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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

Yazudaing Bridge No. 2, a drive for development of Mawlamyinegyun

Article & Photos: *Mawgyun Myint Aung*



Yazudaing Bridge No. 2 seen after being inaugurated in Mawlamyinegyun on 11 January.

Mawlamyinegyun, my native town, is surrounded by Yazudaing River in the east, Tonhlechaung River in the west and in the south and Sawkechaung River in the north. Mawlamyinegyun established in 1260 Myanmar Era is 111 years old.

Indeed, the local people had never dreamed of enjoying fruits on building bridges spanning the natural watercourses and motor roads for their better transportation.

The residents were pleased with the information on preparations being made by the government with genuine goodwill and farsightedness for construction of Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 and Yazudaing Bridge No. 2 to develop Mawlamyinegyun Township.

Their dream has come true. The government built bridges across rivers and creeks and motor roads in the region. In the near future, the local people will have easy access to various regions by overcoming the natural barriers such as rivers and creeks.

On 9 January morning, Yazudaing Bridge No. 2, which is a key bridge in Ayeyawady Division, was put into service. On the significant occasion, Prime Minister General Thein Sein and Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe delivered addresses. Minister for Construction Maj-Gen

Khin Maung Myint reported on construction of the bridge.

We the news crew had an opportunity to observe the bridge with the assistance of the Construction

Group No. 1 of the Ministry of Construction on 11 January evening. The local people visited the bridge by motorbike and bicycle. We saw that their happy and smiling faces as they now have a new bridge.

Yazudaing Bridge No. 2 is of one-way reinforced concrete type. The 540 feet long bridge has a 20 feet wide motorway. The bridge can withstand 60-ton loads. It is the 48th above 180-foot-long facility of its kind in Ayeyawady Division.

We had an interview with some local people. A local with a motorbike said, "I am U Aung Zaw Hlaing of Myoma Ward 1 in Mawlamyinegyun. In the past, I could not easily visit my relatives of Yaylein Village. Now, I can visit them at any time through the bridge. It is due to goodwill of the government."

We met with students strolling along the bridge. A girl student expressed her happiness for the bridge. She said, "My name is Ma Khin Lè Lè Wai. I am pursuing education at Mawlamyinegyun Basic Education High School No. 2. Before construction of the bridge, I came back home together with my parents from the school every evening. Now, they do not need to take me back home anymore. At present, my friends and I can come back home by walking along the bridge."

We proceeded to Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 by motorbike. On the way to the bridge, we saw thriving summer paddy plantations.

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A group of people in a car passing through the newly-opened Yazudaing Bridge No. 2.

PERSPECTIVES

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Work hard together for improvement of Myanmar film industry

Films have a great deal of influence on people, especially young people's mentality and ethics.

Film production is an industry based on the delicate combination of art and technology. For development of the film industry, the government is importing necessary equipment to be used in the film industry.

It is necessary to try to produce high quality films and videos. For this, emergence of new generation technicians who are well-versed in production of films and videos is essential.

In striving for development of Myanmar film industry, it is required to expand the market at home and abroad. For Myanmar films to be able to compete with foreign films, efforts will have to be made to reach international standards in all stages of the production of films. Only then will Myanmar films improve.

In portraying our country and people, it is necessary to reflect them in such a way that dignity of the nation and the people come to be admired and respected by others.

Improvement of Myanmar film industry depends not on any individual but on unity, understanding, diligence, perseverance and cooperation of all those in the film world such as performers, directors, script writers, editors, photographers and others.

If all those in the Myanmar film world work hard together for production of good Myanmar films of international standards, Myanmar films will certainly be able to penetrate the international film market.

Book for Sarpay Beikman Book Association distributed

YANGON, 1 Feb—The Sarpay Beikman Book Association of Printing and Publishing Enterprise recently published its 56th book written by Ma Aye Chan (Myanmarsar) that secured the first prize in the Myanmar culture and fine arts genre for 2007.

The association members in Yangon may take out the books at the

office of the association at 529/531 on Merchant Street in Yangon. The association managed to send the books to other members from countryside.

Those wishing to join the association may contact the secretary of the association at 529/531 on Merchant Street in Yangon, Tel: 01-249031.—MNA

Peoples' Desire

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

Commander, Minister inspect progress of Dawei-Myeik railroad

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Feb—Chairman of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min together with Deputy Minister U Pe Than on 29 January heard the reports on progress in construction of Thamok-Bokchan railroad section presented by Project Engineer U Lwan Thu at the briefing hall of Dawei-Myeik railroad construction project in Bokchan Village of Myeik Township.

The commander and the minister inspected construction of No. 13 bridge near Bokchan Village, the site for construction of Palaw Station near Ward 5 of Palaw and the place for building Palaw Creek Bridge.

On 30 January, the minister viewed the site for construction of Thayetchaung Station near Hsinbyupyin Village of Thayetchaung Township and building of Thayet-hnakhwa Creek Bridge near Thayet-hnakhwa Village, construction of Shwegu Creek Bridge near Shwegu Village of Dawei Township and the earthwork for Dawei-Myeik Motor Road near Kanaingda Village of Dawei Township.

Yesterday, the minister and the deputy minister inspected the junction for Dawei-Myeik motor road, progress of Dawei-Myeik railroad project near Kyetsabyin Ward, construction of bridge, earthwork and railway station on Dawei-Thayetchaung section and construction of Pauktaing Creek Bridge near Kanaingda Village of Dawei Township.—MNA



Commander Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min inspect the site for construction of Palaw Station.—MR

Air Bagan Myanmar Masters 2010 golf tourney winds up with prize presentation ceremony

YANGON, 1 Feb—The Air Bagan Myanmar Masters 2010 golf tourney continued for the final day at Punhlaing Golf Club yesterday morning.

The final round ended with the prize presentation ceremony.

Vice-President of MPGA U Min Thein presented a medal to Soe Moe Win who stood first at amateur level and Vice-President of MPGA U Zaw Min presented medals to Gabriel Ganizares (Spain), Lucas Lee (Brazil), Akhmal

Tarmizee (Malaysia) and Hsu Chia Jen (China Taipei) who shared the third place, IBTC Executive Director U Tint Oo presented a medal to Aung Win (Myanmar) who stood second.

Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye

Myint presented the championship medal to Gavin Flint who stood first, Chairman of Air Bagan, MGF and MPGA U Teza presented US\$ 15,000 to Gavin Flint (Australia).

MNA



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A man scavenges for documents from the destroyed Ministry of Commerce building in downtown Port-au-Prince on 30 Jan, 2010. Aid groups and education officials estimate that 1.8 million children and 5,000 to 8,000 schools were affected by the quake.— INTERNET

Five dead, scores injured in Mogadishu shelling duel

MOGADISHU, 1 Feb — Shelling in the Somali capital Mogadishu on Sunday left at least five people dead and more than 50 others wounded as Islamist rebels and Somali government forces backed by African Union peacekeepers pounded each others positions, emergency sources and residents said.

The latest fighting is part of an ongoing battle for control of the Somali capital Mogadishu which is divided between the warring sides.

Shelling which hit mainly residential areas in the insurgent-held Heliwaa district in the northwest of Mogadishu killed at least five civilians, according to residents and local media.

“So far we have taken to hospitals

51 wounded people and we think that the figure may raise because the ambulances are still picking injured people from far neighbourhoods in the city,” Ali Muse, head of a local emergency service told *Xinhua*.

The latest flare up of fighting comes after weeks of war of words between the Somali government which vowed it will “mob up” insurgents from the Horn of African country during the year while the Islamist insurgents pledged to “finish off” government control from the capital.

Meanwhile, African Union peacekeeping forces in Mogadishu on Sunday presented to the media a young man who they said was captured as he fought alongside Islamist rebels of Al Shabaab.—*Xinhua*

Female suicide bomber hits Iraq pilgrims, kills 54

BAGHDAD, 1 Feb — A female suicide bomber mingling among Shiite pilgrims in Baghdad detonated an explosives belt Monday, killing at least 54 people, officials said.

The bombing was the first major strike this year against pilgrims making their way to the southern city of Karbala to mark a Shiite holy day. It came as a security official warned of a possible increase in attacks by insurgents using new tactics to bypass bomb-detection methods.

The bombing raises fears of an escalation of attacks as hundreds of thousands of Shiites head by Friday to Karbala to mark the end of 40 days of mourning following the anniversary of the death Imam Hussein, a revered Shiite figure.

The bomber hid the

explosives underneath an abaya — a black cloak worn from head to toe by women — as she joined a group of pilgrims on the outskirts of Baghdad’s Shiite-dominated neighborhood of Shaab, said Maj. Gen. Qassim al-Moussawi, Baghdad’s top military spokesman.

The bomber set off the blast as she lined up

with other women to be searched by female security guards at a security checkpoint just inside a rest tent, al-Moussawi said.

A police official said 54 people, including 18 women and 12 children, were killed and 117 were wounded. A hospital official confirmed the casualties.—*Internet*

Two suicide bombers attack police, wound constable in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 1 Feb — Two suicide bombers infiltrated Zabul’s provincial capital Qalat in south Afghanistan on Monday morning and wounded one police constable while one attacker was killed, Deputy to Provincial Police Chief Ghulam Jilani Khan Farahi said.

“Two suicide bombers were attempting to enter police headquarters this morning but police identified and opened fire killing one and forced the other to flee,” Farahi told *Xinhua*.

One police constable was injured during the fire exchange, he added.

He also added that a search operation for spotting the remaining suicide bomber is continuing.—*Xinhua*

Eight fishermen missing as boat sinks in W Philippines

MANILA, 1 Feb — Eight fishermen were reported missing while two of their colleagues were rescued after their fishing boat sank on Sunday off Bataan Province in western Philippines, Philippine Coast Guard said on Monday.

The boat sank off Mariveles town in Bataan, when big waves turned the fishing boat over and led to its eventual sinking, Radio dzBB quoted Coast Guard spokesman Commander Armand Balilo as saying.

Two persons, Diosdado Masungab and Gerardo Aresgado, were rescued by a passing boat. Eight others went missing. Authorities are searching for the missing fishermen.—*Xinhua*



Mohammed Haider, 2, is held by his mother at a hospital after he was wounded in a suicide attack in Baghdad, Iraq, Monday, Feb. 1, 2010. A female suicide bomber walking among Shiite pilgrims in Baghdad detonated an explosives belt on Monday, killing at least scores and wounding more than 100, officials said.

INTERNET

13 killed in Mexican high school party

MEXICO CITY, 1 Feb — Thirteen people were killed and 17 others wounded on Sunday as gunmen stormed a high school party in Ciudad Juarez, a Mexican town bordering the United States.

Chihuahua’s Prosecutor’s Office said in a state-

ment that the attack occurred about 01:30 am local time (0730 GMT) on Sunday, inside a house in Ciudad Juarez, 1,800 km north of Mexico City.

The office also said that there were some 60 people at the party, mostly adolescent students.

Some 20 armed men

entered the house and shot at them before escaping the crime scene in seven vehicles.

The injured were taken to nearby hospitals.

Doctors treating the injured said 11 people were killed on the spot and two others died at hospital due to the grave condition of their wounds.

This has been the most violent attack in Ciudad Juarez since the beginning of 2010.

The deaths were part of a weekend shoot-to-kill spree in which 24 people were killed in violence related to turf battles between drug cartels in the country.—*Xinhua*

A man covers blood stains on the street in Ciudad Juarez on 31 Jan, 2010.

XINHUA

AU kicks off 14th summit with theme on ICT development

ADDIS ABABA, 1 Feb—The African Union (AU) kicked off its 14th summit here on Sunday in the Ethiopian capital to discuss development of the continent's Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), among other issues of major concern.

During the three-day summit, heads of state and government from more than 50 AU member states are expected to exchange views on challenges and prospects for the development of Africa's ICT sector, a crucial part of Africa's infrastructure development.

The leaders will also discuss issues of major concern in the continent, including regional conflicts, Africa's political and economic integration, climate change and Africa's stance on UN reforms, among others.

A series of reports will be considered at the summit, including reports on the African Year of Peace and Security, unconstitutional changes of govern-

ment, the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD), as well as the implementation of previous decisions of the Executive Council and the Assembly.

The summit started with observing silence for the victims of the Ethiopian Airlines plane crash which occurred last Monday, killing at least 90 people on board.

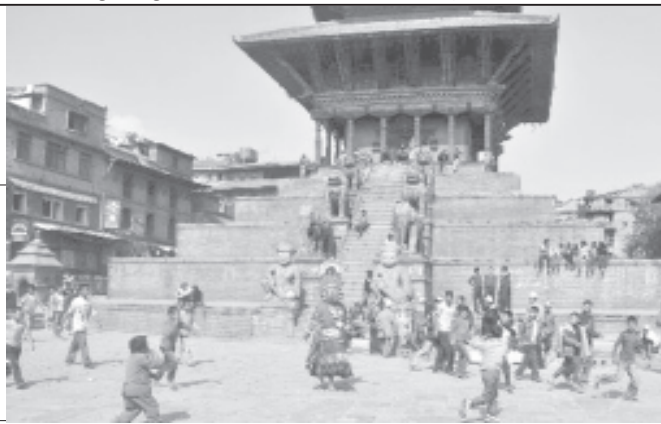
Xinhua



The 14th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union opens in Addis Ababa, capital of Ethiopia, on 31 Jan, 2010.—XINHUA

Children play games in front of the Nyatapola Temple in Bhaktapur, Nepal, on 31 Jan, 2010.

XINHUA



Russia, Venezuela step up oil cooperation

Moscow, 1 Feb—High-ranking officials from Russia and Venezuela on Sunday discussed oil cooperation and export of Russian cars to the Latin American country, *Russian news agency* reported.

Russian Deputy Premier Igor Sechin and Venezuelan Oil and Energy Minister Rafael Ramirez held talks in Moscow over the operation of the Russian National Oil Consortium in Venezuela, the reports said.

They also agreed on the delivery of Russian vehicles to Venezuela and touched upon financial cooperation.

Under an energy deal clinched during Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez's visit to Moscow in September 2009, Venezuela's state oil company, PDVSA, and a consortium of major Russian producers are to establish a joint venture to develop the Junin-6 field in Venezuela's Orinoco crude belt, which has estimated reserves of 235 billion barrels of heavy oil.—Xinhua

Chinese market significant for Nepal's tourist industry

KATHMANDU, 1 Feb—From the tourism perspective, Chinese market has turned more important than before for Nepal, said Kashi Raj Bhandari, Director of Research, Planning and Monitoring desk at Nepal Tourism Board (NTB).

The Chinese outbound tourist arrivals are surging up in Nepal in recent years, said Bhandari in an exclusive interview with *Xinhua*.

"In context of China, NTB began its work from zero and the consequence is that at present China has become second largest tourist market for Nepal after India," he said.—Xinhua

New Zealand begins negotiations for free trade deal with India

WELLINGTON, 1 Feb—New Zealand and India have begun negotiations for a free trade agreement, New Zealand Trade Minister Tim Groser said in Switzerland.

Groser met India's Commerce Minister Sri Anana Sharma in Switzerland, they were there for a World Trade Organization trade ministers meeting, New Zealand Herald reported on Monday.

Groser said the agree-

ment would put New Zealand in a prime place to benefit from India's economic growth.

Although negotiations with India have been expected for some time, India did not formally agree until last week.

Groser said a deal held "great promise" for New Zealand businesses and negotiators would target the high barriers to trade. India had a population of more than 1 billion and was expected to be the

third-largest economy in the world by 2025.

He said that despite barriers, India was one of New Zealand's fastest-growing markets and exports had tripled in the past decade. The New Zealand cabinet approved talks last March after the previous government began the process of studies to analyse the benefits of a deal. However, India's cabinet committee only gave approval last week.

Xinhua

Workers are seen in a factory manufacturing handsets at a semi-hightech factory in Shenzhen, southern China's Guangdong Province. The country's manufacturing activity expanded at the fastest pace on record in January on strong growth in new orders, as improved economic conditions encouraged spending, a survey showed on Monday.

INTERNET



S Korea to expand investment in original tech R&D

SEOUL, 1 Feb—South Korea is expected to invest 1.6 trillion won (1.37 billion US dollars) in research and development (R&D) to beef up its original technology and clean energy sector in 2010, the government said on Monday.

According to the Ministry of Knowledge Economy, it seeks to pour the planned fund into the original tech-

nology sector, including automobile, information technology (IT), robot, and material industries. Automobiles will get 98.14 billion won (83.9 million US dollars) in support, with industrial materials and robotics to get 84.43 billion won (72.2 million US dollars) and 56.97 billion won (48.7 million US dollars), respectively.

Of the total invest-

ment, the government will take the responsibility of 1.22 trillion won (1.04 billion US dollars), while the remaining portion will be funded by the private sector. The amount is a gain of 10.2 percent from 1.43 trillion won (1.22 billion US dollars) allocated to original technology development in 2009, the ministry said.

Xinhua



Liu Yunshan (2nd R, front), Head of the Publicity Department of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, inspects the Shanghai World Expo Park in east China's Shanghai Municipality, on 30 Jan, 2010.—XINHUA

China's publicity chief urges convenient services, open stance to reporters covering World Expo

BEIJING, 1 Feb—A senior official of the Communist Party of China (CPC) on Sunday called on organizers of the Shanghai World Expo to provide convenient services to all Chinese and foreign reporters with a more open stance, in order to let the world know better about China and the international event.

"The 2010 Expo is also a grant gathering of world media," said Liu Yunshan, head of the Publicity Department of the CPC Central Committee.

"Organizers should do well the media service job with a more open stance, welcome reporters with open arms, make considerate arrangements, provide

various news resources in a timely manner and offer convenient and professional services to Chinese and foreign reporters covering the event," Liu said when inspecting the Expo's publicity work in Shanghai.

The 2010 World Expo will be held from 1 May to 31 Oct this year, and is expected to attract a record 70 million visitors as well as 30,000 reporters from home and abroad.

So far, close to 9,000 reporters have applied to cover the event, according to Yang Zhenwu, publicity chief of the CPC Shanghai municipal committee.

Xinhua

UN chief pledges full support for peace, security in Africa

ADDIS ABABA, 1 Feb—UN Secretary General Ban ki-moon pledged here on Sunday that the world body fully supports the peace and security in the African continent. Addressing the opening ceremony of the 14th summit of the African Union, Ban ki-moon said that the United Nations is proud to back the African Union as it fulfills its potential as a strategic and operational partner.

The African continent faces a number of critical elections, and of the 13 nations that have elections scheduled in the coming two years, six are in countries with UN peacekeeping or peace-building operations, the UN chief said.

Xinhua

Chinese workers load emergency aid materials onto transport planes at Zhengding International Airport in Shijiazhuang, capital of north China's Hebei Province, on 31 Jan, 2010. Three military transport planes carrying some emergency aid materials flew to Mongolia on Sunday. The emergency aid materials provided by the Chinese government include portable generators, quilts as well as rice. —XINHUA



Northern Sri Lanka reawakening after 30 years' war

JAFFNA, 1 Feb—As the 30-year-long civil war between Sri Lanka's government troops and Tamil tiger rebels ended in May 2009, the war affected northern Jaffna peninsula, the economic and cultural capital for the island's minority Tamils is reawakening after the endless suffering.

According to Jaffna District Secretary and Government Agent K Ganesh, there are hundreds of development projects launched by the government to enhance the livelihood in the district, about 390 km north of the capital Colombo.

Agriculture is the major livelihood of the 550,000 people living in the peninsula with paddy, vegetables, fruit as its main crops.—Xinhua

Lu Laofa (R), a 40-year-old migrant worker from southwest China's Guizhou Province, and his children make a free phone call with their relatives at the railway station of Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 31 Jan, 2010. The railway station provides free phone call service for migrant workers during the Spring Festival travel peak. —XINHUA



Spanish PM calls for stepped-up efforts against piracy, terrorism

MADRID, 1 Feb—Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero on Sunday called for intensified international efforts against piracy and terrorism. Zapatero, whose country holds the rotating presidency of the European Union, made the appeal while speaking at a summit meeting of the African Union (AU) in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as a guest of honour, Spanish media reported.

Zapatero said that kidnappings, human trafficking, drug smuggling, piracy and terrorism demand a strong and preventive response, as well as the commitment of the international community. "The proper response is a strong response from the international community, led by the UN," he said.—Xinhua

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African Union Commission chief says continent situation in "strong contrast"

ADDIS ABABA, 1 Feb—The African Union (AU) Commission chief, Jean Ping, stressed the "strong contrast" in the political and economic situation at the opening session of the 14th AU summit on Sunday in Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia.

He hailed the political stability and economic progress in certain regions of the continent, while deploring the setbacks on democratic governance, the resurgence of military coup and the economic collapse in some countries. The AU chief said "notable advances" have been made in Kenya and Zimbabwe, where political parties have formed a government of national unity to end the political crisis.

Progress has been made in the process to seek peace in Sudan's Darfour region, he said, adding peace efforts are gaining a new momentum in Somalia with the establishment of the government under President Sharif Ahmed. By contrast, some other countries in the continent have witnessed "timid evolution" and "impasse," with "persistent difficulties" with the agreements concluded by parties concerned "blocking the perspectives of peace," according to the AU chief. In Madagascar, he said, the negotiations on power sharing between the four political camps have hit an impasse over the implementation of the Maputo Accord and the Additional Act reached in Addis Ababa.—Xinhua



Competitors participate in a bodybuilding competition in Lima on 30 Jan, 2010.— INTERNET

Food distribution runs more smoothly in Haiti, US to resume medical evacuation flights

PORT-AU-PRINCE, 1 Feb — Food distribution in Haiti has become more orderly as the World Food Programme (WFP) has handed out women-only coupons to ensure that women are not bypassed in the struggle for food. The WFP coupons, which entitle each family to 25 kg of rice, can be used by women at 16 locations in the capital starting on Sunday.

Aid group Catholic Relief Services said it handed out more than 1,500 bags of rice without incident from the back of trucks to women who held

numbered coupons given by relief workers across sprawling camps.

Both local people and aid workers welcome the new measure and the order it imposes, saying discipline is crucial for food to trickle down to everybody. Before this, food handouts often led to chaos as hungry crowds violently opposed the control of aid workers, forcing armed escorts to fire warning shots and use tear gas in some cases.

While the earthquake victims may be guaranteed equal access to food,

UN officials worried that the total volume of food available is still far from enough to feed the about 2 million people in need.

For those critically injured and waiting to be airlifted to the United States for further treatment, there was cause for hope again over the weekend as the US government decided on Sunday to resume medical evacuation with military planes. Medical evacuation had been suspended about five days because of a dispute over who should pay for the medical costs.

Xinhua

Samsung Electronics develops world's most advanced DRAM chip

SEOUL, 1 Feb — Samsung Electronics Co, the world's largest maker of memory chips and flat screen TVs, announced on Monday that it has developed the world's most advanced dynamic random access memory (DRAM) chip with 30-

nanometre technology.

The company said the 30-nanometre process technology, when applied to DDR3 mass production, could raise productivity by 60 percent over 40-nanometre DRAM chips, while it reduces power consumption by up to 30 percent over 50-nanometre class DRAM chips.

"Our 30nm-class proc-

ess technology will provide the most advanced low-power DDR3 available today and therein the most efficient DRAM solutions anywhere for the introduction of consumer electronics devices and server systems," Cho Soo-in, president of the memory division at Samsung Electronics said in a Press release.

Xinhua

World Leprosy Day observed in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 1 Feb — Nepal observed the 57th World Leprosy Day throughout the country organizing various programmes on Sunday.

World Leprosy Day is marked each year in Nepal to raise awareness of the disease which is estimated to affect more than two thousand people in the country.

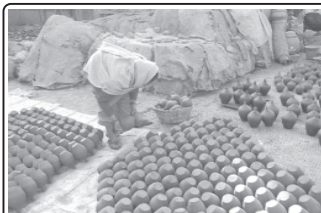
Inaugurating the assembly organized by the Leprosy Control Division of Health Service Department in the capital Kathmandu, State Minister for Health and Population Khadk Bahadur Basyal said he is confident about that the disease could be fully eradicated if people's deep-rooted social concepts were changed, adding that the government was working for making leprosy-free society.—Xinhua

Yemen thwarts attempt to bomb oil pipeline

SANAA, 1 Feb — Yemeni Interior Ministry said on Sunday its security agencies foiled an attempt to bomb an oil pipeline southeast of capital Sanaa.

According to a report released by the ministry, a police patrol exchanged fire with a 42-years old man while he was attempting to booby-trap an oil pipeline in Jihana district, some 30 km southeast to capital Sanaa. The statement which identified the man as A S al-Maiety said his right hand was wounded during the clash with the police before managing to flee the scene.

Security authorities said they believe the suicide bomber escaped to an area called Sour al-Lakama in Jihana district, where he lives, to receive treatment, adding that "he may then headed to unknown destination, or he is likely to rush to a hospital in the capital Sanaa."—Xinhua



A woman collects pottery jars in Bhaktapur, Nepal, on 16 Dec, 2009.

Located about 20 km east of Kathmandu Valley, Bhaktapur is known as the "City of Devotees", the "City of Culture", the "Living Heritage", and "Nepal's Cultural Gem". Bhaktapur is filled with monuments, palaces and temples with elaborate carvings and gilded roofs, and is dotted with pagodas and religious shrines.

Red panda cubs to show at Australian zoo

Twin red panda cubs born seven weeks ago at the Melbourne Zoo spent on Monday out of captivity to receive injections from the veterinarian.

Born on 10 December, the male and female, who are yet to be named, emerged from their breeding box for their first vaccinations against cat flu and feline enteritis.

An endangered species, the twins are the first offspring of mother Roshani and father Sathi who arrived at the zoo in 2009 as part of a regional breeding programmes.

Carnivore keeper Meagan Thomas told the Australian Associated Press the cubs should be moving around the public enclosure soon.

"Their eyes are open, so hopefully

within the next month to six weeks they should definitely be out in the exhibit," she said.

Sporting red coats, black tails, cheeky faces and a penchant for bamboo, Thomas said the red pandas are a major drawcard. "You see them hanging up in the top of the trees, just dangling their legs down when it's hot, and curled up in a ball when it's cold, so they're very cute.

It is estimated there are only about 20,000 red pandas living in temperate forest areas in Nepal and western China, while 800 live in zoos around the world.



A snowman with a height of 8.1 meters is built by locals to celebrate the ongoing Snowman Festival in the resort Straja in Jiu Valley, central west Romania, on 31 Jan, 2010.

Thousands brave frigid water for charity

Nearly 15,000 people jumped into Chesapeake Bay's frigid waters in order to help raise money for the Maryland Special Olympics, organizers say.

Organizers of the 14th annual Polar Bear Plunge said while the second series of scheduled dips into the bay was canceled on Saturday on doctor's orders, thousands still took part in the first plunge despite the air temperature sitting around 23 degrees, The Baltimore Sun reported on Sunday.

Among those taking part were Baltimore Ravens quarterback Joe Flacco and offensive tackle Adam Terry.

"Last year I came and it wasn't as cold as this year," Flacco said of his frigid dip into the bay. "My head was hurting instantly. It definitely took my breath away."



Pop legend Michael Jackson is depicted on a float during a carnival parade in Viareggio, northern Italy, on 31 January, 2010.

New Zealand Bike Wise Month starts

Monday is the beginning of the annual celebration of two-wheeled transport: Bike Wise Month, highlighting the health and environmental benefits of cycling and getting as many New Zealanders as possible onto their bikes.

New Zealand Transport Agency spokesman Andy Knackstedt said people needed to stop using their cars when they could be riding bikes, New Zealand Press Association reported on

Monday.

He said a third of all vehicle trips in New Zealand are under five kilometres and that is quite an easy distance to ride a bike.

"The message this month is to give it a go and who knows, you might just like it."

Seventy percent of New Zealand families with children have one or more bicycles at home. Cycling is a fun, healthy and environmentally-friendly form of transport that people of all ages and abilities can enjoy.

NEWS ALBUM



Citizens choose lanterns in Tianjin, municipality of north China, on 31 Jan, 2010, for the upcoming Spring Festival which falls on 14 Feb this year, the year of tiger.—XINHUA

Over 30 New Zealanders cut off by flooding

WELLINGTON, 1 Feb—More than 30 people remained cut off on Sunday night by flooding northwest of Gisborne, the biggest city of New Zealand's Eastland.

The Gisborne District Council said rising floodwaters and a log jam caused a bridge to buckle inland from Te Karaka, leaving no access in or out for some residents, *Radio New Zealand* reported.

Fifteen people stranded in their vehicles by flooding on State Highway 2 near Te Karaka had to be rescued by helicopter on Sunday afternoon.

Council emergency management officer Richard Steele said more than 280 millimeters of rain fell in some areas between 7:00 am on Saturday and 7:00 pm on Sunday.

Gisborne civil defence is on alert for flooding following heavy rain which has pushed up river levels in the district.

Six residents in the settlement of Mangatuna were evacuated on Sunday in case of flooding, after the Uawa River rose past 11 metres.

A MetService severe weather warning issued at 8:15 pm on Sunday forecast

further heavy rain on Sunday night and Monday morning for Hawke's Bay, Gisborne, western Bay of Plenty and Coromandel Peninsula.—Xinhua

Photo taken on 31 Jan, 2010 shows a car vitally squeezed by two coaches at the accident site on a section of the expressway from Chengdu to Leshan in southwest China's Sichuan Province. —XINHUA



Dental school changes prescription policy

DENVER, 1 Feb—A Colorado dental school has stopped letting unlicensed student dentists obtain sedatives and write prescriptions for narcotics, *The Denver Post* reported.

The University of Colorado dental school also ended a policy under which dentists without an active Colorado license were allowed to treat patients alongside students, the *Post* said.

An investigation by the newspaper found students had been allowed to get

the medications and write prescriptions using credentials of faculty members.

In three cases, Drug Enforcement Administration registration numbers of faculty members were used to write prescriptions and obtain sedation drugs — even though those faculty dentists were not on campus at the time, the *Post* reported. Federal law says only the doctor who has a relationship with a patient can write such prescriptions, DEA agent Jeff Sweetin said.—Internet

Tykerb approved for use with Femara

SILVER SPRINGS, 1 Feb—GlaxoSmithKline's breast cancer drug Tykerb can now be used in combination with the Novartis cancer drug Femara, the US Food and Drug Administration says.

The FDA on Friday broadened approval of Tykerb, generically known as lapatinib, in combination with Femara, or letrozole, to treat hormone positive and HER2-positive advanced breast cancer in postmenopausal women.

HER2, a protein involved in normal cell growth, is found on some types of cancer cells, including breast cancer cells. In hormone positive breast cancer, the presence of certain hormones contributes to breast cancer growth, the FDA said in a release.

Internet

Indonesia submits emission reduction target to UN

JAKARTA, 1 Feb—Indonesia officially submitted its emission reduction target to the United Nations on Sunday amid doubts over the possibility of countries to reach an ambitious deal this year, a paper said here on Monday.

The Southeast Asia's largest economy has pledged to cut its emission by 26 percent in 2020, despite it plans to boost economic growth.

President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono said last month that the country could extend the target to 41 percent in the next 10 years should any foreign assistance involve.

"Everything we promised in the report will be carried out," head of the National Council on Climate Change, Rachmat Witoelar was quoted by the *Jakarta Post* as saying.

Xinhua

An Indian workers carries a flower basket at the Horticulture Expo in Hyderabad on 27 Jan. India's central bank has shifted gear from the ultra-loose monetary policy used to help the economy rebound but it will go slow in hiking interest rates to ensure growth stays on track, analysts say.—INTERNET



Energy Minister inspects Mottama Offshore Oilfield



Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi opens production valve for test-fire of natural gas of Zawtika (9) assessing oil well at M-9 block of Mottama Offshore Oilfield.—ENERGY

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Feb—Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi, accompanied by officials, CEO Mr Anon Sirisaengtaksin of PTTEP Company of Thailand and party, inspected the test running of Zawtika (9) assessing oil well of M-9 block of Mottama Offshore Oilfield this morning.

On arrival at Actinia drilling machine, Drilling Superintendent Mr Pasook Eagark of PTTEP company and officials reported the minister on the progress in trial production of Zawtika (9) assessing well, situation of M-9 block and future programme. The minister called for doing geographical research, completing trial process on schedule and starting marketable production in the dry season of 2010.

The minister presented a basket of fruits to foreign technicians and service personnel of Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise and tested the natural gas production of Zawtika (9) assessing well by burning the gas at production valve.

Zawtika project of M-9 block is implemented cooperatively with PTTEP Company of Thailand. A total of 18 exploring and assessing wells have been drilled from 2005 till now. According to the drilled structure, the average covering amount of natural gas is 5.4 TCF. It is estimated to have at least 1.7 to 10.7 TCF of natural gas by the experts. Zawtika (9) may become next commercial project of Mottama Offshore Oilfield.—MNA

63rd Anniversary Union Day Objectives

- For all national races to uphold the national policy—non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity, and perpetuation of sovereignty
- To boost the sense of Union Spirit of the national people
- To defend and safeguard the Union with consolidated unity of all national races against dangers posed to disrupt State stability and development by internal and external subversives
- For all national races to work harder to build a modern, developed, discipline-flourishing democratic nation in line with the State Constitution approved with the great majority of the ballot
- For all national races to make concerted efforts for successful accomplishment of the seven-step Road Map

Religious titles to be conferred

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Feb—A meeting took place at the Ministry of Religious Affairs here this afternoon to organize the conferring of religious titles and offering of alms to members of the Sangha.

Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung made an opening address. Officials from the subcommittees reported on the arrangements.

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



Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung addresses the meeting on conferring of religious titles and offering of alms.

MNA

Yazudaing Bridge No. 2, a drive for...

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On arrival at the construction site of Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 at Kyaunghtauk Village of Mawlamyinegyun Township, we saw a large number of people for visiting the bridge project. The bridge will link Kyaunghtauk and Kanyinkhe Villages. On completion, the bridge will facilitate the region with better transportation.

In the near future, the local people will be able to visit various

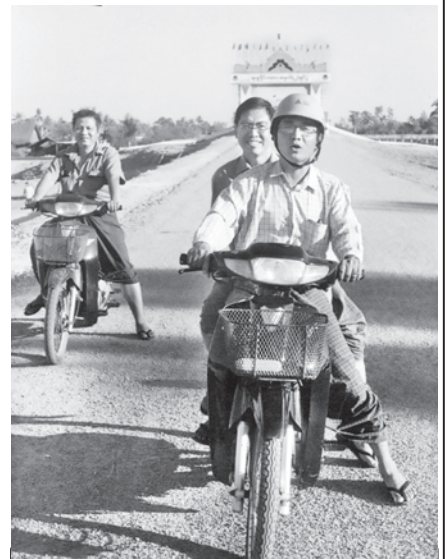


parts of the country by land crossing Yazudaing Bridges No. 1 and No 2 and transport local products to many other regions of the Union.

We firmly believe that the two Yazudaing bridges will be a driving force for enhancement of socio-economic status of the local people and development of the region.

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Kyemon: 28-1-2010

Ma Khin Lè Lè Wai,
(Student), BEHS
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Mawlamyinegyun.



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Mawlamyinegyun.

Military Attachés, family members tour Kawthoung, Myeik

YANGON, 1 Feb—An excursion tour group comprising Dean of the Military Attachés to the Union of Myanmar Col Manoj Mukund Naravane and wife of India, military attachés and their family members led by Daw Myat Ngwe, wife of Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, senior military officers and their wives, left Yangon International Airport on 29 January morning and arrived at Kawthoung at 10.15 am.

They viewed development of Kawthoung from the 555 hill viewpoint in Padauk Shwewa Ward and took photos of natural beauties of sea.

Next, they paid homage to Pyidaw-aye Pagoda of Kawthoung. At Myinzuthaka Hall, the chairman of Kawthoung District Peace and Development Council extended greetings and explained facts about

Kawthoung.

In the afternoon, they visited Bayintnaung Cape, Salon Island and Pulonetone Beach. In the evening, they were hosted dinner at Andaman Club Resort Hotel.

On 30 January, the excursion team visited Myoma Market and Shwepyisoe Ward in Kawthoung and Namkhon oyster handicraft industry at 7th-mile.

On arrival at Myeik Airport by special flight, they were welcomed by Chairman of Taninthayi Division PDC Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo, the deputy commander, officials and national races.

At Pale Yadana Hall, the secretary of the Division PDC extended greetings. In the afternoon, the group visited Seiknge Market and Laygyun Hsimee Pagoda.

In the evening, the commander and wife hosted a dinner to the excursion group members.

Yesterday morning, they visited 400-ton cold storage of Ahsaungkaung Co Ltd and Daungkumaw soft crab breeding farm of Kaung Kaung Livestock Breeding Co Ltd in Inlaymyaing Industrial Zone of Myeik.

After paying homage to Atulayanthi Shwethalyaung reclining Buddha image on Pahtet Hill, opposite to Myeik, 1000-ton cold storage of Pyae Phyo Tun International Co Ltd on Pahtet Island and the natural birds' house on the strand road.

In the afternoon, the excursion group left Myeik. They were seen off at the airport by the commander, wife and officials. They arrived back at Yangon International Airport in the evening.—MNA



Daw Myat Ngwe, wife of Lt-Gen Ye Myint, and party, Dean of the Military Attachés to Myanmar Col Manoj Mukund Naravane and wife of India, military attachés and their family members pose for documentary photo at Bayintnaung Cape in Kawthoung.—MNA

Waingmaw on track for greater development

Byline: Tin Htwe (MNA); Photos: Maung Pyone Myint (Balu)

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in the north; Momauk Township in the south; and Myitkyina Township and the Ayeyawady River in the west. Two-thirds of the area of Waingmaw Township are covered by mountain

ranges, and the plains are in riverside areas.

Waingmaw Township has an area of 1883.17 square miles, and is formed with 10 wards, 39 village-tracts and 171 villages with a population of more than 123,700. It is



**U Zaw Min Oo,
Chairman of
Waingmaw Township
Peace and Development
Council.**

home to various national races including Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Mon, Bamar, Rakhine and Shan.

It has tropical climate pattern. It utilizes 895,946 acres with a sown acreage of 98,562; 275 acres of gardens, and 276,793 acres of protected public

forests. Mostly, it grows monsoon and summer paddy, sunflower, sesame, groundnut, beans and pulses, seasonal crops and rubber, and raises chicken, duck, pig, cattle, fish and prawn.

In the township are two basic education high schools, three affiliated high schools, two middle schools, three affiliated middle schools, 71 primary schools, 19 post-primary schools, and four

branch primary schools.

As regards the health sector, the township has a 25-bed general hospital, a station hospital, a maternal and child health care centre, 23 rural health branches, four rural health care centres, and five border area dispensaries.

Thanks to Bala Min Htin Bridge, the region has enjoyed smooth transport, thereby improving the quality of life of local people and further cementing the friendly relations of local people of the two townships.

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In the triangle-shaped traffic island is a statue depicting "unity is strength".



Two female workers carrying cabbages.



An H-450 Hermes UAV is assembled by the Singapore Armed Forces on 1 Feb, 2010, in Singapore, a day before the start of the Singapore Airshow 2010, Asia's largest aerospace and defence exhibition.— INTERNET

Study weighs benefits of transplants for leukemia

LONDON, 1 Feb—Leukemia patients who have blood stem cell transplants survive just as long on average as those who undergo the more invasive procedure of having a bone marrow transplant, scientists said on Monday. But patients with acute forms the blood cancer appear to do better if they have bone marrow as opposed to blood stem cell transplants, the scientists said, suggesting that for some the benefit of the complex treatment is greater in the long run.

Bone marrow transplants involve the collection of stem cells from the bone marrow — a complicated procedure in which the patient must have a general anesthetic and surgery. In peripheral blood stem cell transplantation (PBSCT), stem cells are collected from blood, avoiding some of the complications of bone marrow collection.

Internet



Workers are seen at a construction site in Seoul, South Korea, on 1 Feb, 2010. South Korea's exports surged in January, posting their biggest gain in more than two decades as shipments of auto parts, semiconductors and consumer electronics rose amid the global economic recovery.— INTERNET

Diet changes improve older adults' cholesterol too

NEW YORK, 1 Feb—Older adults can cut their cholesterol levels by re-vamping their dietary fat intake — even if they are already on cholesterol-lowering statins, a new study finds. Conventional wisdom holds that people

should follow a healthy diet and get regular exercise to help control their cholesterol and triglycerides, another type of harmful blood fat. But there has actually been little research into how well older adults' cholesterol and

triglyceride levels respond to diet changes.

In the new study, researchers looked at the effects of dietary-fat changes among 900 Australian adults age 49 and older who were followed for 10 years. At the outset, 5 percent were taking a cholesterol-lowering medication, usually a statin; a decade later, one-quarter were using drugs to control their cholesterol. Overall, the study found, people who managed to cut down on butter, and saturated fats in general, showed subsequent dips in their total cholesterol levels — regardless of whether they were on a statin.

At the same time, "good" HDL cholesterol levels inched upward when study participants started eating more fish and omega-3 fatty acids — healthy, unsaturated fats found mainly in oily fish like salmon and mackerel.— Internet

Who's a candidate for gastric bypass surgery?

WASHINGTON, 1 Feb—Gastric bypass surgery, sometimes recommended for obese people, involves re-routing the path that food takes, including shrinking the size of the stomach. But the procedure has a number of risks, including the possibility of post-surgical infection, blood clots or developing gallstones. The US National Library of Medicine says the following people may be candidates for gastric bypass surgery:

- * People who are obese and are unable to lose enough weight by dieting and exercising.
- * People who are committed to a diet and exercise regimen.
- * People who are not mentally ill.
- * People who do not have drug or alcohol dependency problems.
- * People who have a body mass index (BMI) of 40 or higher; generally at least 100 pounds overweight.
- * People who have a BMI of 35 or greater, in addition to a serious health problem that could get better with weight loss — for instance, heart disease or type 2 diabetes.— Internet

Caffeine slows brain cancer growth

SEOUL, 1 Feb—Caffeine found in coffee and green tea could effectively slow the growth of brain cancer tumors, a group of scientists at the (South) Korea Institute of Science and Technology (KIST) said on Monday.

According to the neural science research department at KIST, led by Lee Chang-joon, animal test results showed regular caffeine found in coffee and green tea to have strongly repressed the growth of inositol

trisphosphate receptor (IP3R) closely associated with glioblastoma, which is the most common and aggressive type of primary brain tumor found in human.

The research institute said calcium plays a primary role in spreading glioblastoma tumor cells in humans, and that IP3R directly contributes to the amount of calcium released. The KIST added that they discovered a sub-type of IP3R, or IP3R3, to be very active

among brain cancer patients and that caffeine stymies the spread of such compounds, resulting in less tumor growth in the brain and blocks cancer cells from spreading to other parts of the body.

"This is the first type of discovery showing caffeine to have an inhibitive effect on the growth of glioblastoma, and thus, we expect it to have monumental impact on related studies," said Lee, who led the research team.—Xinhua

Girl's odyssey shows challenge of fighting obesity

CHICAGO, 1 Feb—Paris Woods is hardly a poster child for the obesity epidemic. Lining up dripping wet with kids on her swim team, she's a blend of girlish chunkiness and womanly curves. In street clothes — roomy pink sweats or skimpy tank tops revealing broad, brown swimmers' shoulders — the teen blends in with her friends, a fresh-faced, robust-looking All-American girl. That's the problem.

Like nearly one-third of American teens, Paris Woods is overweight. Her doctor worries her weight will creep up into the obesity range. One out of four black girls her age is obese. The more than 11 million US teens who are overweight or obese face an increased risk for diseases once confined to adults, like diabetes, artery damage and liver trouble. Those problems along with high blood pressure and high cholesterol are showing up increasingly in kids.

Paris' pediatrician urged her to take part in an intensive experiment. The goal? To see if a yearlong program of weekly sessions with a nutritionist, exercise trainer and doctor, all preaching major lifestyle changes, could keep the 14-year-old from becoming obese. It's the kind of intensive help that the influential US Preventive Services Task Force said last month can work for teens.

Through successes, setbacks and even a bout with swine flu, Paris tried sticking with it. Skipped sessions stretched the program from 12 months into 20, but she didn't quit.— Internet



Children enjoy the high speed Internet access at the world's biggest on-line electronic entertainment event called 'Campus Party', in Sao Paulo, Brazil, on 27 January.—INTERNET

US warships step up patrols amid fears of Iranian attack

WASHINGTON, 1 Feb — America is rushing to bolster the defences of Iran's Arab neighbours amid fears of the possibility of a missile strike by Tehran. The United States was reported last night to have increased patrols by its warships in the Gulf and to be rapidly escalating the deployment of Patriot anti-missile batteries in Gulf states that fear an attack from Iran.

There is particular concern over the threat to oil installations. Iran has

hinted at its capacity to disrupt the passage of tankers in the Gulf, a threat with the potential to disrupt the world oil market. News of the initiatives, which include an increase in the number of "special" naval patrol vessels off Iran's coast, comes as Washington and its Western allies have virtually given up on President Barack Obama's efforts to persuade Iran to pursue meaningful negotiation over its nuclear programme.

The decision by US officials to provide details of links with Arab allies in briefings to the 'New York Times' and 'Washington Post' indicated that the administration was set to embark on a serious effort to win another round of United Nations sanctions against Tehran. Those measures are likely to focus on travel bans, overseas banking and the Revolutionary Guards force that controls Iran's secretive weapons programme.— *Internet*



A hybrid laptop powered in part by a Qualcomm processor. The US mobile phone chipmaking giant Qualcomm has said it would set up a research and development centre in South Korea to develop new technologies.— *INTERNET*

Pakistan Taliban deny leader Hakimullah killed

PESHAWAR, 1 Feb — Pakistan's Taliban denied a report on Sunday that their leader Hakimullah Mehsud had been killed in a US drone aircraft strike. "It is a total lie," a spokesman for the group told *Reuters* by telephone from northwest Pakistan, referring to a report on Pakistani state television. Pakistan's military said earlier it was investigating the report that Hakimullah died from wounds sustained in a

drone attack and had been buried in the Orakzai tribal region in the northwest of the country.

"We're inquiring further but so far there's no confirmation," said army spokesman Major General Athar Abbas. Hakimullah's death would likely create disarray in Pakistan's al Qaeda-linked Taliban, analysts say, but it would not deal a major long-term blow to the group, which is fighting to topple the

pro-American government. State television did not give dates for the drone attack.

Pakistani intelligence officials said they had received unconfirmed reports that Hakimullah, the number one enemy of the Pakistani state, may have died of wounds after a drone strike on two vehicles carrying militants in North Waziristan on 17 January, days after surviving a similar attack.

— *Internet*

British hostages say we're being badly treated

MOGADISHU, 1 Feb — A British couple kidnapped by Somali pirates in the Indian Ocean have issued another desperate plea, saying they are being badly treated and need urgent help. Paul and Rachel Chandler, from Kent in southern England, were taken by pirates from their yacht, the *Lynn Rival*, on 23 October, just days after setting sail from the Seychelles Islands for Tanzania. The couple was

brought ashore and are being held in separate locations in central Somalia. Their captors initially demanded a ransom of \$7 million, but the British government — in line with longstanding policy — has refused to pay. In a video filmed on Thursday in Somalia by the French news agency *AFP*, Rachel Chandler begged the British government to help secure the couple's release.

"Please help us, these people are not treating us well," she said. "I'm old, I'm 56 and my husband is 60 years old. We need to be together because we have not much time left." A doctor was shown examining Paul Chandler, 60, who appeared to be in a better state than his wife. The medic found Rachel Chandler in poor mental health, calling out for her husband, *AFP* reported.

— *Internet*

Egypt arrests 26 suspected of plotting terrorism

CAIRO, 1 Feb — Egypt has arrested 26 suspects who the prosecutor said belonged to a cell of militant group and were plotting "terrorist acts" against tourists and state installations, the official news agency *MENA* reported on Sunday. The suspects, arrested in the provinces of Mansoura and Dakahiliya on the Nile Delta, had firearms, ammunition and explosives, the agency said.

"The public prosecutor ordered them placed in precautionary detention for 15 days pending investigations," *MENA* wrote, adding that the prosecutor had sent the arms and explosives for forensic investigations.

Egyptian Islamic Jihad (EIJ) emerged in the

1970s and carried out the 1981 assassination of President Anwar Sadat. Security analysts say it has been largely absorbed into al Qaeda, in which former EIJ leader Ayman al-Zawahri is deputy to Osama bin Laden.

Egypt is concerned about the possibility that al Qaeda-inspired militants could infiltrate the country after being forced out of the neighbouring Palestinian enclave of Gaza by Hamas, analysts told a conference last week.

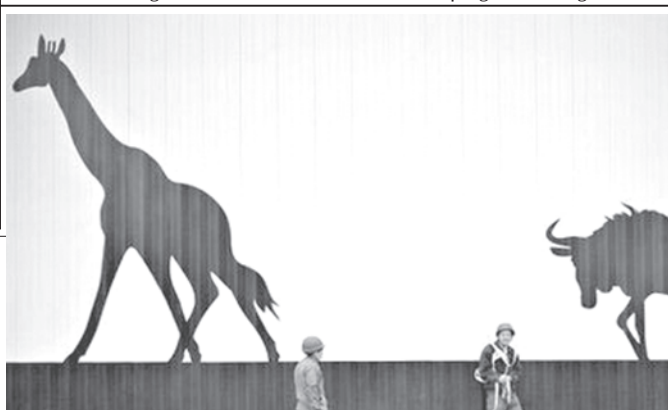
— *Internet*

Workers walk past the African pavilion at the World Expo 2010 site in Shanghai.— *INTERNET*

Last US veteran of World War I turns 109

WASHINGTON, 1 Feb — The last surviving US veteran of World War I, former Cpl Frank Buckles, turns 109 on Monday and is still hoping for a national memorial in Washington for his comrades. Buckles is expected to deliver remarks during a quiet celebration Monday afternoon at his home in Charles Town, West Virginia.

But the old "Doughboy" — as World War I American infantry troops were called — has already been outspoken in recent years, urging congressional lawmakers to give federal recognition and a facelift to a run-down District of Columbia memorial in an overgrown, wooded area along the National Mall.— *Internet*



Singapore air show offers scant sales hopes

SINGAPORE, 1 Feb — Military aircraft makers are set to dominate Asia's largest air show in Singapore this week. Few, if any, sales of planes to commercial airlines are expected during the event. But the Asia Pacific region is experiencing a return to growth that

should prove lucrative going forward.

So aircraft and equipment makers such as Boeing, EADS, Airbus, as well as Honeywell, Rolls-Royce and Lockheed Martin, are exhibiting at the show. Attendance and deal-making at the Singapore air show, which is hosted in the east of the city state near Changi airport, will indicate the state of the aerospace industry.

"We're slowly turning things around," Jimmy Lau, managing director of the Singapore Air Show, told a news conference. "Any news is good news this week, as far as I'm concerned." The organisers expect 130,000 people, including buyers and the general public, to visit the trade show.

— *Internet*

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

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

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Killer rips out woman's organs in US

NEW YORK, 1 Feb—A neighbour with a festering rejection complex was arrested for brutally butchering — and stealing organs from — a New York woman who owned an employment agency and declined to find him a job. Police said the killing was the culmination of a campaign of harassment and assault that maniac Huang Chen, 47, waged against victim Qian Wu since 2006. She took out nine orders of protection during that span, the *New York Post* reports. Chen allegedly ripped Wu's lungs and heart from her body, and the organs still have not been recovered, police said. On Tuesday, Chen allegedly followed Wu, 46, into her apartment in Flushing, Queens and allegedly stabbed her numerous times in the torso before fleeing.

A woman in Wu's building called emergency services when she saw blood seeping out of the apartment door. Meanwhile Chen, clad in blood soaked sneakers, sought medical attention at New York Hospital Queens for a gash on his right hand and leg. He claimed to have sustained the wounds while fighting off a robber during a home invasion, police said.—*Internet*

Man, acquitted in murder, charged again

BROCKTON, 1 Feb—A Boston man whose acquittal in one slaying sparked controversy has been arrested in connection with another, Massachusetts officials say. Kyle Bryant, 28, was acquitted of murder charges in the 1990 slaying of girl found to be buried alive, despite admitting he was at the scene, *The Boston Globe* reported.

Now, the newspaper said, Bryant has been charged with murder in the 5 Jan shooting death of Darnell Harrison, 25, outside a family pizza restaurant in the Lithuanian Village section of Brockton, Mass. Authorities said a second victim, Shawn Cox, 32, also of Brockton, was shot in the leg and survived. Bryant is also charged in his shooting.

Plymouth District Attorney Timothy Cruz and Brockton Police Chief William Conlon described the 5 Jan shootings as "egregious" and "heinous." "The shooter in this case is a very dangerous person. I'm glad he's off the street," Cruz told the *Globe*. "Brockton is safer without him on the street."

*Internet***Elderly Ohio couple freezes to death**

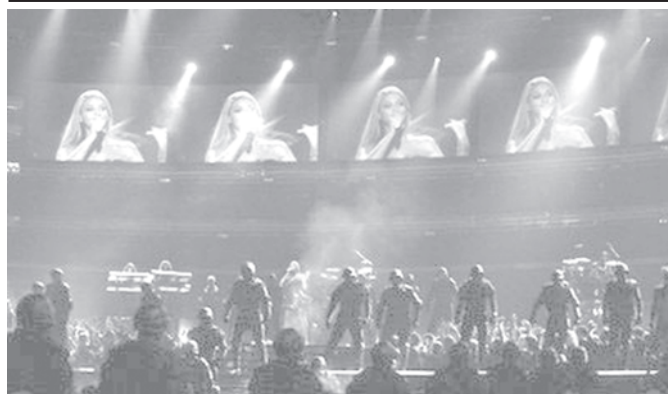
CINCINNATI, 1 Feb — An elderly Ohio couple was discovered dead outside their house after apparently having frozen to death, police said.

Melvin and Dorothy Rudd, both in their mid-70s, of Franklin, appeared to have walked outside their home on Friday evening or Saturday morning, were locked out and became disoriented, the *Cincinnati Enquirer* reported.

A relative came to the home on Saturday afternoon, found the pair on the back deck of their home and called the police. An autopsy is being conducted to determine the cause of death, officials said.—*Internet*



A man demonstrates how to use the "Automatic Wudu Washer" during its launch in Kuala Lumpur on 28 Jan, 2010.

INTERNET

Beyonce performs on stage at the 52nd Grammy Awards in Los Angeles. She dominated the early honors, scooping up five awards as the music industry's equivalent to the Oscars got under way.— INTERNET

List of winners at Grammy Awards ceremony

LOS ANGELES, 1 Jan—Following is a list of winners at Sunday night's Grammy Awards ceremony in Los Angeles:

Record Of The Year
— "Use Somebody," Kings Of Leon
Album Of The Year
— "Fearless," Taylor Swift
Song Of The Year
— "Single Ladies (Put A Ring On It)," Thaddis Harrell, Beyonce Knowles, Terius Nash & Christopher Stewart, songwriters (Beyonce)
Best New Artist

— Zac Brown Band
Best Female Pop Vocal Performance
— "Halo," Beyonce
Best Rock Album
— "21st Century Breakdown," Green Day
Best Rap/Sung Collaboration
— "Run This Town," Jay-Z, Rihanna & Kanye West
Best Country Album
— "Fearless," Taylor Swift
Best Comedy Album
— "A Colbert Christmas: The Greatest Gift Of All!," Stephen Colbert.

Xinhua

Pilots say safety device training critical

BUFFALO, 1 Feb — Pilot training in using a safety device that might have prevented a plane crash that killed 50 people near Buffalo last year still is not mandatory, pilots say.

The pilot of the Continental Connection Flight 3407 crash on 12 Feb had not been trained to use the device, called a stick

pusher, *The Buffalo News* reported on Sunday.

It causes a plane moving too slowly to head downward to pick up speed, which can be startling to a pilot who is unfamiliar with device. The Flight 3407 pilot reflexively overrode the device, and had he not done so, the flight may have been saved, federal investigators said.

Investigators said the

stick pusher was probably not the only problem. The crew, which may have been fatigued, let the plane get too slow and mishandled the positioning of the plane's flaps, the investigators said.

Capt Rory Kay, executive safety chairman for the Air Line Pilots Association, said pilots need training in using the stick pusher.

Internet



Workers set up an exhibition booth on 31 Jan, 2010 in Singapore, just days before the start of the Singapore Airshow 2010, Asia's largest aerospace and defence exhibition.— INTERNET

Blind applicant allowed bar test help

SAN FRANCISCO, 1 Feb— A federal judge says a blind student can use computer-assisted reading devices in California's bar exam, in a ruling that rejected examiners' arguments.

US District Judge Charles Breyer ordered the National Conference of Bar Examiners to accommodate Stephanie Enyart when she takes the February test, the *San Francisco Chronicle* reported on Sunday.

Enyart, 32, a UCLA Law School graduate, took tests at the school on her laptop, which magnified the text of questions and read them aloud into earbuds.

The examiners had argued such assistance would give too much of an edge to Enyart and that putting the questions on computer disks could lead to theft.

Internet



Workers are seen at a construction site downtown Beijing, on 1 Feb, 2010. China shook off the global crisis as growth surged to 10.7 percent in the final quarter of 2009 but inflation picked up, adding to pressure on Beijing to cool rising prices without disrupting the recovery.— INTERNET

A/H1N1 flu death toll reaches 258 in Egypt

CAIRO, 1 Feb— Egypt on Sunday registered one more death case of influenza A/H1N1, bringing the nationwide death toll to 258, said the Health Ministry in a statement.

The death case is a 53-year-old man from Assiut governorate, according to the statement, which gave

no more details.

Up till now, Egypt has reported more than 15,800 cases of the novel flu, according to the Health Ministry.

Egypt confirmed its first influenza A/H1N1 death case on 19 July last year.

The victim was a 28-

year-old Egyptian woman coming back from Saudi Arabia after making Umrah (pilgrimage to Mecca at any time of the year).

Xinhua

Man charged with abusing Haitian boys faces more counts

PORT-AU-PRINCE, 1 Feb — An American accused of sexually abusing boys he was supposed to help in Haiti now faces additional charges, federal court records show. Douglas Perlitz, 39, was arrested in September after a federal grand jury indicted him on 10 counts related to the abuse of nine boys over a period of 10 years. Last week, a superseding indictment brought an additional nine counts against Perlitz, and alleges he abused a total

of 18 boys.

Perlitz founded and operated a home and school for needy children in Haiti, known as Project Pierre Toussaint, which has since closed. He is accused of enticing the boys with promises of food and shelter and with gifts such as cell phones and cash, in exchange for sexual acts.

According to the new indictment in federal district court in Connecticut, Perlitz provided money and told one of the boys

that he would not be kicked out of the school even if he failed his classes.

He allegedly offered another boy and his family money and other benefits, and in another case, gave a television, shoes, clothes and meals to another boy, all in exchange for sexual acts and their silence.

Those who did not cooperate with Perlitz were denied benefits, the indictment states.

Internet



Project Pierre Toussaint operated on this street in Cap-Haitien, Haiti.

INTERNET

SPORTS

Federer maintains reign with commanding win

MELBOURNE, 1 Feb—Roger Federer showed he has no intention of relinquishing his iron grip at the top of men's tennis,



Roger Federer has said he produced one of his finest performances to repulse the challenge of Andy Murray and win his fourth Australian Open and 16th Grand Slam title. Federer won the championship 6-3, 6-4, 7-6.—INTERNET

winning his fourth Australian Open, 16th Grand Slam and securing the top ranking for a 268th week.

The Swiss all-time great was the man for the occasion, repulsing Andy Murray's bid for British tennis history in a commanding 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (13/11) triumph over the Scottish fifth seed in the final.

His victory ensures that the 28-year-old kicks off the new season firmly ensconced at the top after winning Wimbledon and the French Open last year.

"I'm on an incredible trip and I'll see where it ends," said Federer.

"I'm being pushed along by the new generation and they have made me a better player."

Internet

Crane shoots final-round 70 to win at Torrey Pines

SAN DIEGO, 1 Feb—Ben Crane is back in the news for all the right reasons.

Crane's quiet offseason took a strange turn in December when a gossip magazine quoted him as saying that Tiger Woods was a "phony and fake," even though Crane had never spoken to Life & Style and had not given any interviews in months.

He handled that situation with the same even hand he displayed Sunday at Torrey Pines, where Crane overcame a two-shot deficit and hung on for a 2-under 70 and a one-shot victory in the Farmers Insurance Open.

Internet



Ben Crane tees off on the fifth hole, which he birdied, during the final round of the Farmers Insurance Open golf tournament at Torrey Pines Golf Course on 31 Jan, 2010 in San Diego.—INTERNET



Manchester United's Scottish midfielder Darren Fletcher (L) vies with Arsenal's Spanish midfielder Cesc Fabregas (R) during their English Premier League football match against Arsenal at the Emirates in London. United won 3-1.—INTERNET



Emmanuel Adebayor (left) has signalled his return to the Manchester City starting line-up with the opening goal as City defeated crisis club Portsmouth 2-0 at Eastlands. INTERNET

Mancini pleased as grief-stricken Adebayor scores

MANCHESTER, 1 Feb—Manchester City manager Roberto Mancini was pleased with his side's 2-0 win over Portsmouth at Eastlands on Sunday but admitted his side had been distinctly under-par in what was a poor encounter.

First-half goals from

Emmanuel Adebayor and Vincent Kompany secured the three points for City but there was precious little else to cheer about in a match that never really got off the ground.

Adebayor had not started for his club since returning home early from the African Cup of Nations last month following the terrifying gun assault on the Togo team bus in Cabinda that left two backroom staff dead.

Internet

Leverkusen blitz Freiburg to reclaim league lead

BERLIN, 1 Feb—Leverkusen on Sunday took over from Bayern Munich as Bundesliga leaders for the second week running after blitzing Freiburg with three goals in four minutes on their way to a 3-1 win.

Leverkusen remain the only side unbeaten in the Bundesliga this season and stunned Freiburg with first-half goals by German striker Steffen Kiessling, Swiss forward Eren Derdiyok and ex-Liverpool defender Sammi Hyypia.

Internet



Lyon grab lifeline to beat 10-man PSG

PARIS, 1 Feb—Lyon fought back from a goal down to beat 10-man Paris Saint-Germain 2-1 at the Stade Gerland on Sunday and move up to fourth in the table, breathing new life into their flagging campaign.

The seven-time champions were looking for a positive response after being knocked out of both domestic cup competitions earlier in the week but they fell behind to an early goal from Mevlut Erding. The hosts struggled to establish any kind of foothold in the match but in the 60th minute the game changed when PSG centre-back Mamadou Sakho was shown a straight red card for a last-man foul on Bafetimbi Gomis.

Gomis brought Lyon level by lashing home a rebound following a corner

in the 77th minute and three minutes later Cris rose above the Paris defence to send a looping header over Apoula Edel that completed the turnaround.

Lyon climb above Monaco and Auxerre to fourth, a point behind third-place Lille and nine behind leaders Bordeaux, while PSG remain 14th after their third straight league defeat.—Internet

Egypt beats Ghana 1-0 to earn African Cup title

LUANDA, 1 Feb—Egypt won the African Cup of Nations for the third straight time Sunday after substitute Mohamed Gedo scored in the 85th minute for a 1-0 victory over Ghana.

Gedo curled in a shot from within the area to give Egypt its record seventh title. No other team has won the biennial tournament three consecutive times.

"From the first day we arrived we said we were here to win the tournament," Egypt assistant coach Shawki Garib said. "And we did it, even if it was harder than in 2006 and 2008."

Egypt, which hasn't played in a World Cup since 1990, will again miss the showcase tournament this summer. Unbeaten in 19 matches in the African Cup, the team lost to Algeria last November in the playoffs for a World Cup place in South Africa.

"We play better during big tournaments than during our qualifying campaigns," Garib said. "Over three weeks, it's easier to develop team cohesion."—Internet

Lyon's French forward Bafetimbi Gomis (L) celebrates with teammate Croatian defender Dejan Lovren (R) after scoring during the French L1 football match Lyon vs. Paris Saint-Germain, at the Gerland stadium in Lyon, eastern France. INTERNET

Negredo double keeps Sevilla on European path

MADRID, 1 Feb—Sevilla breathed new life into their Champions League ambitions with a 2-1 victory over fellow European hopefuls Valencia on Sunday with Alvaro Negredo grabbing both goals. It was a key game for Sevilla who had suffered a worrying slump since Christmas, losing three of their last four games, but they rose to the occasion against third-placed Valencia.

From a 22nd-minute corner Sevilla went ahead as Julien Escudé flicked on the ball for Negredo to slot home.

Midway through the second half Negredo finished off a well-worked



Sevilla's midfielder Alvaro Negredo celebrates after scoring against Valencia during a Spanish league football match at Sanchez Pizjuan stadium in Seville.—INTERNET

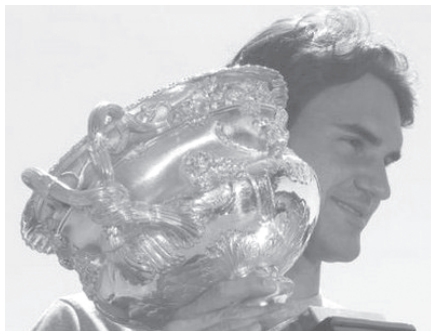
move for Sevilla's second, and his seventh of the season.—Internet

Fergie hopes for a favour from Arsenal

LONDON, 1 Feb—Sir Alex Ferguson has delivered a hammer blow to Arsenal's title hopes but the Manchester United manager believes Arsene Wenger's side can do his team a favour at Chelsea next weekend.

Ferguson was rewarded for an inspired team selection as England forward Wayne Rooney and Portugal winger Nani took advantage of the United manager's tactics to inspire a 3-1 win at the Emirates Stadium on Sunday.

The champions' impressive victory moved them to within one point of Premier League leaders Chelsea, although Carlo Ancelotti's men can re-establish a four-point advantage on Tuesday if they win their game in hand at Hull. Ferguson is confident United have the experience and desire to overhaul the Blues, but he has no qualms about admitting he would love to see Arsenal win at Stamford Bridge on Sunday.—Internet



Roger Federer of Switzerland poses for photographers with the Australian Open trophy in Melbourne on 1 February 2010. Federer defeated Britain's Andy Murray in the men's singles final at the Australian Open tennis tournament on Sunday.—INTERNET

Scientists use light beams to prick mystery of acupuncture

SHANGHAI, 1 Feb — Chinese scientists are using the country's most expensive ever science project, a light-emitting synchrotron, to solve the mystery of acupuncture points.

The Shanghai-based synchrotron, which uses super-powerful X-rays to resolve the structure of matter down to the level of atoms, has detected evidence that acupuncture points differ from other parts of the body. Zhang Xinyi, deputy director with the synchrotron radiation research center at Fudan University, said,

"We are trying to figure out the three-dimensional structure of the acupuncture points with the light resources."

Many foreigners thought the acupuncture effective, but doubted whether acupuncture points did exist, he said. X-ray beams emitted by the Shanghai Synchrotron Radiation Facility(SSRF) are 100 million times brighter, and 10,000 times more intense than the beam produced by a standard X-ray machine, said Xiao Tiaoqiao, head of the construction of SSRF's beamlines.—Xinhua

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (2-2-2010) (Tuesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~10:00am) MST
Europe	- (19:30pm~21:30pm) MST
North America	- (23:30pm~07:30am) MST

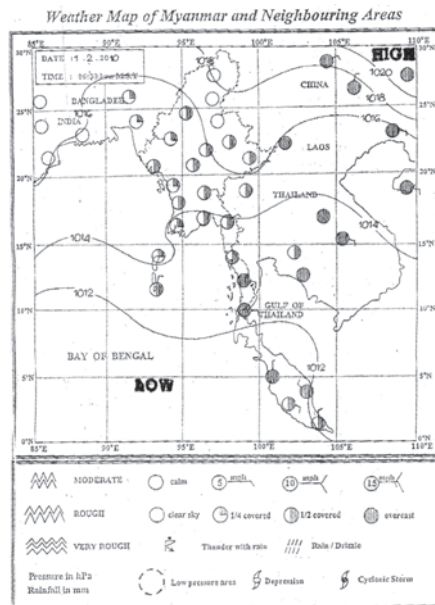
Local Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Shan Market Day
- * Rattan Wares and Bamboo Strip Hat
- * The Fascinating Oceanography of Myanmar
- * Culture Stage
- * Ecstasy of Life
- * Myanmar Modern Song
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- * Min Sone Hill and its Star Tortoises
- * Magic of Cotton Blanket
- * A Day in Yangon (Bogyoke Aung San Market)
- * National Dance
- * Myanmar Traditional Handiwork of Casting
- * Song on Screen
- * Lifestyles Along the Ayeyawady (Mandalay to Pyay)(Part-3)
- * Song of Myanmar Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm



WEATHER

Monday, 1st February, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Rakhine and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Bago, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below February average temperatures in Rakhine State, upper Sagaing and Magway Divisions, (5°C) below February average temperatures in Kachin State, (8°C) below February average temperatures in Chin State, (3°C) to (4°C) above February average temperatures in Kayah State, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions, (5°C) above February average temperatures in Mon State and about February average temperatures in the remaining areas. The significant night temperatures were Haka (-2°C), Loilem (1°C) and Putao, Pwin Oo Lwin and An (4°C) each.

Maximum temperature on 31-1-2010 was 96°F. Minimum temperature on 1-2-2010 was 60°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 1-2-2010 was 62%. Total sun shine hours on 31-1-2010 was (9.7) hours approx. Rainfall on 1-2-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and (Nil) at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Northeast at (12:30) hours MST on 31-1-2010.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the west central Bay and southwest Bay and generally fair in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 2nd February 2010: Weather will be generally fair in the whole country.

State of the sea: Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of continuation of slight decrease of night temperatures in the upper Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 2-2-2010: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 2-2-2010: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 2-2-2010: Fair weather.

Myanmar



Tuesday, 2
February
View on today

7:00 am

- မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရား ခြီးဆီပရိတ်တရားတော် ယောဆရာတော်ဟောကြားတော်မူသော ဥပ္ပါတသန္တိ ပါဠိတော်

7:25 am

- To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

- Morning News

7:40 am

- မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:45 am

- "ရောဂါတိအားကျွန်း ကုန်းတား"

7:50 am

- Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

- Dance Of National Races

8:15 am

- အတပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:25 am

- Songs of Yester Year

8:35 am

- (၆၃)နှစ်မြောက်ပြည့်ထောင် ရုနုလက်ပြုအစီအစဉ်

8:45 am

- International News

8:50 am

- Local Talent

4:00 pm

- Martial Song

4:05 pm

- အတပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:25 pm

- The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies

4:35 pm

- "မြန်မာ့ကျောက်မျက် ရတနာပြတိုက်"

4:45 pm

- အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ ဂုဏ်ထူးဆောင် (ရုက္ခဗေဒအထူးပြု) (ရုက္ခဗေဒ)

5:00 pm

- Songs For Uphold National Spirit

5:05 pm

- Musical Programme

5:20 pm

- "ဆုံဆည်းခွင့်"

5:30 pm

- ရုပ်ရှင်ကဏ္ဍတော်အလှသံစဉ်

5:50 pm

- (၆၃)နှစ်မြောက်ပြည့်ထောင် ရုနုလက်ပြုအစီအစဉ်

6:00 pm

- Evening News

6:15 pm

- Weather Report

6:20 pm

- ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခွန်သံ

6:40 pm

- ဆိုလိုက်ကြွနွဲ့

7:00 pm

- နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အဆိပ်သင့်တဲ့အချစ်" (အပိုင်း-၃၁)

8:00 pm

- News

- International News

- Weather Report

- နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

- "ဆူးလွမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ" (အပိုင်း-၂၂)

- "ရုပ်ရှင်ပထမဦး"

- ★ 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

Waingmaw on track for greater development

Byline: *Tin Htwe (MNA)*; Photos: *Maung Pyone Myint (Balu)*

Once, the Ayeyawady River formed natural barrier between Myitkyina and Waingmaw. However, the two townships are now easily accessible from each other, just a 30-minute drive.

In an interview with local authorities and departmental officials, Chairman U Zaw Min Oo of Waingmaw Township Peace and Development Council briefed us on the target of putting 10,028 acres under summer paddy

for 2010 to become the fourth granary of Kachin State; Township Myanmar Agriculture Service Manager U Ti Lu Kyan, on success in growing vegetables by the river bank, plans to grow summer paddy with the water from

Washaung Dam, process of making natural fertilizers, and sericulture; and Executive Office U Htay Lwin Soe of Township Development Affairs Committee, on road and bridge projects and water supply in urban and rural

areas.

We noticed that the quality of the inter-village tarred road linking Mokhlwe and Sanka through Khatcho, Makhanni, and Nawngghi villages built in 2007-2008 by the committee was on a

par with that of a rural road.

Now, 89 local farmers run a 132-acre farmland of greens in Waingmaw. Due to fertile soil, farming vegetables in the township is very successful. Kachin State has designated the year 2010 as its *docheekin* year. In order to meet the target, officials concerned are now supervising the tasks and demonstrating the process of making the organic fertilizers, which do not harm the environment.

The Township Development Affairs Committee has built many roads and bridges in rural and urban areas across the township. It has a plan to construct a river pumping station in 2010-2011 fiscal year.

The township in Myitkyina District is bounded by Ingyanyan and Chipwe townships (See page 9)



A thriving cabbage plantation in Waingmaw, Kachin State.