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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

General Thura Shwe Mann and wife attend ceremony to mark 82nd Anniversary of Founding of PRC People's Liberation Army

YANGON, 31 July—Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet attended a ceremony to mark the 82nd Anniversary of the Founding of the Chinese People's Liberation Army at Traders Hotel here at 7 pm today.

They were welcomed by Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Myanmar Mr Ye Dabo and wife.

Also present at the ceremony were Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Khin Thet Htay, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing and wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe and wife, Joint Quartermaster-General Maj-Gen Khin Maung Tun and wife, senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, staff of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Yangon, Military Attaché Senior Col Gao Tiejun and wife, ambassadors, charges d' affaires ai, military attaches' and their wives of foreign embassies in Yangon and invited guests.

During the ceremony, the documentary film of the Chinese People's Liberation Army was shown.

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General Thura Shwe Mann and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet being welcomed by Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Myanmar Mr Ye Dabo and wife.

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General Thura Shwe Mann and wife attend a ceremony to mark the 82nd Anniversary of the Founding of the Chinese People's Liberation Army at Traders Hotel.—MNA



PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 1 August, 2009

Strive in unison for development of industrial sector

Prime Minister General Thein Sein arrived at Yadanarpon Teleport in Yadanarpon Myothit on 28 July to inspect the construction tasks being carried at Yadanarpon Myothit Construction Project in PyinOoLwin Township, Mandalay Division.

Necessary measures have been taken to ensure better transport and availability of potable water and acquisition of full power supply for Yadanarpon Myothit to have the characteristics of a modern city.

At a time when steps are being taken for the building of an agro-based industrialized nation, Arts and Science Universities, Universities of Computer Studies, Technological Universities and Colleges in 24 special development regions are nurturing intellectuals and technocrats necessary for industrialized country.

The government is rendering assistance to investment of local companies in industrial services inviting companies from abroad to invest in the country in accordance with rules and regulations.

Installation of communication facilities, communication equipments to be manufactured and telephone lines to be extended in Yangon and Mandalay as well as establishment of modern rural region communication system and construction of housing and staff quarters are being carried out in Yadanarpon Myothit.

At such a time, companies and entrepreneurs are to make concerted efforts together with the government for development of the industrial sector. And only then, will the building of an industrialized nation be possible.

Hindu families' donation on 2 August

YANGON, 31 July—A collective donation ceremony of Hindu families, organized by Thanantana Dhammapalaka Hindu Association (Yangon), will take place at Mogok refectory on Kaba-Aye Land, here, on 2 August at 9.00 am.

Those families are invited to attend without fail and those wishing to donate cash and kind may contact U Tun Lin (Tel: 0951-82379), U San Wan (Tel: 0951-08541), U Ankay Arnanda (Tel: 0950-00453), U Tkay Pawl (Tel: 398278) and U Soe Win (Tel: 242751).

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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

Meeting on review of preventive and control measures against A (H1N1) held

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July—A meeting to review preventive and control measures against A (H1N1) was held at the Health Department here yesterday, attended by Secretary of Infectious Disease Control Central Committee Deputy Health Minister Dr Mya Oo.

The meeting was attended by the Chairman of Yangon Division Health Committee Secretary of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council, directors-general, deputy directors-general, directors of the Ministry of Health, rectors of Universities of Medical Studying, medical superintendents of Central Hospitals, physicians and personnel concerned.

In his speech, the deputy minister said that it has been three months since works for prevention and control against New Influenza was carried out and Ministry of Health in cooperation with other

ministries, authorities concerned, social organizations, private sector and the whole public was able to control the virus from spread among the public. In spite of works for prevention

Committee U Khin Maung Tun recounted experiences on control and preventive works of authorities concerned against the virus in the division and Dr Hla Myint of Yangon Division Health Department on

laboratory tests and Dr Maung Maung Thein, head of Tachilek District Health Department on monitoring and surveillance works in border gates.

Director Dr Soe Lwin Nyein of the Health

Deputy Minister Dr Mya Oo addresses the meeting to review preventive and control measures against A(H1N1).

HEALTH



and control against outbreak of the virus being difficult to be carried out, there have been success in control of the disease, thanks to the leadership of local authorities concerned and cooperative efforts of health staff from health department and hospitals.

Secretary of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council, Chairman of Yangon Division Health

monitoring and surveillance works.

Next, medical superintendent Dr Daw Nu Nu Tha of Yangon People's Hospital recounted experiences on treatment for the virus on behalf of Yangon People's Hospital, Wabargi Specialist Hospital, and Yangon Children's Hospital.

Director Dr Nay Win of Public Health Department Lab recounted experiences on

Department gave account on the spread of virus of in the region and in the world and reported on preventive and control measures and future tasks.

The deputy minister and personnel then replied to the queries raised by those present concerning preventive measures against the virus and the meeting came to an end with concluding remarks of the deputy minister.

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Book on collection of articles in circulation

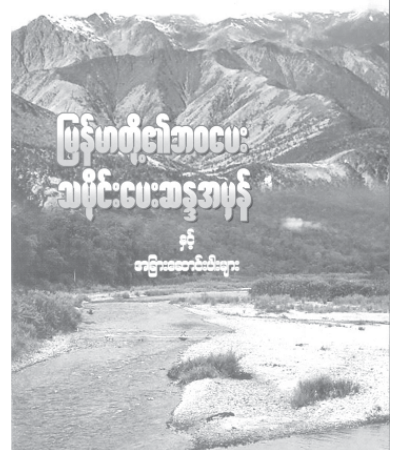
YANGON, 31 July—A book on collection of articles published by the News and Periodicals Enterprise comes out today.

The book includes 40 articles written by Mi Pyi Chit, Khine Htet Aung, Kyaw Ye Min, Kyaw Zin Nyunt (Advocate), Hline Aung, Ngar Min Swe, Kyalzin

Naing, Ko Myanmar, U Pyay Kyaw, U Myo Myint (Law), Si Thu Aung, U Swe (Bahan), Kyaw Min Lu (Shwepyitha), Shin Thant, Saw Nay Myo, Maung Nwe Sit, Dr Shwe Pyi Soe (Myanmar Literature Department, Yangon University), Saw Hla Aung, Saw Po Si, Maung Hmat, An Observer and Chit Naing (Psychology).

Book on collection of articles published by the News and Periodicals Enterprise.

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The book is available at 500 kyats per copy at Sarpay Beikman book shop of Printing and Publishing Enterprise in Nay Pyi Taw and Shop No (Ta/55) in Nay Pyi Taw

Thabyaegon Market, Sarpay Beikman Book Shop on Merchant Road and the book shop of the News and Periodicals Enterprise on Theinbyu Road in Yangon.—MNA



UN: Afghan civilian casualties up 24 percent in 2009

GENEVA, 31 July—The United Nations said Friday the number of civilians killed in conflict in Afghanistan has jumped 24 percent so far this year, with bombings by insurgent and airstrikes by international forces the biggest single killers.

In a grim assessment of the first half of 2009, the U.N. assistance mission in Afghanistan said the Taliban and other anti-government militants have become more

deadly by shifting from ambush attacks to suicide bombings, roadside explosives and targeted assassinations.

It warned that more civilians would likely be killed as insurgents try to battle a troop increase by the administration of President Barack Obama, and seek to destabilize the country before presidential and Provincial Council elections on Aug. 20. The summer is also typically the worst for fighting in Afghanistan.

Insurgent attacks are "frequently undertaken regardless of the impact on civilians in terms of deaths and injuries, or destruction of civilian infrastructure," the 21-page report said, ascribing 595 civilian deaths to the Taliban and other "anti-government elements" over the first six months.

Many of those died in suicide attacks or roadside bombs near "civilian traffic, residential compounds and marketplaces."—Internet



Photo taken on 16 June, 2009 shows an Afghan man wounded by a strike in the Shawalikot district, is carried on a stretcher at a hospital in Kandahar province south of Kabul.—INTERNET

Residents gather around the wreckage of a car after a bomb attack in Baghdad's Shaab District, northern Baghdad on 31 July, 2009.

INTERNET



Bombs kill at least 28 in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 31 July—Six bombs struck different places across Baghdad on Friday, police said, killing at least 28 people and angering Iraqis who blamed local forces now taking

over from U.S. soldiers for failing to protect them.

The blasts, which wounded at least 130 people were a reminder of militants' persistent capabilities in Iraq.

In the worst attack, a car bomb struck people in the street in northern Baghdad's Shaab district, killing at least 23 people and wounding 107.

On the other side of the city, two blasts around the same time went off in southeastern Baghdad's Diyala bridge area, killing four people and wounding 17.

Another bomb in Zaafaraniya, southeast Baghdad, killed one person and wounded six. Two more bombs in Kamaliya and Alam districts wounded nine people.

Internet

Israel army to test tank shell against anti-tank squads

JERUSALEM, 31 July — Israel Defence Force (IDF) is set to test a new type of tank shell, aiming at neutralizing enemy's anti-tank missile squads, in the coming week, local daily *The Jerusalem Post* reported on Thursday.

The shell, called Calanit and suitable for 120 mm cannons, can be fired beyond a hill and stop in mid-air, then explode on top of the anti-tank missile squads, which always hide behind structures or a hill to attack IDF tanks, the report said. The shell is developed by Israel Military Industries.

Internet

Finnish ship hijacked in Sweden

STOCKHOLM, 31 July — A Finnish ship was hijacked off the island in south-eastern Sweden in the early hours of last Friday, according to the local reports on Thursday. A group of black-clad masked men who spoke English boarded the ship off the island Oland of Baltic Sea at around 3 am on 24 July. They claimed to be police officers, searched the Maltese-registered vessel which was laden with timber bound for Algeria, reported the Swedish electronic newspaper *The Local*.

The vessel's Russian crew were bound and gagged for the duration of their 12 hour ordeal, The Swedish National Police Board (Rikspolisstyrelsen) was quoted by *The Local*. The hijackers are reported to have been traveling in a high-speed inflatable boat. After the attack the vessel continued on its journey, the report added.—Internet



A policeman takes notes as he stands next to an injured man at a local hospital in the northeastern town of Baquba, 60 kms from Baghdad. Attacks across Iraq, including one against a political party's offices, left 11 dead on Thursday.—INTERNET

Roadside bomb kills four guards of private company in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 31 July — Four security guards of a private company were killed on Thursday as a roadside bomb struck their vehicle in the volatile Helmand Province of southern Afghanistan, a Press release of Interior Ministry said.

"Four private security guards were killed in a roadside mine explosion planted by the enemies of Afghanistan in Nahar-Saraj district of Helmand Province today," the Press release said.

This is a local security company named Hamayon PSC and all the victims were Afghans.

Similar attack on the same company couple of days ago in Gereshk district of Helmand left eight security guards dead and eight others wounded, the Press release further said.—Internet

A visitor walks past the Kaspersky Internet Security 2010 advertisement board at an annual PC fair at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 31 July, 2009.
INTERNET



Suicide car bombing kills seven in western Iraq

BAGHDAD, 31 July — A suicide car bomber struck an Iraqi police station at the town of Qaim near the border with Syria on Thursday, killing seven people and wounding at least eight others, an Interior Ministry source said.

The bomber drove his explosive-laden car into the Qaim police station and blew it up at the main gate, the source said on condition of anonymity.

Women and children were among the victims and the blast also damaged several nearby houses, the source said. Sporadic attacks continue in Iraqi cities despite the US and Iraqi officials announced a relative lull in violence during the past months.—Internet



Boys cool off in the Willamette River in Portland, Ore on 30 July, 2009. Authorities Thursday reported the first death linked to a Pacific Northwest heat wave even as days of record, triple-digit temperatures began to moderate.—INTERNET

Peugeot plans to resume production in Indonesia

JAKARTA, 31 July—French automaker, Peugeot, mulled to resume its car production in Indonesian plant, a senior of Peugeot's Indonesian partner said here. "We planned to set up an assembling plant in Indonesia. The plant would commence the operation no later than 2012," the Detik.com quoted on Friday Constantinus Herlijoso, the president director of Astra Indonesia Peugeot (AIP).

He said that AIP is undergoing talks with Peugeot headquarters in France regarding the plan.

Speaking on the sidelines of New Peugeot 407 launching here on Thursday, Herlijoso said that Peugeot's Indonesian plant is expected to become the production basis for Southeast Asian market.

Internet



A businessman is reflected in a show window glass outside a store in Tokyo's fashion district on 31 July, 2009.

INTERNET

Australia's construction sector likely to lose 80,000 jobs

CANBERRA, 31 July — A new study released on Friday predicted Australia would lose more than 80,000 jobs in the construction sector during the next three years.

However, the federal government was always aware the sector would be hit hard by the global financial crisis, Australian Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard said.

Apprentice numbers would fall by 10 percent as the sector experienced the most severe impact in 2009-10 and 2010-11, followed by some consolidation in 2011-12, the Access Economics study commissioned by the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union said.

Internet

Mexico's manufacturing sector sees worst job fall in 14 years

MEXICO CITY, 31 July — The employment rate in Mexico's manufacturing sector fell by 8.9 percent in May, the worst for a month since May 1995, said a report released on Thursday by the National Statistics Agency.

The employment rate for production line workers saw a decline of 10.2 percent, while the figure for administrative staff

witnessed a drop of 5.5 percent.

The figure of man-hour fell by 13.3 percent, showing that those who had kept their jobs were working less.

The worst-hit was those working for transportation equipment as it is export-oriented.

Mexico is suffering a recession dragged mainly by a drop in exports given

the large declines in demand from the United States which buys some 80 percent of Mexico's total exports.

Mexico's domestic demand has also fallen due to a credit crunch that hit consumer and business lending.

Internet

Vietnam generates 650,000 jobs in first half of year

HANOI, 31 July — Vietnam's Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs said the country generated 650,000 jobs in the first half of this year, a decrease of 16.7 percent year-on-year, local newspaper the *Labor* reported on Friday.

The figure only accounts for 38.2 percent of this year's target of 1.7 million jobs, making it difficult for Vietnam to achieve the employment target for the whole year, said the ministry. The ministry said Vietnam will make efforts to generate 1.5 million jobs this year. —Internet

Singapore Airlines posts first quarterly loss in six years

SINGAPORE, 31 July — Singapore Airlines (SIA) reported on Thursday a loss of 307 million Singapore dollars (about 212.5 million US dollars) for the quarter ended June 2009, the first such loss since the SARS crisis in 2003.

The loss was attributed to the global economic slowdown and the outbreak of A/H1N1 flu, contributing to the decline in cargo and passenger demand. Fuel hedging also added to the loss.

According to an SIA statement, the group recorded an operating loss of 319 million Singapore dollars (223.08 million US dollars) for the quarter, against an operating profit of 343 million Singapore dollars (239.86 million US dollars) last year. —Internet

Brazil to host China, Portuguese-speaking countries business meeting

RIO DE JANEIRO, 31 July — Brazil will host the Forum on Economic and Trade Cooperation between China and Portuguese-speaking Countries in August, the Brazilian Trade and Investment Promotion Agency (Apex-Brazil) said on Thursday.

Apart from Brazil and China, representatives from Angola, Mozambique, Portugal, East Timor, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, and Chi-

na's Macao will also participate in the event.

This is the first time the forum is held in Brazil.

The forum will include lectures, workshops, discussion panels and meetings. Representatives from governments and the business sector will discuss ways to boost trade and investment, and perspectives of the global economy.

Cooperation in biofuels and the entertainment

industry will also be discussed.

"Brazil wants to attract new investments and in this event we will gather countries with common interests," said Apex-Brazil's President Alessandro Teixeira. "Our intent is to promote debates focused on the diversification of the trade between countries with the same languages and similar cultural characteristics."

The forum will be held between 11 Aug and 13 in Rio de Janeiro. It will be co-organized by Apex-Brazil, the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT), and the Macao Trade and Investment Promotion Institute (IPIM). — Xinhua



Computer laptops are put on display at an annual PC fair at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 31 July, 2009. Thousands of IT products ranging from computers, cameras and PDA palmtops are on exhibit at the fair which attract the crowds to grab their cheap bargains.—INTERNET



Syria willing to enhance cooperation with China

DAMASCUS, 31 July—Syrian Foreign Minister Walid al-Moallem said on Thursday that Syria is willing to enhance cooperation with China on the basis of mutual benefits.

Moallem made the pledge during a meeting with Wu Sike, China's Special Envoy to the Middle East, and both sides discussed bilateral relations and the latest situa-

tion in the Middle East region. Wu reiterated that China supports Syria's commitment to achieving a just and comprehensive peace based on the relevant UN resolutions.

"The meeting with Minister al-Moallem focused on bilateral relations and the changes and developments in the region, where both sides expressed mutual support

for the efforts in this regard to find a solution for the Middle East problem," Wu told reporters following the meeting.

"I expressed gratitude to Syria, the government and people, for its support to China in a number of issues concerning China's sovereignty and territory integrity," the senior Chinese diplomat said.

Xinhua



Visiting China's special envoy on Middle East affairs Wu Sike (L) meets with Syrian Foreign Minister Walid Mualem in Damascus, capital of Syria, on 30 July, 2009. — XINHUA



People get on the bus at a flooded section of the Xietu Road in Shanghai, China, on 30 July, 2009. A short-time storm hit Shanghai due to a heavy cloud cluster on Thursday. Local observatory issued red alert signal of rain storm. — XINHUA

Turkey lays foundation for world's third biggest seed gene bank

ANKARA, 31 July—Turkey laid foundation on Thursday for a seed gene storing center in Ankara that would contain the genes of 250,000 plant species, the semi-official *Anatolia* news agency reported.

Turkey's Agriculture and Rural Affairs Minister Mehmet Mehdi Eker said at the ground-breaking ceremony that the center would become the world's third biggest one after those in the United States and China.

The seed gene bank, for which construction was expected to be finished this December, would protect seeds collected within and outside Turkey for use in scientific experiments, Eker was quoted as saying.

The project would activate the agricultural potential of Turkey, which is rich in biological diversity with 3,905 of the world's 12,000 endemic plant species on its territory, said Eker.—Xinhua

Dollar falls on earning reports and jobless data

NEW YORK, 31 July—The dollar fell against most major currencies on Thursday as risk appetite improved on earning reports of major companies and new jobless claim data. The US Labour Department reported on Thursday that initial claims for jobless benefits rose 25,000 last week to 584,000. It was higher than expectations but lower than a month ago, indicating there has been some improvement in the labour market this summer.

The four-week average of initial jobless claims fell to 559,000, the lowest since late January. The number of continuing jobless benefit claims fell unexpectedly from 6.25 million to 6.2 million, the lowest since mid-April. Some major US companies reported stronger-than-expected quarterly profit results on Thursday, including cellphone maker Motorola, tire manufacturer Goodyear Tire & Rubber, credit-card network Mastercard, and chemicals maker Dow Chemical.—Xinhua

Indonesia prepares for El Nino

JAKARTA, 31 July—Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono said on Thursday that the country planned to adopt measures to tackle the possible impact of El Nino on the country.

Some areas of the country were predicted to suffer from the coming late of rainy season for about one month, but as a whole, Indonesia would not get serious impact of the weather pattern as the country would have a wet season soon.

"There are some areas that would be late in the commencement of rainy season, in South Sumatra and Maluku, ..which can cause drought," the president said.

Among the steps to be taken were maintaining the food resilience and farm cultivation and providing financial supports, Susilo said.—Xinhua

Moderate quake hits E Indonesia

JAKARTA, 31 July—An earthquake with magnitude of 5.5 jolted eastern parts of Indonesia on Friday, without any initial report of damage or casualties, Meteorology and Geophysics Agency said.

The quake struck at 07:05 Jakarta time (0005 GMT) with epicenter at 166 km southwest of Waingapu of East Nusa Tenggara and at 70 km in depth, the agency said.

Indonesia with over 230 million population is located at a vulnerable quake-hit zone so called the Pacific Ring of Fire, where two continental plates stretching from Western hemisphere to Japan meet that often triggers seismic and volcanic movements.

Xinhua

Two Spanish police officers killed in bomb attack

MADRID, 31 July—Two Spanish Guardia Civil police officers were killed on Thursday when a bomb exploded outside their barracks on the resort island Mallorca. The explosion was caused by a car bomb outside the Palmanova civil guard barracks, close to the Marivent palace where Spain's royal family traditionally spends its summer holiday.

The bomb was thought to have been placed underneath a patrol car, used by the Guardia Civil. Spanish authorities suspect it was the work of the Basque extremist group ETA.

It took place just two days before the Spanish Royal Family makes its annual visit to the island to spend some time of its holidays and one day after

a car bomb explosion outside the Civil Guard barracks in Burgos, north Spain, which caused 54 injuries. The Basque separatist group ETA was responsible for that bombing.

Xinhua

Actresses perform during a fishermen's festival in Lingao, a county of south China's Hainan Province, on 30 July, 2009.—XINHUA



All items from Xinhua News Agency

Kodak posts third consecutive quarterly loss

NEW YORK, 31 July — Eastman Kodak Co said on Thursday that it lost 189 million US dollars in the second quarter as economic downturn hurt demand.

The company, which posted its third consecutive quarterly deficit, lost the equivalent of 70 cents a share in the April-June period, compared with profit of 495 million dollars, or 1.62 dollars a share, in the same period last year.

Kodak is bracing for an estimated 12 percent to 18 percent slump in sales this year because of the recession.

Revenue from digital businesses dropped 28 percent while traditional film-based revenue fell 30 percent in the quarter.—*Internet*

Fire destroys market in Honduras

TEGUCIGALPA, 31 July — A fire destroyed Thursday the Colon Market, one of the oldest and well known markets in Tegucigalpa, capital of Honduras.

Firefighter spokesman Oscar Triminio said that 18 trucks and 250 firefighters were sent to market to fight the fire.

The fire erupted at 5:30 am (1130 GMT) in the center of the market, and the roof and some classrooms from Hibueras education center were damaged.

“We are broken, everything was burnt,” cloth seller Oscar Garcia told local media. The police and soldiers arrived at the place to avoid plunder in stores and the nearby shops.—*Internet*



Dew drops gather on a wasp as it sits on a flower during a foggy morning near the town of Turov, some 270 km (167 miles) south of Minsk, on 31 July, 2009.— INTERNET

Asia finds its unifying voice

BEIJING, 31 July — The Asia Philharmonic Orchestra, comprising the finest Asian musicians, will present its debut concert in Beijing at the National Centre for the Performing Arts. Chung Myung-Whun, a South Korea-born maestro, will take the baton to perform Mozart's Symphonic Concerto in E flat for Oboe, Clarinet, Horn, Bassoon and Mahler's

Symphony No 1, “Titan”.

The 56-year-old pianist/conductor has studied at the Julliard School in New York and worked as music director at the world's most prestigious orchestras in the United States, Europe and Asia for three decades.

In 1997, he gathered leading musicians from China, Japan, South Korea and other Asian countries to establish the Asia

Philharmonic Orchestra.

He believes classical music is world music, a rich heritage that has grown far beyond its European roots to be shared and enjoyed by all.

“Music has no national boundaries. Classical music used to be called Western music in Asian countries, but today it is music that is enjoyed worldwide.

—*Internet*

Sunshine good for countryside economy, but not ecology

BEIJING, 31 July—As China's global auto market continues to grow, so too does the nation's urgency to update emissions standards.

So far, three emission categories have been rolled out across the country, with Beijing the only city currently employing the China 4 standard, which was introduced as part of plans to cut air

pollution ahead of the Olympic Games last summer.

Minivan brands like the Wuling Sunshine are bestsellers in rural areas and perfect for small firms on a limited budget. But as the majority only meet China 3 standard, which is equivalent to Euro 3, they may still pose a serious threat to the ecology of the countryside.

“We can't prevent vehicle ownership increasing in rural areas but we can work on improving their environmental performance,” said Zhang Jianyu, programme manager for the Environmental Defence Fund China programme. “We should be looking at consistent enforcement of emission standards for all cars.”

—*Internet*



A previously unknown species of lizard, with the scientific name Varanus lirungensis, has been discovered by German scientist Andre Koch in Indonesia. The reptiles are only to be found on the small Tauland Islands group north of Sulawesi, according to information released on 20 July by the Zoological Museum Knig in Bonn.

The small dinosaur Urmel turned 40 on 15 July. Urmel is one of the most popular puppets to have emerged from the much acclaimed “Augsburger Puppenkiste”. The Bavarian puppet makers introduced Urmel in 1969 in a play that featured on the island of Titiwu. A slab of ice containing an egg is washed up on the shore. Professor Tibatong instructs his talking animals to let the egg hatch. Eventually, Urmel pops out of the egg and a new TV star of German puppet theater is born.

Maine EMT struck by monster truck, saved by mud

A Maine rescue department volunteer struck by a monster truck at a mud race avoided serious injuries thanks to a cocoon of mud. Jason Cole, assistant rescue chief in the southern Maine town of Lebanon, says the driver lost control of her truck Sunday at the “Go Deep Mud” contest when the throttle became stuck.

Cole declined to identify the emergency medical technician, but says the truck struck the volunteer and knocked him flat on his back. Cole says the EMT sank so far into the mud that only his face was showing, and the truck's 35-inch tires passed on either side of him.

When the throttle came unstuck and the truck came to a stop, the EMT was able to crawl out on his own and walk to an ambulance. He was treated and released from a hospital.



One short name, one giant headache for Ohio man

Sharing a name with someone who lives in your area isn't usually a big deal unless your name is Neil Armstrong.

Thirty-eight-year-old Neil Allen Armstrong, a financial services professional from Symmes Township in suburban Cincinnati, says he constantly gets calls and packages from autograph seekers, school kids and reporters. He tries to explain he's not the Neil Armstrong who was the first man to walk on the moon. But people don't always believe him.

Neil Alden Armstrong, the 78-year-old former astronaut, lives in nearby Indian Hills. He rarely appears in public but was back in the news recently with the 40th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission.

Bikini-clad woman accused of carjacking in Miss

Police in Mississippi say a woman was carjacked by a bikini-clad suspect, who they say later tried to rob an RV dealership. Southaven Police Chief Tom Long said the 24-year-old suspect approached another woman in her driveway and demanded the car on Thursday. The woman gave up the car without a fight, asking only for time to remove her young children from inside.

NEWS ALBUM



A jockey riding his horse at the tideland race in Duhnen, Lower Saxony, Germany on 19 July, 2009. Around 150 horses, watched by some 30,000 spectators, took part in various events throughout the day. The tideland race takes place on the seabed once it has been exposed by receding tides. It is the only race of its kind.



Mingin Myoma Bridge in Sagaing Division in service of local people

Article: Nu Nu Yi & Aye Thanda Thein

The government is making all-out efforts for the people to enjoy the higher socio-economic status, to travel from one place to another with peace of mind and to take full advantages of smooth and swift commodity flow. As a result, unprecedented progress has been made in all spheres throughout the nation.

Thanks to the emergence of a cluster of new bridges large and small, people from different regions including border areas can have easy ac-

cess to places of their choice.

Not only engineers and staff of the Ministry of Construction but also engineers and Tatmadawmen of the Ministry of Defense contributed their services fully towards construction of roads and bridges in the interest of the people.

Myoma Bridge of Mingin Township in Sagaing Division was opened on 24 March 2009. The upper structure of the bridge is of girder type and the lower structure, of broad crest type. The 540 feet long and

28 feet wide facility can withstand 60 tons of loads. Its clearance is 90 feet wide and 10 feet high.

With the emergence of Myoma Bridge in the region, local people are now in a position to move about from one place to another as they wish all the year round and enjoy higher living standard all the more.

Translation: HKA

Myanma Alin: 26-7-2009



Photo shows Myoma Bridge in Mingin Township, Sagaing Division.

Lenovo laptops, desktops, software, hardware on market

YANGON, 31 July— Two local companies have reached agreement with Lenovo Company based in the People's Republic of China to distribute Lenovo brand desktop and laptop computers in Myanmar.

KMD Computer Group Co Ltd and Lucky Bird Trading Co Ltd signed with Lenovo Co to work as sales agents in Myanmar at the press meet at Traders Hotel here yesterday.

KMD and Lucky

Bird will distribute Lenovo computers, software and hardware and will provide services for Lenovo computers.

ThinkPad, IdeaPad laptop computers, Idea Centre and Think Centre Desktop computers for offices, Think Workstations and Think Server System will come on the market.

After buying the pc production from IBM Company in 2005, Lenovo produces new designs of computers, ASEAN Sale

Manager Mr Kyler Tan of Lenovo Company said.

Mr Lee Chown How, Regional Business Manager, Commercial Business-ASEAN of Lenovo said he believed that Lenovo would be listed at the Top 3 in Myanmar.

KMD Computer Group Co Ltd and Lucky Bird Computer Co will distribute the Lenovo brand computers at sales centres across the country as of August.

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Asean Sale Manager Mr. Kyler Tan of Lenovo Co presents about Lenovo products.

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Car overturns in Shan State (South) killing three, injuring 38

YANGON, 31 July— A market circular vehicle en route from Pintaya to Bawhsai Village in Shan State (South) overturned on 28 July killing three passengers and injuring 38 others.

The six-wheeled GMC with license plate

(f/6637) driven by U Sein Win plunged into the slope of the hill beyond Kyauksu Village, about six miles from Pintaya and overturned at about 7.30 am on 28 July. One man and two women were killed and 10 men and 28 women injured. Out of the injured,

29 including eight serious cases were sent to Taunggyi Sao Sun Htun Hospital and the nine remaining to Pintaya Hospital. Local authorities and officials from the hospitals are giving assistance to the injured.

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Talk on "20 Years Development Trend"

YANGON, 31 July— Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry will organize a talk under the sponsorship of PacLink

Co Ltd at UM FCCI Office Tower on Minye Kyawswa Street, Lanmadaw Township, here, 1 August.

Writer U Kyaw Win will give talks on 20 years

development trend.

Executives and members of UM FCCI and its affiliated associations and enthusiasts may attend the talk.—MNA

Lt-Gen Myint Swe attends monsoon tree planting ceremony of Yangon Institute of Education

YANGON, 31 July — Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence attended monsoon tree planting ceremony of Institute of Education (Yangon) for 2009 at the compound of the institute on 30 July morning.

The Director of Division Forest Department presented report on plan-

tation and the Rector spoke words of thanks.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Yangon Command Commander Maj-Gen Win Myint, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Yangon Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin and offi-

cialshanded oversaplings to deputy director-general of Department of Basic Education No 1(Lower Myanmar), teachers and students.

Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander, the mayor and officials planted trees and looked round the collective plantation.—MNA



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence plants a tree during a monsoon tree planting ceremony at Yangon Institute of Education.—MNA

Criminal Cases against US citizen Mr John William Yettaw, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win, Ma Win Ma Ma postponed to 11 August to pass final judgment

YANGON, 31 July—Criminal Cases Nos 47/2009, 48/2009 and 49/2009 against US citizen Mr John William Yettaw, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win and Ma Win Ma Ma were heard at Yangon North District Court at 10 am today.

The court was unable to pass the final judgment, for it still has to review and decide the legal proceedings over the statements of the witnesses, evidences and arguments of the both sides.

The cases were postponed to 10 am on 11 August to pronounce the final judgment.—MNA

Tasks of Yezin fish breeding farm of FD in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana inspected

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July—Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein on 28 July morning gave instructions on develop-

ment of fishery sector, improvement of fish pedigrees through short and long term plans and hatching of fish at Yezin Fishing Breeding Farm of

Fisheries Department in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Yezin. The minister inspected breeding of fish to be hatched at the farm.—MNA

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

The second best time is now.

27th ASEAN Ministers on Energy Meeting and its related meetings conclude

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July — The conclusion ceremony of the 27th ASEAN Ministers on Energy Meeting and its related meetings was held in conjunction with ASEAN Energy Awards presentation ceremony at the convocation hall of Mandalay University in Mandalay on 29 July.

It was attended by Energy Ministers from ASEAN countries and dialogue partner countries, the deputy ministers, high-ranking officials and representatives, the deputy secretary-general and officials of ASEAN Secretariat, representatives of ASEAN Center for Energy, departmental officials and guests.

Before and during the dinner, artistes from Mandalay and Fine Arts Department of the Ministry of Culture entertained those present.

Next, the ministers, the deputy ministers and high ranking officials presented prizes to 37 winners of ASEAN Best Practices for Energy Efficient Building

Competition, ASEAN Best Practices for Energy Management in Building and Industries Competition, ASEAN Renewable Energy Project Management Competition and ASEAN Excellence in Energy Management category.

Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi extended greetings and presented gifts to those who attended the meeting

Shwe Innthar of Myanmar stood third in Tropical Category of ASEAN Best Practices for Energy Efficient Building Competition and Small-scale Hydropower Project of Ma Mya Dam first in Off-Grid Category of ASEAN Renewable Energy Project Management Competition. Myanmar representative U Aung Kyi who acted as Myanmar representative in Energy Efficiency and Sub Sector Network was presented ASEAN Excellence in Energy Management award.

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Minister Brig-Gen Lun Thi presents prize to a winner of ASEAN Energy Awards. — ENERGY

Korean Food Fair 2009

YANGON, 31 July—Korean Food Fair was launched at Orange Supermarket (Waizayanda branch) this morning.

Korean Ambassador Mr Park Key-Chong and director Daw Myint Myint Win of Creation Myanmar Co Ltd formally opened Korean Food Fair.

It was also attended by assistant commercial

attaché Mr Kim Jong San of Korea Trade Investment Promotion Agency (KOTRA), journalists, and guests. Korean Food Fair will be held at Blazon Department Store and branches of Orange Supermarkets up to 20 August.

Korean well-known foods such as Kimchi, pea flavor noo-

dle, ready-made foods, pepper flavor and seasoning will be sold at special price and Korean foods can be tasted for free.

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Korean Ambassador Mr Park Key-Chong and Daw Myint Myint Win formally open Korean Food Fair. —MNA





Lt-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence meets departmental personnel in Monywa

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July—Accompanied by Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe, Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, on 28 July, met with division, district, township level service personnel, townselders, and members of social organizations.

The secretary of the division PDC briefed Lt-Gen Tha Aye on progress

of the region and the Commander made supplementary reports.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye urged the service personnel and local people to become dutiful personnel and citizen and cordially greeted those present.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Tha Aye visited chicken, quail special breeding zone and called for breeding of pedigree chicken and quail for further development of breeding sector which

contributes to economic sector of the country and inspected chicken and quail breeding farm.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye then went to Monywa Industrial Zone and inspected products of foundry plant and machines plant.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye also oversaw construction of two-storey extended building and Sangha Ward in Monywa People's Hospital and left necessary instructions.

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Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspects products of foundry plant and machines plant in Monywa Industrial Zone.

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Minister U Aung Thaung presents prize to an outstanding student.

INDUSTRY-1

Industry-1 Minister attends school opening ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July—Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung attended the opening ceremony of Basic Education Middle School (branch) of Seikone Village in Taungtha Township of Mandalay Division on 26 July.

Chairman of Township Peace and Development Council U Soe Soe Shwe, Township Education Officer U Tin Cho and Member of School Board

of Trustees U Than Htay Aung formally opened the school. The minister unveiled the stone inscription.

The minister extended greetings and a townselder spoke words of thanks.

The minister delivered an address at the prize presentation ceremony to outstanding students at Anawrahta Hall of Nyaung-U Township PDC on 27 July morning.

Township Education Officer U Thaung Lwin Oo presented report on education affairs.

The minister and wife presented prizes to distinction winners in 2009 matriculation examination and outstanding teachers in Nyaung-U, Bagan, Taungzin, Ngathayauk, Sinku and Tetma Basic Education High Schools.

Six distinction winner Ma Thinza Lwin spoke words of thanks.—MNA

Ministry of Finance and Revenue holds its 5th monsoon tree planting ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July—The 5th monsoon trees planting ceremony 2009 of Ministry Finance and Revenue was held at staff quarters of the ministry in Dhanna Theikdi Ward here this morning, attended by Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe.

It was also participated by Governor U Than Nyein of Central Bank of Myanmar, directors-general and

managing directors of departments and enterprises under the ministry, and service personnel.

Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe planted Cedrela febrifolia and the governor of Central Bank of Myanmar, directors-general, managing-directors, and service personnel of Central Bank of Myanmar, Myanmar Economic Bank, Budget Department, Internal

Revenue Department also planted the trees in happiness. The deputy minister and party then viewed the plantations of departments of the ministry. A total number of 2,700 trees were grown in the fifth monsoon trees planting ceremony of the ministry. The ministry has grown 12,855 trees for five times and trees planting ceremonies will be held in accord with monsoon trees planting plan.—MNA



Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe plants Cedrela febrifolia.

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Nearly 9900 acres of poppy plantations destroyed this year's poppy cultivation season

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July—A total of 83 acres of poppy field—2.5 acres near Wahdaw village in Loilem Township of Shan State (South), 24.5 acres near Kaunmethin village and Pinlong village in Pinlaung Township and 56 acres near Setdaw village, Htitaung old village and Ladu village in Pekkha Township — were destroyed from 23 to 26 July. So far, 9885.15 acres of poppy field had been destroyed in states and divisions this year's poppy cultivation season.

MNA

Man who tied housemaid and took property arrested

YANGON, 31 July—Members of West District Police Commander's Office, acting on the information of a public member on 25 July, arrested a person who tied the maid of a house in Thantata Ward, Sangyong Township, here, and took away the property with him.

Ma Hla Hla Win, the maid of the house of Daw Khin Tint, while she was alone while ironing at home at about 11 am on 24 July, opened the door after hearing someone knocking on it and found two men who came in. The men tied her hands and legs with the wire of the iron, put a piece of cloth into her mouth, and took away a digital camera, a backpack containing clothes. And the case was opened at Sangyong Police

Station.

In connection with the case, members of West District Police Commander's Office carried out investigation and arrested culprit Ko Latt (a) Toni (a) Tin Htoo together with the property in Zigon Village, Shwepyitha Township, at 7 pm on 25 July.

According to the investigation, the culprit was found to be the boyfriend of Ma Hla Hla Win. It was also revealed that she shouted for help only after her boy friend had left the house for some time so that he would be able to escape. Yangon Division Police Force is giving educative talks on crime prevention in order not to cause similar cases. —MNA

Thriving forest plantations on Bago mountain...

(from page 16)

Recently, the news crew of the Kyemon Daily made a trip to observe the greening tasks on Bago mountain range, located in the eastern region of Magway District. First, we had an interview with Staff Officer U Hla Myint of Taungdwingyi Township Forest Department. Afterwards, we proceeded to Wun-awgyi forest camp to observe the greening of Bago mountain range in Taungdwingyi Township.

Wun-awgyi forest camp located on Nay Pyi Taw-Taungdwingyi Road is included in Taungdwingyi Township. Forester U Moe Aung, in-charge of the plantation Junior Forester Ko Win Khaing

and Rangers U Bo Shwe and U Aung Min Tun explained matters related to thriving teak and Yinma (*Chukrassia tabularis*) at the camp.

Kinpuntaung forest reserve was established as the specific teak plantation in Taungdwingyi Township.

Neem and teak plantations were established at Block No. 32 of Kinpuntaung forest reserve, 1,000 acres of Eastern gooseberry, Mezali (*Cassia siamea*) and others in Yanpei Dam (Hsinkya Village) and 1,000 acres of tree plantation in Kinpuntaung forest reserve.

A total of 6250 acres of plantations was set up at Gyochaung and Kinpuntaung forest reserves through the hybridization system. In addition,



Signboard of Taungdwingyi Township Forest Department urging the people to take part in Bago mountain greening project.

a total of 2000 acres and 450 more acres were set up at Kinpuntaung forest reserve.

The establishment of model forest village was carried out at Wun-

awgyi Village. Moreover, 18 acres of village fuel wood forests were planted at Thebyu Village and 100 acres in Thabyebin Village.

It is important to grow the value-added natural forests in the forestry task. Teak plantations were set up at Yanpei and Kinpuntaung forest reserves in Taungdwingyi Township. So far, a total of 6450 acres of teak plantation has been established there.

As the mass activities, over 1,060,000 saplings, namely neem, Mezali (*Cassia siamea*), Eucalyptus saplings were planted in Taungdwingyi Township.

After that, the plantations were designated as the good natural teak

plantations and the seeds production area was designated. With the aim of protecting trees and forests, a total of 3930 fuel wood substitute paddy husk stoves were distributed to the villages. Moreover, briquettes were also distributed to the local people.

Together with Forester U Moe Aung, we left for Myothit Township of Magway District and observed the natural forest region. We visited 11,195 acres of natural forest area and saw the thriving various plants.

On arrival at Saton forest reserve, we witnessed the conservation of natural forests. We viewed ironwood, Htaukkyant (*Terminalia tomentosa*), cutch, Eastern gooseberry, Thitya (*Shorea obtusa*), sal

and other kinds of trees. Myothit Township has tropical forests. Most of the tree species thriving in the township are Eastern gooseberry and cutch plants. The greening tasks of Bago mountain range in Magway District are being undertaken in Taungdwingyi, Myothit and Natmauk townships.

Actually, the loss of forests and trees harms the natural environment and has effect on the climate change. The tree plantations on Bago mountain range in Magway District contribute to conservation of the natural forests and natural environment.

Translation: TTA
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Saton forest reserve being conserved in Myothit Township of Magway District.

Torrential rain causes floods in Thandwe and An Townships

YANGON, 31 July—As the heavy rain which started from 29 July has caused floods in some wards of Thandwe and An Townships, households in the wards were evacuated to the safe places.

Due to torrential rain in Thandwe, the water level has exceeded about two feet above its normal level at Ward Nos (1) and (4). So some households were relocated to safe places.

Similarly, the water level has risen about four or five feet at Ward Nos (3), (4), (5) and Auk-ywa village due to torrential rain in An Township. Over 300 households in the flood-hit wards and village were evacuated to safe places. As some sections of An-Sittway and An-Tutaung motorways were submerged, the vehicles faced delays of some hours on the motorways. The flood waters gradually subsided starting from this morning. Water sentries are being placed and necessary assistance is being given to flood victims by local authorities.

MNA

TV Guide in circulation

YANGON, 31 July—No 4, Volume-1 of TV Guide came out today.

One-week detail programmes of MRTV-4 Free Channel are covered in the guide. The guide also covers one-week programmes of ESPN, MTV, Discovery and Star Movies of MRTV-4 International Channel. The schedules for programmes of 5 movies and 5 series, Cartoon Network and 5 Cartoon for children and Mandalay FM are available in the guide.

Novel Light Express, (Tel: 391186, 243893) has published the guide every Friday.

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Venezuela accuses US of blocking refinery buying

CARACAS, 31 July—Venezuela on Thursday accused the United States of blocking the country's negotiations with the Dominican Republic on buying a refinery company from the country.

Angel Rodriguez, president of the commission for energy and mines of the Venezuelan National Assembly, said that the state-owned Petroleum of Venezuela (PDVSA) was interested in buying the Refidomsa Company from the Dominican Republic.

According to Rodriguez, Dominican right-wing legislators have asked the US Department of State to take measures against Venezuela for its plan to buy 49 percent of Refidomsa's shares.

Rodriguez said the Venezuelan government's intention to buy part of Refidomsa's share aims to strengthen the energy infrastructure of the country.

The PDVSA has a daily refinery capacity of 34,000 barrels. —Internet



Members of armed police take part in an anti-terrorism drill in Nanchang, east China's Jiangxi Province, on 31 July, 2009. More than 2,000 members of armed police attended the drill to practise their anti-terrorism skills.—INTERNET

Legendary England football boss Robson dies

LONDON, 31 July—Former England and Newcastle manager Sir Bobby Robson died on Friday at the age of 76 after a long battle with cancer.



Former England and Newcastle manager Sir Bobby Robson

Robson, whose first brush with the disease that would ultimately claim him was in 1992, led England to the World Cup semi-finals in 1990 before leaving to manage a host of top European clubs including PSV Eindhoven, Sporting Lisbon, Porto, Barcelona and finally his boyhood team Newcastle.

A statement issued on behalf of his family said: "It is with great sadness that it has been announced today that Sir Bobby Robson has lost his long and courageous battle with cancer. "He died very peacefully this morning (Friday) at his home in County Durham with his wife and family beside him.

"Sir Bobby's funeral will be private and for family members only. "A thanksgiving service in celebration of Sir Bobby's life will be held at a later date for his many friends and colleagues.—Internet

Turkish commandos capture 7 pirates off Somalia

ANKARA, TURKEY, 31 July— Turkey's military says navy commandos aboard a frigate have captured seven pirates in the Gulf of Aden off Somalia's coast.

The military says the commandos aboard the frigate, part of a NATO force patrolling the seas, raided the skiff Friday upon a request to block it before it could attack a ship. The military did not provide details on what ship the pirates allegedly planned to attack.

It says a navy helicopter aboard the frigate also took part in the operation.

Turkish navy commandos had captured five other pirates in a similar operation in the Gulf of Aden a week ago.

Internet

Mexico shuts Cancun beach, alleges sand was stolen

MEXICO CITY, 31 July—Surprised tourists found their little piece of Cancun beach paradise ringed by crime-scene tape and gun-toting sailors on Thursday.

Environmental enforcement officers backed by Mexican navy personnel closed off hundreds of feet (dozens of meters) of powder-white coastline in front of a hotel accused of illegally accumulating sand on its beach. Mexico spent \$19 million to replace Cancun beaches washed away by Hurricane Wilma in 2005. But much of the sand pumped from the sea floor has since washed away, leading some property owners to build breakwaters in a bid to retain sand. The practice often merely shifts sand



A tourist watches as Mexican federal environmental authorities and navy sailors close a section of beach built by allegedly pumping sand from the ocean bottom to combat erosion at a hotel in Cancun, Mexico, on 30 July, 2009.—INTERNET

loss to beaches below the breakwaters.

"Today we made the decision to close this stretch of ill-gotten, illegally accumulated sand," said Patricio Patron, Mexico's attorney general for environmental protection. "This hotel was telling its tourists: 'Come here, I have sand ... the other hotels don't, because I stole it.'"

Patron said five people were detained in a raid for allegedly using pumps to move sand from the sea floor onto the beach in front of the Gran Caribe Real Hotel. The hotel is also suspected of illegally building a breakwater that impeded the natural flow of sand onto other hotels' beaches, he said.—Internet

UK suffers highest Afghan casualties since 2001

LONDON, 31 July—British forces in Afghanistan suffered their highest casualty rate this month since the conflict began in 2001, the Ministry of Defence said on Thursday.

A total of 57 soldiers were injured in the first two weeks of July, including nine who were very seriously wounded and seven who were seriously injured. That compares with 46 casualties during June and 24 in May. July has also been the bloodiest month for British forces in Afghanistan, with 22 soldiers killed.

The MoD figures showed that so far this

year 61 soldiers have been very seriously or seriously injured in fighting, compared with 65 during the whole of 2008. British troops have just completed a five-week offensive against the Taleban in southern Afghanistan.

So far, 191 British Army soldiers have been killed since the invasion in 2001. MoD casualty records, which go back to 2006, show 2,650 have been treated in field hospitals of which 753 have been wounded in action. Of these, 230 were very seriously or seriously wounded.

MNA/Reuters

Visitors walk up stairs at the Games Convention Online 2009 fair in the eastern German city of Leipzig on 31 July, 2009. The Games convention, one of Europe's leading fair for computer games, runs from 31 July to 2 August.

INTERNET



Eight Dutch killed in bus accident in Spain

AMSTERDAM, 31 July—Eight Dutch tourists were killed in a bus accident late on Thursday near Barcelona and 42 people were injured, Dutch tour operator Sundio Group said.

The bus, carrying 65 passengers, shot off the road when exiting a highway and tipped over, Sundio said in a statement. Some of the survivors were badly injured, and a spokesman for Dutch emergency assistance group SOS International group did not rule out the possibility the death toll might rise.

MNA/Reuters

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV XIANG XIU VOYNO (9040)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG XIU VOYNO (9040) are hereby notified that the vessels will be arriving on 1.8.2009 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 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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*A vendor sells fruit in a public market
in Havana, on 30 July, 2009. —INTERNET*



Japan's consumer prices fall 1.7% in June

TOKYO, 31 July—Japan's key consumer price index (CPI) fell for the 4th straight month in June, down by a record 1.7 percent year-on-year since official record began in 1971, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications said in a preliminary report Friday.

The nationwide core CPI, which excludes volatile fresh food prices, stood at 100.3, compared with 100 for the base

year of 2005.

Prices of heating oil plunged 40.7 percent and gasoline price fell 29.5 percent. And those of consumer appliances such as televisions and personal computers also continued to fall sharply.

The core CPI for Tokyo's 23 wards, which is deemed as the leading indicator of prices across Japan, dropped 1.7 percent to 99.7 in July.

Internet



An Airbus-380, with a capacity of 853 passengers, displays signage from the airlines that fly the aircraft while sitting on the tarmac at Wittman Field site of the Experimental Aircraft Association Convention in Oshkosh, Wisconsin on 28 July, 2009.— INTERNET

Government of the Union of Myanmar

Ministry of Health

Department of Medical Science

Inviting Application for Refresher Courses

1. Refresher courses leading to obtaining SAMA for medical graduates and THAKHA for dental graduates will be opened at Universities of Medicine and Universities of Dental Medicine in August, 2009. Personnel with the following qualifications are eligible for submitting application for the course.

2. Those who had completed house surgeon training by December 2007 and do not have had SAMA and THAKHA.

Note: Those in government service at present need not apply.

3. Closing date -7.8.2009

4. Place for application - University one had graduated

5. Enquiries can be directed to Department of Medical Science (Nay Pyi Taw) and respective universities.

Department of Medical Science

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Woman, who may die one year ago, found in Austrian apartment

VIENNA, 31 July—A 66-year-old woman was found dead in her apartment here, and the body might have been lying there for one year, according to a report released by the Austrian Newspaper "Kurier" on Thursday.

The body was discovered on Wednesday afternoon. The police ruled out the possibility of a crime, but they were unable to make out whether it was an accident or suicide.

Internet

Airbus to fund extended Air France crash search

PARIS, 31 July—Airbus would fund an extended search for flight recorders of an Air France A330 airliner that crashed into the Atlantic on 1 Jun, Airbus chief executive Thomas Enders said Thursday.

"We want to know what happened, as improving air safety is our top priority," Enders was

quoted by the financial newspaper *La Tribune* as saying.

"We are supporting an extended search by making a big contribution," he said. According to *La Tribune*, Airbus would spend between 12 and 20 million euros (about 16 and 28 million US dollars) to support an extended investigation of "at least

three months."

Air France Airbus A330 Flight 447 crashed into the Atlantic on 1 Jun en route from Rio de Janeiro to Paris, killing all 228 people on board.

Investigators have so far failed to find the flight recorders, and the second phase of the search is due to end on 22 Aug.

Internet

Obama says US economy likely to contract in second quarter

WASHINGTON, 31 July — US President Barack Obama said on Thursday that he expects US economy will continue to shrink during the second quarter.

"I suspect that GDP numbers will still show that the economy contracted in the second quarter, that job loss is still a huge problem," Obama told reporters after meeting with Philippines President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo. The Commerce Department will report the GDP data of the second quarter on Friday.

According to the department, the US economy fell at an annual rate of 5.5

percent in the first quarter, the third straight quarterly decline, followed decreases of 6.3 percent in the final quarter of 2008 and 0.5 percent in the third quarter of last year.

"We have seen a significant slowing down of the contraction over the last several months," Obama said, noting that there are no longer fears of another Great Depression.

"All of that is a sign that we have stepped away from the precipice," he said. "We were in a position where we could have gone into a great depression. I think those fears have abated."—Internet

Gaza children seek Guinness record in kite flying

GAZA, 31 July—Palestinian children in the besieged Gaza Strip on Thursday tried to break the world record by flying self-made kites simultaneously. Zuhir Haneya, an official who oversaw the event, said up to 6,000 children participated and that more than half of them succeeded in flying their kites.

"Seventeen kids from

every 20 children succeeded in flying their kites at the same time," he said.

The current record of kite flown simultaneously is 713, registered last year in Germany.

"This means we have broken the record," Haneya said. The children, who participate in annual summer camps sponsored by the UN Relief Works

Agency (UNRWA), hope to break up the Israeli blockade on their territory.

John Ging, director of UNRWA operations, said "We have to break the harsh siege by making the world record in flying the kites." He added that the UNRWA will stage more activities among Gaza children against the blockade. —Internet



Researchers use nanoparticle-delivered genes to slow ovarian tumor growth

CHICAGO, 31 July — Tiny particles carrying a killer gene can effectively suppress ovarian tumor growth in mice, said US researchers.

The findings, reported Thursday in the journal Cancer Research, could lead to a new treatment for ovarian cancer, according to researchers from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

They deliver a gene that encodes the

diphtheria toxin, which kills cells by disrupting their ability to manufacture proteins.

The “killer gene” is engineered to be over-expressed in ovarian cells but is inactive in other cell types. So it can selectively target the variant tumors and slow its growth in mice.

Human clinical trials could start, after some additional preclinical studies, in about a year or two, says Daniel

Anderson, a senior author of the study paper.

Currently ovarian cancer patients undergo surgery followed by chemotherapy. In many cases, the cancer returns after treatment, and there are no good therapies for recurring and advanced-stage tumors.

Internet



In this photo released by the Xinhua news agency, Dai Qifa rides his wooden bicycle with his wife on the rear seat in Ruian in east China's Zhejiang Province on 30 July, 2009. Dai, who runs a metal works, spent two years to make the wooden two-wheeler by himself, according to Xinhua.

INTERNET

4,020 people fall sick in north China tap water pollution

HOHHOT, 31 July — Last Saturday's tap water pollution in north China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region has sickened 4,020 people, of whom 88 are still in hospital, according to the health department Friday.

In the 24 hours from 5 pm Wednesday to 5 pm Thursday, 301 new cases were reported, a health department spokesman in Chifeng City said Friday.

Water supply to Chifeng's new city center, a 17-square km area with 58,000 people, was contaminated by an overflow of rainwater last Thursday and test results showed an excessively high count of bacteria, including coliforms and salmonella.

Tap water has not been cut off, but the city government has warned residents not to drink from the tap and has since Tuesday sent water wagons to carry clean water to all communities in the area at least three times a day, the health department spokesman said.

But the number of patients continued to climb daily, he said. “Most of them complained of fever, diarrhea, stomach aches and vomiting.”

While some patients fell ill after drinking directly from the tap, many others were sickened after eating fruits or uncooked vegetables that had been rinsed with the contaminated tap water, he said.

Workers are cleaning the water supply well in the new city center, while pipelines are also being laid to divert water from Chifeng's old city center about 10 km away, an official with the city government said.

Internet



This 2006 photograph depicts a female Aedes aegypti mosquito while she was in the process of acquiring a blood meal from her human host.

INTERNET

Anthropologists visit Yi minority habitat in Yunnan

BEIJING, 31 July — More than one hundred scholars and experts on anthropology and ethnology visited Danuohei village, southeast to Kunming city in Yunnan Province Tuesday.

Soundbite: Nie Danyangzhi, Xinhua correspondent “As the IUAES world congress goes on in Kunming, southwest China, scholars and experts are visiting Danuohei village, which is about one hundred kilometers away from the city. It is one of a few Yi minority habitats with over 600 years history.”

Soundbite: An Israeli anthropologist “Yes, I enjoyed very much the local wine, the food, the traditional food and I enjoy

meeting and knowing more about the people, the different ethnic groups and getting to know more about China, China's history, China's culture. I think it is wonderful. I'm very happy to be here.” The scholars and experts say the trip provide an excellent opportunity for them to know local culture and ethnic groups after going door to door.

Soundbite: Frank J Hoffman, associate professor of West Chester University “In fact my beginning students sometimes think all Chinese are of the same race. They think everyone is a Han and then they study more they quickly there is so much diversity as we are seeing here today.”

Internet

Mosquito bites carry key vaccine for malaria

BEIJING, 31 July — In a daring experiment in Europe, scientists used mosquitoes as flying needles to deliver a “vaccine” of live malaria parasites via their bites. The results were astounding: Everyone in the vaccine group acquired immunity to malaria; everyone in a non-vaccinated group did not, and developed malaria when exposed to the parasites later.

The study was only a small proof-of-principle test, and its approach is not practical on a large scale. However, it shows that scientists may finally be on the right track to developing an effective vaccine against one of mankind's top killers. A vaccine that uses modified live parasites just entered human testing.

“Malaria vaccines are moving from the laboratory into the real world,” Dr Carlos Campbell wrote in an editorial accompanying the study in yesterday's New England Journal of Medicine.

He works for PATH, the Program for Appropriate Technology in Health, a Seattle-based global health foundation.

Malaria kills nearly a million people each year, mostly children under five and especially in Africa. Infected mosquitoes inject immature malaria parasites into the skin when they bite; these travel to the liver where they mature and multiply. — Internet

New H3N2 flu variant detected in HK

BEIJING, 31 July — Hong Kong's health authorities announced Wednesday that a new variant of the H3N2 seasonal influenza virus has been found in the city. The Brisbane strain has been the prevalent circulator of H3N2 in the past year, and the new variant is its direct descendent, said Thomas Tsang, controller of Hong Kong's Center for Health Protection (CHP). “However, it has some genetic changes distinguishing it from the old Brisbane strain,” he said. He said it is normal for viruses to go through changes, adding that overseas health authorities, including those in Canada, Britain and Australia, had also found the new variant. — Internet

A/H1N1 deaths add to 10 in Massachusetts

HOUSTON, 31 July — The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) on Thursday reported three more deaths of the A/H1N1 flu virus, bringing the total to ten in the state.

“These deaths are a tragic reminder of how serious flu can be for some people,” the department said in a news release late Thursday.

The department describes the latest victims as a 20-year-old from Norfolk County, a 21-year-old from Hampden County and a 53-year-old from Essex County. All three victims had underlying health conditions, which increased their risk of complications from the A/H1N1 virus, the department said.

Internet

A/H1N1 flu death toll rises to 80 in California

HOUSTON, 31 July — The A/H1N1 flu death toll in the most populous US State of California has reached 80 with hospitalizations of 699, according to the latest statistics released by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) late Thursday.

The department said that 28 more deaths have been reported in the past two weeks, a formidable jump from the previous record of 52 released two weeks ago by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Since the outbreak of the A/H1N1 flu, California has been among the top states leading the nation with most deaths and confirmed cases of the new flu virus. But the department said on Thursday that, beginning from July 16, it has changed the reporting requirements for the A/H1N1 influenza by local health jurisdictions.

Internet

SPORTS

Toure relishing new challenge at Man City

MANCHESTER, 31 July — Ivory Coast defender Kolo Toure admits he made up his mind to join Manchester City six months ago because he wanted a new challenge after seven years at Arsenal.

Toure completed a 15 million pounds switch to big-spending City on Wednesday after growing stale at the Emirates Stadium.

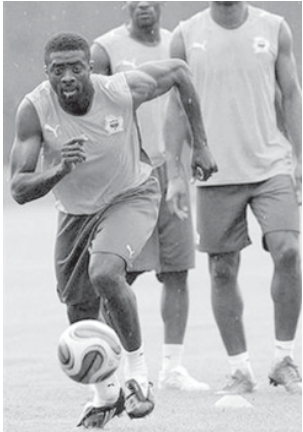
But the 28-year-old centre-back, who signed a four-year contract with his new club and follows former Gunners' teammate Emmanuel Adebayor to Eastlands, claims the move had been in the pipeline for some while.

"I think before Adebayor we knew.

There was some talk about coming here.

It's from six months ago," Toure said at his official unveiling on Thursday.

I was the last one in the 'Invincibles' team (the



Kolo Toure.
INTERNET

Arsenal side that went a whole season unbeaten in the league in 2003-04) and I was expecting to leave Arsenal.

"I think Arsenal are a really good team, but it was the right time for me to move.

Internet

Bayern, former coach Klinsmann settle contract

BERLIN, 31 July — Bayern Munich on Thursday reached a settlement with former coach Juergen Klinsmann to end his contract after he was sacked three months ago.

Klinsmann signed a two-year deal with Bayern in 2008 but was fired five matches before the end of his first season.

"Bayern and Klinsmann have mutually agreed today to immediately end the contract running to June 30, 2010," said the club on their website.

Both sides had agreed to keep details private, Bayern said.

A string of disappointing results that left Bayern with no silverware last season led to the former Germany coach's departure.

Internet

Heinze set to join Marseille

PARIS, 31 July — Marseille will have Real Madrid's Argentine defender Gabriel Heinze, the French

side said on Thursday.

The 31-year-old will sign a three-year deal with Marseille once his medical examination and contract details have been completed, a statement on the club's website said.

He could partner Souleymane Diawara recently signed from Bordeaux in the central defence.

Internet



Argentine defender Gabriel Heinze, to the French side, the club said on Thursday.—INTERNET

Bayern see off United in shootout

BERLIN, 31 July — Manchester United missed a handful of decent opportunities before losing out to Bayern Munich 7-6 in a penalty shootout in the final of the Audi Cup on Thursday. Bayern, playing in front of a 70,000 crowd at their Allianz Arena home, delivered the first piece of silverware for new coach Louis Van Gaal a week ahead of the start of the new Bundesliga season.

But Sir Alex Ferguson's English champions were left to rue a succession of decent opportunities with Dimitar Berbatov hitting the woodwork while Michael Owen and Wayne Rooney also came close. Bayern had the first opening with Mario Gomez seeing a 12-metre drive crash of the crossbar with keeper Edwin van der Sar well-beaten

Internet



Bayern Munich's Dutch midfielder Mark van Bommel celebrates with the trophy after the final match of the "Audi Cup" FC Bayern Munich vs Manchester United in the southern German city of Munich.
INTERNET

Nedved awarded best Czech footballer trophy

PRAGUE, 31 July — Former Juventus winger Pavel Nedved won the Golden Ball trophy for the best Czech footballer in 2008-2009 awarded by Czech journalists, the organizers said on Thursday.



Juventus' Pavel Nedved.

Ball winner from 2003, has won the Czech trophy six times. —Internet

The 36-year-old beat Chelsea keeper Petr Cech and Galatasaray striker Milan Baros to win the trophy.

Cech took the trophy four times in a row before last season. Nedved, the France Football Golden

Beckham hopes injury won't keep him out Saturday

CARSON, 31 July — David Beckham hopes that a minor back injury will not prevent him from playing in the Los Angeles Galaxy's exhibition against FC Barcelona on Saturday night at the Rose Bowl.

Beckham missed practice Thursday to receive therapy for a back injury that he said he sustained three days ago. "It's not a problem," Beckham said of his back pain. "I've had something like this in the past. It comes up every now and then.

I just did my work in the gym and got some treatment so I should be back training (Friday)."

Does that mean that he will play against FC Barcelona, which became the first Spanish team to win the European Champions'



England star midfielder David Beckham, missed practice for therapy on a back injury, raising doubts the Los Angeles Galaxy star will be able to play against FC Barcelona.
INTERNET

League, the Spanish first division and Spain's Copa del Rey in the same season this year?" I hope so unless I have a bad reaction from the last couple of days," Beckham said.

Internet

Ronaldo's secret liposuction is unveiled

RIO DE JANEIRO, 31 July — One day after the surgery on his left hand to correct two broken bones, Ronaldo's secret liposuction was unveiled on Thursday by multiple sources. The entire medical staff, administration and players alike from the Corinthians soccer club were oriented to avoid the subject, as the world renowned player had hoped that the secret surgery would go unnoticed.

Taking advantage of the down time due to his shattered ring finger and middle finger in his left hand, the player decided to take a two-in-one operation. However, his secret was discovered by the local media. Corinthians goalkeeper Felipe was the only player to offer an interview regarding the topic. The goalie did not confirm nor deny the liposuction.

"If Ronaldo did have liposuction, he is going to fly. It will only be good for the team. People have constantly been grinding him, but he continues to score goals. "If he really went through a liposuction, he will be thinner and cause more of a headache for other teams," declared Felipe.

Ronaldo is the current leading scorer for Corinthians with seventeen goals in 27 games. Due to his hand surgery and the apparent liposuction, the athlete will plan his return to the field in September. Before then, he will be at home recuperating from both surgeries for the next ten days. —Internet

Woods' putting puts him in trouble at Buick Open

GRAND BLANC TOWNSHIP, 31 July — Tiger Woods played a lot like the guy who didn't make the cut at the British Open. Woods shot a 1-under 71 on Thursday at the Buick Open, his first tournament since disappointing at Turnberry.

He finished the first round tied for 128th on putts inside 10 feet and eight shots back of leader Steve Lowery. "Probably one of the worst putting days I've ever had," he said. "It was just terrible." Two weeks ago in the British Open, Woods was 7 over during a six-hole stretch and ended up missing a cut for the first time in three years. If Woods fails to break 70 in the second round Friday morn-

ing, he will put himself in danger of missing cuts in consecutive tournaments for the first time as a pro. It's too early, though, to count him out for the weekend at Warwick Hills even though the cut is usually 3 or 4 under. —Internet



Tiger Woods hits out of the sand on the 4th hole during the first round of the golf Buick Open at Warwick Hills in Grand Blanc, Mich, on 30 July, 2009.—INTERNET

Bayern reject Real Madrid's Ribery bid

PARIS, 31 July — Bayern Munich rejected a bid of euro 80 million (112 million US dollars) from Real Madrid for French winger Franck Ribery, Sports daily L'Equipe reported on Thursday.

The daily said the Spanish team made the offer three weeks ago, but Bayern's chairman Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Bayern manager Uli Hoeness both rejected it.

The 26-year-old Ribery already said he wanted to join Madrid, which has recruited heavily since Florentino Perez took over as president again.

Internet



Ronaldo sale forces Fergie to change tactics

MANCHESTER, 31 July—Sir Alex Ferguson admits Cristiano Ronaldo's departure to Real Madrid has forced him to change the way Manchester United will play this season.

Ferguson often set up his team with three central midfielders last season to allow Ronaldo a free role.

That allowed Ferguson to get the best out of Ronaldo, while keeping a solid defensive base, and the Portugal winger responded with over 60 goals in the last two seasons.

But after Ronaldo's world record 80 million pounds sale, Ferguson wants more goals from all his players and he has been experimenting with different combinations in midfield and attack.

In an interview in Inside United, posted on manutd.com, Ferguson said: "Obviously Cristiano is a big loss in terms of the goals he gave us."



Cristiano Ronaldo

"But we will just have to find the goals from somewhere else and our tactics will adjust accordingly. Fans will see us playing a slightly different style of football this season."

Ferguson has already used Wayne Rooney more as a central striker, rather than playing him out wide as he did last season.

"Usually you look to score about 100 goals in all competitions, so we are aiming for that again," Ferguson said. "If we are going to win the league again or do well in Europe we certainly need players to step up."

Internet

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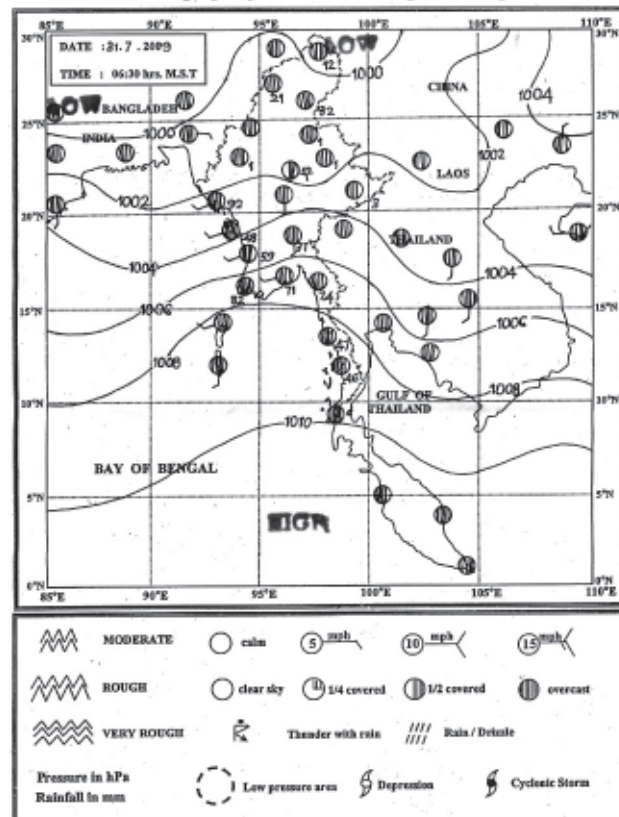
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- * Twinkle Twinkle Little Stars! (Vincent Min Lwin)
- * Myanmar Movies Impact
- * Beauty of Gall Wood displayed
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Myanmar Mat
- * Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights

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Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Friday, 31st July, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Magway Division, rain have been isolated in Chin and Kayah States, scattered in upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, fairly widespread in Shan State, Bago, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavyfalls in Rakhine, Mon States Ayeyawady Division, isolated heavyfalls in Kayin State, Bago and Yangon Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Lewe) (0.39) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (0.28) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon) and Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana) (0.08) inch each, Ann (8.00) inches, Maungdaw (5.67) inches, Shwegyin (5.00) inches, Hpa-an (4.61) inches, Yangon (Central) (4.45) inches, Pyapon (3.89) inches, Mawlamyine (3.78) inches, Kyaukse (0.79) inch and Mandalay (0.47) inch.

Maximum temperature on 30-7-2009 was 87°F. Minimum temperature on 31-7-2009 was 66°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 31-7-2009 was 92%. Total sun shine hours on 30-7-2009 was Nil.

Rainfall on 31-7-2009 was (1.85) inches at Mingaladon, (2.80) inches at Kaba-Aye and (4.45) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (70.51) inches at Mingaladon, (78.07) inches at Kaba-Aye and (80.83) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from South at (08:30) hours MST on 31-7-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 1st August 2009: Rain will be isolated in Kayah State and Magway Division, scattered in Mandalay and lower Sagaing Divisions, fairly widespread in Chin, Shan States, upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine, Mon and Kayin States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35-40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 1-8-2009: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 1-8-2009: Some rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 1-8-2009: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Weather outlook for first weekend of August 2009: During the coming weekend, rain will be isolated in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay Division, one or two rain in Yangon Division.



Saturday, 1 August
View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:15 am

2. အပိုဇယမင်္ဂလံ (ယဉ်ဝေယံတွန်း၊ တေးရေး-ဝိတစာဆိုမျိုးနွယ်ဆွေ)

7:25 am

3. To be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်

7:55 am

6. Nice & Sweet Song

8:05 am

7. ဝမ်ပုံရေလှောင်တံ

8:10 am

8. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

9. စက်မှုကုန်ကြမ်းသီးနှံရာဘာ (အပိုင်း-၁)

8:25 am

10. Musical Programme

8:40 am

11. International News

8:45 am

12. Local Talent

11:00 am

1. Martial Song

11:10 am

2. Musical Programme

11:25 am

3. ချစ်စရာအရွယ်ကစားကြမယ်

11:50 am

4. Round up of the Week's TV Local News

12:15 pm

5. Yan Can Cook

12:40 pm

6. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဟာသကမ္ဘာ" (အပိုင်း-၁၅)

1:35 pm

7. Musical Programme

1:50 pm

8. လောကနီတိ "အမေသား"

- (မင်းမော်ကွန်း၊ ပြေတီဦး၊ စိုးမြတ်နန္ဒာ၊ စန်းစန်းဝင်း) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဦးခင်ဇော်)

2:30 pm

9. Dance of National Races

2:40 pm

10. "တက္ကစီမံတာသင်လိုရာ" (ဇေယျ၊ ရီတ၊ ပန်းအိဦး) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဇာဏီထက်လင်း)

2:50 pm

11. International News

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

4:20 pm

3. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:30 pm

4. နိုင်ငံစီးပွားအလေးထား ကျေးလက်ထုတ်ကုန်များ

4:40 pm

5. Musical Programme

4:55 pm

6. အထေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ ဒုတိယနှစ် (စီးပွားရေးပညာ၊ စီးပွားစီမံ၊ ပြည်သူ့ရေးရာ၊ အိမ်တွင်းစီးပွားအထူးပြုများ) (စီးပွားရေးပညာ)

5:10 pm

7. Songs to uphold National Spirit

5:15 pm

8. မူဟန်သွယ်သွယ်ဆိုကြမယ်

5:35 pm

9. "စီးဆင်းပါစေမေတ္တာရည်"

5:45 pm

10. Musical Programme

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:30 pm

12. Weather Report

6:35 pm

13. အလှူရှာမယ်လှူကမ္ဘာဝယ်

6:55 pm

14. Musical Programme

7:00 pm

15. ပဉ္စလက်ကျောင်းတော်

7:10 pm

16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ပေါ်ပြူလာအချစ်" (အပိုင်း-၁၅)

8:00 pm

17. News

18. International News

19. Weather Report

20. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် "ဒိုင်နိုဆောမိသားစုနဲ့စားခန်း" (အပိုင်း-၂၉)

21. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အဖြူရောင်အောက်က အကြင်နာနုလုံးသား" (အပိုင်း-၈)

22. ဝိတတ်ခါးလေးဖွင့်ပါဦး



- ★ 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

Educative talks on traffic rules given in Mawlamyine Township

YANGON, 31 July—Educative talks on traffic rules organized by Mon State Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee was held at No (5) Basic Education High School in Mawlamyine Township on 25 July.

Police officers gave talks on traffic rules and handed over video tapes and pamphlets on traffic rules to teachers and students.

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Thriving forest plantations on Bago mountain range in Magway District

Article & Photos: Khin Maung Than (Sethmu)



Along Bago mountain range in the central region of Myanmar, tasks are being carried out for establishment of teak and other tree plantations, development of natural forests, setting up of tree plantations in watershed areas and conservation of natural plants.

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Teak plants thriving on 300 acres of land at Wun-awgyi forest camp of Taungdwingyi Township in Magway District.

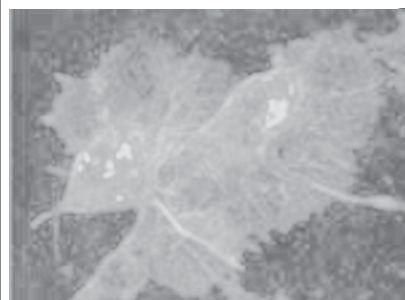
Caught on Video: Immune Cell Destroys Bacteria

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, 31 July—In a starring role for *E. coli*, researchers have developed a new technique to make movies of bacteria as they infect their victims and are consumed by the host's immune cells.

The movies mark

the first time that scientists have been able to look at bacteria infecting living organisms in real time, according to the researchers. Most studies of bacterial infections are performed after the host has died.

The scientists, from the University of Bath and the University of Exeter in the UK, tested out their movie-making method on developing fruit fly embryos. —Internet



Confocal microscope image showing insect immune cells (green) containing fluorescently labeled *E. coli* (red).

Flood Warning

NAY PYI TAW, 31 July — According to the (12:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Thanlwin River at Hpa-an has reached (719) cm. It may reach its danger level (750) cm of the town during the next (24) hours commencing noon today.

According to the (12:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Shwegyin River at Shwegyin has reached (755) cm and it has exceeded by (55) cm (about- 2 feet) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (700) cm of the town during the next (48) hours commencing noon today.

According to the (12:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River at Madauk has reached (1085) cm and it has exceeded by (15) cm (about 0.5 foot) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (1070) cm of the town during the next (48) hours commencing noon today. —MNA