Government would assist in solving livelihood problems of IDPs and will work together with international organizations to clear land mines and to build low-cost housings.
Health Care Activity

Free surgical operation performed at Nay Pyi Taw Zabuthiri Specialist Hospital

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Aug—Ear, Nose and Throat surgical specialist Dr Goh Yau Hong of Mount Elizabeth Hospital of Singapore performed free surgical operations at patients of ear, nose and throat diseases from Nay Pyi Taw and envisons at Nay Pyi Taw Zabuthiri Specialist Hospital and held medical seminar from 8 to 10 August.

On 8 August, together with physicians Dr U Kyaw Tezar and Dr U Myo Htet Kyaw of the hospital, the Singaporean specialist and party conducted pre-op assessment at patients and successfully performed surgical operations at cancer patient and goitre patient.

Township FDA checks medicines, destroys expired ones

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Aug.—A Township Food and Drug Administration squad comprising members of police force, medical officer and nurses of Township Health Department and staff of Township Development Affairs Committee led by Deputy Head of Pobbathiri Township General Administration Department checked foods and medicinal stores in Pobababiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area on 6 August.

The squad seized and destroyed 19 expired medicines and unlicensed medicines.

Homalin gets Pyinnya Hmawkham library

HOMALIN, 11 Aug.—A ceremony to open Pyinnya Hmawkham library was held in Pahokgyi Village of Shweddwin Village-tract of Homalin Township on 4 August morning.

Chairman of the Library Management Committee U Kaung Myat Nyi, Head of Township Information and Public Relations Department and Village Administrator U Shwe Win formally opened the library and visited there.

The educative talks followed. The Township Administrator delivered a speech.

The Head of Township IPRD explained durability of the library and heads of Township Agriculture Department and Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department explained respective work sectors.

After that, gold mining companies, departments.

Erosion of Nerinzara River causes landslide in Kalay Township

KALAY, 11 Aug—Due to erosion of Nerinzara River, nine houses, granaries and cow sheds were moved to safe places in Nansanngpu Village of Kalay Township in Sagaing Region from 25 July to 7 August.

If the water level rises in the river, it will inundate the whole area of Ward 8, said a local.

On 9 August, the specialist performed surgical operations at four more patients.

On 10 August, he held the ear, nose and throat medical seminar at the same hospital together with specialists from Nay Pyi Taw.

Under the arrangement of Myanmar specialists in Singapore, the Singaporean specialist will hold more seminar and surgical operations in Myanmar continuously—Kyemon-Maung Kyaw

Dawn alms offered to members of the Sangha in Monghsat

MONGHSAT, 11 Aug.—The alms offering ceremony of Monghsat was held at Maha Myat Muni Monastery in Monghsat District in Shan State East) on 6 August.

Chairman of Township Sangha Nayaka Committee Presiding Abbot of the monastery Sayadaw Bhaddanta Tejobhasa administered the Five Precepts.

It was attended by Col Aung Zaw Aye of the local station, Deputy Commissioner U Kyaw Kyaw Oho of District General Administration Department, Township Administrator U Aye Naing, departmental officials, wellwishers and local people.

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National Sports

Former Myanmar selected footballers, Thai selected team to meet in tune-up match

A former star player of Myanmar selected team seen in controlling the football.

YANGON, 11 Aug.—The tune-up match between the former selected Myanmar football team and the Thai selected players team will be held at Youth Training Centre here on 30 August.

The former Myanmar selected team will be led by General Secretary Myo Win Nyunt, U Hla Shwe Lay, Secretary U Aung Soe Moe, Coaches U Aye Maung Gyi and U Ye Nyunt.

The players are golakeepers Aung Kyaw Kyaw, Sai Maung Maung Oo, defenders Min Zaw Oo, Soe Naing, Myint Ko, Ye Htut, Than Wai, Tun Tun Lwin, Chit Naing, Ngwe Tun, Zaw Lay Aung, Aye Naing, midfielders Than Toe Aung, Kyi Lwin, Tin Myo Aung, Kyaw Min, Kyaw Lwin, Maung Maung Htay, Tin Maung Tun, Tun Tun Htet, Han Tun, forwards Win Aung, Myo Hlaing Win, Aung Tun, Aung Naing, Tin Htwe and Zaw Win Tun.

The turn-up match was proposed by Thai Football Association and MFF accepted the proposal.

Most of the players may be those from football arena in 1993.

The Thai selected team may be constituted with renowned players in the same period.

Kyemon-Shine Htet Zaw

Accident

Two dead in traffic accident on expressway

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Aug.—A Pajero driven from Mandalay overturned at mile post No 39 (2/3) on Yangon-Mandalay Expressway at 6.15 pm on 10 August due of failure of right wheel.

In the incident, driver Kyaw Swa Chin, 43 and passenger Ma Hla Hla Thein, 21 died on the spot.

Other person Ko Aung Lin, 38 was rushed to the intensive care unit of Bago Hospital.

Expressway Maintenance Team provided necessary assistance to those involved the accident.

Bawnetgyi Police Station opened a file of lawsuit over the case. Kyemon-Kayvan Soe Myint

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Kyemon-Wai Yan Lin (Monghsat)
Six migrants coming from Africa drowned in sea off Sicily

ROME, 11 Aug — Six migrants drowned off the Italian island of Sicily on Saturday after attempting a dangerous passage from Africa in a fishing boat, according to the Italian coastguard. The 18-metre-long boat carrying some 120 migrants ran aground at dawn some 40 metres (132 feet) from a beach near the city of Catania, its coastguard captain Roberto D’Arrigo said.

While most of the passengers managed to reach the shore, the six who drowned were apparently unable to swim.

The 120 migrants were mainly from Syria and Egypt, D’Arrigo told Sky Italia television, with an adolescent boy among the victims, who were all under age 30. Egypt has suffered prolonged political and economic turmoil.

Another boat carrying around 90 migrants arrived safely on Sicily’s southeastern shore on Saturday, near the town of Syracuse.

Last month Pope Francis, in his first official trip outside Rome, celebrated mass on Lampe- dusa to commemorate the thousands of migrants who have died at sea.

According to United Nations refugee agency UNHCR, almost 8,000 migrants and asylum-seekers landed on the coasts of southern Italy in the first half of the year. The vast majority were from North Africa, mainly Libya, which has been in turmoil since the overthrow of Muammar Gaddafi in 2011.

The UNHCR said 40 people were known to have died crossing from Tunisia to Italy in the first half of the year, though it is thought that many deaths are never reported.

Would-be migrants who were rescued from a shipwreck, rest at a building at La Playa beach in Catania on Sicily island on 10 Aug, 2013.

Worst flood in two decades to hit NE China province

HARBIN, 11 Aug — Worst flood in two decades is predicted to hit northeast China’s Heilongjiang Prov-

ience, authorities with the provincial hydrology bureau said on Sunday.

Orange alert for severe flood was issued on Saturday night as the water level in the province surpassed the warning level by 0.17 to 0.2 metres.

Due to continuous downpour, the peak level at Tongmeng station of Nenjiang River between 8 am Friday and 8 am Saturday reached 169.8 metres, 0.2 metres higher than the warning level.

And the water level in Qiqihar climbed to 147.88 meters, surpassing the warning level by 0.88 metres, according to the authorities.

TEPCO says radioactive water likely flowed over underground wall

TEPCO says radioactive water likely flowed over underground wall since July left freshwater to flow into the Heilongjiang River, putting much pressure on flood control in the lower reaches.

Reactor of Indian nuclear submarine achieves criticality

NEW DELHI, 11 Aug — Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh said in a statement on Saturday that the reactor on board India’s first indigenous nuclear submarine INS Aridhant has achieved criticality.

Singh called the development “a giant stride in the progress of our indigenous technological capabilities.”

According to local reports, the reactor reached criticality, or a self-sustaining nuclear reaction, on Friday.

India is also developing nuclear-capable submarine-launched ballistic missiles. If SLBMs are in the Aridhant, India’s nuclear deterrence will be further strengthened, which is certain to provoke neighbours China and Pakistan.

According to Press Trust of India, the Aridhant is currently undergoing sea trials at the Indian navy’s submarine base in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh state.

Following the trials, the 6,000-ton submarine is expected to be commissioned into full service by spring next year.

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Tokyo, 11 Aug — Tokyo Electric Power Co said on Saturday ground water contaminated with radioactive substances from the damaged Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant likely flowed over an underground wall meant to prevent the water from reaching the sea.

TEPCO said so after measuring underground water near the seawall and finding a high concentration of radioactive materials in the water.

The government said earlier this week it estimated that about 300 tons of radioactive-contaminated water had flowed into the Pacific daily, the latest crisis in Japan’s struggle to contain the 2011 nuclear disaster.

The water-shielding wall on the sea bank was completed on Friday. But some engineers are unable to be injected from the ground surface to a depth of about 1.8 metres.

And as a result, radioactive-contaminated water is leaking into the ocean.

Since construction of the wall began in early July, the water levels have risen.

As a stopgap measure, TEPCO on Friday started pumping up water, but whether that has an effect remains to be seen, a company official said.

Radioactive water is increasing at the Fukushima complex daily because it is more contaminated as it passes through the plant’s premises, where three reactors suffered meltdowns following the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami disaster.

NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

WORLD

Fire and rescue personnel surround the aftermath of a plane crash between two homes in East Haven, Connecticut, on 9 Aug, 2013. — Reuters
**Endangered black snub-nosed monkey population increases to 3,000**

**KUNMING, 11 Aug** — The number of black snub-nosed monkeys, an endangered species of primate endemic to China, has increased from 2,000 to over 3,000 since the 1990s, Chinese scientists announced after a scientific expedition that began in July.

The monkeys, known in China as Yunnan golden hair monkeys, are among the world’s most endangered primates. They live in mountainous forests in southwest China’s Yunnan Province and Tibet Autonomous Region.

Of the 18 groups scattered throughout the mountains, most live in the Baima Snow Mountain Nature Reserve in Yunnan, which was established in 1983 and added to the list of national-level nature reserves in 1986. Thanks to protection efforts, the group of 200 monkeys that Long Yongcheng, a chief scientist with the charitable environmental organization Nature Conservancy, encountered during his first forest expedition in 1987 has now grown to over 1,800, accounting for more than 60 percent of the world’s total. Taking the monkeys in other parts of Yunnan and Tibet’s Markam County into account, the species’ total population has surpassed 3,000, Long said after a joint expedition with three French scientists.

The number of endangered black snub-nosed monkeys in southwest China’s Tibet Autonomous Region has increased from 50 in the 1990s to 700, the

**4-billion-year-old protein resurrected to explore origins of life**

**BEIJING, 11 Aug** — Researchers resurrected a 4-billion-year-old Precambrian protein in the lab, and the protein is thought to have existed in single-celled organisms linked to the earliest ancestor of all life, according to a study in the journal Structure on Thursday.

The study report, written by Jose Sanchez-Ruiz of the University of Granada, said that the protein resurrected by scientists survives in the extreme environments of high acidity and temperature expected on early Earth. By analyzing the protein’s X-ray crystal structures, researchers gained novel insights into protein evolution, which has revealed a remarkable degree of structural similarity among proteins since life first evolved on Earth. Sanchez-Ruiz and his collaborators constructed a phylogenetic tree of protein sequences by analyzing the amino acid sequences of thou sands of proteins found in organisms from the three domains of life, including bacteria, archaea, and eukaryotes. They found that present-day thio-redoxin structures are remarkably similar to those that existed at a time close to the origin of life, even though their amino acid sequences are very different. This finding supported a punctuated-equilibrium model of evolution in which protein structures remain constant over long time periods, with new changes occurring intermittently over short periods.

In addition to uncovering the basic principles of protein structure evolution, the approach will provide invaluable information regarding how the 3D structure of a protein is encoded by its amino acid sequence,” Sanchez-Ruiz said.

**Identical twin US astronauts to serve as research subjects**

**CAPE CANAVERAL, (Florida), 11 Aug** — NASA’s only identical twin astronauts are planning to serve as guinea pigs for studies investigating the genetic impacts of long-duration spaceflight. Astronaut Mark Kelly, who commanded four space shuttle missions including the final flight of Endeavour, is set to be a test subject on Earth while his twin undergoes studies in orbit. Kelly left NASA in 2011 to care for his wife, former US Representative Gabrielle Giffords. She was shot through the head in January 2011. Four Russian cosmonauts who flew aboard the now-defunct Mir space station, “This is sort of our first foray into the genetic aspects of spaceflight,” said John Charles, chief scientist with NASA’s human research programme at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

A study like this is going to be mostly observational, just see what we can find out,” he said.

The US space agency is soliciting ideas from researchers about possible experiments.

**Nokia Lumia 625 and Lumia 925 to launch in India by August end**

All the three smartphones were listed on Nokia India’s official website with a ‘coming soon’ label, some time back. However, the report does not mention anything about the pricing of the Lumia 625 and the Lumia 925. It also does not mention a specific launch date for the phones. Nokia announced the launch of the Lumia 625 that sports a 4.7-inch LCD screen, last month.

The other specifica tions of the Nokia Lumia 625 include a 1.2GHz dual-core processor, 512MB RAM, 8GB internal storage that can be expanded up to 64GB via microSD card. It comes with a 5-megapixel rear camera and a VGA front-facing shooter. The 4.7-inch screen sports a disappointing 480x800 pixel resolution. The device runs Windows Phone 8. We had reported earlier that the Lumia 925 is a premium smartphone and sports a metal frame with a polycarbonate back cover. — Reuters
**Cardiac arrest more common at ice arenas than gyms**

**New York, 11 Aug —** Machines to restart a heart in cardiac arrest are often required by law in fitness clubs, but a new study found that people’s hearts more commonly stop in places that are home to alternative forms of exercise.

Researchers found the employees of indoor tennis facilities, ice arenas and bowling alleys in and around Seattle were more likely to have to respond to someone in cardiac arrest, compared to those at health clubs and fitness centres.

“You’ve got higher site incidence at those three areas. That’s kind of interesting. If we’re legislating AEDs to traditional fitness clubs, shouldn’t they be legislated to the others?”

Dr Richard Page, the study’s lead author and chair of the department of medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine and Public Health in Madison, said.

AEDs — or automated external defibrillators — are portable devices that send electric shocks to a heart in cardiac arrest, which occurs when the heart suddenly stops beating. Approximately 300,000 people in the US go into cardiac arrest every year and about 90 percent of those die, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Quick use of an AED, however, can increase a person’s chance of survival. For example, the CDC has found that about one in 10 people who go through cardiac arrest survive to be released from the hospital, but that rate climbs to one in three among those who were shocked by an AED during cardiac arrest.

The American College of Sports Medicine and the American Heart Association in 2002 encouraged all health and fitness facilities to have AEDs available, because the risk of cardiac arrest increases during and immediately after physical activity among those who don’t regularly exercise.

**Deaths, new virus**

**MERS-CoV**

**Geneva, 11 Aug —** As for the recent study that suggests Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) or a virus very similar to it has been recently circulating among camels, World Health Organization (WHO) on Friday said that the results do not provide any insights into how humans become infected. Tank Jasarevic, spokesman of WHO, told a Press conference that WHO welcomes any study that brings more information about the virus, and this study did provide a clue and a direction for further investigation, but critical questions remained to be answered, namely the source of the virus and the type of human exposures that result in infection.

Jasarevic said that the study found antibodies reacting to the new virus in camels, which means that the camels have been infected at some point of time and produced antibodies, but to make sure it was the same virus as it was in humans, it’s needed to find the virus itself rather than antibodies. He noted that the results did not shed light on how humans get infected, and most human cases did not have a history of direct contact with camels, adding that it was premature to rule out the possibility that other animals might serve as a reservoir or an intermediary host for MERS-CoV.

According to the latest update of WHO on the deadly virus, globally from September 2012 to date, WHO has been informed of a total of 94 laboratory-confirmed cases of infection with MERS-CoV, including 46 deaths. Based on the current situation and available information, WHO encourages all Member States to continue their surveillance for severe acute respiratory infections (SARI) and to carefully review any unusual patterns.

WHO has convened an Emergency Committee under the International Health Regulations (IHR) to advise the Director-General on the status of the current situation. The Emergency Committee, which comprises international experts from all WHO Regions, unanimously advised that, with the information now available, and using a risk-assessment approach, the conditions for a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) have not at present been met. — Xinhua

**Cardiac arrest more common at ice arenas than gyms**

**New York, 11 Aug —** According to a new study that looked at overall diet patterns instead of just specific foods, “We have been aware that certain diets seem to reduce the risk of allergy in infants,” said Dr Magnus Wickman, a professor at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden, who was not involved in the study.

The mechanism behind is that we think that different kinds of fatty acids and antioxidants, different kinds of vitamins and essential minerals are good for your health and also prevent allergy, he said. Researchers estimate that up to eight percent of children have a food allergy.

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The parents typically maintained the diet log for the first year of life, Grimshaw and her colleagues report in The Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology.

During that time, 41 children were diagnosed with a food allergy, and Grimshaw and her colleagues compared the diet of those with allergies scored higher than babies with allergies on a diet that was rich in healthy, often homemade, foods — including fruits, vegetables, poultry and fish — and scant on processed foods such as pre-made meals, potato chips, cook-in sauces and bacon. — Reuters

**Fresh, unprocessed baby foods tied to less allergy**

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**Asthma more common, severe among obese kids**

**New York, 11 Aug —** Overweight and obese children are more likely to be diagnosed with asthma, according to a new study — and when they do have the condition, it tends to be more severe than in normal weight children. Researchers found that heavier kids and teenagers with asthma had more emergency room visits for the condition and used more “rescue” medications. “If parents are noticing that their overweight or obese child is having asthma-like symptoms, one thing to pay attention to, instead of just addressing the asthma, is to potentially address the child’s weight,” said Mary Helen Black, the study’s lead author from Kaiser Permanente Southern California’s department of research and evaluation.

For their study, she and her colleagues analyzed the electronic health records of 623,000 six- to 19-year-olds covered by Kaiser’s health plan in 2007 through 2011. None of those children initially had asthma. Over an average of three years, just under 32,000 of them — about five percent — were diagnosed with the condition. The researchers found that the more children weighed, the more likely they were to develop asthma. Compared to normal weight kids, those who were overweight but not obese were 16 percent more likely to be diagnosed with asthma, and the most obese were 37 percent more likely.

**Banks cut 5,500 branches across Europe in 2012**

**London, 11 Aug —** Banks cut 5,500 branches across the European Union last year, 2.5 percent of the total, leaving the region with 20,000 fewer outlets than it had when the financial industry was plunged into crisis in 2008.

Last year’s cuts come after 7,200 branches were axed in 2011, according to data analyzed by Reuters from European Central Bank statistics.

Banks across Europe have been closing branches in a bid to trim operating costs and improve their battered earnings. Consumer take-up of online and telephone banking services has accelerated the trend.

The data show EU banks cut 8 percent of branches in aggregate in the four years to the end of 2012, leaving 218,687 branches, or one for every 2,300 people.

Last year’s sharpest cuts were largely contained to the embattled periphery. Crisis-stricken Greece saw one of the biggest contractions in 2012, shedding 5.7 percent of its outlets, as mergers of local banks led to 219 branch closures. The trend is expected to continue into 2013 as Piraeus (BOP,AT) shuts some of the 312 branches it snapped up from stricken Cypriot lenders in March. — Reuters

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The Social Demo- crat (SPD) trails Merkel’s conservatives by some 15 points in opinion polls with just six weeks left until a general election. The SPD has not done well there in past elections. In 2009, it won roughly 18 percent of the eastern vote, compared to nearly 30 per- cent each for Merkel’s conserva- tives and the far-left “Linke” party.

During the euro zone debt crisis, some of Germa- ny’s partners and domestic critics have accused Merkel of focusing too much on German interests, and lacking the passion for Europe that drove previous can- didates like Helmut Kohl, who pushed Germany into the euro.

I certainly did not mean to suggest that peo- ple who grew up in the East have an innate or region- ally-determined distance to Europe,” he said. “And I am sorry to please not understand the remarks this way.” Roughly a fifth of German voters live in the former communist East.

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At an SPD campaign event in the eastern city of Halle, Steinbrueck told his audience that the com- ments, made in a newspaper interview earlier this week, had been misconstrued and he praised easterners as “capable and hard-working people”.

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Merkel challenger tries to calm storm over east German jibe

BERLIN, 11 Aug—Former South Afri- can President Nelson Man- dela’s health is improving daily and he is now able to sit up for minutes at a time, his youngest daughter told state broadcaster SABC. The 95-year-old has been in a Pretoria hospital for two months for treat- ment of a recurrent lung in- fection. The government said late last month his condi- tion remained critical but was showing improvement.

“His fine. Tata now manages to sit up, like now he sits up in a chair for a few minutes in a day, every day you know he becomes more alert and responsive. Tata is determined not to go anywhere anytime soon, I cannot stress this enough,” she said, referring to him by the Xhosa word for father.

“He just doesn’t have the strength of a man, he has the strength that is bey- ond anything that can be explained.

Because even now with the challenges to his health, he somehow man- ages to bounce back when everyone assumes this is the end.”

Mandela’s victory in the first multicir- ections in 1994 marked the end of the apartheid system. Four years earlier, he was released after 27 years in prison under white minority rule, 18 of them in the no- torious Robben Island penal colony.

Peer Steinbrueck, the Social Democratic party (SPD) candidate in the upcoming general elections, talks to tourists with a microphone from the bridge of a boat, during a harbour trip in Warnemuende, on 9 Aug, 2013.—REUTERS

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Buddha Images conveyed to Sagaing Region Shwedagon Pagoda replica

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Aug—Four Buddha Images were conveyed to Sasana Htut Khaung Lay Kyun Yan Aung Pagoda, a Shwe-dagon replica pagoda, on Dipa Aye Myan Hill of Maha Myaing forest medication camp in Kalewa Township in Sagaing on 5 August.

The Buddha Images were then conveyed to the hill.

The region chief minister attended the upgrading of Yinmabin Township to district. He unveiled the signboard of District General Administration Department office.—MNA

Fire

BAGO, 11 Aug—Fire engulfed a storage shed of the brick factory owned by Daw Htway in Myothit ward in Bago on 8 August.

The police detained former factory worker Maung Naing, 27, on suspicion of arson.

He asked for his wage from the owner who denied to give.

Bago Myoma Police Station charged him with arson.

MMAL-Thant Zin

Agriculture

Gangaw sesame farmers see high yield as rain showers

KALAY, 11 Aug—Sesame farmers in Gangaw of Magway Region have received a major boost in their pursuit for better yield as the rain is showering since April.

“Sesame is the major edible oil crop in Gangaw, the area with low rainfall,” a farmer said. Sesame plantations need moderate rainfall and extremes can destroy the crops.

“This year, we have seen thriving sesame plantation—and high yield,” he said.

The sesame have been harvested since the end of July and earlier August.

Despite success of sesame farmers, paddy farmers in the township await the adequate rainfall to start their monsoon paddy plantations.

MMAL-Shin Nay Min

Outstanding students honoured at Homalin BEHS No 2

HOMALIN, 11 Aug—A ceremony to award outstanding students was held at Basic Education High School No 2 in Homalin on 7 August.

Chairman of the Township Management Committee U Kaung Myat Nyi made a speech.

Then, officials presented prizes to outstanding students.

MMAL-Township IPRD

Book corners opened in Minbu

MINBU, 11 Aug—Book corners have been opened in 10 public places in Minbu since 1 July.

The book corners supplied new books to the corners and withdrew old ones from the book corners on 4 August.

District Information and Public Relations Officer U Khin Win visited the book corners on 8 August.

MMAL-Tin Tun Oo

New Gyongyonkya bridge to be built

MAWLAMYINEGYUN, 11 Aug—Mawlamyinegyun Township Administrator U Htay Maung, Deputy Township Administrator U Thein Tan, Township Development Support Committee Secretary U Khin Maung Zin and officials inspected conditions of Gyongyonkya bridge in Labutta District in Ayeyawady Region on 7 August morning.

It is the major bridge on Mawlamyinegyun-Yangon Highway at the entrance of Gyongyonkya village.

The bridge is being used by highway buses, cars and motor cycles.

The new bridge will replace the dilapidated one for safety and convenience of the road users.

MMAL-Mawgyun

Caption News:

Dozens catch fever in NyaungU Tsp

NYAUNGU, 11 Aug—Some 100 children from villages in NyaungU Township of Mandalay Region have been hospitalized after infection of Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever.

SEED social services group in NyaungU donated cash for the fever infected children to Head of District Health Department Dr Aung Lwin.

All 100 beds of the township hospital have been filled with the children who contracted the fever.

MMAL-Kyaw Htay

Agriculture

Tomato supply to Kyaukpadaung market increases

KYAUKPADAUNG, 11 Aug—Abundant supply of tomatoes from northern Popa region are entering Kyaukpadaung Township in Mandalay Region.

Tomato farmers from northern and southern Taungpaw village, Natlekan, Hse, Hsinmin and Sonegon villages are fetching high prices for tomatoes.

Most tomato plantations in the villages are irrigated by the torrent water and some plantations by rain water.

Tomatoes are sold in Natmauk, Taungdwingyi, Letpadan, Yangon, Yenangyoung, Magway and Taunggyi markets.

A farmer of sizable plantation made from K 1.5 million to K 2 million in the town.

MMAL-Tin Tun Oo

New Light of Myanmar
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On 23rd August 2013, a commemorative birthday centenary will be celebrated in the Mandalay University campus in honour of our revered guru Sayagyi U Ko Lay, the first principal of the first ever Anayar University College in Mandalay on July 1947. Alumnus students from 1947 onwards along its long process of establishment and development of Anayar University Educate will pay homage to his illustrious contribution. Many memorable events will be held, which may include sermons by venerable Sayadaws, speeches, paper presentations, publication of a birthday centenary journal and fixing a bust bronze statue of Sayagyi U Ko Lay in the Mandalay University campus where he dedicated his prime active life for the propagation and perpetuate of University education in the Anayar Land of Theravada Buddhism, fine arts, culture endearing customs and suave social etiquette.

The Mandalay University had its early begining in 1925 during the British Colonial Era with the institution of an Intermediate College, with 31 students in the initial year. Sayagyi U Ko Lay attended the Intermediate College in 1929. He then pursued the B.Sc class in the Yangon University and passed B.Sc with Chemistry. He then proceeded on scholarship to UK for post graduate Master studies. During his scholastic sojourn in London he joined the Burma Club established by Myanmar students and British ICs who had been to Myanmar and served in the British colonial service. Naturally the British dominated the Burma Club but later on with active mobilization the Myanmars gained control of the EC, with U Ko Lay taking the post of the Secretary of the EC. While in UK, U Ko Lay gained contact with Sayagyi Razak who saw the potential of U Ko Lay as person of promise. After his return to Myanmar they embarked upon the grand vision of establishing an Anayar University in Mandalay the seat of Myanmar kings and centre of arts and culture. The status of Sayagyi U Ko Lay was Educate and Kolkata was in the Cabinet of the Constitutional Governor of the Governor had facilitated the institution of the pioneer University College, firstly as an Intermediate College, and later as a 4 year degree College affiliated to the Yangon University. Sayagyi U Ko Lay was nominated as the first principal, superseding many senior incumbents.

Founder U Razak did not live to see the grand opening as he died a martyr on 19th July 1947. The MUC opened its welcoming door on the 17th July 1947 with less than 100 1st year students. Sayagyi had vision and foresight to upgrade the MUC into a full-fledged independent Mandalay University. He also programmed a pool of qualified academics by sending the potential graduate students abroad for higher studies of Master and Ph.D. in all disciplines of learning. Eventually when they returned they founded and attended the teaching faculties.

Then by 1958 the MUC was upgraded into an independent full-fledged Anayar University to come the pride of Anayarths. U Ko Lay became the first Vice Chancellor. In the course of its enviable growth and its reputation stretched beyond its own grand footprint. Sayagyi did not live to enjoy the blossoms of his endeavour as he was prematurely retired in 1960. He led a humble life devoting his retired years in private tuition and pursuing Buddhist teachings on Pariyatti learning and Patipat meditation. He was a trailblazer in his young dynamic academic years guiding his students to excellence. But in old age with maturity and contemplation he became a beacon of saintliness. Shifting to Yangon in the refuge of Buddhist Pariyatti University under guidance of the most venerable Tipitakadhara, Dhamma-buddh田, Bhaddanta Ashin Vicccitasarabhi- vamsa, he delivered lectures in English to both Myanmar and foreign students. His retirement years many old students gathered around him, in respect and admiration and listened to his wise admonition. It was indeed a joyful reunion.

The Mandalay University also did not forget the revered Guru. Every year in December the open season, Acarya Puja ceremony was celebrated honouring the 24 founders and later relics. Finally in 2003, our Sayagyi passed away. Sayagyi was also a reputable man of letter with many best-selling books, both English & Myanmar to his credit. He won many literary prizes and citations, both religious and literary works. He was also recognized by the State in Independence Day Citation such as: Exemplary Award in the Field of Arts.

In 2012 Sayagyi’s 13th birthday students also in their eighties embarked upon an idea of commemorating him on his birthday centenary which falls on 23rd August 2013, with veneration, pomp and grandeur at the campus of Mandalay University. A bronze statue will be erected on a pedestal in that auspicious age of 93 to live to see this centenary of this guru.

This article is the respectful moment to commemorate his auspicious birthday centenary celebration.

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**Securities stop girl’s attempted suicide in Kamayut**

YANGON, 11 Aug—Securities of Hledan Centre could stop a girl attempting suicide from sixth storey of a building in Hledan street in No 8, Sanbaw, Kamayut Township yesterday. Two securities from the centre broke open the door to stop Ma Lwin Malar Wun, 19, from jumping off to kill herself.

Sangyoung Township Fire Brigade brought her to Yangon General Hospital, MMAL-167.

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**Thriving market in Shwegondine Junction...**

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While the number of dalies is rising, the weekly newspapers are still overcoming their shares of market. At present, each weekly journal which is sold at K 500/K750/K 1250 per copy is trying to survive in the market seriously competing with the sales of each newspaper worth K 100/K200. That is why the journals choose their options for standing by presenting better notes of news and articles on their pages.

“I have long been a newspaper agent at Shwegondine for over 30 years. State-owned newspapers have reliable readers and subscribers. At the same time, private newspapers present news on their different point of views to be able to attract the readers. Some of readers who bought one copy of journal and read the other in different copies of private newspapers. Actually, newspapers are in competitiveness in all sectors and improvement can be seen among them. In the consequence, those in the field of newspapers enjoy better livelihoods,” said a newspaper agent from Shwegondine Newspaper Market.
Government would assist in solving livelihood...

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After attending to the needs of the locals, the Vice-President said that it is very difficult to visit such a famous place because the town has transport barriers. People from four corners of the country moved to this place for their livelihood. Jades from Phakant are a main foreign currency earner of the country and are what made the country known to the world.

Myanmar is still among poor countries even though being a resource-rich country. The sure point is that raw materials of natural resources are sold without being value-added.

He called for collaboration between gems entrepreneurs, local authorities, officials from the ministry and local people for environmental conservation. He urged gems entrepreneurs to run their businesses in the legal bounds. In his conclusion, he urged the people make cooperation with the government for ensuring peace and stability and the development of the country.

Next, the deputy minister for Border Affairs presented one copier, the gems entrepreneurs association from Phakant K 10 million and Shwethanlwin Co one set of Sky Net receiver.

Afterwards, the Vice-President and party cordially greeted the internally displaced persons. They then went to Indawgyi Region in Hopm Sub-Township and paid homage to Indawgyi Shwemyinzu Yayle Pagoda and donated cash to the fund.

The Vice-President met local people from eleven village-tracts in Indawgyi Region at the Dhammayon of the pagoda and clarified matters on current political, economic, administrative and judicial affairs of Myanmar.

On behalf of Htoo Foundation, Air Bagan, AGD Bank, Myanmar Treasure Hotel Group and Aureum Hotel, Htoo Foundation Patron U T'azza donated K 120 million for upgrading entrance road to the pagoda through an official.

Then, the Vice-President and party arrived in Mohnyaing Degree College where they met the principal and faculty members, townsenders and departmental officials.

The Vice-President touched upon extending the entrance road to the college presented by the principal. Then, Vice-President delivered an address. He said:

- The purpose of the trip is: to let people know government’s reform processes; to help Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) and provide necessary infrastructure development in Mohnyaing District; and to hear the voices of local people.

As a political reform, the government has opened up a new channel for inclusiveness of all political parties in the political process.

And the government has embarked on sweeping reforms such as granting amnesty for prisoners of conscience, throwing away of censor’s pen, giving go-ahead to private daily and TV channels, formation of the associations and the unions, freedom of assembly and expression, local peace-making processes and national reconsolidation.

The country sees economic reforms such as transformation of State-owned businesses to private-own ones, encouragement of market-oriented economic system, old-age cars substitution programme, foreign exchange rate, easy access to mobile phones, increasing staff’s salaries and additional allowances, enactment of Foreign Investment Law and creating rooms for fair competitions between the businesses.

Taking a look at administrative sector, ward/village administrators are elected in accord with people’s desires. And the government ends its control over Township Development Affairs Committee’s affairs. Green light is given to power supply by private sector.

Now people come to get chance to lodge a complaint about corruption. Action is being taken against those corrupt persons in accord with the laws. The complaints call for strong evidences, without making accusations against individuals.

To make complaints about cases to the authorities, anyone can do so through MPs, management committee and supporting committee of administrative bodies, anti-corruption committee and print media and on-line media.

The most important thing is that anyone shall take responsibility for reportage and interviews and shall have courage to face the consequences.

The second thing is to help overcome the challenges including livelihood of IDPs in Kachin State caused by last year armed conflicts.

The government would assist in solving livelihood problems of IDPs and will work together with international organizations to clear land mines and to build low-cost housings. Only when infrastructures including transportation, health, education, electric power and monetary infrastructures could be built, will the state be on track to development and it depends on the peace in Kachin State.


Next, the Vice-President and party arrived back in Myitkyina and met MCCs at Malikha Yeiktha and discussed matters on education, health and social affairs of the IDPs and invited their cooperation.
**HRD**

**Educative talks given at Kawthoung Women’s Vocational Training School**

Kawthoung, 11 Aug—An educative talk was held at Women’s Vocational Training School in Kawthoung on 9 August morning. Assistant Director Daw Ni Ni Cho of Taninthayi Region Information explained raising of reading habit, reliance on public libraries, and broadening horizon of the people and emergence of good and able women. Kyemon-Kawthoung IPRD

**Vocational training courses conclude in Maungtaw**

Maungtaw, 11 Aug—The women’s domestic science course No 38 and the advanced tailoring course No 34 concluded at the hall of Women’s Vocational Training School in Maungtaw Township on 9 August morning.

The ceremony was attended by district and township level departmental officials totalling 150.

At first, District Deputy Commissioner U Aung Myint Soe made a speech. Principal of the training school Daw Nilar Kyi explained matters related to the training school.

Prize winning trainees were awarded one sewing machine each, and the remaining trainees were granted to purchase sewing machines through personal arrangements. Altogether 40 trainees attended the basic domestic science course No 38 and 10 the advanced tailoring course.—Kyemon-District IPRD

**Nutrition Week Activity commences in Hlinethaya**

Yangon, 11 Aug—A ceremony to launch the nutrition week activity was held at Kanaung Hall in Industrial Zone in Hlinethaya Township of Yangon North District in Yangon Region on 9 August morning.

The ceremony was sponsored by Save the Children.

On the occasion, Township Administrator U Htein Soe of General Administration Department made a speech.

Yangon Region Health Officer Dr U Ko Ko Maung of Yangon Region Health Department and HA (a) Daw Nwe Nwe Htay on behalf of the Township Health Officer explained nutrition matters to over 300 attendees.

Dr Ni Ni and U Nicolas Tint Zaw replied to queries and suggestions raised by the chairperson of Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association and local authorities.

Officials distributed iron tablets to expectant mothers and vitamin A tablet to children under two years.

Later, the sports contests, wrestling, quiz and poem recitation for the children followed, and officials presented prizes to the winners.

Kyemon-Min Htet Paing (Hlinethaya)

**Health Care**

Kayin State launches nutrition week activity 2013

Hpa-an, 11 Aug—The nutrition week activity was launched at Zwekabin Hall in Hpa-an of Kayin State on 6 August morning.

Chief Minister of the state U Zaw Min made a speech.

Deputy Head of State Health Department Dr Kyaw Swa Myint reported on activities on nutrition week, pediatrician Dr Htay Htay Win of the state on outbreak of common diseases at children, leader of the regional health squad Dr Khin Moe Aye on nutrition from daily meals and Township Health Officer Dr Khin Moe Thwe on matters related to vitamin A, B1, iron and iodized salt.

Next, the State MCWSC demonstrated the nutritious cooking and the participants were in four groups. Also present on the occasion were Speaker of State Hluttaw U Saw Aung Kyaw Min, state ministers, the patron of MCWSC and members, members of WAO, departmental officials, pre-primary students from Hpa-an and five villages, mothers, expectant mothers and the children and mothers from flood relief camps, totalling 500.

Kyemon-State IPRD

**Construction**

Road repaved for convenience of people in Meiky

Meiky, 11 Aug—The asphalt road was in poor condition in front of Basic Education Middle School (East) in Tawkyayaw Ward of Kalwin Village-tract of Meiky Township in the past.

The local people faced difficulties in transportation by motorcycle, car and bicycle. Likewise, the students were disappointed in going to the school along the bad road.

With the assistance of Shwe Nandaw Confectionary in Kalwinsonkhaung Ward, Platoon Commander, the surgeon and party of No 2 Auxiliary Fire Brigade of Tawkyayaw Ward placed concrete the 230 feet long road from 7 to 9 August.

Local people are pleased with their efforts for better transportation in the ward.—Kyemon-049

**Flood victims return home after water level of Donthami Creek subsides**

Thaton, 11 Aug—Flood victims from Duyinseik Village returned home as water level of Donthami Creek declined between Thaton Township of Mon State and Kayin State.

“The water level had been declining here since last five days. The victims from the relief camps moved back home under their owned arrangements. On 9 August, members of Township Fire Services Department and officials from village support committee helped them to be able to return home,” said village administrator U Kyaw Tun.

Due to raising water level at Donthami Creek, the local people from Duyinseik Village in Thaton Township became flood victims.

At present, the victims except 98 people from 16 households residing near the low-lying areas of the village have already returned home.

Kyemon-Thet Oo

(Thaton)
Police seize 7,500 pirated Japanese drama DVDs in Taipei

TAIPEI, 11 Aug—Taipei’s Intellectual Property Rights Police on Saturday announced the seizure of some 7,500 pirated DVDs of Japanese television dramas during a raid on two shops in an underground mall of Taipei Station. The pirated discs were being sold for as little as NTS$100 (about 320 yen) apiece.

The raid was carried out at the request of the Japanese police agency in charge of policing Japanese copyright claims overseas, the Content Overseas Distribution Association.

“Taipei is the region where Japanese video content is the most popular overseas. We are calling for property rights protection,” a CODA official said. The latest crackdown in Taipei on Japanese-related pirated discs is the fourth since 2011.

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Police arrest man for molesting German student in Indian capital

NEW DELHI, 11 Aug—Indian police have arrested a man for allegedly stalking and molesting a German woman student in the Indian capital a couple of days ago, a senior police official said on Saturday.

“The stalker, identified as Manish Kumar, was nabbed on Friday evening. We were able to arrest him on the basis of close circuit television footage obtained from a metro station near Nizamuddin in the central part of the Indian capital,” he said.

Kumar allegedly stalked and then molested the 19-year-old German student who is working with a non-government organization in the national capital, while she was returning home from work along with one of her friends. He fled the spot after the girls raised an alarm, and they subsequently filed a police complaint.

Sexual assaults on women are common in the Indian capital. Last year, the fatal and brutal gangrape of a 23-year-old medical student by six men on a moving bus had shocked the country, and the government was compelled to bring in harsher punishment for offenders.

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Two killed in building collapse in India

NEW DELHI, 11 Aug—At least two people were killed and four injured when a four-storey building collapsed in the western Indian city of Jaipur early Saturday, police said.

Police said the building collapsed at around 03:00 am in Bhatia Basti area of the tourist resort city, also the state capital of Rajasthan.

The injured were sent to hospital while at least three persons remained missing, said police.

Building collapse takes place from time to time in India due to dilapidated conditions of construction, lack of safety measures by owners in renovating or maintenance, and over inhabitation.

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Ban Ki-moon to visit Pakistan on Tuesday

ISLAMABAD, 11 Aug—The United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon will arrive in Islamabad on a two-day visit on Tuesday, state media reported on Saturday.

During his stay, Ban will discuss steps for polio eradication and promotion of education, especially women education, with Pakistani leadership, Radio Pakistan reported.

The World Heath Organization says Pakistan, Nigeria and Afghanistan remain polio-endemic in the world in 2013. The UN Secretary General is expected to hold meetings with the President, the Prime Minister, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs and National Assembly, women parliamentarians and other high officials.

Ban Ki-moon will also take part in the Independence Day celebrations on 14 August. He will also attend a number of functions, including events on polio eradication and youth education, and inauguration of the Centre of Peace and Security at National University of Science and Technology.

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Eight killed, 35 wounded in road crash in NW Bangladesh

DHAKA, 11 Aug—Eight people were killed and 35 others wounded on Saturday in a road crash in north-west Bangladesh, police said.

Sheikh Delwar Hossain, police chief of Gobindaganj Sub-district of northwestern Gaibandha District, 268 km northwest of capital Dhaka, told Xinhua by telephone that the accident took place on Saturday afternoon as two passenger buses coming from opposite directions collided head-on, killing five people on the spot.

Three more passengers died on the way to hospital, Hossain said, adding that the wounded were admitted to local hospitals.

The cause of the accident is under investigation, he added.

The South Asian nation has one of the highest fatality rates for road accidents in the world, mainly due to shoddy highways, poorly-maintained vehicles, violation of traffic rules by inept drivers and lack of monitoring of the traffic department.

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Thai PM vows to develop train service

BANGKOK, 11 Aug—Thai premier Yingluck Shinawatra on Saturday vowed to develop rail transport to boost the country’s development and uplift the peoples’ living standard.

In her weekly televised programme “PM Yingluck Government Meets the People”, she expressed her interest in developing the country’s rail transport, notorious for its poor service.

The premier and her cabinet members recently had a special cabinet meeting on a train trip from Bangkok to central Province of Nakhon Pathom.

She said the meeting agreed that travelling by train is important to the public and the services of the State Railway of Thailand (SRT) should be uplifted in accord with the infrastructure development plan.

Yingluck said the train trip helped her understand the real problems and try to find short and long-term solutions so that the public can benefit from train services.

The pilot project of a new train station was considered. More revenues will be generated apart from ticket fees such as local products to be sold at train stations.

Regarding SRT’s debt problem, the premier said although it has significant debts, it also has potential to generate much financial returns but instead foster connectivity and development in the region.

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Visa window gives tourists a welcome view

BEIJING, 11 Aug—Guangzhou, the third city after Beijing and Shanghai to offer 72-hour visa-free transit to airline passengers, is winning over travellers.

The city’s historic and modern attractions are part of the reason, but it has one advantage that the other two cities don’t: the 72-hour countdown commences the day after arrival, according to Yang Hongyan, deputy director of the marketing department of the Guangzhou Tourism Bureau.

Guangzhou welcomed its first foreign 72-hour visa-free tour group on Tuesday.

The 23 foreigners arrived to a warm welcome by China Southern Airlines at Guangzhou Baiyuan International Airport.

They were also welcomed by the Guangzhou Tourism Bureau, the Guangzhou International Travel Service and the airport administration.

A special half-day tour was arranged free of charge for the foreigners, from countries including the United States, Australia, New Zealand and France.

Their first day got off to a tasty start with a Cantonese breakfast at the Garden Hotel. Then it was time for sightseeing.

The Chen Clan Academy, built in the Qing Dynasty (1644-1911) was a popular attraction. After that morsel of history, modernity called.

The tourists were taken to the heights of delight as they enjoyed a bird’s-eye view from the 600-metre Canton Tower.

Spaniard Fernando Quispez, who teaches Asian culture in the US, was on his first trip to Guangzhou but he has been to China before.

He is fascinated by Chinese history, architecture and sculpture and has travelled to Beijing and Shanghai.

He was flying to Dubai on vacation, by way of Guangzhou, and with the help of the new policy, he finally got the opportunity to enjoy a city with a history of more than 2,200 years.

“The city’s history called. The magnificent sight of the Canton Tower. It’s such a pity that we had only half a day for the trip, which is not enough to explore this amazing city.”—Xinhua

People jubilate at a colour run event in Beijing, capital of China, on 10 Aug, 2013. Colour run is an untimed event with no winners or prices, and runners are showered with coloured powder at stations along the race.—Xinhua

Beijing to host 24th World Congress of Philosophy

ATHENS, 11 Aug—China’s capital Beijing will host the 24th World Congress of Philosophy (WCP) in 2018, it was announced here on Saturday at the closing ceremony of the 23rd WCP.

The announcement was made by Detmut Mou- ran, president of the Programme Committee, the International Federation of Philosophical Societies and the host city committee of philosophy.

It will be the first time for China to host the international meeting, organized by the FISP every five years. FISP President William Mcbride said he was happy to see that the philosophers would meet again in another ancient capital in five years.

According to FISP, the 24th WCP will be organized by the Department of Philosophy, Peking University.

The 23rd WCP opened in Athens on 4 August with some 3,000 participants from more than 100 countries, including Chinese scholars.

During the seven-day meeting, they exchanged views under the main theme of “Philosophy as inquiry and way of life.”

The theme recalls Socrates’ declaration that “an unexamined life is not worth living.”

The first WCP was held in 1900 in Paris. The congress aims at inquiring into the world’s philosophical traditions, reflecting on the tasks and functions of philosophy in the contemporary world, among others.—Xinhua

One missing Chinese found alive and safe now: Chinese Embassy

KABUL, 11 Aug—One of the two missing Chinese citizens in Thursday’s attack had been found alive and transferred to a safe place, another one remained missing and searching is underway, the Chinese Embassy in Kabul said on Saturday.

Three Chinese citizens, one male and two female, were killed on Thursday in an apartment building in central Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan, which marked the first such incident in recent years in this war-torn nation.

The body of an Afghan male was also found at the criminal scene.

All the five Chinese victims are self-employed business people, the embassy confirmed.

According to the embassy, the two female victims were killed accidentally when they stopped by the apartment and met the criminals inside.

After the attack on Chinese citizens, the Chinese Embassy immediately urged the Afghan government to take all practical and necessary measures to arrest the perpetrators and ensure the security of Chinese citizens and institutions in Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, an official with the Afghan Interior Ministry described the bloody incident as a criminal act.

“Unidentified armed men sneaked into the apartment of the Chinese nationals in Qalai Fattal area of the 4th police district on Thursday afternoon, killing four people including three Chinese and their Afghan guard,” the official told Xinhua but declined to be named.—Xinhua

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Shah Rukh Khan can’t stop smiling on success of Chennai Express

Mumbai, 11 Aug — Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan’s Chennai Express, which released on the auspicious occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr on Thursday, says he can’t stop smiling thanks to the overwhelming response to the movie. “I can’t stop smiling. Till the time I don’t stop smiling, the excitement won’t settle down,” Shah Rukh said. The conference was held at the compound of his Bandra bungalow Mannat, and he was accompanied by Chennai Express director Rohit Shetty.

Shah Rukh said he is happy with the initial response, but he wants to wait for some more days to see how the film sustains. “It is nice that the film is doing well. I want to wait for three to four days. I am happy that people have liked the film and it has opened well,” he said. However, he didn’t know about the film’s success in terms of numbers.

Disney’s animated adventure ‘Planes’ enters tailwind of ‘Cars’

Los Angeles, 11 Aug — For a film once slated to go straight to DVD, Disney’s animated adventure “Planes” has some lofty ambitions: it not only wants to be a worthy spin-off of the “Cars” franchise, it also aspires to tell a global story. Out in US theatres on Friday, “Planes” portrays a fleet of aircraft that is as loveable as the automobiles in “Cars,” an underlying story of Dusty Crophopper who aspires to win the air racing championship that challenges contenders to fly around the globe.

The modest crop dusterc faces two problems, sizable ones at that: he’s not built for racing and he is terrified of high heights. With all odds seemingly against him, Dusty trains with vet-

Amanda Bynes’ mother appointed conservator over actress’s affairs

Los Angeles, 11 Aug — A California judge gave Amanda Bynes’ mother legal control of the troubled actress’s affairs on Friday, according to court documents. Ventura County Superior Court Judge Glen Reiser granted a temporary conservatorship motion brought by Bynes’ parents, the documents said. They filed the request after the 27-year-old actress allegedly started a small fire in front of a home in the Los Angeles suburb of Thousand Oaks last month.

Ventura County Sheriff deputies put the former teenage star of Nickelodeon series “All That” in involuntary psychiatric care at a local hospital after the 22 July incident, and Bynes has been there ever since. Bynes’ mother, Lynn Bynes, will now have control over her financial and legal affairs. She would also gain control over Bynes’ medical treatment if the actress is released from court-ordered treatment. It is rare for a judge to grant conservatorship in the case of adults. Most famously, pop singer Britney Spears was put under conservatorship in 2008 following a personal melt-

Kings of Leon go ‘young and fun’ for new album ‘Mechanical Bull’

Los Angeles, 11 Aug — Rock group Kings of Leon are getting less serious with age, as the band prepares to bring “young and fun” new music on Friday to their fans across the world in a quirky collaboration with comedian Fred Armisen. Kings of Leon, formed by Followill brothers Caleb, Nathan, Jared and cousin Matthew, are marking a decade in the music industry since their debut album “Youth & Young Manhood” was released in 2003. After a hiatus in 2012, Kings of Leon are back on the road to support their upcoming sixth studio album “Mechanical Bull,” due out in September.

Mathew Followill, the band’s guitarist, said the new album will see the rockers embracing a lighter sound, set by the lead single “Supersoaker.” The new album also marks a milestone in the band members’ own lives as they have all become family men in recent years, getting married and becoming parents. “It ended up being a lot more young and fun-sounding than the other albums. We’re not so serious this time,” Followill told Reuters of “Mechan-
ical Bull.” “We’re still the same people, we just have kids and it was really awesome. It made us almost have more fun in life and not take things so seriously, we just had a little more fun with things.”

Formed in Nashville, Tennessee, Kings of Leon have steadily risen into the spotlight over the last ten years, breaking into the mainstream music charts with 2008’s “Only By The Night,” which featured hit singles “Sex on Fire” and “Use Somebody.”
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Serena to meet Cirstea in Toronto final

TORONTO, 11 Aug — Top seed Serena Williams shook off a spirited attempt by Agnieszka Radwanska and moved into the final of the Rogers Cup with a 7-6(3), 6-4 victory on Sat-urday and will meet Romania’s Simona Cirstea, whose surprising run con- tinued when she beat China’s Li Na 6-1, 7-6(5). The American held a 5-0 record against Radwanska coming into the match, but the Pole surprised the 16-times grand slam champion by being aggressive and not mixing up her shots.

“IT was really close and I had my chances but wasn’t really taking them,” Radwanska told reporters. “It’s always turning against me, especially when you play a top player. I was really trying to play aggressive and going forward, but she’s really playing deep and strong balls. It’s really hard to do anything.” Williams broke Radwanska at love to go ahead 5-4 in the first set with a heavy forehand crosscourt winner, but then was broken back at love herself when she dou- ble faulted.

Both women held to go to a tiebreak which Williams dictated and sealed it 7-3 with a forehand volley winner and big ace during which Williams called the trainer in between sets for a stomach problem but said that it did not affect her play as Radwanska broke to take a 2-1 in the second set when she forced the American into a backhand error. Radwanska’s wiring could not maintain her advantage, as Williams picked up the pace, breaking back to 3-3 with a booming overhead.

While the Polish world number four is faster than Williams, the American stayed in most of their long rallies and serving at 4-4, she fought off a break point with a forehand crosscourt winner and then held in a long point that ended with her ripping a forehand down the line.

Rocketchief.

Sweden’s Henrik Stenson watches his shot on the seventh tee during the third round of the 2013 PGA Championship golf tournament at Oak Hill Country Club in Rochester, New York on 10 Aug, 2013.

STENSON AND BLIXT HOPE FOR SWEDEN TO END PGA MEATING: Serena Williams of the US returns a shot to Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland during their women’s semi-final tennis match at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto, on 10 Aug, 2013.—Reuters

SANDRO: I almost quit football

Serena Williams of the US returns a shot to Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland during their women’s semi-final tennis match at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament in Toronto, on 10 Aug, 2013.—Reuters

Tottenham’s Brazilian midfielder Sandro is already eyeing a place in Laiz Felipe Scolari’s team at next year’s World Cup: “I am ready and very excited to carry on my work here,” he said. “I hope that Felipao (Scolari) can see my per-formances and give me an opportunity.”

SANDRO: I almost quit football

SAN FRANCISCO, 11 Aug—Italy’s Luna Rossa swept into the final of the America’s Cup challenger series on Saturday, completing a 4-0 sweep over the grief-stricken Swedish syndicate Artemis. Needing to win Saturday’s fourth race at San Francis-co Bay to keep the best-of-seven semi-final series go-ing, Artemis made a great start, taking the early lead with their high-tech 72-foot catamaran.

But their joy was short-lived when they were penalized for touch- ing the Italian boat during the pre-start. The penalty led a television camera-man to call the Swedish team, which lost its team-mate during a May training exercise, “jinxed.” Artemis landed two more penalties for sailing out of bounds during the race, effec-tively ending their hopes of winning and allowing Luna Rossa to cruise to victory by two minutes and 11 seconds. With the win, Luna Rossa ad- vanced to the final of the Louis Vuitton Cup against Emirates Team New Zea-land. Their best-of-13 se-ries, which will decide the challenger to compete against defending champi-on Oracle Team USA for the America’s Cup, starts on 17 August.

The Kiwis easily defeated Luna Rossa in the round-robin prelimi-nary series to go straight through to the final, but Luna Rossa helmsman Chris Draper said the Italian’s were performing better now. “We’ve improved tons,” Draper said. “We’ve all seen that the Kiwis are very, very solid. These boats are pretty humbling.

Fingers crossed we can be as competitive as possible.” Software billion- aire Larry Ellison’s Or-acle team won the Cup in 2010 and with it the right to set the rules and choose the venue, the windy San Francisco Bay, for this year’s competition. For Artemis, Saturday’s defeat marked the end of a tragic campaign. British Olympi-c gold medalist Andrew “Bart” Simpson was killed in a training accident on 9 May.

The accident destroyed the Artemis boat and wing. The team had planned to sail a second catamaran but changes had to be made to it, a new wing had to be built, and the crew needed to feel safe again. Consequently, the team skipped the round-robin stage and almost missed the entire event. “It’s been a terrible period for the team,” Artemis skipper Iain Percy, Simpson’s teammate and best friend, said. “We de-strayed all our equipment. We had a huge amount of work to do. “I’m still in disbelief about what we have done. For us to be out there racing was our victory.”

Italy’s Luna Rossa Chall enge (R) passes Swe den’s Arte mis Racing during Race 4 of their Louis Vuitton Cup semi finals in San Francisco, California on 10 Aug, 2013. —Reuters
Kung Fu to help boost Chinese football

ZHENGZHOU, 11 Aug—While many people practise Kung Fu for body building, a school has been launched in central China with the purpose of helping Chinese soccer development with the ancient martial art.

The soccer school, being constructed in Dengfeng City of Henan Province, is located only miles away from the Shaolin Temple, the birthplace of Kung Fu. It is expected to recruit more than 10,000 students upon completion in three years.

However, a monk from the Shaolin Temple said on condition of anonymity that the temple was not part of the project and no disciples were involved.

The “Shaolin Juanye International Football School” was launched earlier this year. It was founded by the Ruling Circle of Song Shan Temple Monks Training Base Mission Education (Group), a local institution founded in 1997 that focuses on martial arts teaching, and Henan Juanye Football Club, a former A-list team in China, which was relegated in 2012.

The two sides will invest 2 billion yuan (324 million US dollars) in the school, which covers an area of 55.7 hectares. A stadium and two gyms will also be built.

Shi Yanlu, founder of the school and a former disciple of the current abbot of the Shaolin Temple Shi Yongxin, told Xinhua on Friday that the football school aims to integrate the spirits and skills of Kung Fu into sports.

“The grasp of attack and defence in Chinese Kung Fu will benefit football training,” said Shi.

Although soccer fans still have to wait three years for the construction to be completed, 500 football players have already been chosen out of 15,000 teenagers from the group’s martial arts school. They have already been through high-intensity training since 2010, said Shi.

Football training, martial arts practice and general knowledge courses occupy one third of the player’s training time respectively, said Shi.

He said the players had no match experience and had no plans to join professional football teams at present.

“For now their priority is to build a firm foundation of their skills,” said Shi.

“We don’t want them to achieve quick success. We want to do something eligible for Chinese martial arts and football.”—Xinhua

Nadal beats Djokovic, to face Raonic in Montreal final

MONTREAL, 11 Aug—Spain’s Rafa Nadal handed Novak Djokovic another semi-final defeat when he beat the world number one at the Rogers Cup on Saturday to set up a title decider against local favorite Milos Raonic. Nadal held off a surging Djokovic to win 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 in a pulsating semi-final that resembled a heavyweight boxing showdown with the duo trading breathtaking winners.

The victory was Nadal’s second successive over Djokovic at this stage of a tournament following his epic five-set triumph on clay at the French Open in June. “To beat Novak on any surface is very important,” Nadal said in a court-side interview.

“His level is always high and you have to play well... almost perfect to beat him,” Nadal said after a flying start in front of a capacity crowd as Djokovic was unusually tentative and struggled on serve.

But the ball did not last long in the Serbian, two time defending champion, stormed back into the contest, unleashing some crunching forehand winners as he drew level. With the audience roaring their approval at every thrilling rally, Djokovic looked to have the momentum in the match as he continued to find success in going for his shots, keeping his opponent pinned on the baseline. But all the while Nadal showed off some magic of his own and it became clear that this high-quality encounter, the 36th between the pair, would need a tiebreak to settle the issue.

Nadal went up another gear in racing a 6-0 lead in the breaker but even in defeat Djokovic went down swinging. He saved two match points with winners before a forehand drifted long to hand the Spaniard a first hard court victory over his rival since 2010. “It was a very close match,” Djokovic told reporters.

“There were very few points that decided the winner.” “I had my chances. At the end he played better.”

Raonic had earlier advanced to his first Masters series final when he recovered from a mid-match slump to win a third set tiebreak 6-4, 1-6, 7-6(4) against wildcard and compatriot Vasek Pospisil. “I’m very happy at this moment,” said the world number 13 Raonic, who will move into the world’s top 10 for the first time after reaching the final. “It’s (top ten rankings) been a very important thing for me, a big objective.” Raonic needed all his superior experience to win through, as Pospisil ranked 71st, fought from a set down to nearly pull off an upset.

Raonic made the more assured start in an already popular and loud crowd, basking in the knowledge that a Canadian winner was assured. A solitary break of serve was all that separated the two in the opening set as Pospisil adopted an aggressive approach that produced mixed results. He capitalized on some sloppy play from Raonic to win the second set and force a deciding set to compete the distance. Both players traded winners from all parts of the court before Raonic sealed victory as he became the first Canadian in more than 50 years to reach the final.
Families of Defence Services, wellwishers donate cash and kind to Tatkon monasteries, nunneries

Most notorious human trafficking ring leader to be charged in accordance with Thai law

YANGON, 11 Aug—Myanmar government would take measures in accordance with the Thailand’s law to charge a key suspect and the most notorious human trafficking ring leader in Myanmar’s history, said Police Col Win Naing Tun, deputy chief of Myanmar anti-human trafficking police corps.

Myanmar citizen Ko Myo (a) Aung Myo Min has been living in Thailand for many decades was captured along with other three suspects in a raid by a combined force comprising authorities of Thailand and officials from Myanmar Embassy on 1 August in Thailand’s southern province of Surat Thani.

Four of the 14 trafficking victims were rescued from a port in Kantang and a human trafficker namely Aye Min was also captured in a raid on 10 March by Thai police and immigration force. “I was captured by Ko Myo and had been sold out to fishing industry for three times. Though I worked for three years in the trawlers, I have not yet sent a penny to my home,” said Aung Phyo Wai, a victim of human trafficking.

According to testimonies of the victims, Ko Myo involved in human trafficking, labour abuse, rape and exploitation over the victims to control workers on trawlers.

He was identified as the leader of a trafficking gang and involved in human trafficking and murdering, according to the testimonies of the victims and Aye Min, one of his aide.

Ko Myo is being held in custody at a hospital after sustaining gunshot wounds during the raid. “We are now investigating his involvement in the human trafficking murdering and rape and we will work together with our counterparts in Thailand to charge him,” Police Col Win Naing Tun.—MNA

Thanantana Dhammapalaka (Hindu) Association donates Waso robes to members of the Sangha

YANGON, 11 Aug—ThanantanaDhammapalaka (Hindu) Association offered Waso robes and a day mean to members of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee and members of the Sangha of the State Pariyatti Sasana University (Yangon) at Mogok Refetory on Kabu Aye Hill in Mayangon Township today.

The 16th ceremony was attended by Union Minister for Religious Affairs U Hsan Hsint and wife, departmental officials and responsible personnel of the ThanantanaDhammapalaka (Hindu) Association.

During the ceremony, U Than Htay of Thanantana Dhammapalaka (Hindu) Association supplicated on measures being taken by the association.

The Union minister and Hindu families offered Waso robes to members of the Sangha.

Mr Tomas Ojea Quintana arrives in Yangon

YANGON, 11 Aug—Mr Tomas Ojea Quintana, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar, arrived here by air this evening.

He was welcomed by Yangon International Airport by officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Resident Representative Offices of UN Agencies.

Car bombs kill nearly 80 in Iraq, target Eid festivities

Baghdad, 11 Aug—A series of car bombs in mainly Shi’ite areas of Baghdad killed 57 people and wounded more than 150 on Saturday, in what appeared to be coordinated attacks on people celebrating the end of the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan.

The 12 separate blasts targeting markets, busy shopping streets and parks where families like to mark Eid were part of a surge in sectarian violence in Iraq since the start of the year.

This has been one of the deadliest Ramadan months in years, with regular bomb attacks killing scores of people, especially in the capital. The latest bombings were similar to attacks in Baghdad on Tuesday in which 50 died. More than 1,000 Iraqis have been killed in July, the highest monthly death toll since 2008, according to the United Nations.

The Interior Ministry has said the country faced an “open war” fuelled by Iraq’s sectarian divisions and has ramped up security in Baghdad, closing roads and sending out frequent helicopter patrols.

Eighteen months since the last US troops withdrew from Iraq, Sunni Islamist militias have been regaining momentum in their insurgency against the Shi’ite-led government, and have been emboldened by the civil war in neighbouring Syria. On Saturday, the president of Iraqi Kurdistan said his region was prepared to defend Kurds living in neighbouring Syria, in what appeared to be the first warning of a possible intervention and a further sign that the conflict is spilling over Syria’s borders.—Reuters