MFF Awards Night celebrated at Sedona

A ceremony to organize MFF Awards Night was held at Sedona Hotel in Yangon on 12 July. At first, President of Myanmar Football Federation U Zaw Zaw and Chairman of Women’s Football Committee Daw Khin Sabei Kyi made speeches.

Patrons of the Myanmar Women’s Sports Federation presented K 50 million and K 15 million to Myanmar national women’s football team that was qualified for the Asian and that stood second in the AFF Women’s Championship.

K 20 million to Myanmar U-19 women’s team that was qualified for the Asian U-19 and K 500,000 to 2012 best women’s player award winner Khin Marlar Tun.

MRTV-4 also gave K 5 million to Myanmar National Women’s team.

MNL club owners and chairmen awarded K 2 million to Hanthawady FC that stood second in the 2012 MNL Youth Knockout Tournament and K 5 million and trophy to Zeyar Shwe Myay FC for its first position, K 20 million and trophy to Yangon United FC that emerged champion in the MNL League Cup and K 10 million to first runner-up Zeyar Shwe Myay FC, K 500,000 to top scorer award winner Zeyar Min (Yadanabon FC), medal and K 500,000 to best player award winner Aung Kyaw Htet (Yangon), K 400,000 to first runner-up Zarni Htet (Yangon) and K 300,000 to second runner-up Win Min Oo (Zeyar Shwe Myay).

President U Thein Sein arrives in London

LONDON, 15 July—A Myanmar delegation led by President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein left Yangon for Thailand by air yesterday morning and arrived at Suvarnabhumi International Airport in Bangkok of Thailand at 10.45 am local standard time.

The President and party were welcomed by Head of the East Asian Affairs Department Mr. Damrong Kraikruan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand and officials, Myanmar Ambassador to Thailand U Tin Win and staff of the Embassy.

The President and his entourage headed to London of the United Kingdom by Thai Airways and arrived there at 6.55 pm local standard time.

Retired Ambassador Mr Bill Henderson LVO MBE of special envoy to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of Britain, officials of British Royal Palace and the Myanmar Ambassador and staff welcomed the President and party at Heathrow International Airport.

The President and party went to Sofitel St. James Hotel in London by car.
Ayeyawady Region Chief Minister’s inspection tour of Ingapu

Nay Pyi Taw, 15 July — Ayeyawady Region Chief Minister U Thein Aung visited Chaunk Village Basic Education High School (Branch) on 10 July and observed learning of school children at the school.

During his tour of the school, the chief minister met with townselders and village administrators at the meeting hall of the school.

Dredging works underway to protect farmlands against flood in Nyaungdonkyun

Nay Pyi Taw, 15 July — Nyaungdonkyun is only about 40 miles from the sea and it is a large area of thriving plantations in Ayeyawady Region. It is situated on an area of 200,000 acres surrounded by Khattiya YeGyaw creek to the east, Ayeyawady River to the west, Toe river to the southward and Panhlaing river to the north. More than half of the area including its central and lower parts is prone to floods in monsoon and late monsoon, it is learnt.

The area had once experienced a decline in agricultural outputs due to economic crisis in 1938, insurgencies after WW II and shrinking of rivers and creeks when water flow was blocked.

Under a project for reclamation of farmlands in Nyaungdonkyun during the period from 1994 to 2000, Irrigation Department built cluster of dams, drains and sluice gates and turned over 100,000 acres of vacant lands into arable farmlands. But illegal damming and sedimentation in creeks and drains made them to shrink and disappear, thereby causing loss and damage in agriculture sector brought about by floods in monsoon and lack of irrigated water in summer. Moreover, disruption of water transport and drinking water scarcity occurred in summer as evil consequences.

To relieve the above-mentioned problems, Maubin District Irrigation Department performed dredging of the two miles long Tabut Tanaunglay drain and four miles long Htunee creek for proper flow of water this year.

Besides, dredging of 4.6 miles long Malatto creek has been completed by 70 per cent so far.

Upon completion of dredging works, there will be proper flow of water in the drains connecting with Wadaw sluice gate, Htunee sluice gate, Malatto sluice gate and Hlineta sluice gate in Maubin Township, thereby protecting around 240000 from floods and supplying water to 64000 acres of summer paddy.

There will also be smooth and speedy water transport for local people and prevented waso robes and offertories to members of the Sangha. Next, he offered waso robes and provisions to members of Sangha who are going into the three-month Buddhist Lent at Mogok Zaytaun monastery in Htooogyi. Then, the chief minister met with members of social organizations and departments concerned.

Expressway rollover crash kills pop singer’s wife

Meiktila, 15 July — A road fatality happened to a salon, SORTAGE, vocalist Soe Tay and his wife and an 18-year-old young woman on board near mile post No (291/3) on Yangon-Mandalay Expressway at about 11 am yesterday.

The vehicle driven by Than Win Hlaing, 32, is believed to have got caught in a rollover crash as its right-side front tyre blew. The vehicle skidded out of control and ended up smashing through a sieve fence and plunging into about 20 feet ravine.

Pop singer So Tay (a) Aung Thet Paing, 23, suffered serious injuries to his head and was sent to Mandalay Hospital as his condition was life-threatening, but his wife, Chaw Chaw (a) Win Gari Thu, 22, was pronounced dead at Meiktila Hospital.

Driver Than Win Hlaing and Sabei Mon, 18, sustained minor injuries in the car accident.

As soon as they were informed of the incident, police and fire crews rushed there and provided necessary assistance.

Police on expressway police station opened a case.

22-year-old young man axed for teasing his cousin sister

Pyu, 15 July — A 22-year-old man was axed by his 17-year-old cousin brother who is the younger brother of his cousin sister who teased by the victim. The incident occurred at about 10 am on 9 July at Zeekhin village in Pyu Township of Bago Region.

Zin Ko Naing, 17, hacked the victim, Moe Kyaw, after grabbing an axe from his elder sister Nway Oo Khine who picked up the axe at a pile of firewood in front of the house of Daw Boke Hson, her grandmother and attempted to hack the victim first as she was having a heated argument with the victim over teasing her. Moe Kyaw with life-threatening injuries was taken to Pyu hospital. Investigation is ongoing at Pyu Myoma police where Nway Oo Khine and Zin Ko Naing accused of hacking his cousin brother were taken into custody.

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Obama walks tightrope in reacting to Zimmerman verdict

WASHINGTON, 15 July—The acquittal of George Zimmerman in the shoot- ing death of unarmed black teenager Trayvon Martin left President Barack Obama trying to dial down passions on Sunday while re- assuring supporters he still stands against discrimina- tion and racial profiling.

Obama called for calm as activists outraged by the verdict planned rallies and urged the administration to pursue civil rights charges against Zimmerman. On the other side, Republicans said he inflamed tensions by wading into the issue in 2012, when he said, “If I had a son, he’d look like Trayvon.”

“I know this case has elicited strong passions,” the president said on Sun- day. “And in the wake of the verdict, I know those passions may be running even higher. But we are a nation of laws, and a jury has spoken.” Critics contend Zim- merman wrongly suspected 17-year-old Martin of being a criminal because he was black, making it a civil rights issue. Rallies were planned for New York, San Diego, Sacramento and elsewhere on Sunday.

Japan PM Shinzo Abe on track for hefty election win

Tokyo, 15 July—Prime Minister Shinzo Abe’s rule bloc remains on track for a big win in Sunday’s upper house election, final surveys before the vote showed on Monday, a victory that would likely help end six years of parliamen- tary deadlock. The surveys showed support for Abe’s conservative Liberal Dem- ocratic Party (LDP) far out- strips other parties, buoyed by hopes that his hyper- easy monetary policy, pub- lic spending and structural reform will bolster growth and jolt Japan out of years of stagnation.

Voter preference polls taken on Saturday and Sun- day showed the Asahi and Mainichi dailies showed that 37 to 43 percent of voters wanted to vote for the LDP. Such sup- port meant that, along with coalition partner the New Komeito, the LDP would likely win a majority in the upper house. It would also spell an end to the “twisted parliament” in which the opposition controls the upper house, hampering policy implementation, even if Abe’s commitment to growth-generating and potentially painful reforms such as deregulation re- mains in doubt.

Monday’s surveys showed 8 percent of re- spondents wanted to vote for the New Komeito, ahead of the main opposi- tion Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) with 7 percent. Around a third of those sur- veyed did not support any party, and voter turn-out was expected to be low.

Japan’s Prime Minister Shinzo Abe (2nd R), who is also the leader of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, shakes hands with voters during his stumpimg tour in Tokyo on 4 July, 2013, at the start day of campaign the 21 July Upper house election. — Reuters

Netanyahu calls Palestinian leader Abbas, urges peacemaking

JERUSALEM, 15 July—Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Sunday telephoned Pales- tinian President Mahmoud Abbas and said he hoped the two sides could re- sume peace talks, stalled for three years, Israeli of- ficials said.

Netanyahu offered greetings for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, his office said, adding that he told Abbas: “I hope we will have the opportunity to speak with one another not only during festivals, and will start negotiating. It’s important.”

Direct talks broke down in 2010 over Israel’s settlement of the occupied West Bank, which Pales- tinians want as part of their future state.

US Secretary of State John Kerry has in recent months mounted shuttle visits in the hope of revivi- wing negotiations. “I hope Secretary of State Kerry’s efforts will show results,” Netanyahu said, according to the Israeli statement. — Reuters

LDP support almost unchanged ahead of election

Tokyo, 15 July—The ruling Liberal Democratic Party’s support rating ahead of the upper house elec- tion has remained almost unchanged over the past week, maintaining its sub- stantial lead over the main opposition Democratic Par- ty of Japan, a Kyodo News survey showed on Sunday.

The nationwide telephone survey conducted on Sat- urday and Sunday found that 30.6 percent of respondents intend to vote for the LDP in the proportional rep- resentation section of the House of Councillors elec- tion on 21 July, compared with 29.8 percent in the pre- vious survey a week earlier.

The support rating for the Cabinet of Prime Minis- ter Shinzo Abe stood at 65.3 percent, up slightly from 64.2 percent in the previous survey, while 24.7 percent said they do not support the Cabinet, down from 26.5 percent previous- ly. Meanwhile, 50.6 percent of respondents expressed opposition to allowing the restart of nuclear power plants that are confirmed safe, while 40.0 percent ex- pressed support. The LDP- led government is ready to allow the resumption of nuclear plants, with almost all reactors still offline amid safety concerns follow- ing the Fukushima Daichi disaster triggered by the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami.

In terms of voting for the upper house proportion- al representation section, the DPJ had the second- highest level of support at 7.4 percent, up 0.3 percent age point from a week ear- lier, followed by the LDP’s junior coalition partner, the New Komeito party, at 7 percent, up 1.4 points. The Japan Restoration Party led by former Tokyo Gov Shintaro Ishihara and Osaka Mayor Toru Hashimoto garnered support of 4.9 percent, up 0.6 point. The Japanese Com- munist Party was supported by 3.8 percent, down 0.8 point, Your Party by 3.3 percent, down 0.3 point, the People’s Life Party by 1.5 percent, up 0.6 point, the Social Democratic Party by 0.7 percent, down 0.1 point, and the Green Wind Party by 0.2 percent, down 0.1 point. Of the respondents, 34.3 percent said they had not decided which party to vote for in the proportion- al representation section, down 3.8 points from the previous survey.

A total of 73.9 percent said they are interested in the election “greatly” or “to some extent,” up 3 points from the previous survey. — Kyodo News

Egypt government takes shape

CAIRO, 15 July—Egypt’s interim prime minister filed senior posts on Sunday in a cabinet that will lead the country un- der an army-backed “road map” to restore civilian rule following overthrow of elected President Mo- hamed Mursi. Hazem el- Beblawi, a 76-year-old lib- eral economist appointed interim prime minister last week, is tapping technocrats and liberals for an administration to govern under a temporary con- stitution until parliamen- tary elections in about six months.

He named another liberal economist, Ahmed Galal, who has a doctorate from Boston University, as finance minister. His job will be to start repairing the state finances and rescue an economy wrecked by two and a half years of political turmoil.

A former ambassador to the United States, Na- cil Fahmy, accepted the post of foreign minister, a sign of the importance the government places in its relationship with the super- power that provides $1.3 billion a year in military aid.

Mohamed ElBaradei, a former senior UN diplo- mat, was sworn in as vice president, a job he was of- fered last week. Govern- ment officials had earlier said the finance job would be offered to Hani Kadry, an official who oversaw Cairo’s loan negotiations with the International Monetary Fund. — Reuters

A couple walks past an Egyptian soldier keeping watch from atop a military vehicle in front of the presidential palace in Cairo on 14 July, 2013. — Reuters
Family claims iPhone killed daughter

Urumqi, 15 July — The relatives of a 23-year-old woman from northwest China’s Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region have claimed that the woman died after being electrocuted while using her iPhone.

The older sister of victim Ma Ailun said on Saturday in Urumqi that her 23-year-old sister had died after electrocution on her mobile devices while trying to answer a call on her iPhone while the device was charging.

Ma’s sister said via Sina Weibo that she hopes to seek justice from Apple. Apple had said on Sunday in a statement that the company felt “deeply sorry for the unfortunate accident” and expressed condolences to the victim and her family.

IT push aims to boost domestic demand

BRIEUN, 15 July — China is to promote consumption of IT-related products and services as it seeks to spur domestic demand and push economic upgrading.

It will speed up work to issue licenses for the fourth generation (4G) mobile network this year and accelerate development of broadband Internet access, according to a statement released after an executive meeting of the State Council presided over by Premier Li Keqiang.

The nation is aiming for annual average growth of 20 percent in the information consumption industry from 2013 to 2015, the statement said.

The meeting demanded implementation of the “Broadband China” strategy, stepped-up efforts to construct and upgrade network infrastructure, pushing forward the FTTH (Fiber To the Home) project and improving Internet speed.

China, which has the largest number of mobile phones in the world at 1.2 billion, is already building 4G trial networks in major cities.

China Mobile, its largest telecom carrier, is promoting the homegrown Time-Division Long-Term Evolution (TD-LTE) 4G standard and hopes to start commercial 4G rollout as soon as possible.

Xi Guohua, chairman of China Mobile, said in a June interview that the company has built more than 22,000 4G base stations in 15 Chinese cities, including Beijing and Shanghai, and plans to set up 200,000 base stations in 100 cities by the end of the year.

There is speculation over whether the other two Chinese carriers — China Unicom and China Telecom — will follow in deploying TD-LTE networks. Central government officials have openly supported the TD-LTE standard, but there are signs the two carriers are inclined to adopt another more mature 4G technology.

Brazil may require ISPs to keep digital data inside country

RIO DE JANEIRO, 15 July — Brazil may soon require global Internet companies to store domestic communications data in the country in response to reports that the US widely spies on telephone and Internet traffic as part of its national sovereignty.

“The ideal thing would be for these companies to keep their data in the country so it can be available should Brazil’s justice system request it,” Communications Minister Paulo Bernardo Silva told the O Estado de Sao Paulo daily for a Sunday story.

Silva spoke after recent revelations by US intelligence leader Edward Snowden that both the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency target data in emails and telephone calls in Brazil and other Latin American countries.

Silva said that the global Internet companies now say that they cannot provide the justice system with the information because their archives are stored abroad.

Storing digital data inside Brazil’s borders, the minister said, is a matter of national sovereignty.

Silva said communications in Brazil are vulnerable to unauthorized surveillance partly because the country’s central Internet servers are all located in the northern hemisphere.

The government plans to invest in a national Internet network and to push for reforms so that the United Nations, not the United States, manages global communications.

Nokia’s buyout chances in focus ahead of results

New York, 15 July — Next week could be crunch time for Nokia Oyj and its Chief Executive Stephen Elop in their battle to prove the Finnish mobile phone company can survive on its own.

Investors will be scrutinising second-quarter results to see whether there’s enough cash to stay with a turnaround plan which Elop said would take two years but is now into its third.

Elop’s bold bet in 2011 to adopt Microsoft Corp’s untested Windows Phone software has yet to pay off, with no sign of catching Samsung and Apple Inc in smartphones. Analysts also expect Thursday’s results to show a steep fall in handset shipments, led by a drop in sales of regular mobile phones as consumers switch to smartphones and cheaper models from Asian rivals.

Nokia’s weak market position has made it a perennial target of takeover speculation, but such deal talk has intensified in the past month after a media report said it had held abortive talks with Microsoft. The company’s recent decision to buy Siemens AG’s stake in their joint venture Nokia Siemens Networks is seen strains its balance sheet further when the deal closes later this year.—Reuters

Rembrandt van Rijn’s 407th birthday marked by a Google Doodle

SAN FRANCISCO, 15 July — Dutch artist Rembrandt van Rijn’s 407th birthday is being celebrated by a Google through a doodle featuring his self portrait.

The self portrait or ‘Self-Portrait with Beret and Turned-Up Collar’ was made by Rembrandt in 1659. It is an oil on canvas painting and a celebrated work of the painter. The painting has been preserved in the National Gallery of Art in Washington DC (US) since 1937, when it’s part of the Andrew W Mellon Collection.

Rembrandt van Rijn is known as one of the greatest painters in Europe and Dutch Republic (Netherlands). The period when he contributed to art is known as the Dutch Golden age which was known for its culturally achievements.

Art connoisseurs of the 20th century claimed that Rembrandt had made more than 600 paintings, about 400 etchings and 2,000 drawings, though modern day findings under Rembrandt Research Project mentions that he had done about 300 paintings. Among these 40 paintings are said to be self-portraits. His work runs across the themes of portraits, landscape and narrative painting. His paintings featured rich detail, and depicted religious themes as well. Some of greatest works include The Abduction of Europa, Judas Repentant, Returning the Pieces of Silver, The Artist in His Studio, Cottages before a Stormy Sky, The Three Trees, and The Night Watch, among several others.

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India’s future is green, blue and orange

New Delhi, 16 July — India must take the lead on climate change and integrate the green economy into its development plans, according to the Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar.

The government is currently running a pilot programme in 12 districts, with the goal of making the country carbon neutral by 2030, he said.

Mr. Javadekar said that India must look at the green economy as a development opportunity, and not just a curative measure for the environment.

He also spoke about the need for India to be a leader in the clean energy sector, and to work towards becoming a major producer and exporter of clean energy technologies.

India is one of the biggest consumers of electricity in the world, and the government is committed to increasing the share of renewable energy in the country’s power mix.

Mr. Javadekar said that the country is also working on developing new technologies, such as carbon capture and storage, and that it is working closely with the private sector to achieve these goals.
China’s GDP growth slows to 7.5 percent, tests reform push

BEIJING, 15 July—China’s GDP growth slowed in the second quarter to 7.5 percent year-on-year as weak overseas demand weighed on output and investment, lining up a test of Beijing’s resolve to revamp the world’s second-biggest economy in the face of deteriorating data.

Other figures showed industrial output in June rising slightly less than forecast compared with a year earlier, but retail sales increased more than had been expected.

The latest year-on-year economic growth reading compared with the median forecast in a Reuters poll of 7.5 percent and showed the pace of economic activity easing from 7.7 percent annual growth in January-March. These figures are not surprising, adding to signs of downward pressure on China’s economy, said Zhou Hao, an economist at ANZ Bank in Shanghai.

The Australian dollar, which is highly sensitive to Chinese demand for Australian raw materials, rose on relief the GDP numbers were not weaker.

A truck drives past shipping containers at a port in Ningbo, Zhejiang province on 9 July, 2013.—Reuters

China’s statistics bureau said the economy’s performance in the first half of the year was stable overall and that indicators were within a reasonable range.

New Premier Li Keqiang has been prominent in pushing for economic reform over fast-line growth, suggesting the government is in no rush to offer fresh stimulus to revive an economy in a protracted slowdown.

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A FMC spokesman declined to comment.

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50 foreign investors interested in Nigeria’s oil-rich Bayelsa State

YENAGOA, 15 July—At least 50 foreign investors have indicated interest in investing in Nigeria’s oil-rich Bayelsa State, a senior local official disclosed on Sunday.

Ruth Murray-Bruce, the director-general of the Bayelsa State Investment Promotion Agency (BIPA), told reporters in Yenagoya, the state capital, that the investors include those from South Africa, Israel and Britain. She said the potential investors have sent delegations to the state over the past year.

The state government has laid foundations for the industrial growth, including infrastructure like roads, electricity and water, the official said. Murray-Bruce described her agency as a one-stop shop for investors, offering various forms of assistance to remove difficulties that often frustrated investments.

She said the state government would continue to provide security and other incentives to promote investment.

It is the desire of the government to ensure that the abundant natural resources in the state are harnessed to boost development and create employment opportunities, she said.—Xinhua

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Emergency services attend to a Boeing 787 Dreamliner, operated by Ethiopian Airlines, after it caught fire at Britain’s Heathrow airport in west London on 12 July, 2013.—Reuters

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Fast-growing US craft brewers struggle with worker safety

NEW YORK, 15 July — Welder Mark Moynihan crawled down a narrow tube into a space the size of a car interior to seal the crack in the fermentation tank at Calhoun’s Bar-B-Q & Brewery in Knoxville, Tennessee. The space was oversaturated with oxygen. He lit his torch, and a flash-fire erupted. His hair and clothing disintegrated, his body. He died 75 days after the 2009 accident, just before his 40th birthday, said his widow, Kim Moynihan. It was not an isolated incident.

From 2009 through 2012, at least four times as many safety violations at craft breweries in recent years than at large breweries. And brewery owners and many of its employees and health administration sources said.

They said the bus was fired on in the city of El Arish, at the centre of a sharp rise in Islamist militant attacks in the lawless region bordering Israel and the Gaza Strip since Egypt’s President Mohamed Mursi was ousted by the military on 3 July.

According to eyewitnesses, the attackers shouted “Allahu akbar!” (God is greatest) after the bus was hit. Hardline Islamist groups based in North Sinai have intensified attacks this month, predicated on the move away, and disrupted. The violence has spiked again since Mursi’s overthrow, and militants have attacked security checkpoints and other targets on an almost daily basis, killing at least 13 people and wounding dozens.

Three killed in attack on bus carrying workers in Egypt’s Sinai

CARIO, 15 July — At least three people were killed and 17 wounded early on Monday in Egypt’s North Sinai Province when suspected militants used rockets-propelled grenades to attack a bus carrying workers employed at a cement factory, security and medical sources said. They said the bus was fired on in the city of El Arish, at the centre of a sharp rise in Islamist militant attacks in the lawless region bordering Israel and the Gaza Strip since Egypt’s President Mohamed Mursi was ousted by the military on 3 July.

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Rail at centre of Quebec town tragedy and heart of its recovery

LAC-MEGANTIC, (Quebec), 15 July — It was a runaway train that caused this month’s deadly inferno in Lac-Megantic, but the Canadian town’s leaders, business owners and many of its residents see the railway as crucial to their survival and want it operating again as soon as possible. — REUTERS

The derailment is the worst railway disaster in North America in 24 years, and cut off Lac-Megantic’s companies from the railroad that ships their products to customers, including exports to Maine, just 18 miles away.

While many of the town’s 6,000 residents are incensed that trains carrying such flammable cargo could pass through an area with bars, restaurants and other local businesses, they also say the rail is their economic lifeline. “We don’t want to lose the train. We want our economy to function,” said Raymond Lafontaine, the owner of an excavation and paving company that has 175 workers, making it one of the town’s largest employers. Lafontaine lost a son, two daughters-in-law and an employee in the disaster.

He said no money is coming in and he is worried about how long he can hang on without the ability to pay his employees. His 46-year-old company, which makes most of its revenue in Lac-Megantic, had just begun work on a major repave project downtown.

The derailment is widely expected to spur changes in Canadian railway regulations, and has fueled the debate about the safety of using railroads to transport oil. Lac-Megantic Mayor Colette Roy-Laroche said she will ask the federal government to draw up a new route that skirts the town center when the rail line is rebuilt.

Bombs in Iraqi Shi’ite provinces kill 24

BASRA, (Iraq), 15 July — A string of bomb blasts in predominantly Shi’ite Muslim provinces of Iraq killed at least 24 people on Sunday, police and medics said. The violence is part of a sustained campaign of militant attacks this year that has prompted fears of wider conflict in a country where ethnic Kurds and Shi’ite and Sunni Muslims have yet to find a stable power-sharing compromise.

A suicide bomber killed at least four people in a Shi’ite mosque in the town of Mussayab, in Kut city, a car bomb went off in a busy market, killing five, police and medics said. Three bombs exploded in quick succession near the headquarters of a Shi’ite political party in the southern oil hub of Basra, 420 km (260 miles) southeast of Baghdad, killing at least eight people, police said.

“When the first explosion happened, I ran to evacuate the victims. I saw two or three burned bodies before police asked me to step back,” said a man who gave his name only as Alaa. “When police forced me to move away, the second explosion happened.”

Two car bombs went off in a market in Nasiriyah, 300 km (185 miles) southeast of Baghdad, killing two people. Another car bomb killed four at a busy market in the Shi’ite shrine city of Kerbala, 80 km (50 miles) southeast of Baghdad, police said. It was not clear who was behind Sunday’s explosions, but Sunni Islamist insurgents, including the al-Qaeda-affiliated Islamic State of Iraq, have been regaining strength in recent months, security sources say.

France celebrates National Day with grand parade

PARIS, 15 July — French President Francois Hollande on Sunday joined by a number of honourable guests to inspect the parade led by Malian troops in celebration of the Bastille Day in the capital city of Paris. Opening on Sunday morning on Paris Champs-Elysees Avenue, the annual military parade led by 60 Malian troops and a detachment of United Nations (UN) peacekeeping force drew broad attention from audience both on the scence and on TVs. All together 13 Afri- can troops were marching at the parade. They were invited by France to hon- our their role of backing French army in its mil- itary intervention in Mali.

The troops’ presentation, including French soldiers involved in the Malian mission, highlighted Hol- lande’s contribution by sending French army to help the Malian govern- ment fight against al-Qaed- a linked Islamists, break- ing their efforts to get full control over the western African country, a formal colony of France.

French Defence Min- ister Jean-Yves Le Drian said before the parade that the display is “the mark of a solidarity that concretely expressed itself in Mali, and of a common destiny, even beyond the limits of continents, of which we have every reason to be proud.”
Japan scholars to give talks on ancient buildings management

Yangon, 15 July—A Japanese architecture gave talks on preservation of ancient buildings in Myanmar at Sedona Hotel in Mandalay today and IBC in Yangon on 17 July.

Students visit U Thant Museum

Yangon, 15 July—Some 200 students from No (2) Basic Education High School of Lanmadaw visited museum of former United Nations Secretary-General U Thant on World Population Day on 11 July, according to curator of the museum U Thein Shwe.

As they entered the purpose of the excursion, headmistress of the school Daw Than Than Soe said, “The excursion is one of school activities this year. To compile a school calendar and to let them know U Thant is Myanmar national UNSG for Myanmar citizens to be proud of.”

Rural development workshop organized in Mandalay Region

Mandalay, 15 July—A rural development and socio-economic development workshop was organized in Saungda Loom Training School in Amarapura Township in Mandalay Region on 11 July.

It was attended by Mandalay Region Planning and Economic Development Minister U Aung Zan, Deputy Director of Region Cooperative Department U Sai Kyaw Min, Vice-Chairman of Region Cooperative Syndicate U San Lwin, Regional Minister U Aung Zan delivered an address and U Sai Kyaw Min elaborated on functions of cooperative societies. U San Lwin discussed the role of microfinance. They then answered queries raised by those present.

The workshop came to an end with the concluding remarks by the region minister.

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Donation

Provisions donated to Aung Chan Tha nunnery


They provided medical treatment to nuns and students at the nunnery and gave educative talks with the help of Township Health Department staff and Red Cross Brigade members.

Inter-village road under construction in Hopong Tsp

Taugoo, 15 July—Chairman of Leading Body of Pa-O Self-Administered Zone U Khun San Lwin and officials visited construction site of an inter-village road from Helon village to Naungkham village in Paunglin village-tract in Hopong Township in Pa-O Self-Administered Zone on 12 July morning.

They inspected the construction and attended to the needs.

The construction of the inter-village road is funded by the Ministry of Border Affairs and the estimated cost of the construction is K 47,375 million. To make the road all-weather one, the leading body coordinated the works with officials of Rural Development Committee and regional companies.

Kanbauza Cement Plant contributed trucks for the construction works. Local people participated in the construction as volunteers. The road will be 20 ft wide and 20 miles long.—MMAL-Maung Maung Than

NEWS FROM MOHNYIN TSP

Buddha image built: Under the auspices of Abbot U Khanti of Kyauktawgyi Hill in Phakant Township, a 108-elbow (162 feet long) reclining Buddha image is under construction on Inpo-Inna Hill, east of Mohnyin. The construction tasks have been completed by 75 per cent. The cornerstone were laid with the use of jade lots. The five-foot eyes of the image were made with black jade.—NLM-001

Trees planted: Monsoon tree growing ceremony was held in the compound of Okkyin Basic Education High School in Mohnyin Township in 2013. Members of social organizations, students and local people participated in cultivation of teak, ironwood, Gangaw (Mesua ferrea), Eucalyptus and other saplings totalling 500 with the assistance of Forest Department.—NLM-001

Sports meets held: The fourth Inter-Subject Sports Meets of Government Technological College (Mohnyin) is being held at the college in July. In the final of men’s football event, Civil team beat Electronic team 1-0. Principal of the college Dr Phyo Myint Thu and faculty members presented medals to the winning teams.—NLM-001
Adolescent pregnancy

In this world, approximately 16 million teenage girls are giving birth each year without having any opportunity or knowledge for their pregnancy plan. In many cases symptoms and problems associated with pregnancy and childbirth are the main cause of death for many vulnerable teens. These complications can even bring grave disabilities, such as obstetric fistula, while unsafe abortions are the culprit of severe illness, injury and death for young women.

Adolescent pregnancy is not just a health issue, it is a development issue. It is deeply rooted in poverty, gender inequality, violence, child and forced marriage, power imbalances between adolescent girls and their male partners, lack of education, and the failure of systems and institutions to protect their rights. To bring these issues to global attention, the world has started focusing on adolescent pregnancy.

The reduction of adolescent pregnancy calls for assistance in preventing under-18 marriages, unwanted pregnancies and unsafe abortions together with health care during pregnancy, childbirth and postpartum.

The reproductive health index compiled by the Population Department of the Ministry of Immigration and Population shows that early marriages, forced marriages and promissory marriages are not the accepted models of Myanmar. The current population of Myanmar is 60 million, and of them 2.9 million are teenage girls between 15 and 19. According to 2007 birth and reproductive health index only 17 in every 1000 of the teenage girls give birth.

Myanmar at present is implementing the future work programs of the International Conference on Population and Development. Especially, the country is making all out efforts in launching reproductive health care activities as a way of reducing infant and maternal mortality rate.

Moreover domestic NGOs including Myanmar Women’s Federation, Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Myanmar Medical Association, UN agencies such as UNFPA and WHO and INGOs are taking part in the task of preventing adolescent pregnancy in the country.

UCSB member attends seminar on public sector development program

NAY PYI TAW, 15 July—

After participating in the seminar on Public Sector Development Program sponsored by Korea International Cooperation Agency-KOICA, held at the Central Officials Training Institute (COTTI), the Republic of Korea, from June 30th to July 14th, the Myanmar delegation led by U Soe Oo, Member of the Union Civil Service Board, arrived back here by Korean air this evening.

The Myanmar delegation exchanged views on matters of the Korea’s Public Service System and strategies to foster Public Officials’ Capacity Building, Sustainable Development through Good Governance, the Functions and Role of Local and Central Government, IT Revolution and e-Government in Korea, Reformation in the Public Sector and Effective Leadership of Senior Officials and Korea’s Economic Development.

The Myanmar delegation visited Seoul Tower, the Korea Development Institute-KDI, Gangnam Resources Recovery Center, Ministry of Public Administration and

Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko addresses CCDAC Meeting 1/2013. MNA

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing presents gift to Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Southern Air Command of India Air Marshal RK Jolly at the dinner.—MNA

Only achievement in alternative development program could bring success to task of eliminating narcotic drugs

Like other countries, International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is annually held in Myanmar and K 73114.67 million worth of 37 kinds of narcotic drugs were incinerated in Yangon, Mandalay and Taunggyi at the ceremonies in Yangon, Mandalay and Taunggyi. Threeictics were underway in Myanmar to make the country drug free in 2015, he added.

The meeting was attended by chairman of alternative development implementation committee of CCDAC Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint, CCDAC Secretary Deputy Minister Chief of Myanmar Police Force Brig-Gen Kyaw Kyaw Tun, Deputy Minister U Khin Maung Aye, Leader of Legal Advisers to the President U Sit Aye, CCDAC members, departmental heads, police commanders and responsible persons of UN agencies and INGOs.

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London, 15 July—President U Thein Sein met with Rt. Hon David Cameron, British Prime Minister, at the Whitehall on No. (10), Downing Street, London, at 11 am LST today.

On his arrival at the British Prime Minister’s Office, President U Thein Sein was warmly welcomed by the British Prime Minister.

Next, they posed for a documentary photo.

Also present at the call were Union Ministers Lt-Gen Thet Naing Win, U Wunna Maung Lwin, U Soe Thane, U Myat Hein and U Win Shein and the Myanmar Ambassador to Britain. The British PM was accompanied by Political Adviser and Chief of Staff of the Prime Minister Mr. Ed Llewellyn, National Security Adviser Sir Kim Darroch and British Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Andrew Heyn and high ranking officials.

President U Thein Sein meets with British Prime Minister

London, 15 July—President U Thein Sein meets with British Prime Minister, Secretary of State for Defence

President U Thein Sein holds talks with British businessmen, Secretary of State for Defence

Pyu farmers have grown over 60000 acres of paddy against targeted 153,426

Pyu, 15 July—Farmers from 61 villages in Pyu Township of Toungoo District in Bago Region have so far put over 60,000 acres of farmland under monsoon paddy plantations, accounting for 35 per cent against the target of 153,426 acres.

Up to now, the farmers face difficulties to supply water to the farmlands due to lesser rainfalls.

In consequence, local farmers are late in cultivation of crops and paddy.

There are lesser amount of rainfall in the township this monsoon.

On 13 July, an interview was made with farmer U Than Tun at his field with holdings number 30 in field No 198(a), west of Pyu. The farmer recounted his experience, “Most of local farmers were late to grow paddy this year due to waiting for rain water. Last year, we had cultivated paddy on 90 per cent of farmlands. In most of the years, we conclude ploughing before full moon day of Waso.”

He continued, “This year, farmers are worried about late cultivation and harvest of paddy in addition to late cultivation of mung bean.”

Kyemon-Pyu Myint Oo

Bay Bulletin

Nay Pyi Taw, 15 July—According to the observation at 19:30 hrs Myanmar Standard Time today, a low pressure area has formed over Northwest Bay of Bengal. announced Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—NLM
**Knowledge about population and census taking process shared in Dawei**

Dawei, 15 July—Talks on population and about census taking was shared at Nursing Training School in Dawei of Taninthayi Region on 12 July. At the talks, Assistant Director Daw Ni Ni Cho of Region Information and Public Relations Department, District Head U Yin Htay of Immigration and National Registration Department shared knowledge about the census taking process.

Then, the Region IPRD Fire engulfs a house in Hpa-an

Hpa-an, 15 July—A fire broke out at House No 4/734 at the junction of road to BEHS No. 4 and Sanpya Street in Hpa-an in Kayin State on 11 July morning.

Six fire engines and fire brigade members of Fire Services Department, town elders and local people controlled the fire and it was reduced at 10 am. The two-storey house worth about K 3.5 million was lost and the fire started from short circuit, said Staff Officer U U Aung Kyin Tun of Division FSD. Hpa-an Myoma Police Station opened a lawsuit over the case.

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**Legal affairs discussed in Mandalay**

Mandalay, 15 July—A coordination meeting between Mandalay Region Advocate-General and region, district and township law officers at the region government office on 13 July morning. Advocate-General U Ye Aung Myint of the region made a speech.

Mandalay Region Law Officer U Htay Lwin Win and officials reported on respective sectors. The meeting was attended by 156 law officers of the region.

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**Environmental Conservation**

Falam decorate motherland green

Falam, 15 July—The seven monsoon tree growing ceremony was held in the compound of Women’s Vocational Training School in Cinmuha Ward of Falam of Chin State on 13 July as part of efforts for greening activity in the second week of July. A bout 150 departmental personnel led by Falam District Deputy Commissioner U Soe Tint grew 673 saplings at the designated places.

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**2nd Myanmar Senior PGA Championship 24-26 July**

YANGON, 15 July—Organized by Myanmar Senior PGA, the 2nd Myanmar Senior PGA Championship 2013 will be held at Shwemantaung Golf Club in Mandalay of Mandalay Region from 24 to 26 July.

The championship will be classified for senior professional golfers (who must be members of the Myanmar Senior PGA) and the amateur above-50 golfers. Those qualified in the above-50 amateur division will be admitted to join the Myanmar Senior PGA.

The entrance fee is fixed at K 20,000 per senior PGA members and K 50,000 per another one. The championship will be jointly sponsored by Sumitomo, Tiger Golf, Asian Wings Airways, KM Golf Centre, Academy Purified Drinking Water, Sime Darby Health and Shwemantaung Golf Club.

Those wishing to take part in the championship are to enlist the Han Golf Masters Pro Shop, Asian Centre golf shooting range (Mandalay), and Shwemantaung Golf Club, Tel: 09-2037671, 09-7310474 and 420017835, not later than 2 pm on 22 July.

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**New school put into service**

Reeddhora, 15 July—A ceremony to open new school took place at Basic Education Middle School in No 2 Ward of Reeddhora Sub-Township in Falam District of Chin State on 12 July.

The ceremony was carried out by Remphan Township in Falam District Deputy Administrator U Kya Ewel, Headmistress of Basic Education High School U Win Maung and a local formally opened the school.

Next, the new school building was handed over the education department.

The building, 30 feet long, 30 feet wide and 12 feet high, was constructed at a cost of K 23.5 million by the Union government and the local people.

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**Anti-Narcotic Drives**

Stimulant tablets seized near toll gate

YANGON, 15 July—Stimulant tablets were seized near the toll gate on Yangon Expressway.

At 10.30 pm on 7 July, a combined team comprising members of Yangon East Special Anti-Drug Squad and party searched a Hunda brand vehicle driven by Nay Lin Aung (a) Athaik, 38, son of U Shwe Myint of Laydukhaung Village, No 13, Nyaungkon Ward 3, Bazaar Street in Phethon, heading for Yangon from Nay Pyi Taw.

The team seized 10000 WY brand stimulant tablets weighing one kilo worth K 50 million, two cards with name of Nay Lin Aung, three mobile phones and one CSC card of Bo Bo. No 3 Highway Junction Police Station opened files of lawsuit against Sections 15/19/a of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Law.
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**TPP talks kick off in Malaysia as Japan awaits debut**

**Kota Kinabalu, (Malaysia), 15 July — The 18th round of the Trans-Pacific Partnership free trade negotiations began on Monday in Malaysia as Japan prepares to make its debut near the end of the 11-day round. Japan’s participation will not come until 23 July, when the United States, the leading economy of the TPP, completes the domestic procedure of giving its Congress 90 days’ notice to start trade negotiations with Japan.

The session of the working group on market access covering tariff elimination, a crucial issue Tokyo has been seeking to negotiate, is expected to finish before Japan gets to the negotiation table after a four-month wait since announcing its intention to participate in the talks. But 25 July, the last day of the round in the Malaysian resort of Kota Kinabalu, will be devoted to Japan, with top negotiators of other TPP countries giving the country updates on the status of the negotiations that have entered their fourth year, likely giving Japan a chance to state its position.

With Japan’s participation, TPP countries would account for nearly 80 percent of global GDP and about one-third of all world trade, even without China as a member. Japan is aiming to retain its tariffs on key farm products such as rice and beef, while eliminating import duties imposed on Japanese automobiles and other manufactured goods. The TPP negotiations comprise 21 working groups on 29 chapters including investor-state and government procurement.

Malaysia recently released a brief document on the TPP stating “negotiations on technical and less contentious issues are considered substantially closed” in 14 of the 29 chapters, while “there are still outstanding issues that are sensitive and will require discussion at a later stage of the negotiations.” Member countries are seeking a basic agreement by October and to conclude a deal by the end of the year, although some speculate that the talks could fall behind schedule. As each member country has sensitive sectors, the negotiations are likely to become more difficult as they progress.

Japan’s belated participation could also complicate the negotiations, as the country is seeking to keep some farm products exempt from the free trade deal’s general rule of tariff elimination. Regarding tariffs and other market access, the United States is seeking to protect its sugar industry, while Canada aims to protect its dairy products. The TPP negotiations currently involve Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, the United States, and Vietnam. — Kyodo News

**Two Koreas begin 3rd round of talks on suspended industrial zone**

**Seoul, 15 July — North and South Korea began a third round of working-level talks on Monday to resume operations at a joint industrial zone in the North’s border city of Kaesong that has been shuttered for nearly three months. In the previous rounds, South Korea called on Pyongyang to introduce measures to ensure no further disruption to operations at the industrial zone while proposing that foreign companies be allowed to invest there with the aim of turning it into an international industrial area.

South Korea has also urged North Korea to take responsibility for the closure of the zone that it says has caused considerable damage to its companies running factories there. Losses claimed by the 123 South Korean companies there have amounted to 1.05 trillion won (about $933 million), North Korea reportedly demanded the South agree to immediately reopening the industrial zone, with both sides respecting the spirit of the landmark 2000 inter-Korean summit held between then South Korean President Kim Dae Jung and then North Korean leader Kim Jong II.

A string of inter-Korean projects has been undertaken following the summit, including the Kaesong industrial zone. “Unless the Kaesong Industrial Complex issue is resolved, there cannot be any progress in inter-Korean relations,” the North said in a statement carried by the official Korean Central News Agency on Saturday.A three-member delegation from each side is to attend the talks that got under way for a one-day schedule. The talks may be extended into Tuesday.

The joint industrial zone was shut down in early April and North Korea withdrew all its 53,000 workers, employed by more than 100 South Korean companies, from Kaesong, amid heightened tensions on the Korean Peninsula. Pyongyang had cut off communication links with Seoul in March in response to joint South Korea-US military exercises and the South’s condemnation of the North’s third nuclear test in February in defiance of UN Security Council resolutions.

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**Small is big for Japanese automakers eying Indonesia and India**

**Tokyo, 15 July — Japan’s auto giants are considering exporting the technology to emerging markets, such as Indonesia and India, as the fast-growing middle class in developing nations will have fairly low-priced cars that they make very big in Japan — and only Japan. Consider Honda’s kei-kei N BOX, a four-passenger microcar that combines some of the utility features of a much larger SUV — the seats roll down to load a bicycle or two — and the fuel-sipping economy of a tiny, 660-cc engine. For the first half of 2013, the zippy N BOX was the best-selling car in Japan.

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For the first half of 2013, the zippy N BOX was the best-selling car in Japan. Honda’s chief spokesman Masaya Nagai says rising fuel costs and a fast-growing middle class in the world’s second and fourth most populous states make them likely to be the first microcar customers.

As a first step, companies such as Honda have designed their kei cars — the kei is pronounced like the letter “k” — in a way that makes it easier to produce them overseas. “We spent a long time nurturing the kei car technology in Japan, and we think it has the potential to be useful not only in developed markets but also in emerging markets,” Honda’s Chief Executive Officer Takeo Honda told reporters in June. Honda is not alone. — Reuters

**Typhoon Soulik kills three in south China**

**Guangzhou, 15 July — Typhoon Soulik, the seventh typhoon to hit the Chinese mainland this year, killed three people and forced another 20,000 to relocate in south China’s Guangdong Province.

The typhoon brought heavy rains to Guangdong from Saturday night to Sunday. Two local meteorological stations reported precipitation of over 250 mm in 20 hours to 4 pm on Sunday, said Xue Dengzhi, chief forecaster with the Guangdong Meteorological Centre.

The torrential rains affected 382,000 people and toppled 1,076 houses in 80 townships in three cities of the province. The rains also prompted authorities to set up warning levels. Typhoon Soulik made landfall in the neighbouring province of Fujian on Saturday afternoon, bringing heavy rains and strong gales. — Xinhua

**At least 17 killed in stampede at boxing match in Indonesia’s Papua**

**Jakarta, 15 July — A stampede at a boxing match in Indonesia’s restive Papua Province has left at least 17 dead and another in a critical condition, a local police spokesman said early Monday.

Papua Police spokesman Gede Sumerta Jaya told reporters that the incident occurred early Monday in Kota Lama Sports Stadium in the town of Nabire after supporters of a losing boxer, angered by the result of the bout that began at 11 pm on Sunday, attacked opposing fans. Most of the victims were women trampled in the stampede triggered by the spectator violence at the stadium, where some 1,500 people had gathered to watch the match, according to Jaya. — Kyodo News

**A woman walks past Honda Motor Co’s N Box (R) and N One minicars outside at a Honda dealer in Tokyo on 13 July.** — Reuters
**CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**

**MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (327)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (327) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 16.7.2013 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee’s risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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**INVITATION FOR OPENED TENDER**

(3/2013)

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Colombian police seize 3.4 tons of marijuana

BOGOTA, 15 July—Colombian police said on Sunday that they seized more than 3 tons of marijuana in four different locations in a town in northern Magdalena department. The police said in a press release that the 3.436 tons of the contraband drug was found in the process of drying, thanks to a tip from a source. The cache, according to the authorities, belonged to an organized crime ring known as Los Urabenos, which is active in the local area of the Andean country.—Xinhua
New York, 15 July— Actress Halle Berry and French actor Olivier Martinez were married over the weekend in France, her representative said on Sunday.

Berry, 46, a best actress Oscar winner for the 2001 film “Monster’s Ball,” is pregnant with the couple’s child due this fall. They announced their engagement early last year.

Berry and Martinez, 47, who starred in “Unfaithful” and “Dark Tide,” the latter co-starring with Berry, married on Saturday at a chateau in Vallerie, France, attended by friends and family members.

Halle Berry, Olivier Martinez marry in France

London, 15 July— American rapper Jay-Z has reached the top of the British album charts for the first time with his new release “Magna Carta... Holy Grail”, sales figures showed on Sunday.

The hip hop artist knocked the English folk rock band Mumford & Sons off the number one spot, according to the Official Charts Company, which compiles the weekly rundown.

Jay-Z’s new album features guest appearances by his wife Beyonce and singer Justin Timberlake. Seven of his previous albums have entered the British top 40, but none had reached the number one position, the compiler said. He saw off a challenge from Scottish veteran Rod Stewart, whose album “Time” climbed three places to number two.

The English folk rock band Passenger took third place with “All the Little Lights.”

US rapper Jay-Z tops British album chart for first time
**SPORTS**

**Pep Guardiola’s Bayern Munich ‘labour’ to 4-0 win against minnows Rostock**

BERLIN, 15 July—Bayern Munich laboured to a 4-0 win at German third-division minnows Hansa Rostock in Sunday’s benefit friendly as the European champions continue to adapt to coach Pep Guardiola’s new system.

Bayern, who beat Bundesliga rivals Borussia Dortmund 2-1 at Wembley in May’s Champions League final, won the tussle of European, league and cup titles last season playing a conventional 4-2-3-1 formation under coach Jupp Heynckes.

Ex-Barcelona boss Guardiola, who won 14 titles in four years at the Camp Nou, succeeded Heynckes last month and has introduced a 4-1-4-1 formation, which the Bavarian giants are still adapting to.

France winger Franck Ribery has described the new system as “pretty strange, totally different from what we’re used to” and Bayern have used it in winning all six of their pre-season friendlies, albeit against low-level opposition.

“The players are intelligent, they won three titles last season, but it takes time to bring in a new system,” said Guardiola, whose side also beat regional Bavarian side SG Sonnenhof 6-0 on Saturday.

“The second half wasn’t so good, but we have some big tests ahead of us, especially with the BVB (Borussia Dortmund) final and the start of the Bundesliga.”

Bayern play Dortmund in the German Super Cup final on 27 July with the Bundesliga to resume on 9 August, while Guardiola’s team also play in a four-team tournament, which includes Dortmund, in Moenchengladbach next weekend.—PTI

**Teen Spieth wins John Deere Classic on fifth playoff hole**

NEW YORK, 15 July—Teenager Jordan Spieth won the John Deere Classic on the fifth hole of a three-man, sudden-death playoff on Sunday to become the youngest player to win on the PGA Tour since 1931.

The 19-year-old Spieth tapped in for par on the par-four 18th hole to defeat 2007 Masters champion Zach Johnson, who won the tournament and Canadian David Hearn after the trio finished regulation 72 holes tied at 19 under par.

The three players all parred the first four holes of the playoff despite having chances to win at TPC Deere Run, setting up the finish in Silvis, Illinois.

Spieth, a two-time US Junior Amateur champion, became the youngest player to win on the tour since Ralph Guldahl won the Santa Monica Open 82 years ago.—Reuters

**Arsenal cruise 7-0 in Brazil-style away kit at Asian Tour opener**

JAKARTA, 15 July—Arsenal donned their new, Brazil-style away kit and played like five-time world champions as they blew away the Indonesia Dream Team 7-0 at the start of their Asian tour on Sunday.

Unveiling their yellow shirts and blue shorts in Jakarta, academy whizz-kids Chuba Akpom and Kristoffer Olsson scored on their first-team debuts as Arsenal poured in six goals after half-time.

England striker Theo Walcott got the opener on 19 minutes, Olivier Giroud grabbed a rapid-fire double and Lukas Podolski and fringe midfielder Thomas Eisfeld both scored late on.

Fittingly for the occasion, it was exhibition stuff and eclipsed English champions Manchester United, who lost 1-0 to the Singh All-Star XI in Bangkok in their first game under new boss David Moyes on Saturday.

Manchester United, Manchester City and Chelsea all have new managers this season, giving Arsenal hope that their stability under Arsene Wenger can finally help them end an eight-year trophy drought.

“It was a good game tonight, good technical skill. We could test some young players tonight,” said Wenger.

“It’s a positive night in a friendly environment. We were welcomed fantasticaly. I felt a little bit like we played like at home, such big support.”

The yellow-shirted visitors laid siege to the Dream Team goal from the start and academy striker Akpom, 17, passed up two good chances in the early minutes.

Akpom was only denied by some last-ditch defending when Aaron Ramsey’s dangerous ball to the far post was nodded back into the six-yard box by Walcott, playing in the right of attack.

The opener never looked far away and Walcott duly slotted it from the edge of the box on 19 minutes after neat skills from Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain, a strike which was warily applauded by Wenger.

Akpom was left frustrated when Oxlade-Chamberlain took on and missed a difficult shot into an empty net rather than pass to his team-mate for what would have been the simplest of debut goals.

Serge Gnabry, another youngster hoping to impress Wenger, was also doing his career prospects no harm and he nearly doubled Arsenal’s lead with a strong run and shot on 37 minutes.—PTI

**Mahut wins Hall of Fame championship**

NEWPORT, (RI), 15 July—Frenchman Nicolas Mahut won two matches in a day to capture the Hall of Fame Championship at Newport on Sunday, denying former world number one Lleyton Hewitt his first title in more than three years.

Mahut, who won his first career ATP title in the Netherlands last month, added a second in quick succession after a marathon day in Rhode Island.

He beat American Michael Russell 6-2, 6-2 in their rain-delayed semi-final in the morning then returned to the grass court to defeat Hewitt 7-5, 7-5, 6-3 in the afternoon final.

The Australian, bidding for his first singles title since he beat Roger Federer in the final at Halle in June, 2010, also played in the morning, blunting the booming serve of twice-defending champion John Isner to win 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

Despite spending more than an hour longer on court in his semi-final, the 32-year-old Hewitt looked on the verge of a straightforward victory in the final.—Reuters

**New Light of Myanmar**

**PTI**
Kyokutenho recalls being “1st Japanese” to win sumo meet since 2006

Tokyo, 15 July — Sumo wrestler Kyokutenho has forced Japanese media to rephrase their pet question since winning the Summer Grand Sumo Tournament in May 2012.

With Mongolians dominating sumo press, there had been asking who would be the “first Japanese-born wrestler” to achieve the feat.

Kyokutenho heard the change in expression on TV. “If there were people who minded my being a naturalized Japa-

nese citizen,” he recalls. “But the victories stuck in my ear.” In February 1992, Kyokutenho and five other young Mongolians came to Japan to become sumo wrestlers. They trained to adapt to the hard training after waking up at 5 am as well as Japanese food and the language. But all but one returned to Mongolia af-

ter three tournaments, but Kyokutenho came back to

Japan two months later.

Kyokutenho, whose Japanese name is Masaru Ota, originally came to Ja-

pan because he could not envision a future in Mongol-

nia, where the socialist sys-

tem had collapsed.

Kyokutenho, who was born

Najamyang Tsevegnyam,

said when he was a small boy he was told that Japan was an enigmatic country capable of producing

anything and everything, “even air for its huge

population.” Kyokutenho

said in fluent Japanese during an interview with

Kyodo News. “I once

looked into a vending ma-

chine, wondering if a per-

son inside could correctly count the change.”

He found life in Japan

comfortable once he grew

accustomed to it. He ad-

apted to the top makuhari

division in sumo for the

first time in 1998.

Since 1999, he has stayed there except for one

basho in which he fought in the lower juryo division after causing a traffic acci-

dent. He did not expect to

be bashed in Mongolia when he obtained Japanese
citizenship.

Kyodo News

Magnitude-5.0 quake rocks S Philippines, no damage report yet

Davao City, (Philippines), 15 July — A moderate magnitude-5.0 earthquake shook parts of southern Philip-

pines early on Monday, the Philippine Seismic Survey (USGS) said. There were no immedi-

ate reports of damage or injuries from local authorities from the quake that struck at 9:28 am local time (0128 GMT) and was traced 27 kilometres northwest of President Roxas township, in Mindanao’s North Cotabato province at a depth of 28.9 kilometres, the USGS said.

The quake was also felt in other areas in North Cotabato, site of a series of quakes that measured mag-

nitude-5.7 last month that wounded several people and destroyed dozens of homes and two bridges, as well as the landlocked Province of Bukidnon. The Philippines sits in the so-called Pacific Ring of Fire where continental plates collide causing frequent quakes and volcanic activities.—Ahnna

Raleigh, (North Carolina), 15 July — Tearful former double sprint world champion Tyson Gay said on Sunday he had tested positive for a substance he could not identify and was pulled out of next month’s world championships in Moscow.

Gay, who had the year’s fastest 100 metres time of 9.75 seconds, said in telephone conference call to two reporters, he was noti-

fied by the US Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) on Fri-

day that his A sample from an out-of-competition test on 16 May had returned a positive.

“I don’t have a sabo-

tage story. I don’t have lies...I basically put my trust in someone and I was let down,” said Gay who added he had never know-

ingly taken a performance-enhancing drug.

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“I made a mistake,” added the 30-year-old sprinter from his training base in Amsterdam.

“I am pulling out of Monaco (Diamond League meeting on Friday) and the world championships.”

The B sample is yet to be tested, said Gay.

Gay, the world 100 and 200 champion in 2007, said he could not divulge the substance or how the posi-

tive occurred.

“I am not allowed to talk about those things right now. “I know exactly what went on, but I can’t discuss it right now,” he added.

Reuters

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son Award for 2012, given to writings in the fields of psychological suspense, horror and dark fantasy.

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham addresses meeting of central committee for holding 66th Anniversary of Martyrs’ Day.

NAY PYI TAW, 15 July — Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham addressed the Meeting of central committee for holding the 66th Anniversary of Martyrs’ Day, at the meeting hall of the Union Government at the Presidential Palace, here, at 10 am today.

In his speech, the Vice-President said that according to the history, Myanmar holds the Martyrs’ Day on 19 July on which leaders were assassinated while striving for national independence.

It turns 66th Anniversary of Martyrs’ Day this year.

Last year’s 65th Anniversary of the Martyrs’ Day was attended by State-level officials. The purpose of marking the Martyrs’ Day is enabling the citizens to remember the fallen heroes with gratitude, to foster the national spirit and to comfort their families meeting with them.

The Vice-President added that the members of the central committee, the working committee and the sub-committees were urged to do their best in carrying out their tasks. It is needed to tighten security up as civilians, students plus officials concerned from the political parties, social and economic organizations, diplomatic corps, the UN agencies would pay tribute to the fallen heroes.

At present, not only Martyrs’ Mausoleum but also Bogyoke Aung San Museum.

Next, Union Ministers U Aung Kyi and Dr Pe Thet Khin, the deputy ministers and officials concerned presented reports on their respective works.

The Vice-President attended to the needs and the meeting came to an end with his concluding remark.

MPs urge Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to set time frame, urgently undertake suggestions of Land Grab Investigation Commission.

NAY PYI TAW, 15 July — Pyidaungsu Hluttaw today approved an amended proposal to parliament asking Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to set a time frame and urgently undertake the suggestions of the Land Grab Investigation Commission’s report which have been submitted to Hluttaw by the commission to prevent losses to the farmers in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution.

U Win Myint of Pathein constituency submitted the amended proposal urging the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw to release the time table and undertake the suggestions of the report in conformity with the constitution as the suggestions of the report are also the administrative resolutions passed by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw according to the Sub-section (A) of the Section 228 of the Constitution.

During today session, 21 MPs discussed the report 1 and 2 of the commission.

In his discussion, U Thein Yi of Htantabin Constituency said that some companies violated the legal rights but some companies felt sympathy with them in attempts to settle the land confiscation issue in peace.

However, when the Farmland Law enacted in 2012, the tenant farmers who had been working with a company since 2005 denied the tenancy fee and demanded for getting back the farmland, he said.

Some farmers were charged for intrusion and lawless acts, he added.

During negotiation between the farmers and the company, dishonest and threats arouse causing a collision course with the company over the number of farmland to be given back to farmers.

He urged the authority concerned to urgently conduct an investigation into the case in order to settle the issue.

Daw Khin Than Myint of Ngapudaw Constituency complained that some farmers suffered losses as they had to hire lawyers and provided money to volunteers believed to be those from a party to get back their farmlands.

Flood warning.

NAY PYI TAW, 15 July — According to the (12:30)hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Mawlaik is observed as (76) cm (about 2.5-foot) below its danger level. It may reach its danger level during the next (48) hours commencing this noon, said Meteorology and Hydrology Department.