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Senior General Than Shwe sends message of felicitations to Acting President of Poland

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Bronislaw Komorowski, Acting President of the Republic of Poland, on the occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Poland which falls on 3 May 2010.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein felicitates Polish counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—U Thein Sein, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Donald Tusk, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, on the occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Poland which falls on 3 May 2010.

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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility, 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



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Over 115 miles long Ngaphe-Sedoktara-Laungshe-Hsaw road put into service

NAY PYI TAW, 2 May — Over 115 miles long Ngaphe-Sedoktara-Laungshe-Hsaw road was put into service in Magway Division in the

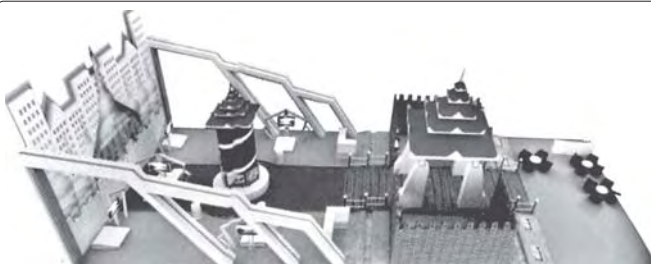
central region of Myanmar on 30 April.

In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas

and National Races and Development Affairs, the Ministry of Construction and the Ministry of Forestry built the new road linking Kyauktu, Htilin,

Yemyetni and Gangaw in the division and Kalay in upper Sagaing Division in the north via Hsaw. It is also connected with Padan a junction linking An in

Rakhine State on the highway transporting passengers and goods between Patheingyi the capital of Ayeyawady Division in (See page 7)



Pavilion of Myanmar with scale models.

Shanghai World Expo 2010 with participation of global countries

The Shanghai World Expo 2010 commenced in Shanghai, the rapid economic development city of the People's Republic of China witnessing rapid economic development, on 1 May. The Myanmar news crew that visited the six-month long expo will present the bylines on the Shanghai

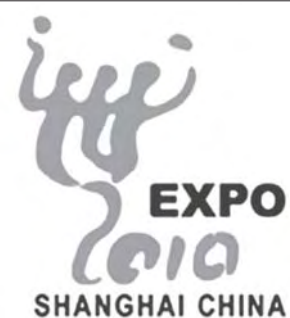
World Expo 2010. (Ed.)

At the invitation of the People's Daily of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and the Government of the People's Republic of China, a news team of News and Periodicals Enterprise under the Ministry of

Myanmar News Crew

Information of the Union of Myanmar had an opportunity to pay a visit to the People's Republic of China from 18 to 22 April.

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Logo of Shanghai World Expo 2010.



Mascot Haibao of Shanghai World Expo 2010 smiling as goodwill ambassador.

PERSPECTIVES

Monday, 3 May, 2010

Make country wealthy

Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility and the rule of law now seen in the country are the results produced by the government. The country is also witnessing economic infrastructures necessary for national development.

Policies and procedures are being carried out in order to promote private investments as the private sector plays a crucial role in ensuring all-round development of the State and in keeping abreast of the international community.

While extensively building economic infrastructures, the government is creating economic opportunities for private national entrepreneurs. Encouragement is being given to develop the industrial sector by establishing industrial zones in the strategic regions of the country and privatizing the State-owned factories and workshops.

For national economic growth, five-year short term projects are being implemented. The fourth five-year project is from 2006-2007 to 2010-2011. The Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry plays a major role in meeting the target of trade volume in the 2010-2011 fiscal year, the last year of the fourth five-year project of the 30-year project.

Overall, the federation side by side with the government is to strive to build sound economic infrastructures and create good economic environments.

TEFEL (High School) course for English teachers

YANGON, 2 May—STI Education is a first affiliated school of London Teacher Training College, and has been conducting TEFEL (High School) in Myanmar since 2006. STI Education will soon open TEFEL (High School). It intends to promote abilities and teaching methods of English teachers in government, private school and home based tuitions.

The two-month course mainly focuses on reading, writing, vocabulary and grammar and methods of answering matriculation exam. The new classes will be opened in May. For more information, contact No. 377, Shwebontha street (Upper), Pabedan Township and ward-4, room (7), Myanmar Info-Tech, Hlaing Township, (Ph- 250056, 700273, 507048, 507151 and 507152).—MNA



People's Desire

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

FM felicitates Polish counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Radoslaw Sikorski, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, on the occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Poland which falls on 3 May 2010.—MNA

U Tin Yu presents Credentials to Turkish President

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—U Tin Yu, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Union of Myanmar to the Republic of Turkey, presented his Credentials to His Excellency Mr. Abdullah Gul, President of the Republic of Turkey, on 5 April 2010 in Ankara.

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Ministry makes arrangements to build major bridge with greater momentum even in rainy season

NAY PYI TAW, 2 May—The Ministry of Construction has made arrangements to continue building the Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon) with added momentum even in the coming rainy season.

One of the major transport projects of the State, the bridge located in Nyaungdon Township, Maubin District, Ayeyawady Division, is being undertaken by special projects implementation group 5.

During his visit to the project yesterday evening, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint explained plans to continue bridge-building work with

might and main even in the coming monsoon seeking ways to further facilitate the arrival of construction materials to the project. He also told workers to complete the bridge according to schedule.

When completed Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon) will be included in the largest bridges of Ayeyawady Division, a delta region with a great number of large and small natural watercourses.

After hearing a report on progress of work, the minister observed bole piling, pile cap laying for shaft erection and steel works.—MNA



Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint inspects construction site of Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon).—CONSTRUCTION

Administering the standardized network course on 13-16 May

YANGON, 2 May — Jointly organized by Myanmar Computer Professionals Association and Assembler, Compu-Tech, M.S.T, BizNet Computer Center, the administering the standardized network course will be conducted at the Building No.1 of Myanmar Info-Tech



Booths on show at Myanmar Hardwood Furniture Fair-2010 at Myanmar Convention Centre in Mayangon Township on 2 May.—MNA

from 13 to 16 May from 8.30 am to 5.30 pm. Course fee is K 75,000 and MCPA members can do the course at 10% discount.

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Ark tornadoes kill woman, gov declares emergency



Stephanie Cooper wipes sweat from her face while helping clean up after a tornado moved through the area in Scotland, Ark., on 1 May, 2010.

Leveled homes, overturned vehicles and uprooted trees were scattered across central Arkansas on Saturday after several tornadoes ripped through the state, killing a woman and injuring two dozen others, authorities said.

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SCOTLAND, 2 May—Leveled homes, overturned vehicles and uprooted trees were scattered across central Arkansas on Saturday after several tornadoes ripped through the state, killing a woman and injuring two dozen others, authorities said.

At least two more

tornadoes touched down in the region late on Saturday, according to the National Weather Service, but no injuries or major damage were immediately reported.

Gov Mike Beebe declared a state of emergency on Saturday after visiting a community south of

Little Rock hit hard by Friday's storms, and he was scheduled on Sunday to visit heavily damaged areas north of the city, his spokesman said. The statewide declaration suspends regulations that could inhibit emergency crews from helping storm-damaged areas.

Internet

NATO investigates report of Afghan civilian deaths

KABUL, 2 May — NATO is investigating an Afghan official's accusation that a military convoy killed two women and a child in a car in a southeastern province. A spokesman for the governor of Zabul province says NATO forces opened fire on Friday after the driver of the car ignored signals to stop. The spokesman, Mohammad Jan Rasoulyar, said soldiers had blocked the road to defuse a roadside bomb.

NATO said on Saturday it was looking into the allegation.

Civilian deaths at the hands of US and other international forces are highly sensitive in Afghanistan. Public outrage over such deaths prompted the top commander Gen.

Internet



People march past a collection of debris from February's earthquake during a May Day rally at Talcahuano city south of Santiago on 1 May, 2010.—INTERNET

Three policemen killed in Baghdad car bombing

BAGHDAD, 2 May—Three policemen were killed and three people wounded in a car bomb explosions at a checkpoint in northern Baghdad on Saturday, an Interior Ministry source said.

A car planted with explosive devices detonated in the afternoon while policemen were checking it at a checkpoint in the mostly Shiite neighborhood of al-Qahira, killing three policemen

and wounding two others, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

A civilian was also wounded by the blast that damaged several nearby civilian cars, the source said. Sporadic attacks continue in Iraq nearly two months after the country held its landmark parliamentary election which is widely expected to shape the political landscape of the war-torn country.

Xinhua

Roadside bomb wounds 3 Polish soldiers in S Afghanistan

GHAZNI, 2 May — Three Polish soldiers sustained injuries as a roadside bomb struck their vehicle in Ghazni Province south Afghanistan, an Afghan senior army officer in the province General Rajab Ali Rashid said Sunday. "The Polish soldiers were on patrol in Asfandi area,

a suburb of Ghazni city, the capital of Ghazni Province on Saturday night when a roadside bomb struck their military vehicle wounding three soldiers," Ali Rashid told *Xinhua*. Rashid who is commander of a Battalion in Ghazni Province also added that a military

vehicle was damaged due to the blast.

More than 1,500 Polish soldiers have been serving in Afghanistan within the framework of NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) to help stabilize security in the war-torn country.

Xinhua

Pakistani police inspect the wreck of a car at the site of blast in Quetta, Pakistan, 1 May, 2010. Six police and several civilians were injured in a bomb attack when a local police vehicle patrolling in the outskirts of Quetta on Sunday.

XINHUA



Explosion rocks Kunduz in N Afghanistan

KUNDUZ, 2 May—A powerful blast shocked Kunduz city, the capital of Kunduz Province, in north Afghanistan on Sunday, police said.

"A roadside bomb apparently targeted a convoy of NATO-led troops in Kunduz city this morning but fortunately caused no loss of life," deputy to provincial

police chief Abdul Rahman Haqtash told *Xinhua*.

The blast occurred in Ludin area just minutes after passing a military convoy of NATO-led troops from there, he added. He put the attack on the enemies of peace a term used against Taleban militants but the outfit has yet to make comment.

Kunduz has been the scene of increasing militancy over the past eight months.

According to Mohammad Omar, the governor of Kunduz Province, to sweep out militants from their hideouts in Kunduz Province needs at least five months.

Xinhua

Bomb-making materials taken from Times Square car

NEW YORK, 2 May —New York City police have removed bomb-making materials from a parked sports utility vehicle in Times Square, including propane tanks and a clock suspected to be a timing device.

Top police spokesman Paul Browne says investigators have also removed gasoline and explosive powders from the vehicle. An officer noticed smoke coming from the SUV around 6:30 pm and cleared the streets of thousands of theatergoers and tourists from



Times Square is void of pedestrians just south of 46th Street in New York Saturday, 1 May, 2010. Police have closed some streets in New York City's Times Square as they investigate a car that has been 'deemed suspicious.'

INTERNET

landmark. Browne says police are investigating a report that someone was seen running from the vehicle at some point and are reviewing security

videotapes. He says the Nissan Pathfinder's license plates do not match the car's registration.

Internet

Finance ministers of China, Japan, South Korea meet in Uzbekistan

TASHKENT, 2 May—Finance ministers from China, Japan and South Korea met here on Sunday to discuss macroeconomic situations in the East Asia region and regional financial cooperation.

All three ministers agreed that under the current circumstances, China, Japan and South

Korea should further strengthen coordination of macroeconomic policies, deepen regional financial cooperation, and commit to safeguarding regional economic and financial stability as well as promoting regional economic recovery and growth.

Chinese Finance Minister Xie Xuren

presided the 10th ministerial meeting held on the sidelines of the 43rd annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), which opened on Saturday.

It was the first ADB annual meeting being held in a Central Asian nation.

Xinhua



Tourists visit Fudo-do inside the Kinkaku Temple in Kyoto, Japan, on 1 May, 2010. Many Japanese enjoyed their "golden week" vacation here Saturday. The Kinkaku temple was listed in World Cultural Heritage in 1994.—XINHUA

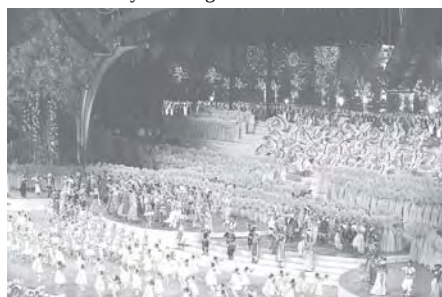
World hails opening of Shanghai Expo

BEIJING, 2 May—The 2010 Shanghai World Expo opened on Friday night, attracting the attention of the world and international participation and earning heartfelt congratulations.

Some 20 world leaders attended the opening ceremony and toured the Expo, including French President Nicolas Sarkozy and South Korean President Lee Myung Bak.

Chinese President Hu Jintao met Prime Minister of the Netherlands Jan Peter Balkenende in Shanghai on Saturday.

Balkenende spoke highly of the opening ceremony and fireworks and said he was impressed deeply by the China National Pavilion and Sichuan Pavilion he visited Saturday morning.



Actors put on Act I "Meeting in Shanghai" during the performance of opening ceremony of the 2010 Shanghai World Expo at the Expo Cultural Center in Shanghai, east China, on 30 April, 2010.—XINHUA

While meeting European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso in Shanghai Saturday, President Hu thanked the EU for its participation in the Shanghai World Expo, the organization's first presence at a World Expo held outside the EU countries.

Barroso said the ceremony was a great event that showcased a modern China and a China that was much respected.

He also said the Expo would be conducive to a stronger common understanding between China and the EU. Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper issued a statement on Friday, saying he expected the Canada Pavilion would show Canada as a modern, democratic and pluralistic country.

"The Expo itself will provide us with an opportunity to build stronger economic, diplomatic and cultural ties with China as we showcase our country, our arts and culture, and our values," he said.—Xinhua



Tourists take boat for sightseeing on a river at a scenic spot in Hechi County, south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 1 May, 2010.—XINHUA

Russian space freighter docks with ISS

Moscow, 2 May—A Russian space cargo ship docked with the International Space Station (ISS) on Saturday, delivering fresh supplies and equipment to the orbit station, said the Mission Control centre outside Moscow.

After two days of automatic flight, the Progress M-05M freighter docked successfully with ISS at around 10:30 pm Moscow Time (1830 GMT), said Valery Lyndin, spokesman for the Mission Control centre.

The space ship lifted off on Wednesday night from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, delivering more than 2.5 tons of various supplies to the ISS, including food, water, fuel, scientific equipment, as well as fruits, cheese, chocolates, candies, movie disks, books and magazines for the crew members from their families. As the long-enduring backbone of Russian space cargo fleet, the Progress freighters are also used to correct the ISS orbit and conduct scientific experiments. The new generation of Progress vehicles is lighter in weight and equipped with a modern digital control system, which enables the spacecraft to dock with the ISS more accurately.—Xinhua



EU Naval arrests 11 Somali pirates

NAIROBI, 2 May—A naval warship on Saturday destroyed a pirate mother ship and arrested 11 Somali pirates, some 450 nautical miles (833 km) east of the Somali coast, EU Naval Force said.

Naval Force spokesman John Harbour said the warship FS Tonnerre boarded the two pirate ships and took the 11 Somali pirates on board.

"EU NAVFOR warship FS Tonnerre located and boarded two pirate ships early this morning, 450 nautical miles east of Somalia. Evidence was secured, weapons and a ladder, and 11 suspected pirates were taken on board the Tonnerre," Harbour said.

He said an EU naval force's maritime patrol aircraft from Sweden detected a pirate action group (PAG) of one mother ship and two skiffs on Friday evening. He said the Force Commander, Rear Admiral Jan Thornqvist, ordered the nearest EU NAVFOR vessel, the French warship Tonnerre, to interdict the PAG.—Xinhua

A visitor stands in front of a giant electronic book in the Pavilion of Future at the World Expo Park in Shanghai, east China, on 1 May, 2010.

Shanghai World Expo park formally opened to public on Saturday. The Pavilion of Future invites visitors to imagine what cities will be like in the future through movies, books and sculptures.

XINHUA



Journalists film the electronically animated giant baby "Miguelin" in Spain Pavilion at the World Expo Park in Shanghai, east China, on 1 May, 2010. Shanghai World Expo park formally opened to public on Saturday. Miguelin, measuring 6.5-metre-high, is able to breathing, blinking, smiling and doing 32 gestures to greet the visitors. Ten cartoon films, describing an ideal city in the future, are shown on the 18 screens in the exhibiting hall.

XINHUA



Photo taken on 30 April, 2010 shows the Oriental Pearl Tower and other skyscrapers located at Lujiazui financial center in Shanghai, east China. The opening ceremony of the World Expo will be held in Shanghai on Friday night.—XINHUA

Food safety begins in the grocery store

SILVER SPRINGS, 2 May— Food safety begins not at home, but while shopping, US experts advise.

FoodSafety.gov, produced by government agencies with a role in food safety, says being smart about food safety begins with food shopping.

“Protecting your family against foodborne illnesses begins not at home but at the supermarket, grocery store or any other place where you buy food that you plan to store and serve,” Doriliz De Leon, a consumer safety officer at the Food Safety and Applied Nutrition Office of Compliance, part of the Food and Drug Administration, says in a statement.

De Leon recommends before actually buying food check for store cleanliness and the condition of cans, jars and frozen food packages. Check for irregularities and damage.

To keep food safe while shopping, De Leon suggests:

- Separating raw meat, poultry and seafood from other foods.

- Adding frozen foods and perishables last to the cart.

- Eyeballing fresh eggs for cracks and cleanliness.

- Being mindful of transport time and temperatures.

Internet



A worker is seen at her work station at a garment factory in Pinghu, some 100 kms from Shanghai. China's manufacturing activity accelerated in April, a government survey showed on Saturday, as domestic and overseas demand for Chinese-made goods remained robust.

INTERNET

Lack of sunlight increases MS risk

MELBOURNE, 2 May — Babies whose mothers don't get enough sunlight during the early part of pregnancy are more likely to develop Multiple Sclerosis, (MS) scientists in Australia said.

A lack of sunlight — the main source of Vitamin D — during the first three to four months of pregnancy can affect how a baby's central nervous and immune system develops, said

scientists from the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne and Australian National University in Acton.

Babies born in November and December, during the Australian summer, had their early months in the winter and so were 32 percent more likely to develop MS than babies whose early months were in the summer and were born in May and June, during the Australian winter, the scientists said.

Their results from studying 1,524 patients with MS born between 1920 and 1950 appeared recently in an online edition of the *British Medical Journal*.

“These results add to the weight of existing evidence suggesting vitamin D plays a role in the development of MS,” Doug Brown, an MS researcher, told *The Times of London* in a story published on Friday.

Xinhua



Visitors walk past an artwork of Chinese artist Liu Xiaodong at the contemporary art exhibition called “The State of Things, Brussels/Beijing” at the National Art Museum in Beijing, capital of China, 30 April, 2010.—XINHUA

Obesity increases fibromyalgia risk

TRONDHEIM, 2 May— Researchers in Norway say obesity increased the risk for fibromyalgia, but exercise decreased fibromyalgia risk. Study leader Paul Mork of the Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim found women who reported exercising four times per week had a 29 percent lower risk of fibromyalgia compared with inactive women.

“Similar results were found in the analysis of the summary score combining information on frequency, duration and intensity of exercise; women with the highest exercise level had a somewhat lower risk than inactive women,” Mork said in a statement.

Mork and colleagues based the study on data collected from the Nord-Trøndelag Health Study, the first part conducted in 1984 and the second part in 1995. In the 11 years between, 380 new cases of fibromyalgia were reported among the 15,990 women participants. The study, published in *Arthritis Care & Research*, also found being overweight or obese a strong and independent risk factor for future development of fibromyalgia. Being overweight or obese and inactive — pointed to a further disadvantage than being overweight or obese alone, the study said.

Internet

People think ‘organic’ = fewer calories

ANAHEIM, 2 May— A US researcher advises those counting calories to look beyond the organic label.

Brian Wansink of Cornell University in Ithaca, NY, says people often under-estimate the number of calories in an organic snack and overreward themselves by eating more.

Wansink and colleagues found people who ate cookies labelled as “organic” believed their snack contained 40 percent fewer calories than the same cookies without

the label.

The researchers found those most likely to do this were people who report usually buying organic foods and those who say they usually read nutritional information labels.

“An organic label gives a food a ‘health halo,’” study co-author Wansink says in a statement.

He advises those who desire a more accurate calorie count to guess and then double the number.

Internet



A flock of Great Egrets, part of the thousands of migratory birds which descend on Candaba marsh north of Manila. Members of the Wild Bird Club of the Philippines fear the worst for the species after observing the egret flocks dwindle in recent years.

INTERNET

Health

More trouble ahead from volcanic ash?

WASHINGTON, 2 May — Iceland's Eyjafjallajökull volcano continues to be active, but the full effects of volcanic ash on the aviation industry have yet to be seen, according to an aviation expert from the University of Leeds.

Aviation lecturer Stephen Wright believes the impact of ash on airplane air-conditioning systems could be serious and will build over the next few weeks as planes begin to 'hoover up' the additional ash in the atmosphere.

Air-conditioning systems provide fresh air to pressurise the cabin as well as the warming the internal temperature of the plane. Once clogged with dirt, they can overheat, forcing the pilot to shut the system down and make an unscheduled or emergency landing. Overheating of the system can be serious, as on many planes the air-conditioning units are sited underneath the central fuel tank.

"As planes taxi round airports, the air-conditioning systems

suck up dirt which then clogs up the heat exchangers," says Stephen Wright, who worked in the aviation industry before joining the University's Faculty of Engineering. "Sometimes dirt levels are so high, systems are having to be changed after just three to four months, whereas they're expected to last around 18 months. The planes will now be sucking up ash as well which will put these systems under very high stress."

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The impact of volcanic ash on airplane air-conditioning systems could be serious and will build over the next few weeks as planes begin to 'hoover up' the additional ash in the atmosphere, a UK aviation expert believes.

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Researchers recommend pregnant women take 4,000 IU vitamin D a day

COLUMBIA, 2 May — Taking vitamin D supplements during pregnancy is not only safe for mother and baby, but also can prevent preterm labor/births and infections, according to results of a randomized controlled study to be presented at the Pediatric Academic Societies (PAS) annual meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

In the 1950s and '60s, people were concerned that vitamin D could cause birth defects, according to Carol L. Wagner, MD, lead author of the study and a pediatric researcher at Medical University of South Carolina. It now is known that vitamin D is important for maternal and infant health, including bone health and immune function.

Recent studies have shown that vitamin D deficiency during pregnancy is a serious public health issue.

"Diet doesn't provide enough vitamin D, and we don't go in the sun as much as we need," Dr. Wagner said.

Therefore, she and her colleagues, including Bruce W. Hollis, PhD, who has worked in the field of vitamin D research for the last 30 years, set out to determine the optimal dose of vitamin D supplements for pregnant women without doing harm.

Internet

Ancient wreck yields evidence that Chinese merchants flouted imperial trade ban

GUANGZHOU, 2 May — Archaeologists working on the wreck of a 400-year-old merchant vessel off south China have found evidence that Chinese merchants probably flouted bans on foreign trade at the time.

The salvage team has recovered more than 800 pieces of antique porcelain and copper coins from the ancient ship off the coast of Guangdong Province, said the provincial cultural relics bureau Sunday. Archaeologists believe the ship, which sank in the Sandianjin waters off

Nan'ao County, Shantou City, may have been carrying 10,000 pieces of blue-and-white porcelain, mostly made during Emperor Wanli's reign (1573-1620) of the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644).

Some big porcelain bowls found in the vessel, dubbed "Nan'ao-1," were probably made for foreign trade as they were not commonly used in Chinese daily life at that time, they believe. The find is particularly interesting as the administration of Wanli had imposed a ban on sea trade.

Guangdong was a major center for the sea trade in ancient China.

Sheet copper and coins found during the salvage operation indicated the ship might have been smuggling copper too, as the export of copper was also banned at the time, said Sun Jian, head of the salvage team.

The Ming Dynasty restricted private sea trade to deter piracy, which had imposed huge hardships on legitimate sea traders, and ensure maritime security along Chinese coastal areas.

Xinhua

Ship-breaking exposes Bangladesh to climate change threat

SITAKUNDU, 2 May — When huge waves hit Bangladesh's sleepy southeastern Sitakundu coastline after a cyclone in 1991, shopkeeper Abul Kalam survived by hanging on to a coconut tree.

Kalam's parents, brother, sister and young nephew and niece were among the 138,000 people killed that May when a tidal surge from the force-five cyclone destroyed his family's house and the tiny fishing village they called home.

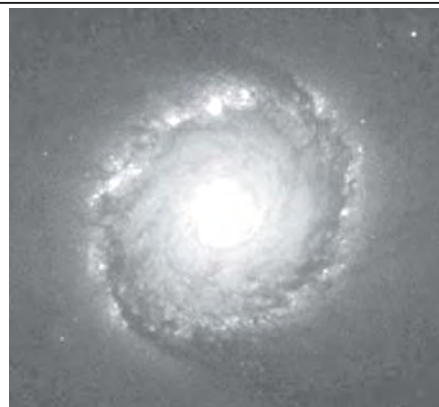
Those who survived — including Kalam and his wife — owe their lives to the protection provided by the trees, which is why they are concerned about the deforestation they're witnessing around them.

"In 1991 we survived, but now we are surrounded by ship-breaking yards, there are hardly any trees left," Kalam said.

"I hung onto that coconut tree for dear life. The waves were so strong they ripped my clothes off."

In just two decades, Sitakundu beach has been transformed from a quiet, leafy shoreline into a sprawling industrial hub, home to one of Bangladesh's largest, most profitable and most controversial industries: ship-breaking.

Internet



The largest atlas of nuclear galactic rings has been unveiled.—INTERNET



A dead sea turtle is seen along the shoreline, on Saturday, 1 May, 2010 in Breton National Wildlife Refuge, La. Wildlife in the region is vulnerable to the looming oil spill from last week's collapse and spill of the Deepwater Horizon oil rig.—INTERNET

Largest atlas of nuclear galactic rings unveiled

WASHINGTON, 2 May — An international team of astrophysicists has just unveiled the most complete atlas of nuclear rings, enormous star-forming ring-shaped regions that circle certain galactic nuclei. The catalogue, published in the Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, includes 113 such rings in 107 galaxies.

"AINUR (the Atlas of Images of Nuclear Rings) is the most complete atlas of nuclear rings created to date," says Sébastien Comerón, a researcher

at the Institute of Astrophysics of the Canary Islands (IAC), and co-author of the joint study with other scientists from the universities of La Laguna, Oulu (Finland) and Alabama (United States).

The atlas has just been published in the journal Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, and covers 113 nuclear rings in 107 different galaxies. Six are dust rings in elliptical galaxies, while the rest (the majority) are star-forming rings in disc galaxies.—Internet

Science

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Over 115 miles long...

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the delta and Monywa the largest commercial city in Sagaing Division.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence attended the ceremonies to the mark the opening of the road in Hsaw, Sedoktara and Ngaphe townships.

Passing through there townships and 40 villages, the road facilitates transport of regional goods and passengers to the western part of Ayeyawady Division, eastern sector of Magway Division and Tamu at Myanmar-India border via Kalay in Sagin Division.

The Develop-

ment Affairs Department of PBANRDA Ministry built the over 29-mile

ber Enterprise of the Forestry Ministry with the assistance of Magway Division Peace and Development Council

500 feet long bridges, five bridges between 200 feet and 500 feet in length, 13 bridges between 100 feet and 200 feet in length and 24 un-

Peace and Development Council Commander Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister for PBANRDA U Tin Ngwe and Chairman of Magway Division PDC Col Phone Maw Shwe formally opened the

road.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye and party cordially conversed with local people and made arrangements to facilitate health, education and regional development undertakings.

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Lt-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence opens archway of Ngaphe-Sedoktara-Laungshe-Hsaw road at Pin U village.—MNA

section, Public Works of Construction Ministry over 24-mile section and Myanma Tim-

over 61-mile section of Ngaphe-Sedoktara-Laungshe-Hsaw road. It has four over

der 100 feet bridge totaling 46.

Chairman of Mandalay Division



Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister U Tin Ngwe and Chairman of Magway Division PDC Col Phone Maw Shwe open Ngaphe-Sedoktara-Laungshe-Hsaw road.

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Arid zone greening, availability of irrigation water discussed

YANGON, 2 May—Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo received Managing Director U Nay Lin Oo of Typical Trading Co Ltd and party at the hall of

Irrigation Department here yesterday morning. They held discussions on works for greening of arid zone and availability of irrigation water.

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Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo receives Managing Director U Nay Lin Oo of Typical Trading Co Ltd and party.—A&I



Crown Education arranges English language skill courses

YANGON, 2 May—Crown Education will provide English Language skill courses

Delegation of Myanmar War Veterans Organization attends 13th General Assembly of the ASEAN Veterans Confederation held in Jakarta of Indonesia from 25 to 28 April.—mwv

for those wishing to go abroad. The Courses will arrange to the attendees English for 21st Century Lifestyle course for those wishing to attend at foreign universities or colleges, English for Business course for those wishing to work in foreign business, JET SET English Courses to get grammatical English with LCCI course syllabuses of UK, School Admission Test Preparation Course for those wishing to sit

entrancetest in university, collage and poly school of Singapore and the Job Hunting to prepare for the jobs.

Moreover, the course will arrange conversation club for the attendees to study English Language without any difficulty as special procedure for the Seminars on Demand free of charge. For further information, dial 216750, 524921, 211888 and 228229.

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Shanghai World Expo 2010 with participation of global countries

(from page 1)

The Myanmar team observed the preparations for organizing the Shanghai World Expo 2010 in Shanghai on 18 April.

We noticed that China and Asian nations are a pride to host the Shanghai World Expo for the first time in a developing nation. We saw the all-round preparations of all the global nations including Myanmar and host country to organize international exposition in the year 2010.

In the history,

money on construction of the pavilions for the grand Shanghai World Expo 2010. In addition, the governments and non-governmental organizations of participant countries also spent money on it. We have learned that a total of 143 million US dollars was spent on the pavillion of Japan, 75 million US\$ on that of France, 40 million US\$ on that of Germany, 36 million US\$ on that of Russia and 76 million US\$ on that of Australia.

Preparations for hosting the Shanghai

from 1 May to 31 October 2010. It is hoped that the expo will attract the interest of international community.

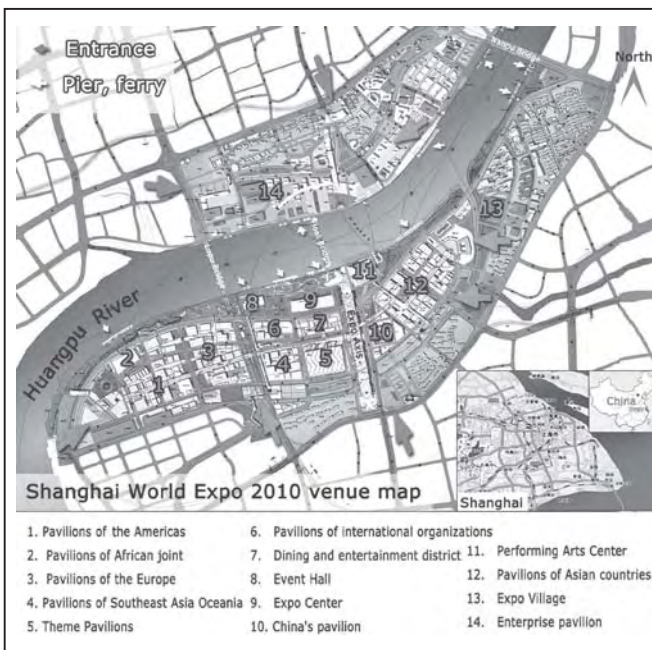
The expo will be participated 192 countries and 50 world organizations.

The motto of the expo is "Better City, Better Life", and its logo shapes the design of Chinese word "Shi" meaning "World".

The mascot of the expo is the "Haibao" meaning "Jewel of the Sea".

It is praise worthy for all Asian people that after organizing the Olympic Games 2008, the rapidly developing China will host the world expo.

The Shanghai Expo is separated into five



Press Center installed with modern communication devices including telephones and Internet.

Shanghai has more experience international relations than any other Chinese cities. Shanghai accommodating about 22 million residents is a large city that conveniently moving in the trend of globalization.

The site of the expo is located on 5.28 square kilometres. Pavilions are allotted along both banks of Huangpu River. An area of 3.93 square kilometres for the expo is located on the east bank of Huangpu River in Futong and an area of 1.35 square kilometres on the west bank in ancient Pushi region.

The governments, international organizations and corporations have spent a large sum of

World Expo 2010 took eight years. Before the expo, new passenger lounges at the airport, new tubes, expressways, hotels and inns were constructed with might and main.

Among them, a new railway station was built near the international airport which was one of the important projects of Shanghai.

The government of the People's Republic of China has spent billions of US dollars on preparations for the expo. It is estimated that the Chinese government spent 58 billion US dollars including construction of infrastructures.

The Shanghai World Expo 2010 will last

zones. The pavilions of Asian countries can be seen at Zone (A) and Zone (B).

The Myanmar

news crew viewed the pavilions of the International Committee of the Red Cross, International Association of Public Transport, International Council of Museums, the League of Arab States. Moreover, we saw grander pavilions of the United Nations, and the ASEAN.

The journalists from ASEAN member countries, the Republic of Korea and Japan in addition to Myanmar have the opportunity to visit the expo. Expressing goodwill towards ASEAN+3 nations, the host China invited the regional journalists to visit the expo before the opening day.

Since the ASEAN was established in 1967,

the regional countries have been cooperating in political, economic and security measures. We noticed that the pavilion of ASEAN displays for enabling the visitors to learn about regional organizations and its associates.

We also visited the pavilions of Myanmar created with designs of Myanmar palace, Nanmyint Tower, pagodas and stupas and modern buildings. The pavilion of Myanmar is magnificent and attractive.

The pavilion of Laos represents the ancient city Luang Prabang with the designs of modern and human societies. It highlights sustainable economic development of Laos without affecting the

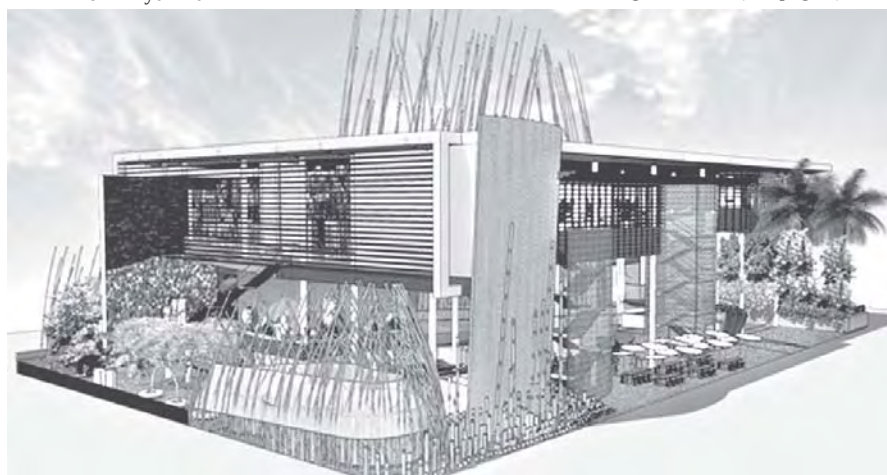
environment.

The pavilion of Cambodia exhibits the design of the Angkor Temple as part of efforts to preserve the traditional culture. Visitors can enjoy the fine arts of Khmer Empire. They can observe the building made of stone that reflects the development of national culture step by step.

Bamboo posts can be seen over the roof of the pavilion of Indonesia. It indicates the new life style without losing of traditional culture. It has four floors and the multi-media cinema is at its centre.

The pavilion of Thailand is beautiful. It presents the Palace with Royal Guards.

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Indonesian Pavilion seen with traditional works.



Shanghai World Expo...

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We noticed that the pavilion of Vietnam was built with a view to focusing on live style in conformity with the environmental conservation. It was built with bamboos that can be used again. It is designed as the traditional house for decreasing the temperature.

The centre of the pavilion of Brunei Darussalam is shaped as the tropical rain forests with the aim of playing an important role in envi-

ronmental conservation and preserving cultural heritage. It will show the first national development project to be implemented by the Brunei Government up to 2035. The documentary film on history of Brunei will be presented at the 4D cinema. In addition, the traditional foods and weaving works will be displayed there.

The pavilion of Malaysia will describe the designs of traditional textiles with butterflies, flowers, birds and geom-

etry shapes. Visitors can enjoy the golf tourney at the mini-golf course and watch the traditional indoor games. During the expo period, a total of 47 Malaysian national race groups will present variety of dances.

The walls of the pavilion of the Philippines are covered with diamond shaped materials. TV screens are installed at the entrance to the pavilion for entertainment the whole day. The maps of major cities of the Philippines will attract the visitors. The artistes will perform entertainment daily.

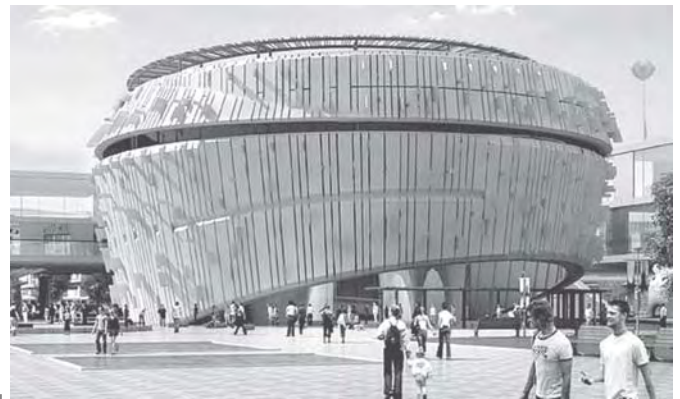


Photo shows pavilion of Singapore.

Arrangements are being made for the guests to en-

joy the hot spring recreations.

The pavilion of Singapore is significant. Music is afloat at the roof garden the pavilion. The history of Singapore will be explained with the use of audio-visual aid. It educates the visitors about the life style of urban areas in conformity with the environment. There are three theaters on the second floor of

the pavilion. The entertainments of Singapore artistes will be screened through video system.

While in Shanghai Expo, we noticed that the South-East Asian nations are preserving their fine traditions and striving for urbanization of their societies without losing traditional styles.

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Photo shows the building of cultural centre at Shanghai World Expo 2010.

Fishery industry of Taninthayi Division...

(from page 16)

Today, Kawthoung, Bokpyin, Taninthayi and Myeik are accessible to Palaw, Palauk, Thayetchaung, Dawei, Yebyu, Kaleinaung, Ye, Lamai, Mudon, Thanbyuzayat, Mawlamyine, Paung, Thaton, Bilin, Kyaikto, Waw, Bago and Yangon

Five Star Line are providing waterway transport services to the local people of Myaik, Kawthoung, Dawei, Mawlamyine and Yangon.

Hovercrafts run along the 100 nautical miles routes from Myeik to Kawthoung and to Dawei reaching the destination in two hours. Avia-

around Myeik Archipelago in Taninthayi Division.

"Now, Dawei, Kawthoung and Myeik are trying hard to gain all-round development like Yangon, Mandalay and Mawlamyine with might and main. Job opportunities have been created for the local people in cultivation of oil palm, rubber, hardwood, Eucalyptus, physic nut, offshore and onshore fisheries, shipyard, industries, automobile and finished wood industries," explained Director U Ye Naing Aung of Division General Administration Department.

"Pyi Phyto Tun Co Ltd and Taninthayi Division Offshore and Inshore Fishery Industry established a 1000-ton cold storage between Pahtaw-Pahtet hills in 1990. Local entrepreneurs of Myeik, Kyunsu, Bokpyin and Kawthoung cooperate in operating offshore and inshore fishery and seawater and fresh water fish and prawn breeding," Managing Director Dr U Aung Lwin explained.

Managing Director (Admin) U Hla Than said, "In 2009 fishing season, Pyi Phyto Tun Co tried to



Local people travelling to Myeik by car conveniently.

produce fish and prawn for meeting the target of Taninthayi Division. The company has put 8500 acres of land under oil palm, 188,850 acres under rubber, 550,000 acres under Eucalyptus and 985,200 acres under hardwood trees. Moreover, the company has built 80.55 miles long earth road and 23 miles long gravel road. In addition, the company sponsors the establishment of a Basic Education Primary School affiliated with BEMS for the children of workers.

"The company facilitates the employees with five dispensaries and one ambulance and appoints two doctors, five nurses and 10 health assistants to provide health care services to the workers. Moreover, five video

houses, two libraries, two department stores, 10 shops and five canteens are opened for recreation of the workers. Electricity and water are being supplied to them free of charge."

"We established a Crumb Rubber Finishing Product Factory in Sangyoung Ward of Myeik by creating jobs for the local people," explained Factory Manager U Pho Shein.

"I believe that the fishery work and breeding of fish and prawn in the region are fulfilling basic needs of the people, and we created the job opportunities for the national people as a meritorious deed to uplift their living standard," fishery entrepreneur U Tin Ohn of Myeik said.

The cold storage of Pyi Phyto Tun Co is processing fish and prawn and sending them to cold storages at Hsinmin and Thiri Mingala markets of Yangon.

The businesses namely fishery, breeding of fish and prawn, cultivation of oil palm, edible oil crops and hardwood trees are drives for economic development. Nowadays, the thriving rubber and palm oil plantations and the developing fishery industry are improving Myeik region of Taninthayi Division with equitable development of rural and urban areas.

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Photo shows production of rubber at a factory.

by car day and night. Vessels Haka, Myitkyina, Taunggyi, Thanlwin, Chindwin and Sittoung of Myanma

tion service is being provided from Yangon to Dawei, Myeik and Kawthoung for ensuring development of areas

Johnson & Johnson's recalls infant, children's Tylenol, Motrin

WASHINGTON, 2 May—The Food and Drug Administration on Saturday urged consumers to stop using liquid Tylenol, Motrin, Benadryl and Zyrtec medicines for children and infants after a broad recall announced by the manufacturer, although it said the chance of serious problems was remote.

Johnson & Johnson's consumer division announced a broad recall

of products, including certain liquid infant's and children's Tylenol, Motrin, Zyrtec, and Benadryl products late on Friday.

A full list of the over 40 affected products made by McNeil Consumer Health-care is available at <http://www.mcneilproductrecalls.com>

"We want to be certain that consumers discontinue using these prod-

ucts," FDA Commissioner Margaret Hamburg said in a statement.

"While the potential for serious health problems is remote, Americans deserve medications that are safe, effective and of the highest quality. We are investigating the products and facilities associated with this recall and will provide updates as we learn more," she said.

Internet



Members of the Xining detachment of the armed police force offer free diagnostic services in quake-hit Yushu County, northwest China's Qinghai Province, on 1 May, 2010.—INTERNET

Gulf oil spill swiftly balloons, could move east

VENICE, 2 May—A sense of doom settled over the American coastline from Louisiana to Florida on Saturday as a massive oil slick spewing from a ruptured well kept growing, and experts warned that an uncontrolled gusher could create a nightmare scenario if the Gulf Stream carries it toward the Atlantic.

President Barack Obama planned to visit the region on Sunday to assess

the situation amid growing criticism that the government and oil company BP PLC should have done more to stave off the disaster. Meanwhile, efforts to stem the flow and remove oil from the surface by skimming it, burning it or spiking it with chemicals to disperse it continued with little success.

"These people, we've been beaten down, disaster

after disaster," said Matt O'Brien of Venice, whose fledgling wholesale shrimp dock business is under threat from the spill.

"They've all got a long stare in their eye," he said. "They come asking me what I think's going to happen. I ain't got no answers for them. I haven't got no answers for my investors. I ain't got no answers."

Internet

Minn officer killed in ambush, sets off manhunt

ST PAUL, 2 May—A suburban St Paul police officer was killed during an ambush on Saturday, setting off a massive manhunt that ended with one suspect dead and another in custody, authorities said.

Maplewood Police Sgt. Joseph Bergeron, 49, was fatally shot while responding to a reported carjacking early Saturday morning.

A jogger on a nearby

trail heard the shot that killed Bergeron, a married father of two and a 26-year police veteran, and turned back around to see two suspects fleeing. The jogger used the officer's radio to call for help, and the carjacking victim warned police that at least one of the suspects was armed, police said.

"We're all grieving," Maplewood Chief David Thomalla said. "He's one of the finest people I

know, and he was murdered today senselessly."

The attack set off an hours-long search by more than 100 officers from over a dozen law enforcement agencies. Officers brandished automatic rifles and police helicopters circled overhead as they searched a wooded area and neighborhoods east of Lake Phalen, near the shooting scene.

Internet



Fishermen signed up to lay oil booms stand with a trailer load of booms in Shell Beach, La., on 1 May, Saturday, 2010. The oil spill resulting from last week's explosion and sinking of the Deepwater Horizon oil rig is expected to reach there shortly.—INTERNET

Mass water main break affects Boston, suburbs

BOSTON, 2 May—A "catastrophic" break on Saturday in a relatively new, 10-foot wide steel pipe rendered the water undrinkable in Boston and more than two dozen of its suburbs, forcing Gov. Deval Patrick to declare a state of emergency.

The state issued an order for residents to boil water before drinking it in the 30 affected

communities, which include 2 million people in 700,000 households.

The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority was able to draw emergency water supplies from various reservoirs for bathing, flushing and fire protection. That water isn't treated for drinking, so the state issued the boil-water order.

Authority head Frederick Laskey called the break "highly unusual and catastrophic in nature," and said it came

in a critical point in the system — a tunnel that's on the main supply route to Boston and delivers 200 million to 400 million gallons a day.

The leak was reported at 10 a.m. in Weston, about 10 miles west of Boston, and it took hours for officials to stop its tremendous flow of water. The pipe was empty by Saturday evening and repairs began, but Laskey said it's not an easy fix. He said he hoped it could be repaired in "days, not weeks."—Internet



Paper dolls hang at a room of the Miami Children Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Saturday, on 1 May, 2010. The Miami Children Hospital is a non-profit organization formed after the magnitude-7 earthquake that hit Haiti last 12 Jan. INTERNET

Air raids kill 10 militants in E Afghanistan

KHOST, 2 May—Air raids left 10 anti-government militants dead in Khost Province east of Afghanistan late Friday night, an Afghan army commander Mohammad Israr said on Saturday.

"The militants were taking positions to attack government interests in Duwamanda District but Afghan security forces acting upon intelligence

information called in a precise air strike that resulted in killing 10 militants," the army commander in the region, Israr told Xinhua.

He also said six of the dead persons were foreign militants. However, he failed to identify their nationality.

Taleban militants, who staged a violent comeback in 2006, have yet to make comments.

The hardliner militants whose regime was toppled in a US-led military campaign in late 2001 have vowed to speed up activities this year in Afghanistan.

Taleban related security incidents and explosions had wounded 15 people including three policemen in the southern Helmand and western Farah Provinces on Friday.—Internet



Water surges from the ground at the site of a water main break, on 1 May, Saturday, 2010, in Weston, Mass. Water to 2 million people in Boston and more than two dozen suburbs is temporarily unsuitable for drinking after the break in a pipe that connects a major suburban reservoir to the city.—INTERNET



At least Five dead in Tenn flooding

MEMPHIS, 2 May—At least five people died and hundreds were being evacuated on Saturday as heavy rains pounded Tennessee, causing widespread flooding across the state. The forecast called for more rain through the weekend. The five deaths were storm related, but the exact causes were not yet known, Jeremy Heidt, spokesman for the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, said on Saturday evening.

Hundreds of homes had been evacuated and shelters were being opened across the state for people stranded due to flooded roads. Heidt said crews were called out for swift-water rescues from Nashville to Memphis.

"It's so widespread, it's a very serious concern," he said. The deaths were in



A stranded car sits on a flooded road on Saturday, on 1 May, 2010 in Franklin, Tenn.

INTERNET

reported in Stewart, Davidson, Williamson and Carroll counties, he said.

The southwestern part of the state was extremely hard hit, with several Memphis-area streets declared impassable. Memphis received 10 inches or more of rain during the day and officials were warning that 4 to 8 more inches could fall overnight and into on Sunday.

Internet

Armed separatists kidnap republican guards in south Yemen

SANAA, 2 May — Yemeni armed separatists kidnapped two soldiers of the Republican Guards in the restive southern province of Lahj and demanded the government to free two of their jailed southern leaders, state and independent media reported on Saturday.

The group gave the government 48 hours to release the detained leaders, or it would not "be responsible for the lives of the abducted soldiers," privately-owned *News Yemen* reported.

The kidnapping took place in the city of Radfan in southern province of Lahj, the Defence Ministry said on its website.

Xinhua

Check blood pressure at home, not MD's office

NEW YORK, 2 May—Think you need to go to the doctor's office to check your blood pressure? Think again: The best way to predict your risk of stroke or heart attack due to high blood pressure is through systematic monitoring at home rather than periodic checks in the doctor's office, new research suggests.

"With home blood pressure monitoring you get a greater number of measurements and there is no white-coat effect," lead author Dr Teemu Niiranen told Reuters Health, speaking

of the tendency for anxiety to drive up blood pressure. "At home the patient is more relaxed and this seems to provide blood pressure values that reflect the patient's true blood pressure better."

Writing in the American Heart Association's journal *Hypertension*, Niiranen and colleagues at Finland's National Institute of Health and Welfare concluded that home-measured blood pressure is a better predictor of heart disease-related problems than office-measured blood pressure.

Xinhua



Photo taken on 1 May, 2010 shows a tea garden on the outskirts of Nairobi, capital of Kenya. Kenya's tea production for the first quarter of 2010 increased by 69 percent to 111.7 million kilogrammes compared to 65.8 million kilograms recorded during the first quarter of 2009, the highest that the industry has ever recorded in the last five years for the same period.

XINHUA

British man loses 159 kilos in four years



Before: Enrieu was 266 kg.

A British man has lost 159 kilos in the last four years, media reported.

Roberto Enrieu used to weigh 266 kilos four years ago, which brought much trouble to his daily life. A little walk would make him out of breath. What's worse, he once crushed his chair at a job interview!

Roberto's health was also affected by his obesity. The doctor found that his life was under threat of heart attack due to being overweight. It was then that he decided to get rid

of the fat.

During the following four years, Roberto lived on a much healthier diet, increasing his consumption of salads and vegetables. He also spent at least three days per week at the gym doing exercise. He has successfully lost 159 kilos, which is more than a half his previous weight. His determination and consistency finally paid off.



Alson Kelen (right) and crew prepare the outrigger canoe Jitdam Kabeel, as it is moored along a beach in Majuro. The Marshall Islands outrigger canoe has arrived in an outlying atoll after finishing the first long-distance voyage in the country using ancient navigation skills for 60 years.

Grandma makes the grade



An 83-year-old woman became one of Guangdong-based Zhongshan University latest graduates on 18 April.

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Before retiring, Li Pinxian was a middle school math teacher, and after leaving her job she felt a void in her heart.

With support from her son, Li entered the graduate department of Chinese classical literature at Zhongshan University in September 2009 when she was 81 years old. Li said only study could bring her happiness. The university also gave her a 50 percent discount on her tuition. The only two difficulties Li encountered while studying were that she had trouble seeing the blackboard and her English course, as she had not studied the language for 60 years. However, she scored high in other Chinese courses.

Lizard with 2 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.

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



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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.

"They are extremely secretive," Brown said, adding, "I think that centuries of humans hunting them have made the existing populations ... very skittish and wary and we never see them."

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**Newly-weds head to the venue of a low-carbon
group wedding in Wuhan, central China's Hubei
Province, on 1 May, 2010.—XINHUA**

Bank robber puts own name on demand note

PALM BEACH, 2 May — A man attempting to rob a Florida bank put a bag over his head then handed a teller a note identifying himself by name, authorities said. Another customer in the Palm Bay, Fla., Space Coast Credit Union office noticed a teller putting money in the robber's bag, the *Palm Beach Post* reported on Friday.

The customer, who had a concealed-weapons permit, got his gun from his car and detained Floyd Francis, 23, until police arrived, the *Post* said. In the note, Francis wrote he was robbing the bank without a weapon because "I am the son of God." The note also included Francis' name and the address of his MySpace page, the newspaper said. The hold-up note read, in part, "I am a black Muslim. I am a black Christian. I am a Black Rastafarian ... Always smoke weed get high."

After his arrest, Francis told police that Jesus told him "go get money this morning, today." In the back of a police car, Francis told officers, "You know God told me to rob this bank, so how come you're arresting me?" On his MySpace page, Francis says he is a native of Jamaica who moved to the United States in 1996.—*Internet*

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**Dr Erica Miller, left, and Danene Birtell with Tri-State
Bird Rescue and Research work to help a Northern
Gannet bird, covered in oil, normally white when full
grown, at a facility in Fort Jackson, La,
on 30 April, 2010.—INTERNET**

Grandmother finishes marathons feat

LLANELLI, 2 May — A grandmother gave a dazzling display of pensioner power and almost certainly sprinted into the record books as she finished the last of 26 consecutive fundraising marathons. Rosie Swale Pope MBE, 63, concluded her gruelling 681-mile odyssey after darkness had fallen — then revealed she is to run one more on Saturday.

The indefatigable pensioner, pulling a three-wheeled cart in her wake, finished her exhausting run at Llanelli's picturesque Millennium Coastal Park. A handful of hardy supporters accompanied her every step of the way along the windswept coast overlooking the Gower Peninsula. Despite the lateness of her arrival, she vowed to do it all again on Saturday in her native Tenby, west Wales. It means she will end as she started on Easter Monday in her home town — concluding with an amazing 27th consecutive marathon.

Internet

Pickpocket steals life-saving device

MONTREAL, 2 May — A Montreal teenager was the target of a pickpocket who made off with the victim's life-sustaining insulin pump, authorities said. McGill University student Doug Chalke was in downtown Montreal on Thursday celebrating the Montreal Canadiens' hockey victory over the Washington Capitals when the thief made off with his wallet and the medical device, *The Montreal Gazette* reported.— *Internet*

UK student in coma after baseball attack

CHICAGO, 2 May — A British student is fighting for her life in hospital after she was brutally beaten with a baseball bat by violent muggers in Chicago.

Doctors fear Natasha McShane will never speak or walk again after she and a female friend were viciously attacked while walking home from a bar. The 23-year-old, from Silverbridge, Co Armagh, is on a ventilator in a drug-induced coma as her parents and sister hold a vigil by her bedside.

She and her American friend Stacy Jurich, 24, were left bleeding and unconscious during the robbery under a viaduct in the North Damen part of the city in the early hours of last Friday morning. Both women suffered fractured skulls in the attack.— *Internet*

Film crew gets scarily close to lava

LONDON, 2 May — Dramatic new footage of the Icelandic volcano bubbling with lava and almost ready to blow has been released by a film crew who risked death to get the pictures. When the Eyjafjallajökull volcano started shooting ash clouds high into the sky, news crews around the world rushed into action, desperate to get to the scene of the seismic event. But one film crew was already there.

The team from the National Geographic Channel, were in Iceland to film the volcano before the eruption, — even though they had had reports of precursor earthquakes shaking the ground under the glacier. Their early arrival meant they were able to get unparalleled footage of the event as it happened. Filming was dangerous, involving staying close to the enormous crater as it spewed fire and ash into the atmosphere. The crew hired a helicopter and landed as close as they dared.— *Internet*



That she blows! Mr Sigfusson's picture of the eruption.—INTERNET



Banks closed in Puerto Rico, Mich, Mo, Wash

WASHINGTON, 2 May—Regulators on Friday shut down three banks in Puerto Rico, two in Missouri, and one each in Michigan and Washington, bringing the number of US bank failures this year to 64.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp took over the banks: Westernbank Puerto Rico, based in Mayaguez, with about \$11.9 billion in assets; R-G Premier Bank of Puerto Rico, based in Hato Rey, with around

\$5.9 billion in assets; and San Juan-based Eurobank, with \$2.5 billion in assets.

The FDIC also seized CF Bancorp, based in Port Huron, Mich, with about \$1.6 billion in assets; Champion Bank, of Creve Coeur, Mo, with \$187.3 million in assets; BC National Banks, of Butler, Mo, with \$67.2 million in assets; and Frontier Bank, based in Everett, Wash., with \$3.5 billion in assets.

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Puerto Rico agreed to acquire Westernbank's deposits and about \$9.4 billion of its assets. The FDIC will keep the remainder for eventual sale. Scotiabank de Puerto Rico agreed to buy all the assets and deposits of R-G Premier Bank. And Oriental Bank and Trust is acquiring all the assets and deposits of Eurobank. The three healthier acquiring banks are based in San Juan, the Puerto Rican capital.

Internet



Musicians from Bolivia's Martin Schmid Ensemble take pictures in Concepcion, Bolivia, on Friday, 30 April, 2010. Concepcion is one of several cities hosting the International Baroque Music Festival.

INTERNET

Brazil's Vale acquires iron ore assets in Guinea



People walk by the headquarters of Brazilian mining giant "Vale do Rio Doce" in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2006.

Vale on Friday announced it had acquired iron ore assets in Guinea, buying a 51 percent stake in a subsidiary of BSG Resources Ltd.

INTERNET

RIO DE JANEIRO, 2 May—Brazil's mining giant Vale, the world's leading iron ore producer, announced on Friday that it had acquired a 51-percent stake in a BSG Resources Ltd (BSGR) subsidiary in Guinea.

BSG Resources (Guinea) Ltd, the BSGR subsidiary, holds indirectly iron ore concession rights in Guinea's Simandou South (Zogota), and iron ore exploration permits in Simandou North and Blocks 1 and 2.

Vale said it would pay a total of 2.5 billion U.S. dollars for the assets, in an all-cash transaction, of which 500 million dollars are payable immediately and the remaining 2 billion dollars on a phased basis upon further achievements.

According to Vale, Simandou Blocks 1 and 2 and Zogota are among the world's best undeveloped sources of high-grade iron ore with potential to support the development of a large-scale long-lived project, with low capex and operating costs.—Xinhua

Spain jobless rate over 20 pct, adding to woes

MADRID, 2 May—Spain's jobless rate has risen over 20 percent for the first time since 1997, the government said on Friday — more dismal news for a recession-plagued economy that is being dragged into Europe's debt crisis.

The National Statistics Institute said the rate rose 1.22 percentage points in the first quarter to 20.05 percent.

While other major economies in Europe and elsewhere have posted at least rapid growth as they crawl out of recession, the eurozone's fourth-largest economy is still contracting after the collapse of a construction boom that had fueled years of expansion.

The agency said at the end of March, there were over 4.6 million people out of work in the country. The jobless rate is the highest since the last quarter of 1997, when it stood at 20.11 percent.

Since Spain slipped into recession in 2008, the rate has roughly doubled, a dramatic development for a country that had been one of Europe's top job-creators.—Xinhua

Honda recalls 167,255 Acura TSX cars in the US

DETROIT, 2 May—Honda Motor Co Ltd (7267.T) said it would recall 167,255 Acura TSX sedans sold in the US market to address the risk that power steering fluid could leak and cause an under-the-hood fire.

The recall, covering 2004-2008 model year Acura TSX vehicles with 2.4-liter inline four-cylinder engines, comes after one fire was reported due to leaking fluid.

Honda and U.S. safety regulators said that over time power steering hoses may crack and leak.

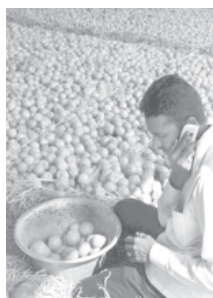
US safety regulators in a statement issued Friday morning said power steering fluid "leaking onto a hot exhaust pipe will generate smoke and a burning smell, and could potentially result in an under hood fire."

Honda will notify US Acura TSX owners and its dealers will repair the Acuras for free, beginning on 28 May, said the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in a report.—Internet



The 2009 Acura TSX is seen here in 2008 at the New York International Auto Show. Honda Motor Company's luxury vehicle division Acura announced on Friday a recall of some 167,000 Acura TSX models to replace a power steering hose that could lead to a "smoke or a fire" hazard.

INTERNET



An Indian farmer talks on his mobile phone as he discusses pricing of oranges at the Kothapeta fruit market. India has blocked its fast-growing telecom sector from buying some Chinese-made equipment, an Indian mobile operator said on Friday, in a move set to stoke trade tensions between the emerging giants.

INTERNET

Brazil to create 2.5 million jobs in 2010

RIO DE JANEIRO, 2 May—Brazil will be able to create up to 2.5 million new jobs in 2010, higher than a previous estimate of 2 million, said the country's labour minister on Friday.

Brazil will have the best year of President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva's administration in terms of job creation, said Labour and Employment Minister Carlos Lupi. "We will have the best year, we will generate 2.5 million jobs. That means that, while the world is still finding difficulties in leaving the crisis behind,

Brazil is generating more work," he said. In the first quarter of 2010, Brazil managed to create over 657,200 jobs.

Lupi also expressed his belief that, by creating more jobs, Brazil may be able to raise retirement pension payments.

"We have already had the best months of social security system collection due to the increase in employment," he added that an eventual raise in the pensions may warm up the economy even more, leading to the creation of more jobs.

Xinhua

Huddlestone keeps Spurs on course for Champions League

LONDON, 2 May—Tottenham maintained their challenge for a Champions League place after Tom Huddlestone's spectacular strike clinched a 1-0 win against Bolton at White Hart

Lane on Saturday.

Harry Redknapp's team stay one point ahead of Manchester City in the Premier League table before Wednesday's crucial trip to Eastlands, where victory will guarantee Spurs a place in Europe's elite club competition. Despite defeating Arsenal and Chelsea in their previous home games,

Redknapp resisted the temptation to rest players ahead of the trip to City.

Internet

Tottenham's midfielder Tom Huddlestone celebrates scoring during their English Premier League football match against Bolton Wanderers at White Hart Lane in London.—INTERNET



Halladay blanks Mets for second shutout

PHILADELPHIA, 2 May—Roy Halladay threw a three-hitter for his second shutout in three starts, Shane Victorino hit a three-run homer and the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Mets 10-0 on Saturday to end New York's eight-game winning streak.

Halladay (5-1) struck out six, walked one and recorded his 17th career shutout in his first outing since suffering his first loss with the Phillies at San Francisco last Monday. The six-time All-Star right-hander went the distance for the third time this season and notched his 52nd career complete game.—Internet



New York Mets outfielder Angel Pagan has trouble fielding a double hit by Philadelphia Phillies' Shane.—INTERNET

Roma down Parma to go top

ROME, 2 May—Roma moved a point clear of Inter Milan at the summit of Serie A on Saturday after goals from Francesco Totti and Rodrigo Taddei earned a nervous 2-1 win at Parma.

Ahead of Inter's away match in Rome against



AS Roma's midfielder Rodrigo Taddei celebrates after scoring during their Italian Serie A football match against Parma at Ennio Tardini stadium in Parma.—INTERNET

Lazio on Sunday, Totti struck after five minutes and Taddei doubled the lead with a quarter of an hour to go after Parma had bossed the match. Substitute Davide Lanzafame's 81st-minute strike set up a tense finale, but Roma, seeking their first scudetto since 2001, held on and with two matches to play will now be cheering on their city rivals.

"I told my players to battle and then see if the ball would run for us. Last week it went against us but today it went for us," admitted Roma coach Claudio Ranieri, whose team slumped to a 2-1 home defeat to

Sampdoria last weekend. "I'm not thinking about Lazio but obviously if they play their part tomorrow's game should be a tough one to win." Roma skipper Totti gave his team the perfect start with a superbly taken goal on five minutes.

Internet

Hoarau lands French Cup for PSG

PARIS, 2 May—An extra-time goal from Guillaume Hoarau handed Paris St Germain their eighth French Cup success on Saturday to deny Monaco 1-0 at Stade de France.

The 26-year-old Hoarau, from Saint Louis on La Reunion island in the Indian Ocean, struck seconds before the turnaround in the final half hour to add some gloss to what has been a poor season for the capital club. After a largely turgid affair, veteran Claude Makelele

fed Christophe Jallet on the right and although Monaco keeper Stephane Ruffier parried the effort, Hoarau snapped up the rebound.

With a place in the Europa League at stake, both sides had every reason to go for the jugular - particularly as neither club has shone in the league this season with both mired in mid-table.—Internet



Paris Saint-Germain's striker Guillaume Hoarau (R) reacts after scoring during their French Cup final.—INTERNET

Jazz beat Nuggets 112-104 to clinch series in 6

SALT LAKE CITY, 2 May—Carlos Boozer had 22 points and 20 rebounds, rookie Wesley Matthews scored 23 and made a key block, and Utah pulled away late in the fourth quarter and beat the Denver Nuggets 112-104 on Friday night, winning the playoff series in six games.

Deron Williams added

14 points and 10 assists for the Jazz, who went on an 11-0 run after Carmelo Anthony had tied the game at 95-all midway through the final period. Matthews went 13 for 15 from the free throw line as Utah persevered in the foul-filled game, making 34 of 51 free throws after drawing 39 fouls by the Nuggets.

Internet



Utah Jazz forward Carlos Boozer No (5) celebrates after scoring and getting fouled as Denver Nuggets centre.

INTERNET

Nadal sets up Ferrer final after Gulbis thriller

ROME, 2 May—World number three Rafael Nadal survived a three-set thriller against unseeded Ernests Gulbis on Saturday to reach the final of the ATP Rome Masters 1000 with a 6-4, 3-6, 6-4 victory.

It will be an all-Spanish final on Sunday after 13th seed David Ferrer beat compatriot and sixth seed Fernando Verdasco 7-5, 6-3 in the first semi-final. Until this match, Nadal had not dropped a set on clay this season and Gulbis, who put out world number one Roger Federer in the second round, deserved much credit for pushing him to the brink in a thrilling clash that lasted 2hr 47min.

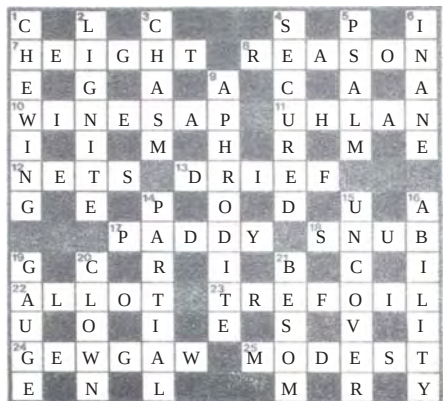
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Spanish Rafael Nadal returns the ball to Latvia's Ernests Gulbis during their ATP Tennis Open semi-final match in Rome.—INTERNET

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Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



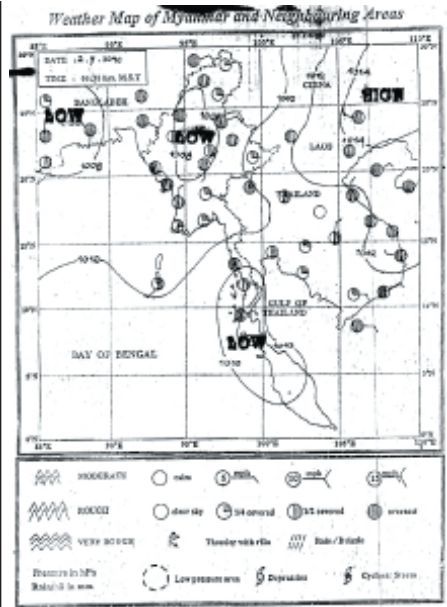


Super Saver (R), with jockey Calvin Borel in the irons, wins the 136th Kentucky Derby horse race in Louisville, Kentucky May 1, 2010. —XINHUA

UPS to build Asia-Pacific's largest service sharing center in east China

Hefei, 2 May — UPS, the world's largest package-delivery company, will build its largest service sharing base in Asia-Pacific region in eastern China, local authorities said Saturday.

UPS has signed a memorandum of collaboration with the municipal government of Hefei, capital of Anhui Province, the city's publicity department said in a statement.—Xinhua



WEATHER

Sunday, 2nd May, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr.

M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Shan State and Mandalay Division, weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above May average temperatures in Kachin, Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, Upper Sagaing and Yangon Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) above May average temperatures in Mandalay, Magway, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, (10°C) above May average temperatures in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine, Taninthayi Division and about May average temperatures in the remaining areas. The significant day temperatures were Chauk (43.2°C) and Minbu (43°C). The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Moekok (0.08) inch.

Maximum temperature on 1-5-2010 was 104°F. Minimum temperature on 2-5-2010 was 80°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 2-5-2010 was 66%. Total sun shine hours on 1-5-2010 was (10.9) hours.

Rainfall on 2-4-2010 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 (4) mph from Southwest at (21:30) hours MST on 1-5-2010.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 3rd May 2010: Rain or thundershowers in Kachin, Shan and Rakhine States, Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions and Weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of thundery conditions in Upper Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 3-5-2010: Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 3-5-2010: Partly cloudy..

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 3-5-2010: Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (3-5-2010)(Monday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (3-5-10 09:30 am ~ 4-5-10 09:30 am) MST

Times

Local Transmission

- * Opening
 - * News
 - * Current Affairs "Being Young (Youth and Fashion)"
 - * News
 - * Documentary "Ayeyawady (The Historical Lifeline of Myanmar)"
 - * live Concert
 - * News
 - * Muse 105-mile Border Trade Zone
 - * News
 - * Serenely Pleasant Pindaya
- Oversea Transmission**
- * Opening

- * News
- * Current Affairs "Being Young (Youth and Fashion)"
- * News
- * Documentary "Ayeyawady (The Historical Lifeline of Myanmar)"
- * Beikthano The Ancient Glory of Myanmar
- * News
- * Live Concert
- * Muse 105-mile Border Trade Zone (558D184N)
- * News
- * Culture Stage
- * News
- * Current Affairs "Being Young (Youth and Fashion)"
- * News
- * Documentary "Ayeyawady (The Historical Lifeline of Myanmar)"
- * News
- * Opal Garment Factory (Hlaing Thayar Industrial Zone)
- * News
- * Poem Garden "The Sun"
- * Myanmar Movies "Shwe Nanthar House"

Myanmar

TV

Monday, 3 May
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ ဝရိတ်တရားတော် ယောဆရာတော် ဟောကြားတော်မူသော ဥပ္ပါတသန္တိပါဠိတော်

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး)

တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:50 am

4. သံသာချီအေးမင်္ဂလာတေး

8:05 am

5. Dance Of National Races

8:10 am

6. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:20 am

7. Cute Little Dancers

8:40 am

8. International News

8:45 am

9. "ချစ်တတ်ကြရအောင်"

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Dance Variety

4:25 pm

3. Musical Programme

4:40 pm

4. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:50 pm

5. အစေးသင်တန်းသို့လ် ပညာရေးရပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -ဇုတ်ယန္တရ (ဓာတုဗေဒအထူးပြု) (ဓာတုဗေဒ)

5:05 pm

6. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

5:10 pm

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

5:25 pm

8. မြန်မာစာမြန်မာစကား

5:40 pm

9. "တူးကောင်းကျား ထိန်းသိမ်းရေးနယ်မြေဆီသို့"

6:00 pm

10. Evening News

6:15 pm

11. Weather Report

6:20 pm

12. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm

13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "တို့အတူရှိစဉ်တုန်းက" (အပိုင်း-၁၇)

8:00 pm

14. News
15. International News
16. Weather Report
17. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာနန္ဒ" (အပိုင်း-၁၁)

8:00 pm

18. "သုခုမရင်ပြင်"



- ★ 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 killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Fishery industry of Taninthayi Division on development track

Myeik, a town of Myeik District, is located in Taninthayi Division, the southern part of Myanmar. Being a hub of transportation from Yangon and Mandalay to Myeik, Kawthoung, Bokpyin and major cities of Taninthayi Division by land, by boat and by air day and night, the Taninthayi coastal region is gaining development momentum. As Taninthayi Division becomes the focal point of transport, Myeik

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region improves in economic, social, education and religious sectors.

(See page 9)



A fishing boat equipped with modern equipment seen offshore fishing work.

Scientists study effects of grazing on grouse habitat



New research by ARS scientists highlights how ranchers can help preserve sage grouse habitat with careful grazing management.

INTERNET

The significant day temperatures

(2-5-2010)

Chauk	44.2° C
Minbu	43.0° C

