economic cooperation be enhanced.

Then Union ministers and party officials viewed Myanmar-India performances and products on display.

The show was participated by more than 60 companies displaying Tata motors, various kinds of machines and tools, farm equipment, steel products, foodstuff, pharmaceutical products, personal goods, educational services, consultancy, import and export, information and communication technology and tourism. The show will be held up to 13 November.—MNA

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**Take Fire Preventive Measures**

Monsoon paddy harvesting ceremony was held in Farmer U Win Maung’s farm in Ingyingon village-tract in Mohonin Township on 3 November.

Mohonin District Deputy Commissioner U Tin Maung Soe and officials attended the ceremony. With the effective application of modern agricultural methods, Sinayekari-3 strain paddy yielded 135 baskets per acre compared with its yield of 115 baskets per acre last year, according to U Htin Aung Zaw, manager of the Township Myanma Agriculture Service. —NLM.001

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**Opening ceremony of Enterprise India Show in progress.** —MNA
Seven more bodies found amid Mexico’s drug violence

MEXICO CITY, 10 Nov—Police on Wednesday found 7 bodies, including six men and a woman, in northern Mexican state of Durango where hundreds of victims had been slaughtered in the raging drug violence.

The corpses were unearthed in a playground in the town of El Pino, two days after they went missing. The bodies were naked and had been tortured before they were beaten to death, police said.

A message from the killers was left at the site, but police would not reveal its content.

About 200 bodies were found between April and May in mass graves in Durango, where two rival drug cartels vying for control. Authorities believed most of the victims were kidnapped and killed by the cartels.

More than 40,000 people have been killed in drug-related violence in Mexico since President Felipe Calderon launched the “war against organized crimes” in December 2006.

Xinhua

5.7-magnitude quake hits eastern Turkey, seven killed

BEIJING, 10 Nov—Turkish media reports state that at least 7 people have been killed and more than 50 trapped in the rubble of a hotel that collapsed after an earthquake struck eastern Turkey.

The 5.7-magnitude quake hit the Province of Van, more than two weeks after a 7.2-magnitude quake in the same region killed around 600 people. More than a dozen buildings, including at least one hotel, collapsed following the Wednesday night temblor.

Reports said the buildings that collapsed were damaged in the previous earthquake. Sky Turk Television said 11 people were rescued from the debris.—Xinhua

One killed, another injured in central Iraqi violence

BAHRAIN, 10 Nov—An Arab tribal leader was killed and another civilian injured Wednesday in separate bomb attacks in central Iraq, the police said. Sheikh Ali Shekhall al-Mukaddim, an Arab tribal leader, was killed when a sticky bomb attached to his car went off at a main road in the southern part of the city of Dujail, some 60 km north of Baghdad, a local police source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Meanwhile, in the eastern Province of Diyala, gunmen planted a bomb at the residence of a police officer in a town west of the provincial capital City of Baquba, some 65 km northeast of Baghdad, wounding a member of the official’s family, a source from the provincial operations command told Xinhua.

The targeted officer escaped the attack unharmed, and the Iraqi security forces have launched an investigation into the incident, the source said.

Also in the province, Iraqi security forces have carried out searches operations across the province over the past 24 hours and arrested five terror suspects, including two wanted individuals, and defused a roadside bomb, the source added.

Violence remains common in Iraqi cities despite the dramatic decrease since its peak in 2006 and 2007 when the country was engulfed in sectarian killings.—Xinhua

Blast hits Egyptian gas pipeline to Israel, Jordan

CAIRO, 10 Nov—An Egyptian gas pipeline supplying Israel and Jordan was rocked by an explosion early Thursday morning, a security source told Xinhua.

The blast occurred around 100 am (2300 GMT Wednesday) in 45 km west of al-Arish, according to the source, who was in the northern Sinai peninsula town. There is another unexplained explosion near a pumping station in the same area.

The blasts took place in the Sahara desert region far from residential area, thus leaving no casualties, according to Xinhua correspondents there. Police have arrived at the scene and the nearby area was cordoned off.

The correspondents said before the blasts, witnesses had seen unidentified people arrived in two cars and planted the explosives.—Xinhua

Six militants arrested with 25000 kg of explosives in Pak’s Punjab province

ISLAMABAD, 10 Nov—Pakistan Police has arrested six militants, and seized 25000 kilogramme of explosives from a poultry farm in Mandi Bahauddin in Punjab Province.

The militants were preparing an explosive device for launching terror attacks in Lahore, Multan and Faisalabad, the Daily Times reports.

Two of them are expert in preparing suicide cars. These militants were being watched for the last six months.

The militants belonged to Swat, Mardan, Bhakhar, Dera Ismail Khan and Quetta in Pakistan.
**Business**

**Nikkei tumbles on Italy debt crisis**

**Tokyo, 10 Nov—** Nikkei opened sharply lower Thursday, with the key stock index falling over 2 percent, as investors worry that the spike in the yield on Italy’s government bonds will worsen the eurozone debt crisis.

In the first 15 minutes of trading, the 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average fell 204.16 points, or 2.33 percent, to 8,551.28. The broader Topix index of all First Section issues on the Tokyo Stock Exchange was down 19.23 points, or 2.57 percent, to 730.17.—**Xinhua**

**Health**

**Scientists find big chink in malaria’s armour**

**Moscow, 10 Nov—** Researchers said Wednesday they had discovered a unique microscopic channel through which malaria parasites must pass to infect red blood cells, a finding that opens up a highly promising target for a vaccine.

The doorway mechanism is common to all known strains of the deadliest mosquito-borne pathogen, Plasmodium falciparum, which means that a future vaccine could in theory work against all of them, according to the study published in the journal Nature.

The death toll from malaria has declined by a fifth over the last decade, but the disease still claims some 800,000 lives every year, mostly children under five in sub-Saharan Africa. Up to now, scientists assumed that P. falciparum had several options for piercing the defences of blood cells. But in experiments, Gavin Wright of the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute and the study’s senior co-author and colleagues showed that intrusion depends on the interaction between a specific molecule on the parasite, called a ligand, and a specific receptor on the blood cell.—**Reuters**

**China October imports surge as exports wilt**

**Beijing, 10 Nov—** China’s imports surged in October as exports grew at their slowest rate in months, suggesting efforts to tilt the economy toward domestic demand may be offsetting the external weakness that has dragged on economic growth this year.

Customs figures showed import growth of 28.7 percent year on year in October, well ahead of the 23.0 percent forecast and far in excess of September’s 20.9 percent growth rate. Headline growth in exports meanwhile was its most sluggish in eight months, but strip out the traditionally volatile month of February and October’s growth of 15.9 percent was the slowest since November 2009 when they shrunk.—**Reuters**

**Health**

**Depression may be linked to dementia later**

**Los Angeles, 10 Nov—** US researchers say a chemical marker that binds to plaque and tangle deposits indicates dementia may be linked to major depressive disorder in older people. “This is the first study using FDDNP to assess the abnormal protein levels in brains of older adults with severe depression,” Dr Gary Small, the study’s senior author.

Researchers compared the FDDNP brain scans of 20 older adults between ages 60-82 who had been diagnosed with major depressive disorder with the scans of 19 healthy controls of similar age, education and gender. The study, published in the journal Archives of General Psychiatry, found that in patients with major depressive disorder, FDDNP binding was significantly higher throughout the brain and in critical brain regions involved in decision-making, complex reasoning, memory and emotions.—**Xinhua**

**Business**

**Chinese shares close lower at midday Thursday**

**Beijing, 10 Nov—** China’s stocks ended lower at midday Thursday with the benchmark Shanghai Composite Index down 1.06 percent, or 26.85 points, to close the morning session at 2,498.07. The Shenzhen Component Index fell 0.90 percent, or 95.28 points, to close at 10,530.60.—**Xinhua**
BlackBerry to use key technology by Assa Abloy

The head of Assa Abloy's mobile keys division, Daniel Berg, said the phones will work with existing door-opening systems and will mainly replace access cards at offices, but can also be used to open home or garage doors.

There is also a possibility to develop the NFC technology in the phones so it can be used for time reports and payments, Berg said.

In some countries, the NFC technology already exists in cards that are used for payments or as tickets in subway systems.

Berg said the technology built into the BlackBerries could also work for such applications in the future.

Weird world of water gets a little weirder

WASHINGTON, 10 Nov—Strange, stranger, strangest! To the weird nature of one of the simplest chemical compounds—the stuff so familiar that even non-scientists know its chemical formula—add another odd twist.

Scientists are reporting that good old H2O, when chilled below the freezing point, can shift into a new type of liquid.

Pradeep Kumar and H Eugene Stanley explain that water is one weird substance, exhibiting more than 80 unusual properties, by one count, including some that scientists still struggle to understand.

In another strange turn, scientists have proposed that water can go from being one type of liquid into another in a so-called "liquid-liquid" phase transition, but it is impossible to test this with today's laboratory equipment because these things happen so fast. That's why Kumar and Stanley used computer simulations to check it out.

They found that when they chilled liquid water in their simulation, its propensity to conduct heat decreases, as expected for an ordinary liquid. But, when they lowered the temperature to about 54 degrees below zero Fahrenheit, the liquid water started to conduct heat even better in the simulation. Their studies suggest that below this temperature, liquid water undergoes sharp but continuous structural changes whereas the local structure of liquid becomes extremely ordered—very much like ice. These structural changes in liquid water lead to increase of heat conduction at lower temperatures.

The researchers say that this surprising result supports the idea that water has a liquid-liquid phase transition.

Ancient spotted horses not fantasies

BEIJING, 10 Nov—The mystery of the leopard-spotted horses depicted in the Stone Age at a cave in France was deciphered—they did live alongside ancient humans, according to media reports Monday.

After comparing the DNA of modern horses and fossils of prehistoric horses, a group of scientists from Germany and UK found the famous spotted horses coexisted with their creators.

The finding was published in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences Monday.

The almost 25,000-year-old paintings, "The Dappled Horses of Pech-Merle" on the walls of the Pech-Merle cave, remarkably look similar to a pattern known as "leopard" in modern horses such as Appaloosa, according to New York Times.

For a long time, they were regarded as fantasies rather than real accurate portrayals.

"It was critical to ensure that the horse depictions from the cave paintings were based on real-life experiences rather than products of the imagination," stated lead author Arne Ludwig from the Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research in Berlin.

The finding can help figure out when horses were domesticated, a critical moment in the development of human societies, the study noted. In general, domesticated species exist in a far greater variety of colours than wild ones, so understanding color variation in fossil animals can help pinpoint the timing, according to the New York Times.
Coal to overtake oil as top fuel in global energy mix by 2035

LONDON, 10 Nov—Coal use will overtake oil as the largest fuel in the global energy mix by 2035, said the International Energy Agency (IEA) Wednesday in London. In the newly published World Energy Outlook 2011, the IEA believed coal has met almost half of the increase in global energy demand over the last decade. Whether this trend alters and how quickly is among the most important questions for the future of the global energy economy. “Maintaining current policies would see coal use rise by a further 65 percent by 2035, overtaking oil as the largest fuel in the global energy mix,” the outlook report said.

“The main market for traded coal continues to shift from the Atlantic to the Pacific, but the scale and direction of international trade flows are highly uncertain, particularly after 2020. It would take only a relatively small shift in domestic demand or supply for China to become a net-exporter of international trade flows is highly uncertain, particularly after 2020,” the outlook said.

The outlook also expected India’s coal use doubles in the New Policies Scenario, so that India displaces the United States as the world’s second-largest coal consumer and becomes the largest coal importer in the 2020s. The IEA is an organization which works to ensure reliable, affordable and clean energy for its 28 members and publishes World Energy Outlook every year.—Xinhua

Study says children with fat fathers at risk of obesity

SYDNEY, 10 Nov—Children with fat fathers are more likely to be obese by age of eight or nine than those with healthy weight fathers, a new study by researchers at Australia’s University of Newcastle found on Thursday.

Researchers at the University of Newcastle found that children who had an overweight or obese dad were four times more likely to follow in their father’s footsteps than those with a dad in the healthy weight range.

They also found in the study that only having an obese or overweight mum in the family did not have the same effect.

Lead researcher Emily Freeman said it was still unknown why overweight dads had such a significant effect on their children’s weights.

The researchers conducted their study using data collected from 3000 Australian families between 2004 and 2008 for a longitudinal study.

They looked at the weights of children when they were aged four to five and then again when they turned eight and nine years old.

According to Freeman, around 25 percent of Australian children are overweight or obese.

She said helping fat dads lose weight could make a difference to the youngsters.—Xinhua

Sotheby’s yellow diamond to sell at record price

GENEVA, 10 Nov—An exceptional yellow diamond will be on auction at Sotheby’s Geneva sale next Tuesday with an estimated price of 11 to 15 million US dollars, the highest price ever achieved at auction for a diamond and any jewel. “Any diamond over 100 carats is rare, that one of this colour is off the scale,” David Bennett, Chairman of Sotheby’s International Jewellery Division Europe and Middle East, told Xinhua.

The rough stone for “the Sun-Drop Diamond” was discovered last year in South Africa. It was cut and polished by the owners and shortly after offered for sale. The Tuesday sale will also present a unique suite of imperial jewels, originally offered by the Ottoman Sultan Abdul Hamid II for the birth of the last Khedive of Egypt and Sudan in 1874. These imperial jewels were also believed to have formed part of a gift from Empress Catherine I of Russia to Sultan Ahmed III to the end of the Siege of Pueh in 1711.—Xinhua

China’s State Council approves plan to curb greenhouse gas emission

BEIJING, 10 Nov—The State Council, or China’s Cabinet, on Wednesday approved a plan to contain greenhouse gas emissions in a bid to realize a 17 percent fall in CO₂ emission per unit of GDP by 2015.

The plan was passed at a State Council regular meeting presided over by Premier Wen Jiabao.

To realize the goal, China should actively develop and promote low-carbon energy, while accelerating the establishment of a calculation system for greenhouse gas emissions, said a statement released after the meeting.

Government institutions and social groups will be asked to take initiatives to advocate a green, healthy lifestyle and economical consumption, according to the statement.

It also made clear the exact indicators given to local governments in reducing carbon dioxide emission per unit of GDP.

Positively coping with climate change should be regarded as an important strategy for China’s economic and social development, as well as a great opportunity for economic restructuring and promoting a new industrial revolution, said the statement.—Xinhua

A Russian photographer captured the scene where a boy put his lips up to the glass and the orangutan mimicked his pose to kiss him back. Internet

China expresses concern over US solar panel dumping probe

BEIJING, 10 Nov—The Ministry of Commerce on Thursday expressed concern over the United States’ anti-dumping and anti-subsidy probe into Chinese exports of solar panels.

Chinese people and enterprises are strongly displeased with the US’s attempts to blame Chinese exports for its own sluggish domestic market, a spokesman for the ministry, said Shen Danyang, a spokesman for the ministry, in a statement on the ministry’s website.

Shen warned in the statement that the probe could damage energy cooperation between the two countries and impede the progress of global efforts to deal with climate change.

The US Commerce Department on Wednesday said it would conduct an investigation to determine whether Chinese companies have been selling solar panels in the United States at unfair discounts and receiving illegal government subsidies. China retains the right to adopt the same measures for the World Trade Organization (WTO), Shen said.—Xinhua

 Visitors walk underwater to explore the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Queensland, Australia.—INTERNET

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A model presents the Sun-Drop Diamond to media at a hotel in Geneva, Switzerland, on 9 Nov, 2011. The Sun-Drop, a sensational fancy vivid yellow pear-shaped diamond weighing 110.03 carats and known as the largest pear-shaped fancy vivid yellow diamond in the world, will be auctioned on 15 Nov, 2011 by Sotheby’s Geneva.—Xinhua

Visitors view the temple of Bel at the Site of Palmyra, 215 km northeast of Damascus, capital of Syria, on 9 Nov, 2011. As a famous city in the ancient Silk Road, Palmyra used to be a trade centre linking the East and the West. Palmyra’s prosperity kept for more than 300 years, crowning itself as the Bride of the Desert. The Site of Palmyra, which covers an area of six square kilometers, was listed as a World Heritage Site by the UNESCO in 1980.—Xinhua

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Myanmar Flag hoisted at XXVI SEA Games

On his arrival at the base (Yangon) of Geological Survey and Mineral Exploration in North Okkalapa Township, the Union minister inspected laboratory experiments on minerals with the use of XRD (X-ray Diffractometer and XRF Spectrometer). Then he observed a business producing valued-added polished jade products run by a local entrepreneur on Shwelinban industrial zone street in Hlinethaya Township.

Union Mines Minister visits Myanma Gems Enterprise (Yangon Branch)

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Pathein Umbrella, marketable handicraft of Myanmar

When we talk about Pathein, what first comes into our mind is Pathein umbrella. In fact, it is the trademark of Pathein, the largest city in Ayeyawady Region. This cottage industry was established in Pathein over a hundred years ago.

In monarchial period, Pathein umbrella had been the royal article of the court. Especially, Pathein umbrellas lent gracefulness to damsels on royal and religious occasion. There used to be Pathein umbrella shows and competitions with handsome-prize awards. Umbrellas of Bandoola U Tin and U Kyauk Lone had won gold medals for most of the times.

Pathein umbrella attracts not only local visitors but foreigners to buy as souvenir. The purely hand-made production process is also an eye-catching scene that foreigners usually capture it on films.

Pathein umbrella cannot be made individually. Separate group functions for each step in making Pathein umbrella.

The main body of the umbrella is made of wood either MaU Shewa wood or Taungmayoe wood. The branch arms and the supporting arms are made of bamboo known as Tharaphu bamboo. Shaping the bamboo with a knife looks simple but actually it requires excellent manual dexterity.

The main body, the branches are then bounded together with the cloth as the second step. The cloth is then dyed. When the cloth is dried, it on films.

Ayeyawady Region and Rakhine State Hluttaw sessions continue

The fifth day second regular session of Rakhine State Hluttaw in progress.—MNA

Nay Pyi Taw, 10 Nov—The State Flag hoisting ceremony of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, a participant country of the XXVI SEA Games, was held at Governor Housing in Jakarta of Indonesia this morning.

It was attended by deputy leader of Myanmar sports contingent U Kyaw Hsan Oo and members, the vice mayor of Jakarta and personnel, members of the Guard of Honour of flag-hoisting ceremony and drum troupe.

The flag conveyance team carried the national flag which was then hoisted to the accompaniment of the national anthem of Myanmar.

The Vice Jakarta Mayor spoke on the occasion and handed over the mascot of the XXVI SEA Games to the deputy leader of the Myanmar sports contingent.

Next, members of Myanmar sports contingent greeted Jakarta Mayor Mr Fauzi Bowo and posed for documentary photos.

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The State Flag of Myanmar being hoisted at the XXVI SEA Games.

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The congregation led by Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe and wife Daw Khin Thet Htay offered robes and alms to members of Sangha and shared merits.

The region chief minister and personnel then offered Shwekyar robes to the Nine-Mudra Buddha Image. The donation today made by the Yangon Region government, families of De-

Lighting festival and Mathoe Thingan offering ceremonies...
Images of meritorious deeds being performed at different religious sites on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmon.

Ceremony to mark Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmon (Samaññaphala Day) in progress at Thiri Mingala Kaba Aye Pagoda. (News on page 1) — MNA

Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt offers Shwekyar robe to Buddha Image in the cave of Uppatasanti Pagoda. (News on page 1) — MNA

29th Mathoe Thingan Weaving Competition and Offering Ceremony in progress at Botahtaung Kyakdaeat HsandawU Pagoda. (News on page 1) — MNA

Myanmar Senior PGA Golf qualifying competition to hold on 17-18 Nov

Yangon, 10 Nov — Jointly organized by Myanmar Golf Federation and Myanmar Senior PGA, a qualifying competition for Myanmar Senior PGA Touraments will be held at Pan Hlaing Golf Course, here, on 17-18 November. Golfers wishing to be senior professional members who attained the age of 50 on 17 November when (H'Cap 0-14) level men’s golf tournaments will be held across the nation will be eligible to take part in the qualifying competition. Qualifiers will be allowed to participate in Myanmar Senior PGA Touraments.

Golfers who are willing to compete in the competitions are to pay an entrance fee of K 20000 and call 09 73130474, 09 2037671 and 01 651374 to enlist their names not later than 15 November. — MNA

Tatmadawmen lends a hand to rehabilitation tasks in flood-hit Pakokku District

Nay Pyi Taw, 10 Nov— As a drive for rehabilitation of flood-hit areas in Pakokku District of Magway Region, 60 houses have been built up to date through collaborative efforts of servicemen, police force members and departmental personnel. The opening of temporary bailey bridge was held this morning at the place of Shwe creek bridge which was destroyed by floods in Pakokku. Bridge Special Group (13) of Public Works started construction of the bridge on 22 October. It is a one-way bailey bridge and can withstand 13 tons of loads. The bridge has the length of 340 feet. MNA

Vehicles pass over Shwe creek bridge. — MNA
Investigation begins in Red Sea ferry fire

AMMAN, 10 NOV—Investigation is underway to decide the cause of a fire that erupted in an Egyptian ferry with over 1, 200 passengers in the Red Sea, the shipowner Arab Bridge Maritime Company said here Wednesday.

The ferry carrying 1,230 passengers caught fire on 3 Nov about 15 nautical miles from the Jordanian Red Sea port of Aqaba. All the passengers and crew onboard the ferry were rescued, expect an Egyptian who drowned after jumping into water from the burning boat.

A total of 27 others were injured as a result of the fire. The boat was heading from the Jordanian port of Aqaba to the Egyptian port of Nuweiba and the passengers were mostly Egyptian expatriate workers returning home for the Muslim feast Eid al-Adha.

“The boat sank at 800 metres deep in the international water between Jordan and Egypt on Nov 8,” Hussein Soub, director general of the Arab Bridge Maritime Company, said at a Press conference Wednesday.—Xinhua

Severe storms cause havoc in Victoria of Australia

MELBOURNE, 10 NOV—A series of wild storms on Wednesday swept across Australia’s state of Victoria, damaging homes, brought down trees and caused flash flooding.

On Wednesday night, the Bureau of Meteorology issued an updated severe thunderstorm warning for the Melbourne metropolitan area, warning that “destructive winds, very heavy rainfall, flash flooding and large hailstones are likely.”

Melbourne’s southeast has borne the brunt of the storms with East Bentleigh receiving 23 millimeters of rain in just six minutes. Frankston received about 30mm of rain within an hour, while more than 10mm fell in South Oakleigh. The bureau has also reported hailstones of up to 3cm in Ballarat, east of the Melbourne city. According to the State Emergency Service (SES), around 500 volunteers are working through Wednesday night trying to answer more than 800 calls for help.

SES said most of the calls are related to flash flooding, and there were also around 200 reports of damage to buildings caused by hailstones and heavy rainfall. It said there were 150 reports of fallen trees, many in towns northwest of Melbourne including Castlemaine, Woodend and Maryborough, while in Wodonga, a number of houses had their roofs ripped off, making two of them uninhabitable. About 13,000 homes are without power across the state.—Xinhua


Zambia records rise in road accidents in third quarter

LUSAKA, 10 NOV—Zambia has seen a rise in road accidents in the third quarter of the year, compared with the second quarter, a statement released on Wednesday by the country’s road agency.

Road traffic accidents rose to 5,975 in the third quarter of 2011 from 5,204 in the second quarter, the Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA), said in the statement. According to the statement, the accidents resulted in the deaths of 450 people, up from the toll of 399 in the second quarter.

Mercy Khozi, the road agency’s principal publicity officer, said human factor was to blame for the accidents, adding that the crashes were preventable if motorists could begin to adhere to the basic principals of driving on public roads. Drivers, she said, were being tempted to over-speed on roads which have been rehabilitated.—Xinhua

Peacocks, prostitutes and marijuana found in Mexican prison

LONDON, 10 NOV—A surprise search of a jail in the Mexican resort City of Acapulco revealed two peacocks, 100 fighting cocks, 19 prostitutes, 100 plasma TVs and two sacks filled with marijuana, authorities said Tuesday.

According to Arturo Martinez, spokesman for federal anti-drug operations in the western state of Guerrero, the revelation came when 500 federal officers prepared to transfer some 60 inmates to maximum-security prisons overnight from the cell in the Mexican resort City of Acapulco.

Police also found six female prisoners in the men’s section of the jail, as well as sharp weapons, two peacocks, and luxury items such as plasma TVs.

“We’re investigating the probable culprits,” the Telegraph quoted Martinez as saying. Guerrero State, where Acapulco is located, is said to have the third highest rate of murders in Mexico after the northern border states of Chihuahua and Nuevo Leon. Mexican newspaper Reforma tallied 1,348 murders till Sept 2011 in Guerrero.—Internet

Continental Airlines flight makes emergency landing at Israeli airport

JERUSALEM, 10 NOV—A Boeing 777 from Continental Airlines carrier landed safely at the Ben Gurion International airport in Tel Aviv Wednesday morning, after alerting the airport authorities of smoke in the cockpit, local media reported.

None of the 280 passengers on board were hurt, as the police forces, firefighters and Magen David Adom emergency services have rushed to the scene.

Officials of the Ben Gurion airport were not immediately available for comments.—Xinhua

Investigator examines a plane on board US aircraft carrier USS George Washington pulled in Hong Kong upon her second portal call to the city.—Xinhua

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The train, which was headed to a key event in the French capital’s transportation network, hit a wall due to the missile, which contained fire extinguishers and was aimed at an adjacent station, the website said.

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The storms struck the southern part of the province, later in the day, with strong winds and heavy rainfall, and caused damage to crops and roads, according to the report.

Zhang Yiting, a provincial official, said the authorities were still assessing the extent of the damage and had offered compensation to those affected.

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**Heavy fog to blanket central and eastern China**

BEIJING, 10 Nov—Heavy fog will blanket China’s central and eastern regions on Thursday morning, the National Meteorological Centre said, warning of increased traffic risks on roads and docks, as well as at airports.

The country’s top meteorological authority issued a blue alert Thursday morning, the lowest alert in China’s four-level fog alert system, urging people in fog-affected areas to be aware of worsened air quality. Fog and haze will decrease visibility to less than 1,000 metres in some parts of Hebei, Shandong, Henan, Anhui, Hunan and Guizhou Provinces, as well as Chongqing municipality, the centre said, urging drivers to drive slower to ensure their safety.

Meanwhile, a cold front will sweep north China over the next three days. Temperatures in some parts of the Inner Mongolia autonomous region, north and northeastern China will drop by as much as 12 degrees Celsius, with some areas experiencing strong winds as well, the centre said.

Moderate rainfall is expected to hit the country’s southeastern coast over the next three days, while west Taipei will see rainstorms, the centre said.

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**Thai flood damages could hit 33 bln US dollars**

BANGKOK, 10 Nov—Damage to property and asset from the worst floods in over five decades ranges between 23 billion and 33 billion US dollars, according to the latest estimate by the University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce (UTCC).

The floods have had the greatest impact on the Thai economy since the 1997 financial crisis, said Thanavath Phonvichai, director of the UTCC’s Economic and Business Forecasting Centre, Bangkok Post daily reported on Wednesday.

The centre forecast up to 300,000 people would be unemployed because of business disruption and as many as 700,000 temporarily jobless.

He said the economy would slow down through the first quarter next year and it would take until April before exports returned to normal.

The country’s worst floods has claimed more than 500 lives and affected about 10 million people since mid July.

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**Rescue work ends in mudslide-hit Colombia, 48 dead**

BOGOTA, 10 Nov—The rescue work for victims of the massive mudslide in Colombia’s central City Manizales has ended, with 48 people dead and 12 rescued, local authorities said Wednesday.

Manizales Firefighter Lieutenant Jorge Ivan Quintero said the rescue work was terminated after the last four people who were earlier reported missing contacted their families from outside the city.

“The bodies of 48 dead were recovered, of which 25 were women and 23 were men. We believe that all the people who were reported as missing were rescued or their bodies recovered,” Quintero said.

The Colombian General Attorney’s office launched an investigation Tuesday to find out whether someone was to be held partially responsible for the mudslide in a populous neighbourhood in Manizales. Carlos Ivan Marquez, risk management director of the Interior Ministry, said that since the end of October, the highest-level alert has been declared in several areas of Manizales. Marquez said they were checking whether the evacuation procedures had been fulfilled.

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**At least 43 trapped in coal mine gas leak in SW China**

KUNMING, 10 Nov—A coal mine gas leak left at least 43 people trapped underground in southwest China’s Yunnan Province Thursday, local authorities said.

The accident took place at about 6:25 am at the Sizhuang Coal Mine in Shizong County, Qujing City, the Yunnan Provincial Emergency Response Office announced in a statement.

A rescue operation has been launched, the statement said.

The Qujing municipal government had earlier referred to the accident as a “gas explosion.” The exact number of miners working underground is still being checked.
Old phone box may be lifesaver

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LONDON, 10 Nov — An old phone box has been kitted out with life-saving equipment to treat heart attack victims. The traditional red kiosk in Glendaruel, Argyll, has a defibrillator machine which tells the user how to give treatment with step-by-step instructions. The machine analyses the victim to determine if they are having a heart attack and, if required, delivers a powerful but controlled electrical shock to restore normal heartbeat.

The equipment, paid for by BT, is kept in a high visibility steel cabinet and can be opened with instructions from the Scottish Ambulance Service by calling 999. It is the first phone box of its kind in Scotland and one of only five in the UK, created under BT’s Adopt A Kiosk scheme. Local Girl Guide Heather Munro, 16, came up with the idea during a competition held by 1st Glendaruel Guides to find the best use for the old phone box. The group had just gained first place, and the judges were impressed with the British Red Cross.—Internet

Why sound of fingernail scratching blackboard is disturbing?

BEIJING, 10 Nov — Just imagine the scratching and screechy sound made by fingernails running down a blackboard is annoying. Now scientists have found the reason why it has such effect. The shape of inner ear is to blame — human ear canals amplify the high pitches of the sound, making them disturbingly louder to ears, explained researchers from the University of Cologne in Germany.

The frequency of the annoying sound ranges between 2,000 Hz and 4,000 Hz, where human ears are most sensitive, suggested Michael Oehler, one of the researchers.

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Ripped-out and ripped off: The theft is another blow to apartment owners who had already been forced out of the building after it was declared unsound. — Internet
Brett Ratner quits as Oscar producer after offensive gay remarks

MELBOURNE, 10 Nov—Director Brett Ratner has resigned from his position as a producer of the Oscars after he made an offensive homophobic remark. Ratner was signed on to save the Oscar awards from the poor run they’ve seen in recent years.

Jennifer Lopez learns to stand up for herself

LOS ANGELES, 10 Nov—Singer Jennifer Lopez says she has learned to appreciate her achievements instead of looking at her failures and feeling bad about it. “I think I’ve learned in the past year or two that I can stand on my own two feet, and to give myself credit for that. To really give myself a little bit of love, instead of always beating myself up for what I didn’t do or how I could have done something better,” Lopez said.

Ricky Gervais doesn’t believe in marriage

LONDON, 10 Nov—British comedian Ricky Gervais does not see any point in getting married. The 50-year-old has been with partner Jane Fallon for almost 30 years but says they have no intention to tie the knot because they are happy as they are.

Judi Dench receives lifetime achievement award

LONDON, 10 Nov—Veteran actress Dame Judi Dench has been honoured with a lifetime achievement award by the Harper’s Bazaar magazine. Helena Bonham Carter was given the role model of the year award and singer Jessie J won the breakthrough of the year award.

Shakira receives star on Walk Of Fame

LONDON, 10 Nov—Singer Shakira has been honoured with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. The pop star was recognized as “the highest-selling Colombian artist of all time”. She unveiled the 2,354th star Tuesday.

Ziona Chana, a 66-year-old Indian man who has 39 wives, 94 children and 33 grandchildren, is probably the head of the world’s biggest family.

Wife threatened to blow up planes

Authorities in Florida say a woman threatened to blow up planes when police refused to help her with her husband’s work schedule. Lee County Port Authority Police said Soraya Evette Billinge, 36, called from her cell phone and told the dispatcher she was upset about her husband working nights because told police her husband could not help her with her problem, police said. “OK I blow up, I blow up 10 planes,” she allegedly said before hanging up the phone.

6-foot alligator caught in Michigan

Police in Michigan said they captured a 6-foot alligator reported roaming near a church. The Blackman-Leoni Township public safety department said officers responded about 11:35 am Monday to a call about a alligator wandering near Pathway Community Church in Jackson. The Jackson Citizen-Patriot reported Tuesday. Officers captured the alligator with a noose and duct-taped its mouth shut with the help of a passerby who said he has experience owning alligators.

Stolen antique Colt .45 returned

The owner of an antique, pearl-handled Colt .45, stolen in Florida and missing for more than a decade says he has gotten the heirloom gun back. Kent Van Riper of Texas said his nickel-plated, single-action revolver was in his car when both were stolen in 1997 as he and his family were travelling through Jacksonville, Fla. The (Jacksonville) Florida Times-Union reported. The pistol had been given to Van Riper’s great-grandfather, James M. Van Riper, in 1901 when he was appointed the first chief of the San Antonio Police Department, the newspaper said Friday. In December, after officials received a tip two people were attempting to sell the antique revolver, agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives met with Vyctor Ramone Lockett, 33, of Jacksonville and Jamie Ann Knight, 35, of St Augustine in a restaurant parking lot.

The gun was recovered, and the pair were subsequently arrested and convicted. The gun, no longer needed as evidence, was returned to Van Riper Wednesday.

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The reason for my loss is I was not good enough,” said Xiang. “I am still young, and I am improving myself. From this competition, I could see that Slivenko is a little better than me, so I am sure I could beat her in the future,” she said.—Xinhua

Djokovic, Murray reach Paris Masters 3rd round

PARIS, 10 Nov — Novak Djokovic of Serbia and Andy Murray from Great Britain fine after practice on Tuesday. “I took the necessary measures in the last couple of days in order to recover (and) play in this tournament,” Djokovic said. “I’m feeling good on the court and that’s what matters.”

Arsenal achieves Advanced Equality Standard

LONDON, 10 Nov — Arsenal has become the first club to receive Kick It Out’s Advanced Level of the Equality Standard. The standard supports the development of equality and diversity practice at professional clubs in the UK. Arsenal has received the honour from football’s equality and inclusion campaign after providing detailed evidence on what it is doing to promote diversity and equality. It includes work in the community, engagement with fans and the development of club policies and processes to create equal opportunities for all.

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Despite some injury setbacks, midfielder Cleverley has made a big impression for United this term after returning from last season’s loan spell at Wigan and has been called up to Fabio Capello’s senior England squad. The 22-year-old is not involved with the national squad preparing for Sat-

urday’s friendly with Spain due to an ankle problem, but Welbeck is, having also broken through at that level in recent months. The striker is another United player to have caught the eye following a loan spell elsewhere, notching five goals for the Red Devils this campaign after spend-
ing 2010-11 with Sunderland.

Welbeck hails Cleverley

Luis Suarez believes Liverpool can still get even better.

Liverpool striker Luis Suarez insists there is greater improvement to come from both him and the rest of the team. The Uruguay international has been the stand-out per-
former since he was signed in January just a few weeks after Kenny Dalglish returned for a second spell in charge at the club. Suarez is the Reds’ leading scorer this season with seven goals in 14 matches, with his overall record 11 in 27 since his £22.8m move from Ajax at the start of the year. That tally could easily have been more as in his last two home matches

Royal Melbourne hit by rainstorms, bunkers damaged

MELBOURNE, 10 Nov — Storms the past two nights have damaged some of the bunkers at Royal Mel-
bourne, the site of the Presidents Cup next week. Nearly three inches of rain has fallen at Royal Melbourne, although course superintendent Richard Forsyth said on Thursday that large hail that hit the surrounding area missed the venue.

He said the hail could have caused serious damage to greens, but that the rain “will help set up the course nicely.”

While some bunker faces were damaged, Forsyth said “we’ve got a large crew here and we’ll be able to get them repaired.”

The United States will face an International team 17-20 November on a composite course at Royal Melbourne, where the International team earned its only win in eight previous tournaments in 1998.

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“Why they seem to talk more about my private life than about what I do on the pitch,” he added. “That’s normal but it bothers me. If I didn’t do what I do, I would be boring, but I’m not mad, not all.” The volatile striker picked up multiple red and yellow cards last season and honed a “bad boy” reputa-
tion off the field, letting off fireworks from the balcony of his city-centre flat, suffering a grass allergy in the middle of a match and drawing publicity for wearing a bizarre hat shaped like a glove. Balotelli, who has made five appearances for Italy and has yet to score for his country, said it was time to do himself justice at international level.

Dario Gradi, who is in charge of the club, said the hail was due to more than what he did on the pitch.

“Among the many problems that I have had in my career, it’s a pity I’ve come to the end of this one,” he said. “I took the necessary measures in the last couple of days in order to recover (and) play in this tournament,” Djokovic said. “I’m feeling good on the court and that’s what matters.”

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New York, 10 Nov—Crude oil prices broke away from a strong rally, closing near $96 per barrel Wednesday in New York. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries’ annual World Oil Outlook released Tuesday projected oil demand would hold at 1.9 million barrels per day for the next several years. However, the forecast also said economic uncertainties had risen due to the European debt crisis, the earthquake in Japan and a completion or diminishing of economic stimulus measures around the globe. In addition to slow growth in developed nations, OPEC said the global slowdown had also reached the larger emerging nations.

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On the New York Mercantile Exchange Wednesday, West Texas Intermediate crude oil for December delivery slipped off a midday high of $97.84 to settle at $96.02 per barrel. Home heating oil gave up 1.42 cents to $3.1019 per gallon. Reformulated blendstock gasoline lost 3.25 cents to $2.65 per gallon. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries’ annual World Oil Outlook released Tuesday said the global slowdown had also reached the larger emerging nations.

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At the retail level, the average US price of unleaded gasoline rose to $3.43 per gallon Wednesday from Tuesday’s $3.414, AAA said.

**Crude hovers near $96**

**With his keys dangling, a driver watches the pump as his car is filled at a lower priced gas station in Denver on 15 April, 2011.**

**Internet**
Uppatasanti Pagoda packed with pilgrims to pay homage to Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov — Uppatasanti Pagoda was thronged with devotees who pay homage to the Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic conveyed for the fourth times from the People’s Republic of China to Myanmar for making public obeisance from dawn to dusk today.

The Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic was showed on large TV screens for enabling pilgrims to pay close homage to the tooth relic.

Moreover, booklets, pictures of the Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic and religious books are on sale at the bookstall of the Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana at the foot of the Uppatasanti Hill.

For the convenience of pilgrims who pay homage to the Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic, buses of Nay Pyi Taw Council are providing free-of-charge transportation service to pilgrims on this Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmon.

A total of 64 wellwishers who donated K 100,000 and above and 92, various kinds of jewellery emerged today. Among the donors were Deputy Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Tint Lwin and wife Daw Khin Mar Lwin and family who donated K 300,000, U Nyi Nyi Hlaing and wife Daw Khin Myo Myat and family of Yati Min Silk House in Mandalay, K 500, 000, Cambodian pilgrims led by Bhaddanta Vilasa of Tipitaka Maha Gannayon Monastery in Mayangon Township, K135, 200, USS 365, 1000 Vietnamese dongs, 2000 Cambodian riels and 20 bahts.

Today’s donation amounted to K 34,691,370, US$ 794, 820 yuans, 40 bahts, 1000 Vietnamese dongs, 2000 Cambodian riels, 320 Malaysian ringgits, 10 Indian rupees, two units of FEC and 118 items of jewellery worth K 6,269,460.

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Union Minister for Cooperatives U Ohn Myint encouraged to seek pragmatic ways to develop socio-economic lives of all walks of life through cooperatives at the meeting held today at the hall of Cooperative Export and Import Enterprise.

At the meeting hall of Yangon Region Cooperative Department, he urged staff under the department from 44 townships to perform duties in accountable manner and stick to existing laws and regulations in order to improve the public image of the cooperatives.

The chief minister pointed out that only employment and investment would reduce poverty at the meeting.

Two companies introduced their cooperative approaches to poverty reduction.

The Union Minister said cooperative societies which would work together with the companies had already been equipped with necessary infrastructures and staff. The system of placing order and paying cash on delivery will be adopted in each Region and State, he explained.

Programmes for financial and technical assistances were on the table at the meeting.