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Senior General Than Shwe sees off Prime Minister General Thein Sein on PM's departure for SRV

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe saw off Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar General Thein Sein on his departure for the Socialist Republic of Vietnam at Nay Pyi Taw Airport here this morning. The Prime Minister will attend 16th ASEAN Summit in Hanoi at the invitation of Vietnamese Prime Minister Mr. Nguyen Tan Dung.

Together with Senior General Than Shwe, SPDC Vice-Chairman Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, SPDC Member General Thura Shwe Mann, SPDC Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, SPDC Member Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin, Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Maung Oo, Minister for Transport Maj-Gen Thein Swe, deputy ministers, departmental heads, Vietnamese Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr. Chu Cong Phung and officials saw off the Prime Minister at the airport. Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan and officials were also on the same flight as members of Myanmar delegation led by the Prime Minister.

***Senior General Than Shwe sees off Prime Minister General Thein Sein at Nay Pyi Taw Airport on PM's departure for Socialist Republic of Vietnam.*—MNA**

Members of the delegation Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha and Minister for Culture Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint had already left for the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

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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

PERSPECTIVES

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Promote public health care

Every citizen needs to be strong and healthy and enjoy longevity. Placing emphasis on public health, the Ministry of Health is enhancing up health care in all parts of the country, including rural and border areas.

At present, Shan State (North) has one 200-bed hospital, two 150-bed hospitals, three 100-bed hospitals, four 50-bed hospitals, ten 25-bed township hospitals and 39 16-bed hospitals totalling 59 to provide adequate public health care.

The number of rural health centres touched 39 in 1988 and it reaches 65 in 2010. They are taking extensive measures for disease prevention and treatment, environmental sanitation and health education.

Namhsan Township People's Hospital (50-bed) in Kyaukme District, Shan State (North) was opened on 7 April. The hospital is complete with the medical ward, operation theatre, maternal ward, children's ward and Sangha ward. At the hospital, a medical team led by the eye specialist from No.2 Military Hospital gave free treatment to eye patients and provided glasses and medicines.

The State has extended construction of hospitals and dispensaries all over the country and appointed more doctors and health staff in order that they may provide health care to the public intensively. All in all, the cooperative efforts of the State, public wellwishers, health staff and regional bodies have contributed to the promotion of public health care.

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**

Teak, hardwood plantations thriving in Ayeyawady Div, Rakhine State

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung on 3 April morning looked into functions of No 106 Saw Mill in Thida Konpyin Village, Yekyi Township, Ayeyawady Division, storing of sawn timbers and systematic placing of logs at Malakwin timber depot.

At the briefing hall of Gwa Township Forest Plantation in Rakhine State, the minister heard a report on thriving 150 acre-ironwood plantations, 50-acre teak plantations and 100-acre teak plantations and 100-acre Pyinkado plantations and inspected the plantations.

At the briefing hall of Daung Chaung Jetty of Thandwe Timber Extraction Region, the minister heard a report presented by officials on arrival of logs and matters related to timber extraction and viewed making systematic marks on logs.

On 4 April morning, the minister heard a report on growing of 3020 eucalyptus and 453 teaks by Director U Aung Myat Thein of Rakhine State Forest Department at Nyaung Chaung Village in Gwa Township and gave necessary instructions.

MNA

Appointment of Algerian Ambassador agreed on

NAY PYI TAW, 9 April—The Government of the Union of Myanmar has agreed to the proposed appointment of Mr. Cherif Chikhi as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to the Union of Myanmar.

H.E. Mr. Cherif Chikhi was born on 15 December 1951. He graduated from the National Institute of Administration in 1976. He joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1976 and worked there in various capacities. He served in the Embassy of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in Mozambique as First Secretary from 1981 to 1984. He was Minister Counsellor in the Algeria Embassy in London from 1993 to 1995. From 1997 to 2004, he was appointed as Ambassador of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to Ukraine. He has been serving as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam since 2008.

H.E. Mr. Cherif Chikhi will be concurrently accredited as Ambassador of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to the Union of Myanmar with residence in Hanoi. He is married with five children.

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***Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung inspects dumping of logs in Yekyi Township, Ayeyawady Division.*—FORESTRY**

Workshop on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation-REDD held

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—Workshop on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation-REDD jointly conducted by Forest Department of the Ministry of Forestry and UNDP took place at the Forest Department (Head Office) here this morning with an opening address by Director-General U San Lwin of Planning and Statistic Department.

Deputy Director-General U Kyaw Tun of PSD presided over the morning session of the workshop while Assistant Director Dr Thaung Naing Oo of Forest Department presented paper on forest resources, forest management system and enabling conditions for REDD in Myanmar, Deputy Director U Ohn Lwin on role of forestry sector in climate mitigation through REDD, Dr Min Htut Yin UNDP on how to link CF practices and REDD and UNDP Coordinator Mr Tim Boyle paper on procedure and potential implications: How to link with UN-REDD Programme and they held discussions with those present.

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Those wishing to form political parties submit applications

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April – Union Democracy Party, Shan Nationals Democratic Party and Taaung (Palaung) National Party today submitted their applications to the Union Election Commission for their formation as political parties.

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***Workshop on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation-REDD in progress.*—MNA**

Taleban releases video of US soldier

WASHINGTON, 8 April —The Taleban has released a new video of US soldier Bowe Bergdahl captured last year in Afghanistan, calling for his exchange for Taleban prisoners, the IntelCenter monitoring service said Thursday.

The nearly eight-minute-long video showed Bergdahl, in a beard and wearing an army jacket, reading a newspaper and doing pushups, the service said.

Taleban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid is heard at the end of the video making a statement, with English subtitles, reiterating Taleban demands for the release "a limited number of prisoners in exchange for this American prisoner."

"Unfortunately, the arrogant American rulers are not ready to take any step in this regard," it said, according to IntelCenter.—*Internet*

Alleged five suicide bombers, blindfolded and handcuffed, stand near a vehicle which police said was used by them at the Afghan National Police crisis unit's headquarters in Kabul, Afghanistan on Thursday, 8 April, 2010. Afghan police arrested the five would-be suicide bombers Thursday in Kabul — the largest suicide bomb team ever apprehended in the capital, officials said.— INTERNET

Militants bomb three girls' schools in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 8 April— Militants bombed three girls' schools on the outskirts of Pakistan's city of Peshawar, the latest in a wave of Islamist attacks on educational institutions, a provincial minister said Thursday.

Nobody was hurt in the pre-dawn attacks in the northwestern capital, the gateway to Pakistan's troubled tribal regions, where the military is battling Taliban and Al-Qaeda-linked militants.

"Militants damaged a girls' high school, a primary and a middle school, on the outskirts by planting explosive material," provincial education minister Sardar Hussain Babak said.

He blamed the attacks on the Taleban. "The militants, who are on the run in the wake of military offensives against them were targeting schools to create panic," he said.—*Internet*

A Pakistani local resident looks at the debris of a destroyed primary school on the outskirts of Peshawar in 2009. Militants bombed three girls' schools on the outskirts of Pakistan's city of Peshawar, the latest in a wave of Islamist attacks on educational institutions, a provincial minister said on Thursday.— INTERNET

Security forces search a damaged vehicle next to a burning oil tanker near Torkham, located in Pakistan's North West Frontier Province along Afghan border, on 7 April, 2010. INTERNET

Bombing of NATO tanker in Pakistan kills boy

PESHAWAR, 8 April — A bomb attached to a tanker carrying fuel to NATO forces in Afghanistan exploded in northwestern Pakistan on Wednesday, destroying the vehicle and killing a boy who was riding in a van behind it.

The blast occurred when the tanker was just 4 miles (6 kilometers) from the Afghan border in the Khyber tribal area, said local administrator Iqbal Khan. The explosion wounded four other passengers in the van, he said.

Afghan-based US and NATO forces get up to 75 percent of their supplies via routes through Pakistan. Taleban militants have frequently targeted the convoys, although attacks have declined in the last few months.

Internet

An Afghan boy carries a sack of recyclable material collected from different garbage dumps in Kabul, Afghanistan, Wednesday, 7 April, 2010. Kabul has experienced rapid urban growth due to a large number of returnees and new urban dwellers, and the increase in waste from growing economic activity. INTERNET

Obama, Medvedev sign treaty to cut nuclear arms

PRAGUE, 8 April – Seeking to end years of rancor, President Barack Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev on Thursday signed the biggest nuclear arms pact in a generation and envisioned a day when they can compromise on the divisive issue of missile defense.

The new treaty, the first of its kind in two decades and nearly a year in the making, signaled a bold new opening in relations between the former Cold War foes. Both leaders hoped for more progress on economic matters and potentially even deeper cuts in their robust nuclear arsenals, while the Russian president still warned of potential pitfalls ahead.

The pact will shrink the limit of nuclear warheads to 1,550 per country over seven years. That still allows for mutual destruction several times over. But it is intended to send a strong signal that Russia and the US—which between them own more than 90 percent of the world's nuclear weapons — are serious about disarmament.

"Today is an important milestone for nuclear security and nonproliferation, and for US-Russia relations," Obama said. Medvedev hailed the signing as a historic event that would launch a new chapter of cooperation between the countries.

Internet

US President Barack Obama, left, and his Russian counterpart Dmitry Medvedev, right, sign the New START nuclear arms reduction treaty at Prague Castle Thursday, 8 April, 2010.

Taleban commander, two others killed in S.Afghanistan

LASHKARGAH, 8 April—A Taleban commander Mullah Burhan and two of his bodyguards were killed in the militants' former bastion Marja district in the southern Afghan province Helmand, spokesman for provincial administration Daud Ahmadi said Thursday. "Mullah Burhan along with some of his men were busy in making bombs in an abandont house in Marja district late Wednesday night but suddenly the device went off, killing three persons including Burhan," Ahmadi told *Xinhua*.

He added that Mullah Burhan was an important commander in Marja and adjoining areas.—*Internet*

Electric cars to get a lift up in China from new policy measures

BEIJING, 8 April — Chinese automakers are set to benefit from a much-awaited government stimulus plan that encourages production of fuel-efficient vehicles, said industry sources.

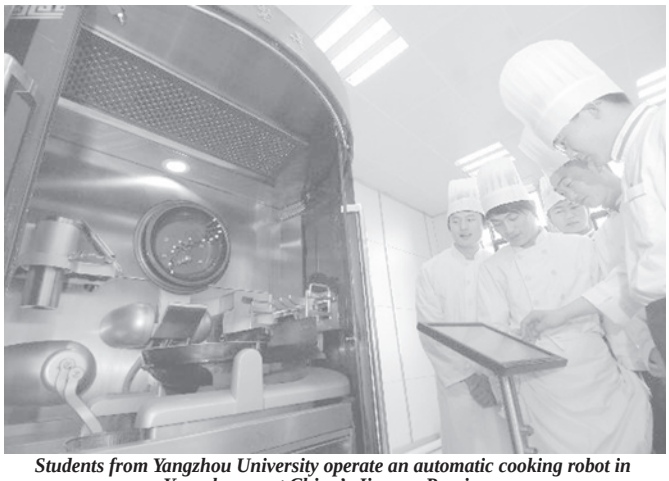
The green auto plan, currently awaiting government approval, is expected by industry players to be unveiled in the next couple of months.According to the plan, electric cars that qualify for subsidies are those that have received government's production license and are assembled in China, regardless of whether made by domestic or joint-venture firms.

The industry sources said that imported electric cars would have little hope of benefiting from the policy in the initial stages.

Private buyers in five chosen cities could obtain incentives, with potential limits of up to about 60,000 yuan (8,788 US dollars) or 50,000 yuan per car.

Miao Wei, vice-minister of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology has said the government planned to launch the incentives for private purchases of new energy vehicles in March. However, the plan has since been postponed.

Xinhua



Students from Yangzhou University operate an automatic cooking robot in Yangzhou, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 7 April, 2010.
XINHUA

The 15th International Old Havana Urban Dance Gathering was held in Havana, capital of Cuba, on 7 April, 2010.
XINHUA

Boy, 11, gives $14,649 to drought relief

BEIJING, 8 April— An 11-year-old boy has donated his New Year gift money of 100,000 yuan (US$14,649) to help the victims of drought-ravaged Southwest China, Youth Times reported.

Zhang Beiyuan from Shaoxing, East China's Zhejiang province, received approximately 9,000 yuan each year during the Spring Festival, China's lunar New Year, to save for a university education.

But after hearing of the plight of those suffering in the drought, he handed over his 11-year savings to a fund established for relief efforts.

His parents support the boy's decision although they feel surprised by his generosity.

His teacher Zhong Caijuan said that Zhang is a very nice boy who loves animals and is always ready to help others.

Xinhua

British economy may face slow recovery

LONDON, 8 April — British economic growth slowed in the first quarter of this year to 0.2 percent, down from an official figure of 0.4 percent for the previous quarter, the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) said in its latest survey Wednesday.

The BCC questioned 5,500 businesses to make the survey, which showed that the manufacturing sector was suffering, while the services sector had improved.

According to the survey, manufacturing employ-ment was down to -16 on the BCC's gauge for the first quarter from +3 in late 2009. Key indicators like investment and cash flow remained negative. However, manu-facturing exports were up 4 points to +21.

In the services sector, growth was seen in both sales and orders, although both services and manufacturing sectors showed negative indicators in investment in plant and machinery as well as cash flow.

Xinhua

Tourists watch a stunt performace at the Battery Park in New York, the United States, on 7 April, 2010. The temperature in New York reached 32 degrees Celsius on Wednesday, setting a record high.
XINHUA

TV drama "Big girl should get married" hot now

BEIJING, 8 April — The Chinese TV series "Big Girl Should Get Married" ("Da Nv Dang Jia") is in full swing on CCTV-8, China Central Television's drama channel. Song Jia appears in the leading role.

Nowadays, the idea that "a girl should get married when she comes of age" has become a hot topic in China's cities, and is stirring up debate among Internet users.

The TV show deals with this social issue, portraying parents who urge their daughter to get married whether or not she has met her Mr. Right. The plot has given audiences, and unmarried women in particular, a great deal to think about.

In the drama, Jiang Dayan (Song Jia) is the eldest daughter in the family. She is also the only unmarried sibling, her younger brother and sister having married in quick succession.

Facing pressure from her parents, she goes on a blind date. The question of whether she should meet her parents' wishes and fulfill the traditional requirements of society, or chase after her own happiness, is at the heart of the show.

Xinhua

All Items from Xinhua News Agency

China, Costa Rica ink free trade agreement

BEIJING, 8 April (Xinhua) — China and Costa Rica signed a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) here Thursday, according to the Ministry of Commerce.

Costa Rica is now the ninth largest trade partner of China in Latin America and China is the second largest trade partner of Costa Rica.

Xinhua

Hong Kong pop sensation Eason Chan performs during his solo concert at the Hong Kong Coliseum on 6 April, 2010. The show was the last in Chan's 18-gig residency at the Hong Kong Coliseum which began last month. Chan will next perform two shows in Beijing on 29 and 30 April .—XINHUA

East China city mayor dies after fall from building

FUZHOU, 8 April — Zhang Guosheng, mayor of Putian City in east China's Fujian Province, died after falling from a government building Thursday, officials said.

Zhang, 54, fell at about 8 a.m. and died during medical treatment in hospital, said a statement from the information office of Putian City. The statement gave no other details of his death.

Police are investigating the incident.

An earlier statement from a spokesman with Publicity Department of the Putian Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China said Zhang had committed suicide, but he did not know from which floor Zhang had allegedly jumped.

Xinhua

7.8-magnitude earthquake hits Indonesia

BEIJING,8 April—An earthquake measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale hit Northern Sumatra, Indonesia, at 6:15 a.m. Wednesday (Beijing Time), according to the China Earthquake Administration.

With a depth of about 33 kilometers, the quake's epicenter lay in 2.4 degrees north latitude and 97.1 degrees east longitude, according to the administration.—*Xinhua*

Indonesia lifts tsunami warning

JAKARTA, 8 April—Indonesian Meteorology and Geophysics Agency lifted the tsunami warning issued following a 7. 2-magnitude earthquake in the country on Wednesday.

The threat of tsunami from the 7.2 magnitude quake is lifted, the agency said.

The quake struck at 5:15 a.m. Jakarta time Wednesday (2215 GMT Tuesday) with the epicenter at 75 km southeast Sinabang of the province and at a depth of 34 km.

The quake was felt at nearby provinces of Northern Sumatra.

Four aftershocks with moderate magnitudes occurred.

The United States Geological Survey reported the earthquake at a magnitude of 7.8.—*Xinhua*

File photo taken on 3 April, 2005 shows rescuers searching for survivors after the 8.5-magnitude earthquake hit Pulau Nias North, Sumatera, Indonesia.

Thailand issues tsunami alert after strong earthquake in Indonesia

BANGKOK, 8 April—Thailand issued tsunami alert Wednesday following a 7.2-magnitude earthquake in Indonesia's northern Sumatra.

The National Disaster Warning Center (NDWC) warned people in several southern Andaman-Sea-coastal provinces, down from Satun province, to be ready to evacuate to a safe place, saying there was a high risk of a tsunami on the Andaman Coast.

Xinhua

Death toll of Mexicali's earthquake rises to four

MEXICO CITY, 8 April—The number of deaths rose to four for the earthquake of 7.2 magnitude that shock Baja California, Mexico on Sunday afternoon, the Mexican National Defence Ministry (Sedena) said on Tuesday.

The Sedena said in a statement that "to the moment there have been recorded four deaths and 100 injured without grave complications."The Sedena said that the DN III plan has been applied in the cities of Mexicali, Tijuana, Tecate and San Quintin to provide aid during natural disasters.

The Sedena also stressed the coordinated work with the local organizations of Civil Protection, which includes patrolling, aid to the civilians and evacuations from the places in risk.—*Internet*

Rio's worst rains in history kill at least 95

RIO DE JANEIRO, 8 April—The heaviest rains in Rio de Janeiro's history triggered landslides Tuesday that killed at least 95 people as rising water turned roads into rivers and paralyzed Brazil's second-largest city.

The ground gave way in steep hillside slums, cutting red-brown paths of destruction through shantytowns. Concrete and wooden homes were crushed and hurtled downhill, only to bury other structures.

The future host city of the Olympics and football World Cup ground to a near halt as Mayor Eduardo Paes urged workers to stay home and closed all schools. Most businesses were shuttered.

Eleven inches (29 centimeters) of frain fell in less than 24 hours, and more rain was expected. Officials said potential mudslides threatened at least 10,000 homes in the city of 6 million people.

Internet

A rescue worker carry a baby as other victims are helped after a landslide in a flooded area of Campo Grande neighborhood, Rio de Janeiro, on Tuesday, 6 April, 2010.

INTERNET

Death toll rises to 40 in central China mine blast

YICHUAN, 8 April—The death toll after a central China mine blast last week has risen to 40,with 6 still missing, local authorities said on Tuesday.

An official with the rescue headquarters confirmed Tuesday that 98 people were working underground in the Guomin coal mine in Yichuan county when the blast occurred at 7:20 p.m. on 31March. 57 were lifted to the ground unharmed, 35 were killed and six are still missing.

The explosion also killed five and injured one on the ground, the official said.

The illegal coal mine owned by village head Wang Guozheng was poorly managed and even does not have a payroll list. That's why the dead and missing could not be identified, the official said.

Ten people allegedly accountable for the accident are under control by police.

Xinhua

Gunmen attack Mexican army housing, two troops hurt

MEXICO CITY, 8 April—Suspected cartel gunmen wounded two soldiers in an unprecedented grenade attack on army housing in northern Mexico, the latest sign that drug gangs are increasingly turning to open warfare tactics against the military.

The gunmen fired the grenade from a rifle at a camp where soldiers live with their families outside the Gulf coast city of Tampico, the Defense Department said in a statement Tuesday. The two wounded soldiers were treated, but none of their relatives was harmed in the attack Monday. The Defense Department reiterated its stance that cartels are acting out of desperation in the face of army successes in the drug war. "Members of organized crime staged a cowardly attack with a rifle-fired grenade," the department said. "These types of aggressions demonstrate that the structure of organized crime has been eroded, provoking desperate acts like attacking families of the armed forces." Soldiers pursued the assailants but only found their abandoned car, with five guns and a grenade inside, the statement said.

Army positions have repeatedly come under attack in recent weeks in the northwestern states of Tamaulipas and Nuevo Leon, which border Texas.

Internet

Pileup kills ten, injures 28 in south China

Photo taken on 6 April, 2010 shows a damaged car at the site of a traffic accident in downtown Shantou City, south China's Guangdong Province.

SHANTOU, GUANGDONG, 8 April—A pile of a school bus, a cement tank and a car in downtown Shantou City of South China's Guangdong Province killed 10 and injured 28 Tuesday afternoon.

The chain collisions took place at 4:40 p.m. on Nanbin Road of Shantou, involving a school bus of the Yuedong Advanced Technician College of Guangdong Province. Of the injured, six are in critical conditions.—*Internet*

Death toll of landslide in Peru rises to 28

LIMA, 8 April—The death toll of the landslide in the Peruvian Amazon region rose to 28, the Peruvian National Institute of Civil Defense (Indeci) said on Tuesday. The Indeci said that the landslide occurred on 1 April and affected five towns, leaving 42 people missing, 54 injured. It also destroyed 200 houses.

From January to March, the Indeci registered 80 deaths, 26,000 victims, 7,700 destroyed houses and 18 damaged schools in Ambo district in the province of Huanuco, which has been affected by continuous natural disasters.The heavy rains last week produced a landslide in Yanacocha Hill, 584 inhabitants were evacuated.According to the experts, the deforestation and the invasion of land is a high risk factor to cause these disasters every year.—*Internet*

A woman strings beads to make a replica of an antique South African necklace in February 2010 in Port Elizabeth. The women creating the beadwork also want to use the World Cup to make football merchandise that they'll sell — like beaded flags draping from pins, bags and jewelry in the colours of national teams.—INTERNET

Antique beadwork revived in S Africa ahead of W Cup

PORT ELIZABETH, 8 April—Carefully sliding a red bead onto her needle, Nocawa Carow Vuso slips it down her string and affixes to the "keeper of my heart", a replica of an antique South African necklace.

It's one of the old South African styles on display for the World Cup in Port Elizabeth, a city better known for its car factories than its fashion, and set to be a desperately-needed money-spinner when the June 11-July 11 football showpiece takes place.

The beaded necklace originally would have been made for a man by his wife. Now women like Vuso are relearning the forgotten patterns, and sometimes replacing traditional designs with football themes.

"It's the first time I'm working on old patterns," she said. "I'm going back to my roots. I can do what my grandmothers were making in rural areas."

With other women from the city's townships and from the Nomakwesi craft centre where she works, Vuso will exhibit her glass beads at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Art Museum.

Internet

Whitney Houston postpones more European tour dates

NEW YORK, 8 April— Whitney Houston has again pushed back the European leg of her first tour in years on the advice of doctors who are encouraging her to take time to recover from a respiratory illness, according to a statement issued Wednesday.

Houston had already postponed the European kickoff, originally scheduled for Tuesday in Paris, because of illness. A statement from a representative said doctors advised Houston to reschedule concerts Thursday and Friday in Manchester, England, and a Sunday performance in Glasgow, Scotland.

All dates are being rescheduled, and the 46-year-old singer's tour is now supposed to start next Tuesday in Birmingham, England.—*Internet*

Whitney Houston accepts an award at the Warner Theatre during the 2010 BET Hip Hop Honors in Washington. INTERNET

World's largest toothpick city of 3.5 mln toothpicks

Stan Munro, a former TV anchor, spent five years building the world's largest toothpick city, Toothpick City II: Temples and Towers, with 3.5 million toothpicks.

The "architect" has finished various kinds of buildings with toothpicks. The Toothpick City II contains replicas of 40 world-famous religious architectures and towers, including the world's tallest Khalifa Tower in Dubai and the Oriental Pearl TV Tower in Shanghai, China.

Stan plans to receive the Guinness certificate of the world's largest toothpick architecture in July.

News Album

Lizard with two penises found in Philippines

Scientists have found a new species of lizard that lives in the trees on the northern Philippines island of Luzon, according to media reports on Wednesday.

Dubbed Varanus bitatawa, the dragon-sized, fruit-eating lizard measures 6 feet 6 inches (about 2 meters) in length, but only about 22 pounds (about 10 kg) in weight, and the creature is endowed with a double penis, according to the study published in the British Royal Society Journal Biology Letters.

"It lives up in trees, so it can't get as massive as the Komodo dragon, a huge thing that eats large amounts of fresh meat," said Rafe Brown of the University of Kansas, whose team confirmed the find. "This thing is a fruit-eater and it's only the third fruit-eating lizard in the world."

However, how many of the lizards have survived is unclear.

A Varanus bitatawa, pictured in 2009 in the Philippines. Scientists reported on the "spectacular" discovery a previously unknown species of fruit-eating lizard as big as a full-grown man.

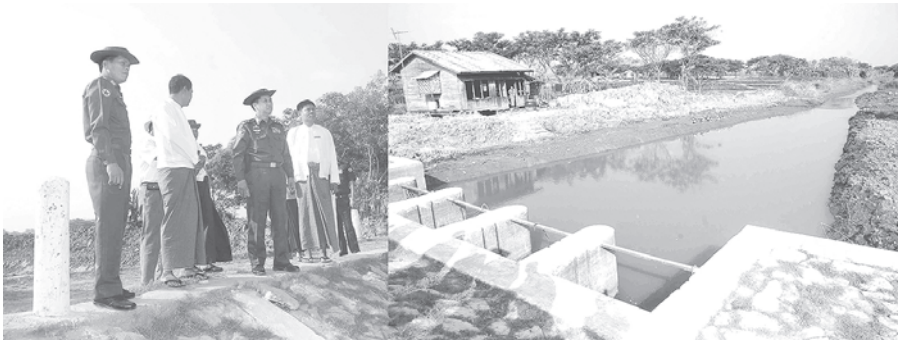
"Don't be shy! Say hello to the world!"

Surprises abound in the journey of life. And the beginning is especially wonderful.Knock, knock — the shell cracks; then a naughty, curious miniature gets out from the broken egg, making its appearance in the world for the very first time.

Following sets of pictures show the young of four different species hatching from their eggs.

These extraordinary photos are created by the couple team Heidi and Hans-Juergen Koch from Germany (who have specialized in animal photography for the past 20 years). Let's say hello to those fascinating little lives!

Regional development tasks in Htantabin, Twantay Townships in leaps and bounds



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence views Mingala Sluice Gate in Htantabin Township.

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NAY PYI TAW, 8 April— Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence together with Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint this morning inspected repair of Mingala Sluice Gate, water inflow from Pantaing Sluice Gate to Mingala Sluice Gate in Htantabin Township and digging of canal from Mingala Sluice Gate to Shweyamin region in Twantay Township, water supply and water inflow and gave necessary instructions.

On arrival at Basic Education Post Primary School in Myaungtalot village, Akala village-tract, Twantay Township, Lt-Gen Myint Swe met local people and heard a report on development of the township presented by an official, and left necessary instructions.

Afterwards, the commander delivered an address and made cash donations for the establishment of rural self-reliant libraries. Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and the commander cordially greeted departmental personnel and local people.

They proceeded to the Padan-Yekyaw-Khattiya road where they looked into digging of a canal along the road and gave instructions.

On arrival at Hlinethaya sub-power station, Lt-Gen Myint Swe heard a report on construction of Capacitor Bank and attended to the needs.

Later, they viewed progress of Yangon (Hlinethaya) station yard in Yangon-Pathein railway project under Myanma Railways and dredging of Myaseinyaung creek near the station yard, and fulfilled the requirements.

MNA

Forestry Minister receives AAAS

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung received six-member delegation led by Dr Peter Agre of American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and US Collection, Humanitarian & Research Corps at the ministry here this morning.

The meeting focused on issues of environmental conservation and upgrading of forestry science subject.

It was also attended by Director-General U San Lwin of Planning and Statistics Department and Director-General U Khin Win of Dry Zones Greening Department, Director-General U Aye Myint Maung of Forest Department and officials.

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Forestry Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung receives officials from AAAS and US Collection, Humanitarian & Research Corps.—MNA

E-medication services introduced for first time

Mr. Ng See Nguan delivering an address at Medical & Universal Helpline Services Launch.—MNA

YANGON, 8 April—Blue Ocean Operating Management Co organized an introduction ceremony of Medical & Universal Helpline Services Lunch at Park Royal Hotel in Dagon Township here on 1 April.

Chairman of Blue Ocean Operating Management Co U Tun Tun Naing made an opening speech. Managing Director Mr Ng See Nguan of i Topia Company gave account of Medical & Universal Helpline.

Medical Helpline (MHL) provides e-medication services to consult with professors at home and abroad to save time and money.

The chairman and the managing director signed MoU on carrying out for stepping the pace on business.

Those wishing to make contact with Medical Helpline Service may contact No. 32 of Blue Ocean Operating Management Co, Panglong Yeikmon, Thingangyun Township, Yangon, email: hhn@blueoceanmmgt.com (Ph: 09-51-50884).

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Myanmar youth golfers clinch victory

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—Six Myanmar youth golfers competed in 9th True Visions Singha International Junior Golf Championship-2010 held at Rayong Green Valley Country Golf Club in Pattaya, Thailand, from 30 March to 2 April.

Myanmar contenders occupied prizes in championship flight class A & B, championship flight and consolation flight respectively.

MNA

Myanmar youth golfers win prizes in 9th True Visions Singha International Junior Golf Championship-2010 held at Rayong Green Valley Country Golf Club in Pattaya, Thailand.—MNA

Continued existence as political party applied

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April — Among the political parties that continue their existence under Political Parties Registration Law (State Law and Order Restoration Council Law No.4/88), Union Kayin League today applied to the Union Election Commission for its continued existence as a political party.

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Deputy Health Minister receives officials from AAAS

Deputy Health Minister Dr Mya Oo receives a delegation led by Dr Peter Agre from AAAS and US collection, Humanitarian and Research Corps.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April— Deputy Health Minister Dr Mya Oo received a delegation led by Dr Peter Agre from American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and US collection, Humanitarian and Research Corps at the ministry here this evening.

They discussed matters on cooperation between two countries in health care service, preventive measures against Dengue fever, research tasks, keeping environment clean and development of traditional medicine.

MNA

Air Bagan Myanmar Open 2010 Golf Tournament continues

YANGON, 8 April— With presenting sponsor by International Beverages Trading Co Ltd (IBTC) and title sponsor by Air Bagan Ltd, Air Bagan Myanmar Open 2010 Golf tournament, jointly organized by Myanmar PGA and Asian Tour, took place at Panhlaine Golf course here this morning.

Today, the first day of the tournament, Jbe Kruger (South Africa), Gavin Flint (Australia) and Prayad Marksaeng (Thailand) chased after Tetsuji Hirsatsuka (Japan) leading the tournament with 64 stokes.

Tetsuji Hirsatsuka (Japan) leading with 64 stokes.—MNA

Myanmar selected golfers posted at 14 level with each 68 stokes.

The tournament's co-sponsor is Elite-Tech, Official Hotel by Sedona Hotel (Yangon) and Official Ball by Srixon.

The second day tournament will continue tomorrow at the same venue.

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Chairman of Myanmar Kaido Company Group U Aye Ko, Director Daw Nu Nu Khin and members of Board of Directors donate K 30,713,000 for X-ray Department of Yangon General Hospital to Medical Superintendent Dr Daw Nu Nu Tha on 8 April 2010.—MNA

Talk on fire prevention given, fire drill rehearsed

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—Talk on fire prevention and fire drill of dailies under News and Periodicals Enterprise of the Ministry of Information took place at Myanma Alin Daily, No. (53), Natmauk lane (1), Bo Cho (2) ward, Bahan Township, yesterday morning.

Staff Officer Ye Bala Myo Win and officials of Tamway Township Fire Services Department, managers, assistant managers and staff of Myanma Alin Daily, Kyemon Daily, the New Light of Myanmar Daily, Myanma Alin Printing House attended the occasion.

The staff officer gave talk on fire prevention with the help of video slide and demonstrated the use of fire extinguisher. Members of auxiliary fire Brigade of dailies rehearsed the fire drill.

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Fire drill of dailies under News and Periodicals Enterprise of the Ministry of Information takes place at Myanma Alin Daily.—MNA

TMW Enterprise welcomes Thingyan with sale promotion

YANGON, 8 April—The news crew observed SONY Days Promotion 2010 being held at TMW Enterprise SONY Show Rooms on Pansodan and Kaba Aye Pagoda Roads here from 6 March to 9 April and LG-Festival 2010 at LG-Show Room on Sule Pagoda Road here.

A responsible person of SONY Show Room on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road explained to us, "SONY is selling BRAVIA, LCD and LED Televisions with discount in this promotion period and cameras with memory cards as gifts. Another noteworthy event is to introduce TX5 water-resistant cameras ahead of Thingyan (Water Festival). The camera has water resistance for 60 minutes and sand and dust resistance. It is safe even if it falls from 5-ft height."

At LG-Festival at LG Show Room on Sule Pagoda Road, a responsible staff said, "We celebrates LG-Festival 2010 from 6 March to 9 June. In the promotion period of LG, LCD and Plasma TVs, DVDs, Home Theatres, washing machines, air conditioners, refrigerators, microwave ovens, vaccum cleaning with special prices and gifts.

"As a special programme for this year Thingyan, LG air conditioners (Split Type) are selling with frame and safeguard gifts and free installation service is also being provided from 1 to 9 April."

In an interview, an official of T-Home Brand told us, "We have planned to organize free vacation to Bali Island of Indonesia for the sale

SONY Days Promotion 2010 in progress.—MNA

representatives who buy TV-Brand TVs, LCDs, water dispensers and freezers for K 18 million. Music VCDs of Thingyan songs to be distributed by T-Home are gifts to buyers of any item of T-Home Brand.

"T-Home Thingyan Pandal is being built in front of Sedona Hotel and Mya Kyun Tha Garden. The singers will entertain with Century and Cobra H music bands and T-Home Thingyan songs album will be produced as in the last year."

Not only SONY branded electronics but also I max branded tiles and bathing accessories can be bought during the SONY Days Promotion 2010.

MNA

Freight-handling at jetties inspected

Transport Minister Maj-Gen Thein Swe looks into freight-handling at No. 5 Sule jetty.

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NAY PYI TAW, 8 April — Chairman of the Committee for Ensuring Speedy and Regular Freight-handling and Operating in Full Capacity Minister for Transport Maj-Gen Thein Swe inspected examining of import and export products, storage of the goods in the warehouse, monitoring of container trucks with X-ray machine at the container yard of No.3 Bo Aung Kyaw Jetty on 5 April. During the inspection, he stressed the need for ensuring systematic monitoring of the goods and speedy and regular freight-handling and avoiding malpractices.

Next, the minister and party inspected unloading of goods from the vessel at Sule No.5 Jetty. Then, they went to Asia World Port on Strand Road in Ahlon and looked into examining of import and export products, loading and unloading of goods, monitoring of container trucks with X-ray machine and left necessary instructions.

MNA

Sailors stranded in Senegal to arrive back with assistance of Myanmar Seafarers Association

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April —Myanmar Seafarers Association is cooperating with international bodies and overseas seafarers associations in seafaring affairs in order to protect entitlements and privileges of sailors.

Three Myanmar sailors were stranded in Senegal as they were not paid their salaries and plane tickets were not arranged for them. But, they will be sent back to Yangon at 6.45 pm on 14 April with the assistance of Myanmar Seafarers Association.—*MNA*

Chaungtha Village of Pathein Township with progress and prosperity

Article & Photos: *Tin Win Lay (Kyimyindine)*

U Khin Maung Latt, Lobster Brokerage.

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He continued to say, "In the past, the region had lagged behind in development. The road will contribute much toward smooth transport and speedy flow of commodity at any time. So, the local people thank the government for its endeavours."

We proceeded to Ward No. 6 of the region. We all stopped in front of the newly-built Basic Education Primary School. Manager U Aye Thwin of ChaungthaU Hotel said, "The school was built with the contributions of Chaungtha Zone Hoteliers Association. It was opened on 11 June 2009."

The school is located on five acres of land. It is an RC one-storey building with five classrooms. In the school compound, there one play ground, two wells and one latrine.

Khaing Chaungtha Hotel Manager U Kyaw Hoe explained, "Our association is participating in development of the hotel zone and its surrounding villages. We donated K 30.9 million to construction of the primary school and computer and accessories to Village BEHS. We also donated one coloured TV set and five cassettees each to villages of Ayeyawady Division."

Chaungtha Village-tract has one BEHS, one BEHS (Branch) and seven BEPSs.

At Chaungtha Lake No. 2, Manager U Nyi Nyi Aung of Hotel Max who was supervising construction of the spillway explained, "Chaungtha area has one 60-million-gallon lake and one 10-million-gallon lake. No. 1 lake is supplying drinking water to the rural people and the No. 2 lake is providing water to the hotel zone. As such, not only the rural people and the visitors at the beach can use the water sufficiently yearly."

A new road linking Chaungtha Hotel Zone and Shwethaungyan.

We saw a communication tower. At the auto-exchange, we were welcomed by in-charge of the exchange U Myint Swe. It was a magnet exchange in the past, and it was upgraded to an auto-exchange on 31 October 2005.

During the visit, we witnessed trawlers at the jetty. The region was busy with trading of fish, prawn and crab. We also visited a prawn brokerage and observed breeding of lobsters and prawns at the ponds.

While in the region, we strolled along Uto Bridge. The bridge is an important facility in Pathein Township. The Bridge Construction Special Group No. 13 of Public Works built the bridge in 1997 and put it into service on 30 January 2000. In the time of Tatmadaw Government, the development gap between rural and urban regions is narrower and narrower day by day in the education, health, communication and social sectors. Nowadays, development in all aspects can be seen in all the regions including Chaungtha Village-tract of Pathein Township.

Translation: TTA

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Newly Basic Education Primary School built by Chaungtha Zone Hoteliers Association in Chaungtha Village-tract.

Jets scrambled over United Airlines bomb panic

WASHINGTON, 8 April — A DIPLOMAT who sparked a scare about a "shoe bomb" on a United Airlines flight from Washington to Denver had been smoking in a restroom and put out a cigarette on the sole of his sandals.

US air marshals confronted the man after flight attendants noticed smoke coming from the toilets.

When they asked him what he was doing, he allegedly told them: "I'm lighting my shoes on fire."

The man, identified as Mohammed al Modadi, was restrained until the plane landed at Denver, where he was taken into custody.

Following an investigation, authorities did not find any explosives and a US security official said, the diplomat's statement may have been "sarcastic".

"It may have been a massive misunderstanding," the official said.

Two F-16 fighters were dispatched to intercept the Denver-bound aircraft at about 6:45pm (local time), 10.45am (AEDT), according to a statement from the North American Aerospace Defence Command.

The flight, carrying 157 passengers and six crew, landed safely in Denver about five minutes later.

Internet

Airport personnel stand positioned outside Denver International Airport on 7 April, 2010 after the United Airlines bomb scare.
INTERNET

Google unveils car-dock for Nexus One

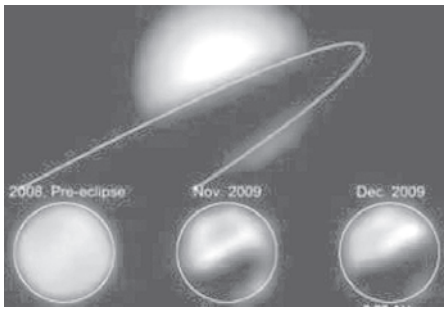
BEIJING,8 April — Google is now stocking car docks for its Nexus One "superphone," thus enabling users to easily mount the device in vehicles. It will better allow owners of the Nexus One to make use of Google's turn-by-turn navigation facility and use it as one would a satellite navigation device.

Although the Nexus One has yet to go on sale outside the United States, Google is keen to push the benefits of its HTC built smartphone. The Nexus One: Car Dock has built in speakers and volume controls to add a little volume and control to the driver. It also comes with the Car Home app which loads autom-atically. The additional software provides an interface with five large buttons that make access to Maps, Navigation, Voice Search, Contacts, and Search easier while on the move.

Internet

Media attending the unveiling of the Nexus One smartphone, using the Android platform, watch an application on the first mobile phone the internet company will sell directly to consumers, during a news conference at Google headquarters in Mountain View, California on 5 January , 2010.
INTERNET

Astronomers take close-up pictures of mysterious dark object



Using an instrument created at the University of Michigan, astronomers have for the first time imaged a peculiar binary star eclipse that happens once every 27 years.—INTERNET

SCIENCEDAILY, 8 April— For the first time, astronomers have directly observed the mysterious dark companion in a binary star system that has puzzled skywatchers since the 19th century

Using an instrument developed at the University of Michigan, scientists have taken close-up pictures of Epsilon Aurigae during its eclipse, which happens every 27 years. "Close up" in this case is a relative term, but the images zoom in enough to show the shape of the dark object's shadow.

"Seeing is believing," said John Monnier, an associate professor in the U-M Department of Astronomy who is an author of a paper about the research findings published in the April 8 edition of *Nature*. Researchers from the University of Denver and Georgia State University were involved as well.

Epsilon Aurigae is the fifth brightest star in the northern constellation Auriga. For more than 175 years, astronomers have known it is dimmer than it should be, given its mass. They also noticed its brightness dip for more than a year every few decades. They surmised that it was a binary system in which one companion was invisible.

Internet

A woman soaks her feet in a lake at the Central Park in New York, the United States, on 7 April, 2010. The temperature in New York reached 32 degrees Celsius on Wednesday, setting a record high.—INTERNET

Vietnam expects more investment from Brunei

HANOI, 8 April— Vietnamese President Nguyen Minh Triet said here on Wednesday that Vietnam hoped to receive more investment from Brunei.

Triet made the remarks when meeting with Brunei's Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah who arrived in Vietnam's capital city of Hanoi for attending the 16th Summit of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Speaking at the meeting, Triet thanked Brunei for supporting Vietnam in the regional and international forum, training human resources and receiving Vietnamese labours to work in Brunei.

Vietnam and Brunei share a lot of common interests which act as favourable premises for closer cooperation between the two countries, said Triet.

Triet appreciated Brunei's experience in development of aquaculture industry and expected to see further aquaculture cooperation between Vietnam and Brunei in the near future. Brunei will continue to provide scholarships to Vietn-amese students and help Vietnam train human resources in the areas of its strength, said Hassanal.

MNA/Xinhua

"New human-like species" revealed

JOHANNESBURG, 8 April—The remarkable remains of two ancient human-like creatures (hominids) have been found in South Africa.

The fossils of a female adult and a juvenile male - perhaps mother and son - are just under two million years old.

They were uncovered in cave deposits near Malapa in the Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site near Johannesburg.

The team behind the discovery reports in the journal Science that the new species should be assigned the name Australopithecus sediba .

Its mosaic of features, the researchers believe, means it fills an important gap between older hominids and the group of more modern species known as Homo, which includes our own kind.

The name "sediba" means "fountain" or "wellspring" in the Sesotho language spoken in South Africa.

Internet

Computer program allows car to stay in its lane without human control

SCIENCEDAILY, 8 April—Researchers from North Carolina State University have created a computer program that allows a car to stay in its lane without human control, opening the door to the development of new automobile safety features and military applications that could save lives.

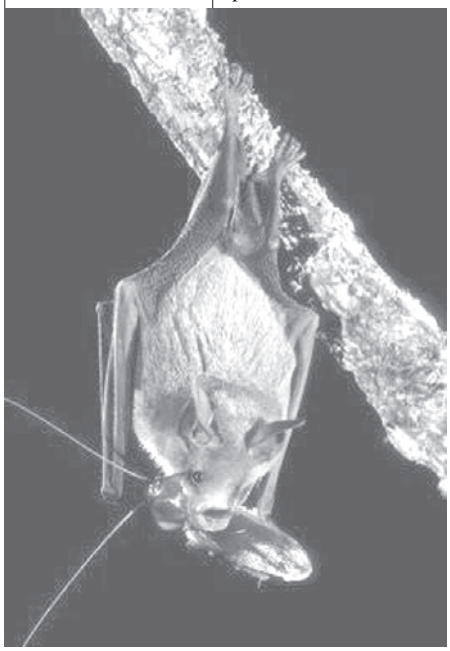
We develop computer vision programs, which allow a computer to understand what a video camera is looking at — whether it is a stop sign or a pedestrian. For example, this particular program is designed to allow a computer to keep a car within a lane on a highway, because we plan to use the program to drive a car," says Dr. Wesley Snyder, a professor of electrical and computer engineering at NC State and co-author of a paper describing the research. "Although there are some vision systems out there already that can do lane finding, our program maintains an awareness of multiple lanes and traffic in those lanes."

Researchers have written a program that uses algorithms to sort visual data and make decisions related to finding the lanes of a road, detecting how those lanes change as a car is moving, and controlling the car to stay in the correct lane.—INTERNET

Internet

Bats play a major role in plant protection

A big-eared bat of the genus Micronycteris. Bats of this genus are found in Mexican coffee plantations, where they glean insects from foliage and help limit pest populations.



SCIENCEDAILY, 8 April — If you get a chance to sip some shade-grown Mexican organic coffee, please pause a moment to thank the bats that helped make it possible. At Mexican organic coffee plantations, where pesticides are banned, bats and birds work night and day to control insect pests that might otherwise munch the crop

Until now, the birds got nearly all the credit. But a new study from University of Michigan researchers shows that during the summer wet season, bats devour more bugs than the birds at Finca Irlanda, a 740-acre organic coffee plantation in Chiapas, Mexico.

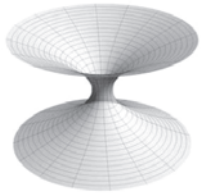
And they often do it using a "perch and wait" hunting technique that is proving to be far more common than bat researchers had believed. A report on the study appears in the journal Science 4 April,2008.

Internet

Our universe at home within a larger universe? So suggests physicist's wormhole research

SCIENCEDAILY, 8 April—Could our universe be located within the interior of a wormhole which itself is part of a black hole that lies within a much larger universe?

Such a scenario in which the universe is born from inside a wormhole (also called an Einstein-Rosen Bridge) is suggested in a paper from Indiana University theoretical physicist Nikodem Poplawski in Physics Letters B. The final version of the paper was available online 29 March and will be published in the journal edition 12 April.



Einstein-Rosen bridges like the one visualized above have never been observed in nature.
INTERNET

Poplawski takes advantage of the Euclidean-based coordinate system called isotropic coordinates to describe the gravitational field of a black hole and to model the radial geodesic motion of a massive particle into a black hole.

In studying the radial motion through the event horizon (a black hole's boundary) of two different types of black holes — Schwarzschild and Einstein-Rosen, both of which are mathematically legitimate solutions of general relativity — Poplawski admits that only experiment or observation can reveal the motion of a particle falling into an actual black hole. But he also notes that since observers can only see the outside of the black hole, the interior cannot be observed unless an observer enters or resides within.

Internet

Chinese enterprises to set up coop zones in ASEAN states

BEIJING, 8 April— The Chinese Government encourages Chinese businesses to set up economic and trade cooperation zones in member states of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) to deepen cooperation, a senior commerce official said on Wednesday.

Vice-Minister of Commerce Gao Hucheng, speaking at a preparatory meeting for the seventh China-ASEAN Expo, said China and ASEAN members have strengthened economic and trade cooperation since the China-ASEAN Free Trade Area (CAFTA) came into effect on January 1 this year.

MNA/Xinhua

A survey of more than 100 experiments on birds, bats and lizards from four continents showed that small, interguild predators increase plant biomass by consuming herbivores and their insect predators.—INTERNET

Chinese vice president meets Belgium's deputy PM

BEIJING, 8 April— Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping met here Tuesday with Belgium's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Steven Vanackere, pledging closer ties.

China and Belgium have conducted productive cooperation in various fields in the past years and the bilateral relationship was expected to continue to strengthen, said Xi.

"China is willing to work with Belgium to consolidate political trust, deepen pragmatic cooperation and strengthen coordination in multilateral affairs in the spirit of mutual respect and equality," Xi said.

MNA/Xinhua

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Rescuers stand at a factory where an explosion occurred on Paris outskirts, on 7 April, 2010. The explosion occurred early Wednesday morning in the factory on Paris outskirts has killed at least one and hurt over 10 others.—XINHUA

Fruit, vegetables modest cancer prevention

NEW YORK, 8 April—Eating a lot of fruits and vegetables may help prevent cancer, but US researchers found the effect is not as large as initially believed.

Lead author Dr Paolo Boffetta of the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York and colleagues analyzed data from the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition study, which involved 142,605 men and 335,873 women from 1992 to 2000 from 10 Western European countries.

After more than eight years of tracking, some 30,000 were diagnosed with cancer.

Internet

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MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (019)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (019) are here by notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9.4.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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Black breast cancer gap not due to therapy

WASHINGTON, 8 April—African-American women have worse breast cancer survival rates than others regardless of whether they received radiation therapy, US researchers said.

Steve Martinez, assistant professor of surgery at the University of California, Davis, Cancer Centre, found in one study that Hispanic patients were 20 percent less likely to get radiation therapy than their white counterparts and African-American patients were about 24 percent less likely to receive radiation therapy.

However, in a second study, Martinez examined 10-year survival rates in patients from whites, blacks and Hispanics.

The study found white women who had radiation therapy had an 11 percent survival boost, while black patients had only a 3 percent difference in survival rates.—*Internet*

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Yangon. 9 April 2010

***An aerial view of Jardim Botanico neighborhood in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 6 April, 2010. The heaviest rains in decades caused floods and landslides that killed about 50 people in Rio de Janeiro.* — INTERNET**

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Consignees of cargoes carried by **M.V. DELPHINI ALPHA** are hereby notified that the estimated arrival time of the vessels from Port Kelang are as follows:-

Voy –29	PKG	05-04-2010	YGN	09-04-2010
Voy –31	PKG	15-04-2010	YGN	18-04-2010
Voy –35	PKG	06-05-2010	YGN	09-05-2010
Voy –37	PKG	15-05-2010	YGN	18-05-2010

Cargoes will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the bye-law and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargoes will be surveyed daily from 8:00 AM to 11:30 AM and 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM and Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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Experts predict active hurricane season

FORT COLLINS, 8 April—Colorado State University experts say the 2010 hurricane season will be an active one, with elevated sea surface temperatures and a weakening El Nino condition.

The university's Tropical Meteorology Project is forecasting 15 named tropical storms, and says eight will become hurricanes with sustained wind speeds above 74 mph, the university announced on Wednesday. Four of those are predicted to become Category 3, 4 or 5 major hurricanes with maximum wind speeds of 111 mph or greater. Since 1950, the average Atlantic hurricane season has had 10 named storms, with six hurricanes, two of them major, the Project said.—*Internet*

Bank Holiday

All Banks will be closed on 12nd April (Monday) to 21st April (Wednesday) Myanmar New Year Holidays 2010 & 27th April (Tuesday) 2010 Full Moon of Kason, Under the Negotiable Instruments Act.

Central Bank of Myanmar

TRADEMARK CAUTION

Mr. Chetapong Chiralerspong and Mr. Nantapong Chiralerspong, reside at 23 Soi Yenarkart 3, Chongnonsi Sub-District, Yannawa District, Bangkok 10120, Thailand is the owner and proprietor of the following Trademarks:

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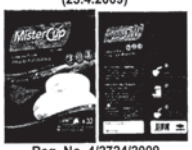

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Dated 9 April 2010

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PREGCOLOR CARD

Reg. No. 5175/1998

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Dated: 9 April 2010

Ancient shipwreck rescued on Outer Banks

CURRITUCK, 8 April—The remains of a ship wrecked on the Outer Banks of North Carolina 300 years ago and plundered by local residents has been salvaged from the sand.

Archaeologists said the vessel likely is the HMS Swift of the British Navy, which ran aground in Chesapeake Bay in 1698, The Virginian-Pilot reports. After the crew abandoned the ship, it drifted to the Outer Banks, where the locals, known as bankers, cut a hole in the bottom to keep it in place and then removed everything valuable.

The wreck, one of about 5,000 known on the Outer Banks, could be the oldest of the lot, said Richard Lawrence, head of the North Carolina Underwater Archaeology Branch. Parts of the wreck have been visible at least since the mid-1990s.

Internet

***Nurse Liliana Tiptis administrates a shot against H1N1 flu virus to a man at Matei Bals hospital in Bucharest, Romania, 9 January, 2010.*—INTERNET**

SPORTS

Fergie admits United have to go for broke after Euro exit

MANCHESTER, 8 April — Sir Alex Ferguson admits Manchester United have to win their last five Premier League matches to have any chance of salvaging a season which has suddenly imploded in the space of a week.

When Ferguson's team flew to Germany for the first leg of their Champions League quarter-final against Bayern Munich, they were firmly on course for the treble.

But in just eight days those dreams have been shattered in spectacular fashion as United surrendered the lead in the Premier League after a defeat against title rivals Chelsea and then crashed out of Europe to Bayern Munich on away goals on Wednesday.

Internet

Bayern Munich's Arjen Robben celebrates scoring during their UEFA Champions League second leg quarter-final match vs Manchester United at Old Trafford in Manchester. United won the second leg 3-2 but lost the tie on away goals after a 4-4 aggregate draw.
INTERNET

Serbia ease past Japan in World Cup warm-up

OSAKA, 8 April — Forward Dragan Mrda bagged a brace to help Serbia ease past Japan 3-0 on Wednesday in Osaka as the teams build up to the World Cup.

Although both sides fielded only their domestic league players, the result piles more pressure on Japan boss Takeshi Okada, two months before the big kick-off in South Africa.

The Serbians were dangerous from the off, when midfielder Radosav Petrovic played in Mrda, who beat three defenders before firing a sizzling shot to open the scoring in the 15th minute after hitting the post with an earlier attempt.

Mrda put Serbia two up in the 23rd minute, quickly collecting a rebound off Japanese goalkeeper Seigo Narazaki before striking home.—*Internet*

Serbia forward Dragan Mrda(L) fights for the ball with Japan defenders Yuhei Tokunaga(C) and Yuji Nakazawa during their international friendly football match at Nagai Stadium in Osaka. Serbia won 3-0.—**INTERNET**

Bordeaux, Lyon keep eyes on league prizes

BORDEAUX, 8 April — Bordeaux quickly turned their thoughts to pressing domestic matters after going down 3-2 on aggregate against Lyon in the Champions League quarter-finals.

Laurent Blanc's side crashed out of Europe's top club competition despite a 1-0 second-leg victory here on Wednesday but did at least manage to end a string of three consecutive defeats, the team's worst run since January 2004.

Saturday's surprise 2-1 defeat at home to Nancy saw the defending champions slip from the Ligue 1 summit as what was once a nine-point lead was finally whittled down to nothing—*Internet*

Bordeaux's Jussie vies with Lyon's Michel Bastos (left) during their Champions League quarter-final match at the Chaban Delmas stadium in Bordeaux. Lyon reached the semi-finals for the first time in their history despite losing 1-0 to Bordeaux.
INTERNET

Diouf in dock for driving offences

LONDON, 8 April — Blackburn striker El-Hadji Diouf will appear in court next month charged with driving offences, the Crown Prosecution Service said on Wednesday.

The 29-year-old Senegalese player was summonsed over allegations that he drove his white Porsche Cayenne without a licence or insurance when stopped by police in Manchester last September.

He is due to appear at Manchester City Magistrates' Court on 10 May.

Internet

Blackburn striker El-Hadji Diouf
INTERNET

Cibulkova advances at Florida tennis

PONTE VEDRA, 8 April — Third-seeded Dominika Cibulkova defeated Alla Kudryavtseva 6-3, 6-3 to reach the quarter-finals of the 200,000 dollar WTA MPS Group Championships on Wednesday.

It was the first time in four career meetings that Slovakia's Cibulkova had beat Kudryavtseva.

Fifth-seeded Russian Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova held off American Bethanie Mattek-Sands 6-7 (4/7), 6-4, 6-2. Mattek-Sands fought off five match points before losing. Sixth-seeded Canadian Aleksandra Wozniak beat Ayumi Morita, 2-6 ,6-3, 6-2.

Internet

Third-seeded Dominika Cibulkova.
INTERNET

Rangers cruise to title continues with victory over Dons

GLASGOW, 8 April, — Rangers seemingly unstoppable march to retaining the Scottish Premier League title continued on Wednesday with a comfortable 3-1 win over Aberdeen at Ibrox.

The win takes Rangers 13 points clear of Celtic with just six games and they could clinch the title at Tannadice next Wednesday if their rivals slip up against Motherwell on Tuesday.

Rangers manager Walter Smith was happy to move closer to what would be a 53rd league championship for the club.—*Internet*

Tennis legend Navratilova has breast cancer

WASHINGTON, 8 April — Tennis legend Martina Navratilova revealed Wednesday she has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

The 53-year-old, who won 18 Grand Slam titles including nine Wimbledon singles titles, said she cried after finding out she had the disease.

Navratilova, 53, said when she heard the diagnosis she felt she had suffered her "personal 9/11."

"I was devastated," she told ABC television's "Good Morning America" on being diagnosed in February, when a routine mammogram revealed a cluster in her left breast.

She explained she had had a lumpectomy, that doctors had found the disease had not spread to her lymph nodes and that there was a "very small chance" of the cancer recurring.

"It is just in that one breast," Navratilova said.

"I'm OK and I'll make a full recovery."

But she said that emotionally it had been a difficult time.

"I'm this healthy person, I've been healthy all my life, and all of a sudden I have cancer. Are you kidding me?" she said.

Navratilova told US magazine People: "It knocked me on my ass, really. I feel so in control of my life and my body, and then this comes, and it's completely out of my hands."

According to the report, doctors say the former Wimbledon champion's prognosis is excellent because the tumour was detected at an early stage.

Navratilova has already had the lump removed and will begin six weeks of radiation therapy in May.

Internet

US tennis legend Martina Navratilova.
INTERNET

Marseille beat Sochaux to go top

PARIS, 8 April — French League Cup winners Marseille were the latest team to go top of the French league in what is turning into a thrilling title race, with a 3-0 victory over Sochaux on Wednesday.

The eight-time champions, whose last title in 1992 was under the present coach Didier Deschamps' captaincy, hold a two-point lead over seven-time champions Lyon, Montpellier and Auxerre, but Marseille have a game in hand on them.

Defending champions Bordeaux - who were beaten by Deschamps' side in the League Cup final to land their first silverware since 1993 - are three points adrift of Marseille with a game in hand.

Marseille had the three points wrapped up by half-time as Argentinian defender Gabriel Heinze and French international midfielder Hatem Ben-Arfa struck, the latter with a penalty.

International Ivory Coast striker Bakari Kone grabbed the third in time added-on in the second-half with a delightful lob to send Marseille top of the league for the first time this campaign.—*Internet*

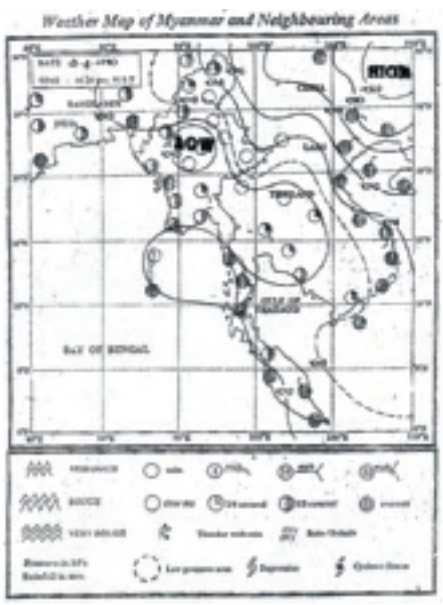
Marseille's forward Brandao celebrates his goal against Sochaux during their French L1 football match at Velodrome stadium in Marseille, southern France. Marseille won 3-0.—**INTERNET**

IN MEMORIAL

MRS. AMY B. DAY nee NICHOLAS (DAW AYE MI), aged 92 Donor/ Member "The Maymyo Expirates Charitable Trust", Surrey, UK.

Expired on 10/03/2010. For the repose of her soul, a Requiem Mass will be held on Saturday, 10/04/2010 at 6:00 am at St. Joseph's RC Church, Thingangyun. Relatives and friends are hereby invited.

Thousand ways to speak out our love.
INTERNET



MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(9-4-2010)(Friday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission	- (9-4-10 09:30 am ~ 10-4-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

* Opening
* News
* Current Affairs "Surprising Myanmar (Shwedagon)(Part II)"
* News
* Documentary "Ayeyawady River"
* Ancient Buddha Images Carved on Stone Walls (Akauk Mountain)
* Myanmar Thingyan Water Festival through Successive Eras "Water Festival of Bagan Era"
* News
* Milestone of Comtemporary Music (Selection- 1)
* Muse 105 Mile Border Trade Zone

Oversea Transmission

* Opening
* News
* Current Affairs "Surprising Myanmar (Shwedagon)(Part II)"
* News
* Documentary "Ayeyawady River"
* Myanmar South Sea Pearl
* News
* Myanmar Thingyan Water Festival though Successive Eras "Water Festival of Second Innwa Era"
* Export Item Villa Fish and Dried Fish Products
* News
* Myanmar International Airport
* News
* Current Affairs "Surprising Myanmar (Shwedagon) (Part-II)
* News
* Documentary "Ayeyawady River"
* Padaung Village and Elephant Camp
* News
* Milestone of Comtemporary Music (Selection-II)
* Investment
* News
* The Incredible Edifice (The Ananda Temple)
* Cruising to Kawthaung (Part-II)
* Myanmar Movie "Moonlight Sonata"

Myanmar TV

Friday, 9 April
View on today

7:00 am
1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am
2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am
3. Morning News

7:40 am
4. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:45 am
5. Nice and Sweet Song

7:55 am
6. ခါသကြိန်အဆိုအကများ

8:10 am
7. ရိုးရာကျေးလက်ကစာနည်း

8:20 am
8. ခါသကြိန်အဆိုအကများ

8:40 am
9. International News

8:45 am
10. The Mirror Images of the Musical Oldies

4:00 pm
1. Martial Song

4:10 pm
2. ခါသကြိန်အဆိုအကများ

4:25 pm
3. Dance of National Races

4:35 pm
4. Songs of Yester Years

4:40 pm
5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -တတိယနှစ် (ရူပဗေဒအထူးပြု) (ရူပဗေဒ)

4:55 pm
6. Songs to Uphold National Spirit

5:00 pm
7. ခါသကြိန်အဆိုအကများ

5:10 pm
8. မြန်မာစာ၊ မြန်မာစကား

5:25 pm
9. ခါသကြိန်အဆိုအကများ

5.35 pm
10. "ရိုးသားဖြူစင်ကလေးတို့ အသွင်"(အပိုင်း-၂)

6:00 pm
11. Evening News

6:15 pm
12. Weather Report

6:20 pm
13. ရသစုံလင်အင်တာနက် ဥယျာဉ်

7:00 pm
14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နှောင်ဖွဲ့မေတ္တာ" (အပိုင်း-၂၆)

8:00 pm
15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နှင်းဆီရောင်ဘဝ" (အပိုင်း-၇)
19. သီချင်းချစ်သူ (နေရဲမာန်)

WEATHER

Thursday, 8th April, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin, Shan, Chin, Rakhine and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas.Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above April average temperatures in Kachin, Rakhine, Kayah, Kayin and Mon States, Bago Division, (5°C) to (6°C) above April average temperatures in Shan and Chin States, lower Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions, (8°C) to (9°C) above April average temperatures in upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Nay Pyi Taw (Yesine) (43.5°C), Chauk (45.0°C), Minbu (44.6°C), Mandalay, Myingyan, Nyaung U, Magway and Aunglan (44°C) each .

Maximum temperature on 7-4-2010 was 104°F. Minimum temperature on 8-4-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 8-4-2010 was 66 %. Total sun shine hours on 7 -4-2010 was (9) hours approx.

Rainfall on 8-4-2010 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 (6) mph from Southwest at (15:30) hours MST on 7-4-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 9th April 2010: Light rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Kachin State and weather will be partly cloudy in Chin, Shan, Rakhine, Mon and Kayin States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas.Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of slight decrease of day temperatures in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 9-4-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 9-4-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 9-4-2010: Partly cloudy.

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★ 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 killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Dailies in alternative circulation during New Year holidays

NAY PYI TAW, 8 April—The dailies of the News and Periodicals Enterprise under the Ministry of Information will be published in turn during the Myanmar New Year holidays.

The Kyemon will not appear on 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 April. During those days, the Myanma Alin and The New Light of Myanmar will be in circulation, and they will take holidays on 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21. On those days, the Kyemon will be in circulation.

All the papers will resume regular circulation on 22 April.

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Significant day temperatures

Nay Pyi Taw(Yezin)	43.5°C
Chauk	45°C
Minbu	44.6°C
Mandalay	44°C
Myingyan	44°C
NyaungU	44°C
Magway and Aunglan	44°C

Chaungtha Village of Pathein Township with progress and prosperity

Article & Photos: *Tin Win Lay (Kyimyindine)*

Together with Administrator of Pathein Township (Shwethaungyan/Chaungtha) U Nyi Nyi Htwe, Chairman of Chaungtha Village Peace and Development Council U Aung Kyaw Kyaw Naing, Manager of Khaing Chaungtha Hotel U Kyaw Hoe and ChanugthaU Hotel Manager U Aye Thwin, the news crew of Kyemon Daily visited Chaungtha region recently.

Chaungtha Village-tract located on 2617 acres of land is formed with 2588 households and a population of over 11,000.

We saw upgrading of the road to Kyaukmaunghnama with the use of heavy machinery. Administrator U Nyi Nyi Htwe explained, "It is a road linking Chaungtha Hotel Zone and Shwethaungyan being constructed by Thawda Win Co. It will be 20 feet wide and 16650 feet long."

(See page 9)

Uto (Chaungtha) Bridge across Uto Creek contributing to smooth transport of Pathein Township.