Representatives of the Union Peace-making Work Committee-UPWC, the Nationwide Ceasefire Coordination Team-NCCT and political parties gathered at Myanmar Peace Centre in Yangon on Saturday for second time to exchange views on ongoing peace process.

Deputy minister U Khin Zaw explained the project and the director general U Kyaw Myint Hlaing detailed the facilities of dam which will be used for hydropower generation and irrigation system for the cultivable lands in the area.

President then instructed the officials concerned to construct the water channels and to set up electricity generators and to build concrete water passages, and to install solar power system along the passages.

U Thein Sein also said that the water flowed out of the dam is to be used for cultivable lands nearby areas.

The area of water release from Myogyi dam is 725 square miles, with the full storage capacity of 373,420 acre. The water for this dam will be collected from Kyaing Kham dam which is under construction, and Zawgyi dam which has been constructed.

Myogyi dam is designed to generate 30 megawatt hydropower and drain off water to 82,000 acre of farms in the irrigated area of Zawgyi dam and 33,000 acres in Meiktila plain.

The construction of this dam has been completed 82 percent, and it is expected to finalize in 2015-2016 fiscal year.

The president and senior government officials then proceeded to Yeywa hydropower project and inspected water storage facilities.

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Uniforms provided to traffic rules enforcement committee

MYAWADY, 27 Sept —A ceremony to present uniforms to Township Traffic Rules Enforcement Committee was held at the hall of the Township General Administration Department in Myawady of Kayin State on 24 September.

Chairman of District Management Committee Deputy Commissioner of the district U Lwin Ko Oo explained the purpose of providing uniforms to the township traffic rules enforcement committee formed with officials and local people.

The deputy commissioner gave 35 sets of uniforms to officials. **District IPRD**

Undertakings of drug elimination disseminated to people in Myawady

MYAWADY, 27 Sept —The talks about danger of narcotic drugs, progress of Zwegabin operations in combating narcotic drugs in Kayin State, alternative development, treatment of drug addicts and rehabilitation. Chairman of the District Committee for Drug Abuse Control Deputy Commissioner of the district U Lwin Ko Oo explained progress of drug elimination tasks in the district and educative talks given to the students and people and participation of the people in drug elimination tasks.

Commander of District Police Force Police Lt-Col Myint Thein reported on action taken against 81 men and 47 women in 81 drug-related cases in 2014. Col Myint Thein urged all to participate in combating narcotic drugs. **Wai Yan Lin (IPRD)**

Land plot price rising in Natogyi Township

NATOGYI, 27 Sept—Prices of land plots and houses are hiking in Natogyi Township of Mandalay year by year. A private bank has recently bought a building worth K300 million beside Myingyan-Mandalay Road in Ward 4 of Natogyi and is making preparing the building as a bank branch.

Some Ingyan fossil companies and gems and goldsmith shops buy the land plots at high prices, reaching K30 million. Some residences were sold at hundred of million kyats, said a local. Prices of land plots in extended wards of Natogyi rose to K1 million from original price K20,000. **Htay Myint Maung**

Farming rights certificates issued to farmers of Pangsai Township

PANGSAI, (Kyukok), 27 Sept—A ceremony to present farming rights certificates took place at the hall of Pangsai Township General Administration Department in Shan State on Thursday.

Secretary of Township Farmland Management Committee (Head of Settlement and Land Records Department) U Zaw Min Naing explained applying for farming rights certificates and issuance of the certificates. Township Administrator U Myo Naing and officials presented certificates to 326 farmers from Ward 4 and Kyenyang Village-tract. **L. Soe (IPRD)**

Fire destroys one shop at Aharathukha Market

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept —Overheated air-conditioner triggered to break out fire at Sein Htet restaurant of U Thet Khaing Phyo on the eastern wing of Aharathukha Market in Pyinmana Township at 6 pm on Thursday.

Over 130 firefighters put out the fire with the use of 20 fire trucks and two management vehicles. The fire engulfed one shop worth K100,000. There was no casualty in the fire, sources said. **Myo Zeyar (Pyinmana)**
President U Thein Sein visits Myogyi dam...

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was signed with the Cole-no Power Engineer Co., Ltd of Switzerland. The construc-tion was completed in 2011-2012 fiscal year. Yeywa hydropower project, which is located on Duhtawaddi River, has a total generation capacity of 790 megawatt from four turbines which are running in full swing.

Myanmar moves to attract more foreign investments

The Ministry of Electric-ity is now generating a total of 2,171 megawatt electricity and has pro-jected to increase by 438 megawatt in hot season of 2015.—MNA

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing tours Tokyo, meets Nippon Foundation chairman

NAY Pi Taw, 27 Sept—Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing, accompanied by Chief of Staff of the Japan Self-De-fense Forces General Shige-ru Iwasaki, visited Tokyo Skytree, a stand-alone com-munication tower in Tokyo, on Saturday, sources said.

The world’s second highest structure, Tokyo Skytree boasts a height of 634 metres and was opened on 22 May 2012.

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing arrived at the Great Buddha of Kamakura at 11am, where he offered flowers, water and joss sticks before signing in the visitors’ book and donating some cash.

In the afternoon, Sen-ior General Min Aung Hlaing went to the Umiharu- taru Man-made Island and the Uni-megane Museum through the Tokyo Bay Aquiline, which is also known as the Tokyo Bay Highway.

The Tokyo Bay Aquiline is a 15.1 km ma-rine crossing through the middle of Tokyo Bay con-necting Kawasaki City in Kanagawa Prefecture with Kisarazu City in Chiba Prefect-ure. The Aquiline consists of a 9.5-km shield tunnel (the Tokyo Bay Tunnel) and a 4.4-km bridge and was commissioned into service on 18 December 1997.

In the late afternoon, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing received a courtesy call by Mr Yohei Sasaka-wa, Chairman of the Nip-pon Foundation, at the New Otani Hotel to discuss rural development and infrastruc-tural development.

Mr Yohei Sasakawa hosted a dinner to Senior General Min Aung Hlaing at Hoppo-en Garden, a Jap-anese traditional restaurant, at 7 pm.

Tripartite peace process talks...

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help to build more under-standing among the dia-logue partners through full and frank discussion”. “Discussions on on-going peace process and a framework for political di-alogue will be held during the meeting”, he added.

The tripartite meeting kicked off with greetings of the leaders of the UPWC and the NCCT. A welcome speech of Union Minister U Aung Min, deputy lead-

and the Peninsula Press of the United States, took place at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in New York on 24 September, sources said.

The tripartite meeting began with discussions of representatives from political parties. In his introduction of the belief and stance of the NCCT representing ethnic armed groups to attendees, U Naing Han Thar, NCCT leader, highlighted the im-portance of political dialo-gue for political solution. He continued to assert that no secession attempt will happen to the Union based on ethnic equality and self-determination.

The tripartite meeting continued with discussions of representatives from polit-i cal parties.

The Ministry of Border Affairs, aiming to develop the socio-economy of the eth-nic people in border areas.—MNA

Ethnic women complete sewing course

YANGON, 27 Sept—A total of 140 ethnic women were certified on Satur-day for the completion of sewing course using mo-torized machines.

The third training pro-gramme was launched by the Ministry of Border Af-fairs, aiming to develop the socio-economy of the eth-nic people in border areas.—MNA

The certification cer-eemony for No. 3 Sewing Course held in Dagon Myo-thit (North) of Yangon was attended by union minister for border affairs Lieutenant General Thet Naing Win.

U San Shwe Aung, di-rector general of directorate of education and training programme, explained the intention of training course.
Pagoda Pujaniya festivals to attract visitors, pilgrims

Mandalay, 27 Sept—The Buddha Pujaniya festivals of Kyauktawgyi, Sandamuni and Kuthodaw Pagodas in Mandalay will be held from 6 to 15 September.

During the festival period, local people will offer rice and alms to 635 members of the Sangha at Kyauktawgyi Pagoda, 250 at Sandamuni Pagoda and 3,200 at Kuthodaw Pagoda. Moreover, the people around the pagodas will donate over 600 alms bowls to members of the Sangha.

In addition, theatrical performances will be entertained to the visitors at the pagodas. Vendors from here and there will sell domestic products and traditional foods at the festivities.

Min Htet Aung (Mandalay Sub-printing House)

One Man Show water colour works depict artist’s emotion

Mandalay, 27 Sept—The One Man Show water colour art show of Artist Lwin Lwin Kyaw kicked off at the arts room at the foot of Mandalay Hill on 26 September.

He shows 87 works of paintings depicting Myanmar cultural heritages in Mandalay, Sagaing, Mingun and PyinOoLwin regions. “I pour out my emotion portraits in 10 years experiences of the arts field. Most of the works are outdoor paintings,” the artist said.

The show was attended by veteran artists, enthusiasts and media persons. The art show will last up to 30 September.

Min Htet Aung (Mandalay Sub-printing House)

People join public movement of preventing danger of narcotic drugs

Mohnyin, 27 Sept—with the aim of preventing danger of narcotic drugs on a self-reliant basis, members of Christian churches in Mohnyin, townelders and local people participated in the public movement on prevention against narcotic drugs as of the first week of Mohnyin.

The vinyl posters were erected at the junction of the town and pamphlets on danger of narcotic drugs were distributed to the people. The people join hand with the authorities in exposing the drug-related cases. “Thanks to the public movement, drug traffickers were arrested and stimulant tablets and cash seized. 62 stimulant tablets and K5.9 million were seized from Ko Ko Aung of Hmaawan Ward,” said a local.—NLM-001

Mandalay, 27 Sept—Chief Justice of Mandalay Region High Court U Soe Thein and officials inspected Central Jail of Mandalay Region on Friday.

Jail Group Director U Ngwe Than and officials reported on health care, foods, supply of water and accommodation of the prisoners and inmates. The Chief Justice and party asked the prisoners and inmates for enjoying their rights in the jail and visited the halls of the jail. Yin Maung (Mandalay)

Min Htet Aung (Mandalay Sub-printing House)
German prof explains tax system, budgetary process

YANGON, 27 Sept—Germany professor Dr. Hans Fehr from the Wuerzburg university explained the central Europe country’s tax system and budgetary process at the seminar here on Saturday.

The event attended by Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Chairman of Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) was held at parliamentary office.

The Seminar on Tax System and Budgetary Process; A Practical Introduction was launched with the opening speech of U Aung Thaung, chairman of Banks and Monetary Sector Development Committee at Pyithu Hluttaw (Lower House) and Konstantin Barwaldt, country representative of the Bonn-based Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung.—MNA

Chairman of constitutional tribunal makes official visit to SKorea

YANGON, Sept 27—U Mya Thein, chairman of constitutional tribunal, and Myanmar delegates on Friday evening left for South Korea to attend the 3rd Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice which will be held in Seoul from 28 September to 1 October.

The chairman accompanied by Daw Hla Myo Nwe, member of constitutional tribunal and deputy director U Hla Myo, will attend the four-day event addressing the topic of ‘Constitutional Justice and Social Integration’.

The leaders of constitutional courts, supreme courts, and constitutional councils, as well as international organizations from almost 100 countries, some of them are non-member institutions and international organizations in this field, are scheduled to attend the event.

The World Conference on Constitutional Justice unites 91 Constitutional Courts and Councils and Supreme Courts in Africa, the Americas, Asia and Europe.

The upcoming event is aimed to facilitate judicial dialogue between constitutional judges on a global scale.

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Foundations of Journalism and Radio Journalism Basics Workshop concludes

Ms Libby Liu of Radio Free Asia (RFA) participates in Foundations of Journalism and Radio Journalism Basics Workshop.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept—Union Minister for Information U Ye Htut, President Ms Libby Liu of Radio Free Asia (RFA) and Chairman Mr Pavel Fisher of Prague Freedom Foundation (PFF) made speeches at the closing of Foundations of Journalism and Radio Journalism Basics Workshop held at Myanmar Radio and Television in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon on Saturday.

Senior Editor Sayar U Khin Maung Soe of RFA made assessment on the course which was conducted from 15 to 27 September and attended by 20 trainees from Broadcasting Division, Television Division, National Race Channel and National Race (Broadcast).

News writing, journalists’ code of conduct, media ethics, broadcasting usage, recording, editing, interviewing, outdoor news covering were lectured at the course both in theory and in practice.—MNA

Japanese company donates database life insurance system for Myanmar seamen

By Khang Thanda Lwin

Taiyo Life Insurance Company of Japan on Saturday donated US$61,500 worth database life insurance system for seamen and its related materials to Myanmar Insurance.

Tokyo-based company is now providing individual life and health insurance and saving product to some five million customers in Japan.

The database software for seamen with Myanmar language was created by Japanese developers to make insurance services easy, and its unique security system will not read incomplete applications for life insurance, according to an official of the company.

At the donation ceremony, deputy finance minister Dr Maung Maung Thein said that some half a million of Myanmar citizens have insurance cover, while life insurance of seamen is at the third position in the country.

He also said that the database insurance system will support the development of insurance market of the country.

President Katsuhide Tanaka of the Tai Life Insurance said he sees the rapid economic growth of Myanmar, with business aspiration of foreign companies to invest in the insurance market of the southeast Asian country.

He also said that the company has future plan to provide the staff of insurance companies with training programme together with technology assistance to the Myanmar Insurance, the state-owned insurance organization.

Japanese ambassador to Myanmar Tateshi Higuchi said that Myanmar is one of the most potential countries for business sector among developing nations.

Tayto Life Insurance Company, the third biggest insurance company of Japan, was founded in 1893. It has 145 branches in Japan and two foreign representative offices in the United States and Myanmar. The company opened its representative office in April 2012 in Yangon, while awaiting the green lights from the Myanmar government for insurance services.

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Beechcraft King Air 350i makes its debut at YGN Int’l Airport

NAY PYI TAW, 27 Sept—Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung and Minister for Environment Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun enjoyed a plane ride as Textron company of United States introduced its 9-seater Beechcraft King Air 350i at Yangon International Airport on Saturday.

The aircraft can be used as a transporter in the domestic flights as well as search and rescue, air ambulance and aerial photography missions especially in the short runway airfields in Regions and States. After the ride, the minister inspected aviation functions at the Mingalardon Airport and control tower.

As the number of airlines and air travellers has increased in the country and about 550 international flights pass through Myanmar’s airspace, air controllers at the Mingalardon Airport are to discharge their duties round the clock.

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Pakistan successfully tests short-range missile, says military

ISLAMABAD, 27 Sept — Pakistan on Friday conducted a successful test fire of a short range surface-to-surface missile, the military said.

Hafiz (NASR) missile, which has a range of 60 km and in-flight maneuverability, is a quick response system, with shoot and scoot attributes.

"It contributes to the full spectrum deterrence against the prevailing threat spectrum," a military statement said.

The test fire of Hafiz (NASR) was conducted with successive launches of four missiles from a state of the art Multi Tube Launcher with Salvo Mode, the statement said.

The flight test was witnessed by top military officials including the chairman joint chiefs of staff committee, General Rashad Mahmood.

Addressing the participants at the launch area, General Mahmood congratulated the scientists and engineers on achieving yet another milestone in Pakistan's deterrence capability.

He appreciated the professional attributes of all concerned which made possible the successful launch of the weapon system, the statement said.

He showed his full confidence over the Strategic Command and Control System and the Pakistan Armed Forces' capability to safeguard security of the country against any aggression.

The successful test launch has also been warmly appreciated by the president and the prime minister of Pakistan who congratulated the participating troops, the scientists and engineers on their achievement.

New Afghan gov’t to ink BSA within days: presidential advisor

KABUL, 27 Sept — Afghan presidential advisor on national security, Rangin Dadfar Spanta, said on Saturday that the Bilateral Security Agreement (BSA) between Kabul and Washington would be signed at the end of this month, next Tuesday.

"I am in favour of inking bilateral security agreement with US and NATO, and I am happy that the agreement will be signed by the new government on or before 29 Sep. 2014," Spanta said in his speech delivered at a security conference opened in the western Herat City on Saturday morning.

Afghan presidential inauguration ceremony is scheduled for 29 Sep. 2014, during which the president-elect Ashraf Ghani Ahmadzai will assume office from outgoing Hamid Karzai to mark the first-ever peaceful power transition in the conflict-ridden history of Afghanistan.

Afghans in the traditional Loya Jirga or grand assembly of tribal elders, government functionaries and politicians in November 2013 endorsed BSA and urged President Hamid Karzai to ink the agreement at an early date, demand has been refused by Karzai.

Spanta also added that inking BSA would guarantee the future of Afghanistan.

Hiroshima to host experts’ meeting on nuke test ban treaty

NEW YORK, 27 Sept —

Japanese Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida revealed on Friday that the city of Hiroshima is planning to host next year’s meeting of experts working to bring into effect the international treaty aimed at banning nuclear explosions for testing.

Kishida, a veteran lawmaker from Hiroshima, made the announcement of convening a meeting in the western Japan city of the Group of Eminent Persons for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Organization.

"As foreign minister of the only country that ever has experienced atomic bombings in war as well as a person from Hiroshima, I am determined to lead the promotion of nuclear disarmament," Kishida told a CTBT-related foreign ministerial meeting.

Kishida urged relevant countries which only signed the treaty, such as the United States and China, to ratify it as soon as possible so the treaty will take effect.

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The members have been working to put CTBT into effect ahead of the 70th anniversary of the US nuclear attacks on the two Japanese cities just days before the end of World War II.
US continues to focus on Asia-Pacific region

NEW YORK, 27 Sept — A senior US diplomat said on Friday there is no change in President Barack Obama’s focus on Asia-Pacific region even though Washington is busy dealing with Islamic State extremists and the Ukrainian crisis.

“Our robust Asia-Pacific engagement continues,” Daniel Russel, assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs, told reporters in New York on the fringes of the annual UN General Assembly. Russel said the US government is willing to expand cooperation with the Chinese government in global challenges such as climate change and antiterrorism measures.

But he criticized China for its “problematic behaviour” in claiming disputed islands in the South China Sea by implementing unilateral measures such as creating landfill in areas where it has territorial disputes with the Philippines and Vietnam.

The scale, scope and pace of China’s reclamation work “vastly exceeds” US interests, he said.

Understandings yet to reach

No breakthrough in Iranian nuclear talks, sides agree to keep talking

UNITED NATIONS, 27 Sept — Iran and six world powers made little progress in overcoming significant disagreements in the most recent round of nuclear talks, including on uranium enrichment, Iranian and Western diplomats close to the negotiations said on Friday.

Officials from Iran and the six countries had cautioned ahead of the talks in New York that a breakthrough was unlikely to end sanctions on Teheran, although they had hoped substantial progress could be made in narrowing disagreements.

A senior State Department official said gaps “are still serious” with just eight weeks to go before a 24 November deadline.

“We do not have an understanding on all major issues, we have some understandings that are helpful to move this process forward and we have an enormous number of details still to work through,” the official told reporters.

US and China still very difficult un

Chicago-area air traffic centre fire grounds 1,750 flights

CHICAGO, 27 Sept — A fire apparently set by an employee at a Chicago-area air traffic control centre led to the cancellation of more than 1,700 flights at the city’s two major airports, snarling air travel across the United States, officials said.

Flights resumed at O’Hare International Airport, one of the world’s busiest, after a delay of about four hours, but there were bottlenecks across the entire air system that carriers expect to last through the weekend.

There were no indications that the fire was an act of terrorism and the blaze was quickly extinguished, authorities said. The Federal Aviation Administration said employees were evacuated from its control centre when the fire broke out. One person was treated for smoke inhalation.

Brian Howard, 36, who lives in the Chicago suburb of Naperville, was charged on Friday in US District Court in Chicago with one felony count of destruction of aircraft or aircraft facilities, prosecutors said.

Howard, who has worked at the facility in Aurora, near Chicago, for eight years, was recently told that he was being transferred to Hawaii, according to the complaint.

The suspect is a long-time employee of Harris Corp, which provides equipment and technical support for the FAA facility in Chicago and many others, US government officials said.

The FAA is still assessing the damage, which may be significant, but the agency hopes to restore air traffic to relatively normal levels over the next few days, they said.

Air traffic was being handled by other control centres in the region, including Minneapolis, Indianapolis and Cleveland, officials said.

According to an affidavit attached to the complaint, Howard could be seen on video entering the facility just after 5 am dragging a black hard-sided suitcase.— Reuters

UN peacekeeping should keep pace with changing times

UNITED NATIONS, 27 Sept — UN peacekeeping should keep pace with the changing times, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi said here on Friday.

He made the remarks when speaking at a high-level meeting on UN peacekeeping, held at the UN headquarters in New York and on the margins of the UN General Assembly’s annual general debate session.

Since 1948, the Blue Helmet has been a symbol of the UN that brings peace to conflict zones and hope to local people, Wang said.

“Today, much has changed regarding the circumstances and mission of UN peacekeeping operations, which calls for constant improvement and innovation in peacekeeping in line with the changing times,” he told the meeting.

China supports UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon’s proposal for a review of peacekeeping operations, Wang noted.

“We believe this should be made a priority for the 69th Session of the General Assembly, and we hope to make positive progress by the 70th anniversary of the UN next year,” he said.— Xinhua
CORRUPTION TAKES TWO PEOPLE
By Kyaw Thura

It would be a vague idea if corruption is deemed bilateral. Nothing in the world can escape from the nature of cause and effect. When we talk about corruption, we tend to focus on the taker rather on the giver. It always takes two hands to clasp. Corruption is of numerous forms. In essence, corruption means private gain at public expense. Corruption is of two kinds: grand corruption and petty corruption.

Thievery of state assets by officials can amount to grand corruption. Petty corruption is often found at middle and lower levels. Most often, the reason why people commit petty corruption is to compensate for inadequate salaries.

The occurrence of corruption is mainly due to the weak judicial system and the monopoly of power. When the judicial system is feeble, poor people are to bear the brunt of injustice as rich people possess a better chance of getting justice over them. In addition, the monopoly of power invites corrupt practices, which lie at the heart of national policies, bureaucratic traditions, political development and social history.

Corrupt practices flourish when institutions are weak. For instance, it is a crime to bribe a public official. In practice, the law is not enforced, which is why informal rules prevail. It is therefore necessary to strengthen institutions to curb corruption and start to put the emphasis back on the formal rules. A strong legal framework to control corruption requires more than having the right legal rules in place.

Clearly, the impact of corruption on the country cannot be overemphasized. Corruption has negative effects on all communities. It is impossible to ignore its threat in our march towards to a peaceful, prosperous democracy.

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FIGHT
Kyi Mun

Life is a fight, handle it well.

“When you fight, Fight straight from your shoulder.”

- Anonymous.
- Bhagavad Gita.

F = FOCUS
I = INSIGHT
G = GOAL
H = HOPE
T = TACTICALLY PREVAIL; STRATEGICALLY DOMINATE

FOCUS
You have got to passionately focus on winning victory. In focusing on winning victory, you have got to concentrate your superior strengths on the most strategic areas of the battle. The most immediate objective is to annihilate the obstacles. You must be resolute, fear no sacrifice and surmount all difficulties to win victory.

Prior to the actual engagement of the fight, you have to:
- Purposefully Plan
- Proactively Prepare
- Passionately Proceed, and
- Perfectly Prevail, bearing in mind that,
- Prior Planning Plus Preparations Promote Peak Performance

INSIGHT
In the battle of life, it is important to be triumphant. To be victorious, you have got to have INSIGHT into the Eight Principles of War:
- The Principle of Objective
- The Principle of Concentration / Mass
- The Principle of Offensive
- The Principle of Cooperation
- The Principle of Economy of Force
- The Principle of Security
- The Principle of Surprise
- The Principle of Mobility

You should also have INSIGHT into:
- Adversary Advance, We Retreat;
- Adversary Rest, We Harass;
- Adversary Weak, We Fight, and
- Adversary Retreat, We Pursue

GOAL
In your Plan of Action, there must be GOAL, Objectives, Strategy and Tactics in place. The strategic goal of your battle of life should be: Progress, Prosperity and Peace. For the attainment of this goal, you have got to:
“go all-out, aim high, give all you have got; give every bit of yourself, hold nothing back”.

You must strongly believe that you have what it takes to achieve your goal.

HOPE
Hope is expectation for the future. You must dare to passionately expect to achieve great accomplishment in the future. For the HOPE OF FUTURE to be realistic, you have got to:
- Make the Present Situations Effective,
- Find and realize the full potential, and
- Focus on building the future.

TACTICALLY PREVAIL & STRATEGICALLY DOMINATE
In the battle of life, you have got to build up your strengths in order to be able to strategically position yourself in an advantageous circumstance. The end purpose of waging a battle is to preserve oneself and to annihilate the adversaries. With the resolute determination to turn heaven and earth upside down, you should;
- Go Places and Do Things;
- Make Things Happen; and
- Get Things Done.

CONCLUSION
In your battle of life, you must single-mindedly and resolutely make up your mind on:
“I’ll fight the good fight. I’ll keep on fighting no matter how hard the going may be. I’ll never give up; I’ll never give in; I’ll stand up to all obstacles; and I’ll fight it through to final victory.”

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PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP IN EDUCATION PIONEERED WITH THE LAUNCH OF THE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR BUSINESS SKILLS DEVELOPMENT IN MYANMAR

YANGON, 27 Sept—PepsiCo, UNESCO, and the Myanmar Ministry of Education today celebrated the launch of Myanmar’s first Centre of Excellence for Business Skills Development (CEBSD) in the presence of Union Minister of Education, Her Excellency, Dr. Khin San Yee, officials from the Ministry, dignitaries and special guests from civil society organizations and the private sector.

The CEBS is the result of an innovative public-private partnership, the first of its kind in Myanmar, which aims to improve employment prospects for youth in Myanmar by offering targeted courses and training in business and employability skills, career counselling, and networking opportunities. This ground-breaking project will also facilitate the development of industry-responsive vocational training courses to assist young people to enter the world of work. In the coming months, UNESCO and PepsiCo plan to continue expanding the CEBSIs programming and services to cater to the needs of more youth and to further engage with the business community of Myanmar. Opportunities for internships with businesses and other means of ensuring a smooth transition from the Centre’s programming to employment are being explored, and the Centre will continue to serve as a networking platform for the young participants.—NLM
Second last old capital city “Amarapura” Part IV

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He arrived in Amarapura

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of King Bodawpaya’s

long reign [1782-1819],

and resided at that new
capital city for 25 years

and returned home in

1808, the 26th year of
Bodawpaya’s reign.

During long period of
his mission at the new
capital city Amarapura,
Father Sangmano was the
President of the Order of
Barnabites at Arpinum, his
native city in Italy.

During his long stay at Amarapura, Fa-
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literature, religion, culture
and institutions of My-
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Empire.

Until the British
annexed lower Myanmar
British Indian Empire,
the First Anglo-My-
nar war of 1824-26,
the extent of Myanmar
Empire was fully and
constitutively recorded in
inscriptions on stone
slabs bells, palm leaf and
parabikes [folding paper
parchment].

In the inscriptions on the
Shwe Dagon Pagoda Platform, the
extent of Myanmar Empire is
given as follows:-

(1) Thuna paranta Taing, consisting of
Sagu, Salin, Hitlin, Yaw and
Saw
(2) Thiri Khitthaya Yama Taing, consisting of
Thaye Khitthaya and
Udenenat
(3) Zeyawada dana Taing, consisting of
Kutemadi, Dwarrowadi and
Zeyawaddi
(4) Ayudy Taing, consisting of
Than-kite and Pitha-lauk
(5) Pawaiyaka Taing, consisting of
Sandapuri, Cham-
pathet, and Hnmye
Lone
(6) Hariponyins-a Taing, consisting of
Zimnne, Ma-
bone, Annam, and
Bayaw
(7) K hemara wa Taing, consisting of
Kengtung and Me Sak.
(8) Zawwi Naga Taing, consisting of
Keng Hunh and
Me Si.
(9) Kambawza Taing, consisting of
Moe Ne, Nyaung Shwe
and Ohn Paung.
(10) Yama hithaka Taing, consisting of
Mogok and Kyaptin.
(11) Maurya Taing, consisting of
Moe Naw States such as
Myne Maw, Se
Kwin, Htha, Lin-
tha etc.
(12) Seint Taing, consisting of
Panwam, Kwe Lone,
Kat Cho.
(13) Alawi Taing, consisting of
Moe Hnyin, Moe Sit
and Moe Gaung.
(14) Manipura Taing, consisting of
Cas-
say and Mwei-in.
(15) Tampadipa Taing, consisting of
Ari-
madian, Pagan,
Myint Saing and
Pinya.
(16) Ramanya Taing, consisting of
Martaban, Han-
thawaddy, Bas-
sein and Myaung
Mya.”

Father Sangmano then
castorherizes his book into
24 chapters, touch-
Burmes cosmogra-
phy, Burmese History,
constitution of the Bur-
ese Empire, Religion of
the Burmese, Moral
and Physical constitution of
the Burmese Empire and
Burmese Code.

Throughout his book
he called Bodawpaya
“Bodawnya” and
the title of the best
work. Why and how the new capital
City of Amarapura was explained in
his chapter on Burmese
history.

“...he [Bodaw-
nya] resolved to aban-
don his present capital
and to build another,
thus the more easily to
oblitrate the memory of
his predecessors, and fix
the eyes of the multitude
upon himself alone. Pre-
texts were not wanting
to give a colour to this
proceeding. It was said
that the city and palace
had been defiled by the
human bloodshed within
its precincts, and there-
fore it no longer became
the monarch to inhabit it,
and it was ordained that
a new imperial res-
didence should imme-
diately be constructed.
To this proposal none
dared to object, and all
the Mandarins and roy-
al ministers strove who
should best give effect
to the orders of the King.
As this country all is
regulated by the opinions
of the Brahmins, so that
not even the King shall
presume to take any step
without their advice.
then was counsel
taken of them, and there-
upon a site selected for
the new city, on an un-
ever spot three leagues
from Ava, upon the right
or eastern bank of the
river.”

Sangmano then
described the design and
layout of Amarapura thus:

“Here the work was
 commenced by the erec-
tion of the walls. These
form a perfect quad-
rangle, each side a mile
long, within which is
another line of fortifica-
tion somewhat inferior in
height. In the centre was
raised the royal palace,
almost entirely of teak-
wood. The walls are built
wholly of brick, cemented
with an argillaceous
earth tempered with wa-
ter. They are protected
on the north by the river,
and on the south by an
extensive pool; on the
other two sides was sunk
a deep fosse. There, the
regal ceremonies of royal occu-
pacy of the palace was
detailed as follows:-

“...when the work
was completed, the King
went in solemn state
to take possession of the
city and palace, on the
10th of May 1783, ob-
serving many supersti-
tious rites and ceremo-
nies prescribed by the
Brahmins.”

Next Father Sanger-
mano tells us how the
King went back to Ava
to urge the inhabitants
to quit Ava and move to
new capital in the fol-
lowing paragraph:-

“After seven days
the King returned to
Ava, in order to urge
personally the removal
of all his subjects to
the new capital, which he
affected on the 14th of the
next month. Thus were
these miserable inhab-
habitants compelled to quit
their home with all its
comforts, and exchange a
cheerful sweet prospect,
sublime in its air and
its waters, for a spot,
fected with fevers and
other complaints, from
the stagnant waters
that surround it.

How royalty, aris-
tocracy and social class-
es and foreigners were
quartered at the new city
of Amarapura were
described as follows:-

“Badonsachen gave
to his new metropolis the
name of Amarapura
that is, city of security
and peace. Of the new
inhabitants some look
up their abode within
the walls; and these were
for the most part Burmese
and persons attached to
the royal family on to
the Mandarins; to others
were allotted dwellings
without the city, whose
houses were to be unrivalled.

It was said that the city and palace
inhabited, than Ava,
not only as its residence
for so many kings,
but also for its pleasant
and convenient site.
The foundation of its public
buildings, was instantly
abandoned. Indeed Ba-
donsachen caused its
total destruction, by giving
general permission to
overthrow at will the
several Bao [Mon word for
monastery] or convents
of Tulapins [Mon word
for Buddhist monks],
some of which were
gilt all over, within and
without, the finest gold,
the magnificent wooden
bridges, the public halls
and porticoes. All the co-
caoa trees [Kokko trees],
which planted along the
interior of the walls over-
topped them with their
green shadowy branch-
es, and gave the city a
cheerful sweet prospect,
were cut down and given
to the elephants for food.
In fine, part of the walls
was torn down by order of
the king, and the river
being sluiced in reduced
the whole to an uninhab-
itable pool.”

To be continued
Islamic State tightens siege of Syria town, more Europeans join alliance

Three Nepalese athletes missing from Incheon Asian Games

Ban pledges UN aid to small Pacific island states in fighting climate change
New York scientists unveil ‘invisibility cloak’ to rival Harry Potter’s

Rochester, (NY), 27 Sept — Watch out Harry Potter, you are not the only wizard with an invisibility cloak.

Scientists at the University of Rochester have discovered a way to hide the large objects from sight using inexpensive and readily available lenses, a technology that seems to have sprung from the pages of JK Rowling’s Harry Potter fantasy series.

Cloaking is the process by which an object becomes hidden from view, while everything else around the cloaked object appears unaffected.

“A lot of people have worked on a lot of different aspects of optical cloaking for years,” John Howell, a professor of physics at the upstate New York school, said on Friday.

The so-called Rochester Cloak, unlike anything we’ve seen before, is not just a single cloaking device. Rather the device looks like equipment used by an ophthalmologist. When an object is placed behind the layered lenses it seems to disappear.

Previous cloaking methods have been complicated, expensive, and not able to hide objects in three dimensions when viewed at varying angles, they say.

“From what, we know this is the first cloaking device that provides three-dimensional, continuously multidirectional cloaking,” said Joseph Choi, a graduate student who helped develop the method at Rochester, which is renowned for its optical research.

In their tests, the researchers have cloaked a hand, a face, and a ruler — making each object appear “invisible” while the image behind the hidden object remains in view. The implications for the discovery are endless, they say.

“I imagine this could be used to cloak a tailer on the back of a semi-truck so the driver can see directly behind him,” Choi said. “It can be used for surgery, in the military, in interior design, art.”

Howell said the Rochester Cloak, like the fictional cloaks described in the pages of the Harry Potter series, causes no distortion of the background object.

Building the device does not break the bank either. It cost Howell and Choi about $1,000 in materials to create it and they believe it can be done even cheaper.

Microsoft offers first look at new Windows - and gives it a name

Seattle, 27 Sept — Microsoft Corp will unveil a new name for its best-known product on Tuesday when it offers the first official glimpse of its latest Windows operating system.

The project, known for the past few years as “Threshold” in the software company and “Windows 9” outside it, will likely get an entirely new brand, or just be called Windows, analysts said ahead of its full release early next year.

The name change is symbolic of a new direction and style for Microsoft, which is veering away from an aggressive focus on Windows and PCs, the hallmark of previous Chief Executive Officer Steve Ballmer. The new, quieter emphasis is on selling services across all devices and is championed by new boss Satya Nadella.

The switch also represents a desire to erase the ill generated by Windows 8, an ambitious attempt to redesign Windows with tablet users in mind, which ended up annoying and confusing the core market of customers who use mice and keyboards.

“Windows 8 was not a shining moment for Microsoft,” said Michael Silver, an analyst at tech research firm Gartner. “Probably the biggest issue that lingers is the negative brand equity in the name.”

Many users howled in protest over the death of the start-button menu and the introduction of a colourful grid of squares or tiles representing apps in what became known as the modern user interface, even though they could easily switch to a traditional desktop mode.

Judging by recent leaks online, which Microsoft has tried to discredit, the start-button menu will come back in the next Windows, with an option of ticking on tiles if preferred.

“But the problem of users having to toggle between the modern interface and the old-style desktop — for instance to use the full version of Excel spreadsheet software — has yet to be solved.

Microsoft declined to comment on the new name, or what it plans to unveil on Tuesday.

The Redmond, Washington-based company has said only that it will have a “discussion” about where Windows is headed at a stylish event style in San Francisco on Tuesday.

The choice of wording and venue are key to a hambler, lower-profile Microsoft under Nadella, who is keen to rebuild respect in the Bay Area and Silicon Valley as it moves away from the PC and to play a bigger part in the mobile computing world fashioned by Apple Inc and Google Inc.

Nadella’s slogan is “mobile first, cloud first,” and although he will not be at the San Francisco event — he is traveling in Asia — that theme will be at the fore.

“This is a launching pad and catalyst for Nadella’s holistic cloud vision over the coming years,” said Daniel Ives, an analyst at investment bank FBR Capital Markets. “Windows 9 is a potentially game-changing product release for Microsoft.”

Nadella is resigned to the fact that sales of PCs have leveled off, and with it sales of Windows. With the explosion of smartphones and tablets, Windows now powers only 14 percent of computing devices sold last year, according to Gartner.

His response is to focus on selling high-quality services, such as the Office suite of applications or storing documents in the cloud — to people on whatever device or system they are using.

“Microsoft is changing from a company that was Windows-centric to one that is services-centric,” said Silver at Gartner. “It has to be that way. Windows revenue is likely going to decline, and Microsoft’s task is to replace that Windows revenue with revenue from services on all sorts of platforms.”

The challenge is to come up with killer apps and services users can’t live without.

“Microsoft built its business on being very good at delivering what people needed in the moment, for example Excel in the 1990s,” said Johnson at Forrester. “That’s what Microsoft has to get back to, innovating and creating things that people find indispensable.”
US tells citizens to leave Yemen, reduces embassy staff

A policeman carries his weapon as he mans a checkpoint in Sanaa on 25 Sept, 2014.—REUTERS

Dubai, 27 Sept — The United States told its citizens in Yemen to leave and said it was reducing the number of US government staff there due to political unrest and fears of a possible military escalation.

President Abd-Rabbu Mansour Hadi has said Yemen may be heading for civil war after Houthi rebels overran the capital Sanaa, allowing them to dictate terms to his weakened, fractured government. Over 100 people have been killed in fighting.

The Department of State warned “US citizens of the high security threat level in Yemen due to terrorist activities and civil unrest,” it said in a travel warning.

On Wednesday, the State Department ordered a reduction in the number of US government personnel in Yemen “out of an abundance of caution due to the potential for military escalation”. The US Embassy would continue with its operations, it said.

Washington announced a temporary suspension of operations at its embassy in May after attacks on foreigners by al-Qaeda.

Any possible civil war would likely pit the Houthi rebels against an alliance of Sunni Islami- mists and tribal interests united by a few top families and generals. Houthis say they represent Zaydi Shi’ite Muslims, about 30 percent of Yemen’s 25 million people.

The Houthis struck a deal that will make them a part of the government, but it is not clear if that will satisfy their demands, or if it will instead embolden them to seek further powers.

Any renewed fighting could allow an array of other interests, including southern separatists, former president Ali Abdullah Saleh and even al-Qaeda to try to take advantage.

An aide to Barack Obama on counterterrorism, Lisa Monaco, phoned President Hadi on Wednesday to express the US president’s support and his con- demnation of the Houthis.

Yemen is located on major oil shipping routes and next to top Gulf crude exporters. Washington is keen to prevent any spillover of violence into neighbour- ing oil power Saudi Arabia and to stop Yemen being used as a springboard to attack Western targets.

Brazil’s Rousseff gains on Silva a week from election

Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff speaks during the Climate Summit at United Nations Headquarters in New York on 23 Sept, 2014. REUTERS

BRASILIA, 27 Sept — Brazil’s President Dilma Rousseff gained on opposition candidate Marina Silva, increasing her chance to win a hotly contested runoff to Silva, increasing her chance to win in the first round on October presidential elec- tion.

Rousseff’s also gained in the first round intentions, rising to 40 percent from 37 percent a week earlier increasing her chances in the second-round election, though, of 2 percentage points.

During the runoff, the candi- dates get equal time.

In the second round, Rousseff and Silva will have equal TV time and Sil- va is expected to gain the bulk of Neves’ supporters.

Rousseff’s popularity is solidly based in the young urban middle class who welcome her promise to break with traditional parties and clean up Brazil’s notoriously corrupt politics.

Rousseff promises to jumpstart Brazil’s stagnant economy, while Rousseff vows to extend social pol- icy and does not want him in Ger- many for fear of straining ties with close ally Washington.

The appeal, by Green and Left party lawmakers, states that Chancellor Angela Merkel’s right-left coalition government has no real interest in examining the mass US surveillance of German citizens exposed by Snowden, and does not want him in Ger- many for fear of straining ties with close ally Washington.

The coalition agreed committee members would either travel to Moscow to interview Snowden, or speak to him via video link.

Snowden is wanted in the United States on charges of theft of government property and unauthorized communica- tion of classified intelligence, and lives in Russia under a three-year residence permit.

He has declined the options offered by Merkel’s coali- tion but said he would be prepared to come to Germany if it grants him asylum. The government, however, says it would not guarantee that he would not be detained and possibly extradited.

Government spokesman Steffen Siebert said on Friday Snowden did not ful- fill the criteria to be granted asylum.

The opposition argues that the government, in not actively seeking Snowden’s presence, is violating their right to gather evidence and investigate the spying of Ger- man citizens properly.

We [will not] control the government and the intelligence services, and not vice versa,” said Left party lawmaker Martina Renner, alluding to the appeal filed on Thursday evening.
Boeing Dreamliner flying from US makes emergency landing in Scotland

**Cuban cabinet change aims to boost flagging economy**

Havana, 27 Sept — With Cuba’s economy flagging, President Raul Castro has turned to his most trusted economic advisor, Marino Murillo, granting him more authority to carry out ambitious reforms to the socialist economy.

Castro on Thursday added the title of economy minister to Murillo’s brief. Murillo, 53, was already one of Cuba’s vice presidents, part of the powerful 14-member Political Bureau of the ruling Communist Party, and chief of the commission charged with carrying out Cuba’s market-style economic reforms.

The existing minister, Adel Yzquierdo, 69, was demoted to vice minister, returning both men to positions they held together previously. Yzquierdo also retains his position on the politburo.

The official announcement said it was “necessary to take the process of modernizing the economy and planning to a higher level.” It also referred to the need to “harmonize and integrate” the reform process and the economy.

The dual challenges of restructuring the economy and nurturing its growth now fall squarely on Murillo, the architect and chief advocate of Raul Castro’s economic overhaul.

Since taking over for his ailing brother Fidel in 2008, Raul Castro has turned much of state-controlled agriculture over to cooperatives, reduced the state workforce and allowed self-employed contractors to operate small businesses.

In 2011, the Communist Party detailed 300 reforms to be implemented by 2016. Some 250 have been instituted, but economists say progress has been too slow and shallow, and Cuba’s economy has lagged.

Venezuela takes over plants left by US firm Clorox

Valles del Tuy (Venezuela) 27 Sept—Venezuela announced on Friday the government of President Nicolas Maduro temporarily occupying these installations together with the workers.

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Air Canada’s Boeing 787 Dreamliner lands at Pearson International Airport in Toronto, on 18 May, 2014.—Reuters

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Cuban cabinet change aims to boost flagging economy

Men operate cranes at Havana Port’s container terminal on 23 Sept, 2013.—Reuters

BAY INFERENCE: Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL EVENING OF THE 28th September, 2014: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Lower Sagaing and Magway Regions, scattered in Upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions, Shan, Chin, Rakhine, Kayah, Kayin and Mon States and fairly widespread in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

STATE OF THE SEA: Sea will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters.

OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT TWO DAYS: Likelihood of Southwest monsoon withdrawal from Northern Myanmar areas.
‘Gone Girl’ ensures NY Film Festival dazzles from the start

Actor Ben Affleck attends the 52nd New York Film Festival opening-night gala presentation of the movie ‘Gone Girl’ at Alice Tully Hall in New York on 27 Sept, 2014. REUTERS

New York, 27 Sept—David’s Fincher’s “Gone Girl” kicked off the New York Film Festival on Friday adding a bit of Hollywood glitz and glamour to one of the most anticipated openings of the year.

The world premiere of the chilling psychological thriller and probing analysis of a marriage is a return appearance for Fincher at the 17-day film festival. The dual Academy Award nominated director premiered “The Social Network” at the festival in 2010. “Gone Girl,” which opens across the United States on 3 October, is based on the hugely successful book by Gillian Flynn, who also penned the screenplay, about a wife who mysteriously vanishes on her fifth wedding anniversary and the fickle media frenzy that develops as the story unfolds. “I was amazed at the true line, the power that the story had as it related to this idea of the narcissistic armour, the vision of ourselves that we project and construct,” Fincher said after the premiere.

Like his earlier films such as “Seven” and “Fight Club,” “Gone Girl” is a stylized, highly visual film with dark themes. Dual Oscar winner Ben Affleck, “Argo” and “Good Will Hunting”) is Nick Dunne, a former writer in New York who loses his job in the recession and returns to his Missouri roots and opens a bar with his twin sister Margo, played by Carrie Coon (“The Leftovers”).

Kim Kardashian attacked at Paris Fashion Week

US film director Oliver Stone awarded medal of honour in Portugal

NEW YORK, 27 Sept—Reality TV star Kim Kardashian was attacked at Paris Fashion Week event by prankster Vitalii Sediuk.

The Ukrainian media personality lunged at Kim Kardashian during one of the reality star’s appearances for the Paris Fashion Week and tried to pull her to the ground as she stepped out of her car, reported the New York Daily News.

The 33-year-old reality star was quickly grabbed and shielded by several bodyguards.

Sediuk, 25, was among the hordes of fans and photographers gathering to catch a glimpse of the ‘Keeping Up with the Kardashians’ star, 33, as she, husband Kanye West and mother Kris Jenner attempted to walk the red carpet at a Balmain show.

He also did the same thing to Leonardo DiCaprio, Brad Pitt and Will Smith in the past.

PTI

US film director Oliver Stone awarded medal of honour in Portugal

LISBON, 27 Sept—US film director Oliver Stone was awarded the city’s medal of honour at Porto’s municipal council in north Portugal on Friday.

“With great sense of humour as he collected his medal, Stone said the mayor of Porto, Rui Moreira, looked like a ‘movie star.’

“I have travelled to many places, but it is rare to go to a city where the mayor looks like a movie star. I should say, as a film maker, that he could be the star of this film, a fine candidate for president in my view, but he doesn’t want to apply,” he said laughing, according to Portuguese Lusa News Agency.

The three times Oscar-winning film director and writer was present at the Douro Film Harvest, which included the first official presentation in Europe of his book “The Untold History of the United States,” also available as a 12 hour documentary.

Stone, one of the world’s most acclaimed film-makers famous for his works “Platoon,” “ JFK” and “Natural Born Killers,” showed gratitude for being handed the award.

Rui Moreira said Stone’s visit to Porto strengthened the city’s link to this “seventh art” and showed how open the city is to international culture.

Xinhua

Radiohead’s Thom Yorke will use BitTorrent to sell new album

LOS ANGELES, 27 Sept—Radiohead singer Thom Yorke on Friday released an album via BitTorrent to a “paygated” bundle of files known as a torrent, which breaks the files up into small pieces which are downloaded from one or more peer-to-peer sources, Yorke and Godrich said.

Users will be charged $6 to have access through software company BitTorrent to a “paygated” bundle of files known as a torrent, which breaks the files up into small pieces which are downloaded from one or more peer-to-peer sources, Yorke and Godrich said.

Torrents have been touted as a more efficient way to download large amounts of data using less bandwidth, but some torrent-hosting sites have been targeted by authorities as the means to illegally distribute copyrighted material.

“It’s an experiment to see if the mechanics of the system are something that the general public can get its head around,” Yorke and Godrich said in a statement.

“If it works well, it could be an effective way of handing some control of internet commerce back to the people who are creating the work,” the statement added.

Thom Yorke and his band Radiohead have experimented with alternative distribution models in the past, releasing their 2007 album “In Rainbows” first as a download on their website where customers could pay whatever price they wanted.

Reuters

Kajol says Glad to speak about child health at UN

NEW DELHI, 27 Sept—Bollywood actress Kajol says she had a memorable stint at the United Nations where her campaign ‘Help A Child Reach 5’ was appreciated by the dignitaries.

The 40-year-old actress, who was on her second visit to UN General Assembly summit, said the response was phenomenal this year more people chose to talk about the importance of hand washing.

“The response was fabulous. I came here last year as well and this year even more people were talking about it, coming up to you and appreciating the initiative. We got a way more attention than what we expected,” Kajol told PTI over phone from New York.

The newly launched Lifebuoy’s Handwash campaign, fronted by Kajol, aims at eradicating preventable deaths due to diarrhoea by propagating lifesaving hand washing habits.

“The great part is that handwashing is the basic thing. It’s the first step. You had everybody talking about communicable disease and they all understand the importance of it. More than 40 per cent of children at the age group of zero to two are more vulnerable to diseases,” she said.

The mother of two had also joined micro-blogging site Twitter to promote the cause as she feels social media is important to push things.

“The cause is getting requisite attention through social media. It is reaching out to a lot more people. I do think that Twitter has made a huge difference today. It’s a faster and digital version of newspaper,” she said.

During her three-day visit, Kajol met many dignitaries around the globe including UN Secretary General’s wife Yoo Soon-taek, First Lady of Gabon Sylvia Bongo Ondimba, Unilever CEO’s Paul Polman wife Kim and actresses Lily Cole and Amy Smart.

“Yoo Soon-taek was wonderful and so was Polman’s wife. They are all actually fantastic about it. Everybody agreed to stand there and talk about it. We wanted to basically tell all the first ladies to scale up handwashing in their particular countries,” she said.—PTI

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ENTERTAINMENT
Japan coach Aguirre demands unity, focus from players

Japan’s head coach Javier Aguirre (R) of Mexico gestures next to his players Yuto Nagatomo (C) and Maya Yoshida during their international friendly soccer match against Venezuela in Yokohama, south of Tokyo on 9 Sept, 2014. — Reuters

FIFA to ban third-party ownership of players

FIFA President Sepp Blatter speaks during a news conference at the Maracana stadium in Rio de Janeiro on 14 July, 2014. — Reuters

Birdie bonanza as Europe and US light up Ryder Cup

EUROPEAN STRONGMEN

European strongmen Justin Rose and Henrik Stenson, bidding for their third straight victory as a pair this week, were level with Bubba Watson and Matt Kuchar in match one with each combination cramming five birdies into the opening nine holes. Hunter Mahan was proving the star of the show in match two, reeling off four birdies in eight holes as he and Jim Furyk surged three up on Lee Westwood and Jamie Donaldson.

There was another seven birdies in the third game of the day when Thomas Bjorn and Martin Kaymer were locked together with first-day rookie sensations Patrick Reed and Jordan Spieth.

A rejuvenated Ian Poulter also looked desperate to make amends for his poor performance alongside debutant Stephen Gallacher on Friday. — Reuters

Kvitova books Singapore berth with Wuhan title

WUHAN, Sept 27 — Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitova became the fourth player to qualify for the season-ending WTA Finals in Singapore after beating Eugenie Bouchard 6-3, 6-4 to win the Wuhan Open on Saturday.

The Czech world number three took an 80 minutes to tame her Canadian opponent and join Serena Williams, Maria Sharapova and Simona Halep who have already booked their places in Singapore.

“From the beginning my season was really tough,” Kvitova said after qualifying for her fourth successive WTA Finals. “If somebody told me at the Australian Open I would win Wimbledon and still be fighting for Singapore, I’m not sure I would have believed them.”

“But I’ve had a great second part of the season. It all started a little bit at the French Open, and from there I just kept improving. I think early on I was expecting too much of myself, and it was really difficult to take the loss in my first round in Australia, but I kept working hard, and now I’m here.”

SINGAPORE, Sept 27 — World No. 1 Serena Williams on Saturday booked a place in the Singapore WTA Finals. She defeated Na Li of China 6-2, 6-1 in the Singapore Open.

The Czech player joined Williams and Simona Halep and Maria Sharapova in the eight-woman event in Singapore held in November.

Williams was able to recover from a 1-4 deficit to win in straight sets. The American player, who had never previously reached the WTA Finals, took her just 71 minutes to win.

The 27-year-old American posted a formidable 65 winners compared to 24 by Li. — Reuters

European Ryder Cup players Jamie Donaldson (L) and Lee Westwood wait on the 13th green during their foursballs 40th Ryder Cup match at Gleneagles in Scotland on 27 Sept, 2014. — Reuters
Asian Games: Taiwan’s 7-run 2nd dooms Japan in semifinals

Incheon, 27 Sept — Samurai Japan committed hara-kiri by allowing seven runs in an error-strewn second inning that saw them lose 10-4 to Taiwan in the Asian Games semifinals on Saturday.

Japan, which also was knocked out in the semis by Taiwan at the last Games in Guangzhou, China, took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first after Takuya Fujishima drew a two-out, bases-loaded walk.

But Taiwan jumped on starting pitcher Tetsu Yokota in the next inning, chasing him with two outs after tagging him for five runs but none earned, due to a couple of errors that would invite Kuo Yen-wen’s three-run home run.

Japan bridged the gap in the bottom half, scoring twice to make it 7-3, but Taiwan, which lost to South Korea in the 2010 final, pulled away for three more runs in the third that all but doomed Hirotami Kojima’s team.

Cheng Kai-wen, who relieved starter Ho Chih-wei with one out in the third, cruised for 6-2/3 in innings, allowing one earned on just three hits and no walks.

Chen pitched five seasons in Japan for the Hanshin Tigers and DeNA BayStars.

“We were going to use all the pitchers we needed to regardless of the result, but we let the game slip away with our mistakes,” Kojima said. “Our defence in the second inning was everything.”

“We were expecting to keep the game a lot closer than it turned out to be. The game unfolded in a way we never imagined.”

Japan is made up entirely of corporate league players while Taiwan called up 16 professionals, 10 of who play in the minor leagues in the United States.

Kojima said Taiwan’s team in 2010 was better, but Japan, which will now head to the bronze-medal game likely against China on Sunday, still came out on the losing end.

Japan is desperate to see baseball return to the Olympic programme for the 2020 Tokyo Games. If baseball is renamed a core sport, Japan, will likely go with an all-Nippon Professional Baseball squad in 2020.

Still, Japan has just one bronze medal in the three Olympics in which NPB players participated — in Athens in 2004.

“Taiwan has its best team in Guangzhou. Here, they’ve gone with mostly minor leaguers from the States so they probably aren’t as good as they were four years ago,” he said.

Kyodo News

More than 1,000 tests conducted at Incheon Asiad, two positive cases so far

Incheon, 27 Sept—More than 1,000 drug tests have been conducted and two returned positive results so far at the Incheon Asian Games, the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) said on Saturday.

“We have conducted tests on 1,000 specimens so far out of 1,900 athletes,” Tan Sri Jegathesan, chairman of the OCA’s medical committee and anti-doping commission, told a press conference at the Asiad Main Press Centre.

“We have sent two press releases concerning positive findings: a Tajikistan football athlete Khurshed Beknazarov, and Cambodian soft tennis athlete, Sophany Yi. When asked about the policy regarding a team’s disqualification, Beknazarov explained that in the case of football “the entire team is not disqualified for one anti-doping violation, but two or more positive results will lead to a team’s disqualification”, while in the case of “smaller teams like badminton, swimming, or relays”, the team is disqualified for one positive result. Some 9,200 athletes from 45 countries and regions are taking part in the 19 September — 4 October Incheon Asian Games. — Xinhua

17 world records set so far at Incheon Asian Games

Incheon, 27 Sept — A week since the opening of the 17th Asian Games at Incheon, South Korea, 17 world records have been set by the Asian athletes, the Olympic Council of Asia said on Saturday.

The world records have been set in the sporting discipline of archery, shooting and weightlifting. Previously at the Guangzhou Asian Games in 2010, only three world records were broken.

From the 17 records set, China, Chinese Taipei, South Korea and DPR Korea set the most records.

“With more and more number of records being set at the Asian Games year, it shows that the Asian Games is at the same caliber as other major games,” the OCA said in a statement. — Xinhua

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Wang Qi (R) of China spikes during the women’s volleyball quarterfinal against India at the 17th Asian Games in Incheon, South Korea, on 27 Sept, 2014. China won 3-0.— Xinhua

Na Ahreum of South Korea competes during the women’s individual time trial match of cycling road at the 17th Asian Games in Incheon, South Korea, on 27 Sept, 2014. Na Ahreum won the gold medal. — Xinhua

Gong Maoxin (R) of China hits the ball during the men’s doubles quarterfinal match of tennis against Ratiwatana Sanchai and Ratiwatana Sanchat of Thailand at the 17th Asian Games in Incheon, South Korea, on 27 Sept, 2014. Thailand won 2-0.— Xinhua

Medals table of the Asian Games

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