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Senior General Than Shwe sends message of felicitations to President of the Republic of Italy

Nay Pyi Taw, 2 June— Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Dr. Giorgio Napolitano, President of the Republic of Italy, on the occasion of the Proclamation Day of the Republic of Italy, which falls on 2 June 2010.—*MNA*

Prime Minister U Thein Sein sends message of felicitations to Italian counterpart

Nay Pyi Taw, 2 June — U Thein Sein, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Silvio Berlusconi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy, on the occasion of the Proclamation Day of the Republic of Italy, which falls on 2 June 2010.— *MNA*

Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

Profile of Mr Wen Jiabao, Premier of the State Council of People's Republic of China

Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China Mr Wen Jiabao.

Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China Mr Wen Jiabao is an ethnic Han and born in September 1942 in Tianjin. He joined the Communist Party of China (CPC) in April 1965 and began working in September 1967. He graduated from the Beijing Institute of Geology, majoring in geological structure and postgraduate education in Engineering.

From 1960 to 1965, he was a student in Geological Surveying and prospecting of No. 1 Department of Geology and Minerals at Beijing Institute of Geology. From 1965 to 1968, he was a postgraduate majoring in geological structure at Beijing Institute of Geology.

From 1968 to 1978, he was a technician and political instructor of the Geo-mechanics Team under Gansu Provincial Geological Bureau and head of its political section and became a Member of Standing Committee of CPC Committee of the Geo-mechanics Team under Gansu Provincial Geological Bureau and deputy head of the team from 1978 to 1979.

From 1979 to 1982, he was a Deputy Section Chief Engineer and Deputy Director-General of Gansu Provincial Geological Bureau.

From 1982 to 1983, he was a Director-General of the Policy and Law Research office of the Ministry of Geology and Mineral Resources and member of its Leading Party of Members' Group.

From 1983 to 1985, he was a Vice Minister of Geology and Mineral Resources, member and Deputy Secretary of its Leading Party Members Group and Director-General of its Political Department.

From 1985 to 1987, he was a Deputy Director, Director of the General Office of the CPC Central Committee.

From 1987 to 1992, he was an alternate member of the Secretariat of the CPC Central Committee and concurrently Director of the General Office of the CPC Central Committee, and Secretary of the Work Committee of Department under CPC Central Committee.

From 1992 to 1993, he was an alternate member of Political Bureau of CPC Central Committee and member of the Secretariat CPC Central Committee, Director of General Office of the CPC and Central Committee and secretary of Work Committee of Departments under the CPC Central Committee.

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Applications for registration of political party scrutinized, passed

Nay Pyi Taw, 1 June — Of the parties that have been allowed to form as political parties, the Union Solidarity and Development Party submitted the application for registration of political party to the Union Election Commission today.

Of 32 parties that submitted applications to register as political parties, the 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) Peace and Diversity Party
(2) Chin Progressive Party
(3) Inn National Development Party
(4) Rakhine Nationalities Development Party

Up to date, there are 42 parties that submitted applications to form or to continue existence as political parties. Twenty-eight of 32 parties that submitted applications for registration as political parties have been granted permission to register as political parties and the remaining parties are under scrutiny. —*MNA*

Foreign Affairs Minister U Nyan Win receives Minister for Environment and International Development Mr. Erik Solheim of Norway.

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A man injured in a bombing is transported at a hospital in Hillah, Iraq recently. A suicide bomber blew himself up outside a textile factory in a crowd in the worst of a series of attacks killing nearly 100 across Iraq, the deadliest day this year.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Promote Myanmar language, culture

Literature plays an important part in improving the socio-economic life and broadening the horizons of the people.

Myanmar people value and adore literature and culture. Myanmar literature is endowed with codes of conduct in the mundane and supramundane affairs to uplift the morale and morality; etiquettes, maxims and code of laws to improve the moral characters; and cultural traditions and historic evidences to sharpen the dynamism of patriotic spirit of the people.

Composers and literati got involved in national liberation struggles through the might of literature, thus improving the ideas and morale of the people.

Inspired by their interest, aspiration and beliefs, men of letters made various forms of sacrifices for years.

The might of the pen is to be exerted effectively to promote the standard of Myanmar language, inculcate correct views, and strengthen the patriotic fervour of the people.

National literary prizes and Sarpay Beikman manuscript prizes are awarded to sharpen the abilities of outstanding national writers, and preserve and raise the Myanmar language and culture. In addition, outstanding writers are honoured by organizing literary competitions designed to boost the public sense of patriotism.

Literati are therefore urged to promote and preserve Myanmar language and culture and mobilize active participation of the public in nation-building tasks.

Applied GIS course in the offing

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June—A course on GIS (Geographic Information Systems) is planned to launch at Room No. 4, Building No. 1, e-Learning Centre of Myanmar Computer Federation, Myanmar Info-Tech, Hline Township, here, from 9 am to 4 pm on 5, 6, 12 and 13 June. The course is concerned with aerial photo and satellite photo freely downloaded from Google Earth website to be used in agriculture, irrigation, development affairs, transport, construction, prevention against natural disaster and rebuilding tasks defence and security sectors.

Government employees, staff of INGOs and NGOs in Myanmar, members of Myanmar Computer Professionals Association, Myanmar Computer Enthusiasts Association and Myanmar Engineering Society, and students may join the course with 20% off and those from other states and divisions with 40% off.

For more information, contact Room No. 7, Building No. 1 of Myanmar Credent Technology, Myanmar Info-Tech (Ph: 652285 and 652286).

MNA

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.

The second best time is now.

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**

Construction Minister visits Stores and Distribution Division (Pyinmabin)

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June — On his inspection of Stores and Distribution Division (Pyinmabin) of Public Works in Yangon yesterday, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint heard reports on storage and distribution of tar at the division and bailey trusses and warehouse yard presented by an official. Deputy Managing Director U Win Tint made a supplementary report.

After hearing reports on transportation of truss, steel rod and tar to worksites of special projects in states and divisions by water and by land presented by an official, the minister called on officials to store materials systematically and to transport tar to worksites in states and divisions in time.

The minister and party looked into transportation of 687 tons of tar to road construction projects of the Public Works in states and divisions by vehicles and systematic keeping of imported trusses.—*MNA*

***Construction Minister U Khin Maung Myint inspects storage of tar containers and bailey trusses at the yard of Stores and Distribution Division (Pyinmabin).*—MNA**

Foreign Affairs Minister felicitates Italian counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 2 June — U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Franco Frattini, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Italy, on the occasion of the Proclamation Day of the Republic of Italy, which falls on 2 June 2010.— *MNA*

SWRR Minister meets Norwegian delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June —Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe received a Norwegian delegation led by Minister of the Environment and International Development Mr. Erik Solheim and Norwegian Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mrs. Merete Fjeld Brattested at his office, here, this morning.

They discussed matters related to rehabilitation of storm-hit region and disaster management.

MNA

***SWRR Minister U Maung Maung Swe meets Norwegian Minister of the Environment and International Development Mr. Erik Solheim and party.*—MNA**

Afghan policemen check a vehicle at a check post of the Peace Jirga tent on the eve of a three-day conference in Kabul, Afghanistan on, 1 June, 2010. President Hamid Karzai is rolling out his programme to lure Taleban and other militant fighters off the battlefield, addressing a three-day conference starting Wednesday aimed at building a national consensus on how to end the nearly nine-year war.

INTERNET

Al Qaeda top leader killed, reports

BEIJING, 1 June— Al Qaeda's top leader has been killed in a missile strike in Pakistan-Afghanistan border area, *CNN* reported on Tuesday.

Al Qaeda announced the death of Mustafa Abu Yazid without detailing the circumstances of Yazid's death. But it did say his wife, three of his daughters, a granddaughter and others were killed, according to the Maryland-based SITE Intelligence Group.

Yazid, an Egyptian national, is believed to be a financial manager for al Qaeda, as well as a co-founder of the terrorist group, according to SITE.

Most recently, he announced that Al Qaeda took responsibility for a 30 Dec attack on a base in eastern Afghanistan that killed seven CIA officers and consultants and a Jordanian army captain, *CNN* reported.

Xinhua

Municipality workers clear up the debris at the site of bomb attack in the town of Mussayab, 60 km (40 miles) south of Baghdad recently. A car bomb exploded outside a crowded restaurant, killing one person and wounding 13 others, in the town of Mussayab, police said.

INTERNET

12 killed including four policemen in hospital attack in Lahore of Pakistan

A policeman stands guard in a waiting room where pools of blood and clothing are left after gunmen attacked Jinnah Hospital in Lahore early morning on 1 June, 2010.

XINHUA

LAHORE, 1 June— At least 12 people were reportedly killed in an on-going terrorist attack at the Jinnah Hospital in Pakistan's eastern city of Lahore, which started at around 12 o'clock (local time) on Monday night.

The 12 people killed included 4 policemen. At least three to four unknown gunmen were involved in the terrorist attack. The gunmen attacked the emergency ward of the Jinnah Hospital where several injured people of the Friday attacks in Lahore as well the terrorists arrested under injured condition of the Friday massacre were admitted.

Local media reports said that the hospital attackers held patients, attendants and hospital staff hostage while firing back at the police who arrived at the spot shortly after the attack was launched.

Latest reports from *Xinhua* sources in Lahore said the attackers have run away after a brief crossfire with the police. —*Xinhua*

At least 12 shot in Chicago

CHICAGO, 1 June — At least 12 people were shot and three of them died from their injuries after separate shooting incidents throughout the city between Sunday afternoon and Monday morning, the *Chicago Tribune* reported.

The shootings took place in the south, southwest, west and north parts of the city, the newspaper said on its website.

A 27-year-old man who was shot in his chest multiple times at his residence late Sunday night in the 6100 block of South Bishop Street was pronounced dead at midnight at a local hospital, police said.

An 18-year-old man who was shot in the chest Sunday night in Chicago's Brighton Park neighborhood was pronounced dead minutes later.

Another man, described as being in his 20s, suffered multiple gunshot wounds early Monday morning in the 2600 block of South Ridgeway Avenue, police said. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Early Monday morning, a person was shot in the leg on the North Side in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood.

There were several other shooting incidents in other parts of the city between Sunday afternoon and Monday morning. No suspect has been arrested for any of the shootings.

Xinhua

Iraqis stand at the site of a bombing that targeted police in Fallujah, 40 miles (65 kilometers) west of Baghdad, Iraq recently. Bombings and drive-by shootings killed at least 29 Iraqis 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

A man injured in a bombing is transported at a hospital in Hillah, about 60 miles (95 kilometers) south of Baghdad, Iraq recently. A suicide bomber blew himself up outside a textile factory in a crowd that gathered after two cars bombings at the same spot in the worst of a series of attacks killing nearly 100 across Iraq, the deadliest day this year.

INTERNET

Indonesia hosts international conference on palm oil

JAKARTA, 1 June—Indonesian city of Yogyakarta hosts International Oil Palm Conference (IOPC) that commenced on Tuesday, scheduled to last through Thursday, attracting more than 1,000 people from 23 countries.

"The enormous number of participants in the conference shows appreciation and attention of international community towards the development of palm oil industry," said Witjaksana Darmosarkoro on the sidelines of the opening ceremony, who is the head of Indonesia's Palm Oil Research Institute (PPKS), the co-organizer of the conference.Participants of the conference are scheduled to discuss 63 researches conducted by palm oil plantation experts from across the world, including palm oil enrichment, palm oil management, the palm oil business issues and product certification.—*Xinhua*

Eurozone jobless rate hits 10.1 percent in April

BRUSSELS, 1 June—Jobless rate in the 16-nation Eurozone hit 10.1 percent in April, reaching new record high since 1998, European Union statistical office Eurostat said on Tuesday.

Internet

Sexual, urinary health boosted in exercisers, nonsmokers

RALEIGH, 1 June— For people who need more reasons to start exercising and steer clear of smoking, new research finds that moving around and rejecting cigarettes can improve urinary health in women and sexual health in men.

In one study, researchers surveyed more than 2,000 Finnish women, aged 18 to 79, about smoking and their urinary health.

After the investigators adjusted the statistics so they wouldn't be thrown off by factors such as medication use and lifestyle, the researchers found that former and current smokers were 1.8 to 2.7 times more likely to need to urinate urgently, and 1.7 to 3.0 times more likely to need to urinate more frequently compared to those who never smoked.

In another study, researchers examined surveys taken by 178 healthy men at a VA medical center in North Carolina.

Even after adjusting their statistics for factors such as age and race, the study authors found that those who exercised more often reported better sexual function.

Internet

Soaring costs force Canada to reassess health model

TORONTO, 1 June— Pressured by an aging population and the need to rein in budget deficits, Canada's provinces are taking tough measures to curb healthcare costs, a trend that could erode the principles of the popular state-funded system.

Ontario, Canada's most populous province, kicked off a fierce battle with drug companies and pharmacies when it said earlier this year it would halve generic drug prices and eliminate "incentive fees" to generic drug manufacturers.

British Columbia is replacing block grants to hospitals with fee-for-procedure payments and Quebec has a new flat health tax and a proposal for payments on each medical visit — an idea that critics say is an illegal user fee.

And a few provinces are also experimenting with private funding for procedures such as hip, knee and cataract surgery.—*Internet*

***A girl reacts while getting her H1N1 influenza vaccination in Vancouver, British Columbia on 26 October, 2009.*—INTERNET**

***Booth of NVIDIA at ChinaJoy B2B Showcase in 2009.*—INTERNET**

Understanding sleep disorders

NEW YORK, 1 June — A good night's sleep is essential for good health, but certain conditions can keep you from getting the sleep you need.

The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention describes common sleep disorders and their characteristics.

Insomnia, which involves difficulty falling asleep, staying asleep or waking up too early.

Narcolepsy, which involves extreme sleepiness and sudden muscle weakness during the day, or suddenly falling asleep during the day.—*Internet*

Frequent urination at night linked to raised death risk

SANFRANCISCO, 1 June—People who wake up frequently during the night to urinate are at an increased risk of death even after accounting for chronic conditions that are known to cause the problem, two new studies show.

The findings, scheduled to be presented Sunday at the American Urological Association's annual meeting in San Francisco, suggest that frequent urination at night, or nocturia, is a predictor of mortality in adults of all ages rather than just the elderly, and that other unrecognized medical conditions may be contributing factors.

In the first study, researchers at the New England Research Institutes in Watertown, Mass., examined the health records of nearly 16,000 men and women aged 20 and older, and found that those who woke up to urinate two or more times a night had a higher risk of mortality than those who made less than two nighttime bathroom trips. The association between nocturia and mortality remained even after adjusting for coexisting conditions, such as diabetes and cardiovascular disease, and was stronger in those aged 20 to 64 than it was in those aged 65 and older.—*Internet*

Risk of miscarriage linked to antidepressants

OTTOWA, 1 June—Women who take a certain class of antidepressants during pregnancy may increase their risk of having a miscarriage by 68 percent, Canadian researchers report.

Antidepressant use is common during pregnancy, with up to 3.7 percent of women taking the drugs during the first trimester. Stopping treatment can lead to a return of depression and other symptoms, and previous studies of the medications' effects on the fetus have been small and had contradictory results. But the Canadian case-control study on more than 5,000 women found that by controlling for other factors associated with miscarriage, taking antidepressants known as selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) during pregnancy led to an increased risk of miscarriage.—*Internet*

'I thought I was too young for a blood clot'

PORTSMOUTH, 1 June —When teenager Billie-Jo Twigg felt a pain in her leg she thought she had sprained a muscle. Even when the pain became sharp and shooting and her leg swollen she was unconcerned. It was not until her biology teacher, Caroline Morgan, urged her to get her leg checked, that she took it seriously.

But within hours doctors had found three clots in her leg and Billie Jo feels lucky to be alive.

The 19-year-old, from Portsmouth, had believed that at her age she could not have had such life-threatening clots. What's quite scary is that I was due to go on a college trip to Iceland a couple of days later, and so the blood clots could have got a lot worse or moved while I was on the plane," she said. "Caroline telling me to go to a doctor literally saved my life." But others are not so lucky. Statistics obtained from the Office of National Statistics (ONS) show for the first time that blood clots in the under-40s have claimed 1,075 deaths over four years (2005-8) - 60 of these deaths were aged 20 and under.

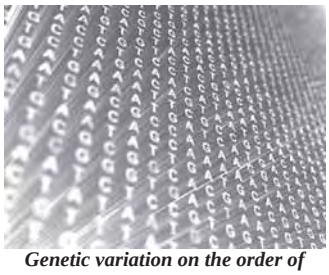
Internet

Billie-Jo is now taking blood thining drugs.
INTERNET

***Chef Gordon Ramsay, star of the new programme "Gordon Ramsay: Cookalong Live", whips egg whites as he makes Baked Alaska at the Fox Summer Television Critics Association press tour in Pasadena, California 6 August, 2009.*—INTERNET**

Health

Powerful genome barcoding system reveals large-scale variation in human DNA



Genetic variation on the order of thousands to hundreds of thousands of DNA's smallest pieces — large swaths varying in length or location or even showing up in reverse order — appeared 4,205 times in a comparison of DNA from just four people, according to a new study.

INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 1 June—Genetic abnormalities are most often discussed in terms of differences so miniscule they are actually called "snips" — changes in a single unit along the 3 billion that make up the entire string of human DNA.

"There's a whole world beyond SNPs — single nucleotide polymorphisms — and we've stepped into that world," says Brian Teague, a doctoral student in genetics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. "There are much bigger changes in there."

Variation on the order of thousands to hundreds of thousands of DNA's smallest pieces — large swaths varying in length or location or even showing up in reverse order — appeared 4,205 times in a comparison of DNA from just four people, according to a study published on 31 May in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Those structural differences popped into clear view through computer analysis of more than 500 linear feet of DNA molecules analyzed by the powerful genome mapping system developed over nearly two decades by David C. Schwartz, professor of chemistry and genetics at UW-Madison.

Internet

Natural selection for moderate testosterone surprises scientists

BLOOMINGTON, 1 June —A field study of the relationship between testosterone and natural selection in an American songbird, the dark-eyed junco, has defied some expectations and confirmed others.

Scientists from Indiana University Bloomington, the University of Virginia, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, and the University of Southern Mississippi report in the June issue of *The American Naturalist* (now online) that extreme testosterone production — high or low — puts male dark-eyed junco at a disadvantage in both survival and reproduction outside their semi-monogamous breeding pairs. The results are based on a wild population of juncos studied near the University of Virginia's Mountain Lake Biological Station.

Junco hatchlings may not be the offspring of adult males who guard their nest. Testosterone levels influence whether or not adult males will have opportunities for "extra-pair" matings.

INTERNET

"Our goal in this study was to characterize natural variation in testosterone production in the wild and to learn how that relates to natural variation in survival and reproductive success," said Joel McGlothlin, a Virginia postdoctoral fellow who conducted the project as an IU Bloomington PhD student. "We learned there are far more complex things going on here than we expected."

Internet

Animal study reveals new target for antidepressants

NEW YORK, 1 June— University of Michigan scientists have provided the most detailed picture yet of a key receptor in the brain that influences the effectiveness of serotonin-related antidepressants, such as Prozac.

The findings, which appear online Monday ahead of print in the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, open the door to providing a more targeted treatment of depression and anxiety with fewer side effects.

Depressive disor-ders change a person's mood, emotions and physical well-being and can co-occur with anxiety disorders and substance abuse.

"There are big drawbacks in the current therapies for depression," says senior author John Traynor, Ph.D., professor of pharmacology at the U-M Medical School and director of the U-M Substance Abuse Research Center. "Therapeutic benefits are delayed, there are unwanted side effects, and it's not unusual for depressive symptoms to return."—*Internet*

Faster computers with nanotechnology

GOTHENBURG, 1 June —The silicon transistors in your computer may be replaced in ten years by transistors based on carbon nanotubes. This is what scientists at the University of Gothenburg are hoping — they have developed a method to control the nanotubes during production. Silicon is subject to certain limitations, and industry is looking for a replacement. The electronics industry has net annual sales of over USD 200 billion, and this means that the development is being fuelled by powerful forces.

Scientist Johannes Svensson from the Department of Physics at the University of Gothenburg has investigated the manufacture and use of carbon nanotubes in his PhD thesis. I don't believe that it will be cheaper to build transistors from another material than silicon, but carbon nanotubes can be used to produce smaller and faster components. This will also result in computers that consume less energy" says Johannes Svensson.

Internet

Particle chameleon caught in the act of changing

ROME, 1 June— Researchers on the OPERA experiment at the INFN[1]'s Gran Sasso laboratory in Italy today announced the first direct observation of a tau particle in a muon neutrino beam sent through the Earth from CERN[2], 730 km away. This is a significant result, providing the final missing piece of a puzzle that has been challenging science since the 1960s, and giving tantalizing hints of new physics to come.

Lateral view of OPERA

The neutrino puzzle began with a pioneering and ultimately Nobel Prize winning experiment conducted by US scientist Ray Davis beginning in the 1960s. He observed far fewer neutrinos arriving at the Earth from the Sun than solar models predicted: either solar models were wrong, or something was happening to the neutrinos on their way.

Internet

S Korea firm to put cable TV on Internet

SEOUL, 1 June—A South Korean cable television company said it launched a service on the Internet on Tuesday allowing viewers to access their favourite shows anywhere.

CJ HelloVision said the "Tving" service offers 53 live channels plus video-on-demand, a service similar to that offered by US cable operator Comcast.

Tving at first will only be accessible on devices such as desktop computers and laptops but the company also plans to introduce a version for mobile devices.

Users will pay 3,500 won (three dollars) a month for full access, much lower than for conventional cable TV services which range from 8,000-31,000 won.

"Tving has better quality and convenience than original Internet protocol television and more mobility than television," CJ HelloVision spokesman Kim Hae-Young told *AFP*.

Kim said the N-Screen strategy — offering cable television programmes on numerous platforms such as mobile phones and the Internet — is gaining importance within the business.

Internet

South Koreans use the internet in Seoul. A cable television company in the country said it has launched a service on the Internet allowing viewers to access their favourite shows anywhere.

INTERNET

Science

Indonesia expects extra $74 mln from oil production

JAKARTA, 1 June—Indonesian government expected to book additional state revenue of about 74 million US dollars a year from the change in a crude oil-to-gas swap agreement between two energy giants Chevron pacific and ConocoPhillips, local media reported here on Tuesday.

Under the original swap agreement, as much as 50,000 barrels of crude oil per day (bpd) from Chevron's Duri field in Riau were exchanged for around 375 Billion British Thermal Units of gas per Day (BBTUD) from ConocoPhillips's Grissik gas field in Southern Sumatra. Chevron injected the gas into the Duri field to enhance oil recovery.

The government asked the companies to convert the swap agreement to a normal gas-sales agreement last year.

Under the new agreement, Chevron will buy ConocoPhillips' gas under a normal gas-sales-and-purchasing agreement.

With the change, which will begin on 1 Aug, the 50,000 bpd of oil previously swapped to ConocoPhillips' gas will be added to Chevron's crude oil production.It means that the government will receive a bigger share from the company's oil production.

"The agreement will secure a long-term gas supply, which is very critical for Chevron's operation," Priyono was quoted by the *Jakarta Post* daily as saying.

The final amount of the estimated 74 million US dollars revenue increase will depend on the actual sales price of the Duri crude oil, he added.

Internet

In this undated photo shows a recruiter from Foxconn talks to job applicants outside the factory in Shenzhen in southern China's Guangdong province. A Chinese employee of Foxconn Technology Group fell from a building and died on 25 May, 2010, state-run media said, in the 10th such death this year at the world's largest contract maker of electronics, such as the iPod, Dell computers and Nokia phones.—INTERNET

China's manufacturing activity slows in May

Chinese workers assemble cars at an auto plant in Hefei, in central China's Anhui province.
INTERNET

BEIJING, 1 June—China's manufacturing activity slowed in May, as the effects of government tightening measures to prevent the economy from overheating kicked in, official and independent surveys showed on Tuesday.

The HSBC China Manufacturing PMI, or purchasing managers index, fell to 52.7 last month from a revised figure of 55.2 in April, an 11-month low, indicating the recovery of China's manufacturing sector lost some momentum, the bank said.

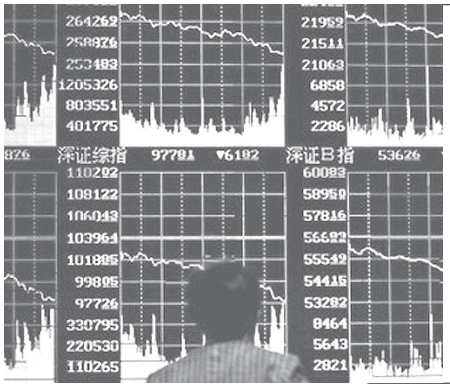
A separate survey released by a government agency on Tuesday showed manufacturing activity had dropped to 53.9 in May from 55.7 in April.

HSBC's results are based on interviews with purchasing managers at more than 400 companies, while the survey by the China Federation of Logistics and Purchasing covers more than 700 firms.

The government survey predicted the Chinese economy would continue to grow rapidly, but at a moderately slower pace.

Beijing has announced a series of measures to rein in bank lending to calm inflationary pressures and avoid a damaging bubble in the real estate market.

China's economy grew by a blistering 11.9 percent in the first quarter of 2010, fuelling fears the booming economy was at risk of overheating.—*Internet*



An investor watches stocks at a trading house in Shanghai. US Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke on Monday called for the Group of 20 world powers to more closely coordinate financial reforms in a bid to strengthen the global economy.
INTERNET

Euro, stocks down on fears of coming slowdown

HONG KONG, 1 June—The euro and Asian stocks slid on Tuesday with creeping suspicion that a peak in the recovery has passed and slowing growth in China and Europe in the second half of the year will be obstacles to risky trades.

China's factories scaled back production last month and eased back hiring in response to a critical drop in new orders, an official survey showed on Tuesday. The Australian dollar dropped ahead of a Reserve Bank of Australia policy meeting, at which the central bank that had led the way in rolling back stimulus is expected to stay on hold and warn of economic uncertainty because of the euro sovereign debt crisis.

Japan's Nikkei share average fell 0.6 percent, with Fast Retailing (9983.T), which owns the Uniqlo casual-clothing line, leading the index lower.

The Nikkei tumbled 11.7 percent in May, the largest monthly drop since a 23.8 percent plunge in October 2008.

US stock futures were down 0.6 percent after a long holiday weekend in the United States and Britain.

Internet

Chinese stocks close lower at midday

BEIJING, 1 June—Chinese equities closed lower in the morning session on Tuesday, with the benchmark Shanghai Composite Index down 1.01 percent to finish at 2,565.95 at midday.

The Shenzhen Component Index dropped 1.03 percent to end the morning session at 10,099.27. —*Xinhua*

An investor talks on his mobile phone while standing in front of an electronic board displaying stock prices at the Karachi Stock Exchange on 25 May, 2010.—INTERNET

Business

Peace and Diversity Party granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 65/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 65/2010
5th Waning of Nayon, 1372 ME
1 June 2010

Peace and Diversity Party is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Peace and Diversity Party with its headquarters at No. (2/2/232) on Mahogany Road in Htaukhyant Toeche Ward in Mingaladon Township, Yangon Division to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 1 June 2010.

The registration number of the Peace and Diversity Party is (25).

By order
***Sd*/ Win Ko**
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Chin Progressive Party granted permission to register as political party

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1 June 2010

Chin Progressive Party is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Chin Progressive Party with its headquarters at Room (22), Building (2) of Pyi Yeik Mon Housing on Nanattaw Road in Ward-8 in Kamayut Township, Yangon Division to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 1 June 2010.

The registration number of the Chin Progressive Party is (26).

By order
***Sd*/ Win Ko**
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Inn National Development Party granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 67/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 67/2010
5th Waning of Nayon, 1372 ME
1 June 2010

Inn National Development Party is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Inn National Development Party with its headquarters at No. (2) on Lanmadaw Road in Mingala Ward in Nyaungshwe Township, Shan State to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 1 June 2010.

The registration number of the Inn National Development Party is (27).

By order
***Sd*/ Win Ko**
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Rakhine Nationalities Development Party (RNDP) granted permission to register as political party

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June — The Union Election Commission issued Notification No. 68/2010 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-

The Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 68/2010
5th Waning of Nayon, 1372 ME
1 June 2010

Rakhine Nationalities Development Party is granted permission to register as political party

The Union Election Commission granted permission to the Rakhine Nationalities Development Party with its headquarters at No. (La Ma/414) on Khaunglaungkyaung Road in Lanmadaw (South) Ward in Sittway Township, Rakhine State to register as a political party in accord with the Article 9 of the Political Parties Registration Law as of 1 June 2010.

The registration number of the Rakhine Nationalities Development Party is (28).

By order
***Sd*/ Win Ko**
Secretary
Union Election Commission

Mines Ministry holds coordination meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 31 May—Ministry of Mines held its coordination meeting at the ministry here this morning.

Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint delivered an address and heard reports submitted by directors-general, managing directors, deputy directors-general and general managers from departments and enterprises under the ministry.

The minister in his address acknowledged the success the mining industry which has achieved thanks to the guidence of the Head of State. He called for advancing production, trading and service providing. He urged the officials to prioritize servicing sector for the economy is open to private entrepreneurs. He also gave an account of the staff welfare services.

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Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint addresses work coordination meeting.

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All this needs to be known

* **Do not be frightened whenever intimidated**
* **Do not be bolstered whenever flattered**
* **Do not be softened whenever appeased**

Profile of Mr Wen Jiabao, Premier of the State Council …

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From 1993 to 1998, he was an alternate member, member of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee and member of the Secretariat of CPC Central Committee.

From 1998 to 2002, he was a member of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, member of the Secretariat of the CPC Central Committee, Vice Premier of the State Council, member of its Leading Party Members' Group and Secretary of the Financial Work Committee of the CPC Central Committee.

From 2002 to 2003, he was a member of Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, Vice Premier of the State Council, member of its Leading Party Members' Group and Secretary of Financial Work Committee of the CPC Central Committee.

From 2003, he was a member of Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, Premier of the State Council and secretary of its Leading Party Members' Group. Later, he became a member of 13th through 17th CPC Central Committees, alternate member of Secretariat of the 13th CPC Central Committee, alternate member of the Political Bureau of the 14th CPC Central Committee and member of the Secretariat of the 14th CPC Central Committee. He was also a member of the Political Bureau of the 15th CPC Central Committee and member of the Secretariat of the 15th CPC Central Committee, member of the Secretariat of the 15th CPC Central Committee, member and Standing Committee member of the Political Bureaus of the 16th and 17th CPC Central Committees.

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FM recieves Norwegian delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June—Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win received a Norwegian delegation led by Minister for Environment and International Development Mr. Erik Solheim who is on his official visit in Myanmar at the ministry here this morning.

Also present at the call were Director-General U Kyaw Tin of Political Department, Norwegian Ambassador to Myanmar Ms. Merete Fjeld Brattested and officials.

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***Foreign Affairs Minister U Nyan Win receives Minister for Environment and International Development Mr. Erik Solheim of Norway.*—MNA**

Myanmar to host XXVII SEA Games 2013 in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June—Southeast Asian Games Federation Council has unanimously agreed to award Myanmar the right to host XXVII SEA Games 2013.

At the Council meeting held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 30 May, the Myanmar Olympic Committee delegation led by Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Thura U Aye Myint submitted a Letter of Intend for Myanmar to host the XXVII SEA Games 2013 to SEAGF and grasped the right from the Council.

Member of the Council Minister Thura U Aye Myint briefed the council on preparations for hosting the XXVII SEA Games 2013 in Nay Pyi Taw.

The four-member delegation presented the letter to Southeast Asian Games Federation President Mrs Rita Subowo from Indonesia Olympic Committee at the Council meeting.

Delegates from 11 SEAGF member countries attended the Council meeting focusing plans for the XXVI SEA Games 2011 in Indonesia and development of sports in South East Asia.

Myanmar delegation arrived back Yangon yesterday after participating the meeting from 28 to 31 May.

Members of the delegation are U Thaung Htike, General-Secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee Director-General of the Sports and Physical Education Department, Joint General-Secretary U Khin Maung Lwin and Member of the committee Prof Dr. Than Toe, and they also arrived back with the same flight.

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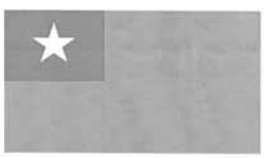
Public announcement for remonstration

1. National Solidarity and Development Party headquartered at No. 5 plot, at the corner of Yaza Thingaha Street and C Street, Dekkhina Thiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw on 1-6-2010 submitted its applications to register as a political party under the Article-5 of Political Parties Registration Law. In its application, it is mentioned that the party will use its name, flag and seal as described hereunder.

2. It is hereby announced in accord with Political Parties Registration Rules 14 (d) that if there is anyone who wants to remonstrate about the name, flag and seal of the party, they may remonstrate with the Union Election Commission with firm evidence within seven days from the date of the announcement.



Flag of the Union Solidarity and Development Party

Seal of the Union Solidarity and Development Party

Union Election Commission

Lobese to curb obesity

YANGON, 1 June—Daily exercies contribute to a healthy life by controlling and reducing body weight. Unbalanced calorie which produces more fats in our body is the main villain of obesity.

Now, Lobese Carbohydrate Blocker, a medicine which will shrink weight without needing to reduce food inputs than normal, comes out from Australia. A natural which was extracted from White Kidney Bean recongnized as World's Heatlhiest Food, contains 500 mg of Phascolus Vulgaris.

The way of Lobese is not to spoil the appetite but to minimize the amount of carbohydrate absorbed by the body. It will destroy the calorie we eat until to reach its one of sixth amount. Research says taking Lobese can reduce six to seven pounds of weight per month. Taking one or two tablets of Lobese a day will have no side effects for long term.

Zifam Pinnacle Pty Ltd at No. (103), Dagon Tower, Shwegondine Street, Bahan Township, here, distributes Lobese in Myanmar. The company can be connected via (Ph: 558248 and 544467) and (Email: Zifamltd@mpt.mail.net.mm and www.Zifampinnacle.com).

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Workshop on child health development commences

Minister Dr Kyaw Myint addresses opening ceremony of Dissemination Workshop on National Five Year Strategic Plan for Child Health Development (2010-2014).—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June—The opening of Dissemination Workshop on National Five Year Strategic Plan for Child Health Development (2010-2014) took place at the Mount Pleasant Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Ottara Thiri this morning.

Chairing the workshop, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint said that the Ministry of Health is in pursuit of five-year strategies for health development. He urged all to make greater efforts in health care to achieve the New Millennium Goal. He called for seeing to the objectives and goals of the five-year strategic plan.

In-charge Professor Osamu Kunii of UNICEF Resident Representative's Office makes speech.—MNA

Adviser Dr Neena Raina of WHO Resident Representative's Office for Southeast Asia Region making a speech.—MNA

Adviser Dr Neena Raina from WHO Resident Representative's Office for Southeast Asia Region and In-charge of Health and Nutrition Professor Osamu Kunii of UNICEF Resident Representative's Office delivered speeches.

Deputy Minister Dr Mya Oo presided over the second session which was held at the same hotel at 10 am the same day.

Deputy Director-General (Community Health) Dr Thein Thein Htay of the Department of Health presented "Process of Development of National Five Year Strategic Plan for Child Health Development"; Director (Community Health) Dr Tin Win Kyaw of DOH, "What are the Rew for National Child Health Strategic Plan (2010-2014)"; and Deputy Director (Women and Child Health Development Division) Dr Myint Myint Than, "Five Year Strategic Plan for Child Health Development (2010-2014)". The attendees took part in the discussions.

The deputy minister gave concluding remarks. The workshop continues tomorrow.

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Kachin State enjoys taste...

(from page 16)

Myitkyina and Waingmaw were easily accessible from each other.

The 2688 feet long broad crest type Bala Min Htin Bridge on Myitkyina-Bhamo Road was commissioned on 14 November 1998. So far, Kachin State has seen 20 over-180-foot bridges. Ongoing project bridges in Kachin State are 700 feet long Maunghmulon suspension bridge crossing Malikha River on Putao-Htawadan-Nawngmon Road, and 3215 feet long Katha-Bhamo rail bridge (Sinkhan Bridge) on Mandalay-Tagaung-Bhamo Road.

Kachin State Superintending Engineer U San Wai said that when 38 miles long Chaungwa-Sinkhan section of Katha-Chaungwa-Sinkhan Road was completed, the region would have a transport network, and the road and the railroad would be in parallel.

The total length of roads in Kachin State has increased to 2295 miles and one furlong. Now, Myitkyina-Sunprabum-Putao Road, an important road in Kachin State, has been reduced to a 218 miles long facility.

Daw Aye Aye Aung of Wanshi Village.

When asked about Myitkyina-Sunprabum-Putao Road section, Proprietor of Mogaung Thu Restaurant on Myitkyina-Sunprabum-Putao Road in Wanshi Village, about 31 miles from Myitkyina Daw Aye Aye Aung said, "Five buses run up and five buses run down up to Tiyanzut a day exclusive of buses between here and Putao. Two or three ground buses go as far as Putao.

I have run my restaurant here for over two years. I am getting on with my business because the road is getting fine and it copes with more traffic.

Previously, bus drivers could take only eight runs a day in the dry season. Now, they take about 40 to 50 runs between Myitkyina and Putao. If we place order for goods on phone to Myitkyina, traders deliver goods immediately. They transport goods by motorbike to shops and restaurants every day."

Daw Aye Aye Aung and her family moved from Mogaung, so they named their restaurant "Mogaung Restaurant" after the name of the town they had migrated from.

Smooth transport is a fundamental requirement for regional development. With peace, Kachin State sees a growing number of roads and bridges. As a result, social, education and health care tasks can be carried out extensively even in border areas.

Unlike in the past, dwellers can travel by car with convenience from one region to another in the state. Kachin State has enjoyed the taste of fine transport.

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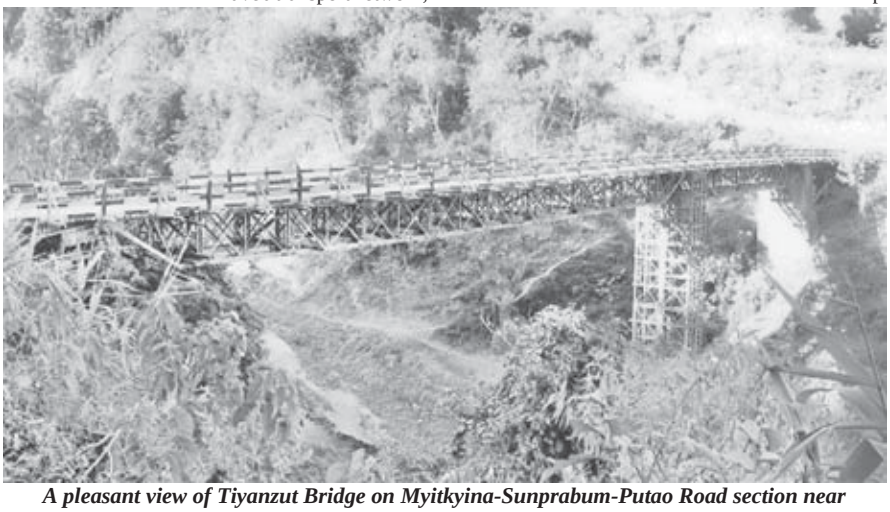
Kachin State Superintending Engineer U San Wai.



A pleasant view of Tiyanzut Bridge on Myitkyina-Sunprabum-Putao Road section near Tiyanzut Village.

Tourists warned of Vanuatu volcanic eruption

WELLINGTON, 1 June— Airlines and tourists were being warned of the danger of ash and volcanic rocks erupting from Mt Yasur on Vanuatu's Tana island.

The Volcanic Ash Advisory Center in Wellington has reported an ash cloud, up to 1.8 km high and covers 340 sq km, which has the potential to stop flights from being able to land there, according to Radio New Zealand on Tuesday.

Vanuatu's government says tourists are not allowed to visiting the volcano.

The government was assessing ten nearby villages for the affects of gas and ash from the crater of Mt Yasur. Airlines said services to Vanuatu are not likely to be disrupted by a volcanic ash cloud from Mount Yasur on Tanna Island.

Air Vanuatu which operates both domestic and international flights, said it has been closely monitoring the situation. However, no flights have been canceled so far.

Air New Zealand said none of its services to Vanuatu are expected to be affected by the ash.

Xinhua

Kunihiko Ikuhara, the director of the popular Japanese cartoonish play Sailor Moon Pretty Soldier, briefs on the correlation of Japanese cartoonish creation and commercial characteristics during the Peking University & Meiji University Cartoon Show & Cosplay Advanced Forum, on campus of Peking University, in Beijing, on 31 May, 2010.
XINHUA

India, France to hold joint air combat exercise next month

NEW DELHI, 1 June— India and France will hold a joint air combat exercise next month, where six Indian Sukhoi- 30MKI fighters, two IL-76 heavy-lift aircraft and a IL-78 mid-air refueler will take part, local media reported on Tuesday.

"The exercise will help to further enhance interoperability between the Indian and French air forces since pilots as well as the ground crew will get to see each other's operational, technical and administrative practices from close quarters," local daily *The Times of India* quoted an Indian Air Force official as saying.

The exercise, Garuda-IV, will be held at the Istres airbase in France from June 14 to 25. It comes at a time when India and France are all set now to ink the around 100 billion rupee (2 billion US dollars) deal to upgrade the 56 Mirage-2000 fighter jets in IAF's combat fleet.

The first four to six Mirages will be upgraded in France, with the rest 50 being upgraded in India under transfer of technology.

India's defense ties with France are quite broadbased, including as they do the over 200 billion rupee (4 billion US dollars) project to build six French Scorpene submarines currently underway at Mazagon Docks.

Xinhua

A model presents a creation from Juliana Jabour during the 17th Rio de Janeiro Fashion Week in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on 31 May, 2010.
XINHUA

Russian FM to visit China

BEIJING, 1 June— Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergei Lavrov will pay an official visit to China on on 4 June, Foreign Ministry spokesman Ma Zhaoxu announced Tuesday.Ma said at a regular press conference in Beijing that Lavrov will hold talks with his Chinese counterpart Yang Jiechi during the visit. Chinese leaders will also meet with Lavrov.

The two sides will exchange view on bilateral relations and regional and international issues of common concern, Ma said.

Xinhua

HK reports 101 HIV cases in first quarter

HONG KONG, 1 June— Hong Kong reported 101 cases of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infections in the first quarter of 2010, the Center for Health Protection of the Hong Kong government announced on Tuesday. The new cases found has brought the cumulative total of reported HIV infections in Hong Kong to 4,544 since 1984.

Of the 101 HIV cases, which comprised 75 males and 26 females, 20 acquired the infection via heterosexual contact, 41 via homosexual or bisexual contact, four through drug injection, and one through mother-to-child transmission.

Xinhua

An exhibitor shows up a novel style of turnaround & touch-operated flat computer, during the press meeting prior to the Taipei International Computer Exposition, inside the Taipei World Trade Center, in Taipei, southeast China's Taiwan, on 31 May, 2010. Slated from 1 to 5 June, the Taipei International Computer Exposition is to display the state-of-the-art computer technologies and products from well over 1,700 enterprises all around the world. **XINHUA**

Abu Dhabi needs to double number of doctors, nurses

ABU DHABI, 1 June—Abu Dhabi, the largest member of the seven-strong federation United Arab Emirates (UAE), needs to double the number of doctors and nurses over the next decade to cope with its aging and rapidly expanding population, a local English daily reported on Tuesday.

The number of doctors would need to rise from 5,300 to as many as 10,700, The National said, citing a report released by the Health Authority-Abu Dhabi (HAAD).

According to the HAAD Statistics 2009 report, the number of nurses would need to increase from 6,900 to 13,900.

It also highlighted shortfalls of medical workers in such fields as pediatrics, gynecology and orthopedics.

Some 16 percent of doctors and 13 percent of nurses quit their jobs each year, the report said.

"If churn rates remain at their 2009 level, this will require some 1,600 doctors and almost 1,800 nurses to be recruited annually," it said.

The report also said due to an expected doubling of the expatriate population by 2019, hospital bed capacity must rise by 55 percent.

Abu Dhabi lags behind the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) in its provision of hospital beds. It has 1.3 beds per 1,000 people, compared with 2.7 in Bahrain, 2.5 in Qatar and 2.2 in Saudi Arabia, according to The National.

Earlier this week, the UAE National Bureau of Statistics said in a report that the Gulf nation's population has reached 8.19 million and is continuing to grow.

Xinhua

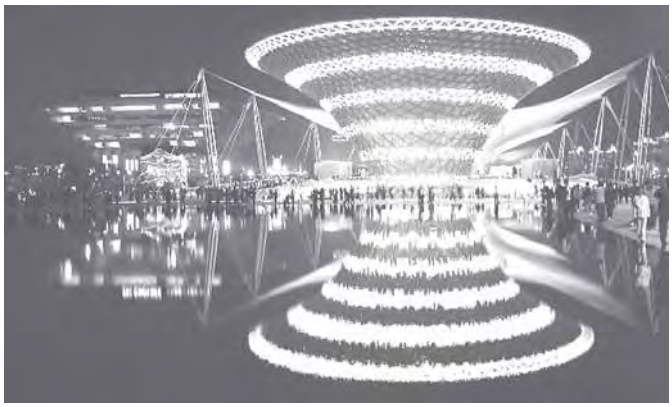
For a better World Expo experience, go at night

BEIJING, 1 June— Try touring the Shanghai World Expo Site at night if you are tired of the endless queues, blazing sun and crowds of people during the daytime. Nighttime tickets for the Shanghai World Expo are already available, and tourists can enjoy a completely different view when night falls.

First, nighttime tickets are much cheaper and tourists can avoid peak hours. A daytime ticket costs 160 yuan, while a nighttime ticket only costs 90 yuan. Second, nighttime tickets save tourists a significant amount of time spent in queues so they can visit more pavilions. On the whole, although going at night allows only half the time during the day, tourists spend less time in queues and can visit roughly as many pavilions as in the daytime.

Third, the lights are all on at night, giving tourists a wonderful night view of bright lights that they cannot possibly see in the daytime. Dressed with all kind of colored lights, the Expo Site looks brilliant and charming at night.

Xinhua



The photo taken on 2 May, 2010 shows the "One Axis and Four Pavilion" area in 2010 World Expo Site in Shanghai, China.—XINHUA

Canadian singer Celine Dion performs at the Plains of Abraham in Quebec City on 22 August, 2008. —XINHUA

Nothing gives more happiness than babies

BEIJING, 1 June— Céline Dion's dream to expand her family has come true as the 42-year-old Canadian singer and her husband announced that she is expecting twins, according to media reports on Monday.

The singer is pregnant with twins after undergoing her sixth in-vitro fertilization attempt and turning to acupuncture to improve her chances of a pregnancy, her rep Kim Jakwerth confirms.

Dion, whose previous IVF attempts had failed, said she never gave up and was physically and emotionally exhausting.

Dion's husband and manager Rene Angelil told *People magazine* that she is 14 weeks' pregnant and will find out the gender of the twins next month.

The singer says she's following her doctors' orders closely. "I look at my little belly. I do almost nothing," she said, "I will stay in bed until November, when the babies are born. To bring them into the world, there's nothing more important than that. It's incredible."

Dion, planing to kick off a new Las Vegas show next year, said she realized that there's an even higher priority in her life.—*Internet*

Euro falls against dollar in Tokyo

TOKYO, 1 June— The euro fell against the dollar and yen Tuesday morning in Tokyo. At noon, the euro was quoted at 1.2258-2259 dollars and 111.68- 69 yen against 1.2307-2310 dollars and 112.60-64 yen at 5 p.m. Monday in Tokyo. The dollar fetched 91.09-12 yen compared with 91.47-50 yen in Tokyo late Monday.—*Xinhua*

Luthiers carry a giant playable violin on 31 May, 2010 in Markneukirchen, eastern Germany. Twelve luthiers of the region known for its violin making tradition are building the instrument, which they hope to be the largest playable violin in the world at 4.28 meters tall, 1.45 meters wide and weighting more than 100 kilograms.

NY trash 'recycler' avoids $79K in clutter fines

A woman in an upstate New York village nearly had to pay $79,000 in fines for her hobby of picking through curbside trash and piling the items in her yard.

Karen Herzog calls herself a trash "recycler" — recovering everything from typewriters to porcelain figurines to discarded bricks. She's donated much of it to the Salvation Army or found ways to use the objects at her home outside of Binghamton. But neighbors in Johnson City didn't appreciate the heap of clutter in her yard and reported her for code violations.

Herzog was recently told in village court she'd have to pay $79,000 unless she got rid of everything except a broken wicker chair and a flower pot.

111 years of new love

Pictured are newly-weds 111-year-old Kwong Wing Wah (right) and his 69-year-old bride Liao Ziying of Oakland, California who were married on 16 May. The pair have known each other for 20 years and said their love grew gradually. Kwong, who was born on 15 December, 1899, said he came to the US from Taishan, Guangdong Province at age 12 or 13 after being "sold down the river" as a labourer.

He was detained for a month at Angel Island before being released and worked in the restaurant and construction industries in the Oakland and Sacramento areas throughout his life. He never married until now.

"He's kind and sincere and has taken good care of me and my kids," said his new wife, who was previously married. "He gives me that feeling of a lifetime of trust."

Franco-American artist Louise Bourgeois' sculpture "Maman" (Mum) next to the Guggenheim Bilbao Museum. French-American contemporary artist Louise Bourgeois, known for her series of giant metal spiders, has died in New York at the age of 98, an Italian foundation preparing an exhibition of her work announced on Monday.

News Album

Wheelchair ramp stolen from Ohio home

Police in northeast Ohio say they're looking for thieves who stole a wheelchair ramp from a woman's home, and a local business is offering to replace it with a free upgrade.

Thirty-four-year-old Cordelia Simpson says she discovered on Thursday morning that someone had stolen the 10-foot wooden ramp leading from the porch to the sidewalk at her rental home in Elyria (eh-LEER'-ee-uh).

Simpson suffers from bone deterioration and weakness in her legs.

She can walk short distances but uses an electric wheelchair for longer ones.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV BUNGA MAS 11 VOY NO (108)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV BUNGA MAS 11 VOY NO (108) are here by notified that the vessel will be arriving on 2.6.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S MALAYSIA INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING CORPORATION BERHAD
Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV SANG THAI QUARTZ VOY NO (09)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV SANG THAI QUARTZ VOY NO (09) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 2.6.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T-3 where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: SANG THAI SHIPPING CO LTD BANGKOK, THAILAND
Phone No: 256924/256914

Forbes unveils top-earning "American Idols" in 2009

BEIJING, 1 June — The ninth season of "American Idol" has dropped the curtain. Lee Dewyze was voted as the new most popular idol for Americans though he just started his performing career.

However, the pop music market is fluctuating while the audience's taste is ever-changing.

Looking back on other vocalists from this television's biggest music show in the US, some of them became not so attractive to their fans after the show ended.

Forbes magazine has just unveiled a list of 2009 Top-earning "American Idol" contestants. The rankings are based on earnings from album sales, concerts, endorsements and other income for the year from June 1, 2009, through May 2010.

Internet

Top political advisor calls for coordinated regional development

TIANJIN, 1 June— China's top political advisor Jia Qinglin has called for greater coordination between five north China regions — Beijing, Tianjin, Hebei, Shanxi and Inner Mongolia — in order to spur national economic development.

Jia, chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), told a forum for regional economic development Monday that regional economic development should be coordinated nationwide.

This could be done by improving innovation ability, advancing key sciences and technologies, and establishing more innovation centers and research transformation bases.

To promote regional development, efforts were also needed to optimize industrial structure and layout, to develop cultural industries and to set up a modern industrial system characterized by high-end manufacturing and advanced services, Jia said.

Improved infrastructure and ecological environments, as well as modern transportation systems, were important guarantees to regional development, Jia said.

He called for efforts to deal with unbalanced regional development, by giving preferential policies and government support to rural and less-developed areas.

In addition, reforms in administration, finance, taxation and social management were needed for a more healthy development for private investment, Jia said.—*Xinhua*

Tobacco control needs stronger smoke signals

BEIJING, 1 June — China will report its progress on tobacco control to the member conference of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) next year, but many experts say that there is still a lot to be done."China is unlikely to meet the FCTC targets by 2011," Cui Xiaobo, professor of social medicine at the Capital Medicine University, a tobacco control expert, said ahead of this year's World No Tobacco Day on Monday.

Among its protocols the FCTC requires all member countries to implement a comprehensive ban on smoking in public places by January 2011. "We know the targets are challenging to all member countries, particularly China, which is concerned about the negative impact of tobacco control on its economy," said WHO China Representative Michael O'Leary.

"But we believe China can achieve the targets when the message gets across to the government that the benefits of tobacco control outweigh the economic concerns." Currently, among the central government agencies only the Ministry of Health has met the requirements of the Convention, banning indoor smoking at all medical institutions and administrations across the country by the end of 2011.—*Internet*

Students of Wuji School form the sign of no smoking to call upon people to quit smoking and live healthily, in Rushan City, east China's Shandong Province, on 27 May, 2010. With the coming of the World No-Tobacco Day on 31 May, students in Rushan City launched a no-tobacco compaign recently to advocate the life style of no tobacco and low-carbon health.—XINHUA

Cabbie swallows device to avoid rutine check in Shanghai

BEIJING, 1 June — A cab driver swallowed a small, taxi-meter device used to illegally cheat on fares after he was stopped for a routine check outside the World Expo site by the traffic authority in Shanghai. Huang Xiaoyong, official of the Shanghai Urban Communications Administration Bureau, yesterday said the driver, not identified, was taken for investigation.

If the driver had installed the device, he will be stripped of his license.The incident happened at a check last week outside the Expo Site in the Pudong New Area. It was recorded in a local TV news report.

When the driver was asked to get out his car for the check, he suddenly tore down the little motor on the meter and swallowed it, astonishing everyone at the scene.

Officers soon caught the man but failed to get the device out by holding him down. The driver even wet himself when caught by the officers, witnesses said. Wu Runyuan, a Shanghai traffic law enforcement team official, said the installation of a little motor on the meter was a common trick for cabbies to overcharge passengers.

With the little device the driver can easily cheat on taxi fares.But Wu said the practice was banned and that a cabbie's license will be revoked if caught.

Xinhua

Workers conduct final checks on Garuda Airlines' Airbus 330-200 in a Garuda maintenance facility in Cengkareng, on the outskirts of Jakarta, on 1 June, 2010.
XINHUA

Skype 3G comes to iPhone

BEIJING, 1 June — iPhone users can make calls over AT&T's 3G network since Skype has announced that it can provide free VOIP calling via 3G wireless, according to media reports. The new software, dubbed Skype 2.0, offers improved voice quality, a better call quality indicator, faster start-up time and access to the dial-pad from the iPhone home screen, according to the Luxembourg-based company.

It already features a range of free services, such as voice and video calls and instant messages to other Skype users. The internet calling service said the 3G calls will be free"until at least the end of August 2010, after which there will be a small monthly fee.—*Xinhua*

A Chinese supercomputer Xingyun was ranked the world's second-fastest machine, according to the TOP500 list.—INTERNET

China supercomputer ranked world's second-fastest

BEIJING, 1 June— A Chinese supercomputer Xingyun was ranked the world's second-fastest machine, according to the TOP500 list.

On the list issued on Monday by US and European researchers, the Xingyun (Nebulae) system came in behind the US Department of Energy's Jaguar in Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

Xingyun is the server part of "Dawning 6000," jointly developed by Dawning Information Industry Co, Ltd, Chinese Academy of Sciences Calculation Institution, and the South China Supercomputing Center, which aims to meet the application demand of "cloud computing," or more specifically scientific computing, intelligent Internet searching and DNA sequencing.

Experts say one second of its work may take a whole day for a dual-core personal computer.

The Xingyun is capable of sustained computing of 1.271 petaflops — or 1,271 trillion calculations — per second, according to TOP500. It is said the Jaguar was capable of sustained computing of 1.75 petaflops. Supercomputers are used for complex work such as modeling weather systems, simulating nuclear explosions and designing jetliners.—*Internet*

Formal talks of Russian, EU leaders begin

ROSTOV-ON-DON, 1 June— The official talks between leaders of Russia and the European Union (EU) at their 25th summit kicked off Tuesday at Russia's southern city of Rostov-on-Don.

Among the summit agenda are Russia's accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO), Partnership for Modernization as an initiative to deepen bilateral strategic cooperation, lifting of visa regime, a replacement pact for comprehensive Russia-EU partnership, as well as international issues such as Iran, climate change and the financial crisis.

The summit themed "facing the future" will be attended by Russian President Dmitry Medvedev, European Council President Herman van Rompuy and European Commiss-ion President Jose Manuel Barroso, Vice President and High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Catherine Ashton and Trade Commissioner Karel de Gucht.

Xinhua

A staff member checks new discoveries of South China Sea underwater archaeology work, in south China's Hainan Province, on 1 June, 2010. After 35 days of underwater archaeological work, South China Sea underwater archaeology team discovered 32 underwater cultural relics and found blue and white porcelain of Yuan Dynasty (1206-1368) in South China Sea for the first time.
XINHUA

R&B singer Usher to perform in Beijing

BEIJING, 1 June— American R&B singer Usher Raymond will perform in Beijing at the Wu Kesong Gymnasium this summer 11 July, the *Beijing News* reports.

In terms of the location for the upcoming concert, Usher said it's all due to his friend Beyonce, who performed there last year and highly recommended the venue. The performance application for Usher's concert has already been approved.

This is the second leg of Usher's Asia tour since the release of his sixth album "Raymond V Raymond" back in March. He will perform in Seoul, South Korea on 3 July.

Usher rose to fame during the 1990s and since then has received 5 Grammy Awards, 4 World Music Awards, 4 American Music Awards, 8 Soul Train Music Awards, and 19 Billboard Music Awards. He has sold over 35 million albums worldwide. Billboard Magazine ranked Usher as No.1 on their "Hot 100 Artists" of the last decade.

Xinhua

15 killed in road accident in northern India

NEW DELHI, 1 June— At least 15 people were killed and 11 injured when a bus ran over a marriage procession in a village of the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, reported *Indo-Asian News Service* on Tuesday.

The accident took place late Monday when the driver lost control of the bus in a village 300 km from the state capital Lucknow, said the report.

The injured, three of them in critical conditions, have been admitted to hospitals. The accident sparked protests by local people who called off their marriage ceremony after the driver was arrested, said the report.—*Xinhua*

Strong quake jolts Bangladesh, no casualty reported

DHAKA, 1 June— A strong earthquake, measuring 6.3 on the Richter scale, shook Bangladesh early on Tuesday morning, but no casualty and damage have so far been reported.

Farha Diba, a meteorologist of the Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) told *Xinhua* that the location of the earthquake was near Andaman islands in India and the distance of the epicenter was 1,397 km south of the capital Dhaka.

She said the quake which struck at 1:51 am local time was felt in many parts of Bangladesh.

Fire service men said they did not receive any report of damage or casualty yet.

Experts said Bangladesh, which sits on the zone of earthquake, is prone to tremors.

Xinhua

People get older as time goes by, especially from the great stress they receive from their jobs and lives, but a childlike innocence is always retained in the deep hearts of adults. Check out the cute faces of pop stars that were made, and enjoy Children's Day on 1 June.—INTERNET

SPORTS

Mourinho targets Real C League win in two years

MADRID, 1 June—A confident Jose Mourinho said he will need only two years to win the Champions League with Real Madrid after he was officially unveiled as the Spanish giants' new coach on Monday. Mourinho joined Real on a four-year deal in the wake of leading Inter Milan to an historic treble of successes in Italy's Serie A championship, the Italian Cup and Champions League.

And after replacing Manuel Pellegrini, sacked last week after a barren season having spent 250 million euros on new players including Cristiano Ronaldo, Kaka and Xabi Alonso, Mourinho feels he can do far better than the 56-year-old Chilean.

"The second year is key, it is the year when you find the right balance. It was during my second year at Chelsea that we reached the Champions League final. It was during my second year that we won the Champions League at Inter Milan," he said.—*Internet*

Real Madrid's new coach Portuguese Jose Mourinho gives a press conference during his official presentation at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium in Madrid. INTERNET

Lakers' Bynum has knee drained before NBA finals

LOS ANGELES, 1 June—Los Angeles Lakers center Andrew Bynum had fluid drained from his right knee on Monday, days before the start of the NBA finals. "It was getting worse," said Bynum, who hopes the procedure will allow him to play effectively in the finals against the Boston Celtics as the Lakers seek a second straight NBA crown.

"The swelling wasn't leaving, so they had to do it. I was doing the treatment, but it wasn't going anywhere."—*Internet*

Lakers center Andrew Bynum has had fluid drained from his right knee, days before the start of the NBA finals. He has started all 16 of the Lakers postseason games. —INTERNET

Tough times for tournament team Germany

BERLIN, 1 June—The loss of captain Michael Ballack is a blow to their chances of claiming their fourth World Cup crown in South Africa, but Germany have a habit of raising their game for the big tournaments.

Germany's midfielder Piotr Trochowski takes part in a training session in Appiano on 31 May, 2010. The loss of captain Michael Ballack is a blow to their chances of claiming their fourth World Cup crown in South Africa. —INTERNET

Since the 1982 finals in Spain, Germany have the enviable record of reaching at least the quarter-finals at each of the previous seven tournaments.

They were third in 2006 and second in 2002, but take a young side to the Republic who will need to cope with the significant loss of their leader.

Cool under pressure, Germany tend to cope best on the world stage in the cauldron atmosphere of a knockout match.

Internet

South Africa defeat Guatemala 5-0 in World Cup warm-up match

SOUTH AFRICA, 1 June— It was a record night for South Africa and captain Aaron Mokoena on Monday as the 2010 World Cup hosts outclassed Guatemala 5-0 in a warm-up match.

The winning margin was the biggest since Bafana Bafana (The Boys) returned to international football in 1992 after 28 years of apartheid-induced isolation, bettering four-goal margins against Chad and Thailand.

And it came on the day centreback Mokoena became the first South African footballer to win 100 caps and wore those figures on the back of his shirt just in case anybody was unaware.

The victory also stretched to 11 matches the unbeaten run of the host nation in friendlies since Brazilian coach Carlos Alberto Parreira returned last November for a second spell in charge.

Internet

South African striker Katlego Mphela (R), Captain Aaron Mokoena (C) and midfielder Teko Modise (L) celebrate after scoring a goal against Guatemala during a friendly match. —INTERNET

USA soccer coach Bob Bradley, right, leads his team during their arrival at the OR Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg, on 31 May, 2010. —INTERNET

US World Cup team arrives in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, 1 June—The US World Cup team arrived in Johannesburg on Monday following a 17-hour flight and was greeted by the same visible security presence that was on hand for the arrival for other countries.

Armed special task-force members, dressed in dark blue uniforms, surrounded the South African Airways plane at the O.R. Tambo airport as the players emerged on a cool, overcast afternoon.

After leading his team off the plane, coach Bob Bradley immediately picked out the opening game against England on 12 June as a chance to make an impression on the tournament.

Internet

Italy's Ivan Basso celebrates on the podium after winning the 93rd Giro of Italia, on 30 May, 2010. INTERNET

Basso can't wait for Tour de France

PARIS, 1 June—Recently-crowned Giro d'Italia champion Ivan Basso has promised to compete with the few real contenders for cycling's prestigious yellow jersey after pledging to race the Tour de France in July.

Basso, who finished runner-up to seven-time champion Lance Armstrong in 2005, secured his second pink jersey from the Giro d'Italia on Sunday only two years after completing a doping ban.

The clean cut Italian has since been advised to bask in that win, achieved after a solid campaign by his Liquigas team throughout three weeks of thrilling racing.—*Internet*

'Rebel' Domenech on last mission for France

PARIS, 1 June—Raymond Domenech travels to South Africa overladen with the weight of criticism and scandal that have clouded his final assignment as manager of France.

Controversy stalks him like a big game hunter tracking his prey in one of the World Cup host country's national parks.

A complex character, Domenech has shown he has skin as thick as that of any rhinoceros, which is just as well given the amount of flak directed at him.

Internet

French coach Raymond Domenech watches play during the football match France vs. Tunisia at the Rades Olympic Stadium in Tunis on 30 May, 2010. INTERNET

Sharapova, Henin sizzle in drizzle, Serena survives

PARIS, 1 June—Justine Henin dropped her first French Open set since 2005 on Saturday as the four-time champion's duel with Maria Sharapova was suspended overnight, with the tie poised for a tense, last set shootout.

Belgium's Justine Henin returns the ball to Russia's Maria Sharapova during their women's third round match in the French Open tennis championship at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris. —INTERNET

Henin won the first set of the third round clash 6-2 against her fellow former world number one, but Sharapova, whose best Paris performance was a 2007 semi-final appearance, came roaring back to take the second 6-3.

With darkness falling on a damp and cold Paris evening, play was called off, leaving the old rivals to return on Sunday with the winner facing Australian seventh seed Samantha Stosur for a place in the quarter-finals.

Internet

Foreign workers introduce wine at the Top Wine China 2010 held at China World Trade Center in Beijing, capital of China, on 1 June, 2010. The Top Wine China 2010, an international exhibition for Chinese wine market, kicked off in Beijing on Tuesday, in which 200 enterprises from China and abroad exhibited their products.— XINHUA

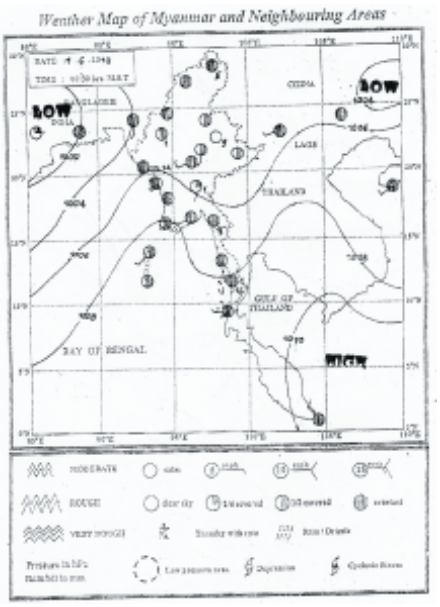
Brazil giant to explore NZ oil

WELLINGTON, 1 June—A Brazilian energy giant has been given permission to explore drilling for oil off the east coast of the North Island of New Zealand, TVNZ reported.

New Zealand Energy and Resources Minister Gerry Brownlee awarded the permit over the Raukumara Basin to Petrobras International Braspetro BV. As the successful bidder, Petrobras has been awarded a five- year exploration permit, covering 12,333 square kilometers.

Brownlee said the government is committed to unlocking the potential of the country's frontier basins.

Xinhua



MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(2-6-2010)(Wednesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (2-6-10 09:30 am ~ 3-6-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

* Opening
* News
* Green and Lush Popa Land
* News
* 11th Bridal Fair
* Inlay Wild Bird Sanctuary
* Documentary"The World's Largest Book"
* The National Museum
* News
* Music Gallery
* News
* Bakery & Catering for the Foodies

OverseaTransmission

* Opening
* News
* Green and Lush Popa Land
* News
* Bakery & Catering for the Foodies
* Current Affairs "Youth and Fashion"
* Amrapura Bargaya Monastery
* Beautiful Magwe
* News
* Milestones of Comtemporary Music
* News
* 11th Bridal Fair
* Inlay Wild Bird Sanctuary
* News
* Ayeyawady Dolphin Expedition
* News
* Documentary"The World's Largest Book"
* The National Museum
* News
* Music Gallery
* Planetary Posts! What do they serve?
* News
* Shwe Than Lwin for the Aged
* Myanmar Movie "Beyond Love"

Myanmar TV

Wednesday, 2 June
View on today

7:00 am
1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြုဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်ယောဆရာတော်ယောကြားတော်မူအပ်သောဥပ္ပါတသန္တိပါဠိတော်
7:25 am
2. To Be Healthy Exercise
7:30 am
3. Morning News
7:40 am
4. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုးတေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)
7:50 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
8:00 am
6. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက
8:10 am
7. "အားနာတယ်"
8:25 am
8. Song Of National Races
8:30 am
9. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
8:40 am
10. International News
8:45 am
11. Musical Programme
3:30 pm
1. Myanmar National League MNL Cup (2010)ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ် (Southern Myanmar FC အသင်း နှင့် ရန်ကုန်ယူနိုက်တက် FC အသင်း)
5:00 pm
2. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-တတိယနှစ် (ရူပဗေဒအထူးပြု) (ရူပဗေဒ)
5:15 pm
3. Songs For Uphold National Spirit
5:25 pm
4. Classical Songs
5:35 pm
5. ရှမ်းယိုးလင်းအာဆီယံ အစီအစဉ်
5:45 pm
6. "ရန်ခုန်စောင့်စားကမ္ဘာ့ဖလား (အုပ်စု(B))"
6:00 pm
7. Evening News
6:15 pm
8. Weather Report
6:20pm
9. မြန်မာ့လေ့ရိုးရာလက်ဝှေ့
6:35 pm
10. ထက်မြက်ဗျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်
7:05 pm
11. ရသဗေါလွှင် သရုပ်ဆောင်လွှင်ပြင်
7:35 pm
12. "အလက်ာကျော်စွာမြို့မငြိမ်း (၁၀၀)ပြည့်အထိမ်းအမှတ် ဂုဏ်ပြုတေးအစီအစဉ်"
8:00 pm
13. News
14. International News
15. Weather Report
16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်တေးသံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၄၇)
17. မြန်မာဗီဒီယိုဇာတ်လမ်း "ဆူးတေးနှလုံးသား" (လွှင်မိုးနန္ဒာလှိုင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ကိုဇော် (အရုဏ်ဦး))

WEATHER

Tuesday, 1st June, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, Weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Magway, Mandalay, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions, scattered in Shan, Rakhine and Kayin States and Sagaing Division, widespread in Mon State and fairly widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Gwa (3.07) inches, Bilin (2.87) inches, Kyauktaw(1.93) inches,Myawady(1.73) inches and Hpa-an (1.34) inches.

Maximum temperature on 31-5-2010 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 1-6-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 1-6-2010 was 85%. Total sun shine hours on 31-5-2010 was (4.5) hours.

Rainfall on 1-6-2010 was (0.16) inch, at Mingaladon, (Tr) at Kaba-Aye and (0.50)inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (11.97) inches at Mingaladon, (12.13) inches at Kaba-Aye and (12.91) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from West at (15:30) hours MST on 31-5-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is generally moderate in the Andaman sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 2nd June 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Shan and Chin States, upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions and fairly widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Moderate monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 2-6-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 2-6-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 2-6-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

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

People's Desire

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

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

Kachin State enjoys taste of smooth transport

Byline: *Tin Htwe (MNA);*
Photos: *Ko Htwe*

Resulting from the network of roads and bridges, Kachin State, a mountainous region in northern Myanmar, has enjoyed smooth transport. For instance, Bala Min Htin Bridge over the river Ayeyawady, the glory of Kachin State, makes substantial contribution towards region's economic growth.

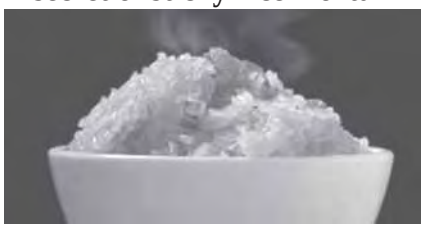
Supervisor U Tin Hlaing of Sub-printing House (Myitkyina) under the News and Periodicals Enterprise said that thanks to Bala Min Htin Bridge, *(See Page 9)*

A creek-spanning suspension bridge on Myitkyina-Chipwe Road.

Strong earthquake jolts outside Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 1 June— A strong earthquake of magnitude (6.4) Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar about (India, Andaman Island) about (420) miles southwest of Kaba Aye seismological observatory was recorded at (02) hrs (24) min (30) sec on MST today, announced the Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA

Revealing the ancient chinese secret of sticky rice mortar



LONDON, 1 June — Scientists have discovered the secret behind an ancient Chinese super-strong mortar made from sticky rice, the delicious "sweet rice" that is a modern mainstay in Asian dishes. They also concluded that the mortar — a paste used to bind and fill gaps between bricks, stone blocks and other construction materials — remains the best available material for restoring ancient buildings. Their article appears in the American Chemical Society (ACS) monthly journal, *Accounts of Chemical Research*. Bingjian Zhang, Ph.D., and colleagues note that construction workers in ancient China developed sticky rice mortar about 1,500 years ago by mixing sticky rice soup with the standard mortar ingredient. That ingredient is slaked lime, limestone that has been calcined, or heated to a high temperature, and then exposed to water.—*Internet*