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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of ROK Ambassador

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at 10 am today.

Present on the occasion were Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win and Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department.—MNA

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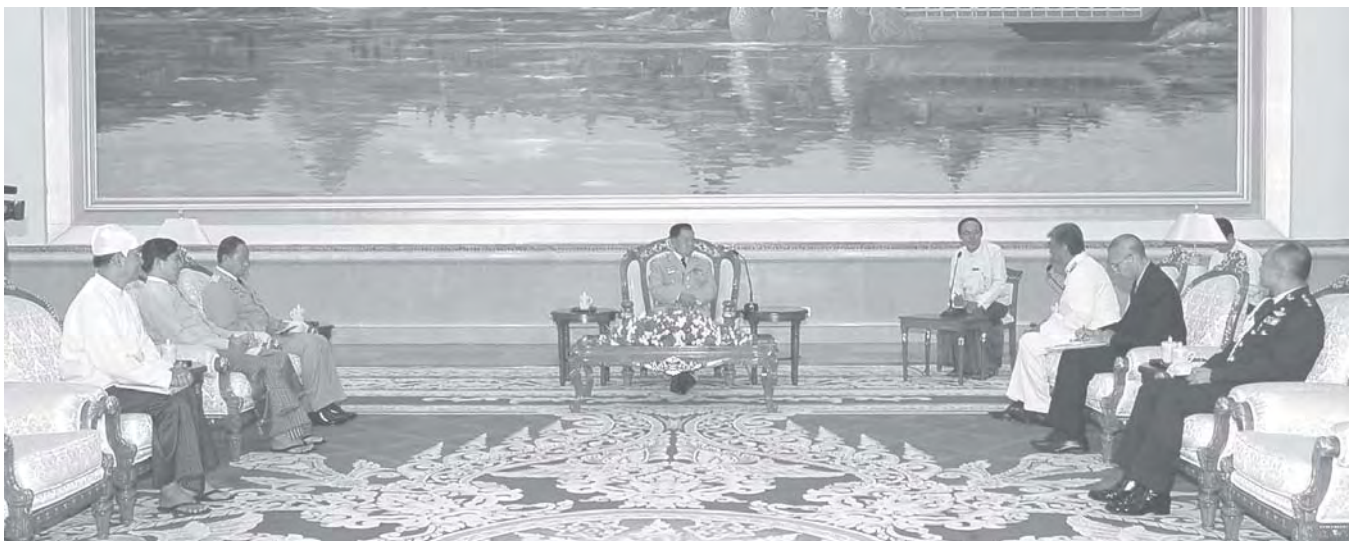
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PERSPECTIVES

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Strive for sustainable development of urban and rural regions

Delta in Ayeyawady Division is teeming with rivers and creeks but is blessed with fertile lands. As agriculture and fishery industries can be extended, the region has better prospect of economic progress.

In the past, delta was difficult to access, and strong winds and heavy rains are common there. At present, the government is implementing the Ayeyawady Delta Region Road Network Development Project. Priority is being given to construction of the road network in Bogale, Pyapon, Pyinsalu, Labutta and Mawlamyinegyun townships.

Rehabilitation and reconstruction of urban and rural areas severely hit by the storm is a Herculean task. Thanks to the all-out efforts of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw, livelihoods, health, education, social and economic situations of the local people returned to normalcy within one year.

During the inspection tour of Bogale and Labutta townships of Ayeyawady Division on 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 stressed the need for taking preventive and preparedness measures against natural disasters like storm Nargis, ensuring local water sufficiency, developing education and health sectors, growing perennial trees and compiling correct and accurate economic statistics.

Rural housing, offices and departmental buildings, township hospitals and cyclone shelters are under construction with momentum in Bogale and Labutta townships. Efforts are being made for construction of large clean water lakes, enhancement of meat and fish industries and conservation of mangrove ecosystem.

Nowadays, many infrastructures in economic, education and health sectors in addition to transport sector are being built for improvement of the coastal regions. That is why all the local people are to strive for ensuring sustainable development of rural and urban regions while making utmost efforts for progress of the region and taking preventive and preparedness measures against natural disasters.

English proficiency course for women

YANGON, 11 May — Basic English proficiency course for women will be conducted at No.2 Basic Education High School in Sangyoung Township.

Conducted by the educative work group under the social and cultural work group of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, the course will be opened at weekends from 22 May to 11 July. The eight-week

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

Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing inspects development in Taunggyi, Nyaungshwe



Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of Ministry of Defence inspects products of Shwe Nandaw Top Star finished wood factory.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May—Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence and Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Yar Pyae encouraged patients at Taunggyi Station Hospital and inspected the hospital on 8 May.

At the briefing hall of foundry plant in Ayethaya Industrial Zone, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing heard the reports presented by officials on running of machines and production, and projects to be extended. He

inspected materials produced from the plant and running of the plant.

On arrival at Shwe Nandaw Top Star finished wood factory, he inspected production process. In the afternoon, he inspected grapes plantations of Myaynitaung production in Telaw village in Nyaungshwe, and upgrading of Shwenyaung-Yaksaw road being built by Asia Myanmar Co in the evening.

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CICS (Upper Myanmar) organizes Special Refresher Course No (14) for faculty members



Chairman of CSSTB U Kyaw Thu speaking at opening of Special Refresher Course No (14) for faculty members at CICS (Upper Myanmar).—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — The opening of Special Refresher Course No (14) for faculty members was held at Yadana Hall of Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) in PyinOoLwin Township, Mandalay Division yesterday morning.

On behalf of the Chairman of the Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha

Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu made an opening address.

In his address, the CSSTB chairman called for applying science and technology and modern techniques while maintaining the already-achieved development momentum. He stressed the need to turn out educated human resources through higher education sector. He called on faculty members to try hard in their studies in order to improve their performances.

Altogether 538 faculty members are taking the four-week course.

MNA

Attacks kill over 100 in Iraq, Al-Qaeda blamed

BAGHDAD, 11 May—Bombers and gunmen with suspected links to a battered but still lethal al-Qaeda killed more than 100 people on Monday in a wave of attacks on markets, a textile factory, checkpoints and other sites across Iraq.

The attacks wounded more than 300 others in the capital, Baghdad, the southern oil hub of Basra and other towns and cities, and appeared aimed at showing Iraqis that Sunni Islamist militants were still a potent force, even after battlefield defeats in recent weeks.

"Despite strong strikes that broke al-Qaeda, there are some cells still working, attempting to prove their existence and their influence," said Baghdad's security spokesman, Major General Qassim al-Moussawi, calling the attacks "hysterical".

The attackers exploited the political disarray that followed a on 7 March election that produced no outright winner and pitted a cross-sectarian bloc backed by minority Sunni against two major Shi'ite-led coalitions.

MNA/Reuters



Bystanders sifted through the site of a bombing on Monday in the southern Shiite port city of Basra, Iraq's second-largest city. Three bombs hit the city on Monday evening, the latest in a series of attacks that killed nearly 100 across Iraq.—INTERNET

Man detained in Karachi after batteries, circuit found in shoes

BEIJING, 11 May—A Pakistani civil engineer was detained when batteries and a circuit were found in his shoes at Karachi airport Sunday, media reports said.

Faiz Mohammad, 30, was trying to board a Thai Airways flight bound for the Middle East. While passing security scanning system, he triggered an alarm. Police then detained him and found four batteries, an electrical circuit and a button installed in his shoes.

The beard man explained that his shoes were just vibrating massager, but an airport security official was worried for the equipment, though simple, could easily trigger a bomb.

The man is still under interrogation and so far has not been charged.

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14 dead in northwest Pakistan missile strike



A Predator drone seen during tests in the US American drones fired a barrage of 18 missiles, destroying a training camp for fighters in Pakistan's tribal belt and killing 14 militants on Tuesday, security officials said.—INTERNET

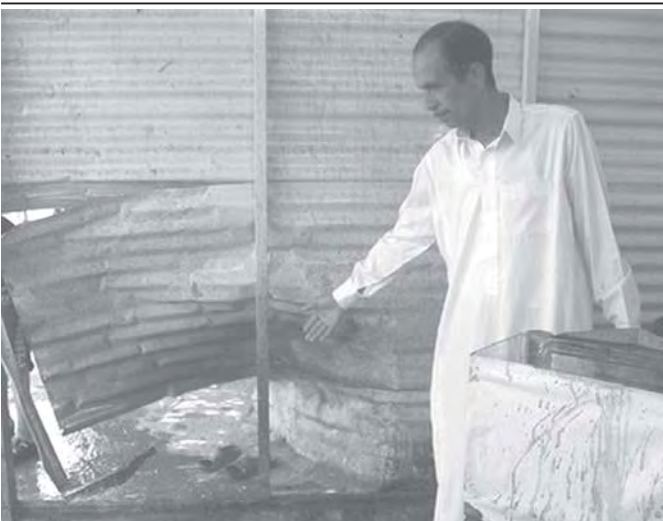
PARACHINAR, 11 May—Several suspected US missiles destroyed two vehicles and makeshift homes in a tribal region near Afghanistan early Tuesday, killing at least 14 people and wounding four, two intelligence officials said.

The attack happened in the Doga area of North Waziristan, but the identities of the people killed in the attack were not immediately known, said the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media.

Some of the victims were in newly constructed homes, while some were in the targeted vehicles, which were traveling over a dusty road in the same area, the officials said.

North Waziristan has been the target of nearly all of about 30 other American attacks this year. In recent months, it has become a new haven for militants who fled a Pakistani army offensive in their previous stronghold, neighboring South Waziristan.

Internet



An Iraqi man stands in a shop damaged by a bombing in Musayyib, about 40 miles (60 kilometers) south of Baghdad, Iraq, on Monday, 10 May, 2010. The blast was one of a string of attacks across the country, killing at least 75 people on Iraq's bloodiest day of the year so far.

INTERNET

An Afghan man walks as parts of broken motorcycles are left in Kabul, Afghanistan, on 10 May, 2010.
INTERNET



15 killed, 50 wounded in marketplace bombing in southern Iraq

BAGHDAD, 11 May—The death toll from a cart bomb in a marketplace in Iraq's southern Basra on Monday rose to 15 and some 50 others injured, an Interior Ministry source said.

The blast took place at sunset when a bomb planted in a cart pulled by motorcycle detonated at a popular marketplace in the city of Basra, some 550 km south of Baghdad, the source told Xinhua on

condition of anonymity.

The attack is part of a new wave of violence that struck the Iraqi cities on Monday, killing at least 69 people and wounding over 300 others.

Internet

15 girl students fall unconscious in Afghanistan

KUNDUZ, 11 May—Fifteen girl students fell unconscious after unknown men sprayed poisonous substance in a girl school in northern Kunduz province of Afghanistan Tuesday morning, a doctor in Kunduz hospital Hamayon Khamush said. "All the victims are the students of Khudija Kubra Girl School in Kunduz city the capital of same name Kunduz province," Khamush told Xinhua.

Xinhua



Iraqis react to an explosion in Hillah Iraq in this image taken from TV Monday on 10 May, 2010. A suicide bomber blew himself up outside a textile factory in Hillah Monday in a crowd that gathered after two cars bombings at the same spot in the worst of a series of attacks killing tens of people across Iraq, the deadliest day this year.

INTERNET

18 militants killed in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 11 May—Eighteen Taliban militants were killed and six others arrested as Afghan National Security Forces and NATO-led troops launched an

operation in Sangin district of Taliban stronghold Helmand province in south Afghanistan, Interior Ministry said in a press release on Tuesday.—Xinhua

Astronauts arrive in Florida for final planned launch of shuttle Atlantis



Space Shuttle Atlantis STS-132's crew (from L-R), mission specialists.—INTERNET

CAPE CANAVERAL, 11 May—The astronauts who will fly the space shuttle Atlantis' final planned mission arrived at their Florida launch site late Monday, four days ahead of their scheduled liftoff.

Commander Ken Ham led his STS-132 mission crewmates to a 6:49 pm EDT (2300 GMT) landing on the Shuttle Landing Facility here at NASA's Kennedy Space Centre in Florida, the same runway where

he will ultimately land Atlantis for the spacecraft's last time.

The astronauts came to Florida from the Johnson Space Center (JSC) in Houston, Texas, flying in four T-38 training jets. They are due to launch Atlantis' final mission, on 14 May, at 2:20 pm EDT (1820 GMT).

"We are ready to launch," Ham told reporters gathered at the landing strip. "We've completed every bit of training we can and we're confident."

"Look for a good show on Friday," he added.

Internet

NASA's launch abort test builds on 50 years of astronaut escape systems

WASHINGTON, 11 May—NASA on Thursday successfully tested an astronaut abort system, recreating a scene last staged during the Apollo programme while building upon tech-nol-ogy first demonstrated 50 years ago this week.

"The Orion Pad Abort-1 team has successfully tested the first US-designed abort system since Apollo," said Doug Cooke, NASA's associate administrator for the exploration systems directorate, at a post-flight briefing. "This system is much more advanced in capability and technology than any abort system designed in the past."

The Pad Abort-1 (PA1) flight test, which flew a boilerplate 16-foot (4.9-meter) wide, 18,000-pound (8,160-kg) Orion capsule under a nearly 45-foot (13.7-meter) long launch abort system (LAS) tower, lifted off at 8:00 am EDT from the US Army's White Sands Missile Range near Las Cruces. The flight lasted about 135 seconds from launch until the module

touched down about a mile (1.6 km) north of where it had lifted off.

The flight, which was set up to model what would happen if an emergency on the launch pad required the spacecraft to separate from its booster, was the first fully-integrated test of this abort system design. The information gathered from the test will help refine design and analysis for future launch abort systems, resulting in safer and more reliable crew escape capability during launches, said NASA.

Internet



A shopper looks at counterfeit computer programmes in Dhaka, May 2009. Software piracy cost technology companies more than 50 billion dollars around the world last year, with Asia accounting for the largest share of losses, an industry report said Tuesday.

INTERNET

X-Rays Reveal Chemical Link Between Birds and Dinosaurs

SCIENCE DAILY, 11 May—Researchers have found that a 150 million year old "dinobird" fossil, long thought to contain nothing but fossilized bone and rock, has been hiding remnants of the animal's original chemistry. Using the bright X-ray beam of the Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Lightsource, located at the Department of Energy's SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, an international team of

paleontologists, geochemists and physicists has revealed this transformative glimpse into one of the most important fossils ever discovered: the *Archaeopteryx*, a half-dinosaur/half-bird species.

Archaeopteryx is to paleontology what Tutankhamen is to archaeology. It's simply one of the icons of our field," said University of Manchester paleontologist Phil Manning.

Internet

Untangling the quantum entanglement behind photosynthesis

SCIENCE DAILY, 11 May—The future of clean green solar power may well hinge on scientists being able to unravel the mysteries of photosynthesis, the process by which green plants convert sunlight into electrochemical energy. To this end, researchers with the US Department of Energy (DOE)'s Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (Berkeley Lab) and the University of California (UC), Berkeley have recorded the first observation and characterization of a critical physical phenomenon behind



Mohan Sarovar (seated) and (from left) Akihito Ishizaki, Birgitta Whaley and Graham Fleming carried out the first observation and characterization of quantum entanglement in a real biological system.—INTERNET

photosynthesis known as quantum entanglement.

Previous experiments led by Graham Fleming, a physical chemist holding joint appointments with

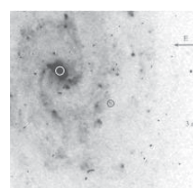
Berkeley Lab and UC Berkeley, pointed to quantum mechanical effects as the key to the ability of green plants, through photosynthesis, to almost instantaneously transfer solar energy from molecules in light harvesting complexes to molecules in electrochemical reaction centres.

Internet

Astronomers find recoiling supermassive black hole

SCIENCE DAILY, 11 May—Astronomers have found a possible supermassive black hole that is recoiling out of a distant galaxy at high speed. The black hole, visible with X-rays as a clear star, is not located in the centre of the galaxy, as would normally be the case. Recoiling black holes are interesting because they provide insights into how supermassive black holes develop in the centre of galaxies.

Utrecht University student Marianne Heida discovered the bizarre star during her final



In a Hubble picture, a red circle indicates an object in a distant galaxy that could be an ejected black hole.—INTERNET

undergraduate project, undertaken at SRON Netherlands Institute for Space Research, in a galaxy more than half a billion light years away. To make the discovery, she had to compare hundreds of thousands of X-ray sources, picked up by chance, with the positions of millions of galaxies. Normally each galaxy contains a supermassive black hole at its centre that sometimes lights up under X-rays. Yet the star Heida discovered was clearly not located in the center of the system. However, under X-rays the object is so bright that it can best be compared to other bright supermassive black holes in the universe.

Internet

Sprint scraps plans for Google's Nexus One phone

SAN FRANCISCO, 11 May—Sprint Nextel has had a change of heart and scrapped its plans to back Google's Nexus One mobile phone.

The reversal announced Monday marks the second major carrier to spurn the Nexus One in the past two weeks. Google recently informed consumers the Nexus One won't be available on Verizon Wireless' network, the most widely used in the US. Sprint embraced the Nexus One less than two months ago, but backed off after concluding another new phone called the Evo would be a better choice for its customers, said spokeswoman Michelle Leff Mermelstein.

Internet

Science

NLD criticizes the laws unjust and refuses to register

If NLD wants to amend the Constitution it should run for the election and should act in accord with the law

Calling for constitutional amendment impractical

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US Assistant Secretary of State meets SPDC Spoke Authoritative Team, Foreign Affairs Minister, Science and Technology Minister, UEC Chairman, Labour Minister, USDA Secretary-General in Nay Pyi Taw



The Spoke Authoritative Team of the State Peace and Development Council holds discussions with US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Campbell.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May—The US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr Kurt Campbell and party arrived in Nay Pyi Taw by special aircraft at 1.30 pm on 9 May and met the Spoke Authoritative Team of the State Peace and Development Council, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Minister for Science and Technology, the Chairman of Union Election Commission, the Minister for Labour and the Secretary-General of the Union Solidarity and Development Association.

The Spoke Authoritative Team of the State Peace and Development Council and Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Campbell held discussions at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Information at 3 pm on 9 May.

Leader of the SPDC Spoke Authoritative Team Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan said, there are many developments in the democratization process of Myanmar since the first meeting.

The nation is going to hold the multiparty democracy general elections this year. Nowadays, we have issued Political Parties Registration Law, the election laws and rules and also formed the Union Election Commission. The Union Election Commission has been approving the formation of political parties in accord with the laws. It will also supervise the multiparty democracy general elections to be free and fair. The Political Parties Registration Law and Rules guarantee free and fair formation and registration of political parties. The Election Law and rules also guarantee a free, fair, credible and all-inclusive elections.

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to the Commission in accord with the laws and rules. Of them, 31 have been permitted to set up. More parties are expected to submit applications. There are also many who will take part as independent candidates.

However, NLD criticized the laws unjust and refused to register. We have ensured the all-inclusiveness of the elections. It is up to the NLD to decide not to take part. There are three main points that NLD is claiming unjust. The first is Article 6 (c) of Political Parties Registration Law which states that political parties shall protect the Constitution of the Union of Myanmar. The NLD said that it cannot accept the provision as it has called for the amendment of the Constitution. Actually, that provision merely calls for maintaining the Constitution, but does not call for a pledge that parties will never amend or try to amend the Constitution or that the Constitution is not amendable or cannot be amended at all. In fact, amendments can be made according to the provisions of Chapter XII. If NLD representatives are elected, they can initiate discussions on constitutional amendments at Hluttaw and go on with amendment procedures in accord with the provisions. However, amendments cannot be made

outside the Hluttaw. Neither the NLD nor the government has the right to do so. The fact is that the Constitution was ratified with overwhelming public support. Therefore, Hluttaw members who are the public representatives will have the right to make amendments at the Hluttaw in accord with the provisions. If NLD wants to amend the Constitution it should run for the election and should act in accord with the law. Otherwise it is like making impracticable demands. So its decision to stay away from the election will only further complicate the situation. It will only lead to confrontation. Besides, all other provisions are issued in accord with the Constitution. Article 405 of the Constitution states that political parties shall abide by and respect this Constitution and the existing laws.

The second point is Article 10 (e) of the Political Parties Registration Law which states that any one serving prison terms shall not be organized as a party member. But this provision does not say that anyone who has completed his prison term shall not become a party member. A political party is an organization on which the people can rely. Should there be convicts among its members? Convicts may include persons who have committed serious crimes. It is a common sense that convicts should not be included in a ruling party. So, this provision does not concern with any particular person, but with all those who are serving prison terms in Myanmar.

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The third point is Article 10(a) of the Pyithu Hluttaw Election Law stating that anyone serving prison terms shall not have the right to stand for the election. There is criticism saying that the provision aims for a particular person. It in reality is a bias criticism that ignores the truth. This provision is not a new one. It is in accord with Myanmar norms as well as international norms.

There was also a provision in the 1947 Constitution saying that a person, during his prison term or after five years from the date he has completed his prison term, shall have no right to be elected as a Hluttaw member. The 1989 Pyithu Hluttaw Election Law has a similar provision. Likewise most of the Asian countries including Singapore, Indonesia,

some countries, votes are counted only after sending ballot boxes to provisional capitals or the State capital. Our election will be apparently much freer, fairer and more credible than those elections.

The laws are based on the overwhelmingly approved 2008 Constitution. In addition, reference has been made to the laws issued and practiced during the parliamentary democracy period from 1948 to 1962 and the laws enacted in 1990.

Moreover, every perspective was taken into consideration for the laws and rules to be rational and just and in conformity with our country's prevailing

democratization, and meet norms of the previous laws and international laws, rather than meeting the needs of a particular person or a party. No law in any country gets absolute approval. Only laws that are acceptable to the majority can be enacted. This is common sense. It is usual that every government aims at serving and protecting national interest. It is a rightful act. The promulgation of the laws is to serve the national interest and is just the internal affairs of a country. A broader view, but not a narrow-minded view based on personal and organizational prejudice, is required for our democratization process. Election is a must for

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Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win receives US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Campbell and party.

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Thailand, India and Pakistan have similar provision. Some countries even ban a person from election within the period of five years from the date he is released.

The election law of the nation bans only the persons serving prison terms, but not the ones who have released from prison. The present Election Law is more flexible than the previous laws of Myanmar and the laws of other countries. The provision does not target specific person as slandered by the anti-government elements, but for all the persons serving prison terms in Myanmar. We have made every arrangement to hold a free, fair and credible multiparty democracy general elections in 2010. Candidates have been permitted to assign a representative and a helper at the polling stations to act on their behalf. Voting will be in front of the public, and vote counting will be carried out at the polling station. Ballot counting will be under the supervision of the returning officer or an assigned staff of the polling station and it will be witnessed by the polling station staff, the public and the representatives assigned by the candidates. After the vote counting, votes received by each candidate will be sent to the subcommissions at higher levels in sealed envelopes. The representatives are permitted to take part in sealing the envelopes. These arrangements prove that the election will be free, fair and credible. In



Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi receives US Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Campbell and party.

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conditions. Moreover, they meet the international norms. It will not be fair to evaluate our laws with the yardstick based on individual person's right to take part in the election or the like of a particular party. A conclusion cannot be drawn whether our laws are just or harsh by measuring with this yardstick. The more important thing is to consider whether the laws serve the majority interest, pave the smooth, stable and peaceful way for

to democracy, there will be agreements and disagreements as well as supporters and opposition. However, decisions are passed according to majority wish. So, the 2010 election is legitimate.

According to the constitution, all the ethnic armed groups will have to surrender their arms as there has to be only the Tatmadaw after the election. Discussion and negotiation with ethnic armed groups are under way and there are many fruitful results in this regard.

The 2010 election will be successfully held, and Hluttaws, governments and judicial bodies will emerge. Those institutions will continue to build a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation in accord with the 2008 constitution. At the same time, political parties, ethnic races and politicians will discuss and negotiate about their political issues, the rights of

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ethnic races, amendment to the constitution and democratic affairs in Hluttaws and comprehensively improve them. This is the only viable way to peaceful democracy that serves the interest of the nation and its people. It would also be in conformity with the prevailing conditions of the State. We understand that the US government wishes Myanmar to promote democracy and develop with peace and stability. We thank you for that. Therefore, we would like to receive your kind cooperation so that the 2010 election can be held peacefully and successfully.

We are a developing nation striving hard to develop in the future. At the same time, we are exercising the independent, active foreign policy and dealing with the neighbouring countries, regional countries and global countries in accordance with the five principles of peaceful co-existence. Our nation is a UN member and is collaborating with ASEAN and BIMSTEC in shouldering regional and international duties. Moreover, we have never shown aggression and invaded any country. In addition, we are always against terrorism and have been cooperating with the neighbouring countries in combating terrorism. We have signed 11 out of the 13 UN conventions on international terrorism.

In short, we are striving in an honest way for the security and development of our own nation and people. This is why we would like your country to show positive attitude towards our internal affairs such as the drafting of the constitution and measures for holding the elections after issuing the necessary laws for democratization process. We really want to normalize and promote the relations between Myanmar and the US. We also welcome the US policy of direct engagement. We believe that such engagement is important for the normalization and promotion of bilateral ties and building of understanding and confidence. In such contact and discussion, there will be common views as well as differences between the two sides. Cooperation on common views will promote understanding and trust, thereby contributing to the bilateral ties. I would like to conclude by saying that we should promote our bilateral ties not only for the short term interest, but also for the long term.

Mr Campbell asked whether former NLD CECs form a new party and run for the election. Minister U Kyaw Hsan said that 23 NLD CCs including NLD CEC U Khin Maung Swe, Dr Than Nyein, Dr Win Naing and U Thein Nyunt formed the National Democratic Force (NDF) to run for the election. They issued an announcement on 8 May saying that they are preparing to take part in the election and that they will submit application to the Commission on 15 May. It is a well-known matter in the political community.

Mr Campbell asked whether there will be observers or monitors at the coming election. The minister explained that the matter will be decided only by the Commission.

He then asked the exact date of the election. The minister said that the Commission will decide the matter. It is now busy with the tasks of scrutinizing

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applications to set up parties and forming subcommittees at township level. After completion of the tasks, it will announce the date.

Government working in accord with the Constitution will emerge and the constitution will come into force only if the election is successful. At the same time, freedom, human rights, politics and economy will be transparent in accord with constitution. And this will benefit not only Myanmar but also the regional countries and global countries including the US. So, all should lend a helping hand for holding the election peacefully, while understanding the objective conditions. We have held talks with you twice to foster bilateral goodwill relations.

Mr Campbell thanked the minister, expressing hope to meet again. The minister said that efforts will be made for improvement of bilateral relations.

At 2 pm, the delegation led by Mr Kurt Campbell called on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. At the call, Minister U Nyan Win said that he expected to exchange views of through discussions. The minister begged the indulgence of the guests for some inconvenience in arranging a call with the Prime Minister as the Prime Minister was on a local trip.

Mr. Campbell said that the Myanmar-US direct engagement programme has been implemented for about eight months. He continued to say that he would like to know the attitude of Myanmar on the programme and the wish of Myanmar on discussion process.

Minister U Nyan Win said that Myanmar wanted to cement relations with all the global countries including the US. The attitude of the US played an important role in promoting the Myanmar-US relations. Imposing economic sanction, restriction of visa and putting pressures of the US has resulted in Myanmar-US relations dwindling. Thus, he hoped that the present direct engagement would promote the bilateral relations.

Mr. Campbell expressed thanks for knowing the attitude of Myanmar side. After holding the meetings in New York and Nay Pyi Taw for the first time, the US focused on building mutual trust and extension of collaboration step by step, he said. The basic point of direct engagement programme is to hold meetings regularly. However, he noted that there were difficulties and delay in making a meeting with Myanmar.

Minister U Nyan Win said that he would like to openly discuss about it, saying that some delegates only make criticisms against Myanmar during the discussions. So, it is natural that the guests who criticized the host again and again are unwanted. If the meeting is based on the positive attitude for promoting bilateral cooperation, there will not be difficulty, he explained.

Mr. Campbell said that the US on its part wished to continue the direct engagement programme. He expressed his opinion that agenda should be made to

hold the meetings such as meetings between ambassadors or the directors-general.

Minister U Nyan Win discussed that plans on topic-wise discussions will be informed to the US through the embassy after the ministries had held the coordination meeting on ongoing cooperation matters.

The delegation led by Mr. Kurt Campbell met with Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung at the hall of the Ministry of Science and Technology at 4.30 p.m. At the meeting, Minister U Thaung said that the US could not able to get true information due to lack of relations between the two nations during the period of 14 years. He stressed the need to join hands in setting up the good relations between the two nations during the period of six or seven months when relations were normalized again. He said that he heard discussions were made in Senate to extend the sanction against Myanmar for one more year which was timed to coincide with the arrival date of the delegation here. Thus, the act of the Senate of the US was not constructive. The Senate's decision to extend the sanction against Myanmar for another year showed there was a different approach towards Myanmar between the government and the Senate, he added.

In his response to Mr Campbell for his expression of international concern over Myanmar-North Korea relations, Minister U Thaung replied that Myanmar government had publicly announced that it agreed to follow the UNSC resolutions (1718) and (1874) absolutely, but it has the duty to maintain and protect national sovereignty.

Mr. Campbell asked about future plan to be made with the elected government. He said that ASEAN Regional Forum will be held in July in Vietnam. The US delegation including US Secretary of State Mrs. Clinton and Senator Mr. Jim Webb will attend it. So discussions may be held with them at the forum, he added. The minister replied that relations can be made easily with the new government as it is a democratic government. The Minister for Foreign Affairs attends ASEAN Regional Forum. Regarding the discussions to be held at the forum, the matter will be reported to the higher authorities. It is necessary to take more time and to have patience in making cooperation as there were differences between the two governments, he added.

The delegation led by Mr Kurt Campbell called on Chairman U Thein Soe of the Union Election Commission at Office No (22) in Nay Pyi Taw at 5 pm. The commission chairman briefed them on the functions of the commission, and said that most of national races applied for formation of political parties; that some old members broke away from their old parties and applied for formation of new parties; that the Union Election Commission takes into consideration the fact that those wishing to form political parties can take their time; and that tasks are being carried out as scheduled for successful holding of free and fair elections.

US Charge d' Affaires ai Mr Larry M. Dinger said that he would like to know the date of Myanmar elections. In response, U Thein Soe said that it has been announced that elections will be held in 2010; that elections processes are being taken step by step and that the date of elections will be announced after preparations have been made.

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It is common sense that convicts should not be included in a ruling party. So, this provision does not concern with any particular person, but with all those who are serving prison terms in Myanmar.



Vice-Senior General Maung Aye visits Cyclone Shelter at Chaungwa Village of Labutta Township.—MNA

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye continues...

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progress in construction of Cyclone Shelters in Chaungwa, Pyinkhayaing, Thetkethaung and Thingangon villages, completion of road and bridge construction

against natural disasters, boosting production of domestic goods and ensuring economic development.

He viewed scenes of surrounding areas from the observation tower.

age of drinking water.

At the Cyclone Shelter in Pyinkhayaing Village, Minister U Ohn Myint reported on arrangements for opening of Pyinkhayaing Basic Education High School and the Chairman of Shwe Thanlwin Co Ltd on efforts for drinking water sufficiency and donations

of school furniture.

After asking the teachers and officials about education sector of the village, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye cordially conversed with the local people.

He looked into arrangements for opening of school at the Cyclone Shelter.

On arrival at Hainggyikyun, they were welcomed by Commodore Myo Myint Than of Hainggyikyun Station and officials.

At the hall, Commodore Myo Myint Than submitted the reports on rehabilitation and development of storm-hit regions of Hainggyikyun, loss and damages, participation of national companies in renovation of hospitals, schools and religious buildings, renovation of local roads, inter-village roads, bridges, schools, hospitals and dispensaries, efforts for water sufficiency, assistance for operating agriculture, fishery and salt industries and development tasks.

In his response, Vice-Senior General

Maung Aye gave instructions on growing of perennial trees, extended cultivation of seasonal crops, storage of fresh water and betterment of roads.

He looked into progress of Hainggyikyun in a motorcade.

At Maha Makutayanthi Hsandaushin Myat Mawtinsoon Pagoda, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye offered flowers, water, lights and joss sticks and made cash donations.

After viewing construction of Patheingyi Road included in the Ayeyawady Delta Region Road Network Development Project by helicopter, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye left Ayeyawady Division.

MNA



Vice-Senior General Maung Aye cordially converses with teachers and local people at Pyinkhayaing Village of Labutta Township.

MNA

tasks on Ottwin-Hteiksun road section of Labutta-Thongwa-Ottwin-Hteiksun Road, arrangements for water sufficiency in the region, renovation of religious buildings and providing of health care services.

After attending to the needs of education and transport, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye stressed the need for taking preventive and preparedness measures

At the cyclone shelter in Chaungwa Village of Labutta Township, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party were welcomed by teachers of Government Technical High School, members of social organizations and local people.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye inspected opening of BHS at the cyclone shelter, donation of school furniture by Shwe Thanlwin Co Ltd and stor-



An aerial view of Pyinkhayaing Village in Labutta Township.—MNA

Choose people's representatives correctly

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye meets departmental officials from 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 meets divisional level departmental officials of Ayeyawady Division at Mya Ayeya Hall in Patheingyi.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 11 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 met departmental officials from Ayeyawady Division at Mya Ayeya Hall in Patheingyi yesterday.

Also present at the meeting were Prime Minister U Thein Sein, Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, senior military officers, the chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command and officials concerned.

In his report on development in Ayeyawady Division, Commander Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe said Cyclone Nargis hit seven townships in the division in 2008. About 2.5 million people were affected and, over 130,000 people dead or missing and over 170,000 draught cattle killed. The storm also destroyed farmlands, boats, ships, schools, hospitals, clinics and religious buildings.

In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee made efforts for rescuing survivors and rehabilitation. Members of the central committee were also assigned duties to seven storm-hit townships.

The central committee teamed up with the Tatmadaw, Myanmar Police Force, governmental departments, social organizations and the people and carried out rehabilitation and reconstruction tasks.

As part of efforts for rehabilitating the agriculture, fishery and salt production sectors, which are the main businesses of the division, the committee built embankments and distributed 9600 power-tillers, about 6000 heads of draught cattle, rice seeds, fertilizers and pesticide to farmers. In the fishery sector, the committee provided over 9500 fishing boats worth 3 billion kyats and fishing nets worth over 2.4 billion kyats. In the salt industry, the committee provided the sector with machinery and fuel and disbursed over 7.39 billion kyats to salt entrepreneurs.

A network of roads

including 10 roads, and cyclone shelters in Labutta and Pyapon districts are under construction.

About 9000 newly-constructed houses have improved the living standard of the local people. The destroyed schools have been reconstructed and opened in the storm-hit regions. New schools have been opened.

He continued to say that there has been no outbreak of contagious diseases thanks to treatment of emergency health care centres and floating hospitals.

He added that the farsighted guidance of the Head of State had brought about the economic progress of the division despite the devastation of the cyclone.

He said that measures for sufficiency of drinking water have been taken in villages of Pyinsalu, Hainggyi, Bogale and Dedaye townships which faced water shortage problem due to lack of rainfall and high temperatures early this summer.

He elaborated on tasks carried out for tapping drinking water in the region creating new 410 wells, 996 lakes and 489 tube-wells.

Vice-Senior General

Maung Aye explained that Ayeyawady Division had been ravaged by the cyclone Nargis in 2008, but the development has been seen in a short period thanks to close cooperation between the public and the Tatmadaw.

He expressed gratitude towards national entrepreneurs, friendly nations, organizations and persons who rendered assistance in the rescue and rehabilitation tasks in any way.

He called for sustainable development and for upgrading of low-priced rural housings.

He urged the officials to find various means to tap purified drinking water, to accelerate the production of agricultural produce, salt, fish and prawn in order that the economic progress at the division level may help the development of the State and as a result socio-economic life of each local resident may become improved.

He said that natural disasters such as torrential rain, flood, drought, earthquake, cyclone, etc. are occurring around the world due to climate change and global warming. He urged the officials to be aware of potential disasters,

saying that any dangers can be overcome through the collaboration of the State, the people and the Tatmadaw.

He underlined the importance of electing representatives of the people in an organized manner as the election, the most important stage in democracy transition, is due to be held this year. He later greeted those present at the meeting.

At the second session of the meeting, Prime Minister U Thein Sein said that the SPDC Vice-Chairman visits the region to inspect and fulfil the needs in the rehabilitation tasks in cyclone-ravaged regions in Ayeyawady Division such as construction of roads, bridges, cyclone shelters, hillocks, hospitals, health care centres and schools, and regional development.

The Prime Minister

also said that Ayeyawady Division lacked peace in the past due to insurgents, and various measures had to be taken to restore peace and tranquility. He called for ensuring lasting peace and tranquility and prevalence of law and order.

He added that Ayeyawady Division will see more roads, bridges and railroads soon, and programmes for human resource development have been implemented. He revealed that the division will become the main division of the State as it becomes developed in economic, education, health and transport sectors.

The Prime Minister urged all the departmental officials, local people, entrepreneurs, scholars and government staff to work in concert for the better future of the State.

MNA

20362.04 acres of poppy plantations destroyed

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — It is learnt that a total of 20254.49 acres of poppy plantation had been destroyed in states and divisions till 30 April, 2010 during poppy cultivation season (2009-2010).

As 107.55 acres of more poppy plantations—5.5 acres in Mantung Township, Shan State (North) and 102.05 acres in Waingmaw Township of Kachin State—have been destroyed between 1 and 6 May, 20362.04 acres of poppy plantations were destroyed.

MNA

Formation and registration of political parties applied

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — The Union Election Commission has passed the application of the Ethnic National Development Party (ENDP) that is found to be in accord with Political Party Registration Law and Rules to set up as a political party today.

Out of 31 application-submitted groups, 28 were granted to form political parties.

Out of 28 which had been allowed to form as political parties, the following groups submitted their applications to register as political parties today:

- (1) The Democratic Party (Myanmar)
- (2) The Kayan National Party
- (3) The Rakhine State National Force of Myanmar

Up to date, six out of 28 submitted their applications to the commission to register as political parties. — MNA

Some regions of Myanmar face scarcity of drinking water Under supervision of government, local authorities, departments, NGOs, people join hands in sufficient water supply

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — Some regions of Myanmar face water scarcity in late-summer period this year due to less rainfalls in the previous year, higher temperature in this year's summer and late monsoon.

Under the supervision of the government, local authorities, departments, non-governmental organizations and local people cooperate in supplying sufficient drinking water for the regions that are facing scarcity of water.—MNA

Union Election Commission meeting (29/2010) held

NAY PYI TAW, 11 May — The meeting of Union Election Commission (29/2010) was held at the meeting hall of the office of Union Election Commission here this morning, attended by Chairman of the Union Election Commission U Thein Soe and all commission members.

Chairman of the commission U Thein Soe delivered an address. Applications to set up political parties were scrutinized and election matters were discussed at the meeting. The meeting ended with concluding remarks by the chairman.—MNA

NLD criticizes the laws unjust and refuses to...

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Regarding the Union Solidarity and Development Association, Mr Larry M. Dinger said that he would like to know whether or not ministers' application for formation of political parties is in conformity with the law and whether they can be allowed to do so. U Thein Soe responded that a provision says that State service personnel shall not be organized in political parties; that ministers are political posts, not State service personnel; Section 448 of State Constitution (2008) says that in-service State service personnel including the Tatmadaw formed under the State Peace and Development Council on the date on which the constitution came into force shall continue to discharge duties until the government of the Union of Myanmar promulgates other provisions; that Section 444 (A) says that the government that is existing on the date on which the constitution comes into force shall continue to discharge its duties until a new government is formed in accordance with the constitution; that so, present ministers' formation of Union Solidarity and Development Party is in conformity with the law; that in many other countries, presidents and ministers engage in party services; and that only persons who will be appointed as ministers in the government to be formed in accordance with the constitution of Myanmar shall not engage in party services.

Mr Kurt Campbell said that he would like to know whether international watchdogs including ASEAN will be allowed to visit the nation for elections. U Thein Soe said that the nation has a lot of experience of elections; that according to the provisions of Election Law and Regulations, candidates standing for elections have the right to appoint election representatives, polling station representatives, helpers and clerks for them; that those persons have the right to watch polling stations, and the ballots are to be counted in front of the voters along with them; that so it is clear that arrangements have been made to ensure free and fair

The entire people will be organized in the drive for formation of a government reliable for the State and the people in accordance with the State Constitution (2008) that has been approved with the support of the entire people, and the laws promulgated by the Union Election Commission, and it is believed that all will focus on the development of the State and the people although parties and people may have different beliefs, concepts and policies.

elections; and that international watchdog groups do not need to come here.

Mr Kurt Campbell said that he thanks the commission chairman and party for clarifications; and that the forthcoming elections will be an important challenge for Myanmar. The commission chairman said that they are working, taking lessons from international elections for the country.

The delegation led by Mr Kurt Campbell met Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi at his office at 5.45 pm, and the two sides exchanged views on matters for boosting bilateral relations.

At 6.50 pm, the delegation held a meeting with USDA Secretary General U Htay Oo at USDA Headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw Dekkhina Thiri.

On the occasion, the USDA Secretary General said that Union Solidarity and Development Party will be formed based on the Union Solidarity and Development Association; that the purpose of the party is to build a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation, as aspired by the people, and to cooperate with the people for sustainable progress of the nation; that those who proposed to form a political party have resigned as State service personnel in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and

the Election Law; ministers and deputy ministers are merely the political posts, not government servants; that the party will recruit new members in line with the principles; that the previous USDA comprises government servants; that only those who have resigned as government servants are allowed to join the party; that USDA also comprises students; that they want students to continue their education without engaging in party politics; and that they will not recruit students as party members, and will encourage their education.

He continued to say that they will organize the entire people in the drive for formation of a government reliable for the State and the people in accordance with the State Constitution (2008) that has been approved with the support of the entire people, and the laws promulgated by the Union Election Commission; and that they believe that all will focus on the development of the State and the people although parties and people may have different beliefs, concepts and policies.

Next, Mr. Campbell and party put questions, in connection with formation of political parties, USDP and 2010 elections. The USDA Secretary General replied to the questions.

Mr Campbell said that there have many positive changes between his previous and present trips; that the USDA Secretary General's clarifications are beneficial a lot; and that he hopes that the new government will pay serious attention to the discussions held for improving the bilateral relations. The USDA Secretary General said that greater positive cooperation will benefit both countries; that some disagreements can be settled through coordination; and that he believes that Mr Campbell's trip will be successful.—MNA

Myanmar government had publicly announced that it agreed to follow the UNSC resolutions (1718) and (1874) absolutely, but it has the duty to maintain and protect national sovereignty.

Kungfu Chen Zhen returns

BEIJING, 11 May—“Legend of the Fist: The Return of Chen Zhen”, the latest film about one of the best-known action heroes on China’s screens, will hit local cinemas in October, producers have announced.

Investors said at a press conference on Monday that they are expecting a box-office take of 500 million yuan (73.3 million US dollars). That number, if reached, would make the film one of the most profitable Chinese-language films of all time. “The Founding of a Republic”, last year’s box-office leader, earned 420 million yuan.

Donnie Yen, who portrayed the fictitious martial-arts hero Chen Zhen in a 1995 TV drama, reprises the role that has also been

played by Bruce Lee and Jet Li. A frequent character on China’s big and small screens, Chen Zhen is usually portrayed as a student of martial-arts legend Huo Yuanjia (1867-1910).

“Unlike Bruce Lee’s Chen Zhen who’s uneducated, or Jet Li’s version, Donnie Yen has to go further. Yen’s Chen Zhen returns to China from France, and is more mature and romantic than previous incarnations,” explained Gordon Chan, the film’s producer.

According to the production team, Yen’s Chen Zhen is a special agent who works against Japanese spies in 1920s Shanghai.

The film also stars Shu Qi, Anthony Wong and Huang Bo.

Xinhua



Donnie Yen is featured in a poster for the film “Legend of the Fist: The Return of Chen Zhen”.

Six killed when minibus rolls in central China

CHANGSHA, 11 May—A minibus overturned early Monday in central China’s Hunan Province, leaving six dead and eight injured, police said.

The accident occurred at 6:24 am on a mountain road in Yanxi township, in Liuyang City, police in Liuyang said. Three passengers died at the scene and another three died on the way to hospital. Eight more were being treated in hospital. City traffic police are investigating the cause of the accident. —Xinhua

Asia’s major healthcare convention kicks off in HK

HONG KONG, 11 May —The annual Hong Kong Hospital Authority (HA) Convention 2010, a major conference for healthcare professionals in the Asia Pacific region, kicked off on Monday at the Hong Kong Exhibition Centre.

The main theme of this year’s HA Convention was “Happy Staff Healthy People”. In his speech, Anthony Wu, chairman of HA, said, “Staff are our most important asset and we have been rolling out various initiatives to implement our People First policy.”

Xinhua

Scientists discover five genetic links to breast cancer

BEIJING, 11 May — Cambridge scientists have identified five genetic clues to explain why some women have a family history of breast cancer, according to news reports on Monday.

The research led by Douglas Easton in Cambridge University in Britain scanning the gene maps of more than 16,000 patients suggested women who are targeted screening and treatment are more likely to get breast cancer. The results, which found five new gene variations, suggested that 5 percent of all breast cancer patients are down to inherit faults in known genes. However, the precise cause of the disease are still not known.

Breast cancer is the most common type of cancer in women. It kills around half a million people worldwide each year. Having a close relative with breast cancer nearly doubles a woman’s risk for it.

Internet

Escaped circus elephant squats Italian garden



Residents of an Italian village were surprised to find an elephant relaxing in their garden on Tuesday after she escaped from a travelling circus, the ANSA news agency reported.

The elephant, named Dumbo and weighing

around three-and-a-half tonnes, took a walk from her cage shortly after the Armando Orfei circus arrived in the village of Bassano, around 100 kilometres (65 miles) north of Rome. The 40-year-old pachyderm walked a few hundred metres (yards) into a house garden, where a dog gave the alert and prompted the owners to call the fire brigade.

But Dumbo’s tamer, Lino Orfei, had already noticed the beast was missing and promptly arrived to take the hapless animal back to the circus.



A British couple has turned a public toilet at the beach of Scarborough, UK, into a cozy house with a magnificent sea view. The Gents is now the lounge and the Ladies is the bedroom and bathroom.

Okla. man backs car through parking tower wall

A 67-year-old Oklahoma man had quite a fright after backing his car at high speed through a seventh-floor exterior wall of a parking garage. Ralph Hudson says

his foot got stuck between his Mercedes’ brake and gas pedal as he was backing up in a towering parking garage in downtown Tulsa on Wednesday.

The car burst through the building’s exterior wall and sprayed debris on a parking lot below before stopping just in time. The car’s trunk and part of its back wheels were left hanging precariously out of the building but officials were able to safely drive it back inside.

Woman bites man after being called fat

Police say a 24-year-old man is missing a chunk of his right ear that was bitten off by a woman who didn’t like being called “fat.” Police spokeswoman Katie Flood said officers were called to a Lincoln hospital around 3:25 am on Wednesday to talk to the injured man.

He told them that he’d been bitten at a party.

Flood said officers later learned that the injured man and two others had been arguing with other people at the birthday party. Flood says the man told 21-year-old Anna Godfrey that she was fat.

Officers said Godfrey then tackled the man and took a bite.

Flood said the ear chunk was not found.

Godfrey was arrested on suspicion of felony assault and remained in custody on Wednesday. Case records don’t yet list her attorney’s name.

News Album

Hapless sailor takes a round trip

A man who thought he was sailing along the coast of southern England had to be rescued by emergency services after his motor boat ran out of fuel while repeatedly circling a small island in the River Thames estuary.

The man, who had no nautical guides and only had a roadmap to navigate by, had been trying to sail from Gillingham, about 35 miles east of London, to Southampton on April 19 by following the southern coast of England.

But he ended simply doing laps of the 36-square mile Isle of Sheppey a short distance away in the mouth of the Thames.



A handout picture released by Egypt’s Supreme Council of Antiquities (SCA) on 4 May shows a headless Ptolemaic-period statue found at the royal temple of Taposiris Magna during a search for Cleopatra’s tomb at the Borg al-Arab site, west of the Egyptian port of Alexandria.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

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Mexican gunmen kidnap groom, best man at wedding

MEXICO CITY, 11 May—Gunmen burst into a wedding ceremony in Mexico and kidnapped the groom and his brother, his best man and his uncle, in a case of apparent score-settling between rival drug gangs, authorities said.

Before barging into the church, the gunmen killed a man in the church parking lot, said the Chihuahua state Attorney General's office, adding that the victim was shot in the back as he fled from the group. No ransom demand has been received for the three kidnap victims, as police said is often the case with cases of bloody score-settling hits between rival gangs.

The crime took place on Friday in Ciudad Juarez, dubbed the murder capital of Mexico. Since late 2006, more than 2600 people have been murdered in this city across from El Paso, Texas, including 856 so far this year. Violent attacks have exploded across Mexico since President Felipe Calderon launched a military crackdown on organised crime when he took office at the end of 2006.—Internet

Leighton steps in Game five and Flyers stay alive



Philadelphia Flyers goalie Michael Leighton makes a save against the Boston Bruins during the second period of Game 5 of a second-round NHL playoff hockey series in Boston on Monday.—INTERNET

BOSTON, 11 May—Michael Leighton came off the bench after Brian Boucher was injured and made 14 saves to complete the combined shutout on Monday night, leading Philadelphia to a 4-0 victory over the Boston Bruins and helping the Flyers avoid elimination

in Game 5 of the best-of-seven Eastern Conference semifinals.

Boucher left after injuring his knee at the bottom of a pileup in the crease at 4:35 of the second period. Leighton, who had been the starter before he was injured on March 16, made his first career playoff appearance and finished off the first combined shutout in the Flyers' postseason history.

Internet

Gold medalist Aleksander Lesun of Russia (C), silver medalist Andrejus Zadneprovskis of Lithuania (L) and bronze medalist David Svoboda of the Czech Republic attend the awarding ceremony of the Modern Pentathlon World Cup Men's Final in Budapest, capital of Hungary, on 9 May, 2010.—INTERNET



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Girl 'frozen in time' may hold secrets to ageing

LONDON, 11 May—Scientists are hoping to gain new insights into the mysteries of ageing by sequencing the genome of a 17-year-old girl who has the body and behaviour of a tiny toddler. Brooke Greenberg is old enough to drive a car and next year will be old enough to vote—but at 16lb (7.2kg) in weight and just 30in (50cm) tall, she is still the

size of a one-year-old, London's *Sunday Times* revealed.

Until recently she had been regarded as a medical oddity but a preliminary study of her DNA has suggested her failure to grow could be linked to defects in the genes that make the rest of humanity grow old. If confirmed, the research could give scientists a fresh understanding of ageing and even suggest new therapies for diseases linked to old age.

"We think that Brooke's condition presents us with a unique opportunity to understand the process of ageing," said Richard Walker, a professor at the University of South Florida School of Medicine, who is leading the research team. Superficially, Brooke, who lives with her parents Howard and Melanie Greenberg and her three sisters in Reisterstown, a Baltimore suburb, is frozen in time.

Internet



The official 2010 World Cup mascot Zakumi poses with the FIFA World Cup Trophy in Cape Town of South Africa, on 7 May, 2010.—INTERNET

Vinokourov takes pink as Weylandt wins third stage



Kazakh cyclist Alexandre Vinokourov of team Astana celebrates his pink jersey on the podium after the 3rd stage of the 93rd Giro d'Italia.—INTERNET

MIDDELBURG, 11 May—Veteran Alexandre Vinokourov, riding for Astana, took the overall leader's pink jersey following on Monday's third

stage of the Tour of Italy, the day's honours going to Wouter Weylandt of Quick Step.

Vinokourov bagged the pink jersey from Australian road race world champion Cadel Evans, whose chain came adrift some ten kilometres out from the line—though the second Aussie to wear the pink jersey at least twice after Bradley McGee managed to limit the damage to some 45sec after the 224km ride from Amsterdam to Middelburg.

Internet

Talks to begin again for Pacquiao-Mayweather

NEW YORK, 11 May—Manny Pacquiao may soon turn his attention from campaigning for Congress to negotiating the details on the richest fight in boxing history.

Pacquiao's trainer, Freddie Roach, told *The Associated Press* on Monday that discussions could begin as early as Tuesday for a bout against Floyd Mayweather Jr, once results are in from the Philippine elections. Pacquiao is running for Congress for the second time.

Internet



Filipino boxing great and a congressional candidate for the lone province of Sarangani Manny Pacquiao votes at a polling precinct in Sarangani Province in southern Philippines in the country's first ever automated presidential elections on 10 May, 2010.—INTERNET

Stem cells from uterus treat parkinson's in mice

WASHINGTON, 11 May—Stem cells from the lining of a woman's uterus transformed into brain cells when they were injected into mice whose brains had damage resembling Parkinson's disease, researchers reported on Thursday. The findings suggest that

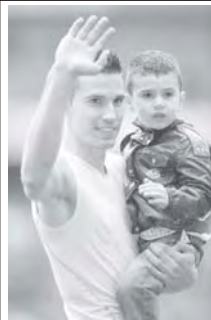
women with Parkinson's could serve as their own stem cell donors, the team at Yale University School of Medicine in Connecticut said.

And because the cells are easy to find, banks of tissue-matched endometrial stem cells could be set up, they said. "En-

dometrial tissue is probably the most readily available, safest, most easily attainable source of stem cells that is currently available. We hope the cells we derived are the first of many types that will be used to treat a variety of diseases," said Yale's Dr Hugh Taylor.

"I think this is just the tip of the iceberg for what we will be able to do with these cells," added Taylor, whose findings are published in the *Journal of Cellular and Molecular Medicine*. Stem cells are the body's master cells.

Internet



Arsenal's Robin van Persie (L) carries his son Shaquell as he waves at Arsenal fans following their English Premier League soccer match against Fulham at the Emirates Stadium in London on 9 May, 2010.

INTERNET

New volcano ash cloud to cover most of Romania by Tuesday afternoon

BUCHAREST, 11 May—The ash cloud from a fresh eruption of the Icelandic Eyjafjallajökull volcano reached west and northwest Romania and is expected to cover most part of the country by Tuesday afternoon, said the authorities on Monday.

Citing the latest forecast of the London Volcanic Ash Advisory, Romania's Environment

Ministry said the cloud will cover most of the country by 3 a.m. local time (0000 GMT) on Tuesday.

According to the National Meteorology Administration, the volcano ash cloud over Romania's territory is not causing pollution, during the coming 24 hours.

Romania will not close its airspace Monday, said Civil

Aviation Department chief Catalin Radu, adding that the night evolution of the cloud does not affect airline traffic. The Eyjafjallajökull volcano began erupting last month, causing air travel chaos across Europe for about a week as many countries closed their airspace, due to lack of visibility and the danger the ashes pose to aircraft.—Xinhua



Famous singer Tanjing performs during the opening ceremony of the 9th China Art Festival in Guangzhou, south China's Guangdong Province, on 10 May, 2010. The 9th China Art Festival kicked off in Guangzhou on Monday.—XINHUA



Generator accidents kill 17 Gazans in Q1

GAZA, 11 May—A report released on Monday showed that 17 Palestinians were killed in the Israeli-blockaded Gaza Strip in the first quarter of 2010 in

accidents related to mobile power generators.

The report said 36 people were also injured in accidents when the generators, which

mostly fail to meet international safety standards, blew up, especially when people were filling them with gasoline. The report by the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), highlights the impact of Gaza's electricity cuts on the 1.5 million people of the coastal enclave.

Xinhua

File photo from the 1950s shows jazz singer Lena Horne who was the first black performer to be signed to a long-term contract by a major Hollywood studio. Lena Horne, 92, who enjoyed a six-decade singing career on stage, television and in films, died on Sunday at New York-Presbyterian Hospital. —INTERNET

Three killed in landslide in southern China

NANNING, 11 May—A rain-triggered landslide killed three people, including a 5-year-old child, and injured one in Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, the local authority said on Monday.

The casualties occurred when rocks hit a home after continuous rain caused a landslide in Dadong Village, of Baise City, at about 11:40 pm on Friday, said a statement from the regional flood control and drought relief headquarters.

Many regions in Guangxi have suffered frequent downpours since the rainy season started in April. A rainstorm pelted more than 345 townships between on Sunday and Monday.

Xinhua

German trade surplus widens in March

BERLIN, 11 May—Germany's trade surplus widened to 17.2 billion euros (22.2 billion US dollars) in March from 12.7 billion euros (16.4 billion dollars) in February, sending another strong signal of the country's export-led recovery, according to official data released on Monday.

The Federal Statistics Office said the country's seasonally-adjusted exports jumped 10.7 percent on a monthly basis, while imports were up by 11.0 percent.

Surpassing some economists' prediction of 1.3-billion-euro (1.68-billion-dollar) growth, the trade balance rose by 4.5 billion euros (5.8 billion

dollars) in March compared to that of the previous month.

The exports, the main economic booster, registered a 23.3-percent increase in March, compared with the same month in 2009, while imports climbed by 18.3 percent, a clear sign of recovery.

Xinhua



Tourist take photos during the 8th edition of the Tehran International Exhibition of Flowers and Plants, Parks Equipments and Related Industries in Teheran, capital of Iran, on 10 May, 2010. The six-day-long flower exhibition opened here on Sunday.

XINHUA

Official calls for better supervision in China's state-run firms

BEIJING, 11 May—A senior Chinese official has urged the Communist Party's disciplinary and supervisory bodies to improve their work in companies and financial organs owned by the central government.

He Guoqiang, member of the Standing Committee of the Communist Party of

China (CPC) Central Committee Political Bureau, made the remark at a meeting in Beijing on Monday.

The CPC Central Commission for Discipline Inspection has issued a guideline to strengthen its supervisory bodies within companies and financial organs owned

by the central government.

He, who heads the CPC Central Commission for Discipline Inspection, asked companies and financial organs run by the central government to further implement the guideline and promote the Party's anti-corruption effort.

Xinhua



Iraqis stand at the site of a bombing that targeted police in Fallujah, 40 miles (65 kilometers) west of Baghdad, Iraq, on 10 May, 2010. Bombings and drive-by shootings killed at least 29 Iraqis on Monday and wounded dozens more in what appeared in part to be a targeted assault on police and army forces around Baghdad and elsewhere. Four bombs planted outside the homes of police officials in Fallujah killed at least three people and wounded at least 13 others, including women and children, according to a city police official.—INTERNET

Uncapped Barca keeper Valdes enters World Cup equation

MADRID, 11 May — Barcelona's uncapped keeper Victor Valdes and winger Pedro Rodriguez were in a list of 30 players announced on Monday from whom coach Vicente del Bosque will select the 23 for June's World Cup in South Africa.

Del Bosque said the line-up was made "with my heart and with my head." Besides Valdes and Rodriguez, three others are on track for their first caps: Atletico Madrid keeper David De Gea, Osasuna defender Cesar Azpilicueta and Athletic Bilbao midfielder Javi Martinez.

Injured players Andres Iniesta of Barcelona, Cesc Fabregas of Arsenal and Liverpool's Fernando Torres are also included on the list. Del Bosque

plans to announce the final squad for the World Cup, which runs from 11 June-11 July, on 20 May. *Internet*



Barcelona's uncapped keeper Victor Valdes, seen here on 8 May, and winger Pedro Rodriguez were in a list of 30 players announced on Monday from whom coach Vicente del Bosque will select the 23 for June's World Cup in South Africa.—INTERNET

Federer not afraid of failing to defend Madrid title



Switzerland's Roger Federer reacts after losing a point against Spain's Albert Montanes during the Estoril Open tennis tournament in Lisbon.—INTERNET

MADRID, 11 May — World number one Roger Federer will not panic should he fail to defend his Madrid Masters title this week, indeed he said on Monday he is prepared for anything as he prepares to retain his French Open crown later this month.

"It would be great to win here again if I could. I can get confidence on the practise courts," Federer said. *Internet*

Morrow's wildness helps Red Sox beat Toronto 7-6

BOSTON, 11 May — Brandon Morrow set a Toronto Blue Jays record by walking five batters in one inning as the Boston Red Sox scored four runs in the second and went on to a 7-6 win on Monday night.

The Red Sox needed just one hit in that inning to take the lead, a cushion that came in handy when John Lackey (4-1) struggled through six innings before three relievers held the Blue Jays hitless. Jonathan

Papelbon worked the ninth for his ninth save in nine chances.—*Internet*



Toronto Blue Jays' Brandon Morrow pitches against the Boston Red Sox in the first inning of a baseball game, on Monday, 10 May, 2010, in Boston.—INTERNET

Spanish coach selects preliminary 30 players for World Cup

MADRID, 11 May — Spanish coach Vicente del Bosque announced on Monday that preliminary 30 players have been selected for June's World Cup. The Spanish coach will have selected 23 out of 30 players before the start of the World Cup. The squad is made up of 30 players.

Goalkeepers are Iker Casillas (Real Madrid), Jose Manuel Reina (Liverpool), Diego Lopez (Villarreal), David De Gea (Atletico Madrid), and Victor Valdes (Barcelona).

Defenders are Raul Albiol, Sergio Ramos, Alvaro Arbeloa (all Real Madrid), Joan Capdevila (Villarreal), Gerard Pique, Carles Puyol (both Barcelona), Carlos Marchena (Valencia), and Cesar Azpilicueta (Osasuna).

Midfielders are Xabi Alonso (Real Madrid), Cesc Fabregas (Arsenal), Sergio Busquets, Xavi Hernandez, Andres Iniesta (all Barcelona), Marcos Senna (Villarreal), Javier Martinez

(Athletic Bilbao), David Silva (Valencia).

Forwards are Daniel Guiza (Fenerbahce), Juan Manuel Mata, David Silva, David Villa (all Valencia), Alvaro Negredo, Jesus Navas (both Sevilla), Fernando Torres (Liverpool), Santiago Cazorla (Villarreal), Pedro Rodriguez (Barcelona), Fernando Llorente (Athletic de Bilbao). *Internet*



Spain's coach Vicente del Bosque reacts during their Confederations Cup semifinal soccer match against the US, at Free State Stadium in Bloemfontein, South Africa.—INTERNET

Woods says neck injury not related to crash



Golfer Tiger Woods waits for a question during a news conference at Aronimink Golf Club, on Monday, 10 May, 2010, in Newtown Square. INTERNET

NEWTOWN SQUARE, 11 May — Tiger Woods insists there's "zero connection" between the neck spasms playing havoc with his golf swing and his 27 Nov car accident.

Woods said during a news conference on Monday that his neck started bothering him two weeks before the Masters, his first competition in five months. He brushed it off

as "no big deal" and believed he could play through the pain. That changed on Sunday at The Players Championship, where Woods' creaky neck locked up. That prevented him from making his usual forceful turn on the ball on even a routine shot, and he was forced to withdraw after six holes. *Internet*



Boston Celtics guard Rajon Rondo (9) drives past Cleveland Cavaliers' Anthony Parker (18) and LeBron James, right, in the second half of Game 4 in a second-round.—INTERNET

Rooney completes awards hat-trick

LONDON, 11 May — England and Manchester United striker Wayne Rooney has completed a hat-trick of awards after being named as the Premier League's player of the year by sponsors Barclays.

The 24-year-old had already collected the Professional Footballers' Association and Football Writers' awards for this season.

Barclays named Harry Redknapp as their manager of the year in recognition of his achievement in guiding Tottenham to a fourth

place finish and a place in the final qualifying round of next season's Champions League. *Internet*



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Everton set to tie down Cahill before World Cup

LIVERPOOL, 11 May — Everton are hoping to tie Tim Cahill to a new long-term contract before the midfielder gets a chance to boost his value by starring for Australia at the World Cup.

Cahill has two years left on his current deal but manager David Moyes wants an extension agreed with the 30-year-old as soon as possible and chief executive Robert Elstone confirmed talks were close to a conclusion. "We are at an advanced stage of negotiation with Tim and his representatives," Elstone said.

"We would be hopeful of concluding an extension to Tim's current deal

and to put pen to paper on a new four-year contract before he departs for the World Cup." *Internet*



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SPORTS

Cavaliers may put LeBron on Rondo

OHIO, 11 May — Unable to corral Rajon Rondo so far in the NBA playoffs, the Cleveland Cavaliers may resort to Plan LeB.

LeBron James, it's your turn. With Rondo coming off an historic 29-point, 18-rebound, 13-assist performance in Game 4, Cavaliers coach Mike Brown said on Monday

he plans to use an assortment of players to try to slow the seemingly unstoppable Celtics point guard and one of them could be James, the league's two-time MVP and a first-team all-defense selection.

"We're going to give 'Bron an opportunity," Brown said. *Internet*



Morning traffic crawls towards Manhattan on the third day of the transit strike in New York on 23 December, 2005.—INTERNET

No Smoking

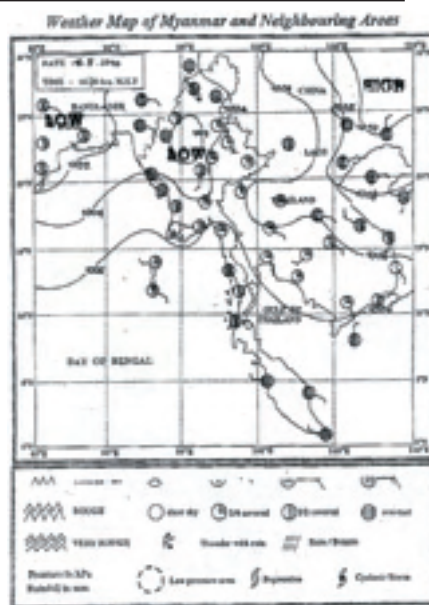
Iraq boosts security after deadliest day this year

BAGHDAD, 11 May— Iraq boosted security around Baghdad and the rest of the country Tuesday, a day after a string of attacks across the country killed 119 people and wounded hundred.

The sheer breadth of the attacks, stretching from cities in the north to the normally peaceful southern port of Basra, was a blow after recent victories against insurgents and raised questions about the militants' enduring strength.

Across Baghdad, as helicopters buzzed through the skies, new checkpoints were established, especially in the east side of the city. In the past, however, boosted security has often lapsed within a few days.

Internet



WEATHER

Tuesday, 11th 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 Kachin State, isolated in Shan and Chin States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the areas. Day temperatures were about May average temperatures in Kachin and Chin States, (6°C) to (8°C) above May average temperatures in Kayah and Kayin States, Mandalay, Bago and Yangon Divisions, (3°C) to (5°C) above May average temperatures in the remaining areas. The significant day temperature were Chauk (44°C), Monywa (43.8°C), Mandalay, Myingyan, NyaungU, Yamethin, Pyaw and Theinzayat (43°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Machanbaw (1.10) inches, Putao (0.98) inch and Kengtung (0.27) inch.

Maximum temperature on 10-5-2010 was 106°F. Minimum temperature on 11-5-2010 was 82°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 11-5-2010 was 61%. Total sun shine hours on 10-5-2010 was (8.5) hours.

Rainfall on 11-5-2010 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 (7) m.p.h from South west at (11:30) hours MST on 10-5-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 12th May 2010: Rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Kachin, Chin, Northern Rakhine, Shan, Kayin and Mon States, Sagaing, Mandalay, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions and Weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (60%).

State of these Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters. **Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 12-5-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 12-5-2010: Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 12-5-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (12-5-2010)(Wednesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(12-5-10 09:30 am ~ 13-5-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Current Affairs“Living and Working in Myanmar (Transportation)”
- * News
- * Documentary “Ayeyarwady (The Historical Lifeline of Myanmar)”
- * Myanmar Classical Song
- * News
- * Myanmar Video Impact “Mutual Affection”
- * News
- * Blind Masseur

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
- * News

- * Current Affairs“Living and Working in Myanmar (Transportation)”
- * News
- * Documentary “Ayeyarwady (The Historical Lifeline of Myanmar)”
- * Fine Arts Podium“Open-ended Drum”
- * Record Album
- * News
- * The land of Silver Mountains(Kayah State)
- * News
- * Disaster and Development(II)
- * News
- * Current Affairs“Living and Working in Myanmar (The House and Internet Cafe)”
- * News
- * Documentary “Ayeyarwady (The Historical Lifeline of Myanmar)”
- * Good Friends for Good Future
- * Rope Painting
- * News
- * Memorable Visit to Inle Lake & Unforgettable Stay at Hupin Hotel
- * IT Youths & Knowledge Age
- * News
- * Songs for you
- * Useful Variety of Bamboo
- * Myanmar Movies“Flower in the Sky”



Wednesday, 12 May View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ ဝရိတ်တရားတော်

7:15 am

2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး)တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:50 am

6. မြို့မြို့မြို့မြို့ ယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

8:05 am

7. “ချမ်းသာတော်တော်တော် တတားကြီးများ”

8:15 am

8. Musical Programme

8:35 am

9. “ချစ်လွန်းလို့...”

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

3:45 pm

1. AFC President's (2010) တောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ်(Renown Sports Club(SRI) အသင်းနှင့် Nagacorp (CAM)အသင်း)

5:45 pm

2. Musical Programme

6:00 pm

3. Evening News

6:15 pm

4. Weather Report

6:20 pm

5. မြန်မာမေလွန်ရလက်တွေ့

6:40 pm

6. ထက်မြတ်ပျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်

7:10 pm

7. ရသပေါ်လွင်သရုပ်ဆောင် လွှင့်ပြင်

7:40 pm

8. ဝတ်မှုန်တေးဂီတအဖွဲ့ ဖျော်ဖြေခန်း

8:00 pm

9. News

10. International News

11. Weather Report

12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “ချစ်တေးသံသရာ” (အပိုင်း-၄၁)

13. မြန်မာစီးပွားရေးဇာတ်လမ်း “သိင်္ဂါရသီချင်း” (မြို့နေစိုးဇာတ်လမ်းထက်၊ ခင်လေးနွယ်မေမြင့်မိုးရီ)

14. (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ညိုမင်းလွင်) မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရား ကြီး၏အရည်အချင်းများ မေတ္တာဘာဝနာပွားများခြင်း တရားတော်



- ★ 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

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye continues inspection of regional development in Ayeyawady Division

NAY PYI TAW, 11 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 continued his inspection tour of regional development in Ayeyawady Division this morning.

Accompanied by Prime Minister U Thein Sein, member of the State Peace and Development Council

Lt-Gen Tin Aye and party, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye arrived at Konthaya Village of Labutta Township at 7 am.

He was welcomed by Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint and officials.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye looked into reconstruction and progress of Konthaya, Phonesoegy and Kyaukkalatt villages in Ottwin Village-tract in a

motorcade.

Minister U Ohn Myint reported on reconstruction of Konthaya, Aukpyunwa and Kwingyi villages, construction of rural housing, growing of shade and windbreaker trees, turning of agriculture, salt and fishery industries into normalcy, opening of basic education schools in the region, upgrading of schools, (See page 8)



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 views scene of Konthaya Village in Labutta Township.

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