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the Union of Myanmar Colonel Lee Nae Chan who had completed his tour of duties and his successor Colonel Lee Seok Young at the Bayintnaung Yeiktha, here, this morning. Also present on the occasion together with Vice-Senior General Maung Aye were member of the

State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, and Lt-Gen Ye Myint of Ministry of Defence.—MNA



Vice-Senior General Maung Aye receives Colonel Lee Nae Chan and Colonel Lee Seok Young at Bayintnaung Yeiktha in Nay Pyi Taw.—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



PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 28 July, 2009

Strictly observe traffic rules to reduce traffic accidents

The number of road accidents have been on the increase in many nations in the world, including Myanmar, due to the growing population and vehicles. As traffic accidents can cause losses, both social and economic, all road users—drivers as well as pedestrians—are required to abide by traffic rules.

The number of traffic accidents and of people who died or were injured during the first half of the year 2009 has increased, compared with the same period in 2008. It was reported that there were more than 400 road accidents during the period from January to June this year and over 100 people died and more than 900 were injured. In other words, there is an average of 70 road accidents, 18 deaths and 160 injuries every month.

The study of traffic accidents shows that the cases of vehicles running over people is more common than those of crashes between vehicles. If passenger buses crash or overturn, it can cause more deaths and injuries.

It can be seen that traffic accidents are frequently caused by those who drive recklessly or try to overtake others or drive under the influence. It must be seen to it that every driver observes traffic rules, that no one drives under the influence and that no one breaks the speed limit for downtown and uptown areas.

Moreover, slow-moving vehicles and pedestrians are also required to abide by traffic rules. Pedestrians should walk on the pavement or cross the road through zebra crossing or an overbridge. And owners must also have their vehicles checked and serviced constantly.

We believe that there will be fewer road accidents if those concerned often educate people on traffic rules and drivers, pedestrians and slow-moving vehicles strictly observe the respective traffic rules.

Director U Nay Myo Aung of MCG Co Ltd addresses annual dinner and prize-presenting ceremony for dealers of the company.—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

Industry-2 Minister tours industrial regions

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein inspected the Heavy Truck Factory Project (Magway) in Magway Industrial Region on 24 July afternoon.

On arrival at No (2) Farm Machinery Factory (Malun), he gave instructions, calling for boosting production of popular items that are in demand, and turning to customer satisfaction in producing casting forging parts orders placed by other departments.

On 26 July, he visited the Industrial Training (Pakokku) in Pakokku Industrial Region and gave



Minister Vice-Admiral Soe Thein visits Industrial Training Centre Project (Pakokku) in Pakokku Industrial Region.—MNA

instructions on conducting the courses on schedule. He

inspected progress in construction of the lecture hall.

He also inspected the Machine and Machine Tools Factory (Myaing).—MNA

Free Article Contest for International Literacy Day 2009 to be held

YANGON, 27 July—The free article contest in commemoration of the International Literacy Day 2009 will be held, hailing the International Literacy Day which will fall on 8 September, 2009.

Anyone may participate in the contest with an article that is not less than 3,000 not more than 4,000 words.

The manuscript must be written on A4 page, only on its one side with computer or typewriter or by hand in clarity and two

manuscripts (original & copy) may be mailed to U Khin Maung Lu, Director, Myanmar Educational Research Bureau at No.426, Pyay Road, Universities Post Office, Kamayut Township, Yangon, enclosed with admission that the manuscript is of own writing, CV, and three colour photos (1.5x2 inches), not later than 21 August (Friday).

For more information, dial 503987. MNA

CHIGO Airconditioner holds annual prize-presenting ceremony

YANGON, 27 July—MCG Co Ltd conducted prize-presenting ceremony for dealers along with annual dinner for 2009 at Traders Hotel on Sule Pagoda Road here yesterday.

Director U Nay Myo Aung of MCG Co Ltd explained facts about Chigo Airconditioner and company. The officials presented prizes to shops for their performances in the greatest sales and made lucky draw programme for those present.

MCG Co Ltd, a sole agent, has been distributing assorted CHIGO Air-con used in home, industry and factory.

Customers are pleased to use CHIGO Air-con due to the use of latest Japanese technology, compressors and micro-processor control that can help users to display error code in

display screen if there is anything malfunction detected. So the users can repair the set with ease. The company also provides good services and spare parts are easily available for customer convenience.

MCG Co Ltd has been importing quality-CHIGO Air-con including auto-restart, 4-way system air flow and over energy saving functions. The company gives three years warranty which is free of charge for parts and services rendered for first one year and free for services rendered for the rest.

CHIGO Air-cons are now available at sale agents in states and divisions and Head Office No. 216, ground floor, 38th street (upper), Kyauktada township, Yangon, (ph: 373472, 705060, 09-5066939, 09-5176789).—MNA





China's telephone users exceed one billion

BEIJING, 27 July — The number of phone users in China has surpassed one billion by the end of June, boosted by the launch of the third-generation (3G) network, statistics from the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) has shown. China added 43.5 million phone users during January-June, bringing the total to 1.025 billion.

During the period, fixed-line telephone users dropped by more

than 10 million, while mobile phone users jumped by nearly 54 million. To improve 3G network efficiency, China's top three telecommunication operators, China Telecom, China Mobile and China Unicom, invested 80 billion yuan so far this year.

The top three operators have started trial 3G operation, which allows mobile phone users to download data faster, make video calls and watch TV shows.

MNA/Xinhua



A person watches an excavator working at the site of the landslide in Kangding, southwest China's Sichuan Province, on 26 July, 2009.—INTERNET

Israeli missile defence system improved

JERUSALEM, 27 July—The Israel military announced on Sunday it had conducted a successful high-seas test of the Barak missile defence system.

Ynetnews.com reported the experiment involved a simulated enemy missile targeted at a ship, with the Barak system intercepting the missile. A top-ranking Navy official said the Barak defence system hit and destroyed the enemy missile.

The updated system can identify and intercept improved enemy missiles, and fire on them automatically, *Israel News* reported. Updates were instituted following a determination that powers in the region could soon launch an attack from the sea with advanced missiles.—*Internet*

Sweden: Apartment fire kills woman, 5 daughters

STOCKHOLM, 27 July—A woman in her 40s and her five daughters were killed when they tried to escape an apartment fire in a Stockholm suburb, police and media reports said on Sunday.

Three other people were injured in the blaze late Saturday in Rinkeby, a suburb of the Swedish capital. Police say the victims were found in a stairwell.

The cause of the fire was not immediately clear but investigators say they believe it was an accident.

Swedish media reported that the woman and her daughters, ranging from a baby to a girl in her teens, lived in an apartment above the fire. They apparently tried to escape down the stairwell even though it was full of smoke. "If the mother and the children had stayed in their apartment instead of fleeing into the stairwell, they would most likely have survived," rescue spokesman Christer Angehov was quoted as saying by TV4.—*Internet*

Water crisis uproots Syrian farmers

SHAIZAR CASTLE, 27 July— Only a few decades ago, fish were plentiful in the Orontes river which for thousands of years has provided water to the lush Syrian plains, at the crossroads of the ancient world.

These days the Orontes's 12th century norias, enormous water wheels famous for their distinctive creak, barely turn in the weak tides. Algae covers the river's surface and the desert has been closing in.

"The river has become so polluted. The quality of our produce has suffered and there is barely enough now to feed my family," said 80-year-old farmer Mohammad al-Hamdo.

Internet

Afghan vice-presidential candidate survives ambush

KUNDUZ, 27 July—One of Afghan President Hamid Karzai's vice presidential running mates in next month's elections escaped unhurt from an ambush by Taliban militants on Sunday, officials said.

Mohammad Qasim Fahim, the former head of an alliance that toppled the Taliban in 2001, was ambushed on a road in northern Kunduz Province where he was campaigning on Karzai's behalf for the August 20 poll, said senior campaign official Zalmai Mujadidi. Kunduz governor Mohammad Omar said Fahim was traveling by road to the adjacent Takhar Province on Sunday afternoon when his convoy was attacked by militants.—*Internet*

No end to violence in blood-soaked Mexican state

NUEVA ITALIA, 27 July— Close to a black cross where Mexican drug cartels used to place the severed heads of their rivals, and near the site where the mutilated bodies of 12 police officers were found, a vendor has little success at his roadside stall selling "lucky" toy rabbits.

The wind-up rabbits wobbled and jumped around a small wood table the vendor had set up on the Four Roads route, on a road

in this largely rural western Mexican state known as "Michoacan Bravo"—Wild Michoacan. The state is home to La Familia Michoacana, a ruthless, pseudo Christian cult-like drug organization that made its appearance in dramatic fashion in 2006 when members rolled five decapitated heads onto a nightclub dance floor.

Violence has since been on the upswing, even after President Felipe Calderon

deployed thousands of soldiers and federal police to this state — his home state — of 4.2 million residents.

Even toys "don't distract us," said the middle-aged vendor, gazing sadly at the ground. "The truth is we don't believe in anything, not lucky amulets, not anything," said Rosalba Hernandez, who was at a federal police checkpoint outside the town. "Things get worse every day."—*Internet*



A resident checks the damage of a burnt vehicle as a policeman stands guard at the site of a bomb attack in Baghdad on 27 July, 2009.—Internet

Bernanke says unemployment to top 10 percent

NEW YORK, 27 July—Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke told an audience in Missouri on Sunday unemployment will exceed 10 percent before receding in the second half of 2009.

In an appearance at a town hall in Kansas City, Mo, Bernanke said the economy is showing signs of improvement but he said recovery will not be rapid, *CNN Money* reported.

During the event — “Bernanke on the Record” — the Fed

chairman took questions from audience members and from moderator Jim Lehrer, the host of “NewsHour” on PBS.

Bernanke said the recession, which he said is the worst since the Great Depression, could result in an economy that is stronger than it was before the downturn began.

“The silver lining in this whole thing is that

people are starting to save more, since they saw what happened with 401(k) investments,” he said.

Bernanke said the US government is taking steps intended to prevent similar downturns.

“I don’t think we’ll ever completely eliminate financial crises, but there are ways to make sure one this severe never happens again,” he said.—*Internet*



Workers fix solar energy panels on the top floor of the Chinese Pavilion at the Shanghai Expo Site, Shanghai, east China, on 25 July, 2009. 1,264 solar energy panels will be fixed on the top floor of the Chinese Pavilion, which could generate 300 kilowatt-hours of electricity per hour in the sunny days.—XINHUA

Economic outlook in Singapore still uncertainty

SINGAPORE, 27 July — Despite the 20 percent improvement in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the second quarter of this year, Singapore’s economic outlook is still dependent on other major economies like the United States, Europe and the rest of Asia, a Singapore government official said here on Sunday.

According to Channel NewsAsia reports on Sunday night, Singapore’s Finance Minister Tharman Shanmugaratnam made the remarks while addressing a local district meeting.

Internet



China’s Zhang Yu (C) smiles on the stage after she was crowned winner of the 4th Asian Super Model Contest in Nanning, capital of southwest China’s Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region on 26 July, 2009.—INTERNET

Apple, record labels to boost digital albums sales

BEIJING, 27 July—Apple Inc and four record labels are working on a plan to increase digital sales of albums, while the computer maker is also separately developing a tablet-sized device, according to media reports

on Monday.

Apple is working with EMI, Sony Music, Warner Music and Vivendi’s Universal Music Group on the project with the sides hoping for a launch in September.

The project with the

record companies aims to offer interactive features with music downloads, the reports said.

Apple also hopes to offer the tablet-sized computer in time for Christmas shopping, which will connect to the Internet like Apple’s iPod Touch and whose screen may be up to 10 inches (25.4 cm) diagonally, the reports said.—*Internet*

Audi to open 100,000-vehicle assemble plant in China

BEIJING, 27 July—German luxury carmaker Audi AG, which is owned by Volkswagen Group, plans to open a new 100,000-vehicle assemble plant in September in China to meet growing demand in the world’s biggest auto market, reported on Monday’s *China Daily*.

The 1 billion yuan plant will be in the northeastern city of Changchun. It will double Audi’s production capacity to 200,000 units a year, the newspaper said, citing Zhang Xiaojun, executive deputy general manager of the Audi Sales Division at Sino-German car joint venture FAW Volkswagen Automobile Co Ltd.

The first two models to roll off the new assembly line will be the Audi A4L sedan and Q5 SUV. The A4L is now made at an existing 100,000-unit factory in Changchun that also produces the Audi A6L sedan. Production of the Q5 will begin at its new plant at the end of this year.—*Internet*

Oil rises above \$68 as rally extends to third week

SINGAPORE, 27 July—Oil prices rose above \$68 a barrel on Monday in Asia as a rally fueled by an improving economic and corporate outlook extended into a third week.

Benchmark crude for September delivery was up 59 cents to \$68.64 a barrel by midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. On Friday, the contract rose 89 cents to settle at \$68.05.

Oil has rebounded from \$58.78 a barrel earlier this month as stronger economic results from the US and China boosted investor optimism.

The Dow Jones industrial average has risen about 11 percent during the last 10 days.

Internet

Ryanair Q1 earnings up 550 percent

DUBLIN, 27 July—Irish airline Ryanair (RYA I) on Monday posted a better-than-expected 550 percent rise in first quarter profit thanks to a large reduction in fuel costs but said its outlook remained cautious for the rest of the year.

Ryanair, one of the world’s biggest airlines by market value, said net profit for the three months

to 30 June came in at 136.5 million euros (\$193.8 million). That compared with 132 million euros on average expected by three analysts surveyed by *Reuters*.

“Thanks to a 13 percent reduction in average fares we grew traffic by 11 percent, a robust performance in a deep recession, when many of our competitors were

cutting flights, losing traffic and reporting increased losses,” Chief Executive Michael O’Leary said in a statement.

While rivals exposed to the weak premium sector shrink in the face of falling demand, Ryanair is hoping to mop up business from cost-conscious travelers during the global recession.—*Internet*



Tourists look at a bevy of red-crowned cranes at the wetland of the Zhalong Nature Reserve in northeast China’s Heilongjiang Province, on 25 July, 2009. Located near Qiqihar City in northeast China’s Heilongjiang Province, the Zhalong Nature Reserve is a perfect habitat for red-crowned cranes, and also a perfect observation site for bird fans at home and abroad.—XINHUA



Members of bands perform guzheng, an ancient Chinese musical instrument, during a guzheng music festival held in Beijing, China, on 26 July, 2009. Some 11 concerts and two forums will be held to promote Chinese traditional music during the festival opened on Sunday. —XINHUA

Bangladesh seeks China's support for tunnel construction

DHAKA, 27 July—The Bangladeshi government is seeking Chinese support for construction of a planned tunnel underneath Karnaphuli river to improve road links of the country's commercially important Southeastern Chittagong port city, some 242km away of capital city Dhaka. Bangladeshi Communications Minister Syed Abul Hossain said this Sunday while speaking in Chittagong at a ceremony

to mark the start of the final construction phase of the third bridge over the Karnaphuli river underneath which the planned tunnel will be constructed, private television channel ATN reported.

"A seven-member team of the Economic Relations Department under Finance Ministry, which is going to Beijing on 28 July to attend the Joint Economic Commission (JEC) meeting, will take the issue for

discussion with the Chinese government," the minister said.

He said the team will discuss in details regarding to financial and technical assistance of the Chinese government for construction of the planned tunnel.

Hossain said the tunnel underneath of the river would greatly improve transport links between the north and south parts of the country's second largest city Chittagong.—Xinhua

All items from Xinhua News Agency

6.2 magnitude earthquake occurs off Vanuatu

WELLINGTON, 27 July—A strong earthquake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale struck the Pacific island nation of Vanuatu on Monday, the US Geological Survey said.

The quake, occurred at 10:01 am Vanuatu local time (23:01 GMT Sunday), was centered 30 km west of the Vanuatu capital of Port Villa. It was at a depth of 67.3 km.

No casualties or damages were reported so far.

No tsunami warning had been issued by the Hawaii-based Pacific Tsunami Warning Center.

Xinhua

Strong quake rocks Sumatra, Indonesia

JAKARTA, 27 July—An earthquake with a magnitude of 6.1 jolted waters off Bengkulu Province of Sumatra island in western parts of Indonesia on Monday morning, Meteorology and Geophysics Agency said here. The quake struck at 6:10 am Jakarta time (23:10 GMT) with epicenter at 73 km southwest Bintuhan of Bengkulu Province and at 57 km under sea bed, an official of the agency Hendra Rahman told Xinhua.

The intensity of the quake was felt at 3 MMI (Modified Mercally Intensity) in Kepahiang of the province and Liwa of nearby Lampung Province, he said.

Xinhua

Wildfires in S Peloponnese under control

ATHENS, 27 July—Three separate wildfires were reported on Sunday in the southern Peloponnese, with all three luckily being extinguished towards the evening hours, according to Athens News Agency.

According to the report, a massive fire-fighting effort, including dozens of vehicles, two aircraft and three helicopters, finally put out the wildfire on Sunday. It is claiming that more than 350 hectares of forest and crops have been destroyed.

Scorching hot temperatures amounting to 40 degrees Celsius have been recorded Sunday throughout Greece.

Due to the extremely high and dry weather, forest fires easily break out during the summer time in Mediterranean countries. In 2007 big fires broke out in Greece with more than 60 deaths.

Xinhua

12 people injured in grenade attack in Guatemala

MEXICO CITY, 27 July—12 people, including 11 policemen, were injured on Sunday in a grenade attack reportedly conducted by a local gang for extorting protection money in the southeast of Guatemala City, news reaching here reported.

The fragmentation grenade was tossed at a group of policemen when they were standing outside the buses of La Union company.

The policemen were guarding the buses after the company was blackmailed to pay money to the gang, known as "Maras," or face killing of its bus drivers.

The injured were immediately taken to a nearby hospital.

So far, more than 100 drivers and assistants have been killed this year, according to the Guatemalan government.—Xinhua

A cargo ship passes the Suez Canal in Egypt on 26 July, 2009.

XINHUA



Honour guard of the Russian airborne forces take part in a parade after the real-combat simulation of the "Peace Mission-2009" joint anti-terror military exercise in Taonan of northeast China's Jilin Province, on 26 July, 2009.

XINHUA



Vietnam proposes measures to boost exports to China

HANOI, 27 July—Vietnam's Ministry of Industry and Trade proposed five measures at a recently-concluded seminar to boost exports to China, the local newspaper Vietnam Investment Review reported on Monday.

The proposal was made in the context that Vietnam has seen trade deficit with China in recent years.

According to the ministry, the first measure is to build infrastructure to support trade activities at Vietnam's provinces bordering China.

The other three measures focus on

creating goods delivery system at border gates with China, upgrading the country's market chain at provinces bordering China, and making information on China's trade policies available for Vietnam's traders.

The fifth measure is to speed up trade promotion to fully tap the competitive advantages of the border provinces, said Hoang.

According to Vietnamese figures, in 2008 alone, Vietnam saw trade deficit with China stand over 11 billion US dollars.—Xinhua

Spain remains on high wildfire alert

MADRID, 27 July—The Interior Ministry says Spain remains on high alert as firefighters combat wildfires in hot, tinder-dry conditions across the southern half of the country.

Ministry officials say

at least 24,000 hectares (59,304 acres) have been charred by fires that have killed six people in just over a week.

Seven active fires were still being fought late Sunday. Some of the fiercest outbreaks, in Aragon and

Catalonia, were close to being extinguished.

Officials believe at least one fire was caused by lightning, one was started accidentally by a tourist in Andalusia, and one in western Caceres may have been started deliberately and is being investigated. An outbreak in Lesaka in northern Navarra was under control the ministry said in a statement.—*Internet*

Burnt trees are seen after a forest fire in Segorbe, near Valencia, Spain, on 25 July, 2009.—INTERNET



Volcanic ash rises to 23,000 feet

PETROPAVLOVSK, 27 July— Volcanic ash reached 23,000 feet above Petropavlovsk in Russia's Far East as the country's northernmost active volcano continued erupting, a geophysicist said.

The Shiveluch volcano began erupting in December 2006 and hasn't stopped since.

The 10,771-foot vol-

cano is on the Kamchatka Peninsula.

The local geophysics service registered more than 170 tremors in the area of the volcano between Saturday and Sunday, a spokesman told *2HS Novosti*.

"Some of (the tremors) were followed by powerful ash bursts and avalanches," the spokesman

said.

He said the volcanic activity has altered the contour of the volcano, with the crater increasing in size by 50 percent and the slopes having become much steeper.

The news service said there are more than 150 volcanoes on the peninsula, 29 of them active.

Internet

Nigeria clashes kill over 50 in northeastern city

BAUCHI, 27 July—More than 50 Nigerians were killed on Sunday in clashes between security forces and militants in the northeastern city of Bauchi, residents and hospital sources said.

The fighting began early on Sunday when around 70 militants armed with guns and explosives attacked a local police station in retaliation for the arrest of their leaders.

Police and soldiers repelled the attack and then raided neighbourhoods to

arrest those responsible. Hospital sources and residents said more than 50 people were killed in the fighting. A *Reuters* reporter counted 32 bodies at two Bauchi police stations and said dozens were wounded among the more than 200 arrested. The official government death toll is 39, including one soldier.

"We have pre-empted the militants. Otherwise the situation would have been bad," Bauchi state Governor Isa Yuguda

told reporters.

"I'm calling on all the people of Bauchi to be calm and be rest assured the situation has been brought under control," he added.

The governor imposed a night time curfew in Bauchi for the next few days to calm tensions. There was an increased police presence in some neighbourhoods, but businesses remained open and people were milling the streets freely before the curfew.—*Internet*

Sarkozy rushed to hospital after jogging collapse

PARIS, 27 July—France's President Nicolas Sarkozy collapsed while jogging near his weekend retreat on Sunday and was rushed to hospital where officials said he was "doing well" but would remain overnight.

The 54-year-old conservative president's wife Carla Bruni-Sarkozy raced to his side on the back of a police motorbike after he felt faint while running in the

wooded park around the Versailles Palace, a witness said.

"The president was taken by helicopter to the Val de Grace military hospital where he has been undergoing tests since 1:45 pm (1145 GMT)," the French presidency said in a statement.

"The clinical examination and additional neurological tests are normal. Cardiological monitoring, as is normal in these circumstances, will continue

until tomorrow morning," it added, promising an update on Monday.

The president's chief of staff, Claude Gueant, told *AFP* that Sarkozy was "doing well and talking normally to medical staff".

A presidential aide told *AFP* that Sarkozy had a problem related to his vagus nerve — which helps the body regulate its heart rate — but that doctors considered the problem "minor".—*Internet*

Fledgling fowl takes flight from Philadelphia Zoo

Attention, bird watchers: A flamboyant feathered friend has apparently flown the coop at the Philadelphia Zoo.

Zoo officials say the juvenile sun conure (CON'-yer) parrot disappeared on Thursday during the Festival of Flight bird show. Spokesman Bill Larson says the zoo is very worried about the bird.

Larson says the birds are trained to fly from one perch to another for the show but can get distracted or frightened and lose their way.

The AWOL avian is mostly yellow with a green tail.

Anyone who catches a glimpse of the bird is asked to alert the zoo.



The photo shows a Sun Conure, one of a collection of tropical birds from the Zoo's Festival of Flight free-flight bird show. Officials at the Philadelphia Zoo say one of these tropical birds went missing during the show. A zoo spokesman says the zoo is very worried about the juvenile bird and that anyone who catches a glimpse of the bird is asked to alert the zoo.

NEWS ALBUM

Mass gov's puppy nips woman at town hall meeting

Massachusetts Gov Deval Patrick's new puppy nipped a woman on the hand and she later went to a hospital for evaluation.

The incident occurred on Thursday after the governor brought his 9-week-old black Lab, Tobey, with him to a town hall meeting in Boston.

The puppy has been an attraction since Patrick received him last week. He has been bringing him to work for house-training purposes.

Children touring the Statehouse have asked to see Tobey, and youngsters played with the dog at the town hall meeting.

Aides say the woman was bitten when she bent down to pet the puppy but continued to play with him nonetheless. She was left with a red mark on her hand, which was treated with a bandage. She went to the hospital as a precaution.

Men use old trick to steal \$120K worth of jewellery

It's one of the oldest tricks in the playbook of scams. New York City police said three men stole \$120,000 worth of jewelry at Grand Central Terminal by furtively switching a bag containing the jewels with an identical duffel.

Metropolitan Transportation Authority police said two jewellery company employees were transporting the bag during rush hour at Grand Central on 24 June.

The MTA said the employee with the bag put it down "momentarily" to throw away garbage.

That's when two suspects created a diversion by dropping a \$10 bill on the ground, and telling the other jewellery employee that he had dropped the money. A third suspect switched the bag for a nearly identical one that had been weighted down to appear as if it contained the jewellery.



Michael Jackson is seen in a shopping mall in Berlin.



A lion fish rests on a wreck in the popular diving site of Sabang in Puerto Galera, the northern Philippines. The Philippines is blessed with rich halobios diversity. The archipelago waters hosts 330 freshwater and 2995 marine fish species.

Young love rekindled after 85 years

A 93-year-old Illinois man says he is marrying his third-grade sweetheart after 85 years apart.

Roland "Mac" McKittrick, 93, of Arlington Heights, proposed to Lorraine Beatty, 92, of Georgia, on Tuesday morning, about three years after they reconnected following an 85-year lull in their friendship, the Arlington Heights Daily Herald reported on Thursday.

"She was my third-grade sweetheart back in 1921," McKittrick said. "We knew each other for about one year. Then, for all practical purposes, we lost contact for 85 years."



Linpan Dam in Shwebo District open now

Objectives of the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

1. Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
2. Uplift of morale and morality of the entire nation
3. Uplift of dynamism of genuine patriotic spirit based on national unity
4. Emergence of new generations who will preserve and safeguard national character

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—Linpan Dam in Kanbalu Township of Shwebo District in Sagaing Division constructed by Construction-4 of Irrigation Department under Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation was opened at the pavilion near the dam yesterday morning.

It was attended by Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo, members of Sagaing Division PDC, chairmen and members of district and township PDCs, departmental personnel from the division, district and townships, members of social organizations local peasants, local people, staff of Construction-4. First, the Commander delivered an address. The minister also spoke on the

occasion and a local thanked the State Peace and Development Council for construction of Linpan Dam.

Next, the Commander and the minister cordially greeted the local people there and the Commander unveiled the stone plaque of Linpan Dam and sprinkled scented water to it. Next,

bon and had documentary photos taken together with those present.

The Commander and the minister looked around the dam and cordially greeted the locals. The Commander and the minister put fingerlings into the dam. At the briefing hall, the director of Construction-4 of Irrigation Department reported

which the director-general made supplementary reports.

The Commander and minister then called for improved socioeconomic status of the local people and progress of agricultural sector of the region.

Linpan Dam, located in Kanbalu Township in Shwebo District of Sagaing Division, is 40



Commander Maj-Gen Myint Soe unveils the stone plaque of Linpan Dam.—MNA



the Commander and the minister formally opened the dam by cutting a rib-

on records on construction process and facilities of Linpan Dam upon

feet high and 9,800 feet wide earthen type with 5.21 miles long main ca-

nal and 9.92 miles long canals which can irrigate 2,000 acres of farms. The

dam is the 224th irrigation facility constructed after 1988.—MNA



Linpan Dam in Kanbalu Township, Shwebo District, Sagaing Division.—MNA

MCPA to hold second Free Talk

YANGON, 27 July—Myanmar Computer Professionals' Association will organize its second Free Talk from 1 pm to 4 pm on 1 August (Saturday) for more friendliness among executive members of MCPA, members, and those interested from outside.

The talk will be conducted under five sections which are examination, technology, education, members af-

fairs and general matters.

Members of the association, businessmen, those wishing to launch into computer field, parents who want to learn about the education and career prospects of their children and anyone interested may take part in the talk. For more information, contact MCPA Office, Room.4 Building.4, Myanmar Infotech, Ph:652276.—MNA

Earthquake Report

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—A moderate earthquake of intensity 5.1 Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Pakistan) about 1900 miles northwest of Kaba-Aye seismological observatory was recorded at 12 hrs 59 min 16 sec MST today, announced Meteorology and Hydrology Department.

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The best time to plant
a tree was 20 years
ago.
The second best time
is now.

Disease is curable with right medicine

Maung De Doh

Maung De Doh: : Sometimes, I feel frustrated for being a citizen of a small country, Grandpa.

Bagyi Phyto: : Ah, what is happening to you? Your words are out of the context.

Doh: : Since I heard of the words the person who recently had visited our country said, I am itching to unburden my feelings. So, I come here with the hope of feeling relieved if I talk about that with you.

Phyo: : Well, let me know what he said.

Doh: : He said that it was disappointing because Myanmar was one of the countries that had approved the Universal Declaration of Human Rights first, but failed to respect human rights. In fact, almost every country has their human rights problems more or less. The US, a democracy and human rights pioneer, has committed human rights violation many times, for instance, torturing prisoners physically, taking photos of two prisoners with birthday suits placed one upon another, smothering prisoners tied to planks by placing water pipes into their mouths and blocking their noses with cloths, a method of torture called waterboarding, detaining prisoners for life without any outsiders to meet them, without charging them in Abu Ghraib Prison in Iraq and Guantanamo in Cuba. I wonder why he doesn't feel disappointed for such inhuman acts. I learnt that in Guantanamo Prison, a well-known prisoner was waterboarded for 83 times. If a person is smothered with water, he will suffer greatly, so 83 times is too much. It invaded Iraq without seeking any approval of the UN Security Council in 2003. Now, the country is completely war-torn. It has not risen from the invasion. Hundreds of thousands of civilians have died, millions of people are homeless, and about 2 million people are staying as war refugees in neighbouring countries. Isn't it human rights violation, Grandpa? He is silent in those cases, but is pointing out Myanmar issue that is nothing if compared with them. Doubtfully, that is in accordance with the UN principles of non discrimination and justice.

Phyo: : When it comes to State security and stability, the government sometimes has to restrict freedom and human rights of an individual. In the past, the people thought human rights meant social and political rights only such as discrimination and suppression of man by man, the right to vote and freedom of expression. Today, these views do not cover human rights thoroughly. These views are merged with social, economic and cultural rights that are more important for the mankind. For instance, the rights to basic needs, social status, professions, equal salaries in same work, education, practice of own culture and traditions and acts for life improvement. **The 1986 UN Development Declaration says that development is human right. The 1993 UN Human Rights Conference said that the freedom of development is a human right that is not left out, as well as the consolidated part of fundamental rights of human beings.**

Our country has a very long tradi-

tion that local people work together for development of own wards and villages. In western countries also, if a road is blocked by snow, each house removes the snow on the road in front of it with a sense of duty. But some people, who are in no mood to repair the roads they will take and say that such work is the concern of the government alone, are lodging complaints, claiming the government is violating human rights. They say that is forced labour. Well, if so, in their countries, young men are conscripted into army whether they want to join army or not, when they come of age. Then, they are sent to Iraq and Afghanistan for military purpose. None of them is willing to be sent there, but they are sent under the law. If that is not human right violation, and if the citizens are duty-bound to serve military duties at risk to life, why don't the people have responsibilities for giving voluntary service in the interest of their wards and villages?

Another case is the matter of political prisoners. If a politician is not to be put behind bars and on trial for whatever crimes he has committed, the people will join political parties and will do as they wish. Then, what will we have to do with the expression politicians often say "No one is above the law". If they consider it is necessary for their security, they arrest all suspects all over the world and detain them in Guantanamo or send secretly to some other countries and detain them without charging them. What are their reasons for those cases? In our country, the accused can enjoy human rights in accordance with the law. But, in their countries, all those branded as terrorists are subject to all kinds of torture. So, I wonder why they point out such cases.

Doh: : My feeling in this regard is as a Myanmar saying that goes "If you point at others with a forefinger, the other fingers remain pointing at you". If my memory serves me right, **Para (7) of Article (2) of the UN Charter says that nothing contained in the Charter shall authorize the United Nations to intervene in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State. And it shall not call on the country to work out the issue. As it is important, it is enshrined at the top of the list.** But, the highest ranking official of the UN made a formal request to meet with Daw Suu Kyi although a prior agreement had been reached that Daw Suu Kyi who was on trial was not available in Myanmar, and he had admitted that he knew that she was on trial. His first request was turned down, but he requested again when he called on the Head of State. In addition, he demanded the release of Daw Suu Kyi who is waiting for a verdict.

The trial against Daw Suu Kyi has not been

intentionally created by the government. It has emerged because Mr Yettaw, who might have been sent to the country by an anonymous country or organization, illegally intruded into Daw Suu Kyi's house and met her. The aim of his meeting with Daw Suu Kyi has not been known clearly. He even left two chadors and dark sunglasses to her to act herself in disguise. Was it aimed at taking her out of the house? The route Yettaw chose to enter Daw Suu Kyi's house was the ditch beside the US Embassy. The place where he was arrested is about 25 yards from the house of the US charge d' affaires. So there are so many points to ponder. I think **their demand to release Daw Suu Kyi immediately by setting aside her case being examined by the court means interfering in the internal jurisdiction.**

Phyo: We have so many things to say if we want to. As you have said, the **Article (2) Para (4) of the UN Charter prescribes "All Members shall refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of any state."** The Article (39) says "The Security Council shall determine the existence of any threat to the peace, breach of the peace, or act of aggression and shall make recommendations, or decide what measures shall be taken." To solve such problems first, without any bias, decisions shall have to be made without harming the rights of the nations concerned. If they do not work, the Article 42 says "Should the Security Council consider that measures provided for in Article 41 would be inadequate or have proved to be inadequate, it may take such action by air, sea, or land forces as may be necessary to maintain or restore international peace and security." As you know, however, there was no UNSC's decision when US invaded and attacked Iraq in 2003. Knowing that the UNSC would not approve the case if submitted, it attacked Iraq by fabricating false news. Eventually, the US itself had to admit to that. At that time, I found no one responsible for the UN said a word about the attack. When former UNSG Mr Kofi Anan left office after completing his term, he admitted that the Iraq war was not legitimate as there was no approval of the UNSC.

Doe: : Another point I am thinking about is that I doubt whether the repeated demands to meet Daw Suu Kyi and release her immediately, which can violate the UN Charter and lead to using inappropriate power in her trial, are of his own accord. It is because I happen to think about the Article (100) of the Charter that

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prescribes the Secretary-General and his staff shall not seek the instructions of any nation or any government in the place where they are shouldering their duties. Member nations shall not try to influence the work of the Secretary-General and his staff.

Phyo: How can we exactly know about that? But I heard the former First Lady would call him out in the west wing of the White House. I think there might have been control and pressure of big nations.

Doe: If it is going on like this, it can harm the non-discrimination policy of the UN, which is the only reliable organization for the world's people. What about your opinion, Bagyi? Like in **Article (2) Para (1) of the UN Charter, it is based on the basic principle on equality in terms of the sovereignty of every member nation. What can happen to the basic principle if a weaker is always the victim to suppression? If other remaining small member nations are to be**

bullied like this, how will they regard the organization?

Phyo: For small nations like ours, they have no other reliable organizations. So we have to continue to make cooperation in accord with the Charter of that organization. There are also good deeds the UN is doing such as rendering assistance to poor and troubled regions across the world and intervention in global peace processes. After our country had experienced cyclone Nargis, it rendered us much assistance. We should not set aside their gratitude. According to the human nature, there may be different opinions. It is likely that Mr Ban Ki-moon himself happened to say so with the aim of hastily addressing the issues of Myanmar. However, every well-meaning attempt is not helpful. A practitioner needs to give a suitable prescription to cure a disease. It is not possible to give a hot medicine to cure a cold-related disease. Likewise, it is not possible to give a cold medicine to cure a warmth-related disease. If a medicine is not suitable, the disease can worsen. It is necessary to be aware that a

patient can get worse because of the practitioner.

Doe: :You are right. If we suffer from a disease, some people in our neighbourhood usually advise us to take this and that medicine. The most important thing for a practitioner is to give a medicine that must be suitable to basic properties of matter and astronomical calculations. Then, the disease will be cured for sure. **Our Myanmar people are polite. We are hospitable to guests and know what duties we should do. As a UN member nation, we will follow the goodwill suggestions and proposals of a UN Secretary-General in accord with the nation's prevailing conditions. But there may be limitations that are unavoidable under our own circumstances.**

Phyo: One suffers from disease as he has not lived on the four basic properties of matter. Similarly, a problem of the human society occurs due to misunderstandings. But we can solve it with patience and goodwill.

Translation: MS+ST

Minister for Industry-1 attends prize presentation ceremonies of BEHS, BEMS in Taungtha Township

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—A prize presentation ceremony of Talineyat new village Basic Education High School (branch) was held at Talineyat new village in Taungtha Township, Mandalay Division on 26 July morning, with an address by Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung.

The Minister presented prizes to outstanding students who passed the metric exam for 2009 with flying colours, and wife of the Minister gave prizes to six teachers for outstanding

performance and teaching.

After that, officials presented prizes to the outstanding students of Talineyat new village Basic Education High School (branch) and Tandaanouk village Basic Education Middle School. And then, Tandaanouk village Basic Education Middle School the headmistress Daw Tin Htwe and outstanding student Maung Htin Aung Kyaw spoke words of thanks.

The Minister visited Welaung station hospital and comforted the

patients.

He attended prize presenting ceremony of Welaung BEHS and made a speech at the ceremony.

He also awarded outstanding students and four teachers who turned out outstanding students. Officials concerned gave prizes to outstanding students of Welaung BEHS and Kyaukka BEMS.

Afterwards, the Headmistress of Welaung BEHS Daw Mya Mya and prize winner student Ma Phyu Hnin Swe spoke words of thanks.—MNA

Final arguments heard for lawsuit against US citizen Mr John William Yettaw, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win and Ma Win Ma Ma

YANGON, 27 July—Yangon North District Court heard Criminal Case Nos 47/2009, 48/2009, 49/2009 filed against US citizen Mr John William Yettaw, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win and Ma Win Ma Ma this afternoon.

The court first heard the final arguments of Advocate U Hla Myo Myint defending the accused Daw Khin Khin Win, Ma Win Ma Ma in Criminal

Case 47/2009 and of Advocate U Khin Maung Oo defending the accused Mr John William Yettaw in the same case.

The court then heard the final arguments of the district law officer conducting for the plaintiff.

The cases were postponed to 10 am on 28 July so as to hear the complaints of the advocates defending the accused and the final arguments of the rest cases.

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3rd Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament 2009 continues

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—The round matches of 3rd Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament 2009 continued at designated sports grounds this evening.

Ministry of Labour trounced Ministry of Science and Technology 5-1. Ministry of Information routed Ministry of Industry-2 5-1

while Ministry of Industry-1 beat Ministry of Population and Immigration 4-1.

Attorney General's Office will play against Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement; Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, Ministry of Health; Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Finance and Revenue tomorrow.—MNA

Ministry of Information plays against Ministry of Industry-2 in 3rd Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament.—MNA



Coordination meeting of industrial zones management committees in Yangon Division held

YANGON, 27 July —A coordination meeting of industrial zones management committees in Yangon Division was held at the meeting hall of Yangon Command Headquarters on Konmyinthta, here, this afternoon, with an address by 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 Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Yangon Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin reported on progress of work.



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence addresses coord meeting of Yangon Division Industrial Zones Management Committees.—MNA

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and the mayor coordinated the

essentials after hearing the reports presented by departmental personnel,

chairmen and officials of the management committees and

entrepreneurs on sector-wise progress and requirements. After that,

Lt-Gen Myint Swe gave a concluding remark.

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Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi visits Labour Exchange Offices in Yangon Division.—MNA

Songbirds' elaborate cries for food show first signs of vocal learning

NEW YORK, 27 July —Only a handful of social animals — songbirds, some marine mammals, some bats and humans —

learn to actively style their vocal communications. Babies, for instance, start by babbling, their first chance to experiment with

sounds. Now, new research in songbirds shows that vocal experimentation may begin with their earliest vocalizations — food begging calls — and perhaps for a more devious reason than previously believed. The findings could change the way we think about the evolution of vocal learning.

“It may have started as cheating,” says Fernando Nottebohm, head of the Laboratory of Animal Behavior at The Rockefeller University.

Internet



Competitive begging. Researchers have found the first signs of vocal learning in the food begging calls of male chipping sparrows, which learn to vary their cries from an early age. Begging for food at 8 days old (top) differs from the same behavior at 23 days (bottom).

Labour Minister inspects Labour Exchange Offices

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July — Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi inspected Labour Exchange Offices in Taungoo, Nyaunglaypin and Bago on 24 July and in Yangon Division on 25 July and left necessary instructions.

Starting from 20 July 2009, the ministry of Labour opened 77 Labour Exchange Offices to effectively carry

out tasks in line with the existing laws and procedures.

The employers who need employees are to contact the offices according to the existing laws. The offices register the employees free of charge and attend to the supply and demand in labour market.

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Magnetic field on bright star Vega

PARIS, 27 July — Astronomy & Astrophysics is publishing the first detection of a magnetic field on the star Vega, one of the brightest stars in the sky. Using the high-sensitivity NARVAL spectropolarimeter installed at the Bernard-Lyot telescope (Pic du Midi Observatory, France), a team of astronomers ^[1] detected the effect of a magnetic

field (known as the Zeeman effect) in the light emitted by Vega.

Vega is a famous star among amateur and professional astronomers. Located at only 25 light years from Earth in the Lyra constellation, it is the fifth brightest star in the sky. It has been used as a reference star for brightness comparisons. Vega is twice as massive as the Sun and has only one tenth its age. Because

it is both bright and nearby, Vega has been often studied but it is still revealing new aspects when it is observed with more powerful instruments.

Vega rotates in less than a day, while the Sun's rotation period is 27 days. The intense centrifugal force induced by this rapid rotation flattens its poles and generates temperature variations of more than 1000 degrees Celsius between the polar (warmer) and the equatorial regions of its surface. Vega is also surrounded by a disk of dust, in which the inhomogeneities suggest the presence of planets.

This time, astronomers analyzed the polarization of light emitted by Vega ^[2] and detected a weak magnetic field at its surface.

Internet



Bernard-Lyot Telescope, on top of the Pic du Midi de Bigorre (France).



Evolution making women more beautiful, men not as lucky

LONDON, 27 July—For the female half of the population, it may bring a satisfied smile. Scientists have found that evolution is driving women to become ever more beautiful, while men remain as aesthetically unappealing as their caveman ancestors.

Researchers have found beautiful women have more children than their plainer counterparts and that a higher proportion of those children are female. Those daughters, once adult, also tend to be attractive and so repeat the pattern.

Over generations, the

scientists argue, this has led to women becoming steadily more aesthetically pleasing, a “beauty race” that is still on. The findings have emerged from a series of studies of physical attractiveness and its links to reproductive success in humans.

In a study released last week, Markus Jokela, a researcher at the University of Helsinki, found beautiful women had up to 16 percent more children than their plainer counterparts. He used data gathered in America, in which 1,244 women and 997 men were followed

through four decades of life. Their attractiveness was assessed from photographs taken during the study, which also collected data on the number of children they had.

This builds on previous work by Satoshi Kanazawa, an evolutionary psychologist at the London School of Economics, who found that good-looking parents were far more likely to conceive daughters. He suggested this was an evolutionary strategy subtly programmed into human DNA.

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Eight killed after coal mine gantry collapse in southwest China

CHENGDU, 27 July — Eight people died and another eight were injured when a coal mine gantry collapsed in southwest China's Sichuan Province, local authorities said on Monday.

The incident occurred at 9:20 a.m. in Yimen coal mine in Huili County of Sichuan when the gantry above the earth fell and buried 16 construction workers, said an official with Liangshan Yi Autonomous Prefecture.

All the injured, including three seriously hurt, were being treated in hospital, the official said. The three were described as stable after undergoing surgery, the official said.

The site had been cleared up, the official said. An investigation team from the provincial government had arrived at the coal mine.—Internet

Internet

June new home sales rise 11 percent

WASHINGTON, 27 July—New U.S. home sales rose by the largest amount in more than eight years last month, in another sign the housing market is finally bouncing back from the worst downturn in decades.

The Commerce Department said Monday that sales rose 11 percent in June to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 384,000, from an upwardly revised May rate of 346,000.

It was the strongest sales pace since November 2008 and exceeded the forecasts of economists surveyed by Thomson Reuters, who expected a pace of 360,000 units. The last time sales rose so dramatically was in December 2000.

Sales have risen for three straight months. The median sales price of \$206,200, however, was down 12 percent from \$234,300 a year earlier and down nearly 6 percent from \$219,000 in May.

The report is another encouraging sign that the beleaguered housing sector is finally coming back to life. Last Thursday, Fallout from the housing crisis has played a central role in the U.S. recession, now the longest since World War II. Foreclosures have spiked, homebuilders have slashed construction, and financial companies have lost billions. National Association of Realtors reported that home resales posted a monthly increase of 3.6 percent in June.



This undated image made available by the Olympic Delivery Authority in London, on 27 July, 2009, Olympic stadium construction workers form a giant 3 in the centre of the Stadium bowl to mark the 3 years to go point until the Opening Ceremony of the London 2012 Games. With three years to go until the opening.—INTERNET

First defense against swine flu—seasonal vaccine

WASHINGTON, 27 July—U.S. health officials strengthened their recommendations for seasonal flu vaccines on Friday, saying all children aged 6 months to 18 years should be immunized — especially because of the H1N1 flu pandemic.

The seasonal vaccine provides little or no protection against H1N1 swine flu, but immunization will help prevent people from being infected with both at once and can help minimize the effects of the pandemic on schools, workplaces and the economy in

general, health experts say.

“Vaccination against seasonal influenza should begin as soon as vaccine is available and continue throughout the influenza season,” Dr. Anne Schuchat of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention told reporters in a telephone briefing.

“At this point, 83 percent of the population is recommended to get an annual flu vaccine,” she said. “Unfortunately, only about 40 percent of the U.S. population received the flu vaccine last year.”

Last year the CDC “encouraged” all children to be vaccinated. Now it “recommends” this—advice that does not have the force of law but that can affect what states and insurers do.

On Thursday U.S. Food and Drug Administration officials said they would work with companies and the National Institutes of Health to quickly test experimental H1N1 vaccines, with the aim of getting a vaccination plan underway as soon as possible.

Internet

Wireless power system shown off

OXFORD, 27 July—A system that can deliver power to devices without the need for wires has been shown off at a hi-tech conference. The technique exploits simple physics and can be used to charge a range of electronic devices over many metres. Eric Giler, chief executive of US firm Witricity, showed mobile phones and televisions charging wirelessly at the TED Global conference in Oxford.

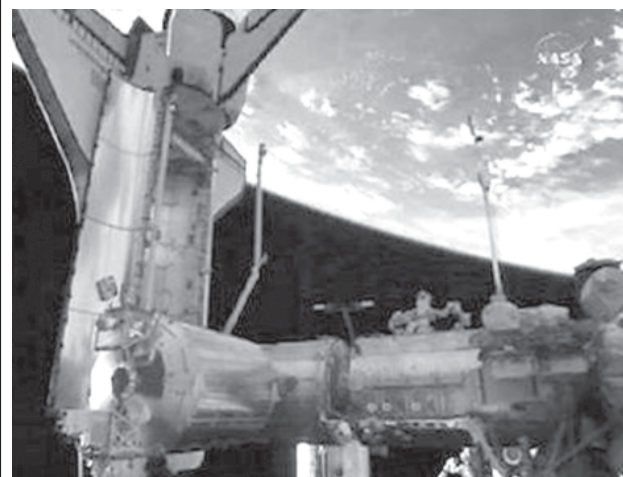
He said the system could replace the miles of expensive power cables and billions of disposable batteries. “There is something like 40 billion disposable batteries built every year for power that, generally speaking, is used

within a few inches or feet of where there is very inexpensive power,” he said. Trillions of dollars, he said, had also been invested building an infrastructure of wires “to get power from where it is created to where

it is used.”

Electric car charger (AFP/Getty) Witricity claims to be able to charge gadgets large and small “We love this stuff [electricity] so much,” he said.

Internet



The Space Shuttle Endeavour is seen docked to the International Space Station with the earth in the background in this image handout from NASA TV on 26 July, 2009.—INTERNET

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GM crop trials start again in Britain in 'secret'

LONDON, 27 July—Genetically modified crops are being grown in Britain for the first time in 12 months after controversial trials were resumed without alerting the public, a newspaper reported Monday.

Cultivation of a field of potatoes designed to be resistant to pests was abandoned more than a year ago when environmental protesters ripped up the crop, the Daily Telegraph said.

But, without alerting the public, the project near Tadcaster in northern England has been restarted, prompting warnings from green groups

that local farms and residents could be put at risk, the newspaper said.

One group accused the government of trying to "slip it under the radar."

The Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs said the potatoes would be grown in a safe environment, where there is no risk of contamination. They would not be used for human or animal consumption, it said.

The trial, run by Leeds University, is looking at potatoes that are resistant to a parasite worm that costs British farmers

millions of pounds a year in lost and damaged crops.

Genetically-modified crops have a gene, or genes, inserted into them in the lab so that they acquire traits that are useful to farmers.

They are widely grown in North America, South America and China.

But in Europe they have run into fierce resistance, led by green groups who say the crops carry risks through cross-pollination, potentially creating "superweeds" that are impervious to herbicides.

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Photo illustration of potatoes. Genetically modified crops are being grown in Britain for the first time in 12 months after controversial trials were resumed without alerting the public, a newspaper reported on Monday.—INTERNET



South Korean magician performs during the stage competition of the 24th World Magic Championships of the International Federation of Magic Societies (FISM) held in Beijing, capital of China, on 27 July, 2009.—INTERNET

Four cousins, mom, three others die in NY wrong-way crash

BRIARCLIFF MANOR, 27 July—A family's minivan going in the wrong direction crashed into two cars on a suburban parkway on Sunday, killing eight people, including four young cousins and the mother of one of them.

State police Investigator Joseph Becerra said the minivan was traveling southbound in the northbound lanes of the Taconic State Parkway in Westchester County, just north of New York City, when it struck an SUV and then careened into a third vehicle. The minivan rolled down an embankment, where it burst into flames. The minivan's front end appeared to have been almost entirely smashed in, and its shell was scorched and bent. At least one wheel was blown out.

Fire spread from under the minivan, throughout its shell, within minutes.

The woman driving the minivan and four of the five children inside it were killed, Becerra said. They were part of a family from Floral Park and West Babylon, on Long Island.

The children who died were girls ages 2, 5, 7 and 9. The fifth child, a boy, age 5, was hospitalized.

Internet

Child will have rare brain surgery

RICHMOND, 27 July—Doctors at Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond will perform a rare brain surgery this week on a 7-year-old girl, her mother said.

Lexi Haas of Charlotte, NC, suffers from kernicterus, a rare complication of jaundice. She can't talk or control the movement of her muscles.

Doctors will bore two holes through Lexi's skull and thread tiny electrodes inside her brain, targeting the spot damaged by jaundice, The Charlotte Observer reported on Sunday. Doctors will implant a battery-operated generator in her abdomen 5 Aug and will then thread wires beneath her skin, connecting the generator to the electrodes. Doctors say they hope pulses from the generator will block the abnormal firing of neurons in Lexi's brain that prevent her from talking or walking. They say they expect to know by Aug 24 when they turn on the generator.

Her parents, Susan, a medical writer, and Ken, a chiropractor, knew she had jaundice when she was born, Susan Hass said, but were told by their pediatrician it did not require therapy. The doctor did not return the Observer's phone calls.—*Internet*

Demand for CBD space is still healthy

BEIJING, 27 July—The global economic crisis has had little impact on Beijing's central business district (CBD), but limited space in the financial hub is hampering development, said officials.

Currently, 80 percent of office space in the CBD's 77 buildings is rented out and more than 90 percent of space in high-end buildings - including China World Trade Centre and Fortune Plaza - is occupied, said Liu Chungheng,

executive deputy director of Beijing CBD Administration Committee.

Liu added that rents had not fallen in the CBD, which occupies 3.99 sq km near the city's East 3rd Ring Road.

The area is home to much of the city's finance, media and business services sector and was established by the government eight years ago.

Some reports pointed out that multinational companies, including Kodak

and Motorola, had moved out in apparent cost-cutting measures with experts predicting the area's vacancy rate would rise to 40 percent this year.

However, Liu said the reports were inaccurate.

"Yes, some companies like Kodak and Motorola moved their offices out of a CBD building, but then they moved into another CBD buildings where the rent was cheaper," Liu said.

Internet



A Harp seal pup lays on an ice floe in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence near Charlottetown, Canada. Canada appealed to the European Union (EU) on Sunday to "reconsider" the adoption of a ban on the sale of seal products, and warned it would consider bringing the issue with the World Trade Organization.—INTERNET



Live healthy, lower heart disease risk

BOSTON, 27 July—US doctors say keeping to a healthy lifestyle helps men lower their lifetime risk of heart failure.

Their study, published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, found desirable behaviors — exercising regularly, drinking moderately, not smoking, not being overweight and eating a diet that includes vegetables, fruits and cereal — were each associated with a lower

lifetime risk of heart failure compared to a corresponding undesirable behavior.

There was an inverse and graded association between the number of healthy lifestyle factors and lifetime risk of heart failure, the study said.

The study included data from 20,900 men who had been healthy and an average age of 53.6 years when first enrolled in the Physicians' Health Study. They were tracked an

average of 22.4 years.

"A demonstration of beneficial influence of healthy lifestyle habits on the lifetime risk has potential clinical and public health implications," study researcher Dr Luc Djousse of Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School and Boston Veterans Affairs Healthcare System in Boston, said in a statement.

Internet



A Brazilian woman puts on the mask to her daughter before being seen by medical personnel at a Brazilian Air Force tent installed near a hospital in Porto Alegre to help fight the Influenza A(H1N1) virus (swine flu) infection. Swine flu has spread to nearly every corner of the globe, the World Health Organisation said.—INTERNET

Dry cleaning solvent a danger in Illinois

CHICAGO, 27 July—Use of the dry cleaning solvent perchloroethylene at certain Illinois sites has left state residents facing cancer and other ailments, scientists say.

Scientists have linked exposure to the chemical commonly used at dry cleaning establishments with ailments like cancer, neurological problems and liver damage, the *Chicago Tribune* reported on Sunday.

While the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has targeted nearly

500 Illinois sites for perchloroethylene cleanup efforts, more than 400 sites in the state are suspected of being polluted. The *Tribune* said the majority of those sites in need of cleanup efforts are in Chicago and the city's suburbs. H Patrick Eriksen, the administrator of a cleaners' insurance fund created by state officials a decade ago, told the *Tribune* the problems with perchloroethylene came from a lack of state guidelines and sloppy use of the chemical.

Internet

Study links metabolic and immune diseases

CAMBRIDGE, 27 July — Researchers in Cambridge, Mass, found a link between metabolic and immunologic conditions, they said in papers published on Sunday in the journal *Nature Medicine*.

They used two over-the-counter allergy medications to reduce both obesity and type 2 diabetes in mice. The papers explained the medications stabilize a population of inflammatory immune cells called mast cells.

The researchers also found a white blood cell called a regulatory T cell controls inflammation in fat tissues. Obese people and people with type 2 diabetes have too few of these cells, the papers said.

"It seems that we're seeing the emergence of a new biomedical discipline: immunometabolism," said Harvard Medical School Professor of pathology Diane Mathis, senior author on one of the papers.

Scientists know type 1 diabetes is an immunological disease but didn't consider type 2 to be immunological until this study, the Harvard scientists said.—Internet

Supplement helps avoid some kidney stones

BALTIMORE, 27 July—Children on a high fat diet to stem seizures may ward off kidney stones with a supplement, US doctors said.

The study, published in *Pediatrics*, looked at 301 children being treated for seizures with the ketogenic diet at Baltimore's John Hopkins Children's Center. It found children receiving the supplement potassium citrate were seven times less likely than others to develop kidney stones.

Senior investigator Dr Eric Kossoff said the ketogenic diet given many children whose seizures are not responding to medication seems to initiate biochemical changes that eliminate seizure-triggering short circuits in the brain's signaling system.

However, the low-carbohydrate diet causes a buildup of calcium in the urine and about 6 percent of those on it form kidney stones, he said.

Internet

Europe fast-tracking swine flu vaccine

LONDON, 27 July—In a drive to inoculate people against swine flu before winter, many European governments say they will fast-track the testing of a vaccine, arousing concern among some experts about safety and proper doses.

The European Medicines Agency, the EU's top drug regulatory body, is accelerating the approval process for swine flu vaccine, and countries such as Britain, Greece, France and Sweden say they'll start using the vaccine after it's greenlighted — possibly within weeks.

In an interview with The *Associated Press*, Dr. Keiji Fukuda, the World Health Organization's flu chief, warned about the potential dangers of untested vaccines, although he stopped short of criticizing Europe's approach

outright. "One of the things which cannot be compromised is the safety of vaccines," he said Friday. "There are certain areas where you can make economies, perhaps, but certain areas where you simply do not try to make

any economies."

Flu vaccines have been used for 40 years, and many experts say extensive testing is unnecessary, since the swine flu vaccine will simply contain a new ingredient: the swine flu virus.—Internet

Vietnam's A/H1N1 flu cases climb to 612

HANOI, 27 July—The Vietnamese Ministry of Health confirmed 113 more cases of A/H1N1 influenza over the weekend, bringing the total number of flu patients in the country to 612, local newspaper the

People reported on Monday.

Most of the newly confirmed cases are in the southern parts of the country, said the newspaper.

As the number of A/H1N1 flu cases continues to rise, Vietnamese Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung required all the ministries and localities to carry out urgent

measures to fight the flu.

They were asked to adopt preventive measures and closely monitor new cases to prevent the A/H1N1 flu from spreading.

So far, 375 patients in Vietnam have recovered and been discharged from hospitals. The rest are being quarantined and treated, said the newspaper.—Internet



Fishermen rinse off the mussels they caught. A fishing boat trawling for mussels off the Dutch coast has instead landed a 40,000-year-old human bone, German scientists said after examining the find.—INTERNET

Nepal reports three new flu A/H1N1 cases, total 17

KATHMANDU, 27 July — Three more people were found affected with flu A/H1N1 in Nepal, bringing the country's total to 17, local news website *Nepalnews.com* reported on Monday.

Two of the affected people are Nepali men living abroad and the other is a Japanese woman living in Nepal, the report quoted the Health and Population Ministry of Nepal as saying.

One of the affected men was from Canada, while the others came from Qatar.

However, the details of the latest confirmed cases have not been revealed. —Internet

SPORTS

Ginepri crowns comeback with Indianapolis title

INDIANAPOLIS, 27 July—Robby Ginepri, who was laid low by a burst appendix earlier this year, won his second Indianapolis title on Sunday with a 6-2, 6-4 victory over third seeded compatriot Sam Querrey. The 62-minute win repeated the triumph which Ginepri enjoyed four years ago and was the third overall of his career.



Robby Ginepri poses for photographers after defeating Sam Querrey during the final of the Indianapolis Tennis Championships at the Indianapolis Tennis Center in Indianapolis, Indiana.—INTERNET

Ginepri, who spent nine days in hospital earlier this year to undergo appendix surgery, had not reached a semi-final before this week since Las Vegas in March, 2008. Querrey has now lost in finals in his last two events after going down a fortnight ago on grass in Newport to Rajeev Ram.

Internet

London marks 3-year countdown to 2012 Olympics

LONDON, 27 July—The construction of venues is forging ahead, hundreds of millions in sponsorship money has been secured, and the project remains on time and on budget despite the recession. With three years to go Monday until the opening ceremony, London organizers say they are firmly on track in preparations for the 2012 Olympics.

“If you had asked me a day after we won the games in Singapore four years ago, whether I would take where we are now, the answer would have been, ‘Absolutely, firmly yes,’” said Sebastian Coe, chairman of London’s Olympic organizing committee.

Internet

Fergie confident in striking soccer options

HANGZHOU, 27 July—Manchester United boss Sir Alex Ferguson says he has “strong options” up front going into the new Premier League season after all his strikers caught the eye on their tour of Asia. New signing Michael Owen continued a fine start to his United career in the final match of the pre-season tour, netting a brace in Sunday’s clash against China’s Hangzhou Greentown to add to two goals in Malaysia.

Speaking after the 8-2 rout of Hangzhou, Ferguson said his intention on the tour had been to rotate his front men—Owen, Dimitar Berbatov, Wayne Rooney and teenager Federico Macheda—as he weighs up his options following the departures of Cristiano Ronaldo and Carlos Tevez.

Ferguson, chasing a record fourth consecutive Premier League crown, paired Owen and Berbatov from the start for the first time in China and both found the net in the opening period. “We didn’t use Macheda tonight but I think it gives us strong options,” he said. “I think that Macheda’s development obviously as we saw the other night is good for a 17-year-old boy and he’s got the physical attributes to go with it.”—Internet



Manchester United’s Michael Owen shoots against Hangzhou. Manchester boss Sir Alex Ferguson says he has “strong options” up front going into the new Premier League season after all his strikers caught the eye on their tour of Asia.—INTERNET

I’m staying at Chelsea says Terry

LONDON, 27 July—Chelsea captain John Terry on Sunday put an end to speculation that he



Chelsea captain John Terry

might be tempted by a mega-money move to Manchester City by confirming that he was “totally committed” to staying at Stamford Bridge.

The 28-year-old issued a statement suggesting that despite numerous reports to the contrary he had never contemplated quitting the London club. “There has been a lot of speculation recently about my future and I want to clear this up once and for all,” the England skipper said.—Internet

Redknapp keen to tie up Crouch, Vieira deals

LONDON, 27 July—Harry Redknapp believes Peter Crouch and Patrick Vieira are essential signings if Tottenham are to mount a serious challenge for a top four finish in the Premier League. The north London club are in negotiations with Portsmouth over a deal for England striker Crouch, while Redknapp claims Inter Milan midfielder Vieira is considering a move to White Hart Lane.

A deal for Crouch hinges on Tottenham persuading Portsmouth to lower their 15 million pounds asking price to around 10 million pounds, but Redknapp is

keen to ensure the deal goes through. The former Portsmouth boss believes Crouch’s height and ability to retain possession would bring a different dimension to a Tottenham attack lacking physically imposing players.

Internet

Ronaldo’s Real held to 1-1 Peace Cup draw by Al-Ittihad

MADRID, 27 July—Real Madrid were held to a 1-1 draw by Saudi side Al-Ittihad in the Peace Cup on Sunday as Cristiano Ronaldo failed to make an impact in his first match at the Santiago Bernabeu with the Spanish giants.



Al-Ittihad Naif Hazazi (C) vies with Real Madrid’s Lassana Diarra (L) and Wesley Sneijder (R) during their Peace Cup tournament football match at the Santiago Bernabeu Stadium in Madrid. The match ended in a 1-1 draw.—INTERNET

Real captain Raul put the Spanish giants in the lead in the 55th minute after getting the ball from new team-mate Karim Benzema and fending off Obaid Alshamrani to send the ball past the keeper from 12 yards out. Six minutes later Real’s Dutch midfielder Wesley Sneijder had a go from 25 yards out but the ball flew over and behind the net. Hicham Abouchrouane equalized for Al-Ittihad in the 64th minute with a header into the top corner of the net after beating Fernando Gago to the ball following a free kick by Al Saqri from the left flank.—Internet

Internet

Dufner leads rain-delayed Canadian Open

OAKVILLE, 27 July—Jason Dufner played six holes in 1 under Sunday to top the Canadian Open leaderboard before play was washed out because of the latest round of heavy rain and lightning, forcing the tournament to at least a fifth day.

“Instead of reading the grain, you have to read the current out there,” said

Mike Weir, the Canadian star who had a hole-in-one and was caught up in a confusing rules situation involving his second shot on the 18th hole Saturday.

Internet

Spectators take shelter under their umbrellas during a delay in the third round of the Canadian Open Golf championship in Oakville, Ontario, on 26 July, 2009.

INTERNET





Jason Dufner, of the United States, hits out of a bunker onto the 10th green during the continuation of the third round of the Canadian Open Golf championship in Oakville, Ontario on 27 July, 2009.—INTERNET

Jupiter's black eye to be shown off

BEIJING, 27 July—NASA's Hubble Space Telescope is offering a glimpse at the atmospheric debris kicked up by the comet or asteroid that hit Jupiter in a spectacular collision, according to media reports on Monday.

Scientists used the telescope on Thursday to capture what they call the "sharpest visible-light picture" so far of the expanding gash. An Australian amateur astronomer, Anthony Wesley, reported the dark mark near the planet's south pole. Scientists at Jet Propulsion Laboratory confirmed the new Earth-size "scar" on Jupiter Monday.

This image shows Jupiter's impact feature (dark spot) left after the King of Planets collided with an object. Finding out what the object was, the size and the velocity in which it hit the gas planet is going to be difficult. Whatever slammed into the planet and left the huge, glowing scar there remains unknown.

Amy Simon-Miller of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Centre estimated that the diameter of the object that hit the planet was the size of several football fields. The magnitude of the impact event was rare, Amy Simon-Miller said.

The space agency said the release of the close-up look at Jupiter's black eye proves repairs done on the Hubble in May were successful.—Internet

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (28-7-2009) (Tuesday)

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

Local Transmission

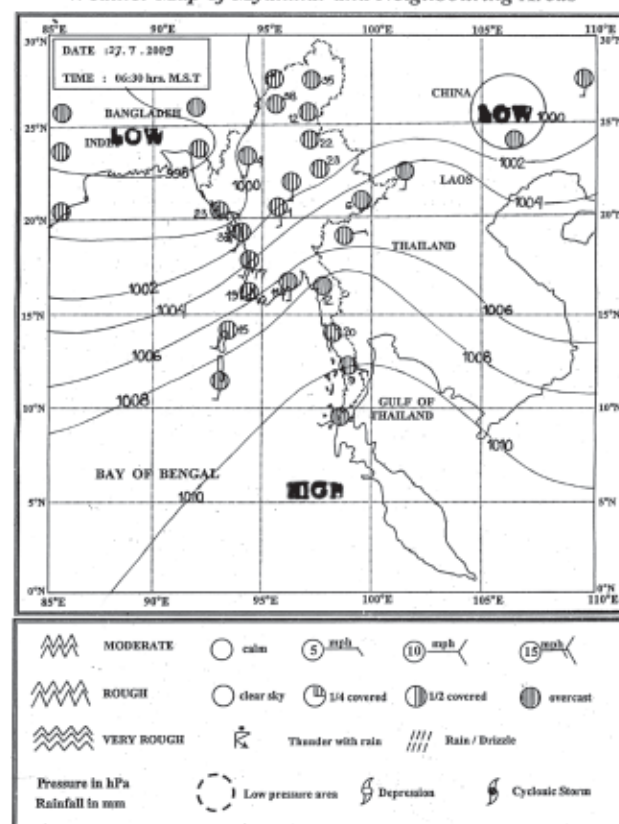
- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Myanmar Arts & Sculptures
- * Weaving Industry of Lotus Cloths
- * The characteristics of Inthas Tradition Boat Race
- * King Alaung Mintaya's Palace Site
- * Resort for Rest and Recreation (Inle Khaung Taing Village)
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Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Marvel of a Pagoda with Uncountable Buddha Images
- * "In Commemoration of 150th Founding Anniversary of Yadanabon Mandalay City" Old Mandalay...New Mandalay
- * Inside Keng Tung
- * Significant Inlay Novitiation Ceremony
- * Lacquerware made from Porcelain and glaze
- * Leisurely Cruise along the Coast (Mawlamyaing to Myeik)
- * Ancient Mural Paintings of Poe Win Hill
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Myanmar Arts & Sculptures
- * Weaving Industry of Lotus Cloths
- * The characteristics of Inthas Tradition Boat Race
- * King Alaung Mintaya's Palace Site
- * Resort for Rest and Recreation (Inle Khaung Taing Village)
- * Profile of Myanmar Native Orchids
- * Shwezawah Lacquerware
- * Myanmar Orchestra (Thichinkhant)
- * Le's go to the Zoo (Animal Show)
- * Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Monday, 27th 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 Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Taninthayi Division and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavyfalls in Rakhine and Mon States, Yangon Division, isolated heavyfall in Ayeyarwady Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Pinyinmana) (0.28) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Thapyaykone) (0.20) inch, Bilin (5.00) inches, Yangon (Kaba-Aye) (4.49) inches, Kyauktaw and Maubin (4.33) inches, Yangon (Mingaladon) (4.06) inches, An (3.94) inches, Maungdaw (3.82) inches, Kayah (3.31) inches, Thandwe (3.27) inches, Thaton (3.23) inches, Theinzayat (3.15) inches and Aunglan (0.35) inch.

Maximum temperature on 26-7-2009 was 80°F. Minimum temperature on 27-7-2009 was 67°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 27-7-2009 was 84%. Total sun shine hours on 26-7-2009 was Nil.

Rainfall on 27-7-2009 was (4.06) inches at Mingaladon, (4.49) inches at Kaba-Aye and (2.92) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (67.68) inches at Mingaladon, (73.90) inches at Kaba-Aye and (75.16) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from South at (16:00) hours MST on 26-7-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 28th July 2009: Rain will be isolated to scattered in Kayah State, lower Sagaing, Magway and Mandalay Divisions, fairly widespread in Shan State and widespread in the remaining areas with likelihood of isolated heavyfall in Rakhine, Mon and Kayin States, Ayeyarwady, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Occasional squalls with rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (45) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 28-7-2009: One or two rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 28-7-2009: Some rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 28-7-2009: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Tuesday, 28 July
View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:15 am

2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:50 am

6. "ငွေငွေနှင့်ခြင်ကျား"

8:00 am

7. Song of Yester Years

8:15 am

8. စက်နှင့်စက်ကိရိယာပစ္စည်း ထုတ်လုပ်မှုစက်ရုံ (မြိုင်)

8:25 am

9. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Local Talent

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Song of National Races

4:20 pm

3. Musical Programme

4:30 pm

4. ရန်ကုန်တိုင်း၊ အမှတ်(၃) အခြေခံပညာဦးစီးဌာန၊ မဃမ အကြိမ်ဓမ္မစကြာဝင်ရွတ် ပူဇော်ပွဲ (ဒုတိယဆု) (အထက(၁)သန်လျင်) (အမျိုးသမီးဝတ်ရွတ်အဖွဲ့)

4:50 pm

5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ ပထမနှစ် (အထူးပြုအားလုံး) (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ)

5:05 pm

6. Songs for uphold National Spirit

5:15 pm

7. The Mirror Images of the Musical Oldies

5:25 pm

8. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

5:30 pm

9. "သက်တောင့်သံစဉ်"

5:45 pm

10. စန္ဒကူးနံ့သာ ကျောင်းတော်ရာစေတီ

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:30 pm

12. Weather Report

6:35 pm

13. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ

6:50 pm

14. ဆိုလိုက်ကြစို့

7:10 pm

15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "တစ်ရေးနိုးဖူးစာ" (အပိုင်း-၂)

8:00 pm

16. News

17. International News

18. Weather Report

19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေ့မေတ္တာ" (အပိုင်း-၁၅)



- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

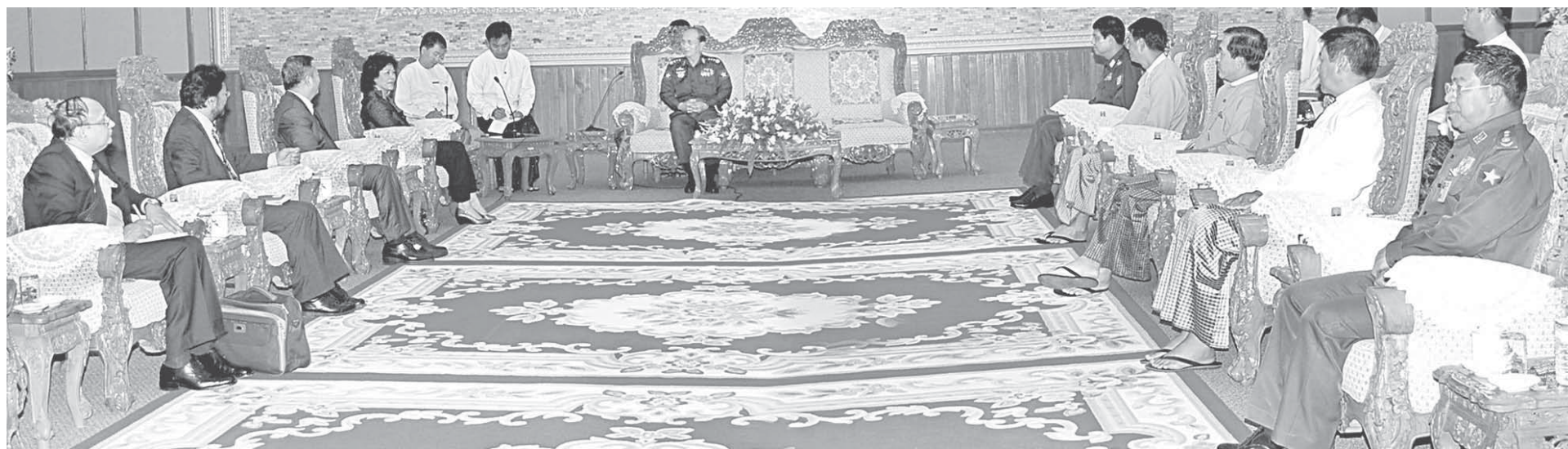
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For small nations like ours, they have no other reliable organizations. So we have to continue to make cooperation in accord with the Charter of that organization.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives UN Under-Secretary-General



Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Dr Noeleen Heyzer at Government Office in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar received UN

Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Dr Noeleen Heyzer at the hall of the Government Office here at 4 pm today.

Together with Prime Minister General Thein Sein at the call were Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Chairman of Civil

Service Selection and Training Board and of Tripartite Core Group (TCG) U Kyaw Thu, Director-General Col Thant Shin of the Government Office, Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and departmental heads.

Together with Dr Noeleen Heyzer at the call were UNICEF resident representative to Myanmar and acting UN coordinator Mr Ramesh Shrestha and responsible persons.—MNA

Old bank notes now exchangeable at Myanma Economic Banks

YANGON, 27 July—It is learnt that old bank notes can be exchanged for new ones provided that the note is in specified condition at notes changing counter of Central Bank of Myanmar at No (198/199) at the corner of Bo Sun Pak Street and Strand Road and respective branches of Myanma Economic Bank. Arrangements have been made for exchange of old notes for new ones, ranging from K 10 to K 200 notes.

For more details, inquire at branches of Myanma Economic Bank in Yangon, announced Yangon branch of Central Bank of Myanmar. Central Bank of Myanmar is also providing small changes to All Bus Lines Supervisory Committees and Markets Department of City Development Committees in Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon, and Mandalay weekly.

MNA

One more infected with New Influenza virus, a total of seven infected up to now

NAY PYI TAW, 27 July—A man aged 25 who came back from Thailand by flight TG-305 of Thai Airways on 16 July was found ill and transferred to Waibagi Specialist Hospital from township Health Department on 25 July. Sample of plasma from the patient was examined at National Health Laboratory and found New Influenza A (H1/N1) virus positive.

Other six family members living together with the patient are being kept home quarantine. Like-

wise, 244 passengers who were together with the patient on the same flight were under surveillance.

A total of seven persons have been infected with the virus up to now, of them, four were discharged from the hospital as they recovered and other three are under systematic treatment.

A total of 96 New Influenza A (H1/N1) virus suspects were examined at National Health Laboratory and seven was found to be infected with the virus.—MNA