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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

Pathein-Thalatkhoa-Mawtinsun Road

It was 14 May 2010 morning while local people were seated inside the pavilion at Mile Post No (12/1) in Seintaung on Pathein-Thalatkhoa-Mawtinsun Road, awaiting the opening of Pathein-Thalatkhoa-Mawtinsun Road.

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Byline: *Kayan Soe Myint;*
Photos: *Kyaw Moe Lwin (Kayan)*



The opening of Pathein-Thalatkhoa-Mawtinsun Road in progress.

Shan Nationalities Democratic Party granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 53/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar

Union Election Commission

Nay Pyi Taw

Notification No. 53/2010

14th Waxing of Nayon, 1372 ME

26 May 2010

Shan Nationalities Democratic Party is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Shan Nationalities Democratic Party with its headquarters at No. (9), Thitsar Uyin Housing on Thitsar Road in Ward-8 in South Okkalapa Township of Yangon Division to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 26 May 2010.

The registration number of the Shan Nationalities Democratic Party is (15).

By order

Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary

Union Election Commission

United Democratic Party granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 54/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar

Union Election Commission

Nay Pyi Taw

Notification No. 54/2010

14th Waxing of Nayon, 1372 ME

26 May 2010

United Democratic Party is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the United Democratic Party with its headquarters at Taungpyin Ward in Dabayin Township of Sagaing Division to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 26 May 2010.

The registration number of the United Democratic Party is (16).

By order

Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary

Union Election Commission

The 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar) granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 55/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar

Union Election Commission

Nay Pyi Taw

Notification No. 55/2010

14th Waxing of Nayon, 1372 ME

26 May 2010

The 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar) is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar) with its headquarters at Room No. (301), Building (F) of Pearl Condominium on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road in Bahan Township of Yangon Division to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 26 May 2010.

The registration number of the 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar) is (17).

By order

Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary

Union Election Commission

PERSPECTIVES

Thursday, 27 May, 2010

Sign of greater development over border areas

Today, the government, the people and the Tatmadaw are harmonious in building a peaceful, modern and developed nation, thereby cementing amicable relations and cohesion between one national race and another.

Even the regions, which once lacked peace and stability stemming from localism, racism and dogmatism, are now enjoying tranquility, peace and progress. Far-flung areas and respective regions are in a position to enjoy peace and regional development at the unprecedented level. The towns in border areas have caught up with cities in terms of development.

Now, the government is building good foundations for improvement of various sectors such as economy, education, health care and social affairs and transport. Simultaneously, it is improving infrastructures to raise the socio-economic status of local people of border areas. From 1989 to date, the government has spent over 314,530 million kyats on the projects for progress of border areas.

Highly-educated youths of new generations are necessary for creating a peaceful, prosperous society. The government has been constructing infrastructural buildings and good atmospheres in the education field. As a result, the youth of the nation including border areas enjoy equal access to education. The number of students in border areas has increased to more than 180,000 thanks to the new educational institutions in those regions.

More than that, border areas have seen 100 new hospitals, 98 health care centres, 91 rural health centres and 200 sub-rural health centres. Local people have gained vast knowledge, resulting from the 112 TV retransmitting stations.

Today, the transport in border areas is getting smooth, and commodity flow, getting swift, and so, that denotes the regions have seen a sign of greater economic growth. Therefore, the entire local people have to work together for durability of the facilities that contribute towards regional peace and stability.

Effective communication through visual implementation



YANGON, 26 May — With the aim of turning out well-qualified graphic designers, Gusto Computer Technology Training School will conduct a graphic design course.

Those who want to create own graphic designs, to work at printing house, photo

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

Trainees of Sports Ministry selected

YANGON, 26 May — Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Thura U Aye Myint on 23 May addressed the meeting for selecting trainees for Combined Training of Sports and Education and Sports Training.

He later scrutinized and passed the reports on the selection of new trainees for 2010-2011 academic years submitted by coaches.

Secretary of the committee Director-General of Sports and Physical Education



Minister Thura U Aye Myint delivers address at meeting for selecting trainees for Combined Training of Sports and Education and Sports Training.—MNA

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MNA

Director-General inspects school enrollment activities

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — Director-General U Aye Lwin of No. 2 Basic Education Department inspected the school enrollment activities at Basic Education schools in PyinOoLwin today.

He called for applying systematic and easy enrolling process and attended to the needs.

MNA

Laminated Happy books available

YANGON, 26 May — Happy books made to customer order are now available at the market. Customers can choose five kinds of books categorized into A, B, C, D and E and various designs of laminated happy book cover. Every book has 80 pages in full. Customers can get it at reasonable price. For



Photo shows covers of laminated happy books. —MNA

more information, contact Marketing Manager Daw Khin Zar

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Township, (Ph-01-590292 and 590293).—MNA

studio and media house as a graphic designer and to be a web designer, and those with basic computer knowledge may take the course.

The three-month course will start

on 6 June. The trainees are to attend it at the weekend. Those who want to take the course may enlist not later than 2 June as number of trainees is limited to 15. Enthusiasts may contact

Gusto Computer Technology Training School at No (26) on 14th Street in Lanmadaw Township, Yangon (Ph: 01 224496 and 09 8628806).

MNA

Taleban raid district in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 26 May—Taleban militants in efforts to consolidate grip have raided the mountainous Barg-e-Matal District in Afghanistan's eastern Nuristan province, Interior Ministry said in a statement on Wednesday.

Sporadic fighting according to the statement is still continuing.

"The armed rebels carried out a failed attack on Barg-e-Matal District on Tuesday which left seven militants dead," the

statement added.

It also confirmed that one policeman was killed and five others including a police constable and four militants had been injured.

Sporadic firing is going on while police have been trying to repel the attackers.

Conflicts and militancy has been on rise since spring onset. Spring and summer are traditionally known as fighting season in the war-torn Afghanistan.

Xinhua



Afghan and foreign investigators inspect the site of a suicide car bomb attack on 18 May, 2010 in Kabul, Afghanistan. The Taliban attack targeting a NATO convoy during rush hour in the Afghan capital has claimed the lives of soldiers and civilians after a suicide bomber struck using a van packed with explosives.

INTERNET

Brazen Baghdad gold heist ends in 15 dead

BAGHDAD, 26 May—Gunmen wearing Arab headscarves and wielding assault rifles, rocket-propelled grenade launchers and pistols robbed a gold jewelry market in broad daylight Tuesday, killing 15 people in the most brazen example of Baghdad street crime that has soared as sectarian fighting ebbed.

Authorities blamed al-Qaeda in Iraq, as they often are quick to do after major attacks and as the investigations are just getting under way.

"The fingerprints of al-Qaeda are obvious in today's heist," Maj Gen Qassim al-Moussawi, Baghdad's chief military spokesman said, speaking a couple of hours after the late-morning assault. He said the terror group has

been suffering from money shortages and has been planning robberies a way to fill its coffers.

Security officials attribute at least part of the past year's crime wave to terror groups looking for new ways to finance their operations, and insurgents adept at launching attacks against military targets now using their skills to make money instead.

Jewelry stores, currency exchanges, and banks are frequently targeted, though insurgents looking for quick cash have also been known to attack oil pipelines to siphon off oil for resale. Aside from known militants, criminal gangs have been blamed for a number of robberies in the capital.

Internet

US, Iraqi forces detain 30 policemen near Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 26 May—US and Iraqi security forces detained 30 policemen in an overnight raid on their police station in an area west of Baghdad, a local police source said on Tuesday. A joint US and Iraqi force raided the al-Walid police station at about 3:00 am (2400 GMT) at the edge of Abu Ghraib area, some 25 km west of Baghdad on the provincial border between Baghdad and Iraq's western province of Anbar, detaining 30 policemen, including two police officers, and seized unlicensed weapons, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

The raid was based on intelligence reports which said that the policemen were collaborating with militants in the area who hide their weapons in the building of the police station after they carry out attacks against US and Iraqi forces, the source said.

Xinhua

Explosion shocks Kandahar in S Afghanistan

KANDAHAR, 26 May—A powerful explosion rocked Kandahar in south Afghanistan on Wednesday morning, casualties feared, police said.

Xinhua



Security personnel gather near goldsmith shops after an attack by gunmen in Baghdad on 25 May, 2010.

INTERNET

US and allies kill, injure Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 26 May—There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 26 May reached 701595 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1268253, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	701595
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1268253

Internet



An Afghan wounded youth is rushed into an ambulance proceeding to an emergency ward inside a hospital after a suicide attack in Kabul recently.—INTERNET

Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 26 May—The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 32854 Afghan people were killed and 39348 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 26 May.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	32854
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	39348

Internet



Maryam Mohammed, 5, lies in a hospital bed after she was wounded in a car bomb attack in Mosul, north of Baghdad, Iraq, 22 May, 2010. A parked car bomb detonated near the Arafat Sunni mosque on Friday night.

INTERNET

Extinct giant shark nursery discovered in Panama



Most of the giant shark teeth found in Panama's Gatun Formation were from neonates or juveniles, leading researchers to propose that this was a nursery site.—INTERNET

TALLAHASSEE, 26 May— The six-foot-long babies of the world's biggest shark species, *Carcharocles megalodon*, frolicked in the warm shallow waters of an ancient shark nursery in what is now Panama, report paleontologists working at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute and the University of Florida.

Adult giant sharks, at 60-70 feet in length, faced few predators, but young

sharks faced predation from larger sharks," said Catalina Pimiento, visiting scientist at STRI and graduate student at the University of Florida. "As in several modern shark species, juvenile giant sharks probably spent this vulnerable stage of their lives in shallow water where food was plentiful and large predators had difficulty maneuvering."

Paleontologists from the Smithsonian and the University of Florida collected more than 400 fossil shark teeth from Panama's 10-million-year-old Gatun Formation as part of ongoing work to reveal the origins of this narrow land-bridge that rose to connect North and South America about 3 million years ago. "The 28 teeth that we identified as *C. megalodon* were mostly from neonates and juveniles," said Pimiento. Researchers used reference collections at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History and the Florida Museum of Natural History to characterize the teeth.—Internet

First realistic simulation of DNA unfolding



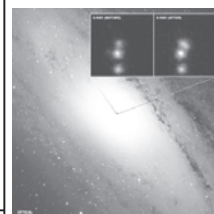
From left to right and up to down, DNA structure movements that permit to get an idea about the mechanism by which DNA starts to unfold. INTERNET

omatics Group at IRB Barcelona, Full Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the University of Barcelona and director of the Life Sciences Dept. at the BSC, and Alberto

Pérez, "Juan de la Cierva" researcher at BSC, currently at the University of California, San Francisco, (US) publish their findings in a leading international chemistry journal, *Angewandte Chemie*.

Internet

Nearby black hole is feeble and unpredictable



The large image here shows an optical view, with the Digitized Sky Survey, of the Andromeda Galaxy, otherwise known as M31. The inset shows Chandra images of a small region in the centre of Andromeda. INTERNET

MIAMI, 26 May— For over 10 years, NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory has repeatedly observed the Andromeda Galaxy for a combined total of nearly one million seconds. This unique data set has given astronomers an unprecedented view of the nearest supermassive black hole outside our own Galaxy.

Astronomers think that most galaxies — including the Milky Way — contain giant black holes at their cores that are millions of times more massive than the Sun. At a distance of just under 3 million light years from Earth, Andromeda (also known as M31) is relatively close and provides an opportunity to study its black hole in great detail.

Internet

Physicists develop a quantum interface between light and atoms

MAINZ, 26 May — Physicists at the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz have developed a quantum interface which connects light particles and atoms. The interface is based on an ultra-thin glass fiber and is suitable for the transmission of quantum information. This is an essential prerequisite for quantum communication which shall be used for secure data transmission via quantum cryptography.

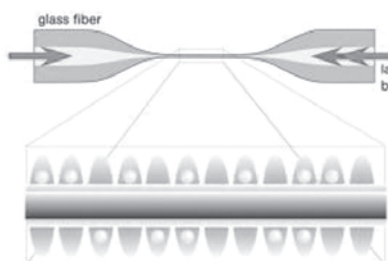
"Our quantum interface might also prove useful for the realization of a quantum computer," adds Professor Dr Arno Rauschenbeutel from the Institute of Physics at Mainz University.

Today, telephone and internet primarily rely on the optical

transmission of data using glass fiber cables. In that sense, glass fiber networks can be considered as the backbone of the modern communication society. The light that travels through them is not a continuous flow of energy. It rather consists, as was discovered by Albert Einstein, of indivisible energy quanta, or photons. Each photon can then transmit one bit of information, corresponding to a zero or one.

In addition to being very efficient, this also opens the route towards entirely new ways of communication because, being quantum objects, photons can exist simultaneously in both states, zero and one.

Internet



The Mainz quantum interface. Using laser light which travels through a tapered glass fiber, cesium atoms are trapped along its ultra-thin waist. The central part of the fiber is thinner than the wavelength of the light itself. —Internet

Chott El Jerid, Tunisia: closest thing to Mars on Earth?



Chott el Jerid (C) Felipe Gomez/Europlanet.

INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 26 May— From 24 to 31 May, a team of scientists will be analysing one of the most Mars-like places on Earth — Chott el Jerid in South West Tunisia — in preparation for future missions to the Red Planet.

The field campaign has been organized by the Europlanet Research Infrastructure (RI).

Chott el Jerid is a seasonal lake that is completely dry for most of the year. Its sun-baked surface, composed of a hard crust of sodium chloride, conceals sources of underground water and the area has a vivid red colour due to the high iron content. This environment appears to resemble closely layered deposits of chloride salts discovered at Martian high latitudes by recent missions, such as Mars Odyssey, using data from Thermal Emission Imaging System

(THEMIS), Mars Global Surveyor and Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter.

The Europlanet project, which links planetary scientists from more than 100 laboratories and institutes in Europe and around the world, offers scientists access to a range of planetary analogues — places on Earth that resemble environments found on other planets and moons in our Solar System — to test out instrumentation for future missions and to understand more about how geological systems observed on places like Mars and Titan are formed and evolve.

Chott el Jerid is a new site and before it can be made accessible to the wider planetary science community, a detailed analysis needs to be made of the geology, mineralogy, climate and microbiology of the area.

Internet

Science



'Button' batteries killing, disabling children



WASHINGTON, 26 MAY — The accidental swallowing of coin-sized lithium "button batteries" found in many common household products is a rapidly mounting threat to children, new research indicates. In fact, a pair of new studies reveals that between 1985 and 2009 the risk that American children will experience a serious

health complication after ingesting a button-battery has gone up nearly seven-fold.

"We're talking about a really profoundly devastating injury, and sometimes fatalities," said lead author for both studies Dr Toby Litovitz, director of the National Capital Poison Center in Washington D.C. "But I think people are not aware of the problem, which is very, very much worse than swallowing a coin. And of course it's hard for parents to protect their kids when they don't realize that something is a problem."

"It's also clearly a

worsening situation," she added. "From the late 1970's until now there have been 14 fatalities in the US that we're aware of, and of those 10 were just in the last six years. So that should send a signal of warning." Button batteries are found in remote controls, singing greeting cards, thermometers, DVD players and many other products to which children have ready access. Litovitz explained that standard 20 millimetre lithium button batteries are thicker than a nickel and somewhere between a penny and a nickel in diameter. —Internet



"...When people first cut into the cake there's normally a lot of protests from people at the party, but not from me; for some reason I love seeing people tear into them. At first people are surprised it's a cake, but we put a lot of effort into making sure it tastes delicious, and so they are also surprised at how good it tastes."
INTERNET

Global death rate for children lower than thought

WASHINGTON, 26 MAY — The global death rate for children under the age of 5 appears to be significantly lower — by as much as 800,000 fewer deaths — than the latest mortality estimates released by UNICEF in 2008. The fresh numbers gleaned from number-crunching conducted by researchers at the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) at the University of Washington

in Seattle also indicate that many poorer nations are demonstrating faster progress at stemming the tide of under-5 deaths.

The current figures raise some hope for achieving the objectives established by the "Millennium Development Goal 4 (MDG 4)," which is aiming for a two-thirds drop in deaths among children under 5 from 1990 to 2015.

Prior statistical

analyses suggested that fewer than a quarter of the world's nations were on track to meet this target. Yet despite some encouraging signs, the current review doesn't paint a much better picture overall, revealing that only 31 developing nations and a total of 54 countries out of 187 worldwide appear to be heading towards the MDG 4 finish line. That observation comes from the IHME team's look at levels and trends for child deaths in 187 countries for the period 1970 through 2010.

Internet

Like humans, chimpanzees ape their betters

SCOTLAND, 26 MAY — Just as humans tend to model their behaviour after that of famous and admired individuals, chimpanzees also appear to copy the example of their older, higher-status cohorts, new research reveals.

The finding that chimpanzees share the human inclination to adopt new behaviours and problem-solve based on the influence of what anthropologists call "prestige" is new, and is the result of a collaborative investigation conducted by researchers at Emory

University in Atlanta, the University of St. Andrews in Scotland, and Beloit College, Wisc.

The authors published their findings in the 20 May issue of *PLOS One*.

Celebrities, politicians and community leaders are the figures of emulation for people. Previously, the practice of mimicking behaviour in this way was thought to be uniquely human.

But working with chimpanzees as they learned to solve a specific foraging task, the research team found



that when given a choice the primates preferred to copy the foraging techniques that were demonstrated by older, higher-status chimps with a successful history of task-solving, rather than that of less well-regarded chimps.

Internet

Communication programme didn't improve autism symptoms

MANCHESTER, 26 MAY — A programme to help autistic children communicate more effectively helps parents and kids understand each other but doesn't improve symptoms, a new study finds.

The programme was designed to try to help autistic children develop better communication and social skills by teaching parents how to communicate with them with an eye toward their impairments.

Jonathan Green, of the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom, and colleagues recruited families of 152 children — aged between 2 to nearly 5 — to take part in the study. Seventy-five of the children and their families took part in the programme, attending several meetings over a year. The others received ordinary treatment.

The researchers found that while the programme didn't reduce autism symptoms, it did help improve interaction between parents and their children. —Internet

Moderate drinking may protect brain from Alzheimer's

MADRID, 26 May — Moderate drinking may help protect against the onset of Alzheimer's disease among otherwise healthy people, a new Spanish study suggests. Women who don't smoke appear to gain the most benefit from alcohol consumption, according to the research team, from the University of Valencia, the Valencia government and the Municipal Institute of Medical Investigation in Barcelona. "Our results suggest a protective effect of alcohol consumption, mostly in non-smokers, and the need to consider interactions between tobacco and alcohol consumption, as well as interactions with gender, when assessing the effects of smoking and/or drinking on the risk of Alzheimer's disease," the study's lead author, Ana M. Garcia, from the University of Valencia's department of preventive medicine and public health, said in a news release.

Internet



Visitors view some snack food materials during the 2010 China Beijing International Snack Food Exhibition held in Beijing, on 25 May, 2010. A total of 181 enterprises from 14 countries and regions took part in the exhibition that opened on Tuesday. —INTERNET

Health

ASEAN human resources conference held in Vietnam

HANOI, 26 May—The second human resources conference of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) was held here on Tuesday to discuss human resources issues for economic recovery and development.

The meeting gathered labour and human resources ministers from ASEAN member countries, senior policymakers, representatives of employer and worker organizations, human resources practitioners and

development partners.

At the meeting, participants discussed human resource management for economic recovery and development, the development of a harmonized ASEAN competency-based skills standards and future skills strategies for a more inclusive and competitive region and effective human resource practices.

In his opening speech, Vietnamese Standing Deputy Prime Minister Nguyen Sinh

Hung said investment for human resource development is one of the important issues listed in the blueprint for the building of the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community.

The aim of an ASEAN human resource development strategy is to improve and enhance the capacity of ASEAN human resources through each member country's programme as well as the plan of the whole bloc, he said.

Xinhua



People take a rest in the old town of the coastal city of Mombasa in Kenya, on 20 May, 2010. Kenya Tourist Association recently said the body will spend 2 billion shillings (about 26 million US dollars) within the year to promote the country's tourism globally.

XINHUA

Sinopec to bump up refining capacity 50%



A Sinopec employee inspects equipment in Qingjiang, Jiangsu Province. Oil refining capacity of foreign companies in China will rise to 31.5 million tons per year by 2015.

INTERNET

BEIJING, 26 May—China, the world's second-largest energy consumer, will increase its annual oil-refining capacity by 50 percent between 2010 and 2015 to meet rising domestic demand, according to the country's largest refiner Sinopec.

Annual oil refining capacity is expected to reach 507.5 million tons by the end of 2010, up 6.4 percent from a year earlier, Sinopec said in a report. That figure will be elevated to 750 million tons by the end of 2015, it said.

The country will build

three to four oil refining and petrochemical manufacturing bases in regions including the Yangtze River Delta, the Bohai Sea Rim region and the Pearl River Delta, said the report. Each base will have a refining capacity of 20 million tons and ethylene production capacity of 2 million tons.

Oil refining capacity owned by foreign companies will rise to 31.5 million tons per year, or 4.2 percent of the country's total capacity, by 2015 from 10.5 million tons annually at present, said the report.—Internet

Nissan's new Leaf sells out in US, Japan

DETROIT, 26 May—The first year of production of Nissan's new electric car Leaf has been sold out, the head of the Japanese automaker, Carlos Ghosn, said on Tuesday.

"We have 13,000 orders in the US and 6,000 orders in Japan," Ghosn said at a news conference in Detroit, the US auto industry capital.

Ghosn said that all of the US orders had come from individuals and not from government entities,



The first year of production of Nissan's new electric car Leaf has been sold out, the head of the Japanese automaker, Carlos Ghosn, said Tuesday.

INTERNET

whereas some orders in Japan were for municipal fleets.

"I don't think we're going to have a problem

marketing and selling these cars for the first two or three years," the Nissan president and chief executive said, adding that tax incentives had made the car very popular in California.—Internet

The Leaf — an acronym for Leading, Environmentally Friendly, Affordable, Family — is billed by Nissan as the world's first mass-produced electric vehicle with zero emissions.

Internet

Brazil's current account deficit soars in 1st 4 months of 2010

RIO DE JANEIRO, 26 May—Brazil registered a current account deficit of nearly 17 billion US dollars in the first four months of 2010, a surge from the 4.8 billion dollars recorded a year earlier, the country's Central Bank said on Tuesday. The latest deficit represents 2.68 percent of Brazil's gross domestic product. In the first four months of 2009, the current account deficit amounted to 1.26 percent

of the country's GDP. The current account figures are formed by the trade balance results, the services and income account, and the unilateral transfers from abroad. In the first four months of this year, Brazil accumulated a trade surplus of 2.2 billion dollars, down from the 6.7 billion dollars a year ago.

The services and income account accumulated a deficit of

20 billion dollars, up from 12.7 billion dollars in the same period last year. The unilateral transfers from abroad totalled 1.12 billion dollars, down from 1.145 billion dollars in the same period last year.

Internet

A train attendant conducts a drill in receiving passengers before a trial service of the inter-city express train between Guiyang, capital of Guizhou Province, and Duiyun in Guizhou Province on 25 May, 2010. The express train service will be started on Wednesday.

XINHUA



Singapore's manufacturing output surges 51 pct on-year in April

SINGAPORE, 26 May—Singapore's manufacturing output increased a staggering 51.0 percent in April on a year-on-year basis, Singapore's Economic Development Board said on Wednesday. Output by clusters increased almost across-the-board. Output of the biomedical manufacturing cluster surged 95.8 percent year-on-year in April, driven mainly by the 101.7 percent jump in the

pharmaceuticals segment. The growth in the pharmaceutical segment was largely attributed to a different production mix in the active pharmaceutical ingredients. The electronics cluster's output grew 60.0 percent in April on a year-on-year basis. The semiconductors segment posted strong growth of 97.8 percent as global demand for electronics remained strong.

Xinhua

Business

Forestry Minister meets Thai guests

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May —Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung received a six-member delegation led by Investment Advisor to PIT-International Company Mr. Suppamas Prachakvej from Thailand at the ministry here this afternoon. The meeting focused on investment in the forestry sector. — MNA



UEC member meets Mawlamyine district/township subcommissions

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — A work coordination meeting between Member

of Union Election Commission Mon State In-charge U Nyunt Tin and members of Mawlamyine District Subcommission and eight township subcommissions in the district was held at Shwe Myinehall in Mawlamyine Township yesterday.

The UEC member

explained works to be done by district/township subcommissions, election law and rules and work directives, and answered the queries raised by those present.

The meeting ended with concluding remarks by the UEC member.

MNA

Forestry Minister U Thein Aung receives Investment Advisor to PIT-International Company Mr. Suppamas Prachakvej and party from Thailand.—MNA

We are not too late...

MAUNG HLAING

It was during the days of my childhood. When I saw the adults smoke cheroots, I developed a craving for smoking. Their style of smoking attracted me to try cheroots. Before long, I used to smoke on the sly. I was about ten years old then.

As we were brought up in the rural area and far from health education, we had no knowledge on the danger of smoking. In the surrounding of the undeveloped rural life in those days, it was not a strange thing to see a teenager smoking a cheroot. However, when Mother or Father caught me smoking on the sly, I was beaten black and blue. Although my parents admonished me, I was unwilling to give up smoking.

Although we cannot definitely say when the smoking habit started to flourish, the bad habit has been deeply rooted in our human society since years ago.

The way tobacco is used has changed over the years. Chewing tobacco, cheroots, pipes, cigars, cigarettes and snuff have been in fashion at different times in history. Chewing tobacco is made of poor-quality leaves mixed with honey or molasses. It is chewed, and then the leaves and juices are spat out. The leaves of the tobacco plant are dried and crumbled. The crumbled tobacco is used in cheroots, pipes and cigars which are smoked. According to the

history, cigarettes became popular only after the cigarette-manufacturing machine was invented in 1881. Growing public disgust at tobacco spitting also made people change to cigarettes. People have started to smoke for different reasons. Sometimes, they wish to appear more grown up, at ease, or attractive. But, the more a person smokes, the harder it is to stop.

One of the reasons why so many children start smoking is that it is a "grow-up" thing to do. They smoke in order to impress their friends, and also because they do not really believe that tobacco will do them any harm. Quite reasonably, they are not impressed when adults warn them about the dangers of smoking.

If smoking is dangerous, why do so many adults do it?

As tobacco is killing millions of people all over the world and it will do so in future, we need not overemphasize the danger of tobacco. However, it is pitiable to hear that nonsmokers have been made scapegoats for the real smokers.

If our parents did not smoke when we were young, we may be healthier because our cholesterol level may be lower than people whose parents smoked near them. A low cholesterol level means less chance of heart disease. It means that nonsmokers are also affected. Health experts say so.

New studies show that teenagers with parents

who smoke cigarettes are at higher risk of heart disease than nonsmokers' children. This is because the smoke that the teenagers breathe "second hand" raises the cholesterol level of their blood. Second-hand smoke from other smokers may also cause cancer in children and respiratory illness, such as colds, bronchitis and pneumonia. Many people are surprised to learn that "second-hand smoke" is very unhealthy.

Thousands in the United States die each year from heart disease and lung cancer from breathing other people's tobacco smoke. Besides, second-hand smoke also causes breathing infections in young children. It can even cause sudden death in babies.

Health experts have estimated that passive smoking has affected millions of people around the globe today. Passive smoking, meaning involuntary inhalation of smoke from tobacco products, can increase the incidence of cardiovascular and respiratory disease and even lead to lung cancer.

Some smoke to feel good. Others smoke to while away the time. Because of the human nature, people like to make excuses for smoking. Why do we smoke? We smoke because we want to smoke. Choose whichever you fancy. But you cannot deny the fact that smoking is the world's leading preventable cause of death.

The nicotine inhaled from cigarettes makes the heart beat faster, and makes the arteries contract. This can lead to blockages in the arteries, particularly in the legs. The tar and carbon monoxide taken into the lungs cause cancer and bronchitis.

Although these harmful effects are well known, people continue to smoke. Some people carry on smoking even after having a heart attack or a leg amputated.

In some countries, there has been a strong push to ban public smoking. Why do we run the risk of burning our money?

We should have stopped smoking since two decades ago. However, now is the best to quit smoking. We are not too late to do so.

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Roads under construction with B.O.T system



Minister U Khin Maung Myint delivers address in meeting with staff from 33 construction companies. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May—Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint met officials from 33 companies working under B.O.T system at

the Ministry here yesterday.

It was also attended by Deputy Ministers U Tint Swe and U Myint Thein, departmental

heads, superintendent engineers from states and divisions, owners and officials from 33 companies. Ministry of Construction has built 21,361

Applications for registration of political party passed, scrutinized

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May— Of 29 parties that submitted applications for registration as political party, the Union Election Commission has found the following parties to be in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law and Rules, and thus the commission granted permission to them to register as political parties today. They are as follows:-

- (1) Shan Nationalities Democratic Party
- (2) United Democratic Party
- (3) The 88 Generation Student Youths (Union of Myanmar)
- (4) The Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics

Up to date, there were 41 parties that submitted applications to form and to continue existence as political parties. Eighteen of 29 parties that submitted applications for registration as political party have been granted permission to register as political parties, and the remaining parties are under scrutiny.—MNA

miles and two furlongs of road across the country. Of them, a total of 79 roads—4767 miles and six furlongs of road—are being built by 33 companies under B.O.T system.

Deputy Minister U

Tint Swe explained collaborative efforts for better transport between the Ministry and companies.

Deputy Minister U Myint Thein reported on guarantee, registration, making contracts in line

with set rules and regulations and presenting to MIC and TC. Acting Managing Director U Kyaw Lin and officials from B.O.T companies presented their respective works.—MNA

Pathein-Thalatkhoa-Mawtinsun Road...

(from page 1)

In response to my question, Ko Saw Nyi Maung from Matawgon Village said that he was a native of the region, and he had never seen such a fine road before in his region; and that he was pleased that local people would be able to make a pilgrimage to Mawtinsun, as well as to Pathein thanks to Pathein Bridge.

Ma Yin Lay from Kyettuyway Village-

tract said that the transport of her region was getting smooth due to the roads and bridges the government had constructed; that previously, boat was the only means of transport between their region and Mawtinsun, and other means was going by foot; and that then the destination would be directly accessible by car, so they would be in a position to pay a visit to the Mawtinsun Pagoda.

At the opening ceremony, Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe and Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint delivered speeches.

They said that 502 bridges are under construction on the network of 10 roads in the division; that the total length of various types of new roads in the division has reached 1570 miles and one furlong; that in compliance with the guidance of the Head of State, the

Ministry of Construction has constructed new roads, stretching as long as 7726 miles and two furlongs; that Ayeyawady dwellers will soon be able to choose one of the network roads in the division to reach the regions they want to travel to; that from 1988 to date, the ministry has constructed 39 over-180-foot-long bridges and 312 under-180-foot-long bridges, Yazudaing No (1) Bridge, and Nyaungdon Bridge crossing the river Ayeyawady, and 20 cyclone shelters; that it is



Kayin national Ko Saw Nyi Maung has a lot to tell about benefits of the road.

now constructing eight more cyclone shelters; that as a result of the new roads and bridges in the eastern and western parts of the river, local goods can be transported easily to any other region throughout the nation; that with trade activities, local people will be able to enjoy better socio-economic life; and that he urged all to do their bit in building a modern, developed nation, and maintain the facilities for their durability.

Now, Public

Works under the Ministry of Construction is building four rail-cum-road bridges and one road bridge on the Ayeyawady River. It is heartening to learn that so far, Public Works has constructed over 300 over-180-foot-long bridges across the nation. So, I can help praising Myanmar engineers for their brilliant performance.

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26-5-2010



A road section of Pathein-Thalatkhoa-Mawtinsun Road, which was commissioned on 14 May.

Three to face action in Mingala Market fire

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May—A fire broke out on the fourth floor of Mingala Market in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon, at about 8.30 am on 24 May and was put out at about 5.05 am yesterday.

The investigation made by a team led by Director U Aung Kyaw Myint of the Fire Services Department revealed that the market committee cut off electric power supply when the market hours were over at 5 pm on 23 May; that at that time owners of shop No. Sa (80/81) were boiling water with the use of an electric pot; that they forgot to pull off the plug as well as to switch off; that the electric power supply resumed at the market hours at 7.30 am the following day, and the electric pot set fire to nearby cosmetics at about 8.30 am after all the water was dried up and the electric pot got excessively hot.

Then, the whole floor caught fire, burning down 399 cosmetics shops, 398 pharmaceuticals shops on the fourth floor and 48 food stalls on the top floor. The total loss of goods is estimated at

about 20,926.3 million kyats, and the loss caused by to the damage to the building is under estimation.

Due to the efforts of firefighters and officials, 849 shops on the ground floor and 2373 shops on the first, second and third floors did not catch fire.

The disaster injured a public member and three firefighters, and there were no deaths.

Mingala Taungnyunt Township Police Station has filed a lawsuit against owners of Shop Sa (80/81): U Tin Aung, Ma Thida Shwe (a) Ma Thida, and Ma Khin Mar Aye for their negligence.

There was heavy loss in the fires of markets across the nation such as Mandalay Yadanabon Market, Mawlamyine Market, and Yangon Thingangyun Market. Not only the nation but also private shop owners suffer heavy loss due to such fires. Authorities concerned today urged the people to use electric power with care, and warned that punitive punishment will be given to negligent electric power users next times.—MNA

Explosives found under rails

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May—Explosives were found under rails between Myitkyina and Nan Kway stations this morning.

The security personnel discovered four packages of explosives — two packages placed under each joint of rails as they were informed by a service personnel of the Myanma Railways that he found a suspicious-looking package under the rail between Mile Post No 719/19 and 20 between Myitkyina Station and Nankway Station on Mandalay-Myitkyina Rail Road about 10.35 am today.

In the packages, they found 30 blocks of TNT weighing 400 g, 20 blocks weighing 200 g, six detonation fuses, three circuits and 12 1.5-volt batteries.

The rainwater had deactivated the explosives attached to circuits and batteries which were seemed to be set last night. The authorities are investigating the case.

The authorities have alerted the people to inform them of any suspicious-looking person or thing as insurgents have been committing sabotages to destroy rail lines, trains and to kill passengers and to cause panic among the people.

MNA

Kindah dam: the booster for...

(from page 16)

We left Kume for Kindah Dam in the south of Kume by car. We saw summer paddy, summer sesame, Ngwechi-6 cotton plantations along the road. After



U Than Yin (farmer)
Langwa village



Thriving Ngwechi-6 cotton plantation.



Thriving summer paddy in Myittha Township.

leaving Kume, we had to cross a concrete bridge built by spanning left canal of Kindah Dam. Before long, we got to Kindah diversion dam.

The diversion dam was built by spilling water of

Kindah dam from which electricity is generated. Although it is a diversion dam, it can store much water like a dam. The dam had been renovating starting from King Anawrahta, and was rebuilt in 1986. "Thanks to the dam, I

can now grow paddy in farmlands and Ngwechi 6 cotton and summer sesame in croplands," said farmer U Tha Yin of Langwa village in Myittha Township. Thanks to the dam, farmers from Myittha, Kyaukse, TadaU and Wundwin townships can

successfully grow monsoon paddy and summer paddy plus other crops. It contributes much towards promoting socio-economic status of local people.

Translation: MT
Myanma Alin
(26-5-2010)

Supply of water to farmlands through left canal of Kindah Dam.





Photo taken on 24 May, 2010 shows the interior of the Meiji International Convention and Exhibition Centre where the China "Summer Davos" summit will be held in September in north China's Tianjin. The centre will be in service in the end of May. —XINHUA

Former FIFA boss Havelange hospitalized

RIO DE JANEIRO, 26 May — Former FIFA President Joao Havelange was taken to hospital last Wednesday but proven lately to be a non-serious facial infection, according to AFP report on Tuesday.

The 94-year-old, having led the sport's world governing body from 1974 to 1998, was likely to be released in the next few days, the report quoted a hospital official as saying.

Internet

Europe mobilises against deficits

PARIS, 26 May—A string of European governments drew up battle plans to attack budget deficits on Tuesday, with Britain, France, Italy and Denmark turning on public spending and pay, the pension age and taxes.

In a sharp switch under pressure from the eurozone debt crisis, and despite risks of triggering a new recession, these four countries joined a European offensive to shore up market confidence by taking harsh fiscal medicine.



A one euro coin displayed in front of a one US dollar note. A string of European governments drew up battle plans to attack budget deficits, with Britain, France, Italy and Denmark turning on public spending and pay, the pension age and taxes.—INTERNET

Greece, Portugal and Ireland have already announced draconian action.—Internet

Oil rises to near \$70 on stocks, US gasoline drop



The price for one gallon of regular unleaded gasoline appears on the sign in front of the Speedway gas station in aurora, Ohio on Tuesday, 25 May, 2010. The drop in crude prices continues to work its way into retail gasoline prices. Pump prices fell 1.3 cents overnight to a national average of \$2.78 per gallon, according to AAA, Wright Express and Oil Price Information Service.—INTERNET

SINGAPORE, 26 May—Oil prices rose to near \$70 a barrel Wednesday in Asia as a drop in U.S. gasoline supplies and rebounding Asian stock markets bolstered confidence that demand for fuel is rising.

Benchmark crude for July delivery was up \$1.13 to \$69.88 a barrel at late afternoon Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract dropped \$1.46 to settle at \$68.75 on Tuesday.

Gasoline supplies unexpectedly fell last week, dropping by 3.2 million barrels, the American Petroleum Institute said late Tuesday. Analysts had expected an increase of 150,000 barrels, according to a survey by Platts, the energy information arm of McGraw-Hill Cos.

Crude supplies at the key Cushing, Oklahoma storage terminal fell 772,000 barrels while overall inventories of crude and distillates rose, the API said. "A draw in stocks at the Cushing, OK hub is potentially a bullish signal for crude oil," energy consultant The Schork Group said in a report.

Internet

Indonesia's coal production expected to reach 320 million tons in 2010

JAKARTA, 26 May—Indonesian coal miners were expected to produce as much as 320 million tons of coal this year, an increase of nearly 7 percent from the 300 million tons extracted last year, the Jakarta Post quoted an official as saying on Tuesday.

Bob Kamandanu, chairman on the Indonesian Coal Mining Association (APBI) said in Jakarta on Monday the rise in production would be partly due to rising demand from India and China.

"The coal market is very bullish at the

moment. Demand is rising everywhere, especially in China and India," Bob said.

He estimated the coal demand in the international market would continue to increase for at least the next five years, and that the surging demand would encourage the miners to boost their production.

"They will move on with exploration and exploitation. They will also seek for 'un-organic' growth through acquisition," he said.

Bob added that as much as 59 million tons coal had been

produced as of February this year.

"Therefore, the figure of 320 million is very much achievable," he said.

Indonesian coal production stood at 238 million tons in 2008.

Of the 320 million tons estimated to be produced this year, Bob said the producers were required to allocate as much as 30 percent of their production for the domestic market to comply with the domestic market obligations (DMO) imposed by the government.

Xinhua

Finance Minister says Greek crisis not to affect Indonesia

JAKARTA, 26 May—Newly appointed Finance Minister Agus Martowardojo has said that the Greek debt crisis which has caused share prices worldwide to fall would not affect the Indonesian economy, the Jakarta Post reported on Wednesday.

Speaking to reporters on Tuesday after attending the plenary session of the House of Representatives, the finance minister said that the Indonesian economy remained fundamentally strong despite the significant fall in share prices and the decline in the rupiah against the US dollar in the recent days. "I'm optimistic, Indonesia can face the financial storm safely thanks to a healthy state budget and the country's strong cash flow," he said. Given these encouraging economic factors, he said that the people need not fear any possible negative impact of the Greek crisis on the Indonesian economy.

Xinhua



The logo of phone manufacturer Sony Ericsson is pictured outside the company's headquarters in west London. Nokia and Sony Ericsson make some of the world's most environmentally sound electronics, while Nintendo and Toshiba are among the least eco-friendly, Greenpeace claims in a green guide released on Wednesday.

INTERNET

Cuba, Montenegro sign cooperation deal

HAVANA, 26 May—Cuba and Montenegro signed a cooperation agreement on Tuesday on economy, politics, health, culture, transport and the environment, local media reported.

It was signed by Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodriguez and his Montenegrin counterpart Milan Rocen.

Rocen told reporters after signing the document that the friendship between the two nations is older than

the birth of Montenegro as an independent state, adding people in his country, old and young alike, are familiar with many facets of Cuban society.

He stressed that Havana was among the first to recognize the independence of Montenegro.

Meanwhile, Rodriguez described the bilateral relations as "excellent," saying that there is great cooperation potential between the two sides

in trade, tourism, investment, culture, sports and medicine.

Montenegro and Cuba are two small countries facing many common challenges and sharing similar objectives in the international arena, Rodriguez said.

Montenegro, the smallest of the former Yugoslav republics, declared independence four years ago.

Xinhua



A player plays Kongzhu, a traditional Chinese game, during a Kongzhu game in Renggang Community of Nantong, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 25 May, 2010. More than 50 senior Kongzhu lovers took part in the game here on Tuesday.

XINHUA

Venezuela seizes 1.8 tons of marijuana

CARACAS, 26 May—Agents of the Venezuelan National Guard seized 1.8 tons of marijuana in Merida state early Tuesday morning, 420 kilometers southwest of Caracas, Venezuela's capital.

Director of the National Anti-Drug Office Nestor Reverol told the state-run Bolivarian News Agency that the illegal load was hidden in a cooling vehicle with a fish load.

The Venezuelan authorities have seized this year more than 26 tons of different kinds of drugs.

Reverol added that the load was coming from La Fria town in Tachira state, some 100 km northeast of the place where it was seized. During the operation one Colombian citizen was detained.—Xinhua

Fire in Chinese market in Bucharest, no casualties reported

BUCHAREST, 26 May—A fire broke out in a Chinese market in the northeastern outskirts of Romanian capital Bucharest early on Wednesday morning, but so far there has been no report of casualties.

The fire covered an area of over 1,000 square meters in the Red Dragon Chinese market, the largest of its kind in central and southeastern Europe, a Xinhua correspondent at the scene reported.

The fire has not yet been put out, he said.

Xinhua

78th conference of International Commission of Large Dams opens

HANOI, 26 May—The 78th annual conference of International Commission of Large Dams opened here on Tuesday with the participation of about 600 delegates from 90 countries and regions.

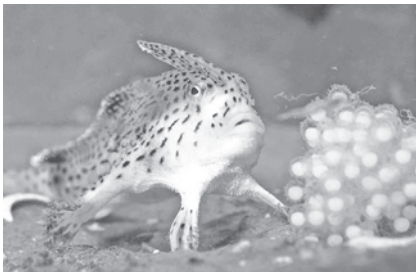
Speaking at the opening ceremony of the conference, Vietnamese Deputy Prime Minister Hoang Trung Hai said that the event is of great significance and serves as a forum for international experts to share experience in safe developments of dams and water sources security.

"The Vietnamese government pays due attention to sustainable development and exploitation of water sources, and welcomes international cooperation in technology transfer, investment and human resource training," Hai said.

An international seminar themed "Dams and Sustainable Water Resource Development" will be held during the conference. About 180 scientific reports on 17 topics have been submitted to the seminar.

Xinhua

New handfish species walk on by



Spotted Handfish

Handfishes have hand-like fins, and they tend to "walk" rather than swim. Fifty million years ago, the small, colourful, and

handfish have been described by CSIRO in research that highlights an urgent need to better understand and protect the diversity of life in Australia's oceans.

Only four specimens of Pink Handfish are known and was last recorded off the Tasman Peninsula in 1999. The Pink Handfish will feature in a photographic exhibition of Australia's marine biodiversity that opens today (21 May) at Questacon in Canberra.

2,000-year old "icebox" unearthed in northwest China

Archeologists in northwest China's Shaanxi Province said Wednesday they had found a primitive "icebox" dating back at least 2,000 years in the ruins of an emperor's residence.

The "icebox," unearthed in Qianyang County, contained several clay rings 1.1 metres in diameter and 0.33 metres tall, said Tian Yaqi, a researcher with the Shaanxi Provincial Institute of Archeology.

"The loops were put together to form a shaft about 1.6 metres tall," Tian said.

The shaft was unearthed about 3 metres underground within the ruins of an ancient building which experts believed was a temporary imperial residence during the Qin Dynasty (221 - 207 BC).

"The shaft led to a

river valley, but it could not have been a well," said Tian. A well, he explained, would have been much deeper as groundwater could not have been reached only 3 metres underground in arid northwest China.

"Nor would it have been possible to build a well inside the house."

Tian and his colleagues believe the shaft was an ice cellar, known in ancient China as "ling yin," a cool place to store food during the summer.

News Album

The chocolate beans mosaic of Mona Lisa is seen at the Sweets & Snacks Expo 2010 in Chicago, the United States, on 25 May, 2010. The three-day expo kicked off here on Tuesday with the participation of some 450 companies from 69 countries and regions and over 14,000 attendees.

A recently excavated statuette of a boy Pharaoh dating from the 4th or 5th century BC is held onboard the Princess Duda research boat, anchored in the harbour of Alexandria, Egypt, on 25 May, 2010.



Woman ends up in coma after overdosing on bok choy



NEW YORK, 26 May—A 88-year-old Chinese woman, who was eating large amounts of bok choy in hopes of controlling her diabetes, ended up in a coma after ‘overdosing’ on the vegetable, according to a report in the *New England Journal of Medicine*. The woman, who was not identified in the report, was brought by her family to an emergency

room at a hospital in New York City last summer. She was unable to swallow or walk for three days.

When doctors examined her, they discovered she had a severe case of hypothyroidism, which left her in a thyroid-induced coma. A breathing tube was inserted and she was taken to the intensive care unit where she eventually recovered.

Because the woman was eating so much bok choy—between 2 to 3 pounds on a daily basis—doctors believe an enzyme in the vegetable hindered the thyroid’s ability to function properly. This case demonstrates the potential for nutritional factors to have a profound effect on health,” it was stated in the report.— *Internet*

UK’s child mortality rate falls behind other countries

LONDON, 26 May — The UK is lagging behind other high income countries on cutting child mortality, international figures show. Along with the USA, New Zealand and South Korea, child deaths in the UK have not fallen as quickly as expected.



The vast majority of child deaths occur in developing countries.— INTERNET

The research confirms the UK has the highest child mortality rate — 5.3 per 1,000 live births — in Western Europe. But new global estimates published by *The Lancet* show that in many poorer countries, the decline in deaths in the under-fives is speeding up.

The analysis done by a team at the University of Washington in Seattle found stark differences in child deaths between high-income countries. As well as having the worst child mortality in Western Europe, globally the UK fell from 12th best in 1970 to 33rd best in 2010.— *Internet*

Woman falls off cliff while mowing lawn

FIFE, 26 May—A 66-year-old woman was in a stable condition after falling 25m from her cliff-top garden while trying to mow the lawn. British pensioner Kate Nicholl was rescued after two teenagers discovered her lying on rocks on the shore of the River Tay in Fife, eastern Scotland, the *Telegraph newspaper* reports.

“We were just walking on the beach to pass the time on a hot summer’s evening, when we just came across her,” one of the teens, Ian Anderson, said.

MSN NZ reported the 17-year-old as saying: “She was waving her arms and shouting for help. We went over to where she was, and it was obvious she was badly injured. There was blood all over her head and down her shirt.” Mrs Nicholl was airlifted to hospital.— *Internet*

Young English ‘don’t know history’

LONDON, 26 May—Many of England’s young people have gaps in their history knowledge, unable to tell the difference between Admiral Nelson and Oliver Cromwell, or the nationality of Charles Darwin, according to a poll. Nearly half of 18-24-year-olds (45%) do not know that Nelson led the British to victory at the Battle of Trafalgar, with more than one in six (15%) believing Cromwell was responsible, according to a survey commissioned by the national schools singing programme Sing Up. More than one in four of the 18 to 24-year olds questioned (28%) thought the Battle of Trafalgar was part of the English Civil War.

Over a third (34%) did not know that Darwin was English, with one in seven (14%) believing he was American, one in 10 (11%) saying he was Scottish and a similar proportion (9%) giving his na-



Many English youngsters don’t know their history, according to a poll.

INTERNET

tionality as Canadian. The survey questioned 200 18 to 24-year olds as part of a wider survey of more than 1,700 adults. More than three in 10 (32%) of all adults questioned did not know Darwin was English, while more than a fifth (22%) did not know that Nelson led the British to victory at Trafalgar.—*Internet*

Man sets new mower speed record

LONDON, 26 May—A British lawn mower has raced into the record books by cutting through the world land speed record. The unique jet-red lawn mower hit 86.069 mph on Saturday, adding almost 6mph to a previous top speed set in America four years before. But then on Sunday night, rider Don Wales topped the new record time he set himself just 24 hours earlier with an impressive speed of 87.833mph.



Don Wales breaks the world land speed record for a lawn mower on Pendine Sands.

INTERNET

It meant the historic Pendine Sands venue, in west Wales, witnessed two world records on consecutive days over the weekend — although

hopes of speeding through the 100mph barrier across a mile-long section of beach remains elusive. Clare Hansley-Boyd, a spokeswoman for the Project Runningblade team, said: “We are very excited and very pleased to have beaten our own record. We have finished the weekend-world record holders and have improved on Saturday’s speed so we are happy with that.”

Internet

Canadian boy comes to US for life-changing surgery



Maddox, here with his dad, suffers from what is known as a lymphatic malformation.— INTERNET

NEW YORK, 26 May — Two-year-old Maddox Flynn is a precocious toddler who loves to laugh, run around and play hockey — he is Canadian after all. But, a severe facial deformity has led this little Edmonton native and his father to leave their home country and come to the United States for a life-changing surgery.

Maddox suffers from what is known as a lymphatic malformation, which has completely engulfed the left side of his face. Doctors in Canada were unable to perform the surgery to remove the growth due to the complexity of the procedure, so Maddox and his family looked for help elsewhere, and that’s when they met Dr. Milton Waner, the co-

director of the Vascular Birthmark Institute of New York.

“I found out about Dr. Waner from a good friend who found him on the computer,” Maddox’s dad, Mike Flynn, told *FoxNews.com* just minutes before his son was scheduled to go into surgery at Beth Israel Medical Centre in Manhattan. “And once I saw him, I knew right away that this was the man who was going to help to help Maddox.”

Internet

Internet

China makes breakthrough in transgenic sheep research

URUMQI, 26 May—Chinese scientists announced here Tuesday that they have successfully developed a technique which could lead to the breeding of transgenic sheep in large numbers.

Dr. Liu Mingjun with the Xinjiang Academy of Zootechnical Science said that the technique called “lentivirus “ was



more efficient and predictable than traditional methods, and could give China the edge for breeding genetically altered sheep and establishing a new transgenic sheep species.—*Xinhua*

Singapore continues to clean up oil spill from ships collision



This photo shows a 10-metre gash on the port side of tanker MT Bunga Kelana 3 after colliding before dawn off the east coast of Singapore with bulk carrier MV Waily. Emergency teams have been scrambling to contain thousands of tonnes of crude oil that spilled into waters near one of the world's busiest ports.—INTERNET

SINGAPORE, 26 May—Singapore continued on Wednesday the efforts to contain and clean up the oil slick following the collision between a tanker and bulk carrier.

A Malaysian-registered tanker, MT

Bunga Kelana 3 and the St Vincents and The Grenadines-registered bulk carrier, MV Waily collided at about 06:03 am local time on Tuesday, with some 2,500 tons of crude oil spilled into the sea. No injuries were reported.

A helicopter rescue by the Republic of Singapore Air Force found an oil slick measuring 4 km by one km located about 6 km south of Changi East on Tuesday afternoon.

The Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) said that non-toxic and biodegradable oil spill dispersants were used to break up the oil slick into smaller globules and containment booms were used to contain and prevent the oil slick from hitting the coastlines.

At around 02:00 am local time on Wednesday, small patches of oil and sheen were sighted at Changi Naval Base. Six response craft equipped with dispersants were on site to manage the oil and sheen.

Xinhua

Explosion hits bank in Argentina, no casualties

BUENOS AIRES, 26 May—A home-made explosive device exploded in front of a bank in Buenos Aires on Tuesday, damaging windows and an ATM of the bank but causing no casualties.

Police said in a statement that the explosion occurred at 1:48 am local time (0448 GMT) in a building in front of the Justice Palace and some 300 meters away from the Colon Theater.

Police said the damage was "severe" and the explosion "completely destroyed the windows at the entrance of the bank and the ATM."

There were no victims, but police said the explosion occurred in the streets that have been under absolute

control since Friday because of Independence Day celebrations.

At the moment of the explosion, a dancing show was underway in a street less than 500 meters away from the bank.

The Chilean anarchist movement "Revolutionary Cells Mauricio Morales Brigade" claimed responsibility for the

attack, saying they did it to oppose the celebrations.

Argentine President Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner on Tuesday inaugurated the closing ceremony of the celebrations of Independence Bicentenary, which began last Friday in Buenos Aires. More than 1 million people participated in the celebrations.

Xinhua



People attend Vinexpo Asia-Pacific in Hong Kong on 25 May, 2010. A total of 842 exhibitors from 32 countries and regions take part in the three-day Vinexpo, which opened here on Tuesday.—XINHUA



A group of tourism officials walk on a trail near Bannerman Castle on Pollepel Island, NY., on Tuesday, 11 May, 2010. One of the stranger sights on the river, Bannerman's island castle is a high-walled ruin topped with turrets that looks like it was built to repel catapult attacks. In reality, the century-old structure off the river's eastern shore was a warehouse for bayonets, pith helmets, rifles and other military relics.

INTERNET

Mexico export promotion body sees China as preferred trade, investment partner

MEXICO CITY, 26 May—Mexico's export promotion body ProMexico has listed China as one of the eight most desirable nations for trade and investment, ProMexico's president Bruno Ferrari said on Tuesday.

"China is one of the eight priority nations for Mexico," Ferrari said during a conference on Mexico's economy organized by ProMexico.

Ferrari said that Bardahl, the Mexican auto lubricants and

accessories firm, had joined the nation's biggest breadmaker Bimbo and medium-sized restaurant chain Fogoncito in investing in and profiting from ventures in China.

Meanwhile, Ferrari said he was proud that Chinese copper tube manufacturer Golden Dragon had set up businesses in the state of Coahuila in northern Mexico, and that its investment there had topped 140 million US dollars.

Xinhua

Int'l TV Brazil starts broadcasting in African countries

BRASILIA, 26 May—Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, inaugurated the broadcasting of International TV Brasil on Monday, which provides programmes for viewers in 49 African countries via cable television.

The Brazilian public television channel conceived its International channel

in order to distribute information about the country, its culture and its people, and meet the strong demand of the community of Brazilian immigrants, amounting to about 3 million people in the world.

In a ceremony held at the Brazilian Foreign Ministry, Lula da Silva stressed the quality of Brazilian television

and the important role of public media.

Xinhua

A fisherman casts his fishing net into the Mekong river in Kandal Province on 26 May 2010.

INTERNET



Floods affect 2,400 people in Panama

PANAMA CITY, 26 May—Floods affected some 2,400 people in a province on Panama's Caribbean coast in the past 24 hours, the authorities said on Tuesday.

It is estimated that some 600 houses were damaged in the province of Bocas del Toro, said Javier Castillo, the operation chief of the National System of Civil Protection (Sinaproc).

Most of the affected families are in the regions of Una Milla, Puerto Almirante and Nuevo Paraiso, Castillo added.

Floods occurred when the water level rose in the Teribe River due to heavy rains.

Castillo said though the rains have stopped, uncertainties still remain in the affected areas, where five children have been rescued.—Xinhua

Heavy rains in Colombia kill 18, leave 84,200 victims

BOGOTA, 26 May—The heavy rains in Colombia have killed at least 18 people and left some 84,200 victims in 134 municipalities, the Colombian National Emergency System said on Tuesday.

The heavy rains in the country have made hundreds of flooding, landslides and storms.

The national network of emergency also reported that 87 were injured and five missing, as well as more than 15,000 house were damaged.

The most affected department was Caqueta in the south of the country, where 12,000 fell to victims of the flooding on the weekend, followed by Tolima, Antioquia, Valle and Choco.

During this month more heavy rains will be expected in the central and south of the country, accompanied by thunder storms.—Xinhua

SPORTS

Irish edge Paraguay in World Cup warm-up

DUBLIN, 26 May—The Republic of Ireland beat World Cup finals qualifiers Paraguay 2-1 here on Tuesday in a match where the South Americans dominated possession but

lacked a cutting edge in front of goal.

The Irish - who failed to make the finals in South Africa losing controversially in a two-legged play-off against France - scored both their goals in the first-half through Kevin Doyle and Liam Lawrence while there was a goal on his debut for Paraguay's Argentinian-born Lucas Barrios.

Paraguay coach Gerardo Martino admitted that were his side to make similar errors against world champions Italy in their group match at the finals they would pay dearly.—*Internet*



Ireland's Liam Lawrence celebrates after scoring against Paraguay during an international friendly.

INTERNET

Barry's World Cup fate still not decided after scans

LONDON, 26 May—England midfielder Gareth Barry is still not sure if he will be fit in time for the World Cup after scans on his injured ankle.

Barry saw a specialist on Tuesday to determine his progress in recovering from the ligament injury he suffered playing for Manchester City against Tottenham at the start of May.

When City announced Barry was likely to be sidelined for four weeks with the injury, England coach Fabio Capello said he would decide if Barry would remain in his World Cup plans following the scans.

But there was no news from the Football Association about the 29-year-old's fitness on Tuesday.



England midfielder Gareth Barry

However, the fact Barry is believed to have returned to City for further treatment, rather than flying to Austria to link up with England at their training camp, suggests the former Aston Villa star could be struggling to fit for the World Cup.

Internet

WC-bound US fall 4-2 to Czech Republic

EAST HARTFORD, 26 May—The United States fell 4-2 to Czech Republic on Tuesday in their last friendly football match before coach Bob Bradley names the 23-man squad for the World Cup finals.

Czech Republic took full advantage of defensive lapses by the Americans, who will host Turkey in a friendly on Saturday before the squad departs for South Africa.

Maurice Edu in the 17th minute and Herculez Gomez in the 66th each got their first international goals as Bradley rested regulars including Landon Donovan, Clint Dempsey and Tim Howard and instead took a last look at some of the players hoping to make the World Cup roster he was to name on Wednesday.—*Internet*

Greece's Nikolaos Spyropoulos (R) vies for the ball with North Korea's Chol Jin Pak (L) and Jong.—INTERNET

International friendly 2010 results and 28 fixtures reported

YANGON, 26 May—The results of international friendly 2010 played on 25 and 26 May and fixtures for 28 May were reported to the following.

25 May	Home	Score	Away	
	Armenia	3-1	Uzbekistan	
	Ukraine	4-0	Lithuania	
	Georgia	0-0	Cameroon	
	Nigeria	0-0	Saudi Arabia	
	Greece	2-2	Korea DPR	
	Montenegro	0-1	Albania	
	Ireland	2-1	Paraguay	
26 May	United States	2-4	Czech Republic	
28 May Fixtures				
Status	Home	Score	Away	Venue
Postp	Paraguay	P-P	Ivory Coast	Defensores del Chaco
Time	Home	Score	Away	Venue
19:45 UK	Ireland	V	Algeria	Croke Park

North Korea hold Greece in warm-up match

VIENNA, 26 May—Former European champions Greece were held by fellow World Cup qualifiers North Korea 2-2 on Tuesday in a pre-World Cup friendly.

Greece took the lead in Altach, in

western Vorarlberg, after two minutes with a goal by Kostas Katsouranis, who vowed to cheer his debt-stricken country up with a good performance in South Africa at the finals, which run from 11 June to 11 July. But North Korea's Japan-based striker Jong Tae-Se levelled the score after 24 minutes.

Jong, nicknamed "Asia's Rooney" after England's star striker, was on-hand again after Greece regained the lead three minutes into the second half with a goal by striker Angelos Charistias.

Internet



Henin, Nadal cruise, Safina crashes at French Open tennis

PARIS, 26 May—Justine Henin and Rafael Nadal each kept on course for their fifth French Open titles on Tuesday, but twice-beaten finalist Dinara Safina crashed out to a player who'll be 40 in September.

Henin was appearing at her first Roland Garros since 2007



Spain's Rafael Nadal returns a forehand to France's Gianni Mina during their men's first French Open.—INTERNET

following her spell in retirement and beat Bulgaria's Tsvetana Pironkova 6-4, 6-3, while Nadal eased past French teenager Gianni Mina 6-2, 6-2, 6-2.

But Russian ninth seed Safina had a day to forget, as the former world number one fell 3-6, 6-4, 7-5 to Japanese veteran Kimiko Date Krumm — the event's oldest female match-winner since Virginia Wade in 1985.

Men's sixth seed Andy Roddick came through a five-setter to beat Finland's Jarkko Nieminen 6-2, 4-6, 4-6, 7-6 (7/4), 6-3 and there were also wins for Lleyton Hewitt and Spanish seeds David Ferrer and Juan Carlos Ferrero.—*Internet*

Nigeria fails to impress in pre-World Cup friendly

VIENNA, 26 May—World Cup finals qualifiers Nigeria gave a lacklustre performance on Tuesday as it drew 0-0 against Saudi Arabia, which failed to even qualify for the tournament in South Africa next month.

In front of a crowd of 1,000 in the small local stadium of Wattens, in Tyrol province, the "Super Eagles" failed to impress in their debut under their new coach, Swede Lars Lagerback.

Led by veteran skipper Nwankano Kanu, the Nigerians hardly ever seemed to pose a threat to their adversaries.

The West African players only flew into Austria for one warm-up game and were due to return on Wednesday to London, where they have been training ahead of the World Cup.—*Internet*



Phil Mickelson of the United States, right, watches his tee.—INTERNET

Mickelson could end Woods' reign at No. 1

JACKSONVILLE, 26 May—It has been 12 years since the creation of the Mark H McCormack Award, given to the player who has been ranked No. 1 in the world for the most weeks during a calendar year.

Tiger Woods is still the only name engraved on the trophy.

Along with his 14 majors, 82 official victories and more than \$100 million in earnings worldwide, Woods' dominance of his generation is reflected in the world ranking. Dating to the 1998 US Open at Olympic Club, he has been at the top 93 percent of the time.

Woods doesn't stay there forever. He just doesn't vacate the spot for very long.—*Internet*

Nigeria's Chinedu Obasi (L) and Saudi Arabia's Saud Ali Kariri fight for the ball in their friendly match.
INTERNET





Citizens perform Tai Ji in Wuhu County, east China's Anhui Province, on 26 May, 2010. May was fixed as the World Tai Ji Month.

XINHUA

Bangladesh to send 50,000 women workers abroad in next fiscal year

DHAKA, 26 May — The Bangladeshi government expects to receive demand orders for sending 55,000 women workers abroad in the next 2010-11 fiscal year (July 2010 to June 2011), mainly for housekeeping services, according to local media on Wednesday. The parliamentary standing committee on Labour and Employment Ministry Tuesday disclosed the details on the prospect of migrant labour, leading English news paper *The Daily Star* reported.

After completing a 21-day training course, a woman can go abroad and engage in the service at a cost of 30,000 taka (429 US dollars) —Xinhua

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (27-5-2010)(Thursday)

Transmissions

Times

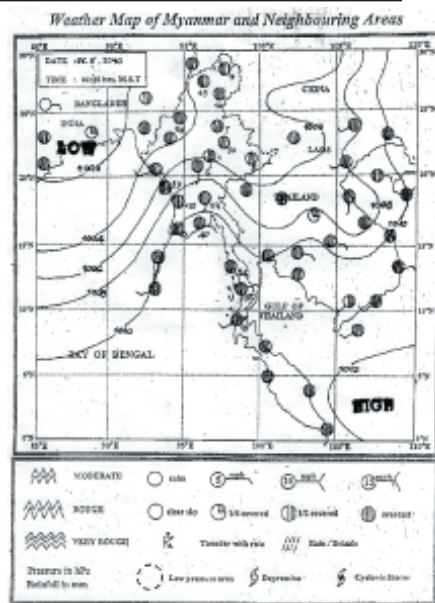
Local - (09:00am-11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (27-5-10 09:30 am ~ 28-5-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Myanmar Showbiz(Htwe Oo Myanmar purpet Show)
- * News
- * VCD Centre
- * Unique Inlay Lake, Distinctive Inle Resort
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Trip of Myanmar (Trip to Mingu)
- * Myanmar Traditional Handiwork of Casting
- * News
- * Culture Stage

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
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- * News
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- * The Gold and Silver Smith of Inlay
- * Honeymoon Trip
- * News
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- * News
- * VCD Centre
- * Wings Sign Art
- * News
- * Traditional Matrimony of Ra Wan Nationals
- * Myanmar Traditional Snack "Khaw Poat"
- * News
- * Documentary "The Strokes of Myanmar"
- * Delicious Myanmar Traditional Food
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Myanmar Royal Regalia
- * Fashion Guide (i-gift)
- * Myanmar Movies "Implicated Attachment"



WEATHER

Wednesday, 26th May, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Magway Division, scattered in Chin State and Lower Sagaing Division, fairly widespread in Rakhine State, Mandalay and Yangon Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavy falls in Rakhine and Mon States, Upper Sagaing, Bago, Ayeyawady and Thanithayi Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (5°C) above May average temperature in Ayeyawady Division, (3°C) to (5°C) below May average temperature in Shan, Rakhine, Kayin and Kyayah States, Upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, (6°C) to (8°C) below May average temperatures in Kachin State, Lower Sagaing and Bago Divisions, about May average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Gwa (10.00) inches, Thandwe (7.92) inches, Homalin (5.24) inches, Myeik (5.04) inches, Hinthada (4.72) inches, Launglon (4.61) inches, Pyapon (4.57) inches, Thayawady (4.40) inches and Kyaikhame (4.06) inches.

Maximum temperature on 25-5-2010 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 26-5-2010 was 71°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 26-5-2010 was 96%. Total sun shine hours on 25-5-2010 was (0.0) hours.

Rainfall on 26-5-2010 was (1.61) inches, at Mingaladon, (1.74) inches at Kaba-Aye and (2.64) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (7.12) inches at Mingaladon, (8.86) inches at Kaba-Aye and (6.14) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southwest at (17:30) hours MST on 25-5-2010.

Bay Inference: Moonsoon is strong in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and vigorous elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 27th May 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin and Shan States, upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Thanithayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Occasional squalls with moderate to rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of thundery conditions in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 27-5-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 27-5-2010: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 27-5-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Thursday, 27 May
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော် -ယောဆရာတော် ဟောကြားတော်မူသော ဥပ္ပါယ်သန္တတော်

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. နိုင်ငံတော်သံယမဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့အစည်း၏ရန်ကုန်တိုင်း ဗဟန်းမြို့နယ်မဟာသီသုဗ္ဗိရုံ

ရွှေကျင်တိုက်သစ်ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တသိရိန္ဒာဘိဝံသ (တိပိဋကဓရ) ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိတ၊ အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတ) ၏ချစ်ခင် ညီညာပေါင်းတာမှန်မှ ငြိမ်းချမ်းရ တရားတော်

8:10 am

4. ဓမ္မပူဇာတေးအစီအစဉ်

8:25 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:40 am

6. International News

8:45 am

7. Dance Of National Races

3:30 pm

1. Myanmar National League MNL Cup (2010)ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ် (Southern Myanmar FC အသင်း နှင့် မကွေး FC အသင်း)

5:00 pm

2. Cute little Dancers

5:05 pm

2. အေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-စတုတ္ထနှစ် (ဥပဒေပညာအထူးပြု) (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ)

5:20 pm

4. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

5:25 pm

5. " ဥတုရာသီတောကိုမှီ "

5:40 pm

6. ရောင်စုံဇော်သီတေးပန်းချီ

6:00 pm

7. Evening News

6:15 pm

8. Weather Report

6:20pm

9. ဖျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ "ချစ်သူတော်မီ"(အပိုင်း-၈) (သူရလင်းနန်းဆုရတီစိုး)

မေတ္တာယူနေခိုက်မြင့် (ဒါရိုက်တာ- အောင်ကျော်သူရ)

6:35 pm

10. ထူးဆန်းလွယ်ကူများကို သိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း

7:00 pm

11. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဆူးလွမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ" (ဒုတိယပိုင်း) (အပိုင်း-၄)

8:00 pm

12. News
13. International News
14. Weather Report
15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နှင်းဆီရောင်ဘဝ" (အပိုင်း-၁၈)
16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်တေးသံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၄၆)
17. "သီတဂူဆရာတော် အရှင်ဉာဏိသာရ၏ နယုန်လပြည့် မဟာသမယကြီးကျယ် ထူးမြတ်သည့်အခါ တော်နေ့"

- ★ 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

The Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 56/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

**The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 56/2010
14th Waxing of Nayon, 1372 ME
26 May 2010**

The Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Union of Myanmar Federation of National Politics with its headquarters at Room No. (301), Building (F) of Pearl Condominium on KabaAye Pagoda Road in Bahan Township of Yangon Division to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 26 May 2010.

The registration number of the political party is (18).

By order

Sd/ Win Ko

Secretary

Union Election Commission

Earthquake report

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology announced today that a strong earthquake of magnitude (6.4) Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Southeast of the Ryukyu Islands, Japan) about (2300) miles northeast of Kaba-Aye seismological observatory was recorded at (15) hrs (34) min (08) sec MST today.

MNA

Kindah dam: the booster for socio-economic status of local people

**Byline: Myint Maung Soe;
Photos: Aung Than
(Mingala Taungnyunt)**

The Government has been building dams across the nation. It contributes much not only to improving socio-economic life of rural people but also to greening of the regions. In the time of current government, many dams were built in arid zones—Mandalay, Sagaing and Magway Divisions. In the first week of May, We, Myanma Alin daily news

crew, make a trip to Kyaukse District in order to write bylines about regional development. As southwest monsoon did not enter Myanmar, there was no rain till mid-May. We were amazed to see summer paddy, Ngwechi-6 long staple

cotton and chilly plantations starting from border of Wundwin Township. Just as we entered into Myittha Township, blooming sesame plantations and summer paddy were seen.

On arrival at Kume, we saw a signboard that reads 21 miles to Kindah Dam. Development of Kume relies on agricultural produces of the regions. Kume sits on Yangon-Mandalay Highway and is situated in Myittha Township.

(See page 9)



Photo shows

**Kindah dam in
Myittha Township,
Mandalay
Division.**