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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

Kyangin-Pakokku railroad to link Ayeyawady west bank with delta, central Myanmar, northern Sagaing Div and Rakhine State

Prime Minister graces opening of Seikpyu-Yawchaung railroad

NAY PYI TAW, 13 June —Seikpyu-Yawchaung section 22 miles in length of the Kyangin-Pakokku railroad project was commissioned into service at the railway station of Seikpyu in Pakokku District, Magway Division, yesterday morning, with an address by Prime Minister U Thein Sein.

The Prime Minister said as an important transport facility for the west bank of Ayeyawady River, Kyangin-Pakokku railroad will link Patheingyi the capital of Ayeyawady Division with Mandalay via Kyangin and the west bank in Magway Division. From central Myanmar's commercial capital of Mandalay, passengers may travel up to Kale in the north of

Prime Minister U Thein Sein unveils stone plaque marking the opening of Seikpyu-Yawchaung section.
MNA



Sagaing Division. Moreover, the facility will link Sittway the port city of Rakhine State via Minbu through the ongoing Minbu-An-Kyauktaw-Sittway railroad project.

The government has been building transport network to link all regions

of the whole Union as transport is important for regional and national progress.

Head of State Senior General Than Shwe in his guidance said, "Better transport supports social economy and also serves as an infrastructure for

national unity".

In accord with the guidance, the government has been earmarking big budget in strategically setting up all kinds of transport infrastructures in the whole Union to overcome geographical barriers on self-reliant basis. The re-

Ministry of Construction has built 3,175 small and large bridges, including Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) and Ayeyawady Bridge (Malun) from 1988 to date.



A train running on Seikpyu-Yawchaung section.—MNA

sult is that the nation now has 3433 miles of railroads and 875 stations up from 1976 miles and 487 stations before 1988. In addition to upgrading the quality of coaches and wagons, the government is also setting up concrete sleeper factories.

At the same time, it is implementing more road transport projects covering inter village, township, district, region and state/division roads, Union highways and road networks as well as roads in

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PERSPECTIVES

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Take preventive measures against DHF

Health is the greatest blessing for man. High health standard of the people is the prestige of the nation.

Now, it rains a lot, and dengue hemorrhagic fever, malaria, diarrhea, cough and pneumonia may rare their ugly heads again. So, we should take preventive measures against those seasonal diseases. In particular, mosquito is the most prolific in the rainy season. Accordingly, we have to pay serious attention to prevention and control of DHF. If so, we can stay away from the diseases caused by mosquito.

Aedes aegypti mosquitoes live everywhere, even in the regions at an altitude of 3000 feet. In general, they breed in clear water. They stay hiding in sites near people, and bite people in daytime. Mostly, under-15 children, especially between three and nine years suffer DHF. Now, DHF cases are found even among some adult people. DHF cases can occur, regardless of age and season.

Mosquito repellent is to be sprayed in schools, as health care and preventive measures.

Common symptoms of dengue hemorrhagic fever are high body temperature, body pains, serious illness, reddish spots on the skin, and bleeding inside body.

The government has been stepping up health care services for uplift of the health and fitness, longevity and disease-free life of the entire people. In response, the people, on their part, should have to follow the directives issued occasionally by the Ministry of Health.

Member of MWEA leaves for Malaysia



MWEA member seen at Yangon International Airport before departure for Malaysia.—MNA

YANGON, 13 June—Member of Myanmar Women's Entrepreneurs Association, Founder and member of Business Capacity Building Centre Daw Thida Thant left here for Malaysia yesterday morning to attend Financially Empowering Women through Education Industry course, organized by NAM Institute for the Empowerment of Women (NIEW) of Malaysia, to be held in Kuala Lumpur of Malaysia from 14 to 19 June. She was seen off at Yangon International Airport by Executive of MWEA Daw Yin Yin Aye and officials.—MNA

People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Lt-Gen Tha Aye looks into development works in Mandalay Division



Lt-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence inspects thriving 90-day summer paddy plantation at Kyarthaykan Village in Wundwin Township.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 13 June—Accompanied by Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and officials, Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence viewed sanitation and beautifying of local road in Meiktila by car on 9 June.

He visited the condensed milk factory

in Kyikon Ward of Meiktila. In Wundwin, he looked into thriving 90-day summer paddy plantation and fulfilled the requirements of the local farmers.

On 10 June, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected conditions of TadaU-Myotha road section and thriving Shwethweyin paddy plantation and digging of drains in Yekamoe Village of TadaU Township.

He also inspected upgrading of Myingyan-Myotha-TadaU road section. At BEMS in Chinthelet Village of Ngazun Township, he attended to the needs of local people. While in Ngazun, he visited Township People's Hospital and donated cash to the funds for the hospital.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye looked into feeder canal of Ywathit river water

pumping project and supply of irrigation water to the farmlands.

He viewed progress in construction of Ywathit-Kalarywa-North Ywabo-South Ywabo-Hsimeekhon inter-village road.

At Hsimeekhon river water pumping project in Myingyan Township, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected pumping of water from Ayeyawady River for the farmlands.—MNA

UEC Chairman meets Bago Division commission and District sub-commissions

NAY PYI TAW, 13 June—Chairman of the Union Election Commission U Thein Soe and members: Dr Tin Aung Aye, Dr Daw Myint Kyi and Daw Khin Hla Myint had a meeting with members of division commission and sub-commissions of Toungoo, Bago, Pyay and Thayawady districts in Bago Division at Bago Division Peace and Development Council Office in Toungoo on 9 June.

The chairman of UEC made clarification on facts about Election



UEC Chairman U Thein Soe meets members of division commission and district sub-commissions in Bago Division.—DIVISION IPRD

Law, rules and work guidance, arrangements to be made, points to be followed in practice, and potential issues to be

addressed. Chairman of division commission U Myint Aung, Secretary U Kyaw Hsan and chairmen of

district sub-commissions reported on work progress. The UEC chairman gave concluding remarks.

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Blood donation of Dumex's staff held

YANGON, 13 June—MO ASIA Co., Ltd (Dumex) organized funfair, blood donation and Dumex milk powder donation for those who are receiving treatments at Yangon Children's Hospital in

commemoration of International Children's Day which falls on 13 June and World Blood Donor's Day which falls on 14 June at Yangon Children's Hospital on Pyihtaungsu Yeiktha Road here today.

An official from MO ASIA Co., Ltd (Dumex) explained purpose of holding the blood donation and donated Dumex milk powder through Child specialist, Associate Professor Dr Win Myat Aye.

Dumex Brand Ambassador Lu Min presented gifts to children. Children, donors of Dumex World Member, other blood donors, company staff and officials at the Hospital took part in the donation.—MNA

Two killed as five explosions rock Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 13 June— Five loud explosions within minutes of each other rocked the Iraqi capital Baghdad on Sunday, killing at least two people and wounding six others, an interior ministry official said.

The first blast came at around 2:50 pm (1150 GMT), with four more following in the next 15 minutes, an correspondent in the city said.

The official said the casualties were workers at the Iraq Central Bank in the Rasheed district of the capital.

Government figures showed that 337 people were killed in violence in May, the fourth time this year that the overall death toll has been higher when compared with the same month of 2009.

Sunday's explosions came one day before the opening of the war-torn country's second parliament since the US-led invasion that ousted dictator Saddam Hussein in 2003.

Xinhua



Iraq's interior ministry said five loud explosions have rocked Baghdad, killing at least two people and wounding six others.—INTERNET

Iraqi police say 12 killed in Baghdad bombings

BAGHDAD, 13 June— Iraqi security officials say a series of bomb blasts near the Central Bank of Iraq has killed 12 people and injured at least 25 others.

A Baghdad police officer and a Ministry of Interior official said the blasts Sunday from several roadside bombs may have been set to target bank employees as they were leaving work.

The police officer said the mid-afternoon bombs detonated over an eight-minute period, suggesting a coordinated attack.

Both officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to talk to the media.

Black smoke could be seen over central Baghdad's skyline following the attack.—Xinhua

Afghan troops detain two militants including sub-commander

KABUL, 13 June—Afghan and NATO-led forces detained two Taliban militants including a sub-commander in Afghan southern Ghazni province Friday night, a statement of the alliance said Saturday.

"An Afghan-international security force captured a Taliban sub-commander and another individual suspected of insurgent activity in Ghazni province last night," the statement added.

The arrested sub-commander, according to the statement, is responsible for planning and conducting operations against coalition forces, including improvised explosive device (IED) emplacement and intelligence gathering.

It did not identify the detained sub-commander.

The security force captured the individuals while searching a compound outside the village of Nowabad Khanehdorra, Muqer district, after intelligence information confirmed insurgent activity. Taliban militants have yet to make comment.—Xinhua



Policemen hold a checkpoint near the site of a bomb attack in Baghdad on 13 June, 2010. At least one bomb exploded on Sunday at an entrance to Iraq's central bank, killing five people and wounding 20 and sending a thick plume of smoke over Baghdad after setting the bank's generator on fire, officials said.

INTERNET

Taliban kill four Afghan policemen

KANDAHAR, 13 June—Taliban insurgents killed four Afghan policemen Saturday in two separate attacks in their spiritual heartland in southern Afghanistan, officials told reporters.

Militants shot at a police vehicle in Khakrez district of Kandahar province, killing three policemen and wounding one, district governor Abdul Qayoum told reporters.

Separately, militants riding a motorbike gunned down another policeman in Kandahar city on Saturday morning before escaping, deputy provincial police chief Mohammad Shah said.

Xinhua



Women grieve at the funeral for two relatives killed in a joint US-Iraqi raid near Karbala, 50 miles (80 kilometers) south of Baghdad, Iraq, on Saturday, 12 June, 2010.—INTERNET

Roadside bomb kills six US soldiers in N Afghanistan

KUNDUZ, 13 June—Taliban outfit on Saturday claimed that a roadside bomb organized by militants struck an American tank, killing six soldiers in Afghanistan's northern Kunduz Province.

A Taliban purported spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid in talks with media via telephone from undisclosed location said that the mine planted by militants hit a tank in Zakhil area outside Kunduz City, the capital of Kunduz Province.

Mujahid claimed the incident took place at 2:15 pm and all the victims are American soldiers.

MNA/Xinhua

Poland wants NATO to plan an end to Afghan mission

WARSAW, 13 June—Poland's prime minister says he wants NATO to develop a timetable to end its mission in Afghanistan.

Donald Tusk said Saturday that he plans to raise the issue at the alliance's next summit in Lisbon, Portugal, in November.

His comments came after a Polish soldier was killed earlier in the day by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan. Poland

has some 2,600 troops there, making it the seventh largest troop contributor to NATO's mission.

Tusk said he wants NATO to work out "a possibly quick plan for ending the mission that should also be as precise as possible." That message was echoed Saturday by Poland's acting president, Bronislaw Komorowski, who is running in a presidential race June 20.—Internet

Roadside bomb wounds two German soldiers in N Afghan province

KABUL, 13 June—Two German service members were injured as a roadside bomb struck their vehicle in Afghanistan's northern Kunduz province on Sunday.

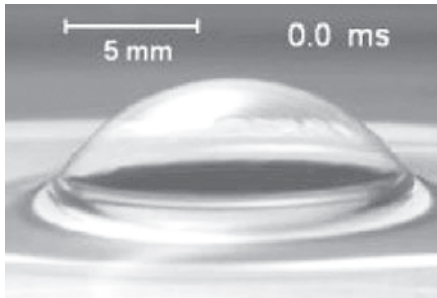
"The incident occurred at 9:40 am local time injuring two German soldiers," Brigadier Webber told Xinhua.

Xinhua



An Afghan man receives treatment as his relatives help him at a local hospital after a suicide attack last night in Kandahar on 10 June, 2010. At least 40 people were killed and 77 injured by a suicide bomb attack on a packed wedding party in insurgency-plagued southern Afghanistan, officials said on Thursday.—INTERNET

Discovery in 'pop' science reveals the elegant, complex way bubbles burst



Bubble. When the interfacial bubble ruptures it uncovers a dimple on the water surface. The high curvature of this dimple causes a jet to form; since this jet does not have enough kinetic energy to be propelled into the atmosphere it returns to the interface. Yet, around the jet, there is a ring of smaller bubbles formed during the film retraction.

INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 13 June — On the surface of things, how a bubble bursts may seem to be a simple, unremarkable event. In the 10th June issue of *Nature*, engineers at Harvard report just the opposite, having uncovered the

beautifully complex physics behind rupturing bubbles.

Instead of simply vanishing, a large bubble disperses into a ring of smaller bubbles. The finding could be appropriately called an advance in "pop" science.

Lead author James C. Bird, a graduate student at the Harvard School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) and his colleagues believe they have stumbled upon a universal behaviour in how bubbles pop that holds as true for suds in a sink as it does for foam in the ocean.

Internet

Adobe fixes 'critical' flash flaw



Adobe's Flash software has become a favourite among hi-tech criminals. INTERNET

NEW YORK, 13 June—Adobe has fixed a "critical" security flaw that had the potential to allow hackers to take control of affected computer systems.

The bug was first spotted in early June week following a small number of targeted attacks.

The security update is one in a bumper update package that fixes a total of 32 documented vulnerabilities.

Adobe's Flash and Reader software have emerged as prime targets for hi-tech criminals in the past year. Users running Windows, Macintosh or Linux were all thought to be vulnerable to attack.

Security firm Websense said the flaw was being exploited via e-mails that prompted recipients to open booby-trapped websites seeded with malware.

Internet

Apple seeks iOS-4-ready, multitasking-enabled apps

NEW YORK, 13 June—A little more than a week ahead of the expected release of the latest version of the iPhone OS, Apple is opening the floodgates to applications that take advantage of the latest iOS 4 features. Topping the list, of course: multitasking. *TechCrunch* reports that Apple has fired off a series of e-mails to developers, inviting them to submit their iOS-4-compliant apps to the App Store for review before 21 June, the slated release date for the new OS.

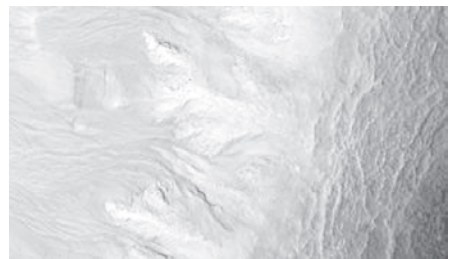
Though the big new feature in iOS 4 is multitasking for third-party iPhone apps, the only apps that'll be multitasking come 21

Detailed martian scenes in new images from Mars orbiter

NEW YORK, 13 June — Six hundred recent observations of the Mars landscape from an orbiting telescopic camera include scenes of sinuous gullies, geometrical ridges and steep cliffs.

Each of the 600 newly released observations from the High Resolution Imaging Science Experiment (HiRISE) camera aboard NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter covers an area of several square miles on Mars and reveals details as small as desks.

The HiRISE images taken from 5 April to 6 May, 2010, are now available on NASA's Planetary Data System



This image shows the west-facing side of an impact crater in the mid-latitudes of Mars' northern hemisphere.—INTERNET

and the camera team's website. The camera is one of six instruments on NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter, which reached Mars in 2006.

Internet



Photo illustration shows discarded plastic bottles in a trash can in Washington, DC. The North Atlantic Ocean is looking more like a rubbish bin, with plastic and polystyrene flotsom spreading far and wide, according to four French explorers just back from eight months at sea.—INTERNET

Reality TV proves meaner than fiction

WASHINGTON, 13 June —Reality shows such as "American Idol" and "Apprentice" have almost no physical violence, but a new study suggests their rampant displays of name-calling and snarky gossiping still make for a much meaner TV-viewing experience compared with watching fictional TV shows. The realistic portrayal of aggression on reality TV shows might even encourage viewers to imitate the non-physical aggression in real life, according to some theories. That verbal or relational aggression typically slips past TV-rating systems and media watchdog groups, which focus instead on condemning the physical violence of gunfights and fistfights.

"All of these reality shows would never receive a rating of violence or aggression from the current rating systems," said Sarah Coyne, a psychologist at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, and lead researcher on the new study.

Verbal aggression includes direct taunts or insults. By contrast, relational aggression includes more indirect attacks on social status or relationships, such as anonymous gossip-mongering or threats to end a friendship. —Internet

Science

ITV HD viewers miss England's first World Cup goal

LONDON, 13 June—ITV has apologised to its HD channel viewers after a "transmission problem" caused them to miss England's first World Cup goal.

Viewers did not see Steven Gerrard's early strike against the USA in the 1-1 match. Some

reported seeing an advert

ITV said coverage had encountered an "interruption" and presenter Adrian Chiles apologised on air at half-time.

Last year, ITV viewers missed the winning goal in a

Liverpool-Everton FA Cup tie when coverage cut to an advert.

One viewer writing in the ITV.com forum said: "I'm watching the game on Freesat HD and ITV cut to adverts just before England scored the first goal."

Another wrote: "That was a disgrace, I miss the first England goal of the World Cup as ITV cut us to an advert break on ITV1 HD"

Those watching ITV1 were unaffected by the error.

Internet

Success of hepatitis C Drugs may depend on gene variant

BERN, 13 June— A genetic variant associated with poor response to treatment for hepatitis C infection has been identified by scientists.

The researchers analyzed the DNA of 1,362 hepatitis C patients and pinpointed the variant in those who failed to respond to treatment. The variant occurs in a gene called IL28B, which encodes for the antiviral cytokine

(cell-signaling) interferon lambda.

The study was to be presented Saturday at the annual conference of the European Society of Human Genetics.

Current treatment for hepatitis C includes a combination of an interferon and the antiviral medication ribavirin. Side effects are common and can be so serious that some people have to take time off work.

Identifying hepatitis C patients with this genetic variant could spare them from suffering side effects from a treatment that will provide them with little benefit, said the scientists at the University of Lausanne in Switzerland in a news release from the European Society of Human Genetics. The research may also help in the development of new treatments, they said.—Internet



Diabetic Felix Alvarado-Lopez, 51, has his blood sugar level measured at the JWCH safety-net clinic in the center of skid row in downtown Los Angeles.

INTERNET

Race against time to sanitize lead-epidemic hit Nigeria

DARETA, 13 June—Armed with hoes and shovels, men clad in protective suits carefully and steadily excavate a layer of soil contaminated with dangerous levels of lead around a homestead in northern Nigeria.

The farming village, one of six hit by a lead poisoning epidemic linked to illegal gold mining in northern Nigeria, has lost 61 children in recent weeks.

Foreign environmental experts aided by dozens of young men from the village have slowly started the painstaking exercise to clean up homes with high lead contamination.

The plan is to decontaminate six villages in northern Nigeria's Zamfara state affected by lead poisoning which has killed hundreds of people, especially children in recent months.

"It is a simple process of taking off five centimetres of the soil and replacing it with clean soil because the lead is still on the surface," Ian von Linden of the US-based environmental engineering firm Terra Graphics, who is heading the operation, told AFP.

Workers stuff the lead-bearing soil into plastic grain sacks and heap it outside the mud huts awaiting disposal.

Internet

Health

Rivers Cuomo, left, and Scott Shriner of the band Weezer perform at the Bonnaroo Music and Arts Festival in Manchester, Tenn on 12 June, 2010.—INTERNET



A supporter with his face painted like the South African flag takes a bite of a hot dog before the start of the opening ceremony of the 2010 FIFA World Cup on 11 June, 2010. Nutritionists in host nation South Africa worry that youngsters are particularly vulnerable to the association of their sporting heroes to food and drinks which are high in fats and sugar.—INTERNET

Least healthy more apt to think genes explain disease risk

WASHINGTON, 13 June— A new survey shows that the recent deluge of scientific discoveries of links between specific genes and many chronic diseases might be providing the least healthy people with something they don't need: an excuse for their medical woes.

"We wanted to know if people are going to use genetics as a way to kind of get off the hook, rather than change their behavior and be healthy," explained study co-author Suzanne C. O'Neill, an assistant professor with the Cancer Control Program at Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. "But the bottom line is that most people



aren't doing that. It's only when you look at people with a number of behavioral risk factors that you run into trouble," she said. "People, for example, who are smokers and have a poor diet and don't exercise as much as they should. Those people are more likely to think that diseases are caused by genetics, and are not interested in information on behavioral change.

Internet

Mental decline from diabetes can start in middle age

NEW YORK, 13 June— Diabetes can lead to a decline in memory, thinking speed, and mental flexibility in middle age, but controlling the blood sugar disorder might prevent some of these effects, new research from the Netherlands suggests.

While the mental decline may be invisible to the individual, the fact that the drop-off starts accumulating in middle age puts diabetics at greater risk later on because of reduced "brain reserves," Dr David Knopman, of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, told Reuters Health.

"Like a bicycle tire that's been partially deflated — you'll be OK riding around but if you develop another little leak you'll be much closer to a flat tire much faster," said Knopman, who was not involved in the Dutch study.

Astrid Nooyens and colleagues at the National Institute for Public Health and the Environment in the Netherlands examined the health records and mental acuity scores of more than 2,600 men and women between the ages of 45 and 70 who enrolled in a large ongoing study into lifestyle effects on health.—Internet

Lawn mowers a real safety hazard for kids

WASHINGTON, 13 June— A coalition of several major American health organizations has issued a cautionary advisory in an attempt to draw attention to the specific risks posed to children by lawn mower use.

The tip sheet, from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, the American Society of Plastic Surgeons, the American Society of Maxillofacial Surgeons and the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, is meant to educate

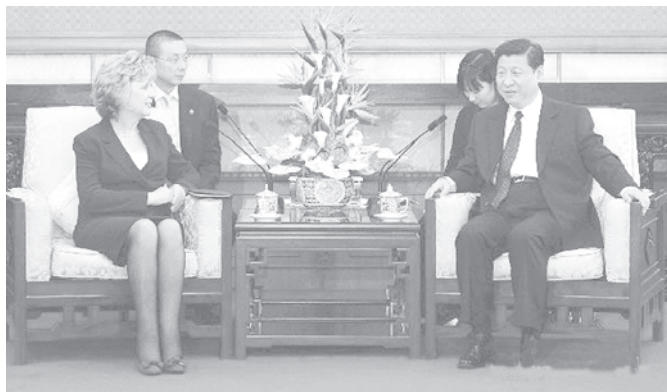
parents and children alike regarding the keys to lawn mower safety.

The following is a list of some of the rules that, when enforced, can help prevent injuries:

- Children younger than 12 should not operate any type of lawn mower. And the minimum age for using a ride-on mower should be 16.

- Children should never ride alongside adults as passengers on ride-on mowers, and should remain at a safe distance when adults mow the lawn.

Internet



Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping (R, front) meets with Irish President Mary McAleese (L, front) in Beijing, capital of China, on 13 June, 2010.—XINHUA

China, Ireland seek to further cement ties

BEIJING, 13 June—China and Ireland on Sunday pledged to cement their relationship and expand cooperation.

The pledge came out of the meeting between Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping and Irish President Mary McAleese, who was here to attend the Shanghai World Expo's Irish National Pavilion Day on 17 June.

Praising the "strategic view" of the Irish government in developing relations with China, Xi said the two countries should take a long-term view of the relationship in consider-

ation of China-Europe relations and the international situation, respect each other and strengthen cooperation.

"China will work with Ireland to promote the continuous development of bilateral relations," Xi said.

McAleese hailed the smooth development of Ireland-China relations, growing trade and cooperation between the two countries in the 30 years since the establishment of ties.

She said Ireland would continue to promote its Asia strategy with China at the core.

Xinhua

China's auto prices rise voy in May

BEIJING, 13 June—Auto prices in China rose slightly year on year in May, according to sales statistics of 36 major cities released by the price monitoring center under the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) on Sunday.

In May, prices of the country's domestically made automobiles edged up 1.04 percent year on year, but dropped 0.24 percent month on month, a statement posted on the NDRC website said.

Imported vehicle prices continue to climb in May, up 6.18 percent year on year and 2.44 percent month on month, according to the statement.

Last month, passenger vehicle prices rose 0.46 percent year on year but fell 0.73 percent from April this year.

In May, commercial vehicle prices rose 1.75 percent year on year and 0.41 percent month on month.

The NDRC price monitoring center predicted that, after much volatility, imported vehicle prices would stabilize.

Climbing stockpiles of domestically made automobiles may push auto prices down in the short run, but the price drop would not be huge given the recent decline in oil prices and the government's preferential policies towards new energy vehicles, the center said.—Xinhua



Photo shows two pieces of stone tablets unearthed from the Mausoleum of Cao Cao in Anyang, a city in central China's Henan Province. XINHUA

Manipulating the yuan debate dangerous game

BEIJING, 13 June—Some members of the US congress are playing a dangerous game by manipulating the Chinese yuan debate for domestic political gains.

These congressmen, prompted by a need to appease American workers frustrated by the loss of millions of jobs in the global financial crisis, and to woo constituencies in elections to

be held later this year, are resorting to their old trick of blaming everything on China.

They claim China's foreign exchange policy is costing America jobs and threaten to impose tough trade sanctions against Chinese imports.

But they choose to ignore the fact that an appreciating yuan cannot rebalance Sino-US trade or help create jobs for American workers. Both trade imbalance and high unemployment are deep-rooted economic problems that can only be addressed when the United States implements some painful yet necessary structural reforms.—Xinhua

New rules for Wall Street must clear final hurdles

WASHINGTON, 13 June—They are the sticking points that would gum up the Wall Street overhaul. From big banks' exotic trades to the plastic in

people's wallets, it only take a few of the most contentious issues to upend a careful political equilibrium as lawmakers try to blend House and Senate bills into a single rewrite of banking regulations. The final measure, which President Barack Obama wants by July 4, is intended to prevent another financial crisis like the 2008 meltdown, which triggered a deep recession. Typically, legislation gets watered down in the Senate. This time, the Senate version emerged tougher than the House bill. Frank, D-Mass, agreed to make the Senate bill the base, with some minor House modifications.

There's momentum behind the Senate version. "Throughout this process you have seen a desire by members not wanting to be seen voting with the banks," said Edward Mills, a financial policy analyst at FBR Capital markets. The financial industry is no stranger to the lawmakers working on the legislation. At least 56 industry lobbyists have served on the personal staffs of the 43 Senate and House members who will have a hand in shaping the bill over the next two weeks, according to an analysis by Public Citizen and the Center for Responsive Politics, two government watchdogs.—Internet



Sen. Blanche Lincoln, D-Ark. walks on Capitol Hill in Washington. Lawmakers will tackle sticking points and try to blend House and Senate bills into a single rewrite of banking regulations. A final measure, which President Barack Obama wants by 4 July, is intended to prevent another financial crisis like the 2008 meltdown, which triggered a deep recession.—INTERNET

Brazil to propose maintenance of global growth stimulus at G20 Summit

BRASILIA, 13 June—Brazil will propose that countries should maintain the growth stimulus plans and accelerate the establishment of mechanism to regulate financial markets at G20 Summit. Since there is debate on the current outlook for the global economy, Brazil sees the recovery still fragile, and it is important to continue boosting growth in all major economies in the context of the worsening crisis in Europe, said the Brazilian Foreign Ministry.—Xinhua

Business

Workshop on development of Myanmar rice industry opens



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence addresses the opening of a workshop on development of Myanmar rice industry of Myanmar Rice Industry Association—MNA

YANGON, 13 June—Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence addressed the opening of a workshop on development of Myanmar rice industry of Myanmar Rice Industry Association held at the office of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry in Lanmadaw Township here this yesterday.

Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council

Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, Minister for Commerce U Tin Naing Thein, the president of UMFCCL, chairman and CEC members of MRIA and their congenial associations.

First, Lt-Gen Myint Swe stressed the need for highlighting the agricultural sector essential for national economy. Next, he and party viewed the activities of rice trading companies.

Next, the Commerce Minister and Industry-1

Minister U Aung Thauang made speeches. The chairman of MRIA discussed holding of the workshop. The Myanmar Agricultural Produce Trading managing director explained production of Myanmar rice, prices and flow of domestic rice. Then, those present also took part the discussions.

Then, the vice-chairman of MRIA made a concluding remark.

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Samsung Electronics Mid Year 2010 Promotion held



Managing Director U Than Win Aung of AA Electronics Ltd making address at Samsung Electronics Mid Year 2010 Promotion at the Traders Hotel.—MNA

YANGON, 13 June—The Samsung Electronics Mid Year 2010 Promotion took place at the Traders Hotel, here, yesterday.

Managing Director U Than Win Aung of AA Electronics Ltd explained sales of Samsung brand LED, LCD, Plasma and CRT TV at fair prices. He made clarifications on body, auto voltage, USB, 3HDMI

functions of 50-inch and 42-inch Samsung TVs.

It was attended by dealers from Yangon and countryside. Bonus and lucky draws were presented to the dealers. Later, models from Talents Model Agency led by Ma Tin Moe Lwin entertained those present with dances.

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Monsoon Special Sales to be held by Fuji Xerox

YANGON, 13 June—Organized by Concordia Int'l Co Ltd and Fortune International Co Ltd, monsoon special sales will be held at Central Hotel on Bogyoke Aung San Road here from 9 am to 6 pm beginning 16 through 19 June daily.

Fuji Xerox colour laser printers, multi-media copiers, toner cartridges will be on display in the programme with practical services of experienced staff to be able to use the equipments.

Those who buy Fuji Xerox copiers and printers and the customers using

colour laser printer DPC 525 A & PE 220 (4in1) and Fuji Xerox copiers and printers may get special discount.

Those wishing to buy may contact Concordia International Co Ltd of Shwegon Plaza in Bahan Township here (Ph: 09-8031373, 09-9928817, 01-73009223, 544824), No. 5 on ground floor of SY Building in 30th Street between 77th and 78th Streets in Chanayethazan Township, Mandalay (Ph: 02-36478), No. 144, Thiriyadana Market Nay Pyi Taw (Ph: 09-49200948, 067- 420819, 421362).—MNA

Energy Minister visits fuel stations

YANGON, 13 June—Minister for Energy U Lun Thi visited Myawady Fuel Station No. 001 on Pyay Road in Insein Township and New Day Fuel Station at the corner of Baho and Bagaya Roads in Sangyoung Township today.

Myanmar Petroleum Products Enterprise has privatized these fuel stations.

The minister cordially conversed with vehicle owners and enquired convenient buying of fuel and difficulties of personnel of the private fuel stations.

MPPE under the Ministry of Energy has privatized 261 fuel stations since 10 June 2010. The customers may buy fuel at any stations of their own choice.

MNA

ITE Pre-work Training concludes



Chairman of Thukha Su San Foreign Employment Agency U Chan Thar delivering speech.—MNA

YANGON, 13 June—Thukha Su San Foreign Employment Agency and Training School presented completion certificates to those who had finished ITE Pre-work training conducted by the agency at Park Royal Hotel on Alanpya Pagoda Road here this afternoon.

The ITE training provides primary knowledge and skills to start a job. The

employment agency also provides necessary trainings and pre-interview knowledge for those wishing to work in abroad.

Those interested may contact No. 77, Lower Pansodan Street, Kyauktada Township and No. 115, Myananda Street, Thakayta Industrial Zone, Thakayta Township, here, Ph; 392233, 385758.—MNA

Japanese Govt. and JICA donate fire suits and breathing apparatus

YANGON, 13 June—Japanese Government and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) donated three chemical fire suits and 50 sets of breathing apparatus to Fire Services Department of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement in a ceremony held at the department headquarters here yesterday.

Resident Representative Mr. Hideo Miyamoto at JICA Myanmar Office explained the purpose of donation and handed over the document related to the suits and apparatus to SWRR Minister U Maung Maung Swe who presented certificate of honour and gifts back. The minister spoke words of thanks at the ceremony.—MNA

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remote regions for progress of border areas.

Before 1988, there were 20,000 miles of earth roads and now there are over 70,000 miles. In constructing motor roads and bridges, the Ministry of Construction has built 3,175 small and large bridges, including Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) and Ayeyawady Bridge (Malun) from 1988 to date.

tors.

Such fruitful results have been achieved owing to the cooperative strength of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw so as to develop the State in parallel with other nations by overcoming all internal and external hardships and difficulties.

The strength of the nation lies within. So, it is necessary to try to stand on own.

As the nation has already been blessed with

than the western counterparts thanks to better road transportation.

He added that Ayeyawady River spanning bridges and Patheingyi Road have been constructed by the Tatmadaw government in order to harmonize the development in all regions and Patheingyi-Pakokku railroad which was extended from Patheingyi-Kyangin railroad becomes a main railroad linking the existing Pakokku-Kale and Mandalay-Myittha railroads.

The commander expressed thanks to staff of Myanmar Railways under

the Ministry of Rail Transportation for their concerted efforts to implement the construction of the railroad section within three years which started on 19-7-2007 and urged the local people to maintain the durability of the railroad.

Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min explained the construction project of Seikpyu-Yawchaung Railroad section that the construction of 320-mile Kyangin-Pakokku Railroad was divided into three sections - 110-mile (See page 9)



Prime Minister U Thein Sein delivers an address at inauguration ceremony of Seikpyu-Yawchaung section of Kyangin-Pakokku Railroad Project.—MNA



By using those bridges, one can travel easily to all corners of the country, from Putao in the far north to Kawthoung at the southern tip and from easternmost cities to west Sittway in the western end. Those networks of roads and bridges have been built out of goodwill in accord with the guidance of the Head of State to enable all the national people, including the local people from the regions which lacked development due to difficult transport, to have easy access to all regions, thereby contributing to their education, health, social and economic sec-

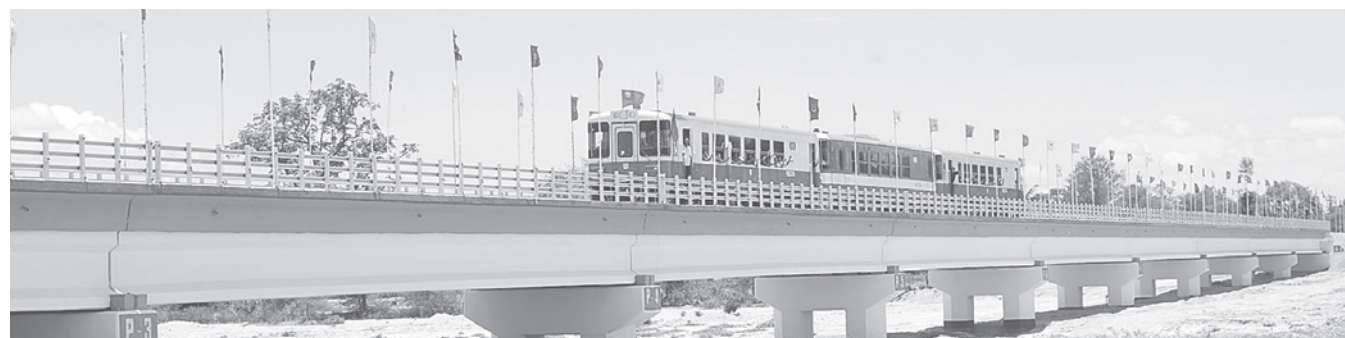
natural resources, each and every citizen only needs to work hard for national development through national unity and strength.

Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe said in his address that most motor roads and railroads are situated along east bank of Ayeyawady River according to topography of Myanmar where rivers and mountains run from north to south.

He continued to say that eastern regions of Ayeyawady have seen more developments in education, economic and social sectors



Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially greets local people at the opening of Seikpyu-Yawchaung railroad section.—MNA



A train running on Seikpyu-Yawchaung section.—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein on board special train waving at local people on Seikpyu-Yawchaung railroad section.—MNA

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Kyangin-Thayet Railroad section, 100-mile Thayet-Pwintbyu Railroad section and 110-mile Pwintbyu-Pakokku Railroad section.

He added that the construction of Seikpyu-Yawchaung Railroad section with 54 bridges and six railway stations started on 19-5-2007.

We went on to say that Nay Pyi Taw-based Nay Pyi Taw-Bagan, Nay Pyi Taw-Pyay, Nay Pyi Taw-Mandalay, Nay Pyi Taw-Shwenyaung, Nay Pyi Taw-Loikaw, Nay Pyi Taw-Chauk routes had been commissioned; that construction of 105 miles long Nay Pyi Taw-Tatkon-Pinlaung railroad linking directly between Nay Pyi Taw and Kayah State was constructed last May; that after completion of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad, one can travel from Patheingyi to Kale as well as Mandalay, Monywa, Shwebo and

Myittha via Pakokku; that Moetargyi-Bhamo railroad (81.32 miles), Mongnai-Kengtung railroad (226 miles), Dawei-Myeik railroad (132.50 miles), Minbu-An-Yechanbyin railroad (245.54 miles), Patheingyi (Belgarat)-Nyaungdon-Yangon (Hlinethaya) railroad (89 miles), Pyaw (Shwedaga)-Toungoo (Kyeetaw)-Nay Pyi Taw railroad (120 miles), Hinthada-Nyaungdon railroad (48 miles), Minhla-Seikpyu-Yawchaung-Kyungchaung railroad (98.30 miles), Ywataw-Kanpya railroad (65.20 miles), Nay Pyi Taw-Tatkon-Pinlaung (105 miles) were under construction; that Myanmar Railways of Ministry of Transport had been trying to offer best services to travellers.

Next, a local spoke words of thanks for construction of Seikpyu-Yawchaung railroad section. The Prime Minister then cordially greeted those present at the opening ceremony of new railroad section.



Newly-opened Seikpyu-Yawchaung railroad section of Kyangin-Pakokku Railroad construction project.—MNA

emony of new railroad section. Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, Commander Maj-Gen Myint Soe, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Electric Power No. 1 U Zaw Min, Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe cut a

ribbon to open the ceremony. Afterwards, the Prime Minister and party together with attendees posed for a documentary photo. The Prime Minister then unveiled the stone plaque and sprinkled scented water on it. Lt-Gen Tha Aye, Commander Maj-Gen Myint Soe and ministers also sprinkled scented water on the stone plaque. Next, the Prime Minister

and party presented locals who were to take the special train marking the launching of the new railroad section with gifts.

The Prime Minister then took the special train and viewed the condition of the railroad. Construction of Seikpyu-

Yawchaung railroad section was started on 19, May, 2007. The railroad section is 22 miles in length and is made of one above-180 feet bridge, 53 under-180 feet bridges and six stations. Travellers can enjoy three-day free ride starting 13 June.—MNA

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railroads on both sides of the bridge and 60 per cent completion, arrangements being made for running of trains to pass the bridge as it is completed, earthwork of the approach railroad to Ayeyawady Bridge (Sinkhan) and arrangements for laying rail tracks.

After attending to the needs, Prime Minister U Thein Sein gave instructions on systematic use of construction materials such as fuel and cement, applying of experienced in construction of the bridge to meet the set standards, taking care of heavy construction tasks with spending of large sum of money, priority to be made for the construction tasks based on climate and flow of river and efforts to be made for timely completion of the project with high quality.

The Prime Minister viewed progress of the project on both sides and looked into task being carried out for construction of the approach road on Letpanchepaw bank.

Construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) was started on 15 December 2009. It will be rail-cum-road facility. The length of the motorway will be 13,465 feet and the railroad, 19,457 feet. The main bridge will be 11,431 feet long. The bridge will have 28 feet wide two-lane motorway, 14 feet wide area for the railroad and three feet and three inches wide pedestrian way on either side.

The foundation of the bridge and lower structure will be of reinforced concrete bored pile and RC posts. The upper structure of the bridge will be of steel frame. The bridge can withstand up to 60-ton loads. Plans are under way to complete the bridge in 2010-2011 financial year.—MNA

Talks on the world is flat, but... on 26 June

YANGON, 13 June— CEO Business and Management Magazine will organize a talk at Parkroyal Hotel, here, on 26 June.

Writer Kyaw Win will give talks on "The world is flat but..." Those wishing to attend the talks may contact CEO Business and Management Magazine, Tel: 507391, 507392, 507393 and 507385, by 18 June.—MNA

Strong earthquake hits Nicobar Island of India

NAY PYI TAW, 13 June—A very strong earthquake of magnitude (7.7) Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Nicobar Island, India Region) about (690) miles southwest of Yangon seismological observatory was recorded at (2:00) hrs (00) min (10) sec M.S.T on 13 June, 2010.—MNA

China marks Cultural Heritage Day with excavation of ancient general's tomb



The front chamber of Cao Cao's mausoleum in Anyang county, Henan Province.—XINHUA

ANYANG, 13 June—China's national television started to live broadcast an excavation on the Mausoleum of General Cao Cao, a legendary Chinese warlord during the Three Kingdoms period (208-280 AD), Friday morning to mark the fifth Chinese Cultural Heritage Day.

The scheduled three-hour live broadcast of the excavation by the China Central Television (CCTV) began at 9:00 am.

The discovery of the tomb was announced Thursday night by the State Administration of Cultural Heritage as one of the ten top archaeological findings

in China in 2009.

"The announcement indicates that the Chinese academic world has generally endorsed the authenticity of the Mausoleum of Cao Cao in Anyang, as there are still many myths behind the legendary figure," said Sun Yingmin, deputy director of the Henan provincial bureau of cultural heritage.

The tomb is located near the Yellow River and the city of Anyang, where Cao Cao ruled the Kingdom of Wei from 208 to 220, when he died at the age of 65.

The Henan Provincial Cultural Heritage Bureau announced the discovery of the tomb in December 2009.

Xinhua

Fourth "Twilight" to be broken into two parts

BEIJING, 13 June—The fourth "Twilight" film "Breaking Dawn" will be broken into two separate films, The Hollywood Reporter said on Friday.

"Dreamgirls" director Bill Condon will direct both episodes. Summit Entertainment, movie studio behind the "Twilight" films, will release the first part on 18 Nov, 2011, and the second in the following year.

The third installment of the "Twilight" movies, "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse", will be released on the coming 30 June.

Stars Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson and Taylor Lautner will continue to play in the



Actress Kristen Stewart, star of the new film "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" poses at the film's Los Angeles premiere on 16 November, 2009.

XINHUA

movies.

Bill Condon won an Oscar for the screenplay of his 1999 film "Gods

and Monsters." He also produced the 2009 Academy Awards ceremony with Hugh Jackman as host.

Script for the "Breaking Dawn" movies is being written now, and production will begin this autumn.

Xinhua

Peruvian lightplane likely kidnapped by drug dealers

LIMA, 13 June—A missing Peruvian lightplane is very likely to have been kidnapped by a group of drug dealers who boarded the aircraft with fake IDs, the plane's owner said Friday.

"There is a 99-percent possibility that the plane had been kidnapped by drug traffickers," Jorge Belevan, a spokesman for the Aerodiana company, told reporters one day after the aircraft went missing.

Clues have indicated the Cessna type small plane, originally bound for Peru's famed Nazca Lines, has been diverted to Bolivia or Brazil by the kidnappers, he said.

IDs presented by all the seven passengers aboard have found to be fake, added Belevan.

Authorities have sent nine planes and three ground patrols to search for the missing plane but have so far failed to find it.

Xinhua



Paris Hilton presents a creation from Triton's Summer 2010/11 collection during Sao Paulo Fashion Week on 10 June, 2010.

XINHUA

Shanghai Expo's theme forum opens to discuss heritage

SUZHOU, 13 June—The second theme forum of the Shanghai World Expo opened in Suzhou, east China's Jiangsu Province on Saturday, with scholars and officials discussing the value of a nation's cultural heritage along with urban regeneration.

The two-day forum was co-organized by the Ministry of Culture, the State Administration of Cultural Heritage, the

Executive Committee of Expo 2010 Shanghai China, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the government of Suzhou.

The forum has attracted about 800 participants from nearly 20 countries and regions as well as international

organizations.

Participants to the forum include Deputy Director-General of UNESCO Hans d'Orville, Minister of Culture Cai Wu, and the French architect and designer of the National Centre for the Performing Arts, Paul Andreu.

Xinhua

A cafe located in the second floor of Swarovski's flagship store on the Chuo-dori Avenue of Ginza in Tokyo is decorated by all kinds of crystal accessories. The cafe will be opened to public from 12 June to 11 July, 2010.

XINHUA

Indian government auctions broadband wireless access spectrum

NEW DELHI, 13 June—The Indian government managed to raise more than 386.17 billion rupees (8.4 billion US dollars) as the 16-day long auction for Broadband Wireless Access (BWA) spectrum came to an end Friday, said government officials.

In BWA, the government auctioned two slots of 20 MHz each. Besides Infotel, US-based Qualcomm bagged four circles of Delhi, Mumbai, Kerala and Haryana.

BWA spectrum provides high-speed access to internet, internet telephony and television services. Also the BWA spectrum can be used for voice and high-speed data services.

Eleven companies participated in the auction for Broadband Wireless Access spectrum.

These included Bharti Airtel, Reliance, Idea Cellular, Aircel, Vodafone and Tata Communications Internet Services.

State-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) will have to pay the equivalent of the winning bid in each service area as they are given BWA spectrum ahead of private players.—Xinhua



Russia celebrates state holiday

Moscow, 13 June —Russia is celebrating its national day (Russia Day) on Saturday with each region preparing their own program. Mass culture events, sports competitions and conc-

erts are being held throughout the country, with the expected participation of over two million representatives from trade unions and political parties.

Over 67,000 law enforcement officers will be deployed to insure public order, said the interior ministry.

Earlier in the day, US President Barack Obama extended his congratulations to all those celebrating the Russia Day.

"On behalf of the American people, I extend my best wishes to all those who observe Russia Day," Obama said in a statement.

The Russia Day has been celebrated every year since 1992.

Xinhua



Dancers perform ballet during a celebration to mark the Russia's Day on the Red Square in Moscow, capital of Russia, on 12 June, 2010. The holiday, originally known as the Independence Day, is held to commemorate the Russian parliament's declaration of sovereignty from the Soviet Union on 12 June, 1990.—XINHUA

World's most populous countries to host summit on population in Nigeria

ABUJA, 13 June—Nigeria and eight other countries are to hold a meeting of the Highest Nine Populated Countries on June 21 in Abuja, a senior government official has said.

The Executive Secretary of the National Commission for Mass Education Jibrin Paiko disclosed this to a news conference in Abuja on Friday.

Paiko named the countries coming for the E-Nine meeting as India, Pakistan, Indonesia, Mexico, Egypt, Bangladesh, Brazil and China.

He said the meeting was aimed at sharing best practices between member-countries, whose populations were mostly illiterate on ways of providing adult and non-formal education for such citizens. The executive secretary said the countries met in 1993 in Bali, Indonesia, with the aim of providing assistance to those who were out of school, especially women and exploring ways of developing member nations.

Paiko said it was the first time the meeting was coming to Africa and that the Federal Ministry of Education in collaboration with UNESCO was planning to make it successful.—Xinhua

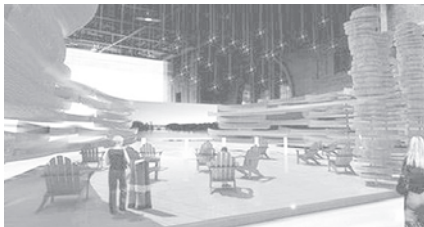
New Zealand seeing more foreign student enrollment

WELLINGTON, 13 June— The number of foreign students studying in New Zealand has risen for the first time in six years. New Zealand Ministry of Education figures show that 10,167 international students were enrolled for new semester starting from 1 March, posting 4 percent up from last year.

Half the enrolled students are at schools in Auckland, mostly in secondary schools. The Secondary Principals Association said the increase means schools would have more money available for teaching.

Education providers have also carried more intense marketing and promotion in countries such as China, India, Vietnam, Thailand, South Korea, Malaysia, North America, Brazil and Germany over the previous 12 months which is also a major factor in the increased numbers.—Xinhua

Canada grilled over "half-baked fake lake" at G20



An artist's rendering of the "fake lake" that will be in the media centre of the G8 and G20 summits.—XINHUA

Canada's government found itself in hot water on Monday after it emerged that the media centre for two international summits this month will feature a C\$1.9 million (\$1.8 million) artificial lake, complete with canoes and a bar.

Opposition legislators, already unhappy with the C\$1 billion security tab for the Group of Eight and Group of 20 meetings, ridiculed the government's explanation that the lake would impress foreign media.

"The government's half-baked fake lake takes the cake. What a mistake," Rodger Cuzner of the Liberals told the House of Commons, prompting loud laughter.

The official Atlas of Canada says there are 31,752 lakes larger than 3 square km (1.2 sq. mi.) in the country.

The Toronto press centre lake is supposed to be a copy of those in the picturesque

Huntsville region north of the city where leaders are set to meet for the G8 summit.

Tight security means most of the 3,000 accredited reporters will get nowhere near the area. The G20 summit will be held in Toronto — on the shores of Lake Ontario — right after the G8 gathering.

"We have a government here that has to create an artificial lake when Canada has more lakes than just about any other country in the world. It is the taxpayers who are going to end up at the bottom of the fake lake," said Jack Layton, leader of the left-leaning New Democrats.

Plumber helps wife deliver baby on bathroom floor

A Michigan plumber, who makes his living working in bathrooms, has brought a life into the world in one. Thirty-eight-year-

old Brian Hines helped his wife, Andrea, deliver their son, the 7 pound, 13 1/2 ounce Daniel Michael Lee Hines, on the bathroom floor of their Oakland County home on Tuesday. The dad told *The Oakland Press* of Pontiac they did not rush to a hospital when the contractions began because their first child, Alexander, had taken hours to arrive. Daniel took just seven minutes.

The only person verified to have lived past 120 years of age was Frenchwoman Jeanne Calment, seen here in 1997 the year she at the age of 122. Census officials in Indonesia have discovered a 157-year-old woman who claims to have been born in 1853.



A poisonous cane toad sits on a keeper's hand at the Taronga Zoo in Sydney. Tourists tramping the wilds of Australia's northern tropics could soon become "toadbusters" in an unusual plan being mulled by officials to combat a noxious plague of cane toads.

Suspect at court tried to sell GPS to owner

Police said a Connecticut man who appeared at a courthouse to answer a larceny charge broke into several cars in front of the building, took a GPS unit and inadvertently tried to sell it to its owner. Police said the arrest of 50-year-old Thomas Peno on Wednesday was his 40th.

When he tried to sell the GPS to its owner, an argument ensued, and a bystander called police. He has been taken into custody by judicial marshals. Peno was being held on \$25,000 bail and is to be arraigned Thursday on charge of burglary, larceny and breach of peace. A court clerk said Peno is not yet represented by a lawyer.

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A Golden Retriever, dyed to look like a tiger, plays with a Chow Chow, dyed to look like a panda, at the Dahe Pet Civilization Park in Zhengzhou, Henan Province on 8 June, 2010. The park bought four Chow Chows and a Golden Retriever from a pet market in Sichuan as an attempt to attract visitors, local media said.— INTERNET

Himalayan climate impacts 'cannot be generalised'

COPENHAGEN, 13 June — Melting glaciers in the Himalayas will have varying impacts on the region's five major river basins, a study says. Changes to the flow of meltwater as a result of global warming is likely to have a "severe" impact on food security in some areas, say scientists. Yet people living elsewhere are likely to see food productivity increase, they added in a paper published in *Science*. Overall, the food security of 4.5% of 1.4bn people in the region is threatened, the researchers conclude.

More than 1.4bn people depend on water from the Indus, Ganges, Brahmaputra, Yangtze and Yellow rivers. "We show that meltwater is extremely important in the Indus basin and important for the Brahmaputra basin, but only plays a modest role for the Ganges, Yangtze and Yellow rivers," the team from the Netherlands wrote.

"The Brahmaputra and Indus basins are most susceptible to reductions of flow, threatening the food security of an estimated 60m people.—INTERNET



Mountain glaciers provide vital lifeflood for some of Asia's major rivers. — INTERNET



Recession has sent business soaring at company that recycles parts of aging planes into everyday items.— INTERNET

British scrapyard clips jets' wings - and then everything else

ALTON, 13 June—In its heyday, this Boeing 747-200 cargo jet soared high in the sky to such destinations as Halifax, Miami, Panama, Dakar, Harare, Tehran, Bangkok and Shanghai. But the final destination for the MK Airlines plane was a small airfield in the scenic hills of the Cotswolds of Britain, where all that remained of it after about 12 weeks of dismantling was a pile of scrap aluminum that was taken away to be recycled into Coca-Cola cans and other everyday items.

Another 747-200 sat nearby, the next to be scrapped, its parts to be reused and the rest recycled or disposed of in an unglamorous end for a jet that logged millions of kilometres since entering service in 1975, flown by various owners including British Airways and Dubai Air Wing. They were just two in a growing line of aircraft decommissioned by Air Salvage International, which has become one of the world's busiest airplane scrapyards.

The British company is benefiting from the aviation industry's slump in the global economic downturn, which is forcing airlines and air transport companies to retire unneeded aging planes as they take delivery of newer, quieter and more fuel-efficient models.

Internet

Nurses fired for posting about patients on Facebook

SAN DIEGO, 13 June—Five nurses who work at Tri-City Medical Center in Oceanside were fired for allegedly discussing patient cases on Facebook.

"We recently identified an incident involving hospital employees who used social media to post their personal discussions concerning hospital patients," said Larry Anderson, Tri-City CEO. Anderson said that no patient names, photos or identifying information was posted. Max Carbuca of the California Nurses Association said if any information was shared it was to seek advice.

Back in 2007, five nurses, three secretaries and two technicians were under investigation at the same hospital when one of the individuals used their cell-phone cameras to photograph at least one patients x-ray, and the rest either viewed or disseminated it.— INTERNET

Arrests after body parts found

GRANTS PASS, 13 June — Police arrested a woman in California and her son in Oregon after body parts belonging to the woman's husband washed up on the banks of the Sacramento River, police said on Friday. A severed leg, torso, arms and a severed head had been found on the bank since November.

The Sutter County, California, sheriff's office said 57-year-old Lela McDonald was arrested on Thursday in the Sacramento area. DNA tests have shown the body parts belonged to her husband, Elmer McDonald.

Her son, 39-year-old Michael Gold, was also arrested on Thursday at his home in Grants Pass, Oregon. Both are charged with being accessories to a criminal act and destruction of evidence. Gold also is charged with removal of a body without the authorization of a coroner.—INTERNET

Allergies may see plane peanut ban

WASHINGTON, 13 June —The US Government is considering whether to ban peanuts from being served on board commercial airlines.

The US Transportation Department said concerns from travellers with peanut

allergies prompted a call for public comment last week on whether the snack should be regulated by requiring peanut-free zones on planes or an outright ban. Advocates say restrictions would ease the fears of an estimated 1.8 million Americans with peanut allergies, which can be life-threatening.

In Georgia, the top US peanut-producing state, farmers are already fuming. Armond Morris, chairman of the Georgia Peanut Commission, said growers feel they're being singled out over other food allergies.— INTERNET



The US Government is considering a peanut ban on flights.

INTERNET

Parents say Teenage sailor rescued in Indian Ocean



Abby Sunderland, 16, looks out from her sailboat, Wild Eyes, as she leaves for her world record attempting journey at the Del Rey Yacht Club in Marina del Rey, Calif. Sunderland who was feared lost at sea while sailing solo around the world has been found alive and well, adrift in the southern Indian Ocean with rescue boats headed toward her, officials said.

INTERNET

TOUSAND OAKS, 13 June—The parents of a California teenager who was stranded at sea say she has been rescued by a French fishing crew.

Laurence Sunderland, the father of 16-year-old Abby Sunderland, told reporters outside his home early Saturday that maritime authorities had contacted him to confirm the rescue in heavy seas in the southern Indian Ocean.

Abby Sunderland set off a distress signal Thursday after rough seas disabled her ship and her satellite phone reception. Twenty hours later, an Australian search plane made brief radio contact with Sunderland and found her alive and well Friday morning. The mast on her boat, Wild Eyes, had broken, dashing her attempts to sail around the world single handed.—Internet



Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (L, front) inspects wheat harvesting work at Poliawang Village of Shixiang Township in Changge City, central China's Henan Province, on 9 June, 2010.—XINHUA

Four women among 6 killed in accident in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 13 June—At least six people were killed, including four women, and another three were critically injured, as two vehicles collided head-on amid dust storm in east Pakistan's Punjab province on Friday evening, local police said.

The incident took place 30 kilometers from Jhang area when a tractor-trolley rammed into an oil tanker due to bad weather, witnesses said.

The injured have been rushed to nearby hospital.

Xinhua



Sun demonstrates to a group of African orphans the movements and essence of performing Gezai Opera, an art form that has taken elements from Liyuan Opera, Beiguan Opera and Peking Opera.—INTERNET

Malaysia drops tsunami advisory

KUALA LUMPUR, 13 June—The Malaysian Meteorological Department has dropped the tsunami advisory it issued earlier Sunday after a strong earthquake took place in Nicobar Islands, India.

The department posted the latest update on its official website at 7:10 am Malaysian time, saying that there was no tsunami threat to Malaysia arising from the strong quake.

According to the department, a strong

earthquake measuring 7.2 on the Richter scale took place in Nicobar Islands, India, at 3.26 am Malaysian time.

Another moderate earthquake that measured 5.4 on the Richter scale struck Nicobar Islands at 6:44 am Malaysian time.

The department said that this will be the final information it issued for the event unless there further developments or additional information becomes available.

Xinhua

Two killed in Austria glider crash

VIENNA, 13 June—Two people were killed when their glider crashed on Saturday noon in the Austrian state Karnten, authorities said.

The glider crashed at noon in a forest near the Glainach military training area in Ferlach of Klagenfurt-land, the southernmost urban community of Austria.

The plane was being flown by two Austrian citizens, a flying instructor and his student, said a police spokesman.

Eyewitness said explosion was heard and the two-seated plane could have lost one of its wings before the crash.—Xinhua

Five killed, 2 injured in traffic accidents in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, 13 June—Five people were killed and two others injured in three consecutive traffic accidents at the same place in Cambodia's north western province of Banteay Meanchey, a local police officer said Saturday.

Keo Bunyoeung, district police chief of Preah Net Preah, said the three accidents happened at 7:40 pm on Friday, leaving five people dead and two others injured.

He said the first accident caused by a motorbike with three people on board hitting a bicycle, leaving two people dead and two others injured; while the second accident happened soon after a truck crashed a police car that was parking nearby the first accident site.

While villagers were crowded at the accident site, another motorbike driver accidentally hit the truck nearby and he died later in hospital, Keo

Bunyoeun said.

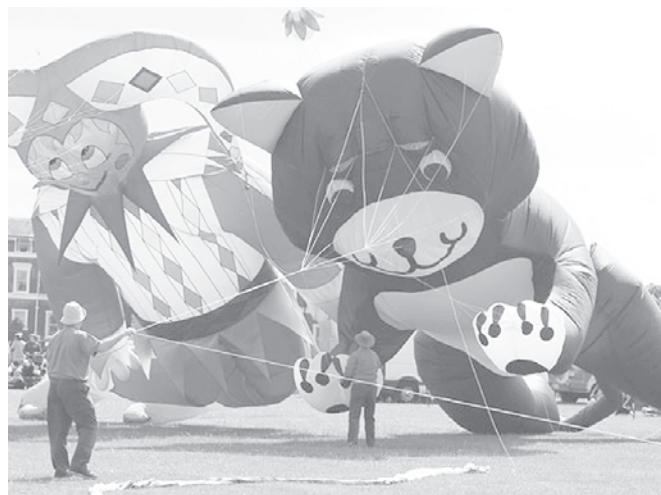
On Thursday, three people were killed and 12 others injured in a car accident in Cambodia's northeastern province of Kompong Cham.

Cambodia has been alarmed with traffic accidents in recent years.

Last year, Cambodia recorded the death toll of 1,717 people by traffic accidents across the country, and it said the country had lost 248 million US dollars from these accidents.

Xinhua

Hugh (L) and Lynn Bowers of Beccles, Suffolk reel in their 20m ripstop nylon kite "Rusty", next to a Belgian kite in the form of a court jester, during the Bike and Kite Festival on Blackheath in London on 12 June, 2010.—XINHUA



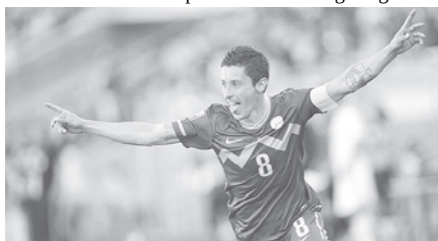


England's Robert Green fails to save a shot by United States' Clint Dempsey during the World Cup group C soccer match between England and the United States.—INTERNET

Slovenia beat 10-man Algeria 1-0

POLOKWANE, 13 June—Robert Koren scored a late goal on Sunday to give Slovenia a 1-0 win over 10-man Algeria and first place in Group C of the World Cup, ahead of the United States and England.

The Slovenian captain struck a long-range shot



A late goal from Robert Koren handed Slovenia their first-ever FIFA World Cup victory as well as the top spot in Group C as they beat 10-man Algeria 1-0 in Polokwane.—INTERNET

that Algeria goalkeeper Fawzi Chaouchi misjudged and allowed to bounce into the net off his arm in the 79th minute.

It was the first-ever World Cup victory for Slovenia, the smallest nation in the tournament with a population of around 2 million. The Balkan country lost all three of its group matches in the 2002 tournament.

Algeria substitute Abdelkader Ghezzal was sent off in the 72nd, picking up a second yellow card for handling the ball inside the Slovenian penalty area.

Algeria twice came close in the first half when Nadir Belhadj's 25-yard free kick forced Slovenia goalkeeper Samir Handanovic to stretch and push the ball over the crossbar, and defender Rafik Halliche headed just wide.

Slovenia faces the US next while Algeria travels to Cape Town to take on England.—INTERNET

Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



Soft goal gives US 1-1 tie against England

RUSTENBURG, 13 June—England's players couldn't get off the field fast enough. The Americans lingered to savor the night. They walked to the end of Royal Bafokeng Stadium where thousands of red, white and blue-clad fans were waving the Stars and Stripes and cheering their heads off.

Try convincing the US team and its fans there wasn't a winner in the 1-1 draw with mighty England. "We'll take more out of a draw than they will," said US goalkeeper Tim Howard, the man of the match. "They're going to feel like they should have won the game."

Facing the Three Lions in the World Cup for the first time in 60 years, the United States rallied and then hung on for an instant boost in confidence that they could advance to the second round.

Clint Dempsey became only the second American to score in two World Cups, getting the tying goal in the 40th minute on a blunder by goalkeeper Robert Green. Howard made six saves in his World Cup debut, withstanding a second-half barrage by Wayne Rooney and his celebrated teammates.—INTERNET

Appiah says Ghana will be on song against Serbia

PRETORIA, 13 June—Ghana captain Stephen Appiah insisted his team will be playing the right beat when they begin their World Cup campaign against Serbia at the Loftus Versfeld stadium here on Sunday.

The Ghana players broke into song at the end of their last training session on Saturday ahead of their first Group D clash and Appiah says that's all part of their preparation as Africans.—INTERNET



Ghana's midfielder Stephen Appiah speaks at a press conference after a training session at Loftus Versfeld Stadium in Pretoria.

INTERNET

SPORTS

Ghana penalty edges 10-man Serbia



Ghana's striker Asamoah Gyan slots a penalty home against Serbia.

POLOKWANE, 13 June—Ghana's hopes of reaching the World Cup second round received a huge boost here yesterday as they beat Serbia 1-0 in their opening Group D match.

An 84th-minute penalty by Asamoah Gyan was enough to take the three points after it was awarded by Argentinian referee Hector Baldassi for handball against Zdravko Kuzmanovic.

Serbia, who lost all three matches in 2006 under the banner of Serbia and Montenegro, had been up against it when Aleksandar Lukovic was sent-off for a second bookable offence in the 74th minute.—INTERNET

Preview matches on Netherland Vs Denmark; Japan Vs Cameroon and Italy Vs Paraguay on 14 June

YANGON, 13 June—World ranking 4 Netherland, one of the champion favourites in 2010 World Cup and world ranking Denmark 36 are going to play their match of Group-E of the 2010 World Cup in Soccer City in South Africa on 14 June.

Netherland Vs Denmark

Both teams encountered five times after 1991 and Netherland won three matches and two draws but Denmark had three failures and two draws in their head-to-head position. In comparison with the strength of the players and skills, there is a large gap between Netherland and Denmark. Netherland are much better than Denmark in defence, midfield and attack. Denmark will find difficulty in penetrating into the defence of Denmark. If the licks are brought to Netherland, Netherland will win over Denmark by a wide margin.

Head-to-Head Position

22-6-1992	Holland 2-2	Denmark	Friendly Match
18-8-1999	Denmark	0-0	Holland Friendly Match
16-6-2000	Denmark	0-3	Holland Confederation Cup
10-11-2001	Denmark	1-1	Holland Friendly Match
29-5-2008	Holland 1-0	Denmark	Friendly Match

Japan Vs Cameroon

World ranking 45 Japan and world ranking 19 Cameroon will play their Group-E of the 2010 World Cup in Free State in South Africa on 14 June.

Both teams faced in three matches in their head-to-head position in 2001, 2003 and 2007 and Japan won two matches and one draw whereas Cameroon had two losses and one draw. In comparison with the players and skills, Cameroon are better than Japan. Japan will surely struggle in its group and it is not easy to reach the play-off stage. Cameroon have a lot of prolific players in its lineup. This match is supposed that Cameroon will win or draw but not lose to its opponent Japan. If the fortune stands by Cameroon, it will whitewash the opponent.

Head-to-Head Position

2-6-2001	Cameroon	0-2	Japan	Confederation Cup
19-11-2003	Japan	0-0	Cameroon	Friendly Match
22-8-2007	Japan	2-0	Cameroon	Friendly Match

Italy Vs Paraguay

Defending champion world ranking 5 Italy and world ranking 31 Paraguay will play their Group-F match of the 2010 World Cup in Cape Town in South Africa on 14 June.

Both teams played two times in their head-to-head position in 1950 and 1998 and Italy won both matches. The recent friendly results of Italy are not encouraging and so are Paraguay. Italy's stylish play is not so satisfactory in the group matches but if Italy reaches beyond the group stage, it can cause trouble to every opponents. Italy is organized with well-experienced players but the players are older than other teams. Paraguay have well-qualified attackers but lack of defence. This match is likely to finish in a draw.

Head-to-Head Position

2-7-1950	Italy	2-0	Paraguay	World Cup
22-4-1998	Italy	3-1	Paraguay	Friendly Match

NLM

Jennifer Aniston wants to bring "Friends" to big screen

BEIJING, 13 June—Television and film actress Courtney Cox said her former "Friends" costar Jennifer Aniston is planning a film about a reunion of the cast of the popular American sitcom, Ent.qq.com reports.

Cox told reporters that Aniston generated the idea when she saw the success of Home Box Office's film version of "Sex and the City." The second "Sex and the City" film this year reinforced Aniston's decision to make a "Friends" reunion film, the report said.

Although Aniston has many great ideas for making the film, the project will not be easy to pull off. Cox said that unlike "Sex and the City" which hopped all over Manhattan, "Friends" took place mainly in a New York apartment and the "Central Perk" coffeehouse.



Jennifer Aniston.
INTERNET

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (14-6-2010)(Monday)

Transmissions

Times

Local - (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission - (14-6-10 09:30 am ~
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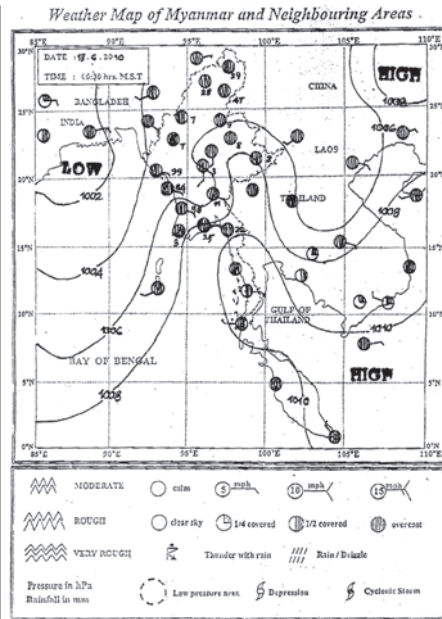
Local Transmission

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- * News
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- * Elegant Myanmar Dance
- * News
- * Documentary "Bagan: The Land of Pagoda"
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- * 60th Anniversary of China-Myanmar Diplomatic Relationship
- * News
- * Grassland Survey in Hukaung Tiger Reserve
- * Myanmar Movie "Implicated Attachment"



WEATHER

Sunday, 13th June, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, Weather has been partly cloudy in Taninthayi Division and rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Kayah State, fairly widespread in Mandalay and Magway Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavyfall in Rakhine State and isolated heavy falls in upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kyaukpyu (6.14) inches, Sittway (4.17) inches, Katha (4.01) inches, Maungdaw (3.98) inches, Gwa (3.42) inches, Kanbalu and Zaungtu (2.56) inches each and Kyaukpadaung (2.36) inches.

Maximum temperature on 12-6-2010 was 87°F. Minimum temperature on 13-6-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 13-6-2010 was 100%. Total sun shine hours on 12-6-2010 was (Nil).

Rainfall on 13-6-2010 was (0.59) inch, at Mingaladon, (0.98) inch, at Kaba-Aye and (0.95) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (21.89) inches at Mingaladon, (22.87) inches at Kaba-Aye and (22.01) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from South at (13:30) hours MST on 12-6-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is moderate in the Andaman sea and South Bay and moderate to strong elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 14th June 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Kayin and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay and Taninthayi Divisions, widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfall in Rakhine State. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at time off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Moderate to strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 14-6-2010: One to two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 14-6-2010: One to two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 14-6-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Myanmar



Monday, 14
June
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ ဝန်ခံတရားတော်

7:15 am

2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:50 am

6. Cute Little Dancers

8:00 am

7. Song Of National Races

8:10 am

8. "ဇိဝိတဂါနသွေးလွှကြစို့"

8:25 am

9. Musical Programme

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Songs to Uphold National Spirit

4:15 pm

3. Sing & Enjoy

4:55 pm

4. "ဒေသထွက်ကုန်အဖုံဖုံ မန္တလေးကမုန့်ချိုရဲ့"

5:00 pm

5. Football Planet

(၂၀၁၀ ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလား
ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲသုံးသပ်ချက်)

5:20 pm

6. မြန်မာတေးသံရုပ်ရှင် ချစ်ချစ်ပွဲ

5:45 pm

7. ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ် (နယ်သာလန် အသင်းနှင့် နိဂုံးမတ်အသင်း)

8:00 pm

8. News
9. International News
10. Weather Report

11. ခေတ်အဆက်ဆက်အထိမ်းအမှတ်များ (စတီရီယို တေးသံရုပ်ရှင်များ၊ တေးရေး-မင်းချစ်သူ)

16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာနန္ဒ" (အပိုင်း-၂၃)

- (ဇာတ်သိမ်းပိုင်း)

17. "သုခုမရင်ပြင်"



- ★ 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

Prime Minister U Thein Sein visits Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) Project

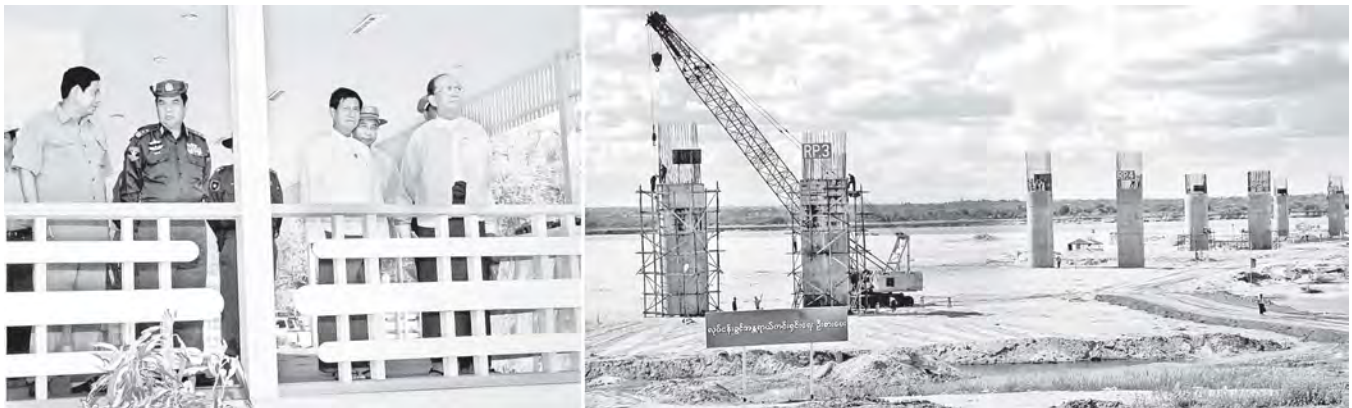
NAY PYI TAW, 13 June—Prime Minister U Thein Sein, accompanied by Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo, Minister for Industry-2 U Soe Thein, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Electric Power No. 1 U Zaw Min, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein, Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, deputy ministers, the director-general of the Government Office and departmental heads, left Nay Pyi Taw by air on 11 June afternoon and arrived at NyaungU of Mandalay Division at 2.15 pm.

At the briefing hall of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) Project on Letpanchepaw bank in NyaungU Township, Minister for Construction U

Khin Maung Myint reported on construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) project by Special Project Construction Group (3) of Public Works, construction of the longest bridge at 19,457 feet in Myanmar, location of the bridge on the India-Myanmar-Thai Tripartite Highway, utmost efforts of Special Project Construction Group (3) in implementing the bridge project on the banks of Yaylekyun, Letpanchepaw and Pakokku day and night, searching of alignment for the bridge, location of the facility, bridge characters and set standards, construction of the lower structure for the main bridge and upper structure, starting of build-

ing the lower structure of the main bridge in 2009-2010 and 41 per cent completion, construction of the bored piles for the main bridge and posts for 2010-2011 financial year, completion of piers, plans and progress of work, funds, machines, vehicles, heavy machinery and construction materials, strength of staff, and progress in construction of Sinkhan Bridge, Pakokku Bridge, Malun Bridge, Nyaungdon Bridge and Yadanatheinga Bridge across Ayeyawady River.

Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min submitted the reports on construction of approach (See page 9)



Prime Minister U Thein Sein views progress of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) Project.

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