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Lt-Gen Myint Swe attends ceremony to offer Waso robes, to honour Tipitaka monks



Ceremony to offer Waso robes and honour Tipitaka monks in progress at Pitaka Thone Pon Nikaya Monastery.—MNA

YANGON, 7 July—The Waso-robe offering ceremony of Pitaka Thone Pon Nikaya Monastery was held in conjunction with a ceremony to honour Tipitaka monks at the monastery in Dagon Myothit (South) Township here yesterday.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint and officials, wellwishers, members of social organizations received the Nine Precepts from

the Presiding Nayaka Sayadaw.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and party offered Waso robes and provisions to members of the Sangha.

Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and the commander presented offertories and certificates of honour to the Tipitaka monks.

Then the Sayadaw delivered a sermon and Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and the congregation shared the merits gained.—MNA

Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * National reconsolidation
- * Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

A trip to Mon State through Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine), a dream come true



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In our drive for collecting facts about remarkable development of the whole country to write bylines for public knowledge, we recently made a journey by train from Yangon to
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Thanlwin Bridge
(Mawlamyine) in
Mon State.



PERSPECTIVES

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Instil right thoughts into the youth

The government of Myanmar is working towards a peaceful and developed nation through the united force of national races and highly-qualified human resources who are full of Union Spirit as the unity of national races is necessary for peace and stability and highly-qualified human resources for national development.

A look at the international situation of the 21st century shows that the whole world is faced with political, economic and educational challenges unprecedented throughout history. At a time like this, it is required to enhance the calibre of the entire people through a sound educational foundation. Only then will the perpetuity of the Union and sustainable development for posterity be possible and the nation and the people be able to stand tall in the international community.

Union Spirit is the soul of the nation and the people. Historical evidence shows that colonialists had constantly tried to break it but in vain. Therefore, all the national races will have to continue working hard together in unity in order that the Union can last as long as the world exists and keep pace with the international community.

The youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow and they will have to shoulder the duties of the State in the future. It is the duty of teachers to educate and nurture the youth. Therefore, we would like to call on teachers to equip themselves with strong national convictions, to instil right thoughts into their students and lead them onto the right path.



Medical Superintendent Dr Tun Nay Aung presents certificate of honour to Italian Ambassador Mr Giuseppe Cinti.—MNA

People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Commander's shield football tournament commences in Sagaing Div

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Northwest Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe attended a ceremony to open the Commander's shield football tournament held in the sport ground of Northwest Command in Monywa, Sagaing Division on 29 June.

Also present on the occasion were staff officers of

the Command, departmental officials of division, districts and townships, commanders and officers of regiments and units, other ranks and their families and players.

The Commander made a speech at the ceremony and watched the opening match.

MNA

Coordination meeting of Shan State Drug Abuse Control Committee held

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Yar Pyae delivered an address at the work coordination meeting (1/2009) of Shan State Drug Abuse Control Committee held at the meeting hall of the State's office in Taunggyi on 18 June.

The commander and officials concerned attended collective monsoon paddy growing ceremony held in Hlaing Bon Thar village on 19 June and inspected



Commander Maj-Gen Yar Pyae inspects Taryaw agricultural research farm.—MNA

Taryaw agricultural research farm and work site of low-cost housing

project in No.11 ward, Ayetharyar. After that, the commander met with

state-level departmental officials at the meeting hall of State's office.—MNA

Ministry of Religious Affairs grows trees

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Monsoon tree-planting ceremony 2009 of Ministry of Religious Affairs took place at the Ministry in Nay Pyi Taw this morning, attended by Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung and wife

and planted mango sapling.

Next, director-general of Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana,

deputy directors-general, directors and service personnel planted the saplings at designated place.

The minister and

departmental heads viewed the planting by service personnel.

A total of 2,500 saplings were grown at the ceremony.—MNA

Deputy Minister meets with rural people, inspects development tasks

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Deputy Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Tin Ngwe met with rural people from five villages in Wetlet township of Sagaing Division at Shwe Pan Kon Model Village (branch) Basic Education High School today.

Townsenders presented reports to the deputy minister on the

requirements for the regional development. After hearing the reports, the deputy minister presented 100 dozens of exercise books to the students and prizes to distinction winners.

Next, the deputy minister presented K 100,000 for BEHS (branch) and 50 bags of cement and a toilet room and K 100,000 for the delivery room.

Afterwards, he

inspected progress in resurfacing Minkyaung road with the extension of three feet on each side and Aung Sabei road, preparing five-furlong long village-to-village gravel road and one-mile long gravel road on three and half miles long village-to-village road and the wooden bridge on Thanachaung-Meiktila village-to-village road and gave necessary instructions.—MNA



US, Russia agree to missile cuts, but tensions remain

Moscow, 7 July — Presidents Barack Obama and Dmitry Medvedev on Monday agreed to cut up to a third of the nuclear warheads in their strategic arsenals, but acknowledged that disagreements linger about a proposed US missile defence shield.

Obama and Medvedev stressed that the proposal marked a turn away from the post-Cold War lows of the past few years.

In addition to the conversation about nuclear

weapons, Russia said that it would begin allowing the US to ship arms for Afghanistan through the country. Russia and the US also are resuming military-to-military cooperation, a process suspended after the Russia - Georgia war last summer.

Speaking to reporters during Obama's first trip here as president, both men said that they were determined to put the tensions of recent years behind them.

"It is not a simple job, because the backlog of problems is quite impressive," Medvedev said.

Obama said relations have "suffered from a sense of drift," but he and Medvedev were "committed to leaving behind the suspicion and the rivalry of the past." The recent past includes Russia's invasion of one US ally — Georgia — in August and suspension of gas supplies to another — Ukraine — in January.—*Internet*



A truck which was damaged when a suicide car bomber struck outside the main NATO base at the airport in Kandahar, in southern Afghanistan, on 6 July, 2009.

INTERNET

150 people fall ill on virus-struck cruise ship in Scotland

LONDON, 7 July — About 150 people have fallen ill aboard a cruise ship berthed in Scotland following a suspected outbreak of the vomit-inducing norovirus, health officials said Monday.

A 74-year-old English man has also died on board the Marco Polo, which is berthed near Invergordon in northeastern Scotland, but the ship's operators said his death was unrelated to the outbreak. Two people have been hospitalised and the others are being treated on board, according to Ken Oates, the local National Health Service (NHS) director of public health.

"NHS Highland can confirm that around 150 people on board a cruise ship docked at Invergordon have become unwell with suspected norovirus," he said.—*Internet*

Nigeria militants claim to hijack chemical tanker



Fighters of the movement for the emancipation of the Niger Delta (MEND) speed away from the militia's creek camp in the Niger Delta in 2008.—INTERNET

ABUJA, 7 July — Nigeria's main militant group said on Monday it had seized a chemical tanker with six foreign crew members aboard and had attacked a second oil facility following a vow to step up the intensity of its attacks.

The Movement for the Emancipation of the Niger Delta said in an e-mail statement that the tanker was seized on Sunday about 20 nautical miles from Escravos in the south of the country and would be held until further notice.

It said three of those aboard are Russian, two are from the Philippines and the sixth crew member is from India.

"Their arrest is meant to serve as a

warning to others that there are root issues that have to be resolved with the Nigerian government before normalcy can resume," the group said in its statement.

More than 200 foreign workers have been taken captive in the restive Niger Delta since violence increased in 2006, with most released unharmed after a ransom is paid.

The militants' claim came a day after they vowed to carry out "phased attacks that increase in intensity until its goal has been achieved" as part of an operation dubbed Hurricane Moses.

Internet

Afghan chopper crash kills three troops

KABUL, 7 July — A spokesman for NATO says two Canadian troops and a Briton were killed in a helicopter crash in southern Afghanistan.

Lt Cmdr Chris Hall says the helicopter went down on Monday in the southern province of Zabul.

An additional seven American troops were killed on Monday, making it one of the deadliest for foreign troops in Afghanistan since the ouster of the Taliban in 2001.

Hall says the crash was not caused by insurgent fire.

Internet

Tropical Storm Blanca forms off western Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 7 July—Tropical Storm Blanca formed Monday off western Mexico as the second named storm of the Pacific season, but forecasters predicted it would follow a course far away from land.

Blanca was located about 410 miles (660 kilometres) south of the tip of the Baja California Peninsula on Monday night, and was heading west-northwest at 10 mph (16 kph), the National Hurricane Center in Miami said.

The storm had maximum sustained winds near 50 mph (85 kph).

The center said Blanca is expected to move into colder waters in the next couple of days, which should sap its energy.—*Internet*

12 wounded in shooting at Miami party

MIAMI, 7 July — As many as three gunmen stormed a birthday party on the edge of downtown Miami and opened fire early Monday, shooting 12 people and causing a chaotic scramble as people tried to flee, authorities said.

Three of the wounded were hospitalized in critical condition, police spokesman Det William Moreno said. Another person fleeing the home was struck by a vehicle and was in stable condition. Police are searching for the suspects.

The men were wearing all black and opened fire with automatic weapons around 12:45 am. Shell casings from an AK-47 and two pistols were found,

police said.

It was unclear if the shooting happened in the home or outside what authorities described as a block party.

Police roped off about four blocks with yellow tape in the area of the shooting, located in Miami's Overtown neighbourhood, a run down area in the shadows of downtown's glistening skyscrapers. Crime scene trucks were parked along the street as detectives searched for a motive. Shell casing were sprayed across the road and inside the home, some possibly from Fourth of July celebrations, authorities said.

Internet



City of Miami police officers place cones at the scene where a shooting took place in Miami, on 6 July, 2009. —INTERNET

Italy, China sign 1 bln euros in trade accords

ROME, 7 July—Italy and China signed deals worth a total of more than one billion euros on Monday including a joint venture between auto giant Fiat and the Guangzhou Automobile Industry Group (GAIG), officials said.

The accords were signed during a visit by Chinese President Hu Jintao, who will attend the Group of Eight summit starting on Wednesday in

L'Aquila, central Italy.

The Italian and Chinese trade ministers signed protocols to boost investments in each other's countries as well as on cooperation in technology and tourism.

Fiat and GAIG signed an accord to build a joint factory in China, an investment worth more than 400 million euros (550 million dollars), the Italian group said.

Production is set to

begin in the second half of 2011 with an initial annual output of 140,000 Fiat Lineas, a medium-sized family car, and 220,000 T-Jet engines of 120 and 150 horsepower.

The pace is expected to rise to 250,000 cars and 300,000 engines, Fiat said.

"It's an important phase, with a strong partner, in Fiat's internationalization," Fiat chairman Luca Cordero di Montezemolo told reporters.—*Internet*



Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi (R) jokes with Chinese President Hu Jintao after signing economic agreements in Rome. —INTERNET

Oil edges above \$64 after 4 pct fall on economy

SINGAPORE, 7 July—Oil edged up above \$64 a barrel on Tuesday, after four consecutive days of falls on worries about the economy that have brought the stock market rally to a halt and pushed the dollar higher.

Japan's Nikkei average (.N225) opened lower on persistent economic concerns aggravated last week by weaker-than-expected US employment data for June, while the US dollar gained on rising risk aversion.

The market could find more direction from the American Petroleum Institute's weekly crude and products stocks data to be released at 2030 GMT, and expected to show a fall in crude and a rise in product stocks.

Internet



Samsung Electronics workers are seen at a microchip plant in Suwon, south of Seoul. Samsung Electronics said it expects second-quarter operating profit of 2.2-2.6 trillion won (\$1.7-2 b), a sharp increase from the first quarter.—INTERNET

US Airways traffic falls 4.1 percent in June

TEMPE, 7 July—US Airways Group Inc said Monday traffic fell 4.1 percent in June as the ongoing recession continued to curb consumers' appetites for air travel.

The airline said paying passengers on US Airways flew 5.43 billion miles in June, down from 5.67 billion a year earlier. The carrier said its passenger revenue seat mile — a key performance metric for airlines — was down 20 percent last month compared with a year ago, as business travel demand weakened and it made less money overall per ticket. Most carriers have cut ticket prices in an effort to spur bookings.

Internet

Japan still a long way before recovery

TOKYO, 7 July—It is a commonly-held view among Japanese government and analysts that the country's economy has bottomed out in the first quarter this year, but it might be too upbeat to hope for a V-shaped rebound.

Since the outbreak of the financial crisis in September last year, demand fell sharply in major Japanese export destinations such as Europe and the United States. As a result, Japanese corporate earnings deteriorated, equipment investment contracted and personal consumption plunged.—*Internet*

When healthcare can cause harm

PORTLAND, 7 July—US healthcare can cause harm when the focus is on providing services instead of improving health, two physicians said in a commentary.

Dr Charles M Kilo, chief executive officer of GreenField Health in Portland, Ore, and co-author Dr Eric B Larson of Group Health Cooperative in Seattle distinguish health from healthcare — asserting one can never have too much health but with overuse of medicine one can get so much healthcare it causes harm.

"Although healthcare's objective should be to improve health, its primary emphasis has been on producing services," the authors said in a statement.

Fee-for-service payment encourages using more treatment, new technology and extra testing, the researchers said. These additional services, and their attendant extra costs, may harm health, they said.

Internet



A navy search party, comprising US, French, Yemeni and Comoran navy divers, approaches Galawa beach on the north coast of Grande Comore island in the Comoros. —INTERNET

Divers at Comoros crash site to hunt black boxes

NAIROBI, 7 July—Speedboats whisked French navy divers to the site of an Indian Ocean plane crash on Monday to search for the black boxes belonging to Yemenia Airways Flight 626. A 12-year-old girl was the sole survivor when the plane carrying 153 people plunged into the sea early Tuesday as it tried to land in the Comoran capital of Moroni in darkness and

high winds. Yemenia says it is too early to know the cause of the crash but critics have accused the airline of using a substandard plane after it emerged a 2007 French safety review found the Airbus 310 had a number of safety faults.

French military spokesman Christophe Prazuck said a French submarine had heard signals emitting from the two black boxes on Sunday.

Divers reached the crash site Monday but did not go in the water. Any dives on Tuesday or later this week depend on weather conditions and how the search is coordinated.

The black boxes cases carrying the flight data and cockpit voice recorders are believed to be lying between 1,600 to 4,000 feet (500 to 1,200 metres) under the surface of the ocean, Prazuck said.—*Internet*



Chinese official encourages private business to go “green”

SHIJIAZHUANG, 7 July—Chinese top political advisor Jia Qinglin Monday encouraged private companies to go “green” by developing new energy and energy-saving technologies.

In a one-day inspection tour to Langfang city of central China’s Hebei Province, Jia, chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), visited the XinAo Group, a local private company special-

ized in research and development of renewable energy and new energy.

When talking with the staff of the company, Jia said new energy and energy-saving industries would not only serve as an effective stimulus for the country’s economic recovery, but were also of great potential and importance to future development.

“Developing a green economy has been widely recognized by the world. Private companies can play an important role in

the development of new energy and the environment-friendly and energy-saving industries,” Jia said.

He noted that China’s private companies were faced with both challenges and opportunities amid the current global financial crisis, and urged them to boost research, development and trade of energy-saving products and technologies. “In this way, the private business can create new market demand and more job opportunities,” he said.—Xinhua



Jia Qinglin (2nd L Front), chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference, visits XinAo Group, a private company specialized in research and development of renewable energy and new energy, during his inspection tour in Langfang, a city in north China’s Hebei Province, on 6 July, 2009. —XINHUA



Giant panda twins “Ping Ping” (R) and “An An” eat a cake to celebrate their birthday at the Bifengxia breeding base in Ya’an City of southwest China’s Sichuan Province, on 6 July, 2009. Giant panda “Guo Guo”, an evacuee from the southwest China earthquake, gave birth to the twins “Ping Ping” and “An An” on 6 July, 2008, becoming the first panda to bear cubs since the disaster in Sichuan Province on 12 May, 2008.

XINHUA

All items from Xinhua News Agency

Magnitude-5.4 earthquake shakes Pacific coast of Nicaragua

MANAGUA, 7 July—An earthquake measuring 5.4 on the Richter scale shook on Monday morning the Pacific coast of Nicaragua, with no injuries or property damage reported, official sources said.

The Nicaraguan Institute of Territorial Studies (INETER) said at its website that the earthquake occurred at 8:37 am local times (1437 GMT).

The INETER said that the earthquake was felt in the Nicaraguan Pacific Litoral, La Boquita and Casares in the department of Carazo, some 46 km south of Managua. The earthquake was a result of the clash between the tectonic plates Coco and Caribe, it added.—Xinhua

Costa Rica to launch satellite system against drug trafficking

SAN JOSE, 7 July—The Costa Rican government on Monday announced it will launch a satellite tracking system to aid the anti-drug fight on the seas.

The system, which will record vessels’ route, position and movements at real time, will allow the authorities to provide aid in case of emergencies, and reinforce the police actions to seize drugs, executive president of the Costa Rican Institute of Fishing and Aquaculture Luis Dobles told Xinhua. The system will mainly guard tuna fishing ships and foreign-flag vessels with a length of more than 18 meters in its first phase, and will also cover smaller ships in the future, the official said.—Xinhua

Egypt denies deploying US troops on its borders with Israel

CAIRO, 7 July—Egypt denied on Monday media reports about the deploying of US troops on Egypt’s borders with Israel and Gaza Strip, Foreign Ministry spokesman Hossam Zaki said in a statement.

“The fact is that the United States is doing a periodic change to part of its troops taking part in the multinational force in Sinai,” said Zaki, stressing that “this process is done regularly since deploying the multinational force.”

“The media reports are baseless,” calling for accuracy when reporting such things, he added.

Xinhua

World economy remains in danger

WASHINGTON, 7 July—The world economy is still in danger despite recent positive signs, World Bank President Robert Zoellick said Monday.

“The actions you and other leaders have taken over the last few months have broken the fall in the global economy by stabilizing financial markets and boosting demand,” Zoellick said in a letter to the Group of Eight summit scheduled to held later this week.

“Yet 2009 remains a dangerous year. Recent gains could be reversed easily, and the pace of recovery in 2010 far from certain. I recognize that some developed countries are now considering a policy mix that assumes the recovery is at hand.—Xinhua

Israel frees Hamas lawmaker, resident of east Jerusalem

RAMALLAH, 7 July—Israel freed late on Monday afternoon an Islamic Hamas movement lawmaker, after he ended his 38-month sentence in Israeli prison, Hamas movement said in a statement.

Hamas said that the Israeli authorities released Ibrahim Abu Salem, a lawmaker in the Hamas-dominated parliament three days after he ended a 38-month sentence in

Israeli prison.

“An Israeli police force took Abu Salem, a resident of the Arab East Jerusalem, to an Israeli army barrier that links between Hebron (south of the West Bank) and Jerusalem and didn’t let him go to his home in the city,” Hamas said.

Abu Salem was detained together with 40 Hamas lawmakers and ministers in the West Bank at the end of June

2006, in reaction to the kidnapping of Israeli corporal Gilad Shalit by Hamas and two other armed groups.

Two weeks ago, Israel freed parliament speaker Aziz al-Dweik and some other lawmakers after they ended their sentences in Israeli jails. Israel keeps detaining 35 other Hamas lawmakers and three others representing other factions.

Xinhua



Riders compete during a yak race at the Fourth Minority Traditional Sports Game in Haibei, northwest China’s Qinghai Province, on 6 July, 2009. —XINHUA

Vietnam flood toll hits 28

HANOI, 7 July—The death toll from flooding and landslides in mountainous northern Vietnam has risen to at least 28, authorities have said.

Most of the deaths were in Bac Kan and Lai Chau provinces, said the National Flood and Storm Control Committee, updating its previous figure of at least 22 deaths since heavy rains began on Friday.

Thanh Nien newspaper quoted Trieu Kiem Vang, a farmer in Bac

Kan's Khen Len hamlet, as saying his two sons, their wives and two granddaughters were buried in a landslide.

There were also deaths in Cao Bang, Son La, Lao Cai and Ha Giang provinces, the flood committee said, listing three people as missing.

The storms destroyed nine bridges, flooded hundreds of houses and about 600 hectares (1,480 acres) of cropland, authorities said.

Security forces are as-

sisting in the aid and rescue effort, state television reported.

Vietnam's flood and storm season generally starts in July and lasts until November. Last year at least 550 people died in disasters triggered by bad weather, the national statistics office said earlier.

Internet

US FDA approves first maintenance drug therapy for advanced lung cancer

WASHINGTON, 7 July—The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved Alimta (pemetrexed), the first drug available for maintenance therapy of advanced or metastatic lung cancer, the FDA said on Monday in a statement.

Patients with cancer often receive maintenance therapy to prevent the disease from progressing after their tumor has shrunk or the disease has stabilized in response to chemotherapy. Alimta disrupts metabolic processes that are dependent on the B-vitamin folate, a necessary ingredient for

cell replication.

There are two main types of lung cancers: small cell lung cancer and non-small cell lung cancer. Non-small cell lung cancer has several subtypes, including squamous cell, large cell, adenocarcinoma and mixed histology cancers.

Internet

More cool summer for US northeast

NEW YORK, 7 July—Cooler than average weather patterns in the US northeast, attributed to the solar cycle, will likely persist for the rest of the summer, forecasters said.

There will be spikes of summer weather, AccuWeather.com reported on Monday, but weather patterns that have prevailed so far will probably last.

This year represents a low point for sunspots, NASA said. Studies indicate the lower the sunspots, the less bright the sun, which could translate to less heating of Earth, although many other factors could also be pertinent.

In addition, a dip in the jet stream during the next few weeks will keep New England, New York and the northern portions of Pennsylvania and New Jersey relatively cool. The Mid-Atlantic states will experience more warmth and less rain, AccuWeather predicts. This summer is not expected to be another year without a summer, such as occurred in 1816 when there was massive crop destruction and killing frosts all summer, the report said.—*Internet*

Internet-based therapy shows promise for insomnia

CHICAGO, 7 July—Sleepless people sometimes use the Internet to get through the night. Now a small study shows promising results for insomniacs with nine weeks of Internet-based therapy.

No human therapist is involved. The Internet software gives advice, even specific bedtimes, based on users' sleep diaries. Patients learn better sleep habits—like avoiding daytime naps—through stories, quizzes and games.

"This is a very interactive, tailored, personalized programme," said study co-author Frances Thorndike of the University of Virginia Health System, who helped design the software, called Sleep Healthy Using the Internet, or SHUTI.

Such software could one day be a low-cost alternative for some patients, Thorndike said. And it could be the only non-drug option for people who live in areas without trained specialists, she said.

Internet



Villagers salvage wood from a wrecked house in a flood-hit village in Vietnam's northern Province of Bac Kan on 5 July. The death toll in the region has risen to at least 28, authorities have said.

INTERNET



A one-day-old male Asian elephant calf walks with its mother Thong Dee at Taronga Zoo in Sydney.

Va woman rides to landfill in trash bin

Workers at the Frederick County Landfill were surprised by what they found in a large trash bin trucked in from a Goodwill Industries store: a woman who had apparently gotten trapped.

"They opened the door and she got out," said landfill manager Ron Kimble.

Maj Robert Eckman of the Frederick County Sheriff's Office said the 48-year-old woman crawled into the bin at a store sometime Wednesday night, couldn't get out, and fell asleep.

A truck picked up the bin just after 8 am on Thursday and hauled it, along with the unwitting passenger, to the dump.

Police foil radio control zeppelin jailbreak

Spanish police said they had foiled an Italian drug trafficker's plan to break out of jail in the Canary Islands using climbing equipment and a four-metre-long zeppelin.

lin. "The plan consisted of using a remotely controlled zeppelin to bring him night-vision goggles and climbing equipment with which to escape," a Na-

tional Police statement said.

The prisoner, named as Giulio B, 52, was in jail after being caught piloting a seaplane taking 200 kg (440 pounds) of cocaine from

Mauritania to the Canaries.

Police said they had arrested three people outside the jail who were preparing the escape, and had intercepted a package sent from Italy containing the balloon, night-vision goggles and climbing gear.

Housewife first up for 100-day "live sculpture"

A housewife from Sleaford in Lincolnshire will be the first of thousands of people to stand for one hour on top of a plinth in London's Trafalgar Square as part of a 100-day "live sculpture" exercise.

"One & Other" is a work devised by sculptor Antony Gormley for the square's empty plinth, now a platform for temporary works of art.

The first of 2,400 people to feature in Gormley's work is Rachel Wardell, a 35-year-old housewife and mother-of-two. Participants are chosen at random, and 14,500 people have applied so far.



British artist Antony Gormley (C) poses for photographers with people from different walks of life during a photocall for the "One & Other" fourth plinth project in Trafalgar Square, central London.

NEWS ALBUM



Cows graze in a field next to a Zeppelin airship parked outside the Swiss village of Lindau, near Zurich.

Oregon woman obsessed with rabbits back in jail

An Oregon woman obsessed with bunnies has been ordered back behind bars after police found her in

a hotel room with more than a dozen rabbits.

Washington County Circuit Judge Gayle Nachtigal ruled that 47-year-old Miriam Sakewitz violated her probation by having the rabbits. The judge sentenced the woman to 90 days in the county

jail.

Police arrested Sakewitz after she called a maintenance worker to her room in the Portland suburb of Tigard to fix a broken television set.

The worker saw and smelled the rabbits, some of them hopping free.



A trip to Mon State through Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine), a dream come true

Article: Win Naing (Kyemon); Photos: Khin Maung Win (Kyemon)

(from page 1)
Mawlamyine Township, which lies on the Thanlwin River in Mon State in the southern part of Myanmar.

We set out at 6.30 am and arrived at Mottama Station on the other bank of the Thanlwin River at about 2pm the same day. Some time after leaving the station, our train, schedule No 35 (up), was on the approach road to Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine).

Up to that time, I had never been to Mawlamyine, nor had I passed such a long

and by motorboat. In contrast, now the swift current no longer forms a natural barrier between the two sides of it due to an all-weather transport facility. Local people are, therefore, just proud of the bridge of their dreams.

Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine) has a motorway and a railroad on it. The length of the motorway is 11,575 feet, and that of the railroad, 21,678 feet. The bridge is the longest of its kind in Myanmar. The project for construction of the bridge was launched on 18 March 2000, and the facility was put into commission on 5



An approach road to Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine).



A road section (Rakhinegone) indicates significant development of Mawlamyine.

bridge. Therefore, I gazed awestruck at the bridge from the approach structure. Then, I came to realize why local people of Mon State call Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine), a dream come true.

Previously, local people of Mon State, Kayin State and Taninthayi Division had to grapple with a variety of challenges to get across and use the Thanlwin River by Z-craft, by ship

February 2005. The railroad was built on 19 January 2003 and launched on 17 January 2006.

Thanlwin by nature is a violent river full of lands of rock mass. So, to construct a bridge over the Thanlwin River was just like a dream in the past. However, now there have been seven bridges spanning the Thanlwin River owing to the benevolent attitude, which the government shows

towards national brethren, and the calibres of Myanmar engineers.

As a result of such a prudent project, local people of Mon State, Kayin State and Taninthayi Division can travel by train and by land to any other region across the nation at any times. And the bridge helps further cement the amicable relations between national people and improve the transport of local goods to other

regions, thus ensuring swift commodity flow.

The 10 above-180-foot bridges the government has constructed so far in Mon State for comfort and convenience of the people make superb contribution towards both regional and national development.

The Ministry of Construction not only implements bridge projects but also upgrades

the present roads in Mon State. In the process, it has upgraded Sittoung-Mottam Section of Yangon-Mawlamyine-Ye-Dawei-Myeik Road to a 24-foot-wide one; the internal road of Mawlamyine to a 74-foot-wide one; many roads in Mudon, Thanbyuzayat and Ye, to 44-foot-wide ones; and Mawlamyine-Hpa-an Road linking Mon State and Kayin State to a

24-foot-wide one. So, people can travel from one place to another in the regions with convenience in a short time.

A trip to Mon State bears witness to rapid development of Mon State that is far better than that previously.

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One of the upgraded internal road sections of Yangon-Mawlamyine-Ye-Dawei-Myeik Road in Mawlamyine.



Industry-2 Minister inspects Thagara Industrial Zone

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July — Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein inspected the construction of factories for turbine and generator production project and multipurpose diesel engine production project in Thagara Industrial Zone yesterday morning.

He called for completion of the projects according to schedule and seeking the technologies by workers of the factory.

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Minister meets with local people in Kyaukpadaung

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July — A ceremony to meet local people from Kyaukpadaung Township was held in Indaing (East) village-tract in Kyaukpadaung Township on 5 July.

It was attended by local authorities, departmental officials at township level, members of social organizations and local people from Indaing (East), Hsintaingan, Dagama, Dawa, Nyaungkandaunk, Letpanpin and Hsintatkyin village-tract and 12 others.

Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun made a speech on the occasion and presented exercise books and stationery to students and publications for the libraries.

Next, local people from respective village-tracts presented reports to the minister on requirements for the

development. After hearing the reports, the minister attended to the needs.

Afterwards, Chairman of Township Peace and Development Council U Zaw Myint Thein briefed on tasks being carried out for the regional development and future tasks to be carried out, townselder U Aung Win Kyi on requirements for the development of agriculture sector and Deputy General Manager U Aung Kyaw Soe on plans to provide assistance for the development of agriculture sector.

Managing Director U Myat Maw of Myanma Economic Bank later gave a supplementary report.

Next, the minister said there has been success in regional socio-economic life due to fulfilment of the State and concerted efforts of local people. —MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung inspects 300 acres of teak plantations of Kin-moon-taung forest reserve in Taungdwingyi Township. —FORESTRY

Stimulant tablets seized in Phakant

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July — Members of Kachin State Anti-drug squad (Myitkyina) seized 984 tablets of WY stimulant tablet while they searched Naing Lin (a) Alay at a restaurant in Seik-mu Ward in Phakant at 12.45 p.m. on 4 July. According to his confession, the seized tablets were of U Hngwa Lu

who lives at Nat-kyi-sin in Ward-1 in Phakant. After searching the house of U Hngwa Lu, 760 WY stimulant tablets were seized on the ceiling of the bedroom. Naing Lin (a) Alay and U Hngwa Lu were arrested in order to expose other accomplices.

MNA

Yangon Mayor inspects tasks for proper drainage

YANGON, 7 July — Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Yangon Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin inspected construction of 4-ft wide and 7-ft deep brick culvert alongside the Banyadala Road and the situations in water drainage of Aung Mingala box culvert to prevent overflowing in the

rainy season in Tamway Township this morning.

He viewed the construction of underground box culvert with 100-ft length and 5-ft depth crossing Pyay Road for the proper drainage of the culverts along the road in Mayangon Township.

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Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun donates exercise books and stationery to students and publications to libraries in Kyaukpadaung Township through a responsible person. —F&R

Forestry Minister inspects teak plantations

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July — Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung visited 705-acre teak plantation of Taung Nyo forest reserve in Nay Pyi Taw Pynmana on 4 July. The minister heard reports on thriving plantations, completion of tree planting in rainy season and progress in growing of eucalyptus plantation in villages presented by the deputy director and officials of the Forest Department and gave necessary instructions.

The minister viewed thriving teak plantations in Palway forest reserve in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon and Kin-moon-taung forest reserve in Taungdwingyi Township. Next, the minister inspected rural housing built with of eucalyptus wood.

At No (25) Saw Mill in Ngaphe Township, the minister looked into production line and sawn woods.

In the evening, the min-

ister inspected one-acre tea plantation grown on trial basic by Forest Department in Nat-yay-kan-taung region.

Then the minister oversaw thriving tea plantations of private companies. After hearing reports on progress of cultivation of 415-acre tea plantation and site chosen for green tea factory in Padan village presented by the managing director of Momentum Co, the minister left necessary instructions. —MNA



Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin inspects extending building of brick culvert alongside Banyadala Road and water drainage of Aung Mingala box culvert in Tarmwe Township. —YCDC



CPT Minister attends monsoon tree-growing ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Rainy season tree-planting ceremony of the Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs was held at the Minister's office, Nay Pyi Taw Post Office and Nay Pyi Taw exchange office today in conjunction with a ceremony to put fingerlings into the dam. It was attended by Minister for

Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw and wife, Deputy Minister Maj-Gen Thein Tun and wife, and staff.

The minister and wife and the deputy minister and wife grew Eugenia sapling. Director-General, Managing Director and General Manager grew Eugenia sapling and departmental heads grew

star flowers saplings. After that, they viewed the planting of saplings by staff. The minister, the deputy minister and their wives, and departmental heads put different species of fingerling into the dam.

A total of 684 saplings were grown and 35,000 fingerlings were put into the dam at the ceremony.

MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw puts fingerlings into the dam.

MPT

F & R Minister attends prize-presenting ceremony and donation ceremony for Sagawar-myay educational foundation



NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Prize-presenting ceremony for outstanding students in 2009 matriculation examination and donation ceremony for Sagawar-myay educational foundation took place at gymnasium hall in Kyaukpadaung Township, Mandalay Division on 5 July. Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun delivered an address.

Director U Aung Kyaw Than of Central Bank of Myanmar presented prizes to

1-distinction winners, Managing Director U Myat Maw of Myanma Economic Bank to 2-distinction winners, minister's wife Daw Khin Than Win to 3-distinction winners and Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun to 4, 5 and 6-distinction winners.

Next, the minister presented gifts to teachers through Township Education Officer Daw Akyu and Headmistresses.

A 6-distinction winner Ma Khin Wathone Oo spoke words of thanks on behalf of the winners.

Afterwards, Patron of Sagawar-myay educational foundation Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun

and wife donated K 2.5 million to Chairman of educational foundation U Tin Maung Nyunt at a ceremony held in Kyaukpadaung Township.

The minister accepted K 2 million donated by townselder U Aung Win Kyi on behalf of Patron of foundation Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung. Chairman of Township Peace and Development Council, chairman of foundation and executive members accepted cash donated by well-wishers.

After that, Patron of foundation Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun spoke words of thanks.—MNA

C-in-C (Navy)'s C'ship Shield Rowing Contest ends



The Commander of Naval Dockyard Command presents shield to winning team.—MNA

YANGON, 7 July—The final matches of Commander-in-Chief (Navy)'s Championship Shield Rowing Contest (2009) took place along with the awarding ceremony at Defence Services (Navy) Rowing Club (Inya Lake) on 3 July.

The commander of the Naval Dockyard Command, on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), delivered an introductory speech, and presented the championship shield to the winning team.—MNA

Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun presents prize to an outstanding student.—F&R

Deputy Health Minister inspects hospitals in Yangon

YANGON, 7 July—A meeting on prevention against new influenza A(H1N1) 2009 took place at Yangon West Hospital this morning.

Secretary of the Infectious Diseases Control Central Committee Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo in his address said that Myanmar is taking precautionary measures against new influenza A(H1N1), based on the experiences gained from preventive measures taken against SARS in 2003, and against bird flu in 2004; that according to WHO, up to 6 July, new influenza

A(H1N1) had spread to 135 countries and affected 94,512 people and cost 429 lives; and that the girl who was infected with the virus in Singapore is now getting better, and will be discharged from the hospital soon, and the period of surveillance on those who came into contact with the girl has been over since yesterday. The deputy minister inspected wards of the hospital. He also made inspection tour of Yangon General Hospital and the Children's Hospital (Yangon).

MNA



Deputy Minister Dr Mya Oo delivers address at meeting in Yangon West Hospital.—HEALTH

Regional development tasks in Magway Div ...

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of Kazonma-Yaypya-Myaing-Taungyamar road section at the junction of Seikphyu-Saw-Kanpetlet road and Pathein-Monywa road, Lt-Gen Tha Aye heard the report presented by superintending engineer of Division Public Works and officials concerned on progress in construction of earth work along Seikphyu-Saw motor road and fulfilled the needs.

On arrival at Kazonma station hospital in Seikphyu Township, Lt-Gen Tha Aye gave necessary instructions to responsible persons. After that, the director of Health Department under the Ministry of Health presented medical equipment for station hospital to the medical superintendent of the station hospital.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye and party then proceeded to Shwetaungtan agricultural farm of U Mya Maung at the entrance to Kanpetlet, Chin State. At the farm, they inspected tea, yam tuber, grape fruit and orange plantations and left necessary instructions.— MNA

Workshop on extensive use of teak from ASEAN teak plantations

YANGON, 7 July—The tropics timber association of the Forest Department under the Ministry of Forestry and the community funds for commodities jointly held a workshop on extensive use of teak from teak plantations of ASEAN at the Central Forest Development Training Centre in Hmawby this morning.

It was attended by five forest experts from Indonesia, the Philippines, India, and China, and representatives from NGOs and the Myanmar Forest Products and Timber Merchants Association, totalling 55.

The five foreign experts will read out five papers, and local experts, six papers at the seminar that continues till 10 July.

MNA

Rainy season tree-planting ceremony for Myaungmya Tsp

YANGON, 7 July—Monsoon tree-planting ceremony of Myaungmya Township Forest Department was held in front of affiliated basic education high school near the road, in Pyin Village, Myaungmya Township on 20 July.

Chairman of Myaungmya District, chairman of township and staff officers of Forest Department planted windbreaker and eucalyptus saplings.

A total of 1200 eucalyptus saplings were collectively grown on both sides of the road by officials, members of social organizations, teachers and students.

MNA

Pathein, a township with a prosperous future

Article: Maung Maung Myint Swe; Photos: Kyaw Myint Than (Lanmadaw)

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golden statue of Tatmadaw members and national people.

Along Maha Bandoola Road to the downtown area, we saw pleasant sight of the road decorated with landscaping plants, flower beds and casuarinas plants on both sides. And at the junction of Maha Bandoola Park, the roads were coping with heavy traffic, most of which were motorcycles and bicycles. Pathein has developed a lot if compared with the conditions I found in my last visit to it.

In Maha Bandoola Park was the statue of Maha Bandoola standing magnificently. I noticed that the whole Pathein was hustle and bustle with trade activities. Then, we visited the office of Pathein Township Development Affairs Committee and met Executive Officer (Deputy Director) U Soe Win.

In response to my question about regional development, he said, "We are working diligently in com-



Shweyoketu Roundabout, which depicts the strength of the nation lies within.



Pathein Suspension Bridge with a tarred road on it.

pliance with the guidance of the Head of State, supervision of Ayeyawdy Division Peace and Development Council and directives of our ministry for development of urban and rural areas. We have a plan to grow many more landscaping plants along the roads to keep our township clean and attractive. We dredge the drainage ditches every day. And we will plan to upgrade the roads."

It was heartening to learn that they would have to carry out follow-up programmes to achieve the goal.

U Hla Soe said, "They would continue to decorate Moelaywatha Roundabout, the traffic island of Aungthukha Road, the clock tower, and other busy places with landscaping plants and flower beds. Up to now, we have laid concrete on Strand Road for about 4000 feet. Previously, this road was flooded whenever the Ngawun River was swollen. Now, such necessary things are no more. And we maintain the bridges, roads and parks in the township."

Strand Road in Pathein was a tarred one. We also

saw stockpiles of sand and gravels along Strand Road to construct buildings.

The Town Hall of Pathein was on Strand Road, and near the hall was the notice board for public knowledge.

On the left of Strand Road were departmental offices, Pathein Market and the road to Chaungtha and Ngwehsaung beach resorts. Pathein Hotel and the 50-foot-high clock tower were found decorated with sodium bulbs and coloured lamps.

In the township, Kanthaya and Bandoola parks were found like recreation centres, and attractive and beautiful with beds of flowers of various species, landscaping plants, green lawns, statues of animals, fountains and lake.

Therefore, it can be deduced from the scenes and things we found during our trip that Pathein is getting prosperous considerably.

Translation: MS
Myanma Alin: 2-7-2009



Russia bank may help Ukraine with \$4b gas loan

KIEV, 7 July — Ukraine's state firm Naftogaz could secure up to four billion US dollars in financing with the help of Russian investment bank Troika to ensure payment for gas imports from Moscow, the Internet site *Ukrainska Pravda* reported on Monday.

A banking source later told *Reuters* that Troika was only large enough to serve as a conduct for the funds,

which could ultimately come from Russian gas export monopoly Gazprom. Naftogaz, which must pay for gas imports by the seventh day of the month following purchases, offered no comment on the report, based on what the authoritative Internet news service said was a fax of a draft contract between the companies.

"But Troika is definitely just a pass-through structure...

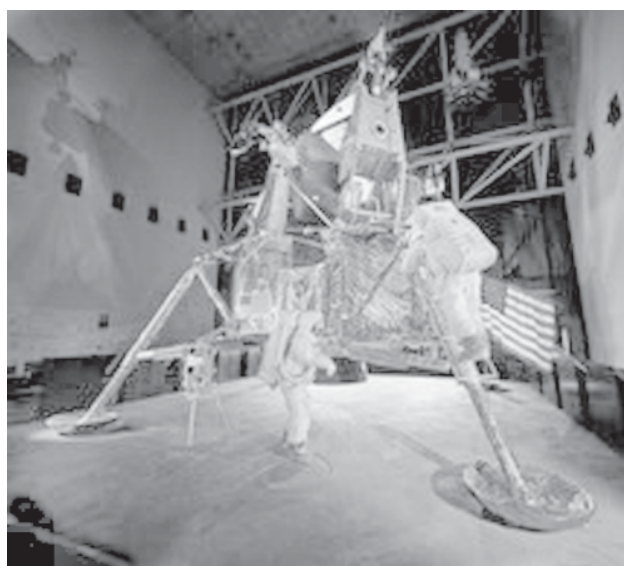
Gazprom's structures are the ones most likely to provide the financing," an investment banking source said. Naftogaz said later Monday that it had paid in full for June imports of Russian import about 1.1 billion cubic metres of gas in June valued at about 300 million US dollars. Tymoshenko had earlier insisted that Ukraine would not miss the on 7 July payment deadline for gas consumed in June.

MNA/Reuters



As if the atmosphere outside Staples Center didn't promise to be circus-like enough come on Tuesday morning, they're sending in the elephants.

INTERNET



On 20 July 1969, Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first humans to walk on the moon. Forty years later, a variety of museums, space centers and other institutions are marking the anniversary with events, exhibits, concerts and lectures.

INTERNET

Three more Britons die after contracting H1N1 flu

LONDON, 7 July — Three more Britons including two children have died after contracting the H1N1 flu virus, taking to seven the number of people in Britain who have died after catching the infection, health officials said on Monday.

The latest victims, a nine-year-old child from south London and a man and a child from the Kirklees area of West Yorkshire in northern England, all had underlying health issues, the National Health Service said.

The nine-year-old is the second person to die in the capital since the flu outbreak spread from Mexico to Britain in April. A 19-year-old, who was also from south London and had serious pre-existing illnesses, died last week.

"Once again we would wish to take this opportunity to remind the public that for most people this is a mild illness and that they should start to feel better after a few days without needing to go to their doctor," NHS London said in a statement.

A spokesman for NHS services in Yorkshire said it was not yet clear if the virus, known as swine flu, was the main cause of the other two deaths.

The World Health Organization declared on 11 June that the outbreak of the virus was a pandemic. More than 77,000 people have been infected worldwide, including about 7,500 confirmed cases in Britain. — MNA/Reuters

Mexican pork export drops 90% due to flu

MEXICO CITY, 7 July — Mexico's pork export dropped 90 percent, or around 30,000 tons, due to the spread of the A/H1N1 flu, according to a report on Monday.

Since the World Trade Organization (WTO) declared the A/H1N1 flu outbreak in Mexico a "public health emergency of international concern", 20 nations have imposed import controls on

Mexican meat, said a report from the Public Finance Study Centre.

Despite the impact on the export of pork, the poultry industry has not been affected, it added. Mexico's pork export totals some 22 million US dollars each month with some 3.9 million dollars' worth going to Japan, the largest single export market.

MNA/Xinhua

European Parliament vote on Barroso to be put off

STOCKHOLM, 7 July — Sweden with the presidency of EU confirmed on Monday that European Parliament vote on whether to approve a second five-year term for European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso will be put off to a future date.

"I have had the opportunity to discuss this with a number of the Parliament's group leaders, and have understood that the Parliament is not ready to vote in July. I respect the Parliament's views," said Swedish Prime Minister Fredrik Reinfeldt at a joint Press conference with the President of the European Parliament Hans-Gert Pottering, who is on his official visit in Sweden.

"With so many shared challenges ahead of us, in Europe and internationally, I think it is important to have a strong commission. And for that, we need to appoint a new president soon," said Reinfeldt. "I had hoped that we would be able to vote on the president of the commission in July, but as the president of the European Parliament, I respect the political group leaders' wish to wait. I hope that we can make a decision at the European Parliament's September session instead," Pottering said.

At the European Council's meeting in June, all 27 EU heads of state and government agreed to nominate the current President Jose Manuel Barroso for a second term of office in the commission, whose term runs out in the autumn. — MNA/Xinhua

82 new A/H1N1 flu cases confirmed in Europe

STOCKHOLM, 7 July — A European health agency said on Monday that 82 new A/H1N1 flu cases were reported in European countries within the last 24 hours.

Of the new cases, 22 were confirmed in Germany, 11 in Greece, nine in Hungary, eight in Cyprus, seven respectively in Finland and Netherlands, six in Ireland, three respectively in Sweden, Portugal and Bulgaria, one respectively in Slovenia, Slovakia and Denmark, the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) said in its daily situation report.

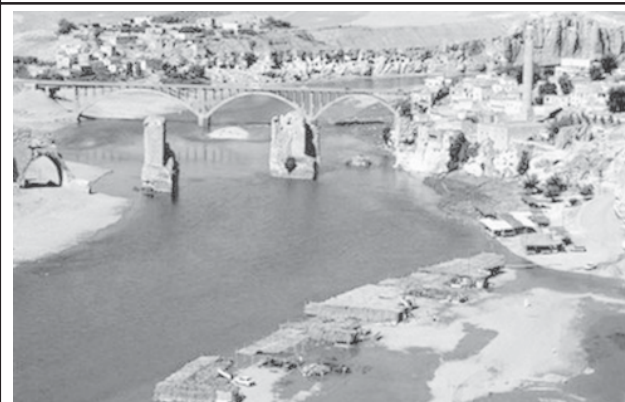
The total number of confirmed cases of the H1N1 flu virus in the EU and European Free Trade Association (EFTA) countries rose to 10,342, with 776 cases in Spain and 7,447 in Britain, 318 in France and 527 in Germany, the ECDC said. The ECDC publishes a daily situation report about the H1N1 flu cases in the EU and EFTA countries based on official information from these countries. — MNA/Xinhua

Russia sends three military satellites into space

MOSCOW, 7 July — Russia successfully put three military satellites into orbit early Monday, news agencies reported citing a spokesman for Russia's Space Forces.

A Russian Rokot carrier rocket carrying three Cosmos-series satellites was launched by the Space Forces from the Plesetsk space centre in northwest Russia, said Alexei Zolotukhin.

Rokot is a modified version of the RS-18 two-stage intercontinental ballistic missile. — MNA/Xinhua



This undated photo shows a small town on the banks of the Tigris river in Turkey. Determined to reduce dependence on foreign energy, Turkey vowed on Tuesday to push on with an ambitious dam construction programme on the Tigris despite the loss of financing for a key project and loud objections from environmentalists. — INTERNET

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (259)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TAMPAN VOY NO (259) are hereby notified that the vessel due to arrive on 7.7.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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

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Save the Children

National Open Tender Notice

Contract reference DCI-ASIE/2008/1 66 - 067

Save the Children intend to award a Supply Contract for construction materials in Island of Pyinkayaing, Ngapudaw Township, Ayeyarwady Division, Myanmar, with financial assistance from the "Integrated Non-Formal Education and Livelihoods programme to aid the recover and resilience of cyclone uprooted vulnerable people on the Island of Pyinkayaing", program of the European Commission.

The tender documents are available at the following addresses:

Save the Children, Wizaya Plaza, 226 U Wisara Road, Bahan Township, Yangon, Myanmar

The deadline for submission of tenders is 8th August 2009 at the end of business hours.

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A boat sails with tourists in the ancient historical port city of Byblos, north of Beirut. Lebanon is expecting a record two million tourists this summer if the security and political stability persists, the Lebanese Minister of Tourism announced.—INTERNET

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**Drive
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**Apple iPod
may get
camera**

BEIJING, 7 July—Technological sources in Asia suggest that the Apple iPod may be getting a camera.

One technological website, TechCrunch claims Apple has already placed orders for a camera module for the next version of the iPod. Other pointers to the potential upgrade are that new cases for the device show a hole where a camera might be.

Rumors have persisted before, and Apple won't confirm anything.

Only the iPhone currently possesses a camera in all of its models. Its latest version, the iPhone 3Gs, boasts a 3 megapixel device as well as video capture and editing software which also enables users to upload video clips to YouTube.

Internet

**Brazil reports 20 new cases of
A/H1N1 flu, raising total to 905**

RIO DE JANEIRO, 7 July —Brazil's Health Ministry announced on Monday the confirmation of 20 new cases of A/H1N1 flu, which brought the total to 905 in the country. The new cases are spread over five states: seven in Rio Grande do Sul six in Parana, three in Goias, three in Sao Paulo and one in Rio Grande do Norte. Most of the infected patients have already been discharged or are recovering from the disease, the Ministry said.

So far, the A/H1N1 flu has killed one person in Brazil, a 29-year-old truck driver from Rio Grande do Sul state. The Health Ministry also informed that there are 1,414 patients suspected of having contracted the A/H1N1 flu in the country, who are being tested in order to confirm the contagion. Additionally, the Ministry

said, the A/H1N1 flu has been discarded in 1,203 cases.

According to the Ministry, about 60 percent of the Brazilian patients were infected during international trips, mostly to Argentina, the US, and Chile. Other 23 percent were infected in Brazilian territory, and the remaining cases are being investigated. Despite the increasing domestic transmission cases, the Ministry said that the A/H1N1 virus is not circulating in the country and that domestic transmission is restricted.

So far, there are about 94,500 confirmed cases of A/H1N1 flu in the world, according to the latest report from the World Health Organization (WHO). The disease has already killed 429 people worldwide.

Internet

**Venezuela reports
222 A/H1N1 flu
cases**

CARACAS, 7 July—Venezuelan health authorities on Monday confirmed 222 cases of the influenza A/H1N1 in the country.

The National Institute of Hygiene said 66 patients were receiving free medical treatment and other 156 had recovered from the disease.

Nancy Perez, deputy minister for collective health networks, said that the patients had light to moderate symptoms and those first infected had a fast recovery.

Perez said that the number of patients had reduced thanks to the control, tracking and recommendations given by the health ministry.—Internet



Experts warn of reef extinction by end of century

BEIJING, 7 July — Wildlife experts warn that the world's coral reefs may be extinct by the end of this century unless the amount of carbon dioxide (CO₂) in the atmosphere is cut down.

At a meeting in London on Monday, leading wildlife experts claimed that the predicted pace of emissions means a level of 450 parts per million of CO₂ in the atmosphere will be reached by 2050. The emissions will lead to increasingly

acidic oceans and warming water temperatures, which will kill off the coral reefs in the following decades.

"The kitchen is on fire and it's spreading around the house," said Alex Rogers of the Zoological Society of London and the International Programme on the State of the Ocean.

"If we act quickly and decisively we may be able to put it out before the damage becomes irreversible," he added.

Coral reefs are important nurseries and shelters for fish and other sea life.

They also protect coastlines, provide a critical source of food for millions of people, attract tourists and are potential storehouse of medicines for cancer and other diseases.

The biggest is the Great Barrier Reef, a collection of 2,900 reefs along 2,100 km of Australia's north east coast in a marine park the size of Germany.—*Internet*



Corals are seen at the Great Barrier Reef in this January 2002 handout photo.—*INTERNET*

Keeping blood sugar in check good for the heart

NEW YORK, 7 July — A new study highlights the importance of good long-term control of blood sugar in people with diabetes.

The study found that poor long-term blood sugar control in diabetics is associated with a substantial increase in the risk of dying from ischemic heart disease — the type of heart disease characterized by restricted blood flow to the arteries of the heart. However, with reasonably good blood sugar or "glycemic" control, the risk of death from ischemic heart disease is comparable to that seen in

people without diabetes, the researchers found.

"Due to these findings, good glycemic control in persons with newly diagnosed diabetes should be recommended," Dr Ane C Dale, from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim, told *Reuters Health*. "In addition, it is necessary to control other cardiovascular risk factors properly."

In a 20-year follow up study, Dale and colleagues compared death rates from ischemic heart disease in 205 patients newly diagnosed with diabetes and 205 matched subjects

without diabetes at the outset.

The researchers report in the European *Heart Journal* that diabetic patients had nearly a two-fold greater risk of dying compared to nondiabetic patients.

The risk for death from ischemic heart disease was four times higher in diabetic subjects with poor long-term blood sugar control compared to the control group, whereas in diabetes patients with "reasonably good" blood sugar control the risk was almost the same as in subjects without diabetes, Dale said.—*Internet*

Blood clots risk up significantly with long travel

BEIJING, 7 July — A review of past research confirm that a long-distance travel could significantly increase the risk for developing blood clots in people's legs, according to media reports on Tuesday.

The researchers analyzed 14 previous studies and found out that the risk grows with the length of the trip.

The risk climbed along with the duration of the trip — rising 18 percent for every two hours of any type of travel, and by 26 percent for every two hours of air travel.

But while the current findings confirm the travel-VTE link, lead researcher Dr Divay Chandra of the Harvard School of Public Health in Boston said "there is no reason for panic" because the absolute risk to any one traveler is still low.

Still, Chandra said, "people who travel long distances should be aware of the risk of blood clots and learn to recognize the symptoms."

The clotting is also known as deep vein thrombosis. Symptoms include swelling, pain and redness in the leg.

—*Internet*

Thailand's death toll from A/H1N1 flu rises to eight

BANGKOK, 7 July — Thailand's Public Health Ministry on Tuesday announced the country's eighth death related to the Influenza A/H1N1 virus.

The eighth death is a man of 58 years old, who died from renal failure at a hospital in the capital of Bangkok, the Thai-language news agency *INN* reported. As of on Tuesday morning, the ministry announced 156 more confirmed cases, bringing the country's total number to 2,428.

On Saturday, the ministry reported the country's seventh flu death case, who is a 37-year-old woman from the central Province of Ratcha Buri.—*Internet*

Two more A/H1N1 flu victims die in Britain

LONDON, 7 July — Two more victims infected with the A/H1N1 have died in Britain following the report of a nine-year-old child who died over the weekend, officials said on Monday.

A man and a girl from Kirklees, West Yorkshire died last week, but no more details have been revealed. This brings the death toll of people contracted with the H1N1 flu in Britain to seven.

The nine-year-old from south London had "serious underlying health problems," said a spokesman for the National Health Service (NHS) in London.

Last week, a 19-year-old man from south London died after infected with the H1N1 flu virus. To date, the oldest dying from the flu aged 73 while the youngest being six.—*Internet*

Chile reports two new deaths from A/H1N1 flu

SANTIAGO, 7 July — The death toll related to the A/H1N1 flu outbreak in Chile rose to 18 after health authorities confirmed on Monday the deaths of two more people from the disease.

The victims were a 52-year-old man who died early Monday morning in San Antonio city, and a 68-year-old female who died in Tome locality.

According to a report from the Health Services of San Antonio, the male patient had a respiratory disease, which complicated his condition.

"He had a chronic lung disease and he was being treated for a lymphoma. He entered the Claudio Vicuna Hospital one week ago and just yesterday he was confirmed as positive (for the flu)," the report said.—*Internet*

Inexplicable leukemias rock small German rural region

GEESTHACHT, 7 July — For 20 years, children from a small rural northern German region — where Alfred Nobel invented dynamite — have been contracting leukemia at a higher rate than anywhere else in the world and no one knows exactly why.

Nineteen cases of leukemia among children under 15 have been recorded since 1989 in the region of Elbmarsch, some 30 kilometres (19 miles) from the city of Hamburg, three or four times the average rate.

"Such a high rate of leukemia is unique in the world," according to Hayo Dieckmann, a health official in the nearby town of Lueneburg who is also a medical doctor.

Authorities in this area, which bills itself as a centre for energy and scientific research, have carried out various studies and tests but failed to come up with conclusive results accepted by all parties as to why it should be a leukemia hotspot.

Campaigners, however, point out that within two kilometres of the region lie the Krümmel nuclear power station and the GKSS scientific research centre, both of which they believe are to blame for the leukemia outbreaks.

—*Internet*



Mayor of Drage and president of the association "Against Leukemia in the Elbmarsch Region," Uwe Harden, is seen in front of the Krümmel nuclear power plant, in Marschacht.

—*INTERNET*

SPORTS

Real Madrid presents Cristiano Ronaldo

MADRID, 7 July—The Spanish soccer club Real Madrid presented on Monday its new player, Portuguese Cristiano Ronaldo as part of the club, during an event in Santiago Bernabeu sta-



Real Madrid's new Portuguese soccer player Cristiano Ronaldo greets the crowd during his presentation at Santiago Bernabeu stadium in Madrid, on 6 July, 2009.—INTERNET

dium with 80,000 soccer fans.

During the event the fans sang "Yes, yes, yes, Ronaldo is already here!"

Real Madrid's president Florentino Perex told Ronaldo, "Cristiano, welcome to Santiago Bernabeu Stadium, welcome to your house, one of Real Madrid."

Ronaldo said that "I'm happy of being in Real Madrid, I can not believe the stadium is so full as it is, I'm very excited... I've fulfilled my dream."

Ronaldo costs 94 million euros, being the most expensive player in the world.

On Monday Ronaldo went to a medical check up and later he signed the contract with the club for six years for nine million euros each season.

Internet

Mbia snubs Everton for Marseille

MARSEILLE, 7 July—Rennes' Cameroon defender Stephane Mbia has snubbed a move to English side Everton for French club Marseille, a source close to the deal revealed on Monday.

The move by the 23-year-old, who had also been an Everton target, had looked in doubt after Marseille president Jean-Claude Dassier insisted at the weekend that the transfer fee of 12 million euros was "a



Rennes' defender Stephane Mbia, seen here in March 2009, has snubbed a move to English side Everton for French club Marseille, a source close to the deal revealed on Monday.—INTERNET

little expensive".

Meanwhile Marseille midfielder Karim Ziani is on the way to German champions VfL Wolfsburg in a deal believed to be worth in the region of seven million euros, according to the same source.—Internet

Chelsea want Terry 'forever' says new boss

LONDON, 7 July—Chelsea want inspirational captain John Terry to stay at the club "forever" according to new Blues manager Carlo Ancelotti.

England skipper Terry has been linked with a mega-money move to Chelsea's cash-rich Premier League rivals



Chelsea captain John Terry. Chelsea want inspirational captain Terry to stay at the club "forever" according to new Blues manager Carlo Ancelotti.—INTERNET

Manchester City.

But while City aspire to be one of England's leading clubs, Chelsea already are and Ancelotti, the former AC Milan boss, said he wanted centre-half Terry - who has spent all his senior career with the Blues - to stay in west London.

"John Terry is a symbol of this team," Ancelotti said at his first news conference as Chelsea manager here Monday.

"He will be captain next season: he said he wants to stay forever and we want to keep him for ever," the Italian added.

"Now there is a question of Man City, but for Terry (there is) no price.

Terry will be at Chelsea forever."—Internet

Israeli Benayoun signs contract extension with Liverpool

LONDON, 7 July—Israeli midfielder Yossi Benayoun signed a new two-year extension to his contract with English premier league club Liverpool, the club website reported.

Benayoun, 29, will stay with the club until 2013.

"I am very happy that we have reached an agreement. Of course, to be at a club like this is a dream come true and I want to keep playing here.

"Hopefully now I can concentrate on the hard work that needs to be done and try to play better and better and win some silverware," he told www.liverpoolfc.tv.

Benayoun, who moved to Anfield from West Ham in July 2007, scored nine goals in 42



Liverpool's Israeli midfielder Yossi Benayoun, seen here in April 2009, on Monday signed a new two-year extension to his contract which will keep him at the club until 2013.—INTERNET

appearances during the 2008-09 campaign, including the late winner against Real in the Champions League last 16 at the Bernabeu stadium in February. —Internet

FC Porto signs Argentinian midfielder Belluschi

LISBON, 7 July—FC Porto signed Argentinian midfielder Daniel Belluschi for five million euros from Greek club Olympiakos on Monday.

The 25-year-old signed a four year contract with the Portuguese champions with a transfer fee in case he leaves before his contract is finished.

Belluschi will fill the place of his compatriot Lucho Gonzalez who signed for French team Marseille last week for 17.5 million euros.

Internet



Portuguese champions FC Porto on Monday signed Argentinian midfielder Daniel Belluschi, seen here in 2008, for five million euros from Greek giants Olympiakos.

INTERNET

Chelsea sign Russian winger Zhirkov

LONDON, 7 July—Russian international winger Yuri Zhirkov has signed for English Premiership giants Chelsea, the club's new manager Carlo Ancelotti said on Monday.—Internet

Russian defender Alexander Anyukov (left) and midfielder Yuri Zhirkov celebrate at St Jakob-Park in Basel, 2008.

INTERNET



Van Bommel wants Ribery affair cleared up

BERLIN, 7 July—Bayern Munich midfielder Mark van Bommel on Monday called for a swift end to the uncertainty surrounding the future of want-away French star Franck Ribery,



Bayern Munich midfielder Mark van Bommel, seen here in May 2009, on Monday called for a swift end to the uncertainty surrounding the future of want-away French star Franck Ribery, who is angling to join Real Madrid.—INTERNET

who is angling to join Real Madrid.

"Franck must clear things up with the coach and the board and it will be good if he does so quickly," said the Dutchman, who says the transfer window ought not to stay open until the end of August. "That is ridiculous - by then we will already long have returned to action," he complained to German sports agency SID.

The German club are meanwhile considering putting a fine system in place in the wake of midfielder Ribery's insistence in a French media interview last week that he will leave for Spain.

Bayern's bosses have repeatedly insisted he is going nowhere and the affair is disrupting preparations for a new season set to begin on 7 August.

Internet

Becker ousted, Fish flees as Newport ATP favourites vanish

NEWPORT, 7 July—US top seed Mardy Fish withdrew and fourth seed Benjamin Becker of Germany was knocked out on Monday during the first day of the 500,000 dollar ATP Hall of Fame Championships.

Wimbledon runner-up Andy Roddick withdrew from this week's US Davis Cup quarter-final tie at Croatia, prompting Fish to be called upon to replace him and thus skip the final grass-court tournament of the season.

American Brendan Evans pulled the first upset of the event by eliminating Becker 7-6 (7/5), 3-6, 7-5. Evans will next face countryman Robby Ginepri, who defeated Spain's Santiago Ventura 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.—Internet



Germany's Benjamin Becker, seen here in June 2009, was knocked out on Monday during the first day of the 500,000-dollar ATP Hall of Fame Championships.—INTERNET

**ASLEEP IN JESUS
DAW SUNG HNIANG (85)**

Daw Sung Hniang, wife of U Lal Bik (Supdtg Engineer (Rtd) Public Works) residing at Bldg. 31 Rm 8 Uwisara Housing, Dagon Township Yangon, mother of (Rev. Lan Thuna-Daw Ida), Daw Kip Nawn (Asst. Supervisor (Domestic) (Rtd) Education Dept)-U Rang Hlur (Asst. Director (Rtd Co-op: Dept), Daw Ahsui (Asst. Teacher), Daw Sui Par-U San Lwin, Daw Sui Hniar-U Henry Tin Kio Bik (Captain, Maersk Line), (U Van Hre)-Daw Hoi Pen (U.D.C), U Lal Tin Mang (Deputy Director. Chin State Audit Dept.)-Daw Tial Tin Par, Daw Ni Siang, U Mang Tin Lian, grand-mother of 20 and great-grand-mother of 6, slept in the arms of Jesus on 4 July 09 at 4 pm. She will be buried after funeral service at Yeway Christian Worship Hall at 11:00 am on 9 July 09.

Bereaved Family.

**France, Brazil urge greater
role for labour body**

PARIS, 7 July—France and Brazil urged a bigger role for the International Labour Organization in a reshaped global economic system that would also see more influence given to developing countries in the United Nations Security Council.

“Everywhere in the world, employees are asking for more justice, more security. They must be heard,” French President Nicolas Sarkozy and his Brazilian counterpart Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva said in a joint column published in France’s *Liberation* daily and Brazil’s *Folha de Sao Paulo* on Tuesday.

The column urging the creation of an “Alliance for Change” appears ahead of this week’s meeting in L’Aquila, Italy of heads of the Group of Eight industrial nations — the United States, Japan, Germany, Italy, France, Britain, Canada and Russia.

The meeting will also include parallel talks between the Group of Five countries — China, India, Brazil, South Africa and Mexico and then talks between the two groups.

Sarkozy and Lula said the economic crisis had underlined the need for more contact between industrialized countries and the developing world. The two leaders also repeated calls for an overhaul of the UN Security Council.— *MNA/Reuters*

**MRTV-3
Programme Schedule
(8-7-2009) (Wednesday)**

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am ~ 10:00am) MST
Europe	- (15:30pm ~ 23:30pm) MST
North America	- (23:30pm ~ 07:30am) MST

Local Transmission

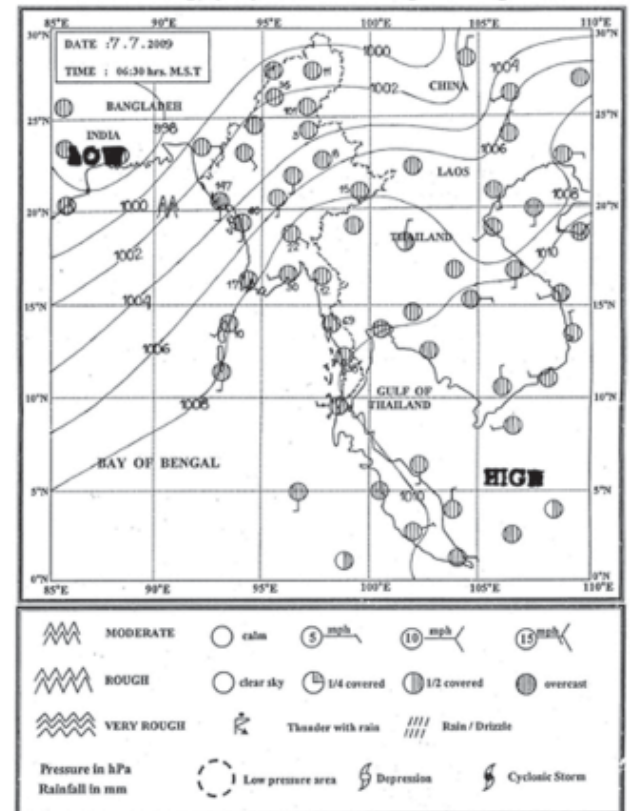
- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Dressing Styles of Law-Waw Ladies
- * Uniquely.....Artistic Straw Paintings of Myanmar
- * Ever Green Songs (Pianist Chit Swe) (Rain)
- * Bridges Built for Regional Development
- * Mobile Education Activities for Wildlife Conservation
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * A Journey to the Zalon Mountain
- * Beautiful Taninthayi
- * Myanmar Traditional Marionette (Part-VII)
- * Myanmar Traditional Novitiation Ceremony
- * Turtle! Our Heritage
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Uniquely.....Artistic Straw Paintings of Myanmar
- * Ever Green Songs (Pianist Chit Swe) (Rain)
- * Pleasant Inkyin Park
- * Mobile Education Activities for Wildlife Conservation
- * Coffee Production in Myanmar
- * Myanma Cattle Market
- * Take An Active Part in the Anti-drug Campaign
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv 3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas

**WEATHER**

Tuesday, 7 July, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST: During the past 24 hours, rain have been isolated in Kayah State and lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Chin State, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Taninthayi Division and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavyfall in Rakhine State and isolated heavyfall in Kachin State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (0.75) inch, Maungdaw (6.50) inches, Sittwe (5.87) inches, Myitkyina (3.98), Thandwe (3.82) inches, Dawei (2.76) inches, Ann, Hmawbi and Theinzayat (2.40) inches each, Kyaukpau and Gyibingouk (2.36) inches each, Minbu (1.46) inches and Magway (1.26) inches.

Maximum temperature on 6-7-2009 was 83°F. Minimum temperature on 7-7-2009 was 66°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-7-2009 was 100%. Total sun shine hours on 6-7-2009 was Nil.

Rainfall on 7-7-2009 was (2.16) inches at Mingaladon, (1.69) inches at Kaba-Aye and (1.58) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (44.17) inches at Mingaladon, (48.42) inches at Kaba-Aye and (51.54) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (18) mph from Southwest at (20:50) hours MST on 6-7-2009.

Bay inference: Monsoon is generally strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 8th July 2009: Rain will be scattered in Kayah State, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Shan and Chin States and widespread in the remaining areas with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine and Mon States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Occasional squalls with moderate to rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Generally strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 8-7-2009: One or two rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 8-7-2009: Some rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 8-7-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (60%).



Wednesday, 8 July
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရား ကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော် ယောဆရာတော် ဟောကြားတော်မူသော ဥပ္ပါတသန္တိပါဠိတော်

7:25 am

2. To be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. Nice and Sweet Song

7:50 am

5. မြန်မာ့ဇာတိသမ္မတနိုင်ငံ

8:05 am

6. ဆွာချောင်းတံတားသက်သေတည်

8:15 am

7. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:25 am

8. “အရေးကြီးလို့ပါ”

8:30 am

9. Musical programme

8:40 am

10. International News

8:50 am

11. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:20 pm

3. Musical programme

4:35 pm

4. Classical Songs

4:45 pm

5. Dance of National Races

4:50 pm

6. “ဖွားချစ်ကတားမြစ်ထားသည်”

5:00 pm

7. အဝေးသံတက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ တတိယနှစ် (စီးပွားရေးပညာ အထူးပြု) (စီးပွားရေးပညာ)

5:15 pm

8. Songs for uphold National Spirit

5:30 pm

9. ရွှေယံစုံလင်အာဆီယံအစီအစဉ်

5:40 pm

10. စူပါတေးသံရှင်ရွှေချယ်ပွဲ

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:30 pm

12. Weather Report

6:35 pm

13. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့စရိုးရာလက်တွေ့

6:50 pm

14. သက်တံရောင်သံစဉ်

7:00 pm

15. ထက်မြက်ပျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်

7:25 pm

16. ရသပေါ်လွင်သရုပ်ဆောင် လွင်ပြင်

8:00 pm

17. News

18. International News**19. Weather Report****20. မြန်မာ့ဗီဒီယိုဇာတ်လမ်း****“မိုးဆွတ်နေ”****(ခန့်စည်သူ၊ ကြည်လဲ့လဲ့ဦး)****(ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဟိန်းစိုး)**



Regional development tasks in Magway Div and Chin State inspected



NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by departmental officials, left here by car on 2 June. Lt-Gen Tha Aye was welcomed by Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe, Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe and departmental officials at Chauk Township, Magway Division.

On arrival at Women Vocational Training School of Education and Training Department in Seikphyu Township, Lt-Gen Tha Aye and party inspected trainees taking tailoring course.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected Seikphyu-Saw-Kanpetlet road section by car. At the briefing hall
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**Lt-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence
inspects Shwetaungtan agricultural farm in
Chin State.—MNA**

Pathein, a township with a prosperous future

Article: Maung Maung Myint Swe;
Photos: Kyaw Myint Than (Lanmadaw)



The clock tower of Pathein.

When we arrived at the entrance to Pathein by car through Yangon-Pathein Highway at about 3 pm, we were greeted by the signboard saying "Welcome to Pathein". Under the greeting words was a picture of three parasols, the symbol of Pathein. Reading the signboard and having a look at the picture, I felt a

glow of pleasure. And on the right hand side was a signboard that said "Ayeyawady Delta, hardworking dwellers" indicating the vigour of local people.

It was pleasant to view landscaping plants and flower beds on both sides of the road with a lush, green lawn in the background. The scene at the



**Pathein Bridge, a
showcase of Pathein,
Ayeyawady Division.**

entrance to Pathein made me feel relaxed and refreshed.

Some time after leaving Technological University (Pathein) and Pathein University, we got to the roundabout of golden statues. The 25-foot-high roundabout at the junction of Pathein-Yangon Road, Pathein-Chaungtha-Ngwehsaung Road, Maha Bandoola Road and Anawrahta Road is composed of
(See page 10)

Myanmar keeps on taking precautionary measures against New Influenza A (H1N1)

None of those who have come into contact with 13-year-old girl victim found infected with virus

NAY PYI TAW, 7 July—Up to yesterday, New Influenza A (H1N1) had spread to 135 countries, having affected 94,512 people and killed 429 people.

Myanmar is putting sustained efforts into control and preventive measures against the latest form of flu. So far, it has given medical check-ups to 1,791,882 people at airports, ports and border checkpoints and examined those suspicious with the deadly disease.

According to the results of laboratory tests, of 36 people suspicious with New Influenza A (H1N1) in the nation, only one was found infected with the virus; 21, suffering seasonal flu only, and 14, in healthy conditions.

The Ministry of Health today announced that the period of surveillance carried out on 203 persons who came into contact with the 13-year-old female victim has been over since yesterday; and that the virus has not spread to any other person and the case is now under control.—MNA