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Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing looks into upgrading of Pyinmana-Pinlaung Road, progress of Leinli Bridge

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May—Public Works is upgrading Pyinmana-Pinlaung Road with might and main.

On his inspection tour on 4 May, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Yar Pyae and officials, heard reports on laying of gravel and tarmacking of road, construction of bridges, conduits and retaining walls of Pyinmana-Pinlaung Road presented by officials.

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing inspected progress in construction of the approach road for Leinli Bridge Project.

Officials reported on construction of the approach roads, approach bridge and main bridge on Pyinmana Bank. Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing stressed them to carry out construction tasks meeting set standards for ensuring its durability.

The Chairman of Pinlaung Township Peace and Development Council and officials reported on arrangements for undertaking development of villages in Upper Paunglaung Region.

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing, the commander and officials viewed progress of the bridge construction on Pyinmana and Pinlaung banks and gave necessary instructions.—*MNA*

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

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of Ministry of Defence views progress of Leinli Bridge Project.

MNA

Union Election Commission issues Notification No. 41/2010

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May—The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 41/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 41/2010
10th Waning of Kason, 1372 ME
7 May 2010

Permission granted to Kokang Democracy and Unity Party to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Kokang Democracy and Unity Party with its headquarters at No. B/6/137 on Dawna Street in Region 6 of Ward 2, Lashio, Shan State to register in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 7 May 2010.

The registration number of the Kokang Democracy and Unity Party is (4).

By Order,

Sd/Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Continued existence as political party scrutinized, passed

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May—Parties which are in compliance with the Article-25 of the Political Parties Registration Law are submitting their applications of registration for continued existence as political parties to the Union Election Commission. Among them, the Commission has found the Kokang Democracy and Unity Party to be in accordance with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules and thus the Commission passed the registration of the party as political party on 7 May, 2010.

Up to now, four of five parties that submitted their applications for continued existence as political parties have already been allowed to register as political party and application of the remaining one is scrutinized.

MNA

PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 8 May, 2010

We care

The whole world has seen various disasters due to human error or the nature. Such disasters are threatening the lives of people. When natural disasters such as earthquakes, floods, storms and landslides broke out, it is Red Cross societies that lend a hand to mitigating the sufferings of victims.

Serving the interests of own community and the public as well as helping with the troubled is the inborn duty and philanthropic work of the Myanmar people. Members of Myanmar Red Cross Society are actively participating in community-based health care services and humanitarian work.

Myanmar Red Cross Society is formed with the aim of mitigating sufferings and poverty. As a voluntary organization, MRCS is playing a part in national development endeavours and promoting regional health care. It is also taking part in disease prevention measures and helping with disaster victims.

Red Cross members have to give first aid to disaster victims or sick people in order to mitigate or cure those sufferers. In other way, first aid means taking care of such victims so as to prevent their deaths before being sent to a medical expert, hospital or clinic.

With the encouragement of the government, MRCS is carrying out humanitarian work in earnest. Now, 17 State/Division Red Cross Supervisory Committees, 65 District Red Cross Supervisory Committees and Township Red Cross Societies have been formed. There are now about 200,000 Red Cross members, and they are being trained to improve their work efficiency.

With the concerted efforts of MRCS, the number of Red Cross volunteers has increased. They will continue to take part enthusiastically in humanitarian work and public welfare tasks.

Entries invited to ASEAN Young Photographers' Award

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May — National Youth Achievement Award (NYAA) Council will hold ASEAN Young Photographers' Award and photo contest in August 2010 to hail the start of Youth Olympics Games to be held in Singapore. For Myanmar's participation, entries are invited to the contest under the title of the Spirit of ASEAN-Through Sports.

Those who are selected for the contest will be sent to Singapore. Travelling expenses and meals and accommodation will be arranged by the organization concerned.

Entry photos are to be sent to Director U Aye Kywe (Production), Information and Public Relations Department, 228, Theinbyu Road, Botahtaung Township, Yangon, by 4 pm on 15 May 2010.

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**

A&I Minister views test-run of mini-excavators

YANGON, 7 May—Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo viewed arrival of imported mini-excavators to be used in dredging the drains at irrigated areas, assembled mini-excavators, test-run and capabilities and spare parts of the machines at Industrial Division-1 of Irrigation Department at 9th-mile here today.

Twenty-five 21.2 HP mini-excavators will be sent to the irrigated areas of Kyaukse District to dredge the drains of farmlands.—*MNA*

***Minister U Htay Oo views mini-excavators to be used in dredging the drains at irrigated areas.*—A&I**

Religious Affairs Dy Minister receives Vietnamese Ambassador

***Deputy Minister Thura U Aung Ko receives SRV Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr. Chu Cong Phung.*—MNA**

YANGON, 7 May—Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Aung Ko received Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the Union of Myanmar Mr. Chu Cong Phung at the meeting hall of the ministry (branch) on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road, here, today.

MNA

Great deal for lucky customers

Toshiba brand electronic products on special sales at Lucky Bird Groups of Companies.
MNA

YANGON, 7 May — During the period of sales promotion programme from 1 to 31 May, 2010, Toshiba Notebook, Copier and Projector, Remaco brand Projection Screen and USA Brand Infocus Projector are on sales by Lucky Bird Group of Companies. Lucky draw programme will be made for customers who bought Toshiba Notebook, Copier and Projector at Sedona Hotel on 27 May.

Everyone may contact Lucky Bird Group of Companies, No. 355, Theinbyu Road, Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon (Ph: 248167, 379875 and 399011) and No. 5, 26th Street (between 78th and 79th streets), Mandalay (Ph:02-21572) and North-West Wing, Thabyegon Market, Nay Pyi Taw (Ph: 067-414113).

MNA

Donate Blood

Police officials show the suicide jacket and explosive material recovered from suicide bombers in northwest Pakistan's Peshawar on 6 May, 2010. According to the police, they have recovered 10 kg of explosive material from the suicide bombers.
XINHUA

Pakistani Taleban deny link with New York Times Square bomber

ISLAMABAD, 7 May—Tehreek-e-Taleban Pakistan (TTP) denied any link with Faisal Shehzad, the suspected New York Times Square bomber, TTP spokesman Azam Tariq said on Thursady, local TV channel reported.

The spokesman said that they did not know Shehzad and had not trained him for bombing, the private TV Express reported.

Shahzad, a naturalized United States citizen was arrested Monday late night, was allegedly found guilty.

Some reports also said that the Pakistani-American, a failed Times Square car bomber, is believed to have been working alone when he began preparing the attack almost immediately after returning from his native land. According to local media, authorities have not found a wider link to extremist groups.

Xinhua

Two killed in bomb explosion in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 7 May—Two people were killed and four wounded in a bomb explosion in western Baghdad on Thursday, an Interior Ministry source said.

"A roadside bomb went off near the al-Liqaa Sequare in western the capital around midday, destroying a civilian car, killing two people and wounding four," the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity. Iraqi security forces sealed off the scene as ambulances evacuated the victims to Baghdad hospitals, the source said. Sporadic attacks continued in Iraq about two months after the country held its landmark parliamentary election which was widely expected to shape the political landscape of the war-torn country.

Xinhua

32 injured in train crash in northwest Turkey

ISTANBUL, 7 May—A total of 32 people were injured in a train crash in northwestern Turkey on Thursday.

The semi-official *Anatolia* news agency reported that a passenger train from Adapazari to Istanbul collided with another train coming from the opposite direction in Kocaeli Province.

The report quoted Kocaeli governor Gokhan Sozer as saying that 32 people were injured in the train crash. The injured passengers were taken to nearby hospitals.—*Xinhua*

People work by the remains of houses at Libai Village of Shaping Town in Dianjiang County, southwest China's Chongqing Municipality, on 6 May, 2010. At least 26 people were killed in windstorms, hailstorms and rainstorms raging through some parts of Chongqing overnight.
XINHUA

Three family members killed by gunman in LA-area home same

HAWAIIAN GARDENS, 7 May—Six family members escaped a gunman rampaging through their house Thursday by climbing through a window and hiding on a roof as a room-to-room attack left a father, son and daughter dead and the mother critically wounded, authorities said.

Joseph Mercado, 27, is suspected of shooting and killing 23-year-old Serena Tarin, his ex-girlfriend, with an assault-style rifle in what appeared to be a domestic dispute involving a child custody issue, sheriff's homicide Lt Don Slawson said.

Mercado also poured gasoline on an exterior wall but failed to light it with a match, Slawson said. The attack was halted when two patrol deputies rushed to the home after hearing a burst of gunfire. They confronted Mercado as he left the house carrying a gun. One of the deputies shot at Mercado, who was arrested after a bullet grazed his head.

"I believe if the deputies weren't there, we'd have a lot more deceased, and the house would be burned to the ground," Slawson said.

Internet

A deputy carries a tortoise to safety in a nearby yard after it wandered into the scene of a shooting in which two persons were killed and three others wounded, on Devlin Avenue in the Los Angeles suburb of Hawaiian Gardens, Calif.—INTERNET

Brad Low, a food blogger, is seen taking a photograph of a dish at a cafe in Singapore. Despite the growth in western luxury dining most Singaporeans still swear by the city-state's unique blend of Chinese, Indian, Malay and Indonesian cuisine, and many of them rely on amateur food critics like Low to tell them where they can find the best dishes.
INTERNET

Floods kill 60 in Afghanistan

KABUL, 7 May—Heavy rains and floods have claimed the lives of some 60 people in different parts of the war-battered Afgha-nistan over the past one week, a private television channel Tolo broadcast in its main news bulletin on Thursday.

Quoting officials, the television added that about 600 houses have been damaged or washed away in the natural disaster.

Xinhua

Prenatal smoking linked to mental illness

VANCOUVER, 7 May— A pregnant woman who smokes may raise her child's risk of developing a psychiatric disorder, Finnish researchers say.

Lead author Mikael Ekblad of Turku University Hospital in Finland linked prenatal smoking to increased likelihood of increased use of psychotropic medications— especially stimulants used to treat attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder.Psychiatric medication use was highest in young adults whose mothers smoked more than 10 cigarettes a day during pregnancy.

"Smoking during pregnancy is still quite common even though the knowledge of its harmful effects has risen in recent years," Ekblad says in a statement.

"By avoiding smoking during pregnancy, all the later psychiatric problems caused by smoking exposure could be prevented." Ekblad and colleagues collected information for all children born in Finland from 1987 to 1989 and analyzed records on their later use of psychiatric drugs and their mothers' 1969-1989 psychiatric inpatient care.

Internet

A Saudi university student is pictured checking out his internet blog on a laptop at a cafe in Riyadh. Internet addresses written in Arabic are making history as the first online domains in non-Latin characters, with Chinese and Thai expected to follow close behind.

INTERNET

The race to avert an oil catastrophe in the Gulf of Mexico intensified with BP rushing to lower a dome to contain the spill,while sheen was confirmed on land for the first timeBP is dispatching a giant "dome" to try and contain the Gulf of Mexico oil spill.—INTERNET

US doctor announces birth of baby born from frozen egg

LOS ANGELES, 7 May—A Los Angeles-area fertility doctor on Thursday announced the birth of a baby from a chomosomally tested frozen egg, the first of its kind.

The birth paves the way for successful pregnancies for women who prefer to delay childbearing, said Dr Aykut Bayrak, who has research offices in West Los Angeles, Glendale and the Inland Empire.

The baby was born on 3 May in Southern California after vitro fertilization treatment that involved egg freezing combined with a genetic test called comparative genomic hybridization, according to Bayrak, a fertility specialist and the Medical Director of PRC/SIRM.—*Internet*

Roller coasters linked to ear injury

DETROIT, 7 May— Physicians should know ear barotrauma has been linked to a roller coaster ride, a US doctor warns.

Dr Kathleen Yaremchuk of the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit says the case study of a 24-year-old male experiencing pain and fullness in his right ear about 36 hours after riding a roller coaster at an amusement park may be the first reported instance between the force of acceleration in roller coasters and ear barotrauma. Yaremchuk pointed out barotrauma — caused by a quick change in pressure in the external environment, the ear drum and the middle ear — from a roller coaster happens suddenly so it very difficult for the patient to equalize ear pressure by simply yawning or chewing gum.

Internet

Health

Study: High crime area may worsen asthma

VANCOUVER, 7 May— British Columbia,A US researcher says living in a high-crime neighbourhood may worsen children's asthma.

Dr. Ruchi S. Gupta of Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago suggests healthcare professionals should consider a child's social environment when treating asthma.

Gupta and colleagues found children to be nearly twice as likely to have moderate to severe asthma if their caregivers reported high levels of stress or if the incidence of violent crime was high in their neighbourhood. After adjusting for caregiver stress, a high incidence of violent crime still was associated with more severe asthma in children.

Internet

A dancer with Ballet Folkorico and Mariachi Guadalajara, from Guadalajara, Mexico, is a blur of colours as she dances during the Cinco de Mayo celebration in Portland, Ore, on 5 May, 2010.—INTERNET

A model has makeup applied backstage prior to performing as late Argentina's leader during the Argentina's Bicentennial History and Fashion show in Buenos Aires, on 6 May, 2010. Argentina will celebrate the bicentennial of its independence on 25 May.

INTERNET

Broccoli compound limits breast cancer

ANN ARBOR, 7 May— US researchers suggest a compound found in broccoli targets the cells that fuel tumor growth.

Cancer stem cells are few in number but key to cancer recurring and spreading, the researchers said.

Researchers at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Centre in Ann Arbor found the compound — sulforaphane — prevented new tumors from growing in mice and killed cancer stem cells in the laboratory.

"Sulforaphane has been studied previously for its effects on cancer, but this study shows that its benefit is in inhibiting the breast cancer stem cells," study author Duxin Sun said in a statement. "This new insight suggests the potential of sulforap-hane or broccoli extract to prevent or treat cancer by targeting the critical cancer stem cells."

Internet

Sprint Nextel Corp to revamp Virgin Mobile

NEW YORK, 7 May— Sprint Nextel Corp is revamping Virgin Mobile, the prepaid wireless service it bought last year, and making it focus on inexpensive plans for young people who would rather text or send Facebook messages than talk. The announ-cement, set for Thursday, clarifies Sprint's strategy in the increasingly important prepaid mar-ket. With cheaper prices and increasing choices of phones and services, prepaid plans have lured more consumers in the last year. In the first three months of this year, new prepaid subscribers outnumbered those who signed traditional two-year contracts in the industry as a whole.

For Sprint, prepaid is especially important, because that segment represents all of the company's growth. It's losing contract-signing customers to AT&T Inc. and Verizon Wireless.

Next week, Virgin Mobile will introduce three new plans that include unlimited text messaging, e-mail, and Web access. The prices start at $25 per month for 300 minutes of calling.

"The way traditional telecom plans are oriented, it's all around big buckets of minutes, and on top of that, if you want to get text and data, they're typically bolt-on or add-on packages," said Dan Shulman, the head of Sprint's prepaid division.—*Internet*

Smoke billows from the AGE Refinery on Wednesday 5 May, 2010 in San Antonio, Texas. An 18-wheeler being loaded with fuel at a San Antonio refinery has exploded, setting off a chain reaction of smaller blasts and leaving some workers hurt.—INTERNET

Dancers of "Hooman Sharifi et the Impure company" perform by TV sets displaying mobile phone videos, on 4 May, at the Paris exhibition titled "Action 1." Iran's so-called "Twitter Revolution" came to downtown Paris in an exhibition that takes some of the thousands of mobile phone videos shot by anti-government protestors and turns them into art.—INTERNET

Is there really a cyberwar? Term might be misused

DALLAS, 7 May—Is there really a "cyberwar" going on? Some officials and computer security companies say yes, arguing that armies of hackers are stealing online secrets and using the Internet to attack infrastructure such as power grids.

However, some security analysts said at a conference this week that "cyberwarfare" is such a broadly used term that it might be hurting efforts by countries to agree how to cooperate on Internet security.

For instance, last month the United Nations rejected a Russian proposal for a new treaty on cybercrime. That highlighted a schism with the U.S. and European countries, which support a 2001 treaty that Russia claims gives foreign governments too much leeway to electronically pursue criminals across borders.

"Lots of times, there's confusion in these treaty negotiations because of lack of clarity about which problems they're trying to solve," said Scott Charney, vice president of Microsoft Corp.'s Trustworthy Computing Group, before a speech at the Worldwide Cybersecurity Summit.

The conference was sponsored by the EastWest Institute think tank and assembled about 400 security officials and industry executives from dozens of countries.

Internet

NASA catapults new Orion capsule into NM desert

WASHINGTON, 7 May—NASA engineers successfully catapulted the new Orion crew capsule about a mile into the air Thursday morning as part of a test of a launch-abort system.

The launch-abort system hurtled the capsule from a desert launch pad at 7 am and reached speeds of about 450 mph in just 2.5 seconds. The capsule landed about a mile north of the launch site as hundreds of onlookers, including NASA engineers and others who helped developed the project, clapped and cheered.

The launch-abort system is designed to whisk astronauts and the capsule to safety in case of a problem on the launch pad, such as a fire, or during the climb to orbit.

Jeff Sheehy, a NASA engineer working on abort system, said the test appeared to be successful.

"Everything seems to have gone just like we wanted it to," Sheehy said.

A stream of white smoke trailed from the launch pad as the unmanned abort system and capsule arched through the sky, deployed a series of parachutes and landed.

Doug Cooke, a NASA associate administrator, said the test marked the first time a launch-abort system of this type has been used for a US space travel system since the Apollo rockets of the 1960s and 1970s.—*Internet*

Science

A woman looks towards a website showing the latest Apple iPad in Taipei on January 2010. Apple has not yet officially launched the iPad in Asia, but that hasn't stopped a booming "grey market" trade in the world's most talked-about high-tech gadget.—INTERNET

Activision 1Q profit up, shoots past expectations

NEW YORK, 7 May—Continued strong sales of "Call of Duty" and a steady stream of revenue from "World of Warcraft" subscribers helped double Activision Blizzard Inc.'s first-quarter net income.

The results easily surpassed Wall Street's expectations, and the company's shares gained in after-hours trading, after closing lower in what turned out to be one of the most turbulent days in Wall Street history. Activision's outlook for the current quarter, however, was below estimates.

In this file video game image released by Activision, a scene from 'Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2' is shown. Continued strong sales of 'Call of Duty' and a steady stream of revenue from 'World of Warcraft' subscribers helped double Activision Blizzard Inc.'s first-quarter net income, according to reports Thursday, on 6 May, 2010. The results easily surpassed Wall Street's expectations, but the company's guidance for the current quarter was below analysts' estimates.
INTERNET

Activision said on Thursday that it earned $381 million, or 30 cents per share, in the January-March quarter, up from $189 million, or 14 cents per share, in the same period a year earlier.

Revenue rose 33 percent to $1.31 billion, from $981 million. Using the measures comparable with analysts' expectations, Activision's adjusted earnings were 9 cents per share. Analysts had expected just 4 cents, according to Thomson Reuters.

The company's adjusted results exclude one-time charges and account for deferred revenue on games whose online components reap sales over an extended period. On that basis, revenue slid 1 percent to $714 million, from $724 million. But it surpassed Wall Street's expectations of $570 million.—*Internet*

Japan's monetary base up 2.9% on year in April

TOKYO, 7 May— Japan's monetary base increased by 2.9 percent on year in April, the Bank of Japan (BOJ) said in a report on Friday.

The monetary base reached 98.38 trillion yen (1.10 trillion U.S. dollars) in April, marking a 0.8 percent annual increase from March when the central bank's monetary base stood at 2.1 percent and is the biggest expansion since January's 4.9 percent increase, according to Japan's central bank.

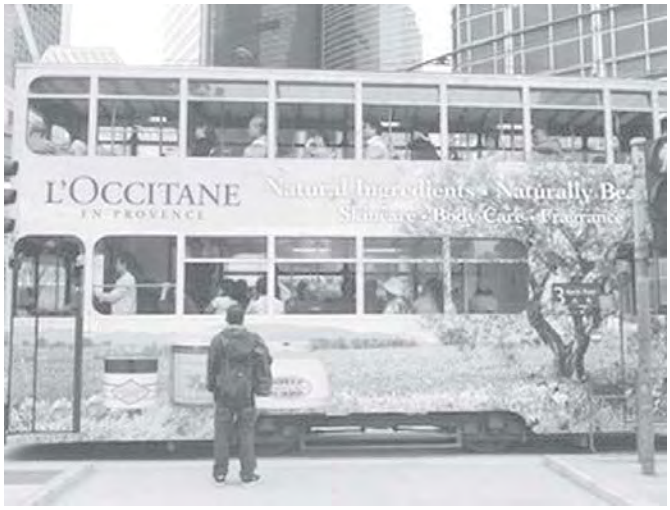
Banknotes in circulation were up an annual 0.9 percent, while coins in circulation fell 0.5 percent, according to the BOJ.

The BOJ also said current account balances rose 14.6 percent on year, including a 14.7 percent annual climb in reserve balances.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the monetary base jumped 18.1 percent in April to 96.5 trillion yen (1.08 trillion U.S. dollars) after a 3.0 percent increase in March, according to the BOJ.

The monetary base includes all banknotes and coins in circulation plus all currency held as deposits by the Bank of Japan.

As an official measure of the Japanese money supply, the monetary base shows the immediate impacts of monetary policy actions and can give an indication of the future direction of inflation. An expansion in the monetary base is generally inflationary while a decline will likely have the opposite effect.—*Xinhua*



A tram bedecked with advertising for L'Occitane passes through Hong Kong. The cosmetics firm has made its debut on the territory's stock exchange amid a day of market turmoil and in a move closely watched by foreign luxury goods companies keen to tap the lucrative Asian market.

INTERNET

China's consumer confidence at record high in Q1

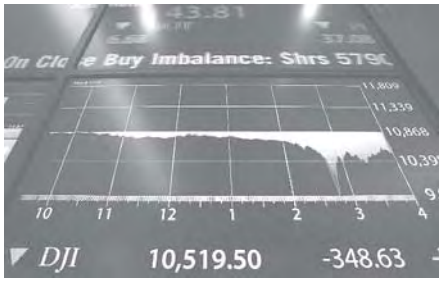
BEIJING, 7 May— China's Consumer Confidence Index rose four points to 108 in the first quarter, the highest since 2007, but consumers' willingness to consume fell slightly, according to a report released on Thursday by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS).

The NBS' report was conducted together with market researcher Nielsen, and shows China's Consumer Confidence Index rising 19 points during the past 12 months, according to Friday's China Daily.

Consumer confidence hinges on local job prospects, personal finance and willingness to spend, according to experts at the China Economic Monitoring & Analysis Center affiliated to the NBS and Nielsen.

"This significant jump is largely driven by increasing confidence of consumers in central and rural areas, as well as big improvements in consumers' perception of local job markets and personal finances," said Mitch Barns, president of Nielsen Company (Greater China), as saying.

Covering more than 3,500 shoppers from cities, towns and villages, researchers reported a marked lift in optimism in central China provinces, and a narrowing gap between different levels of the cities, and between cities and rural areas in confidence indices.—*Xinhua*



US stocks tumbled more than three percent across the board on Thursday after fears of contagion from Greece debt crisis triggered unprecedented sell-off during trading.

INTERNET

Four types of endangered sea turtles habit among the coral reefs in the Caribbean Sea. Rising of sea level and temperature of sea water, acidification of the oceans and extreme storms all can destroy the beach where the female sea turtles lay eggs and also threaten the coral reefs that turtles live on. Due to the temperature's influence on the gender of turtles, scientists worry about the decline in male turtles, which could threaten the survival of the species.

INTERNET

Indonesia's industry growth to reach above 4% in Q2 this year

JAKARTA, 7 May—Even though facing pressures from power tariff hike by 10 percent starting from July, Indonesia's industry will grow more than 4 percent this year, Indonesian Industry Minister Mohammad S Hidayat said here on Thursday.

"The (industry) growth will certainly be above 4 percent," Hidayat said on the sidelines of a leather products exhibition.

To attain the expected growth, officials in the ministry will negotiate power tariff for manufactures with their counterpart in state-run power firm (PLN), aimed at minimizing the impact of power tariff hike to the national industry.

"The negotiation is intended to find simple tariff scheme for the manufactures. The existing one would make the industry not competitive," the minister was quoted by the *Antara News Agency* as saying.

Citing the results of the ministry's latest survey on the impact of power tariff hike to the manufactures, the minister said that the tariff hike would not significantly affect the manufacture's operation.

"If the power tariff scheme for the manufactures is simple, the manufactures would be able to save their production costs," the minister pointed out.—*Xinhua*

Business

Oil hovers above $77 as euro steadies after plunge

SINGAPORE, 7 May—Oil prices hovered above $77 a barrel Friday in Asia, halting an 11 percent sell-off this week as the euro strengthened against the dollar.

Benchmark crude for June delivery was up 54 cents to $77.65 a barrel at midday Singapore Time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The June contract lost $2.86 to settle at $77.11 on Thursday.

Crude prices have fallen from an 18-month high of $87.15 that was hit Monday. That level was reached as the dollar surged against the euro amid investor concern a $142 billion bailout package for Greece won't be enough to keep the debt crisis from spreading to other European countries.

Internet

***A man walks past cars at a General Motors dealership in Toronto on 5 March, 2009. Canada's new car dealers say they expect 2010 to be a rebuilding year for sales after last year's crash. The Canadian Automobile Dealers Association says first- quarter sales have been strong, up 15 per cent over the same period last year.—*INTERNET**

No gross violations of loving-kindness

Ngar Min Swe

It was already over 8 pm on 1 March on 2010. The Sunny Pick-up with two of us onboard was running fast through Rakhine Yoma Mountain Range. Having driven the whole day from Yangon, I became exhausted. I thought I would keep driving till we reached Nyaungkyo Camp. And after a break, we would proceed to Taungup. U Sein Win beside me was speaking continuously to me in order that I would not feel sleepy. We got to Nyaungkyo Camp at 9.30 pm.

It was still cold on Rakhine Yoma Mountain Range because it was at the end of the cold season and the beginning of summer. I had a good sleep due to the cold weather. The following morning, I proceeded to Taungup after drinking a cup of coffee at Nyaungkyo Camp. Along Yoma road were Chin nationals' houses with long posts. I also noticed tidy school buildings in Nyaunglantoe and Salu villages. Yoma Alinshin and Bo Taik Chun libraries were found neat and tidy. We happened to call in the libraries and browsed some books. There, some Chin nationals approached us and cordially conversed with us. On Rakhine Yoma, we enjoyed warm relations national races showed to each other.

Beyond Taungup, we found rubber farms along the road. Previously, rubber was not grown on a commercial scale there. Farmers can make a handsome profit of as much as one million kyats from a one-acre rubber farm. So, I think Rakhine nationals will get on with their rubber farms in the near future.

The purpose of our visit to Rakhine State was to conduct a feasibility study to find out whether we would be able to launch some salt farms in Taungup, Kyaukpyu, Thandwe, Gwa and Kyeintali. By 2012, our country will need about 100,000 more tons of crude salt for industries. That amounted to about 10,000 more acres of salt farms in the nation. In 1994, I made a tour around Kyaukpyu, Yambye, Sittway, Pauktaw and Myebon townships on business. At the time, the acreage of salt farms in Pauktaw Township stood at only about 600. And local people had to make a lot of efforts to get seawater to run salt farming on a manageable scale. I made a suggestion to entrepreneur U Maung Tun Mya of Pauktaw that he run salt farm on a large scale by pumping seawater with water pumps. Besides, I chose suitable sites for salt farming for him. Now, he has owned 300 acres of salt farms and has become rich. The acreage of salt farms belonging to Rakhine nationals has surged from 600 to 6000, which is very heartening. In the post-Nargis period, the nation ran out of salt, but Rakhine national salt farmers fulfilled the requirement.

We stopped for a tea break at Lamu Village on Taungup-Ma-ei road section. We witnessed some Rakhine people in the tea shop talking on CDMA phones.

Ma-ei-Kyaukpyu Road is wide and fine. Beyond Ma-ei, the road is very smooth. So, I drove the car at the speed of 100 kilometres per hour. At that time, a four-wheel drive Hilux overtook our car and disappeared from our sight. About five miles beyond Ma-ei, the road is a smooth gravel road. So, I could drive the car at the speed of 80 kilometres per hour.

Kyaukpyu Township is located on Yambye Island in the Bay of Bengal. Ma-ei-Kyaukpyu Road was built at a heavy cost between Rakhine Yoma and Yambye Island. On both sides of the road are dense mangrove forests. The forests are three to six feet under seawater. So, the road has been raised as high as 10 to 12 feet. I also found some bridges that are as large as Sittoung Bridge, and some bridges as large as Gyaing Bridge. I think the number of the bridges along the road is about 10. They are the ones, each of which can withstand 60 tons of loads. It was very pleasant to drive along Ma-ei-Kyaukpyu Road that passes through the sea.

Some 15 years ago, I used to visit Kyaukpyu and Sittway via Taungup many times. At that time, passengers took small, old vessel to Kyaukpyu and Sittway along the coast. The vessel was fully filled with passengers. So, cradles were set up, hanging from the bars of the vessel roof. In contrast, people now can travel by car across the sea between Taungup and Yambye. We arrived at Sanei Village in Kyaukpyu Township at about 8 pm. I stopped for the night at the village. I would observe the conditions of the vacant lands near the village the following morning.

That night, the wind blowing on Yambye Island was so warm. So, I lay awake in bed, thinking about the conditions of the nation. Now, each of the states and divisions in the nation has got new roads and bridges, networks of communication facilities, industrial zones, universities, basic education schools and hospitals. Moreover, many hydropower plants are under construction to fulfil the requirement of electric power supply. Today, the nation is enjoying rapid development thanks to the government's benevolent attitude to the nation and the people, and nationalistic spirit of the people and Tatmadaw members.

Saying about loving-kindness merely in words cannot be beneficial. Some people, despite saying repeatedly that they love their country and people, have never done a single work in the interests of the State and the people. It can be seen that they have even committed the acts to harm the State and the people. Those who are running gambling business wishing Myanmar citizens healthy and wealthy are similar to those who are demanding for economic sanctions against the State although wishing Myanmar people prosperous and saying about the love of the State and the people. A fisherman can be a liar if he wishes the health and happiness of living beings. A person doing gambling business in Myanmar is a liar if he wishes wealth of Myanmar citizens. Likewise, a person who is demanding for economic sanctions against the nation is a real liar if he he says that he wishes the prosperity and has love of the nation and the people. In 1988, I engaged in gambling business for three months. I have been engaging in fish breeding since 1996.

Demanding for the West bloc's economic sanctions against Myanmar is tantamount to lack of loving-kindness towards the State and the people as well as to attacking the citizens with an economic weapon. The US's economic sanctions against Iraq have led to the death of many children. The West bloc's economic sanctions against Myanmar have made an impact on its citizens. Some leaders of a big political party made a demand for economic sanctions against Myanmar. Now, the party has refused to run for the 2010 election. This means the West bloc has adopted a new strategy to attack Myanmar with an economic weapon. The State, the people and the Tatmadaw are building the nation with love. On behalf of the Myanmar national people, I strongly request that no one makes a demand for attacking the State and the people with the economic weapon.

Those working in the interests of the State and the people are the ones who love their nation and people. Those daring to risk their lives for the good of the State and the people are the ones who have the great love of the State and the people. Our forefathers, mentors and comrades had to risk their lives in order for the Union of Myanmar to stand tall among the international community. There is no such thing in the world as great as the love and serving the interest of own country and people by risking own lives. We have to express our gratitude to our forefathers, mentors and comrades who built the nation with the greatest love. We ourselves have to build and preserve our nation with the greatest love.

Now, Myanmar people are building and defending the nation by upholding non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty, which are a lifeline for the Union of Myanmar. As a result, the State has enjoyed fruits of peace and stability and development. Those who are jealous of these fruits are coming to harm the State in a violent way. All the national people of Myanmar are therefore to crush any destructionist attempting to disrupt the nation's development momentum.

Translation: MS+ST

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Deputy Health Minister attends workshop

***Dissemination Workshop on a Draft Report Assessment of Utilization of Emergency Obstetric Care in Myanmar in progress.*—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May—Organized by Health Department under Ministry of Health and UNICEF, an opening ceremony of Dissemination Workshop on a Draft Report Assessment of Utilization of Emergency Obstetric Care in Myanmar took place at Hotel Amara here this evening with the opening speech of Deputy Health Minister Dr Mya Oo.

Also at the workshop were Directors General of the ministry, Deputy Directors General and officials concerned, OGs, pediatricians, heads of State/division health department, members of UNICEF and responsible persons from UNFPA and members of social organizations and guests.

The deputy minister explained the purpose of the workshop, taking care of their hospital/home births of local pregnant women with medical treatment and to keep death rate of mothers decrease.

Dr Myint Myint Than presented matters on findings of medical care of birthing and Dr Kyaw Oo, Dr The Maung Maung and Dr Poe Poe Aung also reported on research. They answered the queries presented by those present and the workshop came to an end.—*MNA*

Brother Printer introduced

YANGON, 7 May—Alliance Stars Co Ltd introduced Brother Printers imported from Singapore at Traders Hotel here this afternoon.

Responsible persons of Brother International Singapore and Alliance Stars Co Ltd signed the contract on mutual interest. Authorized dealer certificates were presented to 12 agents.

The three-month sales promotion period from May to July is designated for A3 Inkjet Printers can make print, scan, cop and fax, LED Color Printers, Stand Alone and Labeller printers and Barcode Printers. Customers can enjoy one year warranty for the products in addition to part and services.

Those wishing to buy the products may contact the head office of Alliance Stars Co Ltd on 51st Street (Middle Block), Pazundaung Township, (Tel: 295661, 296836, 397833), Showroom, Sales & Service Centre on Bo Aung Kyaw Road (Upper Block), (Tel: 388339, 379001) and 09 5111309 for Hot Line (24 hours Service).

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Product Manager U Zaw Lin Htaik speaking at introduction to Brother Printers imported from Singapore.

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5th Literary Conference on 16-17 May

YANGON, 7 May—The fifth Literary Conference of Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association will be held at the meeting hall of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industries in Lanmadaw Township here on 16-17 May.

Delegates to the conference from Yangon Division are to contact the office of MWJA on second floor of Sarpay Beikman Building on Merchant Street, Yangon during the office hours on 14 May and delegates from countryside at 12 noon on 15 May.

All delegates are invited to attend the preliminary meeting to be held at the office of MWJA 4 p.m. on 15 May. Delegates to the conference can draw invitation letters and necessary documents at the office of MWJA.—*MNA*

Electronics & Living 2010 on 27 May

YANGON, 7 May — IEMS Company Limited will organize Electronics & Living 2010 at Tatmadaw Convention Centre on U Wizaya Road here from 27 to 30 May.

Electronic equipment of Crown Electronics, Asahi Electronics, Khi Electronics, AEK Electronics and Master Power, construction materials and housing sales booth of Shine Construction, latest projector, copier, laptop and desktop and computer accessories of Lucky Bird, King Empire, KMD, Unique, Micro and NCTC Computer, modern luxury furniture of Universal Light, Ocean Glory and Uniteak, application software of Sm3, Cho Cho and Technomation Studio, digital cameras of Cannon, Fuji Film and Pacific, printer and copier of Concordia, Korean liminate floor and materials of Tharaphee, Royal Material and Maruart, electronic dictionary of Smart Electronic Dictionary, Haier brand TV of Yee Shin Co., Ltd, phone and accessories of Do Co Mo, Fujital, Reach, Work brand phones with two-year warranty of Ko Ko Mo Mo, Super Rich brand Korea made umbrella and rain coat, JCL and JCP brand household-use plastics, game machines of Toshiba Kyaw Win, Midea brand induction cooker of Future Step, gas stove of Rinnai, medical equipment of Amtt, Air Pure brand automatic air fresher of SP Group, CHINT brand fire extinguisher and electrical applicants, generator and electronics of IEM, mosquito killer of Tree Friends Trading, Denyo brand generator and Stieble Eltron brand water heater and water cooler of Ever Seiko, T&J/CLIPSAL brand switch and socket, Merlin Gerin brand breaker, Telemecanique brand contractor & over load relay of Myat Kan Moe Interprise Ltd, locks of DIS, pump and other parts of MTG, Korea made water tank of The One PE Tank, locks of So Lo, various kinds of messanger chairs of Ogawa, phone key-chain and fancies of Moon Fancy, Toyo Battery of Proven Technology Industry Co., Ltd, water proofing & construction chemicals of Zaw & Hnin Co., Ltd, MNZ brand cash counting machine of Uranus Co., Ltd and digital scale of Revo will be on display accompanied by entertainment programme and lucky draw programme at the exhibition.

For further information, dial 240910.

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Dinner, prize-giving ceremony to mark 20th AGM of MMCWA held

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May — A dinner to mark the 20th Annual General Meeting of the Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association was held in conjunction with prize-giving ceremony at the hall of the association in Nay Pyi Taw Dekkhinathiri yesterday evening.

First, MMCWA President Dr Daw Nilar Thaw spoke words of thanks.

Next, Daw Thazin Nwe, secretary of the association, announced the names of prize-winning states and divisions.

Then, Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe, President Dr Daw Nilar Thaw, Vice-President Dr Daw Wai Wai Thar and Director-General Dr Tun Naing Oo presented prizes to winning states and divisions.

After the ceremony, those present were served with dinner.—*MNA*

Special Refresher Course of MOHA concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May—The Ministry of Home Affairs concluded the Special Refresher Course No. 1/2010 at its hall this morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Minister for Home Affairs U Maung Oo stressed the need for the trainees not to abuse power and stay away from corruption and bribery. The two-week course started on 26 April . Altogether 63 officer trainees attended it.

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Minister for Home Affairs U Maung Oo makes a speech at Special Refresher Course No. 1/2010.

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Opportunity for enthusiasts to study ACCA, CAT courses

NAY PYI TAW, 7 May — Crown Education is giving free service to the enthusiasts for applying to learn the Kaplan Financial SAA Global Education and the ACCA-CAT courses being conducted in Singapore and England.

The candidates must sit for the exams on nine subjects for Certified Accounting Technician-CAT and 14 subjects for ACCA. The candidates must enroll for three subjects to receive Student Pass in Singapore. Those wishing to register at ICPAS with the assistance of Kaplan financial must send membership fee and other documents not later than 21 July. Those wishing to register through Crown Education must send application not later 13 August. Those who submit the application not later than 15 May can receive the discount of Kaplan financial.

Crown Education will provide job hunting in Singapore Special Training, English 4 skills courses for 48 hours to its students. The overseas representative of Crown Education will help the students to register ICPAS membership.

For further information, contact Crown Education, 228-2209, Summit Parkview, Tel: 211888 (Ext: 288/299), 216750 and 095085185.—*MNA*

Bewar of Fires

Integrated farming system with great…

Farm workers catching fish to sell them at the nearby villages.

(from page 16)

On 19 April evening, I got an idea to visit the integrated farm of NyaungU Township Cooperative Department on my way back from construction site of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) Project. The integrated farm is located on NyaungU-Myingyan motorway that leads to Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) Project.

On my arrival at the farm, I saw thriving paddy plantations, numerous fish breeding lakes, duck and pig houses on the lakes and cows and goats at the separate buildings. Besides, I saw dung-used bio-gas tanks that produce electricity.

I was very curious about it but time did not allow me to satisfy my curiosity. So I asked U Aung Khaing to give me an opportunity to have interviews with officials of the farm and farmers of nearby villages the next day.

On 20 April, U Aung Khaing explained to me that efforts are being made for development of cooperative businesses by 105 basic societies and two syndicates under the supervision of NyaungU Township Cooperative Department and leadership of the Ministry of Cooperatives. Among them, NyaungU Township Cooperative Syndicate established the integrated farm at Thukaungti village-tract on NyaungU-Myingyan motorway, eight and half miles away from NyaungU on 13 March, 2009.

He continued that the original site of the farm once was not suitable for growing crops. The farm has an area of 5.31 acres. The main aim of setting up the farm was to promote the socio-economic life of local farmers, improving their living standards, he added.

The farm has 3.43 acres of arable land, 0.08 acre of vegetable plantation, 0.94 acre of fish breeding farm, 0.10 acre of duck breeding farm and 0.76 acre of building area including drains and cow, goat and pig houses.

Lush and green paddy plantations, a running brook in this arid region and fish lakes with full-brim of water, thriving vegetable plantations under the temperature of 44° C as well as bio-gas tank that generated electric power aroused my curiosity.

I asked questions on lush and green paddy plantations and availability of water in summer. Staff Officer U Aung Khaing said, "summer paddy thrived at the farm thanks to Thukaungti river water pumping project. Nearby villages saw an increase in per acre yield of summer paddy due to irrigation water from river water pumping projects and dams."

U Thein Tun, a member of the board of directors of the syndicate explained to me that duck and pig houses were built in the middle of the fish lakes in order to save the cost of fish food.

"The main task of the integrated farm is to grow paddy and seasonal crops, to breed cow, pig, goat, duck and fish and to produce electricity through bio-gas," U Aung Khaing explained.

Regarding advantages of integrated farming system, U Mya Han of Thukaungti village said, "integrated farming is a model business for us. We can run triple cropping as we can take out a low-interest loan for growing crops, plus agricultural methods."

U Kyaw Win of Thukaungti village said, "township cooperative society lends farmers K 50000 per four-month cultivation season. The interest on the loan is 2.5 kyats. We spend the loan on purchasing farm equipment and fertilizer."

There are many businesses run by basic cooperative societies and syndicates under the supervision of NyaungU Township Cooperative Department. In agriculture sector, 17350 acres of farmland have been put under summer paddy, monsoon paddy, groundnut, sesame and pigeon pea. In livestock breeding sector, fish and cow are kept at the farm including 2000 heads of pig, 8000 heads of goat, and 90000 heads of chicken. Besides, 32 tube wells supply sufficient drinking water to 11632 households. Moreover, cooperative societies run GEC education, hotel and passenger transportation businesses successfully.

It can be witnessed that integrated farming system of NyaungU Township Cooperative Society brings considerable improvement to local farmers in their socio-economic life.

Translation: YM

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Photo shows a bio-gas tank at the integrated farm of NyaungU Township Cooperative Society.

World Economic Forum highlights power of football to fight malaria

DAR ES SALAAM, 7 May—The importance of the FIFA World Cup in delivering a lasting legacy in the fight against malaria was underlined by a high-level panel at the World Economic Forum in Tanzania.

The panel was jointly hosted by the United Against Malaria (UAM) partnership and the African Leaders Malaria Alliance, including President Kikwete of Tanzania, President Kagame of Rwanda and UAM champions including Clive Tasker, Chief Executive, Standard Bank Africa and Nozipho January-Bardill, Group Executive for Corporate Affairs of MTN, the first African company to sponsor the FIFA World Cup. The United Against Malaria partnership is bringing together global health organisations, governments, corporations and football teams ahead of the 2010 World Cup in South Africa, to help reach the United Nations target of universal access to mosquito nets and malaria medicine in Africa by the end of 2010, a crucial first step to reaching the international target of reducing malaria deaths to near zero by 2015.

Internet

***World Economic Forum on Africa held in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, on 5 May, 2010.*—INTERNET**

Samsung Electronic develops new high-performance NAND flash memory

SEOUL, 7 May— Samsung Electronics Co, the world's largest memory chip manufacturer, said Thursday that it has developed an 8-gigabit (Gb) OneNAND memory chip for smartphones that will go into production this month, addressing the growing demand for more data storage in smartphone devices.

The new high-density OneNAND, which uses the advanced 30 nanometer (NM) class process technology, is capable of holding data twice as large as the previous 4-Gb memory chips, and has a processing speed four times faster as well, the company said in a statement.

"We are happy to see that our advanced 30nm-class NAND solution is being widely adopted in smartphones," said Sejin Kim, vice president, Flash memory planning/enabling, Samsung Electronics.

"The availability of an 8Gb OneNAND chip will add considerably to our diverse line-up of advanced mobile memory solutions," Kim added.

Xinhua

Toyota gives black box readers to help analyze technical problems

LOS ANGELES, 7 May— The Torrance-based Toyota and Lexus vehicle distributor has delivered 14 of these devices to regulatory agencies in the United States and Canada. Of these, 10 were shipped to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and four EDR readout units and supporting software were given to Transport Canada, the company said in a statement.

The equipment will enable vehicle safety watchdogs to retrieve data from EDRs in Toyota and Lexus vehicles during investigations on their own.

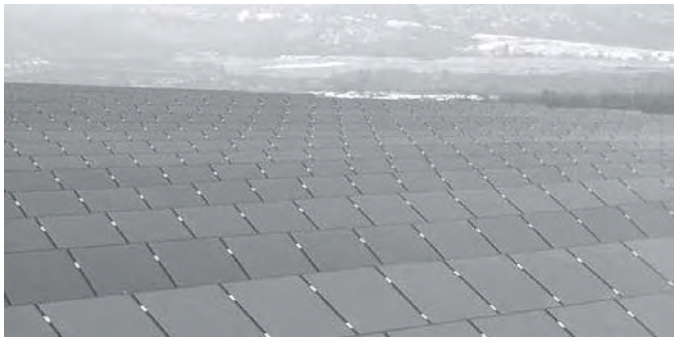
The world's largest automaker is actively training internal and field staff on their use, the company said. "By increasing the number of Event Data Recorder readout devices and training more staff across the country, Toyota is better prepared to respond to customer concerns quickly and address their needs more effectively," said Steve St. Angelo, Toyota Chief Quality Officer for North America. In addition to providing more date readout devices, Toyota is also developing new policies and procedures in response to direct customer requests for EDR readouts and data hand-off to help ensure a smoother, more informed process for all parties involved, TMS said.

Xinhua

Wind and solar parks construction in Bulgaria is at a crossroads

SOFIA, 7 May— Business interests, bureaucracy and a lot of lobbying have been involved in Bulgaria's renewable energy sources (RES) sector recently, all under the pretext of wanting to keep Bulgaria as green as possible and help it meet its target share of renewable energies set out in an EU directive.

On the one side are investors and industry organisations defending their position that RES are clean, eco-friendly and offer much potential to bring energy prices down, while on the other side are farmers and landowners who see RES as a threat to their business, mainly because they fear that prices of agriculture land will go up. Both groups are fighting for the support of the Agriculture Ministry which, together with the Environment Ministry and the Ministry of Economy and Energy, holds the key to the development of RES in Bulgaria.—*Internet*



Dollar trades in upper 93 yen range in Tokyo

TOKYO , 7 May — The US dollar fetched the upper 93 yen range early Thursday in Tokyo, almost unchanged from its late Wednesday quotes in New York.

At 9 am, the dollar changed hands at 93.86-88 yen against 93. 76-86 yen in New York at 5 pm on Wednesday. Financial markets in Tokyo were closed from Monday to Wednesday for the Golden Week holidays.

The euro traded at 1.2813-2815 dollars and 120.30-32 yen versus 1.2809-2819 dollars and 120.18-28 yen in New York late Wednesday.

Xinhua

Macaque twins hug their mother at the Taiyuan Zoo in Taiyuan, capital of north China's Shanxi Province, on 7 May, 2010. —XINHUA

Beiqi Foton to inject $50 mln into JV with Cummins to overcome capital shortage

BEIJING, 7 May— Beiqi Foton Motor Company said on Thursday it will pump 340 million yuan (50 million US dollars) into its joint venture, Beijing Foton Cummins Engine Co, by the end of next year to ease the company's funds shortage.

Beiqi Foton plans to inject 165 million yuan into the joint venture in which it holds a 50 percent stake this year, the company said in a report filed with the Shanghai Stock Exchange. It will pump another 175 million yuan into the company in 2011.

The joint venture faces a funds shortage of 680 million yuan over the next two years as 2009 sales were lower than expected and after it splashed out on developing the Euro V and Euro VI engines.

Xinhua

English literature getting more popular among Macao readers

MACAO, 7 May— More and more Macao readers chose English literature books and the English-Chinese bilingual versions of these books when they went to local book stores, the *Macao Daily Post* reported on Thursday.

The daily quoted Dai Ying, president of the Macao Publication Association, as saying that sales figures for English literature books have gone up by three to five percent annually in recent years.

Dai, who is also the general manager of local book store, said parents are buying books for their children to learn English, which are not necessarily textbooks but Chinese-English bilingual books of English classics.

Meanwhile, local young people have also felt the need to learn English given the increasing presence of overseas enterprises and schools attaching more importance to English education, he also said.

A biannual book fair will be held from May 11 to May 20 at the campus of Macao Polytechnic Institute. About 20 percent of the roughly 10,000 books that will be available for sale at this year' s Spring Book Fair will be in English, according to Dai.—*Xinhua*

Volunteers hold a giant kite during the annual Kite Flying Festival in Zama, Kanagawa Prefecture, west of Tokyo on 4 May, 2010, to celebrate Wednesday's Children's Day.—INTERNET

US Music City assesses damage after deadly floods, bracing for comeback

NASHVILLE, 7 May— Buddy Messer had it rough. Owner of a small wax museum outside the Gaylord Opryland Resort, a major tourist attraction outside Nashville, capital of southern US state Tennessee, he was busy on Wednesday salvaging what was salvageable in his establishment.

"I lived in Nashville all my life, and I put a lot of hard work in this thing, and this flood just wiped it out," he told *Xinhua* while sorting out the souvenir shop.

Torrential rains over the weekend brought water level in local rivers rising, and flood killed 10 in Nashville and 20 state wide. Opryland, a mecca for country music fans, was one of the hardest hit areas. Its luxurious hotel, mall and the 4,400-seat home stage to the famed Grand Ole Opry country music concerts, which has presented the biggest stars of the genre since 1925, were badly damaged and closed to public.—*Xinhua*

New York bridge reopens after finding no explosives in abandoned truck

NEW YORK, 7 May — New York City's RFK/ Triborough Bridge, which had been shut down for about two hours before midnight on Wednesday, reopened to traffic early Thursday.

Xinhua correspondent on the site has noticed that vehicles are moving slowly across the bridge.RFK/Triborough Bridge was shut down Wednesday night after a truck, smelling of gas, was found abandoned on the bridge.New York authorities have confirmed that the truck did not pose a threat.Police shut down the bridge on both directions after being made aware of the incident shortly after 10 pm lacal time on Wednesday.

Xinhua

Egypt finds Ptolemaic statue in hunt for Cleopatra tomb

Archaeologists trying to locate Cleopatra's tomb in Egypt have unearthed a huge black granite Ptolemaic statue, the country's antiquities chief said .

The find near the Mediterranean city of Alexandria was "one of the finest Ptolemaic royal statues (to have been discovered), although without a head," said Zahi Hawass, the head of Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities.

"This huge statue is probably King Ptolemy IV, especially since it was he who built this temple" more than 2,000 years ago, Hawass added without specifying its exact proportions.

The mission hunting for Cleopatra's tomb, which also includes Dominican Egyptologist Kathleen Martinez, had also found the original entrance to the temple of Taposiris Magna, said Hawass.

The Ptolemaic dynasty was of Greek origin and ruled Egypt between 323 and 30 BC. It was the last pharaonic dynasty before Egypt came under Roman rule, and Cleopatra was its last sovereign.

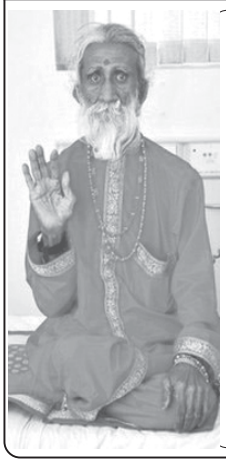
Cleopatra and her lover, the Roman general Mark Antony, committed suicide after their defeat at the battle of Actium, which consolidated Octavian's rule of Rome.

Brand inspector Joe Launderville, of Deer Lodge, serves to show the scale of how large 'Cletus' really is, in Ramsay, Mont. The nearly 3,000 pound Hereford who kept the herd in line on an Avon cattle ranch for years has been sold for $1,670 at auction.

News Album

Man sleeping in trash bin nearly crushed

Police in northern Indiana said a man who was apparently sleeping inside a large trash bin narrowly missed being crushed by a garbage truck. Police Lt. Ed Windbigler said an Elkhart Truth newspaper carrier spotted the 42-year-old man on top of the garbage truck and yelling for it to stop. Windbigler said the man fell to the pavement before emergency crews arrived and underwent surgery for injuries that included a possibly lacerated liver and spleen.



In this handout image provided by Sterling Hospitals, Prahlad Jani is pictured at the hospital in Ahmedabad. A team of military doctors backed by India's national defence research centre is studying 83-year-old holy man Jani who claims to have spent seven decades surviving without food or water.

Buzz off! Thousands of bees cling to Michigan SUV

A beekeeper came to the rescue after a sport utility vehicle was swarmed by thousands of bees. Tanya Young of Hudsonville told The Grand Rapids Press her husband called on Thursday to let her know that the bees had made the front bumper of her Honda their new home. She said she thought it was a joke.The bees rattled the nerves of some neighborhood residents, who kept children indoors and shut windows. The bees had been living in a nearby tree, but it's unclear why they decided to swarm the SUV.Beekeeper Jim Zoerner was called to help collect them. He and a colleague worked for about an hour and collected the bees in a wooden box hive.Zoerner said there were no reports of bad stings.

A huge gift box with a 10-meter height is seen at a building in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV XIANG XIU VOY NO (1028)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG XIU VOY NO (1028) are here by notified that the vessel will be arriving on 8.5.2010 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 Claim Day.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S CHINA SHIPPING (MALAYSIA) AGENCY SDN BHD
Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV GATI PRIDE VOY NO (25610)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV GATI PRIDE VOY NO (25610) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 8.5.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.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.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S GATI COAST TO COAST
Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV ORIENTAL ELF VOY NO (005)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV ORIENTAL ELF VOY NO (005) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 8.5.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.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.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: SONG WON PCS CO. LTD
Phone No: 256924/256914

'Wash your hands and free your mind' of blame

MICHIGAN, 7 May—Pontius Pilate may have been on to something when he washed his hands before allowing Jesus to be crucified. Scientists have found that washing your hands frees you of taking the blame for any unhappy outcome of a difficult decision.

Researchers at the University of Michigan, in the US, found that people who wash their hands before making a hard decision become more free in their choice: "It's not just that washing your hands contributes to moral cleanliness as well as physical cleanliness...our studies show that washing also reduces the influence of past behaviours and decisions that have no moral implications."— *Internet*

Smoky battery charger raised SEA-TAC alarm

SEATTLE, 7 May—Smoke wafting from a piece of luggage at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport was caused by a battery charger packed inside, airport officials said. The smoke caused a partial evacuation of the airport on Thursday and the bag was destroyed by the bomb squad.

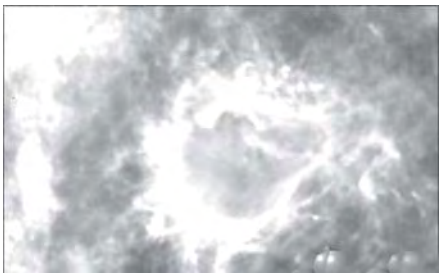
An airport spokesman told KIRO-TV in Seattle that the owner of the bag was tracked down and questioned. It was determined that the smoke came from a battery charger. The incident delayed three flights; however, it also brought baggage transfers to a screeching halt, meaning some passengers likely arrived at their destination without their suitcases.—*Internet*

***A group of Genco penguins stand in front of a Pittsburgh Penguins banner in the Penguins exhibit at the Pittsburgh Zoo.*—INTERNET**

Herschel space telescope pierces giant star bubble

LONDON, 7 May—A colossal star many times the mass of our own Sun is seen growing in a bubble of excited gas just pictured by the Herschel space observatory. The image of the bubble, known as RCW 120, has been released a few days ahead of the European telescope's first birthday in orbit. Herschel's infrared detectors are tuned to see the cold materials that give birth to stars.

Pictures like RCW 120 will help explain how really giant ones are made. The monster in this picture is seen as the small white blob on the bottom edge of the bubble. The "baby" star is perhaps a few tens of thousands of years old and has yet to ignite the nuclear furnace that will form at its core. But it is some eight to 10 times the mass of our Sun and is surrounded by about 200 times as much material.



***The galactic bubble known as RCW 120 lies some 4,300 light-years from Earth.*— INTERNET**

If more of that gas and dust continues to fall in on the star, the object has the potential to become one of the Milky Way Galaxy's true giants, and it will go on to have a profound influence on its environment. "It's the massive stars that control the dynamical and chemical evolution of the galaxy," explained Herschel scientist Dr Annie Zavagno from the Laboratoire d'Astrophysique de Marseille. "It's the massive stars that create the heavy elements like iron and they are able to put them in the interstellar medium. And because they end their lives in supernova explosions, they also inject a lot of energy into the galaxy," she told BBC News. —*Internet*

'Historic' day as first non-latin web addresses go live

***Egypt's Ministry of Communications is amongst the first live web addresses.*—INTERNET**

CAIRO, 7 May—Arab nations are leading a "historic" charge to make the world wide web live up to its name. Net regulator Icann has switched on a system that allows full web addresses that contain no Latin characters. Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates are the first countries to have so-called "country codes" written in Arabic scripts.

The move is the first step to allow web addresses in many scripts including Chinese, Thai and Tamil. More than 20 countries have requested approval for international domains from the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (Icann). It said the new domains were "available for use now" although it admitted there was still some work to do before they worked correctly for everyone. However, it said these were "mostly formalities".

Icann's senior director for internationalized domain names, Tina Dam, told BBC News that this has been "the most significant day" since the launch of the Internet, adding that "it's been a very big day for Icann, more so for the three Arabic countries that were the first to be introduced". Icann president Rod Beckstrom described the change as "historic".—*Internet*

Iceland volcano roars back to life

REYKJAVIK, 7 May — Iceland's volcano roared back to life on Thursday, shooting a plume of ash 4 1/2 miles high and appearing ready to blow again, Iceland's meteorology office said. "The eruption has changed back to an explosive eruption, lava has stopped flowing and most of the magma gets scattered due to explosions in the crater," the Icelandic Meteorological Office and the Institute of Earth Sciences at the University of Iceland said in a statement. "The ash plume rises high above the crater (2-1/2 to 4-1/2 miles) and considerable ash fall can be expected in wind direction," the statement said. "No signs of the eruption ending soon."

***South Korean army commandos smash a pile of stone plates in a show of force at the national war museum in Seoul.*—INTERNET**

The statement came as authorities started rerouting trans-Atlantic flights and the Irish Aviation Authority announced six western Irish airports would be shut until at least 1 pm local time on Friday due to a "massive ash cloud" 1,000 miles long and 700 miles wide drifting into the country's airspace.—*Internet*

Japan's fast-breeder reactor restarts operation after 14 years suspension

In this an aerial view shows Japan's Monju prototype fast breeder nuclear reactor in Tsuruga, central Japan.—INTERNET

TOKYO, 7 May— Japan's fast-breeder reactor, Monju, resumed operations on Thursday in Fukui prefecture after more than 14 years of suspension due to a sodium coolant leak and a resultant fire.

The prototype fast-breeder reactor in Tsuruga, Fukui Prefecture, restarted at 10:36 am after plant staff pulled out rods that had prevented nuclear reaction, *Kyodo* News reported.

The reactor, operated by the Japan Atomic Energy Agency, is expected to reach criticality, or the point when a nuclear chain reaction becomes self-sustaining, on Saturday, the report said.

The reactor is then to gradually raise its power output and begin full-fledged operations in the spring of 2013.

Unlike regular light-water reactors that run on uranium, a fast-breeder reactor uses an oxide mix of plutonium and uranium and is designed to generate more plutonium than it burns.

Xinhua

Nguyen Thi Ngoc Ho, 70, practices her Taichi fan exercise with group at the Hoan Kiem lake side, central of Hanoi capital, Vietnam on 5 May , 2010. The Hoan Kiem lake is a famous place in Hanoi, the spiritual heart of the city.
INTERNET

Brazil to build new nuclear reactor

RIO DE JANEIRO, 7 MAY—– Brazil is to build a 483-million-dollar nuclear reactor to produce radioactive material for medical use as well as industrial-grade enriched uranium, local media has reported, citing a cabinet minister."The multi-purpose reactor has a very important role in the nuclear programme," Science and Technology Minister Sergio Rezende said in the daily O Estado de Sao Paulo.

The reactor will be built in Ipero, 130 kilometres (80 miles) from the southeastern city of Sao Paulo, in an area where the Brazilian navy is developing a nuclear submarine project and building ultracentrifuges to enrich uranium.

The reactor will be used for nuclear medicine, producing what are known as radiopharmaceuticals for diagnosing and treating diseases like cancer, Rezende said, as well as produce industrial-level enriched uranium starting in 2014.The announcement came as senior officials from around the world meet at the United Nations to review the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), and ahead of Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva's May 16-17 trip to Iran.

Internet

A local film crew takes shelter under light reflectors on the banks of the Dal Lake as it rains in Srinagar, India, on 5 May, 2010.
INTERNET

Gore highlights biotechnology's role in improving environment, addressing health care challenges

CHICAGO, 7 May— Former US vice president and climate change activist Al Gore said on Wednesday that biotechnology should play a leading role in improving the environment and addressing major health care challenges.In a keynote speech at 2010 BIO International Convention in Chicago,Gore focused on the environment, health-care reform and other pressing global issues."For the past 30 years, Al Gore has been one of the most influential voices on sustainability, climate change and numerous other environmental issues," said BIO President and CEO James Greenwood."We are honored to have Mr. Gore address our BIO International Convention and share his vision for solving some of the world's most challenging problems through biotechnology innovations that help heal, fuel and feed the world."Gore has been the leading advocate for confronting the threat of global warming. In 2007, he received the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts to reduce global warming.

Xinhua

Over 10 injured in road accident in HK

HONG KONG, 7 May —A four-car collision left over 10 people injured here in Hong Kong on Wednesday night, reported the local radio station.

The accident happened at around 21:00 local time in West Kowloon Corridor. Three mini bus and one private car were said to be involved.The injured have all been sent to hospitals. The cause of the accident was not mentioned.

Xinhua

A phone booth of New Zealand company Telecom New Zealand in Auckland. New Zealand's largest listed company, Telecom Corp., reported Friday a sharp drop in its third-quarter net profit to 97 million dollars (70.4 million US), down 39 percent.
INTERNET

The super-deluxe Emirates Palace Hotel, located in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, is a national landmark and one of the most impressive hotels. Designed by architect John Elliott, the hotel offers a variety of luxury services to suit every need.
INTERNET

Strong rains affect quake-hit regions in Chile

CONCEPCION, 7 May— Strong rains on Wednesday affected the Chilean region of Bio, producing flooding in the hardest-hit zones by the 8.8-magnitude earthquake on 27 Feb.

Chile's Meteo-rology Direction said on Wednesday in a statement that the

impacts were felt at the temporary shelters built after the quake.

The most affected areas were Morro in Talcahuano and Villa Futuro in Chiguayante community, where there are many tents of quake victims.

Blackouts were also reported in some areas, said the Meteorology Direction.The Chilean government has made new shelters to deal with the emergency situation.

Xinhua

SPORTS

Monaco's Park heads home for pre-World Cup treatment

MONACO, 7 May — Monaco striker Park Chu-young is to return home to South Korea for treatment on a thigh injury he suffered in last week's French Cup final loss to PSG, his club said on Thursday.

Coach Guy Lacombe said Park had a three-centimetre tear.

"He will be out of action for at least three weeks. He wants to play the World Cup, of course, so I have given authorization for him to leave today for treatment by the national squad."

Internet

Monaco's forward Park Chu Young.
INTERNET

Mikel has knee surgery

LONDON, 7 May— Chelsea and Nigeria's John Obi Mikel has undergone minor knee surgery with just over a month to go until the start of the World Cup.

The operation means the 23-year-old holding midfielder, who has been sidelined for the last three weeks with the injury, will miss Chelsea's match with Wigan on Sunday, where victory will secure the Premier League title, and the FA Cup final against Portsmouth on 15 May.

Mikel is a first-choice player for Nigeria, who kick off their World Cup campaign against two-time winners Argentina on 12 June. Their group also contains 2002 semi-finalists South Korea and Euro 2004 champions Greece.

Internet

Man Utd to take on MLS All-Stars

NEW YORK, 7 May— English Premiership giants Manchester United will take on Major League Soccer's All-Stars in the 2010 MLS All-Star exhibition in July, capping a four-match North American tour.

The All-Star game will be played on 28 July at Reliant Stadium in Houston, Texas.

Prior to that Man United will play Scottish heavyweights Celtic on 17 July in Toronto, MLS's Philadelphia Union on 21 July and the Kansas City Wizards on 25 July. The tour will mark the first time United have played games in this region of the world since 2004.

Manchester United's English striker Wayne Rooney.— INTERNET

"Manchester United are among the most recognized and successful clubs in the world, and we are pleased to have them compete against our All-Stars and two MLS clubs this summer," MLS Commissioner Don Garber said.

"We are proud to once again present our supporters with one of the most compelling All-Star Game formats in sports and we believe Manchester United's North American tour will be a tremendous celebration of the sport following the 2010 World Cup in South Africa."

Internet

Holmes, Allenby share lead at Sawgrass

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, 7 May — Tiger Woods hit one tee shot that went 190 yards and barely reached the fairway. He hit another shot smack into the middle of a Sawgrass plant, the ball only seen by standing over it and suspended a few inches off the ground. Both times, he scratched out a par and wound up with a 2-under 70 in The Players Championship. That's usually not a bad score to start out this tournament.

Just not on Thursday. JB Holmes and Robert Allenby shared the lead at 66, which didn't give them much separation. Twenty players were separated by two shots at the top of the leaderboard. Conditions were so benign, and greens were so soft, that more than half the field broke par on the Stadium Course. And that's not all. —*Internet*

Huge interest in vacant Australian coach job

SYDNEY, 7 May — The soon to be vacant Australian coaching job has attracted huge interest from applicants around the world, Football Federation Australia said on Friday.

FFA chief executive Ben Buckley said his organisation had been flooded with phone calls, emails and CVs from managers around the world expressing their interest in coaching the Socceroos.

The position will become vacant when Pim Verbeek steps down after the World Cup in June.

Buckley said a decision is unlikely to be made until some months after the event, although an appointment is expected before Australia head to the Asian Cup in Qatar in January next year.

Australia's current Socceroos coach Pim Verbeek (right) and Football Federation Australia Chief Executive Ben Buckley.
INTERNET

Several high-profile coaches have been linked with the position, with Dutchmen Frank Rijkaard, Leo Beenhakker, Johan Neeskens, Marco van Basten and Martin Jol all mentioned, alongside Frenchman Philippe Troussier and Italian Nevio Scala.— *Internet*

Two newcomers in Germany squad for World Cup

FRANKFURT, 7 May — Germany coach Joachim Loew picked a 27-member provisional World Cup roster on Thursday, including seven players from Bayern Munich. Two new players were selected: Bayern central defender Holger Badstuber and Hamburg defender Dennis Aogo.

Veteran Bayern goalkeeper Joerg Butt also was picked.

The squad will be trimmed to 23 players shortly before the three-time champions travel to the World Cup.

"They are brimming with confidence," Loew said of the Bayern players. Bayern has a three-point lead in the Bundesliga with one game left and has a big advantage in goal difference over second-place Schalke.

Internet

German national soccer team coach Joachim Loew.

World Cup call rolls back the years for Butt

BERLIN , 7 May— Veteran goalkeeper Hans-Joerg Butt admitted on Thursday he felt ten years younger after his surprise call-up for Germany's provisional World Cup squad.

The 35-year-old won the last of his three caps in 2003, but has been in stellar form this season for Bayern Munich who are set to win the Bundesliga title on Saturday and contest the Champions League final on 22 May.

With first-choice goalkeeper Rene Adler of Leverkusen out with a rib injury, Butt has been selected along with Schalke's Manuel Neuer and Bremen's Tim Wiese to contest the Number One shirt. Having been Germany's third-choice goalkeeper behind Jens Lehmann and Oliver Kahn at both Euro 2000 and the 2002 World Cup, Butt says he wants to enjoy the experience in South Africa.— *Internet*

Bayern Munich's veteran goalkeeper Hans-Joerg Butt shouts instructions during a Bundesliga match against Borussia Moenchengladbach in April 2010.—INTERNET

Top-seed Cilic comes through gruelling encounter

MUNICH, 7 May — Top-seed Marin Cilic recovered from losing a first set tie-break on Thursday at the Munich ATP tournament to book his place in the quarter-finals. Heavy rain meant play could not get underway until the afternoon, but Croatia's Cilic dug deep to see off Germany's Simon Greul in just over two and a half hours for a 6-7 (6/8), 6-2, 7-5 win.

The world number 11 will play sixth-seed Nicolas Almagro in the quarter-finals after the Spaniard also needed more than two hours to beat South Africa's Kevin Anderson 6-2, 5-7, 7-6 (7/5). Fourth-seed Philipp Kohlschreiber, who won the tournament in 2007, will play 2006 Australian Open finalist and fifth-seed Marcos Bagh-datis in their quarter-final.

Internet

Top-seed Marin Cilic.
INTERNET

Ivanovic comeback gathers pace at Rome tennis Open

ROME, 7 May—Former world number one Ana Ivanovic continued her return to form at the claycourt Rome Open at the Foro Italico here on Thursday as she took her third successive seed's scalp.

The Serbian beauty beat 13th seed Nadia Petrova 6-2, 7-5 to reach Friday's semi-finals following victories over ninth seed Viktoria Azarenka and fifth seed Elena Dementieva.

Two years ago Ivanovic had climbed to the top of the world rankings and also won the French Open but her star has fallen far since then and she currently sits at number 58.

"This is all behind me now and I think every player in one way or another goes through a tough time and I think it is not how many times you fall but how many times you get back up," she said."

Internet

Serbia's Ana Ivanovic.
INTERNET

U Ye Htoon (Roland Chan Htoon)
(Bucknell University, Pennsylvania, USA)
(73 years)
Chairman, Shambhala Co., Ltd.
Maw Htoon & Partners (Advocate)

Beloved eldest son of (The Hon'ble Justice Thado Maha Thray Sithu U Chan Htoon & Daw Khin Khin Thein) of 53, Pyay Road, 61/2 Mile, Hlaing Township, Yangon, Son-in-law of (Adipati Dr. Ba Maw-Daw Khin Ma Ma Maw), beloved husband of Daw Onma Maw, beloved father of Daw Yuza Maw Htoon (SAIS, John Hopkins University, USA, Myanmar Development Foundation)-Dr. Phone Win (Shambhala Group, Mingalar Myanmar), (Ko Ogga Maw Htoon), beloved grandfather of Ma Haithi (X-A, TTC), Mg Phone Maw Htoon (VII-L, TTC), brother of Daw Sanda Khin-Mr. Westley Kingsley, U Aung Chan Htoon, U Win Htoon-Daw Thin Thin, Daw Khin Thuzar Chan Htoon, (U Fred Chan Htoon)-Daw Aye Aye Yee, Daw Mya Marlar Chan Htoon-Mr. Doulas Georgian, (U Zeyar Chan Htoon)-Daw Sao Hem Hsai, passed away peacefully at 2.35 pm on Friday, 7th May 2010 at Haematology Department, Yangon General Hospital. Cremation will take place at 9.00 am on Sunday, 9th May 2010 at Ye Way Cemetary. (Buses will leave from the above address at 7.30 am on Sunday.)

Bereaved Family

Hajima Daw Sara Bi Bi
Age (90) Years

Hajima Saw Sara Bi Bi of No. 234, Shwe Bontha Street, Pabedan Township, Yangon, widow of late ALHAJ Ismail Ebrahim Ariff; beloved mother of ALHAJ Ebrahim Ismail Ariff-Hajima Daw Farida Bi Bi, Late Hajima Amina Bi Bi, Grandmother of Hajima Khatiza Bi Bi-Moulvi Hafiz Ismail Ebrahim Bham; Hajima Fatima Bi Bi, Hajima Sara Bi Bi+Hafiz Hashim Bham, Hafiz Hajra Bi Bi - Haji Hafiz Mohamed. E. Ariff & Ismail. E. Ariff Great Grandmother of Mohamed Ebrahim & Amina Bi passed away peacefully at her residence on 3rd May 2010 (17th Jamadul-awal 1431) and buried the same day after Zuhurnamaz at Yayway Sunni Garden Cemetery.

Bereaved family

Drive safely

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
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(7-5-2010)(Friday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission	- (7-5-10 09:30 am ~ 8-5-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission
* Opening
* News
* Current Affairs"Surprising Myanmar (Tourism)"
* News
* Documentary "Myanmar Handicrafts"
* Utmost help of MRCS....Committed to quench all distress
* News
* Be Fashionable with Myanmar Cotton ware
* Music Gallery
* News
* The Conspicuous Dhammayangyi

OverseaTransmission
* Opening
* News
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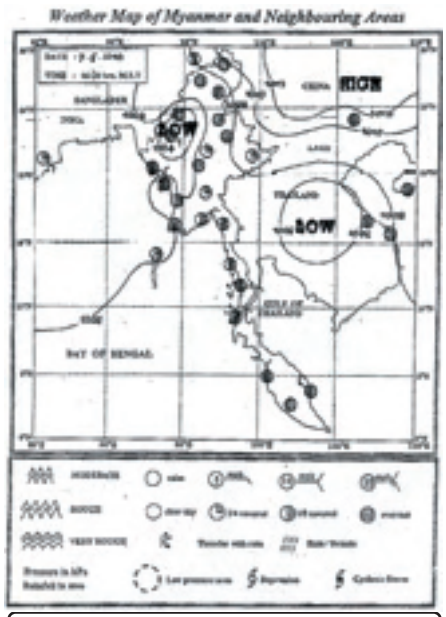
* News
* Current Affairs"Surprising Myanmar (Tourism)"
* News
* Documentary "Myanmar Handicrafts"
* Be Fashionable with Myanmar Cotton ware
* Ponnya Rama Mogok Vipassana Meditation Monastery
* News
* Safari In Style
* Myanmar Movies "A Monk's Single Meal"

Myanmar TV

Saturday, 8 May
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. အောင်တော်မူ(စောမင်းနောင်၊ စိုင်းညိမင်း၊ တေးရေး-ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)
7:50 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
8:00 am
6. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်
8:15 am
7. Musical Programme
8:25 am
8. တိရစ္ဆာန်ဥယျာဉ် နေပြည်တော် သွားလိုက်ကြစို့.တူပျော်ပျော်" (အပိုင်း-၁)
8:40 am
9. International News
8:45 am
10. Connect With English (Episode-45) (True Love)
11:00 am
1. Martial Song
11:10 am
2. Musical Programme
11:25 am
3. Game For Children
11:50 am
4. Round UP of The Week's TV Local News
12:00 pm
5. Yan Can Cook
12:20 pm
6. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မပြယ်သောချစ်ခြင်း မန္တမ်းသောမေတ္တာ " (အပိုင်း-၅)
1:20 pm
7. "ဟူးကောင်းကျား ထိန်းသိမ်းရေးနယ်မြေဆီသို့"
1:35 pm
8. "မေတ္တာအတိမ်အနက်ကို ခို်နှိစက်၍ကြည့်သောအခါ"
2:00 pm
9. ရောင်စုံရေးသီတေးပန်းချီ
2:25 pm
10. Song of National Races
2:40 pm
11. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
2:50 pm
12. International News
4:00 pm
1. Martial Song
4:10 pm
2. Musical Programme
4:20 pm
3. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက
4:35 pm
4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး-ရပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ-ပထမနှစ် (သတ္တဗေဒအထူးပြု) (သတ္တဗေဒ)
4:50 pm
5. Songs for Uphold National Spirit
4:55 pm
6. "မှက်ရည်စက်များကင်းစေချင်"
5:30 pm
7. ကမ္ဘာ့ကြက်ခြေနီနေ့.တေးများ
5:40 pm
8. သက်တံရောင်သံစဉ်
5:50 pm
9. "ငွေသောင်ယံကမ်း အလှပန်းချီ ချောင်းသာဆီ"
6:00 pm
10. Evening News
6:15 pm
11. Weather Report
6:20 pm
12. အလှရှာမယ်လှကမ္ဘာဝယ်
6:40 pm
13. ယဉ်တစ်ကိုယ်မယ် (ကြယ်စင်ဆောင်း) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ခေတ်ဘုန်းမို့)
7:00 pm
14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်မိတာခွင့်လွှတ်ပါ" (အပိုင်း-၅)
8:00 pm
15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် -တောကောင်ငယ် သိုင်းညီနောင်လေးများ- (အပိုင်း-၂၂)
19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အရွယ်လွန်ချစ်အိပ်မက်" (အပိုင်း-၅)
20. ဂီတတံခါးလေးဖွင့်ပါဦး



WEATHER

Friday, 7th May, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been fairly widespread in upper Sagaing Division, scattered in Chin and Shan states, lower Sagaing Division, isolated in Kachin State and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were about May average temperatures in Chin State and Magway Division, (6°C) to (8°C) above average temperatures in Shan and Kayin States, Mandalay and Bago Divisions, (3°C) to (5°C) above May average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Monywa (43°C), Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin), Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana), Mandalay, NyaungU, Yamethin and Thayawady (42°C) each. The noteworthy amount of rainfall recorded were Haka (1.14) inches, Minkin (0.98) inch, Palatwa (0.75) inch, Machanbaw (0.63) inch, Shwebo (0.55) inch, Lashio (0.23) inch, Kalay (0.16) inch, Monywa (0.12) inch, Myitkyina (0.08) inch.

Maximum temperature on 6-5-2010 was 102°F. Minimum temperature on 7-5-2010 was 81°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 7-5-2010 was 71%. Total sun shine hours on 6-5-2010 was (4.6) hours.

Rainfall on 7-5-2010 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 (18:30) hours MST on 6-5-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 8thMay 2010: Rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Kachin, Chin and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway and Taninthayi Divisions and weather will be partly cloudy 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 continuation of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 8-5-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 8-5-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 8-5-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Weather outlook for second weekend of May 2010: During the coming weekend, rain (or) thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay Division and weather will be partly cloudy in Yangon Division.

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- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

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★ RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
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Integrated farming system with great success in NyaungU District

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The Staff Officer of NyaungU District Information and Public Relations Department introduced me to Staff Officer U Aung Khaing of township Cooperative Department after meeting departmental officials at NyaungU District Peace and Development Council Office on 19 April afternoon.

U Aung Khaing invited me to come and visit agriculture and livestock breeding businesses of integrated farming system being implemented by the township Cooperative Department.

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Thriving paddy plantation of integrated farming of NyaungU Township Cooperative Society.

Mice can synthesize their own morphine, research shows

SCIENCE DAILY, 6 May —Traces of morphine in urine samples have been considered a clear proof of drug use or the consumption of food containing poppy in the past. Now a study by a team of scientists from the Institute of Environmental Research at TU Dortmund and the Donald Danforth Plant Science Centre in St Louis, Missouri, point to another possible explanation: they managed for the first time to prove that mice — and probably humans and other mammals as well — produce their own morphine in their bodies.—*Internet*

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The significant day temperatures

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Monywa	43.0° C
Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin)	42.0° C
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Mandalay	42.0° C
NyaungU	42.0° C
Yamethin	42.0° C
Thayawady	42.0° C