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Senior General Than Shwe sends felicitations to Brazilian President

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Sept—Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, on the anniversary of the Independence of the Federative Republic of Brazil which falls on 7 September 2009.—MNA

Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence inspects monsoon paddy plantations, Mahuya Dam, teak plantation

YANGON, 6 Sept—Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, arrived at the monsoon paddy model field at the entrance to Thayagon village-

tract in Hlegu Township, Yangon North District, yesterday morning and inspected plantations of various paddy strains and high quality strains and scattering of fertilizers. Next, they looked into roadworks being done on Hlegu-Phaunggyi road.

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Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspects road works along No. 2 inter-district road

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept—Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, on 3 September, visited the briefing hall at Kintha junction on No. 2 inter-district road at the gateway to Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon Township. There, the officials reported on the completed road works to him.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected the site chosen for earth works at Mile Post No. 120/0 and called on officials to plant shady trees. He then viewed the monsoon plantations and pigeon pea plantations on both sides of the road and looked into the road works

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Myitkyina Nursing and Midwifery School turning out nurses

Byline: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

The State is promoting health care services for the whole country including border areas by adopting one social objective—uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation.

Particularly, plans and projects could have been implemented to provide health care for the people residing in border regions.

Lately, the news team of Myanma Alin daily paid a study visit to the nursing and midwifery school in Myitkyina while in Kachin State to write articles about its developments.

“In the past we had only an eight-month midwifery course in Myitkyina. In the time of the present government, a three-year nursing diploma course started on 1 July, 1993. Up to course No (13) in November 2008, the school had trained

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Myitkyina Nursing and Midwifery School.



Mettā dispels harm

One who spreads out his *mettā* (loving-kindness) towards all sentient beings, does not harm or causes others to harm another; or does not bully or causes others to bully another.

To such a person arises no enmity internal or external.

(*Anguttara Pāli*, Vol I, *Mettā Sutta*-443)

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

Monday, 7 September, 2009

Industrial development calls for harmonious cooperation

The government is working hard to boost production of industrial items for industrial development with the aim of industrializing the nation.

In that regard, 18 industrial zones have been set up in states and divisions so as to uplift the role of private-owned industries.

The government encourages establishment of factories of import-substitute products, improving the capacities of State-owned heavy industries. The greater scale the industrial zones boost production of quality items, the greater momentum the Myanmar's industrial sector will pick up.

Now, measures are ongoing to improve the position of the private-owned industries in order to meet the economic policies the government has laid down. The government has given entrepreneurs the green light to operate all forms of industries except heavy industries as private-owned or joint-venture ones.

In addition, the government is promoting the education standard of the nation to bring about a growing number of highly-educated people in the industrial sector for greater industrial development. In order to achieve such a prudent plan, it is opening more and more technological universities and government technical institutes across the country and nurturing younger generations. The State's industrial sector will make a better headway if the processes are implemented in a well-organized way.

So, the government, industrialists and researchers should work more closely by all means for industrial development in order that the nation will be able to transform itself into an industrialized one in the near future.

Headmistress Daw Tin Nwe presents prize to an outstanding student in matriculation examination for 2009 at the prize presentation ceremony of Thingangyun BEHS No. 2.—NLM



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

Defence Service C-in-C's Cup Taekwondo contest commences

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — The opening of Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services' Cup Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) Taekwondo Contest was held at the gymnasium in the station of Northern Command headquarters in Myitkyina on 1 September morning.

The opening speech was given by Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Soe Win.

The commander watched the first day matches of the contest.

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Foreign Affairs Minister felicitates Brazilian counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 7 Sept— U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Celso Luiz Nunes Amorim, Minister of Foreign Relations of the Federative Republic of Brazil, on the anniversary of the Independence of the Federative Republic of Brazil which falls on 7 September 2009.

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Industry-1 Minister inspects factories in Sagaing

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept—Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung inspected the production of provimin tablets at the Myanmar Pharmaceutical Factory (Sagaing) on 4 September.

At Sagaing Textile Factory, he inspected weaving of textiles, spare parts of machines and products. Next, the minister inspected the Instant Noodle Factory under No.1 wheat products factory (Sagaing) of the Myanma Foodstuff Industries, and the garment factory of the Myanma Textile Industries in Sagaing.—MNA



Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung inspects production process of Myanmar Pharmaceutical Factory (Sagaing).—INDUSTRY-1

Thingangyun BEHS-2 holds annual meeting, prize presentation

YANGON, 6 Sept — Basic Education High School No (2) of Thingangyun Township held an annual meeting of the parent-teacher

association and prize presentation ceremony at the school this morning.

Headmistress Daw Tin Nwe and member of the school board of trustees U Hla Han made speeches. Secretary of the parent-teacher association U Tin Soe submitted the annual report and auditor U Nyunt Thaung, the financial statement. Next, the new members of the association were selected including the headmistress. Then, cash awards were presented to the six-distinction winners other outstanding students and teachers. —MNA

Vocational training courses conclude

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept— Chairman of Chin State Peace and Development Council Brig-Gen Hong Ngai delivered an address at the concluding ceremony of Basic Tailoring Course No (40/2009), Advanced Tailoring Course No (23/

2009), Knitting Course No (15/2009) and Mosaic Art and Weaving Course No (14/2009) at Chin State Women's Vocational Training School in Haka on 14 August morning and awarded the outstanding trainees.—MNA

Talks on Quality Control Technique and our Experience on 8 Sept

YANGON, 6 Sept—Organized by Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, talks (2/September 2009) will take place on the first floor of the UMFCCI Office Tower on Minye Kyawswa Road in Lanmadaw Township at 2 pm on 8 September. Professor Dr Seiji Osawa, Director of Institute of Human Culture Studies of Otsuma Women's University, will give talks on "Quality Control Technique and our Experience". President, executives and members of the UMFCCI and brother association and those interested persons may attend the talks.—MNA



Russia, US begin working on new nuclear arms deal

Moscow, 6 Sept — Russia and the United States have started drafting a new nuclear arms reduction treaty, the Foreign Ministry said on Saturday.

“The sides have started working on specific articles of a future treaty, and agreed that work on them will be carried out by special working groups,” *RIA Novosti* and *Itar-Tass* quoted a foreign ministry official as saying.

The two countries concluded their fifth round of talks on an arms reduction treaty in Geneva on 2 Sept. Foreign Ministry spokesman Andrei Nesterenko said on Thursday that another round of talks will be held in Geneva on 21 Sept.

During their last meeting, the negotiators discussed the parameters of a new treaty, formulating wording that the presi-

dents of both countries can agree to, Nesterenko said. President Dmitry Medvedev and US President Barack Obama agreed in July in Moscow on the outlines of a deal to replace the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START 1).

START I, signed in 1991 and due to expire in December, places a limit of 6,000 strategic or long-range nuclear warheads on both countries and allows the inspection of weapons.—*Xinhua*

A birdview of the 14th China National Antique Fair is seen in this picture taken in Wuhan, central China's Hubei Province, on 4 Sept, 2009. Invited well-known Chinese experts came to appraise the value of antiques from the collectors across China.—XINHUA



People walk through the financial banking district in Singapore. A US-led crackdown by industrialised countries against cross-border tax cheats will promote greater transparency and benefit Singapore and other global financial centres, bankers and analysts said.—INTERNET

Fresh clashes in south Sudan kill 25

JUBA, 6 Sept — Twenty-five people have been killed and several more wounded in clashes in the tense oil-rich Upper Nile region of south Sudan, a military spokesman said on Saturday.

Heavily armed fighters attacked an ethnic Dinka settlement in Bony-Thiang, north of the state capital Malakal, early on Friday, Major General Kuol Diem Kuol, of the southern Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLA), said.

“They killed 20, including the paramount chief, his two wives and three children, and wounded many more,” Kuol said. “They have burnt down the village and destroyed all the huts, and they have stolen very many cattle.”—*Internet*



Three killed, 880 people rescued from Philippine ferry

MANILA, 6 Sept — At least three people drowned and more than 800 terrified passengers, many roused from their sleep, were rescued early on Sunday from a ferry that listed and then sank in the southern Philippines, officials said. More

than 80 people were missing.

Coast guard chief Admiral Wilfredo Tamayo said 880 of 964 passengers and crewmen on board the Superferry 9 were transferred to two nearby commercial ships and a navy gunboat hours after the ferry began to list off Zamboanga del Norte Province before dawn.

A search was under way for more than 80 people who remained miss-

ing, Tamayo said, adding that they may have drifted with their life jackets or have been rescued but were not yet listed as survivors.

“We really hope they're just unaccounted for due to the confusion,” Tamayo told *The Associated Press*.

Navy ships were deployed and air force helicopters scoured the seas, Defence Secretary Gilbert Teodoro said.—*Internet*

China starts developing Long March six carrier rockets for space mission

BEIJING, 6 Sept — China has started developing the Long March six carrier rockets for its space programmes, the China National Space Administration announced on its official website.

The Long March six rockets will be non-toxic and pollution-free while featuring a number of new technologies used for the first time in China, according to the administration.

The Long March 6 rockets are expected to be ready for blast off in 2013, it said.

The rockets will be designed by the China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation, developer of the Shenzhou VII spacecraft, from which Chinese astronauts carried out the country's first space walk in 2008.—*Xinhua*

Macedonia mourns boat accident victims

TIRANA, 6 Sept— Macedonia canceled all public events on Sunday to mourn 15 people who died when a tourist boat sank in a southern Macedonian lake, local media reported.

“I was deeply shaken by the tragic accident in the Ohrid Lake and the death of the Bulgarian citizens. In these difficult moments of national mourning, I would like to extend my deepest condolences to you and your people on behalf of the Macedonian government,” he said. There were 57 people, mostly Bulgarian tourists, on board. Fifteen passengers drowned, while 42, including two crew members, survived the accident.

Earlier reports had put the number of passengers on-board at 73. Police later corrected the number.

The boat, with a capacity of 42, was built in Germany in the 1930s. It was examined and given a license to operate last May.—*Internet*

Small plane crashes into Okla park, five dead

OKLAHOMA CITY, 6 Sept — A small aircraft plummeted into an Oklahoma park and burst into flames on Saturday after hitting a guide wire from a communications tower, killing all five people on board, investigators said.

The six-passenger plane was on its way to Dallas when it crashed amid heavy fog near a baseball field in Tulsa, said Oklahoma Highway Patrol Lt George Brown.

“The wings came off. The engine came off,” Brown said. “When it hit, it rolled. It did catch fire. It rolled at least a couple of times, ejecting the occupants.”

Brown said the victims, who all died at the scene, were pilot Dr Stephen Lester, 48; his wife Dana, 48; daughters Laura, 16, and Christina, 13; and Dr. Ken Veteto, 50. All were from Tulsa. No one on the ground was injured.—*Internet*



In this undated photo released by the Philippine Coast Guard, the Superferry 9 sails in Philippine waters. At least three people drowned and more than 800 terrified passengers were rescued early on 6 Sept, 2009 from the ferry that listed dangerously in the southern Philippines, officials said.—INTERNET



An LG promoter holds a coin next to a liquid crystal display (LCD) television panel which is used an edge-lit light emitting diode (LED) backlight system to achieve a thickness of just 5.9mm (0.2 inches). The world's top two makers of flat-panel televisions are stressing the energy-saving virtues of different display technologies in their race to dominate a huge global market.—INTERNET

Teen jobless rate reaches 25.5 percent

WASHINGTON, 6 Sept—The number of jobless US teens last month reached its highest level since recording began in 1948 with 25.5 percent unemployed, statistics indicate.

The figure points out that recessions disproportionately impact the young, analysts told Saturday's *New York Times*.

"There are an amazing number of kids out there looking for work," Andrew Sum, an economics professor at Northeastern University, told the newspaper. "And given that unemployment is a lagging indicator, and young people's unemployment even lags behind the rest of unemployment, we're going to see a lot of kids of out work for a long, long, long, long time."

Internet

POSCO to build plant in Turkey

SEOUL, 6 Sept—South Korean steelmaker POSCO on Friday confirmed plans to build a \$24 million processing plant in Turkey to serve the European market.

POSCO, also called the Pohang Iron and Steel Co, did not provide details beyond the amount of the investment, *The Korea Times* reported. The Turkish government, however, said the new plant will produce flat steel, primarily for the automotive industry. Groundbreaking for the facility will take place in October, a Turkish investment agency said.

Internet



A child holds a decorated basket during a party for the preschool children in Managua, capital of Nicaragua, on 4 Sept, 2009. Hundreds of preschool children from all over the country on Friday attended the annual party organized by the Nicaraguan Ministry of Education.—XINHUA

Nokia strikes back against 'smart' rivals

HELSINKI, 6 Sept—Faced with increased competition from up-and-coming rivals, Finnish telecom giant Nokia plans to launch a slew of new products this year but analysts say it faces a tough battle to hold on to its position as the world's number one mobile phone manufacturer.

To fight back against Apple's iPhone and RIM's Blackberry, Nokia announced plans to launch three new smartphones with touch screens, a portable notebook PC, and will tie up with Microsoft to use its popular Office software on its handsets.

Industry observers criticised the Finnish giant for its aging product lineup and for not bringing smartphones to market quickly enough to take on their up-and-coming rivals.

Analysts interviewed by *AFP* agreed that Nokia had not yet found a product to challenge the iPhone as most new Nokia devices use an outdated operating system to drive their phones.

"It is going to be 2011 before they have the right software to make a really competitive product," Richard Windsor, a London-based technology analyst for Nomura Securities, told *AFP*.

Its latest smartphone, the N97, has achieved modest sales so far compared to the iPhone.—Internet

Drought a 'hiccup' in India growth story

NEW DELHI, 6 Sept—India's economy may stumble due to a widespread drought but analysts say it is set to return to strong growth in the medium-term thanks to its huge population and infrastructure spending.

The poor rains are "a near-term hiccup in the evolving rise of the Indian economy," said Rajeev Malik, economist at Australia's Macquarie Securities.

Analysts are betting demand generated by India's population of nearly 1.2 billion people

and the need to modernise its dilapidated airports, roads, ports and other infrastructure will keep Asia's third-largest economy humming.

"Like China, India has ample long-term growth potential, especially with its large population and

vast underdeveloped areas," said Sherman Chan, economist at Moody's Economy.com.

India has an ambitious target of investing 500 billion dollars during a five-year period to 2012 to update transport links and other services.—Internet

Russian economy to grow in third quarter

LONDON, 6 Sept—The third quarter will mark the end of the recession as the Russian economy will grow, the country's finance minister says.

In London Friday to attend a ministerial meeting of the BRIC union countries — Brazil, Russia, India and China — on the sidelines of a Group of 20 pre-summit conference, Russian Finance Minister Alexei Kudrin told reporters that the third quarter would mark the beginning of a turnaround in Moscow's hard-hit economy, *RIA Novosti* said.

"We still do not have the final data for the second quarter, but we expect Russia's economy to grow in the third quarter compared to the second quarter, and the third quarter will mark the end of recession," Kudrin said.—Internet

Canada still faces rocky road to economic recovery

BEIJING, 6 Sept—The Canadian economy is showing signs of perking up after recording its first growth in 11 months in June.

But analysts believe that recovery from the recession in Canada will be slow and fragile with many obstacles looming in the way of economic health.

Statistics Canada on Monday reported an increase in Canada's gross

domestic product of 0.1 percent in June, the first gain in 11 months. The GDP shrank an annualized 3.4 percent in the second quarter, the least of three consecutive declines, with cumulative output down by a record rate since the fourth quarter of 2008. Both figures fell short of market expectations of a 0.2 percent gain in June and a 3-percent contraction in the second quarter.—Xinhua



A visitor checks out Nokia's first notebook, the "Booklet 3G" at the "Nokia World 2009" in Stuttgart. Faced with increased competition from up-and-coming rivals, Finnish telecom giant Nokia plans to launch a slew of new products this year but analysts say it faces a tough battle to hold on to its position as the world's number one mobile phone manufacturer.—INTERNET



Top Chinese legislator pledges to enhance cooperation with Bahamian Parliament

NASSAU, 6 Sept—Top Chinese legislator Wu Bangguo has pledged to increase exchanges and cooperation with the Bahamian Parliament.

Wu, chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) — China's top legislature, made the remarks during his talks here on Friday with Lynn Holowesko, president of the Bahamian Sen-

ate and Alvin Smith, speaker of the Bahamian House. Both the Chinese leader and the Bahamian parliament leaders exchanged views on bilateral relations, parliamentary cooperation and other issues of common concern.

The top Chinese legislator hailed the sound exchanges and cooperation between the legislative bodies of the two countries, saying the NPC is

ready to work with the Bahamian parliament to maintain the momentum of high-level visits and to increase exchanges among special committees, friendship groups and other institutions. Parliaments represent the will of the people, and the exchange and cooperation between parliaments will help boost mutual trust and cooperation in various fields, Wu said.—Xinhua



Wu Bangguo (2nd R), chairman of the Standing Committee of China's National People's Congress, holds talks with Lynn Holowesko (4th L), president of the Bahamian Senate, and Alvin Smith (3rd L), speaker of the Bahamian House, in Nassau, the Bahamas, on 4 Sept, 2009. —XINHUA

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Photo taken on 5 Sept, 2009 shows a giant parterre in the shape of a flying dragon, at the intersection of business downtown of Xidan, in Beijing. Beijing Municipality is setting up a total of 22 large-scale solid parterres with over 3.3 million flowers along the Chang'an Avenue, the east-west axis of Beijing, in a move to beef up the happy festival atmosphere for the upcoming National Day Celebration on the 60th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China.—XINHUA

US astronauts finish maintenance of space station

WASHINGTON, 5 Sept—Two US astronauts conducted a third and final space walk for shuttle Discovery's STS-128 mission on Saturday and finished outfitting and maintenance of International Space Station modules, NASA said.

According to NASA, Discovery's mission specialists Danny Olivas and Christer Fuglesang began the space walk at 4:39 pm EDT (2039 GMT), which lasted over seven hours.

The duo deployed a payload attachment system on the starboard truss and replaced a failed rate gyro assembly, which measures rates for any

changes in the station's attitude, with a new one.

With that complete, they split up for the next tasks. Olivas installed a Global Positioning System antenna while Fuglesang replaced a remote power control module and installed an insulation sleeve on a cable inside the truss. Fuglesang followed that up with the

installation of a second GPS antenna.

The two then reunited for the final task, routing 60-foot-long avionics systems cables along the station. The cables are being installed in preparation for the arrival of the Node 3 "Tranquility" in 2010.—Xinhua

The international military-musical festival opens on Red Square in Moscow, on 5 Sept, 2009. Performers from China, India, Italy and Russia, etc, took part in the festival in Moscow.—XINHUA



Right to education more important than right to vote: Indian Vice President

NEW DELHI, 6 Sept—Indian Vice President Hamid Ansari has called on India to regard compulsory education as the priority for the country, saying the right to education is more important than the right to vote, according to the Indo-Asian NewsService on Sunday.

Ansari made the statement on Saturday when conferring awards on 300 school teachers from across India on the occasion of Teachers' Day.

"It has taken us six decades to provide the right to every child in the six to 14 years age group to free and compulsory primary

education in neighborhood schools. The Right to Education Act passed by the parliament last month is a historic step and probably more empowering, in terms of its impact, than the right to vote," Ansari was quoted as saying.

Xinhua

Wildfire burning deep in Angeles National Forest

LOS ANGELES, 5 Sept—Although its western edge under control, the wildfire in Northern Los Angeles was burning deep in the Angeles National Forest on Saturday, fire commanders said.

As it was moving eastward into wilderness, the arson-caused fire has grown to be the biggest in the Los Angeles County history, the US Forest Service (USFS) said. Since its ignition on 26 Aug, the Station fire has destroyed 76 homes, mostly cabins; denuded some 241 square miles (about 386 square kilo-meters) of forest land;

led to the deaths of two firefighters and cost 37 million dollars to fight so far.

The USFS listed 7,000 homes as still being in harm's way. The risk to homes was significantly reduced as hand crews held the fire line to the north,

south and west, said USFS spokeswoman Michelle Caldwell. A massive airborne firefighting effort helped save Mount Wilson, a site for a historic observatory and a number of TV and broadcasting transmitting stations, the USFS said.—Xinhua

China's national library braces for centenary celebration

BEIJING, 6 Sept—The National Library of China is bracing for a series of activities to celebrate its 100th anniversary which falls on Wednesday, the library said on its website on Sunday. The library

started an exhibition of its special and rare collections on Tuesday.

The exhibits include nine treasure pieces of oracle bone inscriptions valuable for research on the later Shang Dynasty (1600-1046 BC).

Another exhibition featuring the library's history over the last 100 years will go on display on the coming Tuesday. The two events will last till 7 Oct.

Starting on Monday, the library will host a four-day symposium on the collection development and service on Chinese studies.—Xinhua

Green technology may spark new US-China trade boom

WASHINGTON, 6 Sept — Many experts foresee a green trade boom between the United States and China due to their enormous energy demand, but when that will come and how large it will be remain unclear.

Energy experts differ so widely in their opinions on the issue that those who look forward to a boom consider its potential “huge.” Others, however, are more cautious in their outlook. “It’s going to be huge because it has to be huge...there is no choice but for the sector to become enormous,” said Julian L Wong, a senior policy analyst at the Center for American Progress.

Wong cited the International Energy Agency’s forecast that 26 trillion US dollars will be needed by 2030 to meet global energy demands.

With both China and the United States planning cuts in carbon emissions, the two — the world’s largest energy consumers — can play leading roles in developing renewable energy equipment and technologies, experts say.—*Xinhua*



A Jet Airways aircraft prepares to land at the Mumbai Airport. India’s low-cost airlines are set to go from strength to strength as they grab market share from ailing premier carriers such as Air India, whose debts and losses continue to pile up, experts say.
INTERNET

India’s budget airlines leave rivals in vapour stream

MUMBAI, 6 Sept — India’s low-cost airlines are set to go from strength to strength as they grab market share from ailing premier carriers such as Air India, whose debts and losses continue to pile up, experts say.

Big airlines such as Jet Airways, Kingfisher and Air India are being hit by falling revenues due to tough economic conditions and high air fuel taxes.

The smaller, “no-frills” carriers such as Spicejet or Indigo, set up to open up the skies to the country’s burgeoning middle classes, have dealt better with the turbulent business conditions of the last year, analysts say.

At least seven budget airlines fly across India’s skies, with a 40-percent market share.

“By December-end, we estimate this to rise to 70 percent,” said Kapil Kaul, South Asia chief executive of the Centre for Asia Pacific Aviation (CAPA) consultancy.—*Internet*

Brazil plans ‘bullet train’ linking cities

RIO DE JANEIRO, 6 Sept — Brazil says a “bullet train” linking Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo and Campinas will be completed within six years.

Building the high-speed, 317-mile rail line will cost \$18.7 billion, with Brazilian federal and state governments financing \$11.8 billion through the National Economic and Social Development bank, Mercopress reported. The rest of the money will come from the private sector, and the federal government will pay for land acquisition and operation of the train, the National Agency of Land Transport says.

Brazil’s government has pledged to try to quickly approve necessary licensing once environmental-impact studies are complete.—*Internet*

Nightclub an unlikely school neighbour

RALEIGH, 6 Sept — A mother in Raleigh, NC, says she is concerned her daughter’s middle school is now neighbours with the Ugly Monkey Party Bar.

Nancy Locklin, whose daughter attends Exploris Middle School, said she is particularly concerned the downtown club’s name may draw the attention of students at the charter school, The (Raleigh) News & Observer reported on Friday.

“I don’t think my daughter would pay attention to a bar usually, but when it has

a name on there that says party it’s just kind of interesting,” she said. “I’d hate for them to wish that they were old enough to go.”

Principal Kevin Piacenza said the school’s new location is the result of an attempt to keep the site downtown where there is a shortage of available space. The school relocated when it lost its former home in a property ownership merger.

The News & Observer said one point that may calm parents’ concerns with the Ugly Monkey is that the nightclub is not open during school hours.—*Internet*

‘Spider-man’ jailed after 88-story climb

A Frenchman whose penchant for climbing tall structures has earned him the nickname “Spider-man” was jailed after scaling an 88-story tower in Malaysia.

Robert Alain, 46, used no special equipment to reach the top of the Petronas Twin Towers in Kuala Lumpur, Bernama reported. He had failed in two previous attempts in 1997 and 2007, the Malaysian news agency said.

Alain, wearing a dark T-shirt and jeans, took about two hours to reach his goal about 8 am local time.

Police took him into custody while they investigated the possibility of charging him with trespassing.



File photo shows Frenchman Alain Robert as he attempts to scale the landmark Petronas Twin Towers in Kuala Lumpur in March 2007. Robert finally scrambled up the 88-storey Petronas Twin Towers.

Authorities search for police car thief

Authorities in Georgia said a man arrested for driving under the influence slipped out of his handcuffs and stole a police cruiser.

Duluth Police Maj Don Woodruff said an officer pulled over a U-Haul truck at about 5 pm and arrested the driver — described as a black male estimated to be about 30-years-old — after determining that he was intoxicated, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Woodruff said the officer searched

the U-Haul truck and returned to find his police cruiser and the suspect were gone. “He managed to slip one hand out of the cuffs and kick out the back window,” Woodruff said.

Duluth, Atlanta and DeKalb County officers joined the search for the missing car and it was spotted driving later in the day on

Memorial Drive. Woodruff said the suspect jumped out of the car and fled before officers could reach him.

Woodruff said there was no major damage to the car and none of the equipment was missing. Investigators said they determined the U-Haul truck the man had been driving was stolen.



A woman shows a child how to wash his hands with an antibacterial hand gel, at the Sainte Marie Institute, in Caen, northwestern France. The World Health Organisation said that the swine flu virus has overtaken other viruses to become the most prevalent flu strain.

Cardiologist: Exercise, a pill taken daily

A US cardiologist says exercise is like a pill that should be taken daily for good health.

This pill, suggests Dr Philip Ades of the University of Vermont College of Medicine, controls weight, lowers blood pressure, prevents diabetes and heart disease, raises “good” cholesterol, improves fitness and elevates mood.

Ades published a study in the journal Circulation showing insulin resistance, blood pressure and a number of other cardiac risk factors improved due to weight loss resulting from exercise being combined with mild caloric restriction.

To help patients cut calories Ades has written the “Eating Well for a Healthy Heart Cookbook.”

NEWS ALBUM



A two-headed cobra snake has been born in China.

Twice the snake

Liu, a rail worker who breeds snakes as a hobby, said he was amazed when he first saw the reptile.

He had bought 10 snake eggs to hatch at his home in Jiujiang, eastern China’s Jiangxi Province, reports Dajiang Network.

“When the cobras hatched out, one of them had two heads,” said Liu.

He said the cobra was able to eat using both of its mouths simultaneously. Its four eyes were cloudy — but he expected that to change when the snake sheds its skin for the first time.

A spokesman for the local wild animal protection centre said the two-headed snake was most likely the result of genetic mutation.



Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspects...

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near Khanbu Bridge in Htanaungkon Village. He cordially greeted the locals.

Next, Lt-Gen Tha Aye observed the breeding of earthworm and worm-cast tank in Htanaungkon Village of Yamethin Township. He viewed collective cultivation of monsoon paddy in farmer U Sein Maung's fields. The officials concerned awarded growers.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye in-



Lt-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence views progress in construction of Myogyi Dam. — MNA

spected the arrangements on construction of Htanaungkon Bridge, works in Kyaukchat Village of Pyawbwe Town-

ship, collective cultivation of monsoon paddy in farmer U Nyi Pu's fields and ploughing in Hlinet Village of Thazi Town-

ship. Afterwards, Lt-Gen Tha Aye together with Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and officials arrived at

Myogyi Dam near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township where Lt-Gen Tha Aye called for meeting set standard and requirements, and inspected project. They went

through the tunnel by car.

In Kyaukse Township, Lt-Gen Tha Aye looked into construction of Phyauckseik Village Basic Education High School and 25-bed Phyauckseikpin Station Hospital.—MNA

Labour Minister meets industrialists, labourers



Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi meets employers and employees from Shwepyitha and Insein industrial zones at Kanaung Hall in Shwepyitha Industrial Zone.—MNA

YANGON, 6 Sept—Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi met with entrepreneurs, managers and employees from Shwepyitha and Insein Industrial Zones yesterday and he urged the entrepreneurs to connect Labour

Exchange Offices to find labours in line with the existing laws, to raise labours' efficiency, to make worksite safety and efforts for sanitations.

Next, the directors-general had discussions on labours affairs. The min-

ister and the directors-general replied to the queries raised by the entrepreneurs. The minister went to Sakura Garment Factory and Myanmar Pale Garment Factory in Hlinethaya Industrial Zone. He looked into efforts made on safety and sanitation works and fulfilled the medicines for labours.

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C-in-C (Navy)'s Shield Volleyball Tournament 2009 held

YANGON, 6 Sept — The prize presenting ceremony of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy)'s Shield Volleyball Tournament 2009 was held at Ayeyawady Naval Regional Command Headquarters on 1 September.

The Acting Commander of Ayeyawady Naval Regional Command, on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), delivered an introductory speech.

Also present on the occasion were senior na-

val officers, Tatmadawmen and family members from Yangon and Thanlyin stations. Later, the officials presented prizes to winners and the acting commander awarded the shield to the winning team.—MNA

UMFCCI officials meet Japanese guests



Vice-President U Zaw Min Win and party of UMFCCI meet Japanese guests. —UMFCCI

YANGON, 6 Sept—Vice-President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Zaw Min Win, General Secretary Dr Maung Maung Lay, Joint-Secretaries U Myint Soe, Dr Myo Thet and Dr Pwint Hsan, CEC members Dr Thin Nwe Win and Daw Khaing Khaing Nwe and executive U Kyaw Thein met with Director Mr. Naoki Tomotake and Assistant Director Mr. Oriyama Mitsutoshi of AMEICC HRD WD of Ministry of Economic, Trade and Industry of Japan at the building of the federation, here, on 3 September.

They discussed matters on conducting of human resource development courses and cooperation in Center of Excellence (COE) Implementation Program for Industry Sector.—MNA

Acer Notebook users win lucky draws

YANGON, 6 Sept—Shwe Lamin Naga Co organized a ceremony to select the lucky persons among the Acer Notebook users and sale agents for August at Acer showroom at the corner of Strand Road and Lanthit Street in Lanmadaw Township yesterday afternoon.

Managing Director U Soe Win Aung of Shwe Lamin Naga Co and Director U Aung Aung selected the lucky persons and presented K 300,000 to Acer Notebook user Maung Khant Sithu Aung and K 100,000 each to Ko Min Kyaw Win Oo and Ma Kay Zin Htet.

Sale agent Technoland showroom won K 300,000 award and ICE and Citicom shops K 100,000 award each.—MNA



Director U Aung Aung of Shwe Lamin Naga Co presents cash award to an outstanding sale agent. — UMFCCI

Kokang Region remains peaceful and prosperous

Maung Nwe Sit

Kokang group of Shan State (North) Special Region is the first of its kind in returning to the legal fold. It returned to the legal fold in March 1989 and opened its headquarters in Laukkai. Since then it has been joining hands with the government in the tasks for regional development. Kokang Region has enjoyed peace and progress at the unprecedented level for a couple of decades, as a result. However, it was in August 2009 when the region saw an incident that had a strong negative impact on the peaceful life of local people.

As said in the news media, leaders of Kokang Special Region (1) U Phon Kya Shin, U Phon Kya Phu, U Phon Tar Shwin and U Phon Tarli breached the peace agreement and violated the law, and caused an undesirable problem, thus dragging the name of local people through the mire.

The issue rocked the region to some extent. Nonetheless, all the terrible problems went away and the region rose from the nightmare some time later.

Neo-colonialists, cohorts and certain western radio stations that resort to all possible ways and means to trouble Myanmar took full advantage of the incident by exaggerating the news with wild speculation. They drove a wedge between national races. However, the serious blow they dealt to the nation did not work at all because the inhabitants of Kokang Region by nature lead a stable, peaceful life with prosperous business.

Here, I would like to make some clarification to the historical backgrounds of Phon Kya Shin, Phon Kya Phu and Kokang Region. The Burma Communist Party (BCP) led by Thakin Than Tun that wanted to come to power through an armed struggle line went underground on 28 March 1948. At first, the BCP with some strength could occupy many towns and villages. However, it was reduced to a status in which its members stayed hiding in mountainous regions due to opposition of the public and the attacks launched by the Tatmadaw.

In the end, BCP troops with their bases deep in the Bago Yoma mountain ranges in Central Myanmar succumbed to the military operations jointly conducted by the people and the Tatmadaw, leading to the falls of Thakin Than Tun, Thakin Zin, Thakin Chit and Bo Zeya and devastation of the headquarters. The remnant BCP troops fled to the borders in the northeast part of Myanmar in 1970, and they established their Northeast BCP Headquarters. They lived on smuggling of precious stones and opium in border areas. Then, they started to organize local people for military purpose. Phon Kya Shin and some 170 troops active in Kokang Region fled to the neighbouring country due to the attacks of the Tatmadaw in 1967. The BCP troops in the neighbouring country politically mobilized Phon Kya Shin and members, providing them with funds and arms.

Ba Thein Tin, who became BCP Chairman in border areas following the assassination of Thakin Than Tun, mobilized national race armed groups.

They successfully organized leader Naw Hsai of Kachin insurgents, leader Phon Kya Shin of Kokang insurgents and national race armed groups, and the neighbouring country no longer accepted them. So, they reentered Myanmar and settled down in the north-east part of the nation. They were no longer aided by foreign countries, so they turned to smuggling of gems and narcotic drugs to raise their funds. The majority of the leaders became rich through such businesses.

Whenever BCP members had to launch attacks, they did not spare even minors of national races, but they dominated all the leading posts. So, national races became their slaves and broke away from the BCP in March 1989.

After taking up the State's duties in 1988, the Tatmadaw spent huge sums of funds and human resources on the projects for peace and progress of border areas. So, border areas developed leaps and bounds. Seventeen national race armed groups that abhorred the BCP and realized the benevolent attitude of the government returned to the legal fold and made peace. Then, they got involved in regional development undertakings. Kokang Region made peace earlier than any other armed group.

The mouthpieces of western neo-colonialists, allergic to peace and development of the whole Union resulting from armed groups' returning to the legal fold, aired that the national race armed groups, that had entered the legal fold, would continue their armed revolt against the government in a few months. However, peace groups threw themselves to the tasks for peace and development of their races, sustainable peace and development of the Union. They did not want to relapse in the armed insurgency through which they troubled the country and the national race of their own. Then, pessimists applied a different tactic, saying that the national race armed groups that had made peace were making money through narcotic drugs.

In practice, Mongla Region in Shan State (North) announced itself to be a narcotic drugs (poppy) free region in April 1997. Then, Wa, Kokang and Kachin peace regions tried to become poppy-free regions. Kokang Region saw buckwheat farms in place of poppy fields first.

The 17 major armed groups and over 20 small armed groups that had made peace took part in democratic processes ranging from drawing the State constitution at the National Convention to approving it. Now, they are working hard in concert for stability and development of the nation. But, Kokang Special Region (1) has seen four black sheeps who do not quit BCP-like habits and the practice of poppy growing for their wealth.

They are U Phon Kya Shin, U Phon Kya Phu, U Phon Ta Shwin and U Phon Tarli. They came to engage in narcotics smuggling again, sidelining the interests of their own people. What's more, they committed an act that could harm the State as well as the region by violating the law. U Phon Kya Shin and his accomplices built an illegal arms factory in Yanlonkyaing Village in Laukkai and sold arms and ammunition. These amounted to encouraging transnational crimes and terrorist acts. Businesses of narcotic drug and arms smuggling are only being done by Mafia gangs from the western world. They are unacceptable and unforgivable. Destruction of peace and stability is a big crime committed against the people.

In connection with the case of the arms factory, Police Lt-Col Yin Htay of the Criminal Investigation Department filed a lawsuit at Lashio Police Station (1) on 18 August, 2009. Responsible persons Special Region-1 Chairman U Phon Kya Shin, Vice-Chairman U Phon Kya Phyu, Vice-Chairman U Phon Ta Shwin and U Phon Tarli were summoned to deal with the issue. But they did not turn up.

While fleeing Kokang region without trying to address the issue, U Phon Kya Shin and his accomplices took police force members from Yanlonkyaing border checkpoint at Myanmar-China border as hostages. Security force members tried to negotiate with U Phon Kya Shin's group to rescue the hostages. However, they did not accept and started firing inflicting casualties so the security troops had to open fire on them. We saw the news about their attacks on TV. Police force members were brutally killed.

After the attack, 11 Tatmadaw members fell and 34 wounded and 15 MPF members fell and 13 others wounded. From the side of Phon Kya Shin, eight dead bodies and 640 small and heavy weapons were seized. A battle by nature causes casualties from both sides. Nonetheless, U Phon Kya Shin's group committed treason against the State and brutally killed 15 of the captured police force members. They committed the massacre. They violated the terms of the agreement reached at the time of making peace with the State.

Many of the local people from Kokang region fled to China. But they have now returned to Laukkai.

Kokang Region Provisional Leading Committee of Shan State (North) Special Region (1) is maintaining regional peace and stability and protecting the local people in cooperation with the State. As a result, the region has returned to normal. The leading committee has urged the group of U Phon Kya Shin to address the issue in accord with the law and invited those who fled with U Phon Kya Shin to come and cooperate with the committee as they had nothing to do with the case. I have noticed that the persons acting as reporters for BBC, VOA, RFA and DVB to broadcast slanderous news about Myanmar by encouraging the rapacious acts of U Phon Kya Shin and his accomplices from the border region are Po Than Gyoung and Aung Kyaw Zaw, BCP communist remnants. Oh dear! leftists with extreme views become rightists.

Anyhow...

Kokang Special Region (1) has returned to normalcy with prevalence of peace and stability.

Translation: MS+ST

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Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry...

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On arrival at the briefing hall of Mahuya Dam, Lt-Gen Myint Swe heard a report by an official on construction tasks. Then he stressed the need for effective use of water.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party put fingerlings into the dam and inspected flowing out of water from the control tower and the durability of the dam. They also looked into Mahuya and Paunglaung



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence looks into thriving teak plantation at Paunglaung Forest Reserve of Forest Department. — MNA

forest reserves along Mahuya Creek.

At the teak planta-

tion of Paunglaung forest reserve of the Forest Department, an official re-

ported on establishment of forest plantations and their conservation tasks. Lt-

Gen Myint Swe left necessary instructions.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe

and party later went to No 2 Highway and inspected roadworks.—MNA

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing inspects regional development tasks in Laukkai, Chinshwehaw and Hopang townships

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept—Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing together with Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein, Deputy-Ministers and Shan State (North) level departmental officials arrived at Yanlonkyaing border gate laukkai Townships on 4 September morning. He inspected regional stability and peace and the site chosen for

building border trade centre. After hearing the report by the officials concerned, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing left instructions.

He also looked into Chinshwehaw check point. Afterwards, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing and party met with the Township level departmental officials in Hopang and urged them to make effort for regional development.

He inspected the digital auto exchange and radio telegraphs of Myanmar Posts and Telecommunications in Hopang and he gave instructions on condition of phone line installation.

After that, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing and party looked into construction of Hopang Township Hospital.

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Programmes for secure, smooth transport discussed

YANGON, 6 Sept—Yangon Division Supervisory Committee for Ensuring Secure and Smooth Transport held a meeting at Yangon Command on 4 September.

Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win

Myint delivered a speech.

Departmental officials reported on school buses, enforcement of traffic rules, and ongoing pro-

grammes for convenience of commuters.

The commander responded to the reports and gave concluding remarks.—MNA

Industrialists leave for China

YANGON, 6 Sept — Under the arrangement of Dagon Seikkan Industrial Town Management Committee, U Aye Lwin, Chairman of Dagon Seikkan Industrial Zone Committee (Executive of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry)

together with Vice-Chairman U Thein Chi left for China by air yesterday evening to display the furniture manufactured by Myanmar entrepreneurs at the China Furniture Expo, Shanghai 2009 to be held in Shanghai of the People's Republic of China.

MNA



Dagon Myothit Seikkan Industrial Zone Committee Chairman U Aye Lwin and Vice-Chairman U Thein Chi seen at Yangon International Airport before departure for China. — UMFCCI

Knowledge Bank paper reading session



YANGON, 6 Sept—Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association organized the Knowledge Bank paper reading session at the building of Sarpay Beikman on Merchant Street yesterday.

Leader of the publishing and holding talks work group of MWJA U Tin Hlaing (Ledwinthar Saw Chit) extended greetings. U Kyi Aye (Hsinbyukyun Aung Thein) submitted the paper on novels portraying Myanmar rural culture and replied to the queries raised by those present.

Vice-Chairman-1 of MWJA U Tin Kha (Tekkatho Tin Kha) spoke words of thanks.

Also present on the occasion were MWJA Chairman U Hla Myaing (Ko Hsaung), vice-chairmen, the secretary and joint secretaries, members of Township WJAs and enthusiasts.—MNA

U Kyi Aye (Writer Hsinbyukyun Aung Thein) reading paper at Knowledge Bank paper-reading session. — MNA

Shwebo BEHS-2's respecting ceremony

YANGON, 6 Sept—Shwebo Basic Education High School-2 (Chanthagyi BEHS) will hold its 30th ceremony to pay respects to retired teachers at its Diamond Jubilee Hall on 3 October.

The old students wishing to donate cash may contact the Headmaster of the school, Senior Assistant Teacher Daw Khin Than Nwe (Retd) (Ph: 075-21027, U Tin Win (Private Teacher) (075-21319), or U Myint Aung (MRTV-4) (09-5196744).—MNA

A&I Minister inspects regional development work in Meiktila, Pyawbwe Townships

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept—Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo on 31 August inspected ploughing for monsoon paddy and thriving monsoon paddy plantations at Kaphyu field in Kaphyu village in Meiktila Township, Mandalay Division.

At Magyipinpu village in Meiktila Township, the minister and party met with farmers.

Then the minister accompanied by the chairman of Pyawbwe Township Peace and Development Council and party and members of social organizations visited

Yonpinkon and Lintzinkon villages where the minister explained agricultural and rural development tasks.

Next, the minister looked into sinking tube-wells at the farmlands near Yonpinkon village, supplying water to the farmlands from an artesian well that pumps out 4000 gallons of water an hour at farmland of farmer U Chit Oo of Twinywa village for boosting crops production in Phayangasu region and supplying water to the paddy plantations from an artesian well that pumps out 7500 gallons of water an hour at the farmland of

farmer U Myint Oo of Twinywa village.

Arrangements are being made to sink 100 tube-wells for boosting crops production and greening at Phayangasu region in Pyawbwe Township by Water Resource Utilization Department of the ministry. So far three tube-wells at Twinywa village, one at Htanaungpinwaing village and one at Shawphyukon village totaling five have been sunk.

Digging of wells at the farmlands is being carried out in Phayangasu region. —MNA



State Pariyatti Sasana Universities Administrative Central Committee meets

YANGON, 6 Sept—The State Pariyatti Sasana Universities Administrative Central Committee of the Ministry of Religious Affairs held the meeting

No. 2/2009 at the Convocation Dhammayon of State Pariyatti Sasana University on Kaba Aye Hill, here, this afternoon, with an address by Chairman of the Central Committee Vice-Chairman of State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Bhaddanta Kundalajoti.

Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung supplicated on the religious affairs.

Director-General Dr Myo Myint of Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana sought the approval for the minute of the previous meeting and supplicated on the accomplishment for the decisions of the previous meeting. Those participants took part in the discussions on sub missions at the meeting No. 2/2009 and the special meeting.

They also discussed reports from the

Universities Management Committee (Yangon-Mandalay).

The list of monks who got Sasana Taxila Maha Dhammacariya and Sasana Taxila Dhammacariya was submitted at the 15th convocation. The meeting ended with concluding remarks by the chairman Sayadaw.

After the meeting, wellwisher U Myo Zaw Tun-Daw Wutyi Htwe family of Sangyoung Township donated K 7.2 million to the funds for the monks who are learning Buddhism in Sri Lanka and K 6 million to the funds of Border Areas and Hill Region Theravada Buddha Sasana Nugga Association, wellwisher U Ko Ko Htwe-Daw Aye Aye Than (Tawwin Family Co) K 3.5 million to the funds for the student monks in Sri Lanka. The minister accepted cash donations and presented certificates of honour to the wellwishers. —MNA

Free matriculation training course opened in Kyimyindine

YANGON, 6 Sept—Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin this morning attended yesterday opening ceremony of the free matriculation training course at No. 1 Basic Education High School in Kyimyindine Township.

He greeted the teachers.

Any students who will sit for the matriculation examination may attend the course beginning today.

Next, the mayor met with local people at Thida-aye Monastery in Ayeywa Ward on the west bank of Hline River in Kyimyindine Township



Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin meets with local people in Ayeywa ward, Kyimyindine Township.—YCDC

and handed over a fire fighting pump for Alatchaung Ward to the head of Township Fire

Station.

Later, the mayor viewed upgrading of Htitan streets in Zaygalay

Ward of Kyimyindine Township and Myaunggyi Street in Galon Ward of Ahlon Township.—MNA

Nucleic Acid Testing introduced

YANGON, 6 Sept—Myanmar Molecular & Diagnostic Centre (MMDC) yesterday introduced the Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT) through the Real Time PCR technology for those wishing to work and attend schools abroad and for those wishing to receive the blood transfusion.

In the past, the Serology Tests were conducted for Hepatitis B and C and HIV. Now,

DNA/RNA can be directly tested in blood by applying Real Time PCR technology to reduce the window period of the patients.

Anti-HCV antibody of Hepatitis C of the patient can be examined through NAT after having infected during a week. NAT can also be applied to conduct the test on the patient for infection of HIV after the victim had been infected within a

week.

NAT is the best for reducing the window period from 20 to 25 days.

MMDC is giving molecular diagnosis services to the patients thrice a week with the use of Real Time PCR machines and CE marked Reagents imported from Qiagen Co of Germany. For more information, dial 01-374676 and 02-72985.

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Introduction to Nucleic Acid Testing by Myanmar Molecular & Diagnostic Centre in progress.—MNA



Victorious Mandalay Division sports teams honoured

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — A ceremony to honour victorious athletes of Mandalay Division in Inter-State/Division Volleyball and Basketball Tournaments and 1st

State/Division Under-17 Women's football tournament was held at the hall of Aungmyayathazan Township on 31 August. Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace

and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe gave a speech.

The commander and officials presented prizes to athletes.—MNA

Commander attends opening of domestic training courses

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — Chairman of Shan State (East) Peace and Development Council Commander of Triangle Region Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Phyto delivered an address at the opening

of Advanced Tailoring Course No (24/2009), Basic Tailoring Course No (52/2009) and Knitting Course No (11/2009) conducted by the Education and Training Department under the

Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs at the Women's Vocational Domestic Training School in Kengtung on 31 August morning.—MNA

Dy Minister attends coord meeting on development of road networks

YANGON, 6 Sept — Deputy Minister for Construction Brig-Gen Myint Thein attended work coordination meeting on development of road networks in Ayeyawady Division at

the office of Pyapon District Public Works yesterday morning.

Also present at the meeting were Chief Engineer of Public Works U Soe Tint, Deputy Chief Engineer U Than Nyunt

and project engineers and engineers from Patheingyi, Myaungmya and Pyapon Districts. The minister fulfilled the requirements related to reports presented by officials.

MNA

Health Minister meets traders, millers in Mandalay

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — Minister for Health Dr. Kyaw Myint met with traders, millers and responsible personnel of Maha Kathina Association in Mandalay on 28 August and urged them to continue their participation in social welfare tasks in Mandalay.

With the aim of narrowing the gap in

providing medical care services in Yangon and Mandalay, the government has established universities related to health care services and medical learning in Mandalay, the minister said at the meeting.

Minister Dr. Kyaw Myint went to Mandalay University of Medicine on

29 August and met with trainees attending the refresher course for doctors. A total of 253 doctors are attending the course.

During the visit to Mandalay, the minister and party also met with responsible personnel of Mandalay Zegyo Market Committee on 30 August.

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Minister Dr Kyaw Myint addresses the meeting with chairman of Mandalay Zegyo Market Committee and executive members.—HEALTH

Myitkyina Nursing and Midwifery School turning out nurses

Byline: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

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663 nursing diploma holders and 897 midwives. Turning out those nurses and midwives contributes much towards providing health care for the local

people", said Principal Daw Lio Ni.

Instructor Daw Makhong Htazami Sar said, "To apply for a three-year nursing diploma, matriculated students will be chosen by the Medical

Research Department according to their mark rate. Students are being trained by the principal, instructors, vice-instructors and specialists of Myitkyina General Hospital."

During 2009-2010 academic year, 184 trainees are doing a three-year nursing course and 58, a three-year midwifery course totalling 242 at Myitkyina Nursing and Midwifery School.



Trainees learning at Myitkyina Nursing and Midwifery School.



"We are training nurses for promoting health care for the people of border regions."

Instructor Daw Makhong Htazami Sar



Myitkyina Nursing and Midwifery School.

Kachin State has nursing and midwifery schools in Myitkyina and Bhamo and the number of nurses has increased in the state.

Those who have completed degree courses have to work at station hospitals and clinics in their respective regions or at township

and district hospitals. As the State has opened nursing and midwifery schools for promoting health care border regions, the health sector of the people living in border areas has significantly developed.

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Epic gala for China's National Day celebration to debut in late Sept

BEIJING, 6 Sept — Being part of the performances marking the 60th founding anniversary of New China, an epic gala entitled "Road of Rejuvenation" will debut on 23 Sept in the Great Hall of the People in Beijing. The gala follows the grand drama "East Is Red" that celebrated the 15th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China, and "Road of Chinese Revolution" that celebrated the 35th anniversary.

The event was directed by internationally

acclaimed choreographer Zhang Jigang, who co-directed the opening ceremony of the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games together with Zhang Yimou in last summer.

In about 2.5 hours, some 3,200 performers will gather in the capital for a recapturing of China's contemporary and modern history since 1840. The performance will last till 5 Oct. *China Central Television (CCTV)* reported on Friday that the interior of the Great Hall of the People was temporarily adjusted just for the performance, which was rare in the hall's history.

Xinhua



Dancers perform in front of a replica Sphinx on stage at a lavish outdoor theatrical performance at Green Park in Tripoli, Libya, late night on 1 Sept, 2009. The spectacle included 800 performers and what organizers claimed was the world's largest tent.—INTERNET

Militants attack international troops in N Afghanistan

KABUL, 6 Sept — Taliban inlitions attacked a patrol team of NATO-led forces in Balkh Province north of Afghanistan early Sunday but caused no damage, a local official said. "The militants fired rocket propelled grenade on a patrol team in the wee hours of Sunday in Sholgara district, causing no loss of life," Syed Kamal the governor of Sholgara district told

Xinhua. He also said that the forces came under attack were from Sweden that has some 300 troops deployed in Afghanistan. Meantime, Zabihullah Mujahid who claims to speak for Taliban outfit in talks with media via telephone from undisclosed location said the militants had inflicted casualties on the troops.

However, Syed Kamal utterly rejected

the Taliban claim, saying there were no casualties on the troops. Taliban militants have shifted their activities from their traditional base in the south to the relatively peaceful northern region. The militants by carrying out roadside bomb in the northern Kunduz Province on Saturday wounded three German soldiers.

Xinhua



Red Cross workers sit with an injured woman in an ambulance after a grenade explosion in San Antonio square in Medellin on 5 September, 2009. At least 18 people were wounded in the explosion, authorities said.—INTERNET

Phoenix light rail crash injures Two

PHOENIX, 6 Sept — The 8-month-old light rail line in Phoenix had its worst accident on Saturday when a train derailed after hitting an SUV that had run a red light, officials said. The impact knocked the train from the tracks, The Arizona Republic reported.

Police said the driver of the SUV and a passenger on the train were injured. The crash

also knocked down electrical poles, disrupting light rail service.

Bus service was temporarily substituted for the light rail. The 20-mile-long light rail line

runs between Phoenix and the suburbs of Tempe, home of the University of Arizona and the Phoenix airport, and Mesa. It began operating on 27 Dec. — *Internet*



A saleswoman (C) listens to customers at a makeup counter after iftar (breaking fast) in Tripoli on 5 September, 2009.

INTERNET

Two-year-old, three others dead in La domestic incident

HOLDEN, 6 Sept — A man shot his estranged wife and son to death inside a home on late Sunday, then killed himself in his car when deputies tried to pull him over, authorities said. His 2-year-old grandson also died, possibly while trying to escape out a second-story window, and his pregnant

daughter-in-law was shot and critically injured, said Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office Chief of Operations Perry Rushing.

Rushing said the shootings appeared to stem from an ongoing dispute between the 50-year-old man and his wife, who had a restraining order against him. Police were called to the home in Holden, about 70 miles northwest of New Orleans, around 10:30 pm on Saturday. They found the man's 49-year-old wife and 26-year-old son dead inside and the 2-year-old dead outside. Rushing said it wasn't clear whether the boy was shot or died from falling out the window as his mother tried to escape with him.—*Internet*

Palestinian teen killed in Gaza shooting

GAZA, 6 Sept — A 14-year-old Palestinian boy died on Saturday after being wounded in a shooting incident involving Israeli soldiers in the northern border town of Beit Hanoun, Palestinian medical workers said.

They said Ghazi al-Zaaneen was seriously wounded on Friday night when Israeli soldiers fired shots towards a neighbourhood in the town. A military official, who declined to be named, said soldiers had fired warning shots in the Beit Hanoun area on Friday night after spotting Palestinians approaching Israel's border. An Israeli Army spokeswoman said the military had launched an investigation.

MNA/Reuters



Workers find Bay Bridge crack; Shutdown could last

SAN FRANCISCO, 6 Sept—Crews working on a seismic retrofit of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge on Saturday found what authorities called a “significant crack” in the eastern span that could keep the California landmark closed beyond a planned holiday weekend shutdown.

During an inspection, workers discovered a

problem with a steel link that helps hold up the bridge’s eastern portion, senior bridge engineer Ken Brown told the *San Francisco Chronicle*. The link — part of a network of eight similar pieces — is about two inches thick and was cracked halfway through.

“The crack is significant enough to have closed the bridge on

its own,” Caltrans spokesman Bart Ney said at a news conference on Saturday night. “We have to make this repair before we reopen the bridge.” Ney added “it’s very possible that this could prevent us from opening Tuesday morning,” when the work week resumes and the bridge had been set to reopen.

Internet



A replacement section slides into place connecting the new detour route during the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge seismic retrofit in San Francisco, on 5 Sept, 2009.—INTERNET

Twin astronauts will tweet about space

WASHINGTON, 6 Sept—Twin brothers who will command the space shuttle and International Space Station are tweeting about their preparations, NASA says.

Mark and Scott Kelly are preparing for 2010 missions. Mark is commander of the space shuttle mission STS-134 and Scott is commander of state Expedition 26.

If schedules don’t change, they could meet in space.

Both West Orange, NJ, natives are Navy captains who have been astronauts since 1996.

Mark served as the pilot on missions STS-108 in 2001 and STS-121 in 2006 and commanded STS-124 in 2008. He has logged 38 days in space.

Scott served as the

pilot on mission STS-103 in 1999 and commanded STS-118 in 2007. He logged 21 days in space and is preparing for a six-month stay aboard the station. Mark’s Twitter account can be found at <http://twitter.com/shuttlecdkelly>; Scott’s at <http://twitter.com/stationcdkelly>. They join other astronauts whose tweets about space can be found at http://twitter.com/NASA_astronauts.

Internet

The iPhone 3GS

Apple’s speedier new model of iPhone with video capability available on June 19

Standard features	▶ Mobile phone
	▶ Internet access (3G technology)
	▶ Music player
	▶ GPS
New features	▶ Digital camera (3 megapixels)
	▶ Video recording
	▶ Autofocus, tap to focus

S in 3GS stands for speed

Screen size: 8.9 cm (3.5 inches)
Input method: Multi-touch
Storage: 16 GB, 32 GB
Weight: 135 g
Price: US\$199 (16 GB), US\$299 (32 GB)

Source: Apple 090609 AFP

Graphic fact file on Apple’s speedier iPhone 3GS with video capability. The iPhone will soon officially go on sale in China, more than two years after its US debut, but it may not make much of a splash, with smuggled units and similar devices available, analysts say.—INTERNET

46 new A/H1N1 flu cases confirmed in Europe

STOCKHOLM, 6 Sept—A European health agency said on Saturday that 46 new A/H1N1 flu cases were confirmed in European countries within the last 24 hours.

The news cases were reported from two countries, 24 from Luxembourg and the rest from Switzerland, the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) said in its daily situation report.

The cumulative number of confirmed cases of the A/H1N1 flu virus in the EU (European Union) and EFTA (European Free Trade Association) countries increased to 48,269, with 16,835 cases in Germany, 13,192 in Britain, 2,624 in Portugal, 2058 in Italy and 1,839 in Greece, the ECDC said.

The ECDC publishes a daily situation report about the H1N1 flu cases in the EU and EFTA countries based on official information from these countries.

Xinhua

Macao’s A/H1N1 confirmed cases climb to 1,189

MACAO, 6 Sept—Macao reported 60 newly confirmed cases of Influenza A/H1N1 on Saturday, bringing the cumulative number of such cases to 1,189 so far.

The newly confirmed cases comprised 36 female patients and 24 male patients whose ages ranged from two to 66, Macao’s Health Bureau said.

Statistics from the Bureau showed that some 12 patients who tested positive for the A/H1N1 virus were still receiving medical treatments at local hospitals, but their health conditions remained stable.

Xinhua

Obama agrees to release White House visitor log

WASHINGTON, 6 Sept—US President Barack Obama has agreed to release the names of visitors to the White House, said the

government on Friday.

“We will achieve our goal of making this administration the most open and transparent administration in history, not only by opening the doors of the White House to more Americans, but by shining a light on the business conducted inside,” Obama said in a statement. “Americans have a right to know whose voices are being heard in the policymaking process.”

According to the president, every visitor would be released no matter he comes to the White House for “an

appointment, a tour, or to conduct business”. However, visitors who come to attend meeting of sensitivity will not included, such as possible nominees for key posts and some officials concerning national security affairs.

MNA/Xinhua

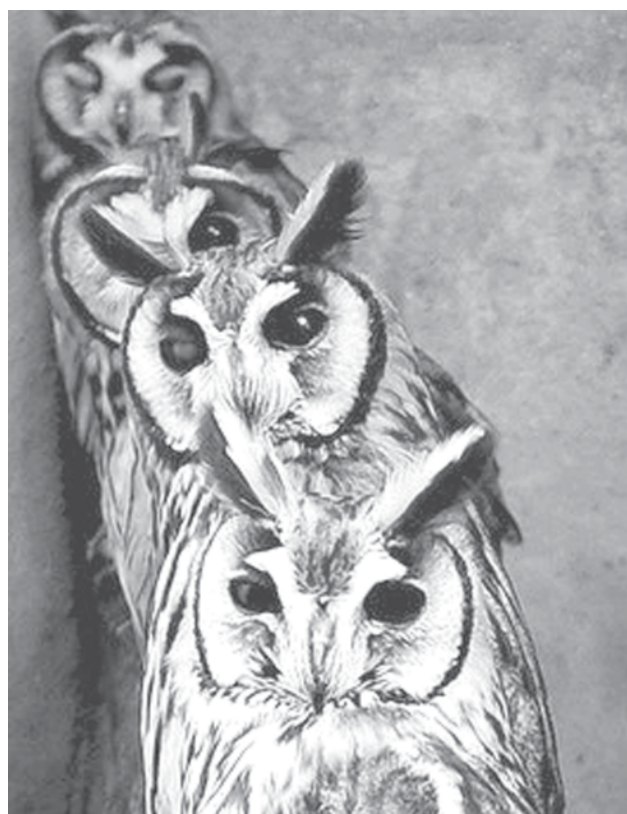
T rex for sale: Dinosaur fossil on block in Vegas

LAS VEGAS, 6 Sept—Museums and high-rolling natural history buffs will get a crack at buying a fossilized Tyrannosaurus rex next month at a Las Vegas Strip auction. Experts say the 170 bones discovered about 17 years ago in South Dakota represent more than half the skeleton of a 40-foot-long, 7.5 ton dinosaur that lived 66 million years ago.

Auctioneer Bonhams & Butterfields is hoping that bids for the T rex dubbed “Samson” will top \$6 million when it is sold on 3 Oct at the Venetian hotel-casino in Las Vegas. A similar T rex fossil sold in 1997 for \$8.3 million and is now housed at the Field Museum in Chicago. That dinosaur, named “Sue,” is 42 feet long and has more than 200 fossilized bones.

Tom Lindgren, a natural history specialist for Bonhams & Butterfields, said “Samson” is the third most complete T rex skeleton ever discovered, and one of only 42 specimens discovered in the last 100 years with more than 10 percent of the bones. “This represents the pinnacle of paleontology,” Lindgren told *The Associated Press* on Friday.

Internet



Whoo Whoo : A group of striped owls sit at the Animal Hospital at the Niteroi Zoo, Brazil.

INTERNET

SPORTS

High fives as Spain crush Belgium to near World Cup

MADRID, 6 Sept—European champions Spain moved to within touching distance of the World Cup finals after coasting to a 5-0 win over Belgium in La Coruna on Saturday. Valencia duo

David Silva and David Villa both scored twice with Barcelona defender Gerard Pique also on target in the five-goal romp and the scoreline should have been more emphatic.

The double from Villa, who also missed a penalty, raises his international goals tally to 33 in just 51 games as he closes in on the national record of 44 held by Real Madrid striker Raul. Spain have a flawless seven wins at the top of Group 5, six points ahead of second-placed Bosnia Herzegovina who won 2-0 at Armenia. If Spain beat Estonia in Merida on Wednesday and Bosnia fail to beat Turkey they will qualify for the World Cup finals with two games to spare.—Internet



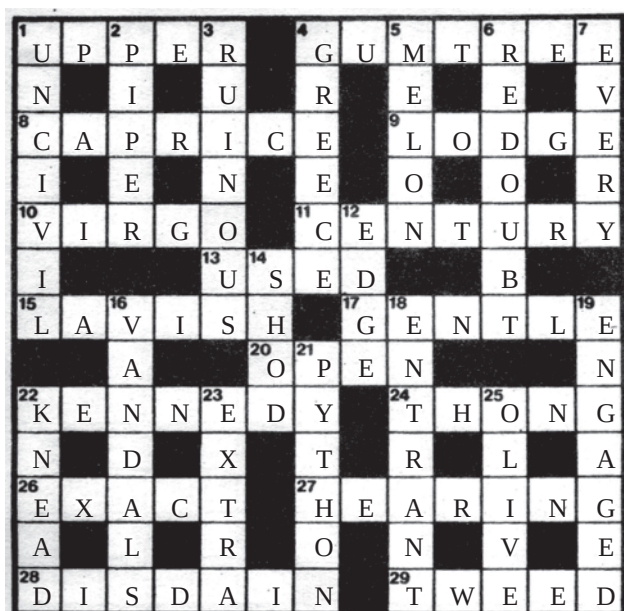
Spain's Francesc Fabregas, left, duels for the ball with Marouane Fellaini of Belgium during their World Cup qualifying soccer match in La Coruna, Spain, on 5 Sept, 2009.—INTERNET

Villa and Silva double as Spain crush Belgium 5-0 in World Cup qualifying

MADRID, 6 Sept—Valencia pair David Silva and David Villa scored twice apiece to lead Spain to a 5-0 rout of Belgium in a World Cup qualifier on Saturday. Silva opened the scoring with the first just before the break and the reigning European champions hit even better form in the second half.

Villa, who had missed a first-half penalty, and Gerard Pique netted within a minute before Silva and Villa were on target again as Spain cruised to the stylish victory. Vicente del Bosque's side maintained their 100 percent record to lead Group Five by six points from second-placed Bosnia, who beat Armenia 2-0 earlier in the day. Belgium is fourth, 14 points off the pace. —Xinhua

Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



Ibrahimovic's late strike gives Sweden 2-1 win over Hungarian in World Cup qualifier

BUDAPEST, 6 Sept—Barcelona striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic scored in injury time to help Sweden defeat Hungary 2-1 in a World Cup qualifier here on Saturday.

Just as the match looked to end in a 1-1 draw, Ibrahimovic led a Swedish counterattack in the third minute of extra-time. Hungarian goalkeeper Gabor Babos's attempted clearance from the edge of the box bounced off Ibrahimovic and rolled into the Hungarian goal. Hungary coach Erwin Koeman said losing to a last minute goal was hard to take. After seven games, Hungary has 13 points and Sweden 12 in Group 1. Hungary will host Portugal on Wednesday, when Sweden faces Malta.—Xinhua

French hopes of automatic qualification in balance

PARIS, 6 Sept—Former champions France's hopes of making the 2010 World Cup finals suffered another blow here on Saturday when the 1998 winners were held to a 1-1 draw by Romania in their Group Seven qualifier.

France, who travel to a must-win qualifier with group leaders Serbia, who they trail by four points on Wednesday, took the lead through veteran captain Thierry Henry early in the second-half only for Julien Escude to put through his own net a

few minutes later. France's controversial coach Raymond Domenech conceded that it had been a tough evening.

Internet



French forward and captain Thierry Henry eyes the ball during their World Cup 2010 qualifying football match against Romania.—INTERNET

Top seed Safina ousted in US Open Third round

NEW YORK, 6 Sept—Little-known Czech Petra Kvitova pulled off the biggest upset in this year's US Open on Saturday as she outclassed world number one Dinara Safina 6-4 2-6 7-6 in the third round.

Kvitova, ranked 72nd in the world, will play Belgium's Yanina Wickmayer for a spot in the quarterfinals. Safina's defeat marked the first time this year she failed to reach at least the semifinals of a grand slam tournament. —Xinhua

Brilliant Brazil reach World Cup finals



Argentine coach Diego Maradona (centre) looks on as Brazil's players celebrate their third goal against Argentina during their FIFA World Cup South Africa-2010 qualifier match at the Gigante de Arroyito stadium in Rosario, Santa Fe, Argentina, on 5 September.

INTERNET

ROSARIO, 6 Sept—Five-time champions Brazil, inspired by Real Madrid superstar Kaka, qualified for the World Cup finals thanks to a 3-1 win over bitter rivals Argentina. The result maintained Brazil's proud record of never having missed a World Cup. It also piled more pressure onto Argentina coach Diego Maradona whose team are clinging onto the fourth and final automatic qualifying spot from the South American zone. In a first-half played at a breathless pace, the tackles came thundering in and it was hardly surprising that Brazil's two opening goals were the product of set pieces.

Internet



England forward Wayne Rooney (L) evades a challenge from Slovenia's midfielder Aleksander Radosavljev during their international friendly football match at Wembley stadium in London.—INTERNET

Rooney accused of diving by angry Slovenia

LONDON, 6 Sept—Wayne Rooney found himself embroiled in a diving controversy after the England striker's tumble earned a controversial penalty in his side's 2-1 friendly victory over Slovenia. Just days after insisting he would never dive, Rooney was accused by Slovenia players of going to ground too easily following Bostjan Cesar's tug on his shirt in the first half at Wembley on Saturday.

Cesar clearly pulled Rooney's shirt briefly, but the contact didn't seem strong enough to warrant the fall from the Manchester United star, who was also tugging on his opponent's jersey. Slovenia also complained that Rooney had fouled Cesar in the same incident, leaving the defender with an ankle injury that will keep him out of a World Cup qualifier against Poland in midweek.—Internet

Oudin, Isner stun past champions at US Open



Melanie Oudin of the United States celebrates her upset victory over Maria Sharapova of Russia during the third round of the US Open tennis tournament in New York.—INTERNET

NEW YORK, 6 Sept—Melanie Oudin's face was flushed from a mix of exertion and excitement and maybe even a bit of bewilderment — "Yes, I DID beat Maria Sharapova!" running through her mind — when she stepped out of the US Open locker room and saw Mom.

The pair embraced, kissed each other on the cheek, and Leslie Oudin told her 17-year-old daughter: "I'm very proud of you." Then they hugged some more, holding tight.

Melanie Oudin is still very much a kid from Marietta, Ga, enjoying the trip of her life in the Big Apple, playing foosball in the players' lounge and using words like "amazing" and "cool" as she works her dizzying way through the draw at Flushing Meadows. Oudin's latest win was the biggest so far: She knocked off three-time Grand Slam champion and former No. 1 Sharapova 3-6, 6-4, 7-5 Saturday to reach the US Open's fourth round.—Internet



A barn owl eats a chick's leg while resting at a falconry demonstration during International Vulture Awareness Day, outside Zurrieq, on the southern coast of Malta, on 5 Sept, 2009.—INTERNET

Troops kill three Taleban insurgents in W Afghanistan

KABUL, 6 Sept—Gun battle between Afghan forces and Taleban fighters left three insurgents dead in Farah province west of Afghanistan, an official said on Sunday.

"Taleban attacked a patrol team of Afghan soldiers in Pushrod district on Saturday night and troops returned fire, killing three rebels on spot," Abdul Basir Ghorri, the spokesman of Afghan National Army (ANA) in the region, told *Xinhua*.

One Afghan soldier sustained injuries in the firefight, he added.

Taleban fighters have intensified attacks against government interests as they carried out series of offensive over the past couple of weeks.—*Xinhua*

Drive with care

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (7-9-2009) (Monday)

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

Local Transmission

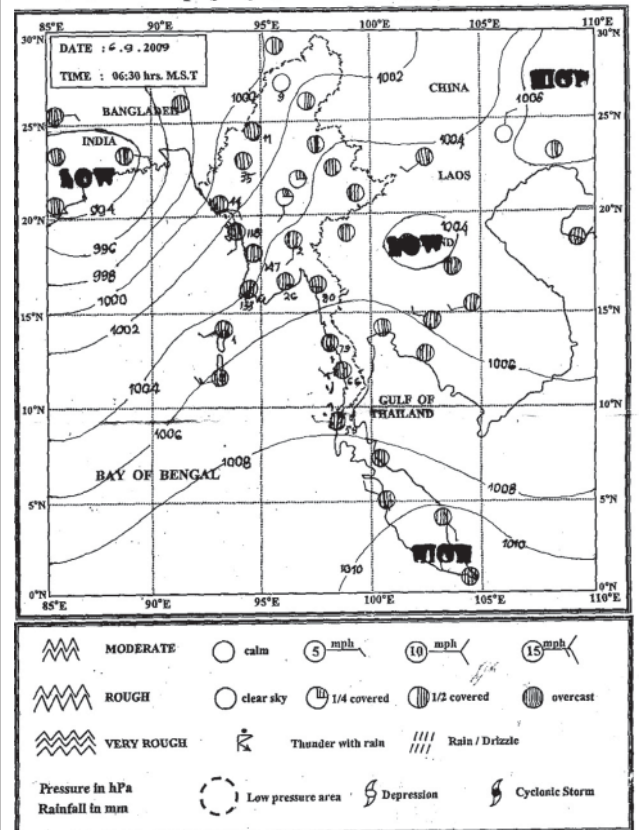
- * Signature Tune
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- * Blue Sea
- * Coloured Glass Ball....Expert
- * The Interesting Places of Kachin State
- * Culture Stage "Group Dance of Light Festival"
- * The Persons who love birds
- * Ayeyawady Dolphin Expedition (Part-I)
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Sunday, 6th September, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kachin, Kayah States and Lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Shan State and Mandalay Division and widespread in the remaining areas with Locally heavyfalls in Rakhine, Mon States and Taninthayi Division, isolated heavyfalls in Kachin, Kayin States and Ayeyawady Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Paung (9.45) inches, Launglon (7.24) inches, Thandwe (5.94) inches, Patheingyi (5.90) inches, Dawei (5.31) inches, Hpa-an (5.04) inches, Taunggyi (4.96) inches, Kyaikpyu (4.88) inches, Chaunguone (4.49) inches, Thabon (4.17) inches, Machanbaw (3.90) inches and Taungthaingyi (1.10) inches.

Maximum temperature on 5-9-2009 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 6-9-2009 was 68°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-9-2009 was 100%. Total sun shine hours on 5-9-2009 was (0.7) hour approx.

Rainfall on 6-9-2009 was (1.46) inches at Mingaladon, (1.10) inches at Kaba-Aye and (2.09) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (90.63) inches at Mingaladon, (102.40) inches at Kaba-Aye and (109.29) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from Southwest at (14:30) hours MST on 5-9-2009.

Bay inference: According to the observations at yesterday's mid-night, the depression over the Northwest Bay has moved to North-Northwest direction and has crossed the West Central Coast of Bangla (India) into the land. Monsoon is strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 7th September 2009: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State and Lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Kachin and Shan States, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Mon and Rakhine States and Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Strong monsoon. **Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 7-9-2009:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 7-9-2009: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 7-9-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Monday, 7
September
View on today

7:00 am

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7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ (ယဉ်ကျေးမှုနှင့် ဝတ်စားဆင်ယင်မှုဆိုင်ရာ)

7:50 am

4. Nice & Sweet Song

8:05 am

5. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

6. Song of National Races

8:20 am

7. Cute Little Dancers

8:30 am

8. "တန်ခိုး"

8:35 am

9. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ် (၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆိုအက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ၊ မြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ကာလပေါ်တေးနှင့်ခေတ်ဟောင်းတေး) (အဆင့်မြင့်ပညာအဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား)

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Dance Variety

4:30 pm

4. လက်ဆင့်ကမ်းပေးဂီတတေး

4:40 pm

5. အဝေးသံတက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ တတိယနှစ် (စိတ်ပညာအထူးပြု) စိတ်ပညာ)

5:00 pm

6. Song for Uphold National Spirit

5:05 pm

7. Musical Programme (The Radio Myanmar Modern Music Troupe)

5:15 pm

8. မြန်မာစာ၊ မြန်မာစကား

5:30 pm

9. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ် (၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို

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ပညာအဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား)

5:40 pm

10. စုပေါင်းသံရုံးချုပ်

6:00 pm

11. Evening News

6:15 pm

12. Weather Report

6:20 pm

13. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm

14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "တစ်နေ့နိုးဖူးစာ" (အပိုင်း-၁၃)

8:00 pm

15. News

16. International News

17. Weather Report

18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေ့မေတ္တာ" (အပိုင်း-၂၆)



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

- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- ★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People's Desire

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

- VOA, BBC - sowing hatred among the people
- RFA, DVB - generating public outrage
- Do not allow ourselves to be swayed
- By broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Indoor plants found to release volatile organic compounds

SCIENCE DAILY, 6 Sept—Potted plants add a certain aesthetic value to homes and offices, bringing a touch of nature to indoor spaces. It has also been shown that

many common house plants have the ability to remove volatile organic compounds—gases or vapours emitted by solids and liquids that may have adverse short- and long-

term health effects on humans and animals—from indoor air.

But take heed when considering adding some green to your environment; in addition to giving off healthy oxygen and sucking out harmful VOCs, a new study shows that some indoor plants actually release volatile organic compounds into the environment. A research team headed by Stanley J. Kays of the University of Georgia's Department of Horticulture conducted a study to identify and measure the amounts of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) emitted by four popular indoor potted plant species.—*Internet*



Ficus benjamina, a popular houseplant, was found to emit VOCs.

Local people return to Kokang as stability prevails in Shan State (North)

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept — The number of people who returned to Kokang has reached 13,255 according to data on 6th September.

Local people who left Kokang region have returned to Kokang through Yanlonkyaing and Chinshwehaw border check-points as from 29th

August as the stability has prevailed.

The administrative machinery in the region has returned to normal.

MNA

Meat, fish sold at reasonable prices in Laukkai

LAUKKAI, 6 Sept — With the arrangement of the authority in Kokang, Shan State (North), meat and fish are sold to local people in Laukkai at reasonable prices as from 6th September.

Chicken and fish are sold at mobile shops in the town. Members of the Tatmadaw in local battalions dredged the drains and carried out sanitation in the town.

The town has re-

turned to normal and shops, stores and markets are reopened. Local people are flowing back to the town through Yanlonkyaing Border check-point.

MNA

Depression crosses West coast of Bengal of India

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Sept—Department of Meteorology and Hydrology announced that according to the observations yesterday mid-night, the low pressure occurred over the Northwest Bay of Bengal moved into North- Northwest direction and crossed West coast of Bengal of India.—MNA

Kokang Region remains peaceful and prosperous

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Kokang Region Provisional Leading Committee of Shan State (North) Special Region (1) is maintaining regional peace and stability and protecting the local people in cooperation with the State. As a result, the region has returned to normal.

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