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Four political objectives

* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
* National reconsolidation
* Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
* The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

* Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
* Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
* Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Prevention and preparedness to be taken against natural disasters like storm Nargis

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye on inspection tour of Bogale and Labutta townships in Ayeyawady Division

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye asking officials about regional development tasks at Kadonkani village, Bogale Township of Ayeyawady Division.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 May— Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye this morning toured Bogale and Labutta townships to inspect development of urban and rural regions in Ayeyawady Division.

Accompanied by Prime Minister U Thein Sein, Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Tin Aye, the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the Commander-in-Chief (Air), senior military

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SAT of SPDC meets US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party.

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Myanmar, Japan discuss building of modern concrete jetty.

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A woman is seen with her children, who were injured in a bombing at a hospital in Fallujah, west of Baghdad, Iraq, on 10 May.

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A bird's eye view of systematically-alloted rural houses in Pyinsalu, Labutta District.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

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Emphasize durability of roads and bridges

During inspection tour of Ayeyawady Division, Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye gave instructions on systematic construction of roads and bridges and preparedness measures to be taken against natural disasters after looking into construction and regional development tasks in the division.

On arrival at the Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 construction project in Mawlamyinegyun Township, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye urged officials to place emphasis on durability of roads and bridges, practise thrifty and minimize loss and wastage of construction materials. He stressed the need to make necessary preparations for taking preventive and disaster preparedness measures.

Many rivers and creeks were natural barriers to the transport of Ayeyawady Division in the past. Nowadays, the government has built many roads and bridges in the region. More bridges and inter-township roads are under construction to gain easy access to other regions.

At present, a total of 10 roads are under construction so as to implement the Delta Region Road Network Development Project. Early this year, Yazudaing Bridge No. 2 was inaugurated on Maubin-Yaylegale-Shwetaunghmaw-Kyaikpi-Mawlamyinegyun Road. Yazudaing Bridge No. 1 is under construction. So far, the construction of the bridge has completed by 83 per cent.

The southern region of Myanmar is blessed with fertile land. As the region is located next to the sea, plenty of food items such as meat, fish, salt and fishery products in addition to paddy can be produced. Not only food sufficiency but also surplus of Myanmar contributes much to the food sufficiency of the regional countries. It is sure that due to emergence of new roads and bridges, Ayeyawady Division will be most developed region in the economic sector in the near future.

New Innwa computer shop offers discount plus lucky draw

Photo shows Innwa Computer Sales & Service Centre at corner of Seikkantha and Merchant Streets.—MNA

YANGON, 8 May – Innwa Computer Sales and Service Centre opened one more shop here offering special discount rates from 29 April to 29 July plus a lucky draw programme.

Products available at special discount at the new shop, corner of Seikkantha and Merchant streets include speakers, LCD monitors, desktop computers, hard disks, motherboards, graphic cards, scanners, printers, memory cards, camera memory cards, processors and accessories. Customers also have the chance to get notebooks, desktop PCs, LCDs, laser printers and UPSs from the lucky draw programme. For information, please dial 01-73001902.

The company's other Yangon outlet is at 142, 38th Street (ph-01-391511). It also has outlets in Mandalay at No 9, 75th Street, (ph-02-71108) and at A 9 at the corner of 73rd and 30th streets in Mingala Market (ph-02-71767).—*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**

Special Refresher Course No (17) for Faculty Members launched

On behalf of MEC Chairman Secretary-1 of the SPDC General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein addresses opening of Special Refresher Course No (17) for Faculty Members.—MNA

YANGON, 10 May—Special Refresher Course No (17) for Faculty Members was opened at the Central Institute of Civil Service in Hlegu Township, here, this morning.

On behalf of Chairman of the Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein delivered a speech.

The minister in his speech underscored the importance of Union Spirit in the drive for development of the whole Union.

Faculty members are responsible for inculcating younger generations with a sense of good morale, self-discipline, and value of education, he noted.

He spoke of the need for teachers to encourage their students to value the national duties. In conclusion, he called on faculty members to help improve the State's political, economic and social sectors through the might of education, and to study hard throughout the course. Altogether 428 faculty members are attending the four-week course.—*MNA*

Workshop on Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Preparation for the National Report held

Deputy Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin speaking at Workshop on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Preparation for the National Report.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 May — The opening of Workshop on Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Preparation for the National Report, jointly organized by Myanmar Human Rights Body and Office of the United Nations High Commis-sioner for Human Rights, Bangkok, of Thailand, was held at Shwe Nanndaw Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone this morning.

It was attended by Chairman of Work Committee for Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Preparation for the National Report Deputy Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin and members, members of Myanmar Human Rights Paper Compilation Team, experts from United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, represontatives of Indonesia, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam, representatives of UN agencies and non-governmental organizations.

First, Chairman of work committee Deputy Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin made an opening address.

Next, Mr. Homayoun Alizadeh, OHCHR Regional Representative for South-East Asia, and Mr. Bhairaja Panday, Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), delivered addresses.

Then discussion on compilation of reports of human rights in Myanmar followed. The workshop continues tomorrow.

MNA

At least 84 killed in attacks across Iraq

BAGHADA, 10 May— A suicide bomber blew himself up outside a textile factory Monday in a crowd that gathered after two car bombings at the same spot in the worst of a series of attacks that killed at least 84 people across Iraq, the deadliest day this year.

In the worst attack of the day, a suicide bomber with explosives strapped to his belt blew himself up among a crowd of people who were trying to help victims of two car bombs that went off earlier outside a textile factory in the Shiite city of Hillah south of Baghdad, said provincial police spokesman Maj. Muthana Khalid.

At least 45 were killed and 140 wounded, said Khalid and Zuhair al Khafaji, director of al-Hillah general hospital.

The attack was the deadliest in a series of shootings and bombings across the country that began in the capital Baghdad with early morning drive-by shootings and bombings at security checkpoints that targeted police and army.

Other attacks targeted both Sunni and Shiite areas and by mid-afternoon, at least 75 were killed across Iraq, and hundreds wounded.

Internet

A woman is seen with her children, who were injured in a bombing that targeted police, at a hospital in Fallujah, 40 miles (65 kilometers) west of Baghdad, Iraq, on 10 May, 2010.

INTERNET

Electrical blast causes panic at S African train

DURBAN, 10 May— Dozens of panicked passengers jumped from a train in South Africa after an electrical explosion at a station on Sunday, but there were no serious injuries, police said. The state-operated train was travelling from the coastal city of Durban when the blast happened at around 5:00 pm (1300GMT), police spokeswoman Phindile Radebe said.

"We have established that the explosion came from a nearby electricity box, not from the train. Panicked passengers then jumped out of the train," said Radebe.

Internet

Police, paramedics and ambulance personel look on at the scene where passengers had jumped off of a Metro rail train after part of the train carriage exploded at Effingham, north of Durban.—INTERNET

A novel electric-power taxi waits for passengers on the street of Shenzhen, south China's Guangdong Province, on 6 May, 2010. The first batch of pure electric motor taxies in the mode of BYD e6, which take 1 hour for rapid recharging, are put into trial operation on road as of 1 May in Shenzhen.

INTERNET

Somali mother's fears, hopes for future

MOGADISHU, 10 May—As the world celebrated International Mother's Day on Sunday, Somali mothers who have not seen peace time for the past 20 years, expressed their fears and hope for the future.

For mothers in Somalia respect, honor and love are some of the feelings held and expressed towards them in families and society in general because of the role they play in individual's lives.

However, Aamino Ali, a mother of two, said the general lack of security and the ongoing conflict have given Somali mothers their share of suffering and many heartbreaks for lost sons, husband or other members of the family.

Somalia, which has been through two decades of civil conflicts, has one of the worst maternal deaths in the world with health infrastructures almost nonexistent. Many mothers or would-be mothers face heath risks during pregnancy and child birth.

Two Somali mothers carrying their babies walk in a street in the south of the Somali capital, Mogadishu, on 9 May, 2010.

INTERNET

But many women expressed the hope that things would turn better while some articulated their fears for the future as the east African country faces deepening internal conflicts that resulted in chronic famine, seasonal droughts and widespread communicable disease.

Hawa Abdi, is a mother of five and live in mainly deserted part of the restive Somali capital Mogadishu with her family.

Xinhua

Afghan militant attack kills NATO soldier

KABUL, 10 May—NATO says one of its service members has died in militant attack in Afghanistan.

The attack happened on Sunday in eastern Afghanistan. No further details were released.

The death brings to 12 the number of NATO forces killed this month in Afghanistan.

Violence and insecurity will be on the agenda Monday as President Hamid Karzai meets with American officials in Washington. Karzai's trip comes after months of rocky relations with the Obama administration.

Xinhua

9 Iraqi soldiers, policemen killed in attacks in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 10 May— Nine people were killed and 23 others wounded in a series of attacks in Iraqi capital Baghdad early Monday, an Interior Ministry source said.

The violence included six attacks targeting checkpoints and three roadside bombs, the source told *Xinhua*.

According to the source, the armed attackers used silenced weapons in assaults on the six checkpoints almost around the same time at dawn.

Xinhua

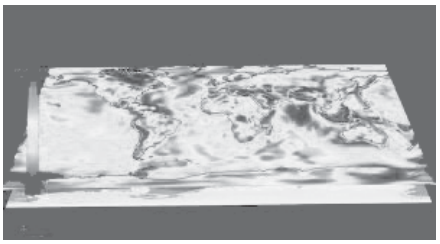
Roadside bombings, rocket attacks kill 10 in Taleban hub

LASHKAR GAH, 10 May — Two roadside bombings and a rocket attack organized by Taleban militants claimed the lives of 10 people including four police in Taleban hotbed Helmand Province, south of Afghanistan, an official said on Monday.

In the first incident a roadside bomb struck a police van in Nahr-e-Saraj area of Gereshek District on Sunday claiming the lives of four police personnel and leaving two others injured, spokesman for local administration in Helmand Province Daud Ahmadi told *Xinhua*.

Xinhua

GOCE satellite determines gravitational force in the himalayas



Worldwide gravity gradients from simulations. GOCE is now gathering data such as shown here to map Earth's gravity with unprecedented accuracy and spatial resolution. The final gravity map and model of the geoid will provide users worldwide with well-defined data products that will be instrumental in advancing science and applications in a broad range of disciplines. These will range from geodesy, geophysics and surveying to oceanography and sea-level research.
INTERNET

VIENNA, 10 May— In a May 7 session at the European Geosciences Union (EGU) general assembly in Vienna, researchers presented the first interim results of the ESA mission GOCE, the Gravity Field and Steady-State Ocean Circulation Explorer. Evaluations of the first data from the satellite indicate that current models of Earth's gravitational field in some regions — the Himalayas, for example — can be fundamentally revised. The results could contribute to better understanding of many geophysical processes.

ESA's GOCE satellite has been orbiting the Earth for more than a year and surveying its gravitational field more accurately than any instrument previously.

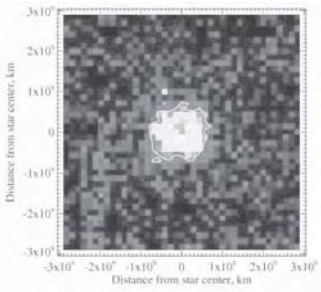
Internet

Seeing into the heart of planetary system

GLASGOW, 10 May— Using four of the world's largest telescopes, scientists have obtained the most detailed information yet from the regions around two young stars tens of light years away, finding compact discs of rocky and dusty material at distances comparable to that from the Earth to the Sun. Keele University astronomer Dr Rachel Smith presented the team's results on April 14th at the RAS National Astronomy Meeting (NAM 2010) in Glasgow.

The astronomers used data from the MIDI interferometer, an instrument that combines the infrared light from the 8-m diameter telescopes of the European Southern Observatory's Very Large Telescope in Chile to simulate the performance of a single telescope with a mirror more than 100 metres across.

Two of the stars observed with MIDI are similar to our Sun — one is a little cooler and one a little hotter. The first, catalogued as HD69830, is an orange star with spectral type K0V and is thought to be about 2 billion years old (compared with the Sun's age of 4.5 billion years).—*Internet*



***The star HD69830 observed in the mid-infrared on a single 8-m telescope. This image looks the same as the image of a star with no dust around it.—*INTERNET**

Nokia sues Apple for 'patent infringement'

The iPad will go on sale in nine countries outside the US on 28 May, Apple says.
INTERNET

NEW YORK, 10 May—The world's biggest mobile phone maker, Nokia, has filed a lawsuit against Apple claiming the iPad 3G and iPhone infringe five of its patents.

Nokia claims the infringements involve technology used to enhance speech and data transmission and antenna innovations for compact devices.

This is the latest salvo in a long-running legal battle between the two companies.

Nokia and Apple are embroiled in another dispute concerning the iPhone.

"We've taken this step to protect the results of our pioneering development and to put an end to continued unlawful use of Nokia's innovation," said Paul Melin, general manager of patent licensing at Nokia.

In a statement, the company said that during the past two decades Nokia has invested about $51bn (£34bn) in research and development and has rounded up 11,000 patents.

Last year Nokia filed a similar lawsuit which claimed that various Apple products infringed Nokia patents. Apple responded with a countersuit against Nokia for infringing Apple patents with its smartphones.—*Internet*

Web tool tracks Gulf oil spill effects

MEXICO CITY, 10 May—Ushahidi is a free, online mapping tool that can be used to collect and plot reports coming in from people via e-mail, SMS and Twitter.

It was used in the aftermath of the Haiti earthquake to co-ordinate relief. The oil spill map aims to track the long-term impact of the spill on the commercial fishing industry.

Most reports are coming from fishermen who cannot put to sea because of the oil.

One anonymous report reads: "He called himself a pearl diver. He said he's eating off the Red Cross truck and hates it - all he wants to do is get back to his work of harvesting oysters." Others report dead birds and animals as well as incidents such as containment booms being washed ashore The spill began after an explosion that destroyed the Deepwater Horizon oil rig off Louisiana in April.

Internet

Net-community websites' users fear privacy bugs

BEIJING, 10 May— After last Wednesday's Facebook privacy worries, web surfers are worried about their privacy online in other net-community websites as well, according to news reports on Monday.

Facebook users found a bug which gave them accessibility to view their friends' chat lines and made safety precautions after it to prevent the leaks again.

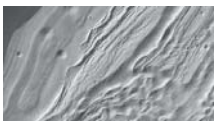
The other popular net-community website, MySpace, also improved its privacy measures by adding a securities officer to the company. Its users fear their privacy may have already leaked.

However, Internet experts suggest that no matter what moves net-community websites take, one's private data would still become public whether due to a human fault or a hack virus.

Xinhua

Science

New martian views from orbiting camera show landscape diversity



***The view of oddly sculpted ground inside the giant Hellas Basin on Mars comes from the High Resolution Imaging Science Instrument on NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter.—*INTERNET**

WASHINGTON, 10 May— New images from more than 750 recent observations of Mars by an orbiting telescopic camera testify to the diversity of landscapes there.

The images from the High Resolution Imaging Science Experiment camera on NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter are now available on NASA's Planetary Data System and on the camera team's website. The features visible in the images range from oddly sculpted terrain inside a giant crater to frosted dunes, deformed craters, old gullies and pits strung along fractured ground.

Internet

A 'face-book' to measure pain in mice

PARIS, 10 May— Scientists have for the first time created a sliding scale of pain for mice based on facial expressions, according to study published Sunday.

The so-called "mouse grimace scale" will speed up the development of new analgesics for humans, and could help reduce unnecessary suffering of mice and other animals in biomedical research, the researchers said. "There are also serious implications for the improvement of veterinary care," said Jeffrey Mogil, a professor at McGill University in Montreal and the main architect of the study.

Research on pain and how to relieve it depends heavily on the use of rodents as stand-ins for humans, so accurate measurement of pain intensity in lab mice is crucial.

Up to now, however, it was not known whether degrees of discomfort and suffering in mice correspond to spontaneous facial responses, as is the case for people.—*Internet*

Net puts Kenya at centre of Chile rescue efforts Tech tools offer Haiti lifeline.
INTERNET

Hearing loss in one ear impairs kids' language

NEW YORK, 10 May—Hearing loss in one ear is enough to cause language problems for kids, doctors reported on Monday.

However, they write in the journal *Pediatrics*, the up to one in 20 kids with such hearing loss often don't receive the help they need, such as a front seat in class, hearing aids or special education.

"The key idea that this study is presenting is that we don't want to ignore children" with hearing loss on one ear, said Sandra M Grether, a speech pathologist at the University of Cincinnati, who was not involved in the study.

For the study, researchers at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, led by Dr. Judith Lieu, tested 74 pairs of school-age siblings. Half the children had hearing loss in one ear, while their siblings had normal hearing.The impaired kids scored lower on both comprehension and speech tests and were more likely to be receiving speech therapy than their siblings, but they performed just as well on IQ tests.—*Internet*

A young boy is seen playing on a heap of rubbish in Harare's Mbare suburb. Local authorites have not collected the garbage over the past few months resulting in the increase of rats in the capital.
INTERNET

America's favourite birth control method turns 50

CHICAGO, 10 May—A world without "the pill" is unimaginable to many young women who now use it to treat acne, skip periods, improve mood and, of course, prevent pregnancy. They might be surprised to learn that US officials announcing approval of the world's first oral contraceptive were uncomfortable.

"Our own ideas of morality had nothing to do with the case," said John Harvey of the Food and Drug Administration in 1960.

The pill was safe, in other words. Don't blame us if you think it's wicked.

Sunday, Mother's Day, is the 50th anniversary of that provocative announcement that introduced to the world what is now widely acknowledged as one of the most important inventions of the last century.

The world has changed, but it's debatable what part the birth control pill played. Some experts think it gets too much credit or blame for the sexual revolution. After all, sex outside of marriage wasn't new in 1960.
Internet

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INTERNET

Health

Does mom need help to stop smoking?

WASHINGTON, 10 May — If your mother is a smoker, you might consider giving her a Mother's Day gift that could help her kick the habit and live a longer, healthier life, suggests the American Lung Asso-ciation.

Freedom From Smoking Online is a self-paced programme that's available 24 hours a day and offers users tools and support that may help them quit smoking for good. The programme costs $40 for a one-year membership and $15 for a three-month membership.

"Quitting smoking is the single most important step a smoker can take to improve the length and quality of her life. You can also save a considerable amount of money," Charles D Connor, president and CEO of the American Lung Association, said in a news release. "Helping your mother kick the habit is one of the best ways to make sure your mother is around long enough to become a grand-mother."—*Internet*

File photo shows containers waiting to be unloaded from a ship at the harbour in the northern German city of Hamburg. Germany's trade surplus leapt higher in March, official data showed on Monday as the euro's fall in value against other major currencies helped exports rack up solid gains.
INTERNET

Ingredient in cocoa may guard against stroke: study

LOS ANGELES, 10 May—— US researchers have identified an ingredient in cocoa which might guard against stroke.

The compound, a flavanol called epicatechin, triggers two built- in protective pathways in the brain, providing a molecular mechanism by which the compound can guard against the damage of a stroke, said researchers at John Hopkins University School of Medicine.The findings were published in the May issue of the Journal of Cerebral Blood Flow & Metabolism.

A study of the cocoa-drinking Kuna Indians, living on islands off the coast of Panama, led the researchers to study epicatechin. As an unusually low incidence of stroke and other cardiovascular disease in that population could not be explained by genetic studies, consumption of a very bitter cocoa drink which contains epicatechin was considered a contri-butor.
Internet

Mercury high in Japanese town that hunts dolphins

Dolphin sashimi, raw slices from the breast of a striped dolphin, is served during lunch at Moby Dick, a hotel run by the local government, in Taiji, southwestern Japan, on Sunday, 9 May, 2010. —
INTERNET

TAIJI, 10 May— Residents of the dolphin-hunting village depicted in Oscar documentary "The Cove" have dangerously high mercury levels, likely because of their fondness for dolphin and whale meat, a government lab said on Sunday.

The levels of mercury detected in Taiji residents were above the national average, but follow-up tests have found no ill effects, according to the National Institute for Minamata Disease. The tests were done on hair samples from 1,137 volunteers of the town's roughly 3,500 residents.

"The results suggest there is a connection between hair mercury levels and eating cetaceans," Director Koji Okamoto told reporters at town hall.

Mercury accumulates up the food chain, so large predators such as dolphins, tuna and swordfish tend to have the highest levels. The latest studies published by the Japanese government show that meat from bottlenose dolphins had about 1,000 times the mercury content of that from sardines.—*Internet*

Suzuki forecasts profit rise as demand for fuel-efficient cars increases

TOKYO, 10 May—Suzuki Motor Corp. on Monday forecast a moderate rise in annual operating profit as Japan's fourth largest automaker is well-placed to benefit from a global trend towards smaller, fuel-efficient vehicles and growing demand from India.

For the current fiscal year ending March 31, 2011, Suzuki forecast an operating profit of 80 billion yen (874 million US dollars)—a 0.8 percent increase from the 79.36 billion yen 856. 29 million US dollars) it made last year.

Additionally the firm said it expects its net profit to rise 3. 8 percent to 30 billion yen (323.7 million US dollars).

Suzuki's operating profit in the final January-March quarter totaled 29.5 billion yen (318.30 million US dollars), compared with a profit of 10.45 billion yen (112.75 million US dollars) booked a year earlier.

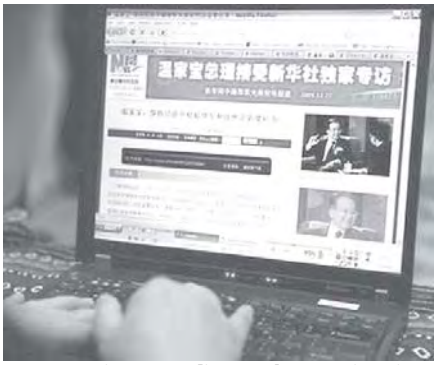
Fourth-quarter net profit came to 13.4 billion yen versus a profit of 5.8 billion yen a year ago, on rising sales of its minivehicles including its Kei, Lapin, Splash and Swift models, the automaker said.

As of March Suzuki expanded its capacity in India to a million units a year and a will add a further 250,000 units to its production output from April 2012, the automaker said.

Xinhua

The Bank of Japan (BOJ) building in Tokyo. The Bank of Japan on Monday joined the central banks of Europe, the United States, Britain, Canada and Switzerland to support financial markets by preventing dollar shortages during the Greek debt .—INTERNET

Business



A woman is seen reading a webpage written in Chinese, in Beijing. 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

Federal Reserve opens credit line to Europe

WASHINGTON, 10 May—The Federal Reserve late Sunday opened a program to ship US dollars to Europe in a move to head off a broader financial crisis on the continent.

Other central banks, including the Bank of Canada, the Bank of England, the European Central Bank, the Swiss National Bank and the Bank of Japan also are involved in the dollar swap effort.

The move comes after the European Union and International Monetary Fund pledged a nearly $1 trillion defense package for the embattled euro, hoping to calm jittery markets and halt attacks on the eurozone's weakest members. The ECB also jumped into the bond market Sunday night, saying it is ready to buy eurozone bonds to shore up liquidity in "dysfunctional" markets.

The Fed's action reopens a program put in place during the 2008 global financial crisis under which dollars are shipped overseas through the foreign central banks. In turn, these central banks can lend the dollars out to banks in their home countries that are in need of dollar funding to prevent the European crisis from spreading further.—*Internet*

Asian markets climb as EU moves to defend euro

TOKYO, 10 May—Asian stock markets climbed Monday as the European Union agreed on a nearly $1 trillion defence package for the embattled euro, hoping to contain global fallout from Greece's debt problems and protect its common currency.

Japan's Nikkei 225 stock average rose 1.3 percent to 10,499.25, and Hong Kong's Hang Seng index jumped 1.4 percent to 20,195.04. Other major benchmarks in the region advanced as relieved investors began buying after big declines last week.

The euro traded at $1.2920, up from the 14-month low of $1.2523 it hit late last week while stock futures suggested Wall Street would welcome the euro defence plan. Dow futures climbed 215 points, or 2.1 percent, to 10,550 and S&P futures jumped 28.4, or 2.6 percent, to 1,135.40. Nasdaq futures added 47.5, or 2.6 percent, to 1,896.

Internet

A doorman opens the door for a customer at the Harrods department store in Knightsbridge, central London. Qatar Holding, which bought the landmark London department store for 1.5 billion pounds (1.7 billion euros, 2.2 billion dollars) on Saturday, may target Shanghai as a suitable site to export the brand overseas.
INTERNET

A Toyota mechanic fixes the anti-lock brake software on a Prius hybrid vehicle at a dealer's repair shop in Aichi prefecture, Japan.
INTERNET

Sony eyes EMI for possible takeover

BEIJING, 10 May—Sony Music said it is considering a bid for ailing British rival EMI yesterday, while its main rivals deny any interest or decline to comment on their intentions.

"We are in a position that allows us to seize every opportunity in the market - including EMI," the head of Sony Music, Rolf Schmidt-Holz, was quoted as saying by German paper Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung.

EMI's owner, buyout firm Terra Firma, is asking investors for 360 million pounds (US$557 million) for the British music company to prevent the investment from falling into lenders' hands, a source told Reuters last month. EMI, home of artists like the Beatles and Coldplay, tried but failed to agree a licensing deal for its North American rights in March after holding talks with Sony Music and Universal Music Group.

Internet

Poly Real Estate's sales up 16% in first four months

BEIJING, 10 May—The Poly Real Estate Group, China's second largest property developer by market value, said Sunday its contracted sales volume in January-to-April period totaled 12.22 billion yuan (1.79 billion US dollars), up 16.21 percent year on year.The increase was generated on the back of the 1.5 million square meters of floor space sold, a 21.26-percent increase from the same period last year, said the company in a statement filed to the Shanghai Stock Exchange.The company's contracted sales volume in April stood at 4.09 billion yuan, and the transaction area was 496,900 square meters, according to the statement.—*Xinhua*

US Assistant Secretary of State calls on senior officials and others in Nay Pyi Taw, holds press conference in Yangon

Spoke Authoritative Team of SPDC led by Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan meets US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 May—A delegation led by Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs of the United States of America Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell arrived here by special aircraft at 1.30 pm yesterday.

US Assistant Secretary of State Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party separately called on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at 2 pm, the Spoke Authoritative Team of the State Peace and Development Council led by Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan at the Ministry of Information at 3 pm, Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung at the Ministry of Science and Technology at 4.30 pm, Chairman of Union Election Commission U Thein Soe at Office Building No. 22, here, at 5 pm, Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi at the Ministry of Labour at 5.45 pm, and responsible persons of the Union Solidarity and Development Association led by Secretary-General U Htay Oo at the hall of USDA Headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw Dekkhinathiri at 6.50 pm.

At 7.45 pm, the Deputy Minister for Science and Technology hosted a dinner to the US Assistant Secretary of State and party at Myat Taw Win Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone.

The US Assistant Secretary of State and party accompanied by officials arrived in Yangon from Nay Pyi Taw at 9.05 am today.

At 9.30 am, the delegation visited Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon.

The US Assistant Secretary of State met with some persons of former NLD at the residence of the Charge d'Affaires ai of the US Embassy to the Union of Myanmar on Pyay Road, Yangon, at 10.25 am, representatives of some officially registered political parties at noon, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi at Seinle Kantha Guesthouse on University Avenue in Yangon at 1.45 pm, some persons of non-governmental organizations at the residence of the Charge d'Affaires ai of the US Embassy on Pyay Road in Yangon at 5.00 pm and ambassadors of foreign embassies to Myanmar at 5.30 pm.

At 7 pm, he met member correspondents of Myanmar Foreign Correspondents Club and editorial staff of local journals and magazines at the American Centre in Dagon Township of Yangon and read out the press release.

The US Assistant Secretary of State and party left Yangon by special flight later in the evening.

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US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party call on Chairman of Union Election Commission U Thein Soe.

MNA

Myanmar, Japan discuss building of modern concrete jetty

YANGON, 10 May—Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung received Economic Counsellor Mr. Mitsuji Suzuka of the Japanese embassy in Myanmar and party at Myanma Port Authority (Head Office) here today.

Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung receives Economic Counsellor Mr. Mitsuji Suzuka and party of Japanese Embassy.—MNA

Both sides discussed matters on construction of a storm-resistant modern concrete jetty near Nos. 5 and 6 Botahtaung pontoon jetties at Yangon Port with the assistance of JICA.

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Vice-Senior General Maung Aye visits Township People's Hospital opened at Cyclone Shelter No. 2 in Pyinsalu of Labutta District.

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officers of the Ministry of Defence, the Chairman of Ayeyawady Division PDC Commander of South-West Command, the ministers, the deputy ministers, departmental heads and officials, U Thein Aung and departmental officials.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye looked into progress of Bogale in a motorcade.

At the hall of Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Minister U Thein Aung reported on loss of lives and property in the event of storm Nargis in Bogale, collaborative efforts made by the government, the people and the Tatmadaw in resettlement work in the short period under the leadership of the State, efforts made for rehabilitation work with momentum to turn the region into normalcy in the accommodation, health, education, social and economic sectors within one year, renovation of storm-hit hospitals, dispensaries, schools and religious buildings, construction of new buildings, completion of 10,046 rural housings, building of Township Hospital (100-bed), arrangements for supply of drinking water, construction of nine Cyclone Shelters, progress of Bogale-Kyeinchaung-Kadonkani Road and Bogale-Sethsan-Ahmar Road, construction of the four-mile section in Bogale Township on Bogale-Mawlamyinegyun-Myaungmya Road, completion of bridges and conservation of mangrove ecosystem.

Photo shows No. 1 Cyclone Shelter in Pyinsalu of Labutta District.—MNA

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye arrived at Bogale of Pyapon District at 7 am.

He was welcomed by Minister for Forestry

The chairman of Htoo Trading Co Ltd reported on construction of new Township Hospital (100-bed) and facts about the hospital.

After hearing the reports, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye explained prevention and preparedness to be taken against natural disasters like storm Nargis, sufficiency of drinking water, enhancement of education and health sectors, growing of perennial trees and compilation of correct and accurate economic statistics.

After looking into progress of storm-affected villages of Bogale Township namely Kondan, Sethsan and Htawpaing villages and conservation of mangrove forests, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye arrived at Kadonkani Village of Bogale Township.

He viewed opening of Basic Education High School at the Cyclone Shelter and donations on school furniture, computer and accessories of Htoo Trading Co Ltd to the school.

The chairman of Htoo Trading Co Ltd reported on construction of one 500-person-capacity Cyclone Shelter, 15 feet high Hillock and water lake, use of Cyclone Shelter as school in the normal condition, and handing over the building to the State in January 2010.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye asked the village responsible persons about the health, education, drinking water sufficiency and regional development and attended to the needs.

After inspecting digging of lakes around the Cyclone Shelter, he looked into progress of Kadonkani Village in a motorcade.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party flew over villages to view salt farming.

At Pyinsalu of Labutta Township, they were welcomed by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs U Thein Nyunt and officials.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party comforted the patients at the Township People's Hospital opened at No. 1 Cyclone Shelter in Pyinsalu.

After looking into the cyclone shelter and its environs, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye viewed construction of the rural housings in Pyinsalu and systematic allotment of offices and departments.

At No. 2 Cyclone Shelter, he inspected opening of Pyinsalu BEHS and donations on school furniture, computer and accessories by Max Myanmar Group of Companies.

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A lake that can store 180 million gallons of water in 3rd-Mile satellite town in Labutta.—MNA

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At the briefing hall of the town, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye met officials and explained development of the region and sufficiency of drinking water.

In Labutta, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye viewed implementation of 3rd-Mile satellite town project in Labutta.

At the hall of the construction of 200-bed hospital in 3rd-Mile satellite town, Minister U Thein Nyunt reported on completion of 4548 rural housing and seven cyclone shelters in Labutta Township, progress of local roads and bridges, construction of new jetty, building of 180-million-gallon-capacity water tank on 66 acres of land, supply of water from the tank, distribution of electricity, construction of 200-bed hospital, the carpentry, masonry and steel fixing training school and BEMS, progress of building Youth Ahman Training School sponsored by Max Myanmar Group of Companies, and construction of district level offices and departments and private housing.

After hearing the reports, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye gave instructions on development of the satellite town, adequate supply of drinking water and development of meat and fish sector.

He inspected progress of the hospital.

After looking into development of Labutta by helicopter, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye left there and arrived in Pathein in the afternoon. *MNA*

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye visits Basic Education High School opened at Cyclone Shelter No 2 in Pyinsalu of Labutta District.

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Photo shows Cyclone Shelter that can accommodate 500 persons, in Kadonkani Village of Bogale Township.

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200-bed People's Hospital in 3rd-Mile Satellite Town of Labutta.

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Gold Entrepreneurs Association meets

YANGON, 8 May— The (3/2010) meeting of Gold Entrepreneurs Association took place at the meeting hall of UMFCCI in Minyekyawswa road, Lanmadaw Township here this evening.

It was attended by members of GEAs (state/division) and Assistant Director of Information and Research Department under Ministry of Finance and Revenue Daw Win Win Naing.

Chairman of GEA U Thutaw (Academy Gold Refinery) made an opening speech. Secretary of GEA U Kyaw Win (U Hton Gold Smith Centre) presented the minutes of the previous meeting. Members of GEAs (state/division) reported on tasks carried out and Vice Chairman of GEA U Kyaw Myint (Shwe Myin Pyan Gold Refinery) also reported on general tasks undertaking and the meeting came to an end with the concluding remarks of the Chairman.—*MNA*

Only 11 bomb blast victims under treatment

NAY PYI TAW, 10 May—It has been reported that of 170 bomb blast victims in front of X_20 water throwing pandal on Kandawgyi Circular road in Mingala Taungnyunt Township in Yangon on 15 April, most of them have been discharged from Yangon General Hospital and other hospitals, and only 18 victims —12 men and 6 women — were undergoing treatments.

As more were discharged from the hospitals, only 11 victims—six males and five females— are under treatment at present.

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A girl looks around the exhibition of "Scenes of Variation" held in Yuehu Art Museum in east China's Shanghai Municipality, on 8 May, 2010.
XINHUA

Bringing history to life for today's high-tech generation

BEIJING, 10 May—Visitors to Shanghai Expo will be amazed by the giant scroll painting Along the River During the Qingming Festival in the China Pavilion.

Painted by Song Dynasty artist Zhang Zeduan (1085-1145) and known as "China's Mona Lisa", it has been converted into a three-dimensional image on a digital screen measuring 100 metres by six metres.

The river in the picture appears to be flowing. People and cattle seem to be standing next to audiences. Expanded by 10 times, the digital version of the painting has special sound and light effects, and will vary according to the level of sunlight.

The image was created by Beijing company Crystal CG. Established in 1995, it has made its way to becoming one of the top 3D modeling, simulation and visualization firms in Asia. The company's clients include the government, the military and domestic real estate businesses.

Xinhua

India minister says chance of climate deal 'remote'

BEIJING, 10 May—India's environment minister warned on Sunday that there was little prospect of a breakthrough in efforts to forge an international agreement this year to fight global warming.

"So far as negotiations are concerned... the prospects of a breakthrough in 2010 are very, very remote," Jairam Ramesh told reporters during a visit to China, the world's largest greenhouse gas polluter.

A new UN conference is due to be held in the Mexican resort of Cancun towards the end of the year to try to build on an accord hammered out at marathon talks in Copenhagen that were widely regarded as a failure.

"I don't see any silver lining or any silver bullet anywhere which is going to lead to an agreement," said Ramesh, whose country gave its formal backing to the Copenhagen accord only last month.

Internet

A wind park in Copenhagen. India's environment minister has warned that there was little prospect of a breakthrough in efforts to forge an international agreement this year to fight global warming.
INTERNET

Chinese investors monitor share prices at a security firm in Hefei, in central China's Anhui province. The euro has surged in Asia after a monster aid package came through for the eurozone economies and the European Central Bank vowed to implement exceptional measures in support, dealers have said.—INTERNET

Sugar plantation, native Hawaiians in water battle

HAIKU, 10 May—Lyn Scott's family has fished in Honopou stream for centuries and tapped its water to farm the Hawaiian staple taro on stone-lined terraces built by her ancestors. Up the road, Leonard Pagan helps run irrigation systems at Hawaii's last sugar plantation. He's the fourth generation of his family to work at Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Co, going back to his great-grandfather who emigrated from Puerto Rico.

Taro, fish and sugar are all central to Hawaii's rich history and identity. To thrive in this corner of Maui, however, they must all be nourished by the same supply of water. This has triggered an emotional struggle pitting one of Maui's biggest employers — the last representative of Hawaii's once-mighty "King Sugar" — against Native Hawaiians fighting to hang on to neglected ancient traditions.

"They're fighting for their way of life and we're fighting for ours," said Wesley Bissen, a 30-year veteran machinist at the plantation, Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Co.

The battle is now in it's ninth year, dating to 2001 when the Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation filed a petition asking the state to return water to East Maui streams. In 2008, the state water commission ordered the sugar plantation to restore water to 8 streams — including Honopou. But Scott says her family's still not getting enough water to fish and farm taro like her ancestors. They're waiting for the water commission to respond to a complaint filed by her lawyers.

Internet

In this photo taken on 27 April, 2010, Beatrice Kekakuha, left, and her niece, Lyn Scott, sit in front of taro patches on their family's farm in Haiku, Hawaii. Taro is perhaps the most important crop in Hawaiian culture considered a relative and a food staple.—INTERNET

Two dead in small plane crash in northern California

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 May—A small single-engine plane crashed on Sunday morning in northern California in the United States, killing both of the people onboard, local media reported. The Piper Cherokee went down in rough terrain at about 10: 50 a. m. local time at a site about 5 miles (8 kilometers) near the Livermore Municipal Airport, it was reported. Ian Gregor, a US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) spokesman, said the cause of the crash is still unknown. FAA investigators are heading to the crash site and the National Transportation Safety Board is also planning to investigate, local CBS 5 television station quoted Gregor as saying.

Xinhua

Mexican Olympic diver Joaquin Capilla dies at 81

MEXICO CITY, 10 May—Mexico's top Olympic-medal recipient has died at the age of 81.

His wife says Olympic diver Joaquin Capilla died of natural causes on Saturday and was buried on Sunday.

Carmen Capilla said she was by her husband's side at the time of his death. In the 1948 games in London, Capilla, then 19, won a bronze medal for platform diving. Four years later in Helsinki, he won a silver medal, again for platform diving. In 1956 in Melbourne, Australia, he took home a bronze medal for springboard diving and a gold for platform diving.

He later taught diving in Mexico City, inspiring a new generation of competitors.—*Internet*

Greek people ride bicycles to celebrate Mother's Day and to promote a more eco-friendly form of transportation in the centre of Athens, capital of Greece, on 9 May, 2010.—XINHUA

Three Afghan army soldiers killed in Taleban hotbed

KABUL, 10 May—Three Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers were killed on Saturday as the Afghan and NATO-led forces came in contact with militants in Taleban hotbed Helmand Province of southern Afghanistan, the Afghan Defence Ministry said in a statement on Sunday.

"A joint unit of Afghan and international forces were on their routine patrol in the southwestern part of Sangin District on Saturday but the combined forces clashed with rebels, as a result three ANA soldiers were martyred," the statement said.

It also said during the cleanup operation in the area two militants have been detained and a handful of weapons including a heavy caliber 80mm gun, a rocket-propelled grenade and a Kalashnikov were also found from their possession.

The detainees were handed over to concerned authorities for further interrogation, it said.

Taleban militants, who were ousted from power in the US-led military campaign in late 2001 have vowed to launch a spring offensive against Afghan and NATO troops stationed in Afghanistan from 10 May.

Xinhua

Cambodian garment industry remains wary despite export growth

PHNOM PENH, 10 May—Cambodian garment and apparel exports have increased 7.24 percent for the first quarter of 2010 compared with the same period last year, but remain below the pre- crisis levels of the first quarter in 2008, local media reported on Monday, citing the figures from the Ministry of Commerce.

Ministry of Commerce (MoC) figures value Cambodia's garment and apparel exports for the first quarter at 671 million US dollars, up from 626 million US dollars for the same quarter last year, the *Phnom Penh Post* reported. According to a country by country breakdown, exports to the US market went up 4.13 percent - from 395 million US dollars to 411 million US dollars - while the EU markets saw a 7.32 percent increase, and other foreign markets were up 20.12 percent.—*Internet*

Science lifts lid on some of football's myths and mysteries

PARIS, 10 May—Football has a pedigree dating back to mediaeval England, when villagers hoofed an inflated pig's bladder around a muddy paddock.

Today, though, the 22 players on the pitch are supported by a ghost squad of scientists drawing on biomechanics, physics, nutrition, psychology and other performance-enhancing disciplines.

Here are some examples of how science has helped to change football, answer riddles and end hearsay.

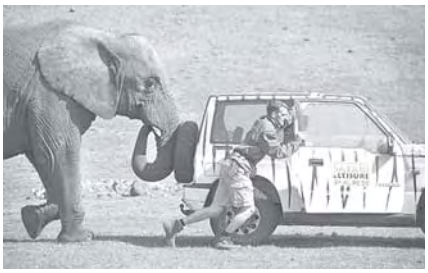
FAKING A FALL: How can you tell when a player is diving? One telltale is the "archer's bow," says British psychologist Paul Morris. This is when a player falls with both arms in the air, with open palms, chest thrust out and legs bent at the knee, like a sprung archery bow. "This occurs in many dives but biomechanically it does not occur in a natural fall," says Morris. "Instead, instinctively the arms go down in an attempt to cushion the fall or out to the side for balance."

NOW IT'S OFFICIAL: Those who say football is the world's most exciting game can take comfort in statistics.

Footy beat four other major sports (American football, ice hockey, baseball and basketball) for "upset frequency" when the underdog won, according to data crunchers at Los Alamos National Laboratory in Mexico, whose 2006 study pored over top club results dating back to 1888. American football was the most predictable. Its "upset frequency" was a whopping 25 percent less than soccer.

Internet

Pachyderm push-start



"Five" is an 18-year-old African elephant living at the West Midland Safari Park in England, who recently tapped into previously unknown talents. According to its, while watching employees of the park trying to get a broken-down car started a second time, Five walked over and started pushing tit from behind. Not only did he help get the vehicle pushed out of the enclosure, Five also gave it a quick wash when he sprayed the jeep with water from a nearby bucket.

News Album

Photo taken on 9 May, 2010, shows a bunny mom feeds her babies.

Underwater archaeological investigation for ancient vessel in South Sea

The submarine archaeological probe on an ancient vessel sunk in the South China Sea near Shan'tou has been going on for about a month. Nearly 1,000 pieces of cultural relics have been retrieved.

Archaeologists say the vessel, known as "Nanao No.1", contains some very rare and valuable porcelain wares. Most of them were made by two leading workshops in Zhangzhou and Jingdezhen, back to the Song and Ming dynasties.

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Cleopatra's tomb discovered, says Egyptian archaeologists

Archaeologists in Egypt believe they have discovered the burial place of Cleopatra and her lover, Mark Anthony. They found a columned entrance to a temple in Alexandria and think it may contain the remains of the famous and beautiful Egyptian Queen. Excavation is now underway on a chamber where they may be entombed.

An Egyptian-Dominican team made the discovery at the temple of Taposiris Magna, west of the coastal city of Alexandria.

Indian people give tribute to a statue of poet Rabindranath Tagore during a celebration on his 150th birthday anniversary in Kolkata, capital of eastern Indian state West Bengal, on 9 May, 2010.

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***Cadel Evans of Australia (BMC) celebrates the pink jersey on the podium after the 2nd stage of the 93rd.*—INTERNET**

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Two hospitalized after flight turbulence

ALBANY, 10 May— Turbulence on a Continental Airlines flight from Ohio to New York battered around passengers and crew, injuring four.

Two people were hospitalized. Continental spokeswoman Julie King says Flight 2768 from Cleveland experienced severe turbulence as it approached Albany on Saturday afternoon. She says the crew called for medical assistance to meet the plane when it landed at 1:50 pm.—*Internet*

CONDOLENCES

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family of Colonel Win Maung (Retd.), Chair Advisor to the Board of First Myanmar Investment Company Limited, who passed away on Friday the 7th of May, 2010.

Our sincere thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow

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

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Oil booms are seen washed on to a beach as high winds and waves push the booms ashore on 9 May, 2010 in Lafourche Parish, Louisiana.

INTERNET

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We wish to express our deepest sympathies to the family of Col.Win Maung (Retd.), Chair Advisor to the Board of FMI Co. Ltd., who expired on Friday, May 7th, 2010.

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Woman hacked to death for marrying without consent

NEW DELHI, 10 May — A 20-year-old woman was hacked to death by her father, brothers and cousins for daring to marry without her family's consent. The victim, named only as Soni, was the same caste as her groom, but the family did not approve of the relationship, according to a report in *The Times of India.*

Police said the male relatives of Soni dragged her to a temple in Kaushambi district, in India's north-east, and hacked her to death. Kaushambi's senior superintendent of police, Kripa Shanker Singh, told *The Times* that Friday's murder came to light when the victim's mother accused her husband and son of brutally killing the girl.—*Internet*

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Italy celebrates first Bike Day to boost sustainable mobility

ROME, 10 May—Italy celebrated on Sunday the first National Bike Day edition with a series of initiatives aimed at spreading awareness on sustainable mobility, climate change, environmental and natural heritage preservation.

The event was strongly sponsored by Environment Minister Stefania Prestigiacomo. A total of 1,300 cities across the country adhered to the celebrations by organizing bike site-seeing tours, treasure hunts and children games and performances.

Prestigiacomo was very satisfied of the outcomes and high public participation. "This first bike day has turned out into a real success which demonstrates the appeal of the initiative among Italians," she said in a statement issued by her office.

"Bike Day is a national party, characterized by public enthusiasm and clean air. The fact that so many children, youth, adults and old people have taken part in it is the proof that they want better, livable cities with less traffic and smog. Cities that are healthy, with a human-dimension, where well-being and life quality are high," Prestigiacomo stressed.—*Xinhua*

Yemen coastguard seizes ship loaded with heavy arms

SANAA, 10 May—Yemeni coastguard seized on Sunday a ship loaded with heavy weapons at the Gulf of Aden, a security official of the coastguard told *Xinhua* by phone.

"The ship, with 14 Yemeni crew members onboard, is a Yemeni ship and carries a large quantity of machine guns and other types of heavy arms when it was captured today at dawn," the official said on condition of anonymity.

"The ship was seized when it docked due to a technical fault about 5 nautical miles south to the Yemeni city port of Aden," he added.

"The coastguard have confiscated the weapons, arrested the 14 crewmen, and launched an investigation over the shipment of heavy arms," he added.—*Xinhua*

An elderly woman performs with her daughter-in-law and granddaughter during a "three generation's fashion show" which is held to mark the Mother's Day in Hong Kong, China, on 9 May, 2010. —XINHUA

Children take part in the National Children's Abacus Competition in Jakarta, capital of Indonesia, on 9 May, 2010. A total of 1,130 Indonesian children aged from 5 to 14 took part in the National Children's Abacus Competition.—XINHUA

Ash from Iceland's volcano shuts European airports

GENEVA, 10 May—Airlines canceled hundreds of flights across Europe and added hours to trans-Atlantic journeys Sunday as planes were diverted around a large plume of ash spewed by an Icelandic volcano and stretching from Greenland to Portugal.

So far, the weekend cancellations have been a fraction of the flights nixed two weeks ago when jittery European air traffic authorities closed down much of the continent's airspace for fear the volcano's abrasive ash could harm jet engines. But the possibility loomed of continuing eruption, and rising costs to airlines from ongoing disruption.

The bulk of the cloud, measuring 2,100 miles long and 1,400 miles wide (3,400 kilometers by 2,200 kilometres), stretched over the North Atlantic, according to the Irish Aviation Authority. It ordered Ireland's five wes-ternmost airports to close Sunday afternoon but allowed the country's three biggest airports in Dublin, Shannon and Cork to stay open. Airlines diverted their trans-Atlantic traffic north and south of the cloud, causing congestion as planes tried to squeeze through remaining routes. Some connections were canceled entirely because of an offshoot of the main cloud that was snaking its way from Portugal through Spain, southern France and northern Italy, then up to Germany, the Czech Republic and Austria.

Internet

Passengers sleep on a bench as they wait for a flight inside Sa Carneiro Airport in Porto, Portugal, on 9 May, 2010. Dozens of flights in France, Italy and Portugal were cancelled on Sunday. INTERNET

Suspected bomber arrested at Pakistan's Karachi Airport

ISLAMABAD, 10 May—Pakistani Airport Security Force on Sunday night arrested a suspected bomber at Karachi Airport in southern Pakistan.

According to the private Geo TV, the 20-year-old suspect, who had electric circuits hidden in his shoes, was going to Muscat from Karachi by Thai airways.

Initial reports suggest that Faiz Muhamad, a civil engineer, belongs to Hazara division of Khyber-Pakhtunkhawa province in northwestern Pakistan.

Xinhua

Don't Smoke

Israeli planes bomb Gaza tunnels

GAZA, 10 May—Israeli warplanes hit smuggling tunnels on Gaza/Egypt borders late Sunday, witnesses said.

At least two underground tunnels were bombed on the Palestinian side of the border in the city of Rafah, the witnesses added. The airstrikes, which took place around midnight, caused no casualties.

The Israeli shelling came hours after Palestinian militants fired a home-made rocket from Gaza to Western Negev. The shell landed in an open area in Israeli territories and there has been no word on injuries, Israel Radio reported.

Israel accuses militant Palestinian groups of using the tunnels, which flourished after Israel imposed a siege on Gaza when Hamas seized the enclave in 2007, to bring in arms and materials for manufacturing rockets. —*Xinhua*

Fire and smoke are seen at Shanghai Oil Refinery in Shanghai, east China, on 9 May, 2010. An oil tank at the refinery caught fire on Sunday, which has been under control. No casualties have been reported.—XINHUA

Westwood: I didn't do enough

FLORIDA, 10 May—Lee Westwood is refusing to be too disappointed after another final-round failure cost him The Players Championship in Florida.

Just as he had done at The Masters, Westwood started the last 18 at the top of the leaderboard, only for the wheels to come off his challenge.

And having lost to Phil Mickelson at Augusta, it was Tim Clark this time who came through the field to secure the biggest winner's cheque in golf.

Ultimately it was the final few holes that cost Westwood as he found a bunker at the 16th and then the water at the 17th.

But despite eventually finishing back in joint-fourth, four shots behind Clark, Westwood is determined not to let the setback effect him.

Westwood said: "I'm disappointed, but it's not something I'm going to pull my hair out over.

"If you don't play well you don't deserve to win and I just didn't play well over the weekend.

"As the course got harder you really needed to be on your game and I wasn't striking the ball solidly enough.

"You needed to hit more fairways, have more control of the ball and I just didn't have that.

"It all needs fine-tuning. I'll keep working on things, just trying to get a bit better for next time."—*Internet*

Arsenal secure third as Fulham flattened

LONDON, 10 May— Arsenal booked their place in the group stage of next season's Champions League by beating a shadow Fulham side 4-0 at Emirates Stadium on Sunday.

Arsene Wenger's side had kicked off knowing that defeat at home would have cost them third place in the English Premier League had Tottenham won at Burnley.

But first half goals from Andrey Arshavin and Robin van Persie plus an own goal from Chris Baird and a late chip from Carlos Vela meant third place was never in doubt.

It was made all the easier by Fulham manager Roy Hodgson resting eight regulars ahead of the biggest-ever match in the club's history, Wednesday's Europa League final with Atletico Madrid.

Internet

Arsenal's Dutch striker Robin van Persie (R) vies with Fulham's English defender Chris Smalling during the English Premier League football match.—INTERNET

Top scorers in Barclays Premier League for 2009-2010 season end

YANGON, 10 May—Top scorers who are now in Barclays Premier League on the final day for 2009-2010 season are to the followings:

Player	Team	Goals
1. Didier Drogba	Chelsea	29
2. Wayne Rooney	Manchester United	26
3. Darren Bent	Sanderland	24
4. Frank Lampard	Chelsea	22
5. Carlos Tevez	Manchester City	22. —*Internet*

Qualification and relegation in respective leagues

YANGON, 10 May—Chelsea, Manchester United and Arsenal have directly qualified for the 2010-2011 UEFA Champions League group stage. Fourth-placed Tottenham Hotspur is included in the 2010-2011 UEFA Champions League play-off round, and fifth-placed Manchester City and sixth-placed Aston Villa in the 2010-2011 UEFA Europa League play-off round. Seven-placed Liverpool is scheduled in the 2010-2011 UEFA Europa League third qualifying round. Burnley, Hull City and Postsmouth have relegated to the 2010-2011 Barclays Premier League.

Internet

SPORTS

Real's Pellegrini says confident of future

MADRID, 10 May — Real Madrid coach Manuel Pellegrini insists he is still confident he will be in charge of the club next season despite the possibility that Madrid could end the season empty-handed.

Real beat Athletic Bilbao 5-1 on Saturday to stop Barcelona from winning the title but Madrid trail Barca by one point going into the final day of the season and must win at Malaga and hope the champions slip up at home to Valladolid.

It makes Barcelona, who beat Sevilla 3-2, strong favourites to retain the trophy and casts a dark cloud over Pellegrini's future."

Real Madrid coach Manuel Pellegrini, pictured, insists he is still confident he will be in charge of the club next season despite the possibility that Madrid could end the season empty-handed.
INTERNET

You will have to ask the board.

I have one more year left on my contract and no one has told me that I am not going to continue next season," said Pellegrini.

Internet

Suns sweep Spurs to reach West finals

SAN ANTONIO, 10 May—The Phoenix Suns swept away seven years of bad playoff memories brought by the San Antonio Spurs.

Steve Nash scored 20 points and played with a right eye that was swollen shut as Phoenix swept San Antonio from the Western Conference semifinals with a 107-101 win Sunday night. Amare Stoudemire led the way with 29 points to help the Suns get past the Spurs in the playoffs for the first time in five tries.

"That was ugly," Suns forward Channing Frye said walking off the court.Kind of like Nash's black-and-blue, stitched-up eye.—*Internet*

Phoenix Suns' Steve Nash, right, drives the the basket as San Antonio Spurs' George Hill defends during the first quarter of Game 4 of a Western Conference semifinals NBA basketball series, on 9 May, 2010 in San Antonio.—INTERNET

Woods withdraws, may have bulging disk in back

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, 10 May —Dressed in his on Sunday red shirt, Tiger Woods bowed his head and sat in silence in front of his locker. He was supposed to be on the ninth hole at The Players Championship. In another stunning twist for someone whose life used to be so predictable, Woods withdrew suddenly with neck pain that he fears might be a bulging disk.

Internet

Tiger Woods looks down after hitting from the rough on the 7th hole during the final round of The Players Championship golf tournament on Sunday.
INTERNET

Webber leads Red Bull to victory at Spanish GP

BARCELONA, 10 May—Red Bull's Mark Webber secured a comfortable wire-to-wire victory at the Spanish Grand Prix on Sunday, while Ferrari's Fernando Alonso and Webber's teammate Sebastian Vettel filled out the podium after Lewis Hamilton crashed with one lap remaining.

Webber made it 10 straight winners from pole position at the Circuit de Catalunya after the Australian drove a flawless race for a 24-second victory over Alonso."—*Internet*

Red Bull Formula One driver Mark Webber from Australia celebrates on the podium after winning the Spanish Formula One Grand Prix at the Circuit de Catalunya.
INTERNET

Nadal stunned by Federer loss on clay

MADRID, 10 May—Roger Federer's semi-final exit in Estoril came as a major surprise to Rafael Nadal, though the Spaniard tried to play down the effects of the defeat with both men headlining at the Madrid Masters.

Top seed Federer was heading to Spain to recover his game with just a fortnight remaining before his title defence at Roland Garros form 23 May.

Nadal takes the second seeding in Madrid, where he lost the final to the Swiss a year ago.

"Roger losing is a real surprise," said Nadal of the Swiss player's straight-set loss to Alberto Montanes.

Internet

Spain's Rafael Nadal gives a press conference at the Madrid Open Tennis Tournament in Madrid.—INTERNET

U Ye Htoon (Roland Chan Htoon)
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(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 has been held at 9.00 am on Sunday, 9th May 2010 at Ye Way Cemetary.

The bereaved family cordialy invites all friends and relatives for the soon-offering from 7:00 am to 10:00 am on Thursday 13th May 2010, at the above address.

Bereaved Family

NATO drone crashes in N Afghanistan

KUNDUZ, 10 May—A pilotless plane of NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) crashed in Kunduz north of Afghanistan Sunday, an official said.

"The drone crashed due to technical problem in Bagh-e-Sharkat area at 01:00 pm local time," a spokesman with German troops in Kunduz Province Weber told *Xinhua*.

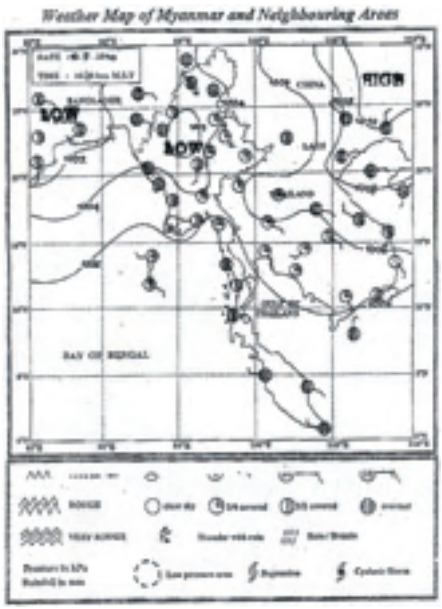
Weber who gave only one name ruled out any hostile fire in the incident.

Meantime, Taleban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid in talks with media via telephone from undisclosed location claimed of responsibility, saying the militants shot down the drone.

More than 4,000 German troops with majority of them deployed in Kunduz Province have been serving in Afghanistan within the framework of ISAF to help stabilize security in the war-torn country.

Kunduz and the neighbouring Baghlan Province has been the scene of Taleban-linked insurgency over the past several months.

Xinhua



WEATHER

Monday, 10th May, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.

During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Kachin State, isolated in Shan ,Chin, Rakhine States, Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were about May average temperatures in Chin and Rakhine States, (3°C) to (5°C) above May average temperatures in Kachin State and upper Sagaing Division (6°C) to (8°C) above May average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Chauk (45.9°C), Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin), Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana), Minbu, Magway and Myingyan (44.0°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Putao (0.75) inch, Machanbaw (0.28) inch.

Maximum temperature on 9-5-2010 was 105°F. Minimum temperature on 10-5-2010 was 82°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 10-5-2010 was 56%. Total sun shine hours on 9-5-2010 was (11.0) hours.

Rainfall on 10-5-2010 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 (10) mph from South west at (18:30) hours MST on 9-5-2010.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the South West Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Andaman sea and in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 11thMay 2010: Weather will be partly cloudy in Kayah and Kayin States and isolated rain or thundershowers in the remaining State and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 10-5-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 10-5-2010: Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 10-5-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(11-5-2010)(Tuesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission	- (11-5-10 09:30 am ~ 12-5-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

* Opening
* News
* Current Affairs"Working and Living in Myanmar (Tea House and Internet Cafe)"
* News
* Documentary "The Richly Blessed Gem Land"
* Topic on Journal "Conservartion of Marine Ecosystem"
* The Exotic Land of Myanmar
* News
* Welcome to Ngwe Hsaung Beach Resort
* Culture Stage
* News
* Music Gallery

OverseaTransmission

* Opening
* News
* Current Affairs"Working and Living in Myanmar (Tea House and Internet Cafe)"
* News
* Documentary "The Richly Blessed Gem Land"
* Export Product soft-shell Crab
* News
* Computer Human
* Sittway, Evergreen Seaside Town
* News
* Myanma Orchestra
* News
* Current Affairs"Working and Living in Myanmar (Tea House and Internet Cafe)"
* News
* Documentary "The Richly Blessed Gem Land"
* Mularsheedi we Love!
* News
* Shwe Than Lwin Home for the Aged
* News
* Music Gallery
* Myanmar Movies "One Precet "
* Symbols of Dramatic Myanmar "One of Asia"

Myanmar TV

Tuesday, 11 May
View on today

7:00 am
1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am
2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am
3. Morning News

7:40 am
4. အောင်တော်မူ(စောမင်းနောင်၊ စိုင်းညီမင်းတေးရေး-ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)

7:50 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am
6. Song of National Races

8:15 am
7. "အပန်းဖြေလေ့လာအမျိုးသားကန်တော်ကြီးဥယျာဉ်မှာ"

8:25 am
8. Songs of Yester Years

8:40 am
9. International News

8:45 am
10. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

3:45 pm
1. AFC Presidents Cup (2010) ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ်(Drukstars (BHU)အသင်းနှင့် Yadanarbon (MYA) အသင်း)

5:45 pm
2. Musical Programme

6:00 pm
3. Evening News

6:15 pm
4. Weather Report

6:20 pm
5. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ

6:35 pm
6. ဆိုလိုက်ကြစို့

7:00 pm
7. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "တို့အတူရှိစဉ်တုန်းက" (အပိုင်း-၂၀)

8:00 pm
8. News
9. International News
10. Weather Report
11. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာနုနု" (အပိုင်း-၁၄)
11. "ရုပ်ရှင်ပဟေဠိ"

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

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

People's Desire

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

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

Regional development tasks in Namsang, Loilem, Mongpun inspected

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of Ministry of Defence inspects University of Computer Studies (Taunggyi).—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 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 departmental officials, comforted patients and presented medicines for Namsang People's Hospital and Namsang Station Hospitals through officials on 7 May.

After viewing around development and cleaning and beautifying tasks of Namsang and Loilem on a motorcade, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing visited Mongpun Station Hospital and presented medicines for the hospital through officials.

He also inspected development and cleaning and beautifying tasks of Mongpun. After hearing reports on work progress at the briefing hall of Taunggyi-Loilem road upgrading project (Mongpun), Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing gave necessary instructions.

At the meeting hall of University of Computer Studies (Taunggyi), Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing gave instructions on reports presented by officials and looked into progress of construction of the university.

Upon completion, the university will admit about 3,000 students.

MNA

New maximum temperature record

NAY PYI TAW, 10 May—The maximum temperature 44.0°C (111.2°F) observed on 9 May, 2010, in Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana) is the new maximum temperature record of the station for the month of May during last 45 years. The former record of the station was 43.5°C (110.3°F) on 8 May, 1998.

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The significant day temperatures

(10-5-2010)

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Magway	**44.0° C**
Myingyan	**44.0° C**