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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

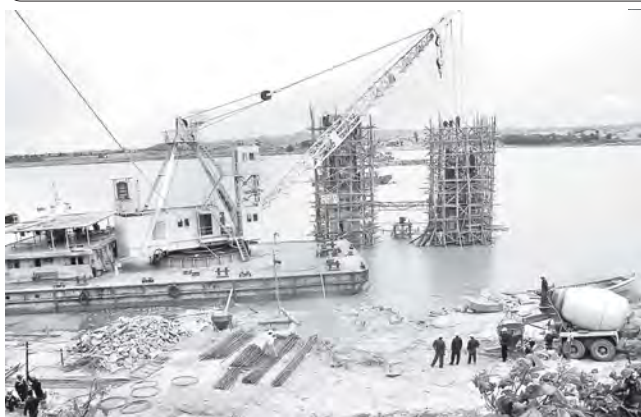
- \* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- \* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- \* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country 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

**Nation will soon emerge as peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic one if people work hard with determination**

## Prime Minister on inspection tour of Magway Division



**Prime Minister U Thein Sein inspects construction site of Ayeyawady Bridge (Magway).—MNA**

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—Prime Minister U Thein Sein continued inspection tour of Magway Division yesterday morning.

The Prime Minister, together with ministers, deputy ministers, the Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council and departmental heads, inspected progress of Minbu by car. The Prime Minister

inspected Ayeyawady Bridge (Magway) in a car.

The Prime Minister inspected progress of Magway by car, and visited the administrative office of Kaungmon Construction Co.

Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint reported on construction of 107 miles and two furlongs long Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway)

Road with the use of BOT system, roads being built with BOT system in Magway Division and in the whole nation, construction of the roads passing through Bago Yoma mountain range including the present project, tarmacking of the roads, and upgrading and maintenance of Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Chaungnet-Taungdwingyi Road.

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**Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially greets doctors, nurses and health staff of Teaching Hospital (Magway).—MNA**

## PERSPECTIVES

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### For national people to lend a hand to national development tasks

The government is building transport networks in order to have easy access to all regions across the Union.

As for the rail transport sector, there are now 3433 miles of railroads and 875 stations up from 1976 miles and 487 stations in 1988.

Seikpyu-Yawchaung railroad built by Myanma Railways under the Ministry of Rail Transportation was opened in the compound of Seikpyu Station in Pakokku District, Magway Division, on 12 June.

Kyangin-Pakokku railroad is a route vital for the local people from the western bank of the Ayeyawady River. Upon its completion, one can travel from Patheingyi of Ayeyawady Division to Mandalay by passing through Kyangin and the towns of the western Ayeyawady bank in Magway Division. Moreover, one can travel up to Kalay in Sagaing Division and to Sittway along Minbu-An-Kyauktaw-Sittway railway.

The State is building transport infrastructures in the whole Union, including border regions, by spending a huge sum of money so as to link one region and another that have difficult transport due to the nation's geographical conditions and to develop the regions that lacked progress in past.

So, realizing the goodwill of the State, the national people are to give a hand to national development tasks.

### Electoral Process Courses open in Bawlake, Phahsaung, Mesae Townships

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—The opening of Electoral Process Course for ward and village sub-commission members, returning officer, deputy returning officer and polling booth staff was held at Bayintnaung hall in Bawlake Township, Kayah State on 11 June, with an address by Secretary U Khin Maung Yi of state sub-commission.

Working guidance, laws and rules were lectured at the course at which a total of 10 trainees were attending.

Similarly, in Phahsaung Basic Education High School, the opening of Electoral Process Course for ward and village-tract sub-commission members of Phahsaung Township and Mesae Township, returning officer, deputy returning officer and polling booth staff was held on the following day.

A total of 85 trainees attended the said course.—MNA

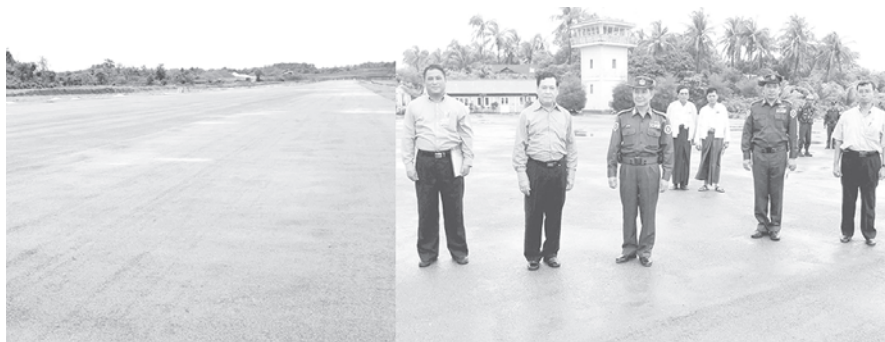
### All this needs to be known

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

## Peoples' 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

### Commander, Minister visit Thandwe Airport



Commander Maj-Gen Thauung Aye and Minister for Transport U Thein Swe inspect Thandwe Airport.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Chairman Western Command Commander Maj-Gen Thauung Aye and Minister for Transport U Thein Swe yesterday visited Thandwe Airport in Rakhine State.

They heard reports on progress in upgrading of the airport and the minister gave necessary instructions. They then inspected passenger lounge, security screening, face-lifting of the airport, hangar and extension of runway.—MNA

### UMFCCI president meets Chinese guests



**President of UMFCCI U Win Myint and party meet Chairman of China National Technical Import & Export Corporation Mr Tang Yi and Chief Representative Mr Richard Wang.**

UMFCCI

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI) U Win Myint, General-Secretary Dr Maung Maung Lay and party received Chairman Mr Tang Yi of China National Technical Import and Export Corporation and Chief

Representative Mr Richard Wang at UMFCCI Office on 4 June.

They discussed matters relating to investment opportunities in Myanmar, trade in machinery and electronics with Myanmar and acquiring economic information.—MNA

### Monsoon Special Sales of Concordia and Fortune

YANGON, 14 June—Monsoon Special Sales, jointly organized by Concordia International Co Ltd and Fortune International Limited will take place at Central Hotel on Bogyoke Aung San Street here from 16 to 19 June.

Shoppers can purchase office equipment, lab and hospital equipment, survey equipment, GPS, digital scales, concrete testers, elevators, escalators, medicines, hand phones, telephone extension boxes, GSM access kits, veterinary medicine, pesticides, navigation and communication devices. at one place.

For more information, contact Concordia International Co Ltd, 3rd Floor and Fifth Floor,

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## Ten civilians killed in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 15 June—Ten civilians were killed as police and Taliban militants came in contact in Afghanistan's eastern Nangarhar Province, a private television channel Tolo reported on Tuesday.

"The clash begun Monday night and continued until Tuesday morning in Shirzad district had claimed the lives of more than 10 civilians," Tolo aired in its news bulletin.

Citing Taliban

sources, the television channel also reported that 13 policemen were killed in the gun battle.

Meantime, officials in Nangarhar province have yet to make comment.

Internet



**Crime scene investigators and a Mexican army soldier stand over the body of a fallen federal policeman after an ambush on a patrol of federal agents near the town of Zitacuaro, Mexico 14 June, 2010. Mexican federal police say 10 of their officers were killed in the attack and several others were wounded.**

INTERNET



**A US Predator unmanned drone armed with a missile stands on the tarmac of Kandahar military airport on 13 June, 2010.**

INTERNET

## NATO oil tanker attacked in SW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 15 June—A NATO oil tanker was destroyed in a blast in Chaman, a town in the southwest Pakistani province of Balochistan near the border with Afghanistan on Tuesday, official sources said.—Xinhua

## Gunmen kill five, wound three in Iraq's northern Mosul

BAGHDAD, 15 June—A group of gunmen Monday stormed a house close to Iraq's northern city of Mosul, killing 5 people and wounding 3, a local police source said.

"The gunmen killed 5 and wounded 3 at night by shooting in a house of Abu Seif village which is located 10 km south to Mosul, all the victims belong

to the same family," the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

"The reason of the attack is not clear and the police are searching the village for possible attackers," he added.

Mosul, the capital city of Iraq's Ninawa Province, has long been a stronghold for al-Qaida militants and

other insurgent groups since the US-led invasion of Iraq in 2003 despite repeated US and Iraqi military operations against them.

Various attacks continue in whole Iraq since the March parliamentary elections, leaving thousands of civilians dead and injured.

Xinhua

## Taliban key commander killed in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 15 June—A Taliban key commander affiliated with Haqqani network was killed as Afghan and NATO-led troops stormed militants' hideout in eastern Khost Province, a press release of NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said on Monday. "ISAF has confirmed a Haqqani network commander, Fazil Subhan, Known to facilitate foreign fighters, was killed along with multiple insurgents by Afghan and international forces in a two-day offensive in Khost province last week," the press release added.

Xinhua



**A policeman frisks residents near the site of Sunday's bomb attack in Baghdad on 14 June, 2010. Fifteen people were killed and dozens wounded on Sunday when gunmen detonated at least one bomb outside Iraq's central bank and battled with security in what officials said could have been a raid on the vaults.**

INTERNET

## 20 Taliban killed, 10 troops kidnapped in NW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 15 June—Over 20 local Taliban militants were killed and six others injured Monday when Pakistani forces repulsed an attack on part of the militants in Pakistan's Mohmand tribal agency along with the Afghan border, local

media reported.

Militants attacked a security check post at Shangrai in Mohmand and the forces reacted on time, local TV Dawn News reported.

Meanwhile, the local Taliban claimed responsibility for the

attack adding that 10 security personnel were kidnapped.

Local officials also confirmed that their contacts with several men of the militia Frontier Corps have been cut off, said the reports.

Xinhua



**A woman cries out during the funeral for a relative killed in an attack on Iraq's central Bank as the body is taken for burial in the Shiite city of Najaf, 160 kilometers (100 miles) south of Baghdad, Iraq, on 14 June, 2010.**

INTERNET

## Seven people including policeman dead in target killings in Karachi, Pakistan

KARACHI, 15 June—The death toll in target killing incidents which broke out late Monday in Pakistan's largest city of Karachi has risen to seven while another three were injured till Tuesday morning, local media Geo news reported.

According to police

sources, Assistant Jailor, Ishaq Mio, was shot injured by armed men who was rushed to a private hospital but later succumbed to fatal injuries.

Local sources said the target killings started when three persons were killed in Musa Colony, near Nazimabad College

for Man. The killings triggered violence in parts of city in which people in rage set vehicles on fire, chanted slogans and staged fierce protest.

Later police and rangers' contingents controlled situation and dispersed protesters.

Xinhua

## Five police killed in southern Afghan province

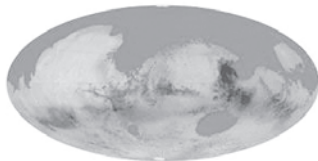
GHAZNI, 15 June—Five policemen were killed as Taliban militants raided a police checkpoint in Afghanistan's southern Ghazni Province Tuesday, police said. "A group of Taliban rebels stormed a police checkpoint in second precinct of

Ghazni city the capital of Ghazni Province at 03:45 am local time as a result five policemen were killed and another injured," Nawroz Ali the deputy to provincial police chief told Xinhua. He also said that casualties inflicted on Taliban but could not

give more details.

Meantime, Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid in talks with media via telephone from undisclosed location claimed of responsibility, adding the militants after killing five policemen seized their weapons.—Xinhua

## Ancient ocean may have covered third of Mars



*This is an illustration of what Mars might have looked like some 3.5 billion years ago when an ocean likely covered one-third of the planet's surface, according to a new University of Colorado at Boulder study.—INTERNET*

COLORADO, 15 June—A vast ocean likely covered one-third of the surface of Mars some 3.5 billion years ago, according to a new study conducted by University of Colorado at Boulder scientists.

The CU-Boulder study is the first to combine the analysis of water-related features including scores of

delta deposits and thousands of river valleys to test for the occurrence of an ocean sustained by a global hydrosphere on early Mars. While the notion of a large, ancient ocean on Mars has been repeatedly proposed and challenged over the past two decades, the new study provides further support for the idea of a sustained sea on the Red Planet during the Noachian era more than 3 billion years ago, said CU-Boulder researcher Gaetano Di Achille, lead author on the study.

A paper on the subject authored by Di Achille and CU-Boulder Assistant Professor Brian Hynek of the geological sciences department appears in the 13 June issue of *Nature Geoscience*. Both Di Achille and Hynek are affiliated with CU-Boulder's Laboratory for Atmospheric and Space Physics.—*Internet*



*An Argentine band offers a musical concert to the audience at the World Expo Park in Shanghai, east China, on 13 June, 2010. The Argentine band mixed traditional Tango with electronic music and involved in laser projection during their performance.—XINHUA*

## Moody's see unprecedented oil spill crisis

NEW YORK, 15 June—The worst oil spill in US history has created an unprecedented financial, legal, regulatory and environmental crisis for companies that operate in the Gulf of Mexico, Moody's Investors Service said on Monday.

"The accident could have an international impact as well, as other governments that oversee offshore production adopt these new, stricter US standards," Moody's said in a report.

"We believe it could take up to two years before producers, rig operators, and service firms in the deepwater Gulf can resume activity to pre-spill levels," said

Steven Wood, a managing director at Moody's.

US President Barack Obama and top BP (BP.L) (BP.N) executives are set for a showdown over the Gulf of Mexico oil spill this week, as the likely damages bill piles more pressure on the oil giant's shares.

The US has imposed a six-month moratorium on deepwater drilling in the Gulf of Mexico that is set to last through November, "posing uncertainties that could last well beyond this date for producers, drillers and service companies operating in the region," Wood said.

*Internet*

## Good or bad, baby names have long-lasting effects

ILLINOIS, 15 June—Choosing a baby name proves to be a challenging task for many parents. And they're wise to work hard at it. A name can have a profound impact on a child that reverberates well into adulthood, a growing body of research suggests.

"There is a reason why baby name books are extremely popular," said David Figlio of Northwestern University in Illinois. "We're always trying to think about the first bit of a child's identity and so if we as a society pay a lot

of attention to names it makes a lot of sense that people's names might influence how they think about themselves and the way in which people might think about them."

*Internet*

## Scientists strive to replace silicon with graphene on nanocircuitry

WASHINGTON, 15 June—Scientists have made a breakthrough toward creating nanocircuitry on graphene, widely regarded as the most promising candidate to replace silicon as the building block of transistors. They have devised a simple and quick one-step process based on thermochemical nanolithography (TCNL) for creating nanowires, tuning the electronic properties of reduced graphene oxide on the nanoscale and thereby allowing it to switch from being an insulating material to a conducting material.

The technique works with multiple forms of graphene and is poised to become an important finding for the development of graphene electronics. The research appears in the 11 June, 2010, issue of the journal *Science*.

Scientists who work with nanocircuits are enthusiastic about graphene because electrons meet with less resistance when they



*In a technique known as thermochemical nanolithography, the tip of an atomic force microscope uses heat to turn graphene oxide into reduced graphene oxide, a substance that can be used to produce nanocircuits and nanowires with controllable conductivity.*

*INTERNET*

travel along graphene compared to silicon and because today's silicon transistors are nearly as small as allowed by the laws of physics. Graphene also has the edge due to its thickness

— it's a carbon sheet that is a single atom thick. While graphene nanoelectronics could be faster and consume less power than silicon, no one knew how to produce graphene nanostructures on such a reproducible or scalable method. That is until now.

"We've shown that by locally heating insulating graphene oxide, both the flakes and epitaxial varieties, with an atomic force microscope tip, we can write nanowires with dimensions down to 12 nanometers. And we can tune their electronic properties to be up to four orders of magnitude more conductive. We've seen no sign of tip wear or sample tearing," said Elisa Riedo, associate professor in the School of Physics at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

*Internet*

## Forget the VJ: MTV is looking for a Twitter Jockey

LOS ANGELES, 15 June—Remember the MTV VJ? That's so two decades ago. Now the network is looking to hire its first TJ, or Twitter Jockey.

MTV officials say the search is on for a new social media maven who will engage with the MTV audience and serve as a liaison between viewers and network honchos.

MTV General Manager Stephen Friedman called the TJ

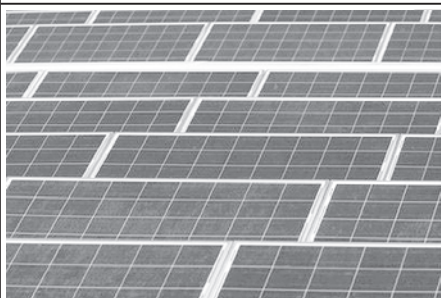
position "a natural evolution of how we connect with our audience."

The network has identified 18 potential candidates and is asking its audience to find two more. The 20 hopefuls will compete in a series of online challenges this summer designed to reveal their personalities and demonstrate how they connect with Twitter followers.

Five finalists will ultimately compete on a live show on 8 Aug, when fans will pick who gets the new job.

*Internet*

## Science



*Solar panels. Egypt will open its first solar energy plant by the end of this year, electricity and energy minister Hassan Yunis has said in a report published on the ministry's website.*

*INTERNET*



Visitors look out over the rainforest in the Illawarra region south of Sydney in Australia's New South Wales state. A potential cancer drug developed from an Australian rainforest plant is set to progress to human trials after fighting off inoperable tumours in pets, the company behind it has said.—INTERNET

## Health plan may influence 5-year rectal cancer survival

WASHINGTON, 15 June— Uninsured and Medicaid-insured rectal cancer patients are more likely to die within five years than those with private health insurance, largely due to disparities in treatment and cancer stage at diagnosis, new research suggests.

These disparities may be reduced through health care reform, the researchers noted in the 14 June online edition of the journal *Cancer*.

The study authors, Dr Anthony S Robbins of the American Cancer Society and colleagues, analyzed US National Cancer Data Base

Disparities in cancer stage at diagnosis and treatment accounted for 53 percent of the

increased risk of death among uninsured and Medicaid-insured patients, while other factors accounted for about 17 of the risk, the study authors found.

"Our main finding, that most of the excess mortality seen among uninsured and Medicaid-insured patients was explained by two modifiable factors [stage and treatment], suggests that improving insurance coverage and reducing cost-related barriers to primary care, colorectal cancer screening and high-quality treatment would have a major impact on colorectal cancer survival disparities," Robbins said in a news release from the journal's publisher.

Internet

## Popular blood pressure drugs tied to slight rise in cancer risk

WASHINGTON, 15 June — Use of a popular class of drugs for high blood pressure and heart failure is associated with a slight boost in cancer risk, a new review of data finds.

The drugs are known as angiotensin-receptor blockers (ARBs) and include medicines such as telmisartan (Micardis), losartan (Cozaar, Hyzaar), valsartan (Diovan) and candesartan (Atacand).

Overall, the researchers looked at trials involving over 223,000 patients. When they concentrated on five trials involving over 60,000 patients, in which cancer was a pre-specified endpoint, "patients assigned to these ARBs had about a 10 percent increase in cancer" relative to those not on the medications, said Dr. Ilke Sipahi, assistant professor of medicine at Case Western Reserve University, lead author of a report in the 14 June online edition of *The Lancet Oncology*.

The incidence of cancer in people taking an ARB was 7.2 percent, compared to a 6 percent incidence in those taking a placebo, the analysis found. The increase in solid tumors was concentrated in lung cancers, whose incidence was 25 percent higher in those taking an ARB, he said.

Internet



Guests have dinner at an event venue known as "Dinner in the Sky" as they are seated around a table that is lifted by a crane in Beirut, on 11 June, 2010. The table is suspended at a height of 50m and accommodates 22 guests, who are secured by six-point harnesses.—XINHUA



A little boy(R) is attracted by the performance of "zheng", a traditional Chinese zither with 21 or 25 strings, at the Shengquan Mountain Scenic Zone of Huairou District in Beijing, capital of China, 14 June, 2010. Some 100 "zheng" enthusiasts performed for visitors on Monday to greet the upcoming Chinese Dragon Boat Festival. —XINHUA

## Cost-conscious cancer survivors skip care

WASHINGTON, 15 June— Millions of Americans with a history of cancer, particularly people under age 65, are delaying or skipping on medical care because of worries about the cost of treatment, a new study suggests.

The finding raises troubling questions about the long-term survival and quality of life of the 12 million adults in the United States whose lives have been forever changed by a diagnosis of cancer.

"I think it's concerning because we recognize that cancer survivors have many medical needs that

persist for years after their diagnosis and treatment," said study lead author Kathryn E. Weaver, an assistant professor in the Department of Social Sciences & Health Policy at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Centre in Winston-Salem, NC.

The report was published online 14 June in *Cancer*, a journal of the American Cancer Society. Cost concerns have posed a threat to cancer survivorship for some time, particularly with the advent of new, life-prolonging treatments.

Internet

## Harmless brain abnormalities in kids pose disclosure dilemmas

WASHINGTON, 15 June— Unexpected but benign anomalies are often detected in children who undergo "routine" brain MRIs, and guidelines need to be developed to help pediatricians handle these findings, a new study suggests.

"Doctors need to figure out what, if anything, they want to share with parents about

such findings because they seldom require urgent follow-up," senior investigator Dr. John Strouse, a hematologist at Johns Hopkins Children's Centre, said in a *Hopkins* news release.

The most common reasons for MRI testing in children are seizures and headaches, or as a requirement for enrollment in certain medical studies.

Strouse and

colleagues looked at 953 children, predominantly black and aged 5 to 14, who underwent brain MRIs before enrolling in a study about sickle cell disease, which they all had. Of those children, 63 (6.6 percent) had a total of 68 abnormal brain findings, none of which were related to their underlying condition. None of those 63 children required emergency treatment and only six children (0.6 percent) required urgent follow-ups.

Internet

## Bahrain sends 2 mln dollar medical aid to Gaza

ABU DHABI, 15 June — Bahrain is sending a 2 million US dollar aid shipment of medical supplies to the Gaza Strip, *local Gulf Daily News* reported on Monday. The 40-ton shipment of medical equipment and medicines was financed by Bahraini people who raised the funds in the space of a week following an appeal by King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the paper said. The supplies will be airlifted from the Gulf state to the Egyptian airport of el-Arish, from where it will make a road trip to the enclave. Egypt reopened Rafah border crossing with Gaza following an Israeli attack on a Gaza-bound aid fleet last month that left nine people dead.—Internet



A visitor watches Luo Hong's works at the Sedgwick Museum of Cambridge University, in Cambridge, Britain, 14 June, 2010. The exhibition featuring Chinese photographer and environmentalist Luo Hong's works, themed Ode to the Earth, is held at the Sedgwick Museum from June 14 to July 3.

XINHUA

# Health



**A flare burns from a drill ship recovering oil from the ruptured BP oil well in the Gulf of Mexico on 13 June, 2010 off the coast of Louisiana. Reports have said that BP will bow to massive US pressure and decide to suspend dividend payments as its potential liability over the Gulf of Mexico oil spill soars.—XINHUA**

## BP shares dive again as board mulls dividend delay

LONDON, 15 June—Shares in BP PLC plunged again on Monday as the company's board discussed US demands that it suspend dividend payments until it pays for the cleanup of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. BP shares were down by 8 percent at 360.2 pence (\$5.31) by midafternoon on the London Stock Exchange, after recovering some ground on Friday.

The board's London meeting comes as US President Barack Obama begins a two-day visit to the Gulf Coast to view the damage from the massive slick and talk to affected residents. BP has a number of options regarding dividend payments and analysts believe the company is unlikely to scrap it altogether.

Dividends could be deferred, paid in the form of shares or paid into an account for payment after BP had paid all its cleanup costs.

Any decision was not expected to be announced immediately, with BP executives due to meet Obama in Washington on Wednesday. "The call from the US administration for a third party administered fund to meet the claims of victims of the spill appears to be an attempt to show the US public that the government is 'doing something,'" said Jonathan Jackson, head of equities at London-based Killik & Co.

"As a political compromise, we would expect BP to agree to this request."—Xinhua

## Cablevision buying western cable company Bresnan

BETHLEPAGE, 15 June—Cablevision said on Monday it will pay \$1.37 billion for mid-sized cable television provider Bresnan Communications, a move that will help the New York cable company expand into western states.

Bresnan has cable systems in Colorado, Montana, Wyoming and Utah with more than 300,000 basic subscribers. It's owned by Providence Equity Partners. Founder and cable pioneer Bill Bresnan died last year.

The deal follows an auction that involved bids

from some of the nation's largest cable companies. Other bidders reportedly included Charter Communications Inc.; Ascent Media Corp., a media services holding company in which media mogul John Malone has 30 percent voting control; cable company Suddenlink Communications and private investment firm TPG Capital.

Internet

## Business



**A man sits inside a Smart car at a promotion event outside a shopping mall in Beijing on 31 May. Worldwide sales of new cars are expected to rise 7.0% this year to 68 million units, a study by the AlixPartners research group predicts. The study also forecasts that in China annual sales of new cars should hit 20 million in the next five years, two and a half times the 2007 volume.—INTERNET**



**A customer pumps gas into his car at a gas in Mill Valley, California on 12 May. Oil prices rallied as a weaker dollar lifted demand for the key commodity. INTERNET**

## Oil rises above \$75 as global equities rally

LONDON, 15 June—Oil prices rose above \$75 a barrel Monday as rallying stock markets and a stronger euro bolstered investor confidence.

Benchmark crude for July delivery was up \$1.66 to \$75.44 a barrel at around midday in London (around 1100 GMT) in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract dropped \$1.70 to settle at \$73.78 on Friday.

Major world stock markets gained Monday as traders bet the global economic recovery will continue and boost company profits. Crude investors often look to equities as a barometer of overall investor sentiment.

A stronger euro, which makes crude less expensive to investors with the European currency, also helped bolster oil prices. The euro gained to \$1.2248 on Monday from \$1.2125 on Friday.

Investors will be eyeing reports on US housing starts, industrial production and consumer prices this week for clues about the strength of the global economy.

Xinhua

## Spain sees credit squeeze but denies EU rescue bid

SANTANDER, 15 June—Spain said on Monday that foreign banks were refusing to lend to some of its banks in the latest twist to the euro zone debt crisis, but denied it was on the brink of seeking a Greek-style European financial rescue.

Treasury Secretary Carlos Ocasio acknowledged officially for the first time a liquidity freeze on some Spanish banks in the interbank market and said the government was working to restore confidence through budget cuts and structural economic reforms.

"It's definitely a problem," Ocasio told a

conference of business leaders in the northern town of Santander when asked about the reported credit squeeze. But he said Madrid was not negotiating any financial aid package.—Xinhua

**Indian fruit vendors prepare their pushcarts as they begin their day in New Delhi on 7 June. Pressure grew on India's central bank Monday to raise interest rates, analysts said, after fresh data showed inflation jumped into double figures in May at 10.16 percent.**

INTERNET



## Strategic Management Workshop under Initiative for ASEAN Integration Programme launched

NAY PYI TAW, 15 June—The Strategic Management Workshop under the Initiative for ASEAN Integration Programme, organized by the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in collaboration with the Civil Service Institute of the Prime Minister's Office, Brunei Darussalam, was launched at the Central Institute of Civil Service (Phaunggyi) this morning. Chairman of the CSSTB U Kyaw Thu delivered an opening address and Mr. Zeni Latip of the Civil Service Institute of Brunei Darussalam presented the welcoming remarks.

The inaugural ceremony was attended by Members of the CSSTB U Hla Myint Oo, U Win Aung, U Nyi Tun, Directors-General, the Rector of CICS (Phaunggyi), participants and officials concerned.



**CSSTB Chairman U Kyaw Thu speaking at opening of Strategic Management Workshop.**  
CSSTB

A total of 24 participants from various ministries and government organizations are currently attending the four-day workshop where three modules focusing on the Understanding and Formulation of

Vision and Mission, SWOT Analysis, Overview and Introduction to Balanced Scorecard will be discussed. It is learnt that the duration of the workshop will be for four days up to 18 June 2010.—MNA

## Mahlaing Township Home for the Aged blessed with Metta

Article: Maung Maung Myint Swe; Photos: Tin Soe (Myanma Alin)

On arrival at a Home for the Aged in Mahlaing Township, I noticed the calm and quiet and lush and green of environs and neat and tidy buildings, neem-tree plants and other shade trees in its compound.

We, the news crew of Myanma Alin Daily, had an opportunity to visit Mahlaing Township Home for the Aged recently. At the entrance to the home, we saw coverage of thick foliage of shade trees over the compound of the home.

We witnessed Pyay Wai Shan Dhammayon in its compound. At the mess hall, we had an interview with Secretary of the Supervisory Committee for the Home U Than Tun.

"This Home for



**Grandma Daw Hla Htwe.**



**Grandpa U Mya Maung.**

the Aged was constructed on 18 December 2000 and completed in the first week of March 2003. The Home was aimed at looking after the older persons from Mahlaing Township without dependable persons," U Than Tun explained.

Mahlaing Township Home for the Aged is located near Mahlaing-Meiktila road,

east of Mahlaing. The home is formed with the hostel for grandpa, the Dhammayon, the mess hall and the office.

"At present, the Home accommodates 10 male older persons and six female older persons for looking after them. They came from villages of Mahlaing Township and



**Hostel for Grandpas of the home.**

they do not have reliable persons. Now, the home is taking care of their food, clothing and shelter and health conditions daily," he continued.

At present, 16 all older persons are in good health. Whenever they have some health complaints, doctors and traditional medicine practitioners from Mahlaing Township Hospital and Traditional Medicine Clinic give necessary medical treatment to them.

After the interview, we visited the hostel for grandpa. It is of brick building and concrete floor with corrugated iron sheet roof. The older persons were on their beds comfortably. Utensils and other equipment were kept in the hostel systematically. Indeed, it was a neat and tidy building.

In an interview, grandpa U Mya Maung with smile said, "I am 85

years old. My native region is LetaO village of Kondwin Village-tract from Mahlaing Township. In my young age, I was engaged in agricultural work. I have been at this home for four years. Now, I am convenient in all things."

We saw that all the older persons were fine. We learned that they all pay homage to the Buddha in the morning daily and practise meditation two times daily. All the older persons take meditation works calmly.

At the grandma hostel, we saw all the grandma were sitting on their beds comfortably.

A grandma said, "I am Daw Hla Htwe and I am 89 years old. I came from Kyetphyu Village of Mahlaing Township. I was admitted as first person by the home. Wishing to practise meditation peacefully, I arrived here. I am comfortable and healthy."

Mahlaing Township Home for the Aged can accommodate 20 each of grandpa and grandma. Both buildings of grandpa and grandma are 100 feet long and 39 feet wide.

From morning to the evening, all the older persons dispense Metta to everyone. Wellwishers may perform meritorious deeds by donating their cash and kind donations. As great opportunity, everybody may donate cash to the funds or medical trust-funds of the home in addition to refreshments.

It is a lofty meritorious deeds contributing to the older persons. While at the home, we heard that voice of sharing merits of older persons was in the air amiably.

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**Photo shows Mahlaing Township Home for the Aged.**



**Prime Minister U Thein Sein delivers address in meeting with medical superintendent, doctors, nurses and health staff and students of University of Medicine (Magway) at Teaching Hospital (Magway) in Magway.—MNA**

## Nation will soon emerge as peaceful ...

(from page 1)

In meeting with contractors of Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway) Road BOT project, the Prime Minister said that now roads stretching many miles across the nation are being built with the use of BOT system. Investments are heavy but the entrepreneurs will gain benefits in the long run, he said, adding that the smoother the road sections, the greater progress the region will make, and both the nation and entrepreneurs will gain proportionate profits.

He said that even the road is just an earthen facility, local people of nearby villages can enjoy smooth transport. When the road is upgraded to a tarred one, all regions will enjoy remarkable development in the economic, social, education and health sectors.

The government is building roads passing through Bago Yoma mountain ranges includ-

ing Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway) Road and upgrading roads into all-weather facilities in parallel for enhancing social and friendly relations among local people, and therefore entrepreneurs should not be oriented much around profits, but turn to regional development, and amicable relations and unity among national races in undertaking respective road sections, he urged.

The Ministry of Construction will render technical assistance to novice entrepreneurs, he said, calling for completion of the roads on schedule with set standards.

Project In-charge of Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway) Road Project Chief Engineer U Win Pe reported on assigning duties to departments and companies that will build earthen roads, and to departments and companies that will upgrade the earthen roads to tarred ones, and target

to build Kanbya Roundabout. The Prime Minister gave instructions.

He inspected progress in building Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway) Road, stockpiling of gravel, and laying of pieces of rock.

He cordially greeted and encouraged the road workers, and touched upon regional development and their better incomes.

On completion, Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway) Road will link Nay Pyi Taw and Magway through Bago Yoma mountain range. Now, it is an earth road. It will be upgraded to a tarred one serviceable for all seasons.

In meeting with the medical superintendent, doctors, nurses, health staff and students from University of Medicine (Magway) at the Teaching Hospital (Magway), the Prime Minister said that the purpose of his tour is to inspect ongoing road and bridge projects in Magway Division and to

render assistance.

The government has been building various sizes of bridges including Ayeyawady River-crossing ones, along with railroads, roads over Yoma mountain ranges, inter-district and inter-township roads with added momentum. Now,

transport and progress in the economic and social sectors, all regions will be easily accessible from one another across the Union. And, that will help make contribution towards flourishing of Union Spirit.

In the past, due to poor transport, the

and rule police exercised by the colonialists. In consequence, the nation faced armed insurrection for more than 50 years following disunity sparked by localism, racism and dogmatism.

Many people lost their lives protecting the nation against armed in-



**Prime Minister U Thein Sein presents cash assistance to Maung Min Thu who had to have wrist amputated.—MNA**

it is building Ayeyawady River Bridge (Pakokku), the longest of its kind in Myanmar, and a large bridge over the Daungnyaung Creek.

With smooth

people were in no position to travel from one region to another and deal with those of other regions, and they were even like strangers to one another due to the divide

surgency, while the people were in the hope of enjoying stability and peace in the post-independence period. In that regard, valuable lessons (See page 9)



**Prime Minister U Thein Sein visits Teaching Hospital (Magway) in Magway.—MNA**



**Prime Minister  
U Thein Sein  
cordially converses  
with workers  
in Nay Pyi  
Taw-Taungnyo-  
Myothit-Kanbya  
(Magway) Road  
Project.**  
MNA

## Nation will soon...

(from page 8)

are to be learnt from the events in which many people of national races lost their lives whoever won or were defeated. Therefore, the government is trying for smooth transport both in plain and hilly regions for the convenience of the people. Besides, the government has designated 24 regions for special development, and built a 100-bed hospital, arts and science university, university for computer studies, and technological university in each region. Universities of various fields like the teaching hospital were opened in strategic regions.

As a result, the hospital has achieved a landmark success that the wrist was successfully replanted in an operation, which is the first of its type in Myanmar. Myanmar still needs a lot of such human resources in various fields.

Educated youths of new generations have to continue to build the nation. Apart from doing a good job in health care, medical specialists are to continue to give health educative talks to bring about more human resources, he urged.

Correct policy and firm objectives have been adopted in the nation. So, the nation will soon emerge as peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic one if the people work hard with determination.

Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo presented snake anti-venoms for the township hospital and station hospitals of townships in Magway Division to officials.

Orthopaedic specialist Dr Than Htay of Teaching Hospital (Magway) reported on successful surgery of the patient's left wrist on 16 October 2009. The Prime Minister presented cash assistance to patient Maung Min Thu, whose wrist was cut off, and cash award to the surgery team. After visiting the medical wards, the Prime Minister cordially conversed with health personnel on medical treatment.

On arrival at Magway Industrial Region Project, the Prime Minister heard reports on implementation of Heavy Machinery Assembling Project, Gear & Transmission Plant Project and Technical Training School (Magway) Project in Magway Industrial Region, the

location and area of the project, construction of buildings at Turbo Truck Assembling Factory Project and installation of machines, the plans for manufacturing of vehicles and production technique, progress of buildings at Gear & Transmission Plant, arrival of machines, investment for Transmission System (Gear Box) and factories, syllabuses for the Technical Training School (Magway) and number of trainees presented by Minister for Industry-2 U Soe Thein.

After hearing the reports, the Prime Minister gave instructions on systematically taking of security and fire preventive measures for the plant and efforts to be made to export the buses in addition to manufacturing of domestic use. The Prime Minister viewed construction of buildings for factories and preparations for construction of Technical Training School (Magway).

In the industrial region, Heavy Turbo Truck Plant will assemble 1000 units of 20-30 tons Heavy Truck with (6x2 & 6x4) left hand drive yearly; and Gear & Transmission Plant, 700 sets of Transmission System (Gear Box) yearly. Technical Training School (Magway) will conduct courses on machinery and automobile.

On arrival at Ayeyawady Bridge (Malun) Project being implemented by Special Project Construction Group 4 of Public Works, the Prime Minister viewed construction of the main piers.

Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint reported on starting of the project on 22 November 2009, construction of 3215 feet and 5 inches long main bridge with two-way motorway and one railroad, changes of alignment for the bridge due to whirlpools in the river, facts about the project, work plans and 40 per cent completion of the project, completion of eight completed bridges across Ayeyawady River and construction of five after 1988.

Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min submitted reports on construction of the approach railroads and related railroads for Ayeyawady Bridge (Malun), progress of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad and Magway-Natmauk-Pyawbwe railroad, and construction of No. 3 Strategic Railroad. Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay reported on supply of fuel to the projects.

In his instructions, the Prime Minister stressed the need of soonest completion of bridge construction task and meeting the set standard. In addition, it is

necessary to place emphasis on worksite safety due to speedy flow of current and plans to be made for ensuring availability of necessary materials.

Ayeyawady Bridge (Malun) is located near Migyaungye-Pahtanago Road between Ywathit Village and Sitkoebin (Sitkhopin) Village on the east bank in Magway Township and Thaphanchaung and Kaing villages in Minhla Township of Thayet District on the west bank. The bridge will have 28 feet wide motor way, an area of 14 feet wide for the railroad and three feet wide pedestrian way on either side. The type of the bridge is 1.5 meter drilled piles foundation, RC lower structure and steel frame upper structure. Now, the shaft concrete work, drilling of bored piles, driving of stand pipes and pile cap construction are under construction.

On his way along Migyaungye-Pahtanago Road, the Prime Minister viewed the conditions of road and thriving crops plantations and arrived in Magway.

This morning, the Prime Minister and party left for Wun-awgyi Camp of Kimmontaung forest reserve of Taungdwingyi Township Forest Department along Magway-Taungdwingyi-Chaungnet-Taungnyo-Nay Pyi Taw Road. Acting Director-General U Aye Myint Maung of Forest Department reported on conservation of forest resources and establishment of teak plantations. The Prime Minister gave instructions on systematic conservation of forests and assistance to be provided by the ministry to develop the private forest plantations.

The Prime Minister looked into establishment of Kinmantaung, Palway and Ngalaik forest reserves, forest conservation and extension of Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Taungdwingyi Road. Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint reported on maintenance of Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Twindwingyi Road.

Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min presented reports on runs of trains from Nay Pyi Taw to other regions, number of passengers and construction of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung-Toungoo (Kyeedaw)-Nay Pyi Taw railroad. After hearing the reports, the Prime Minister stressed the need to place emphasis on upgrading of the roads across mountain ranges including the Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung-Toungoo (Kyeedaw)-Nay Pyi Taw and maintain the roads in the rainy season.

In the evening, they arrived back in Nay Pyi Taw by car.—MNA

## Ayeyawady Delta and ...

(from page 16)

Two years after the cyclone, storm-hit areas had got a rain of infrastructural buildings here and there across them which were merely in the dream world in the past, such as fine roads, river- and creek-spanning bridges, embankments to prevent seawater floods, and cyclone shelters, thereby winning congratulations and recognition from neighbouring countries. Locals could not help thanking the government. In response to the government's benevolent attitude towards them, they came to equip themselves with a strong sense of improving their morality, shouldering national duties more than ever, quitting self-seeking fervour, and prioritizing the interest of others rather than theirs. That is, indeed, a benefit they could snatch, facing and braving the calamity. They are the events they faced in 2008.

In 2009, the world saw El Nino. Experts forecasted that it would be followed by Laninya in 2010. Nonetheless, El Nino climate continued, and Myanmar suffered record heat in summer. Myinmu in Sagaing Division, for instance, encountered the highest heat of 47.2 degree centigrade over past 46 years on 15 April 2010. So did Chauk, Magway and Myingyan.

Ayeyawady Division did not face record heat. Yet, the weather seemed hotter than it really was in the storm-ravaged areas due to lack of large trees. Monsoon set in late, and it did not rain in the beginning of the rainy season. So, people had to withstand the stresses and straits of very hot weather for long. The government made arrangements and feasibility study for supply of drinking water, in case local people could run out of potable water.

At first, officials concerned held meetings with local people, inspected the water sources, dispensaries and schools, sought means to supply safe water, and

made preparations in the villages in Ngapudaw, Labutta, Mawlamyinegyun Townships in Ayeyawady Division. In addition, they renovated the main lake of Pyapon "Kandawgyi" Lake, and launched tasks for water supply in Kyaukse and Maubin. The tasks were very effective owing to the enthusiastic participation of local people.

Only after the second week of May 2010, the monsoon entered the nation. If the bad climate persisted, many urban wards and villages would face shortage of drinking water. So, arrangements were made to address possible issues. After all, Ayeyawaddy dwellers enjoyed sufficient potable water.

It is, therefore, fair to say that each Ayeyawady dweller has a strong spirit of overcoming various forms of consequences triggered by natural disasters.

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## China extends "old car for new" subsidy to 31 Dec

BEIJING, 15 June—China's Ministry of Commerce (MOC) said Sunday it will extend the auto replacement subsidy from 31 May to 31 Dec.

The move aims to accelerate the elimination of high-emissions and polluting vehicles, and stimulate automobile consumption, said the MOC in an online statement.

Consumers who trade-in their used small- and medium-sized trucks and some types of mid-sized passenger cars for new ones can receive subsidies ranging from 3,000 (349.2 US dollars) to 6,000 yuan.

The government rolled out the "old car for new" subsidy last June, to encourage people to replace their

old cars. It was initially scheduled to end 31 May 2010.

As of 31 May, relevant departments had handed-out 1.7 billion yuan in subsidies that had resulted in 127,000 vehicles being replaced, boosting domestic automobile spending by 15 billion yuan, according to MOC data.

Xinhua



Volunteers of the Institution Energy-saving Week send out recyclable shopping bags to the public in Hohhot, capital of north China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, on 12 June, 2010. The 2010 Inner Mongolia Institution Energy-saving Week was launched on Saturday.

XINHUA



Hogwarts Castle is seen at The Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal Orlando theme park in Orlando, Fla., on 9 June, 2010. The Wizarding World of Harry Potter opens to general admission ticket holders 18 June.

INTERNET

## CNN co-founder Robert Wussler dies

BEIJING, 15 June—Robert Wussler, a co-founder of CNN and a president of CBS Television, has died at his home in Westport, Conn, according to media reports Sunday.

73-year-old Wussler died on 5 June after a long illness, spokesman Arthur Sando said.

The TV executive

had presided over the CBS network at his 40 and later co-founded CNN with Ted Turner.

At CBS News, Wussler produced thousands of hours of programming, gaining a reputation for innovation in covering such seminal events as the assassinations and funerals of John F. Kennedy, Robert F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr.; Richard Nixon's historic trip to China in 1972; presidential campaigns, conventions and elections; and the US space programme, including Neil Armstrong landing on the moon in 1969, according to Hollywood Reporter reports.

Wussler's received six Emmy Awards in his long career in television.

Xinhua

## Moderate quake shakes parts of California

LOS ANGELES, 15 June—A magnitude 4.8 earthquake rattled parts of Southern California on Saturday, but caused no immediate injuries or damage, according to the US Geological Survey (USGS).

The quake occurred just before 8:08 pm PDT and was centered at Borrego Springs, 90 miles (144 km) northeast of San Diego on the US-Mexican border.

Some residents living as far as the Orange County near Los Angeles reported feeling the quake.

The quake was also felt in other parts of Southern California like La Habra, Irvine, Costa Mesa, Dana Point and Lake Forest.—Xinhua



A local resident takes close look at paintings on display during the cultural project 2010 Galleries Night, in Bucharest, capital of Romania, on 11 June, 2010.—XINHUA

## Philippine bus crash kills 18, mostly Iranians

CEBU, 15 June—A tourist bus packed with Iranian nationals plunged into a ravine Sunday while negotiating a mountain road in the central Philippines, killing at least 18 people and injuring more than 30 others, officials said.

The bus, carrying dozens of mostly Iranian medical students and doctors, apparently suffered brake failure then plummeted into a 100-foot (30-metre) ravine in Balamban town in Cebu Province, police Senior Superintendent Erson Dugal said.

At least 18 people, mostly Iranians and including children, were killed, said regional military spokesman Lt Col Wilson Feria, who was at the scene of the accident.

Villagers and police pulled at least 10 bodies from the mangled bus wreckage at the rocky bottom of the ravine. Several seriously injured passengers were brought to hospitals, Dugal said.

Feria said at least seven passengers later died in hospitals.

Many of the Iranian victims were medical students in Cebu, a bustling commercial and tourism center 350 miles (560 kilometers) southeast of Manila. They were identified by relatives and through their IDs, Dugal said.

Xinhua



Comedian Conan O'Brien appears on stage at the Bonnaroo Music and Arts Festival in Manchester, Tenn. on 11 June, 2010.

INTERNET

## 6.4-magnitude quake hits E coast of Japan's Honshu Island

TOKYO, 15 June—An earthquake measuring 6.4 on the Richter scale rocked east coast of Japan's Honshu Island on Sunday.

Xinhua

## Afghan girls treated after suspected gas attack

KABUL, 15 June—About 50 Afghan schoolgirls became ill and were taken to

hospital after a suspected gas poisoning in their school in southwestern Afghanistan, officials

said on Saturday, the latest in a spate of similar incidents.

The teenage girls fell ill and some became unconscious after smelling gas at their school in Ghazni, a two-hour drive south of the capital, Kabul, said senior provincial police official Nawroz Ali Mahmoodzada.

"It is again the same kind of attack to discourage girls from attending schools," Nawroz Ali Mahmoodzada told Reuters.

Internet



Artists of the China Disabled People's Performing Art Troupe (CDPPA) perform during a reception for the troupe held by the Chinese consulate-general in New York, the United States, on 11 June, 2010.—XINHUA



Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao(C) visits a social welfare centre in Beijing, capital of China, on 14 June, 2010. Chinese people will celebrate the traditional Dragon Boat Festival.—XINHUA

### Chinese publicity official urges public's mobilization to develop cultural industries

BEIJING, 15 June— A senior Chinese publicity official has urged the government to mobilize the public to boost the development of the nation's cultural industries.

In an article to be published on Wednesday in "Qiu Shi" (Seeking Truth) magazine, Li Changchun, a member of

the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Committee, said efforts should be made to highlight the themes of the times while encouraging diversity in the development of China's cultural industries.

Xinhua



Pioneer 300 Hawk aircrafts of the Pioneer Team fly in formation and spray the colours of the Italian flag at the ILA International Air Show in Schoenefeld, south of Berlin, on 13 June, 2010.

XINHUA

## Russia builds largest bridge on Kamchatka Peninsula

VLADIVOSTOK, 14 June— The Russian government has started to build a bridge over Kamchatka River at the spot of the 168th km of the Milkovo-Klyuchi-Ust-Kamchatsky highway, local media reported on Tuesday.

"The first bridge pile has been already driven on the left bank of the river," Kamchatka Governor Aleksei

Kuzmitsky was quoted by local media as saying.

The governor said the bridge project, the largest of its kind on Kamchatka Peninsula, could be "the construction project of the 21st century."

He added that the bridge "will play a hugely important role in socio-economic development of the region."

The bridge, when

completed and put into operation in 2012, will connect the peninsula with Ust-Kamchatsky District, thus increasing transport accessibility and capacity.

The bridge will cost some 58.8 million US dollars, although the government has cut investment in infrastructure projects in the Russian Far East, said the governor.—Xinhua

## Moderate quake rattles Southern California

LOS ANGELES, 15 June—A magnitude 5.9 earthquake rattled parts of Southern California Monday night, strong enough to be felt from Los Angeles to San Diego.

The quake struck just at 9:26 pm local time with its epicentre at five miles (eight kilometres) southeast of Ocotillo in Imperial County near San Diego, about 90 miles (about 140 kilometres) south of Los Angeles, according to the US Geological Survey (USGS). Residents in San Diego reported feeling the quake. "I felt walls shaking and saw people rushing out onto the streets," said Xiaohua Wei, a student at the University of California in San Diego.—Xinhua

## Malaysian airport staff rescue smuggled tortoises



In this photo taken on 10 June, 2010, Malaysian wildlife officials show live Spider Tortoises those had been seized on 8 June, 2010, during a press conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. An official said authorities at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport noticed something stirring in two bags and found 300 tortoises smuggled from Madagascar on 8 June, 2010.

Tortoises may move slowly, but even a little movement can be a lifesaver.

Customs staff at Malaysia's Kuala Lumpur International Airport noticed something stirring in two bags and discovered 300

tortoises hidden amid shredded paper.

Found taped up inside the sacks were 285 radiated tortoises, 15 spider tortoises, and one Madagascar tortoise — all endangered species indigenous to Madagascar, said Loo Kean Seong, a senior

official of the Department of Wildlife and National Parks. Two slabs of cannabis weighing about 4 1/2 pounds (2 kilograms) were also discovered, said Nordin Kadir, narcotics chief of central Selangor state, where the airport is located.

A girl touches two dogs during Woofstock, the largest outdoor festival for dogs in all of North America, in Toronto, Canada, on 13 June, 2010. Launched in 2003, and their four-footed friends coming together each year.



## Wedding bells on Aisle ones: pair weds at home depot

The bride wore white. The guests wore orange smocks. A southern California couple were married Saturday in front of more than 100 guests at a Home Depot store where they work. The wedding party for 56-year-old Carolyn Weatherly and Audwin Mosby, who's 55, marched down an aisle of light bulbs, grills and paint to the outdoor garden section, where a wedding arbor and stage had been built from the store's lumber and supplies.

The bride said the

store in Lake Forest is like a second home and her colleagues are like family.

A regional manager said it's only the second wedding in a Home Depot.

## News Album

A photo released by the Dorotheum auction house in Vienna shows a gold coin measuring 53 centimetres (21 inches) in diameter and weighing 100 kilograms (220 pounds). The largest coin in the world will go on sale on 25 June.



## Bra causes headache for lawyer visiting Miami jail

An attorney claims she couldn't visit her client at a South Florida detention centre because of the undergarment she was wearing. The attorney said an underwire bra set off a metal detector at the Miami Federal Detention Centre earlier this month. Guards at the facility then wouldn't let the woman inside.

According to *The Miami Herald*, the attorney removed the bra in a bathroom and again tried to enter the detention center. This time, guards refused to let her inside because she wasn't wearing a bra.

The woman later e-mailed other attorneys about the incident.

Officials at the detention center declined to comment to the newspaper, as did the attorney who was involved.

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

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**EU wants clearer food labelling**

LONDON, 15 June—New proposals to regulate food labels in the EU will go before the European Parliament on Tuesday.

Country-of-origin labelling may become mandatory for meat, poultry, fish, dairy produce, fruit and vegetables.

Meat labels would also state exactly where the animal was reared.

But there are fears that an EU-wide "traffic light" coding system could stigmatise some foods. Cheese, for example, could be red for fat but green for calcium and protein.

The European Commission says food labels need updating because many shoppers now buy food on the internet and food is packaged in new ways.

Advocates of clearer labels also point to rising obesity rates in Europe, saying consumers need help to make the right choices.—*Internet*



**Shoppers face a bewildering variety of labels in the EU.**—INTERNET

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**'Green light' for global biodiversity science panel**

LONDON, 15 June—An international meeting has given the green light to the formation of a global "science policy" panel on biodiversity and ecosystem services.

Proponents say the new body will "bridge the gulf" between scientific research and urgent political action needed to halt biodiversity loss.

More than 230 delegates from 85 nations backed the proposals at a five-day UN meeting in Busan, South Korea.

The international panel is expected to be formally endorsed in 2011.

*Internet*

**Indonesia jails driver over Jakarta hotel bomb**

LONDON, 15 June—An Indonesian man has been jailed for eight years for his role in two deadly hotel bombings in 2009 and a failed plot to kill the country's president.

Amir Abdullah, 34, was convicted under anti-terror laws of concealing information and harbouring terrorists.

Prosecutors said he was involved with the Islamist group Jemaah Islamiyah (JI), blamed for a string of attacks in Indonesia.

*Internet*



**A model presents a creation by designer Andre Lima during the closing day of the 2009-2010 Spring-Summer collections of the Sao Paulo Fashion Week, in Sao Paulo, Brazil, in 2009. Brazil kicked off Latin America's premier fashion event, Sao Paulo Fashion Week, on Wednesday, with parades showcasing its economic prosperity and optimism.**—INTERNET

**Germany's Merkel wary of French EU vision**

LONDON, 15 June—The French and German leaders are meeting in Berlin to try to narrow their differences over economic policy ahead of an EU summit on Thursday.

Chancellor Angela Merkel was initially expected to meet French President Nicolas Sarkozy last week. The delay fuelled speculation about a big rift.

Correspondents say France is keen to launch regular summits of eurozone leaders, but Germany is wary of that.

Germany wants EU countries that pile up debts to face sanctions.

EU leaders are anxious to avoid having to rescue another member state, following the emergency bail-out for debt-laden Greece. There are continuing fears that the Greek crisis could undermine other heavily indebted eurozone countries.

*Internet*

**Flash floods paralyze US Oklahoma City**

HOUSTON, 15 June—Flash floods hit Oklahoma City, the capital of US state of Oklahoma on Monday, paralyzing the city and causing scattered power outages.

The city's fire department estimated that there were 20 to 30 rescues of people trapped in cars, homes or businesses Monday morning, according to CNN.

*MNA/Xinhua*



**The leaders have different visions of EU economic governance.**—INTERNET

## Japanese space probe returns to Earth after 7-year mission



TOKYO, 15 June—Japanese space probe, Hayabusa, returned to the Earth on Sunday, ending its seven-year mission to an asteroid, and possibly bringing with it the first asteroid surface samples, *Kyodo News* reported.

Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) confirmed the probe has entered the atmosphere of the Earth at around 11 p.m., according to *Kyodo*.

While the spacecraft itself burned out before touching the ground, a special heat-resistant capsule, possibly containing sand from Itokawa, an asteroid

*The successful re-entry of Japanese space probe Hayabusa causes a bright streak in the night sky, near the Woomera rocket range in the Australian outback on 13 June, 2010. Japanese space probe, Hayabusa, returned to the Earth on Sunday, ending its seven-year mission to an asteroid.*

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some 300 million kilometers away from the Earth, landed successfully in the desert around Woomera in southern Australia as scheduled, JAXA said.

According to *NHK*, the capsule detached from the probe at 8 pm Japan time.

The probe released the capsule with a parachute.—*Internet*

## Paul Gascoigne in hospital after car crash in Newcastle

NEWCASTLE, 15 June—Ex-footballer Paul Gascoigne is in a “serious but not life-threatening” condition in hospital after a car crash in Newcastle upon Tyne.

The incident, involving a Vauxhall Astra, happened on Sunday at 2145 BST at Sandhill, on the city’s Quayside.

The car, in which Gascoigne was a passenger, is thought to have left the road and

hit a nearby signpost.

A 36-year-old woman has been arrested on suspicion of drink-driving.

A spokesperson for Newcastle General Hospital, where the former footballer and another man are being treated, described the condition of the pair as “serious but not life-threatening”

A woman who was also taken to the hospital has since been discharged.—*Internet*

## Colombian security forces free long-held Farc hostages

COLOMBIA, 15 June—Colombian security forces have rescued two senior police officers and a soldier who had been held hostage by Marxist rebels for almost 12 years.

Gen Luis Mendieta, Col Enrique Murillo and Sgt Arbey Delgado were freed from a guerrilla camp in Guaviare.

Police say the military operation continues to rescue a fourth hostage, Lt Col William Donato. The four are among the Farc’s longest-held captives. Defence Minister Gabriel Silva said Col Donato had fled into the jungle during the raid.

“We have high hopes that he is in hiding and that he will be found in the coming hours,” he said.

Internet



Blake Shelton, left, performs with Trace Adkins during the CMA Music Festival on Sunday, 13 June, 2010 at LP Field in Nashville, Tenn.

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## Somali militants threaten World Cup TV viewers

WASHINGTON, 15 June—Somali militants have threatened football fans they will be publicly flogged - or worse - if they are caught watching the World Cup on TV.

Gangs of Islamists are reported to be patrolling the areas they control looking for people watching games.

Dedicated fans are watching matches in secret, or in the few areas controlled by government forces.

On Saturday militants killed two people as they attacked a house where people were watching a game.

Militant group Hizbul-Islam also arrested 10 others at the house north-east of the capital Mogadishu where fans were watching the game between Argentina and Nigeria.

A spokesman for the group, Sheikh Mohamed Abdi Aros said the rest of Somalia should respect their ban on the World Cup.

“We are warning all the youth of Somalia not to dare watch these World Cup matches. It is a waste of money and time and they will not benefit anything or get any experience by watching mad men jumping up and down,” he said.—*Internet*

## MAMMA MIA! in Chinese!

BEIJING, 15 June—After more than six months in the pipeline, China Arts and Entertainment Group (CAEG) has signed a licensing agreement with UK’s Littlestar to produce a Chinese version of smash-hit musical MAMMA MIA!, marking a significant milestone for the development of musicals in China. “After almost 100 years, the musical industry in the West has grown into maturity with professional production and management. The license agreement of MAMMA MIA! will enable us to learn from international experience, avoid unnecessary difficulties and it’s a new path for cultivating domestic musical talents for the musical theater industry in China,” said Li Xiaolei, vice director



Performers on stage in MAMMA MIA!—INTERNET

of the Department of Cultural Industries with the Ministry of Culture. Behind the project is CAEG’s dream of promoting the musical theater industry in China and in the long run, eventually creating original Chinese musicals.

Internet

## China to celebrate Dragon Boat festival during World Expo, World Cup

BEIJING, 15 June—In addition to traditional festivities such as dragon boat races and rice dumpling feasts, the to-do-list for this year’s Dragon Boat festival has two new items: touring the Shanghai World

Expo and watching World Cup football.

The festival, which falls on Wednesday, arises from the legend of Qu Yuan (340 BC - 278 BC), a romantic poet and minister to the king of Chu who drowned himself after he was forced into exile.

According to the legend, fishermen raced to Qu Yuan’s aid in their boats but could not save him, so they splashed their oars to ward off evil spirits and threw rice dumplings into the river to honor his heroism.

Like any other year, this year’s three-day holiday season, beginning Monday, will observe the traditions of boat races, folk entertainment and memorial ceremonies being held across China.

Internet



File photo show on 7 June, 2010 file photo, a dead turtle floats on a pool of oil from the Deepwater Horizon spill in Barataria Bay off the coast of Louisiana on 7 June, 2010.

INTERNET

## Tea ‘healthier’ drink than water

LONDON, 15 June—Drinking three or more cups of tea a day is as good for you as drinking plenty of water and may even have extra health benefits, say researchers.

The work in the European Journal of Clinical Nutrition dispels the common belief that tea dehydrates.

Tea not only rehydrates as well as water does, but it can also protect against heart disease and some cancers, UK nutritionists found.

Experts believe flavonoids are the key ingredient in tea that promote health.

These polyphenol antioxidants are found in many foods and plants, including tea leaves, and have been shown to help prevent cell damage.

Some studies suggested tea



The researchers recommend people consume three to four cups a day.

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consumption protected against cancer, although this effect was less clear-cut.

Other health benefits seen included protection against tooth plaque and potentially tooth decay, plus bone strengthening.—*Internet*

## S P O R T S

### We can cause problems for England — Algeria captain

MARGATE, 15 June—Algeria can pose Group C favourites England problems when the two teams clash on Friday in Cape Town, Algerian captain Anthier Yahia claimed on Monday.

Both sides go into the match on the back of disappointing opening results, England being held 1-1 by the United States and Algeria losing 1-0 to Slovenia. However, 28-year-old Yahia, who plays his club football for German side VfL Bochum, insisted that a change of tactics from their first game would suit his team better and cause the English some discomfort.

"We have qualities which should shine through," said the France-born midfielder, who actually represented France at Under-16 and Under-18 level.

"We are going to pose problems for the English. We will be more ambitious (than against Slovenia) and it is a role that suits us better." Algeria coach Rabah Saadane said all he

wanted was for the players to give their all.

"There are two extremely difficult matches remaining (Algeria's last match is against the USA on 23 June) and in which the players have to run themselves into the ground," said Saadane, who also coached Algeria at the 1986 finals.

Internet



Algeria's coach Rabah Saadane (R) and defender Anthier Yahia address a press conference.—INTERNET

### N Korea fans cheered S Korea World Cup win

SEOUL, 15 June—North Koreans cheered South Korea's victory over Greece in their opening World Cup match despite political tensions between the two countries, a pro-Pyongyang newspaper

reported on Tuesday.

"The match where compatriots played has drawn great attention," said the Chosun Sinbo, published in Tokyo. "The (Pyongyang) residents, without an exception, cheered for the South Korean team."

South Korea comfortably beat Greece 2-0 in their first group match on Saturday.

North Korea, who have qualified for the first time in 44 years, meet Brazil early Wednesday Korea time.

The North has aired delayed World Cup footage on its official television station despite failing to secure broadcasting rights.—Internet

### Police take over security at Cape Town stadium

CAPE TOWN, 15 June — Police took over responsibility for security at World Cup stadiums in Cape Town and Durban on Monday after a wage dispute escalated between stewards and a security contractor.

World Cup organizers said they called in police after stadium staff left their posts in a disagreement over pay with Stallion Security Consortium.

The local organizing committee said the match between Italy and Paraguay at Green Point Stadium in Cape Town would kick off on time at 2:30 pm EDT.

"Gates have opened, the police are in control and the match will kick off as scheduled," organizers said in a statement.

Committee chief ex-



Police officers secure the stands in the stadium in Cape Town, South Africa, on 14 June, 2010.

INTERNET

### Honours even in Port Elizabeth



PORT ELIZABETH, 15 June—Although much has been said about the attacking power of Côte d'Ivoire and Portugal, the two Group G giants proved themselves solid at the back, cancelling each other out in a scoreless draw in Nelson Mandela Bay/Port Elizabeth.

The Real Madrid man turned something into nothing in the 11 minutes when he

smacked an unstoppable, dipping shot off the outside of the post to the goalkeeper's right from 30 yards. But the Elephants were not fazed by the Germany 2006 semi-finalists, and shortly after Ronaldo's attempt, Siaka Tiene zipped a free-kick just past the post and Ismael Tiote fizzed a shot just over the bar.

Internet

### All whites snatch last-gasp point

PORT ELIZABETH, 15 June—A last-gasp Winston Reid header snatched New Zealand an improbable draw against a dominant Slovakia side in their Group F opener in Rustenburg. Robert Vittek had put the Europeans in front, also with his head, in the 50 minutes but the All Whites hit back for a result that leaves the section's four sides level on one point — and goal difference — after Italy and Paraguay also drew 1-1 yesterday.

New Zealand defied their underdogs' status in the opening five minutes. First Chris Killen broke free from his marker just inside the Slovakia half, charged forward and unleashed a shot that flew over.

The flair of Weiss was thrilling the crowd and on 22 minutes, the Slovakia No7 found space down the left and threaded the ball through to Marek Hamsik, who curled it wide from inside the area. Weiss then craftily laid on a chance for Stanislav Sestak, who fired into the side-netting. Minutes later the No9 missed another chance, this time from a close-range header following a corner. With ten minutes of the half remaining, Vittek cut inside from the right and fired a fierce 20-yard shot wide.—Internet

### Preview matches on Honduras Vs Chile; Spain Vs Switzerland and South Africa Vs Uruguay on 16 June

YANGON, 15 June—World ranking 38 Honduras and world ranking 18 Chile are going to play their group-H match in South Africa on 16 June.

Both teams faced three times in their head-to-head position in the previous matches. Honduras had two wins and one failure whereas Chile embraced two losses and one defeat. In comparison with the players, experience and football skills, Chile are in the upper hand position and in favour of the attacking tactics. However Honduras do not have so many high-football skilled players. Chile will have to struggle just for the second place in the group and therefore, Chile are forecast that they win over the opponent Honduras by a narrow margin.

#### Head-to-Head Position

|           |          |     |       |                |
|-----------|----------|-----|-------|----------------|
| 19-1-2009 | Hondurus | 2-0 | Chile | Friendly Match |
| 12-6-2010 | Hondurus | 1-2 | Chile | Friendly Match |
| 22-3-2010 | Hondurus | 3-1 | Chile | Friendly Match |

#### Spain Vs Switzerland

Both team did not encounter in their head-to-head position in the previous matches. Favourite Spain experienced ten wins in the last 10 matches and they are the best result before the 2010 World Cup. World ranking 24 Switzerland will have to play against the world ranking 1 in a difficult way. Spain are much better than Switzerland in everything of football. It is supposed that the 2008 Euro champion will make a bright start sinking Switzerland in a decisive way.

#### Results in the latest three matches of Spain

|           |        |     |              |                |
|-----------|--------|-----|--------------|----------------|
| 3-6-2010  | Spain  | 1-0 | South Korea  | Friendly Match |
| 29-5-2010 | Spain  | 3-2 | Saudi Arabia | Friendly Match |
| 3-3-2010  | France | 0-2 | Spain        | Friendly Match |

#### Results in the latest three matches of Switzerland

|          |             |     |            |                |
|----------|-------------|-----|------------|----------------|
| 5-6-2010 | Switzerland | 1-1 | Italy      | Friendly Match |
| 1-6-2010 | Switzerland | 0-1 | Costa Rica | Friendly Match |
| 3-3-2010 | Switzerland | 1-3 | Uruguay    | Friendly Match |

#### South Africa Vs Uruguay

Both teams faced one time in their head-to-head position in the previous match of 2007 friendly and both were held to a goalless draw. South Africa had one draw in the match against Mexico in 2010 World Cup opener and similarly Uruguay played a draw against France in the second match of the 2010 World Cup. Both teams will have to play the match in full swing with an expectation of winning. In comparison with the players, experience and football skills, Uruguay are found a little better than the host. Home advantage needs to be taken into consideration. This match is supposed that it is likely to finish in a draw.

#### Head-to-Head Position

|           |              |     |         |                |
|-----------|--------------|-----|---------|----------------|
| 12-9-2007 | South Africa | 0-0 | Uruguay | Friendly Match |
|-----------|--------------|-----|---------|----------------|

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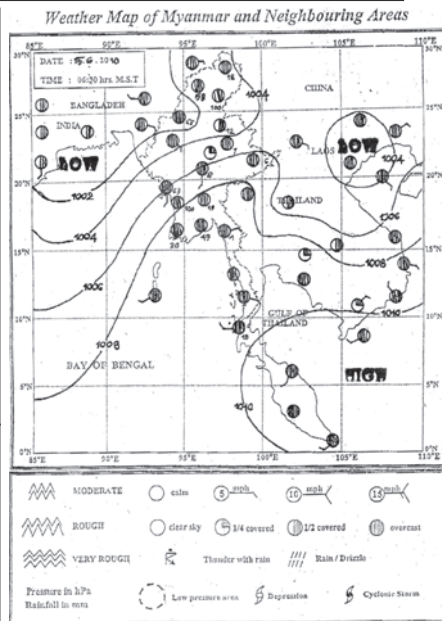
**Tourists crowd the road in front of Thailand Pavilion at the World Expo Park in Shanghai, east China, on 14 June, 2010. The number of visitors of the 2010 Shanghai Expo reached 14,017,200 until Monday.**  
XINHUA

## Employers to see 2011 medical costs jump

INDIANAPOLIS, 15 June—Companies that offer employee health insurance expect another steep jump in medical costs next year, and more will ask workers to share a bigger chunk of the expense, according to a new PricewaterhouseCoopers report.

For the first time, most of the American workforce is expected to have health insurance deductibles of \$400 or more, the consulting firm said in a report released to *The Associated Press*.

Deductibles are the annual amount a patient pays out of pocket for care before insurance coverage starts. They are generally separate from co-payments and coinsurance.—*Internet*



## WEATHER

**Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010**

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.** During the past 24 hours, rain have been isolated in lower Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions and scattered in Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavy falls in Rakhine State and isolated heavy falls in Kachin and Chin States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Manugdaw (13.47) inches, MraukU (11.10) inches, Kyauktaw (9.45) inches, Gwa (6.14) inches, Sittway (5.75) inches, Paletwa (4.45) inches, Thandwe (3.97) inches, Myitkyina (3.94) inches, An (3.70) inches, Homalin (3.39) inches, Kayan and Zalun (3.11) inches each.

Maximum temperature on 14-6-2010 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 15-6-2010 was 74°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 15-6-2010 was 100%. Total sun shine hours on 14-6-2010 was (1.1) hours.

Rainfall on 15-6-2010 was (1.85) inches at Mingaladon, (2.40) inches at Kaba-Aye and (2.68) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (24.09) inches at Mingaladon, (26.46) inches at Kaba-Aye and (26.14) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from West at (10:30) hours MST on 14-6-2010.

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

**Forecast valid until evening of the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2010:** Rain will be scattered in Kayah State and lower Sagaing Division, fairly widespread in Shan State, Magway and Mandalay Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas with likelihood of locally heavy falls in Rakhine State and isolated heavy falls in Chin State and Yangon Division. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**State of the sea:** Occasional squalls with rough seas will be experienced Delta, off and along Rakhine Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph. Sea will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Strong monsoon.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 16-6-2010:** One or two. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 16-6-2010:** Some rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 16-6-2010:** Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

### MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (16-6-2010)(Wednesday)

#### Transmissions

#### Times

Local - (09:00am~11:00am)MST  
Oversea Transmission - (16-6-10 09:30 am ~ 17-6-10 09:30 am) MST

#### Local Transmission

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* City Golf Resort Hotel
- \* News
- \* The Venerable Pagodas of Bagan
- \* Music Gallery
- \* Vietnam-Myanmar Tourism Promotion Seminar
- \* News
- \* Ngapali, Unique Spot To Relax
- \* News
- \* Current Affairs Working & Living in Myanmar (Fishery)

#### OverseaTransmission

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* City Golf Resort Hotel
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- \* Ngapali, Unique Spot To Relax
- \* News
- \* Current Affairs Working & Living in Myanmar (Fishery)
- \* News
- \* Disaster & Development
- \* News
- \* Documentary "Whispers of the Shwesandaw Pagoda"
- \* Culture Stage
- \* News
- \* Memorable Visit to Inle Lake & Unforgettable Stay at Hupin Hotel
- \* News
- \* Myanmar Martial Arts
- \* Myanmar Movie "Wither Flower"

**Myanmar**



**Wednesday, 16 June**  
**View on today**

#### 7:00 am

1. မင်းကုန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ ဝရိတ်တရားတော်

#### 7:10 am

2. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်စိုင်းညိုမင်း၊ တေးရေး- ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)

#### 7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

#### 7:30 am

4. Morning News

#### 7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

#### 7:55 am

6. ဖုတ်ဖုတ်ယဉ်ယဉ် ယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

#### 8:10 am

7. အစိုးပြိုင်ပွဲ

#### 8:25 am

8. Musical Programme

#### 8:35 am

9. "ကွန်ယက်သဖွယ်ယုတ်နွယ် ထားသိရှိမင်္ဂလာဆုံးကျော် တံတား"

#### 8:40 am

10. International News

#### 8:45 am

11. "အမှန်ထင်နေသောအမှား"

#### 3:30 pm

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

#### 5:00 pm

2. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

#### 5:05 pm

3. "မနောမြေအလှ မှတ်တမ်း တစ်စိတ်တစ်ဒေသ"

#### 5:15 pm

4. ခန္ဓာယုတ်လင်အာဆီယံအစီအစဉ်

#### 5:25 pm

5. Football Planet (၂၀၁၀ ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလား ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲသုံးသပ်ချက်)

#### 5:45 pm

6. ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ် (ကွန်ဒူးရပ်စ် အသင်း နှင့် ချီလီ အသင်း)

#### 8:00 pm

7. News
8. International News
9. Weather Report
10. ထာဝရတို့မြေအလှ (ဟောမာနောင်၊ တေးရေး-ပက်ထရစ် (မိုးသောက်ပန်း))
11. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်တေးသံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၅၁)
12. မြန်မာဗီဒီယိုဇာတ်လမ်း "သုဗ္ဗဒယကင်း" (ထွန်းထွန်းပုလဲဝင်း၊ သဗ္ဗာဓင်ကျော်၊ (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဣန္ဒြာဗျူသွင်)



- ★ 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

### Ayeyawady Delta and hardworking dwellers

Summer was abnormal, which may be the consequences of excessive carbon dioxide emitted indiscriminately by industrial powers. Now, people have to seek ways to protect the world against ultraviolet rays reaching the Earth through the hole in the ozone layer.

Myanmar encountered effects of world climate changes. The cyclone "Nargis", for example, hit hard the nation, ravaging some townships of Ayeyawady, Yangon and Bago divisions. In particular, the catastrophe caused untold miseries to local people of Ayeyawady and Yangon divisions, destroying massive influxes of people, farm animals,

#### Byline & Photos: Reporter Kyi Shwin

trees, buildings, wells, lakes and freshwater sources.

However, Myanmar people could show significant resilience in the natural disaster, and managed to rise from the dire straights in no time by reconstructing the storm-hit areas with added momentum. As a result, one year after the incident on 2 May 2009, the storm-stricken areas enjoyed better conditions than that previously.

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Potable water is transported by boat to add to the public supply in Mawlamyinegyun Township.

### Warm-blooded marine reptiles at the time of the dinosaurs



*Artist's impression (A. Bénétteau) of an ichthyosaur (Platypterygius). Ichthyosaurs had very obvious aquatic adaptations with an anatomy recalling that of a dolphin but with the caudal fin of a fish (oriented vertically or not horizontally as in Cetacea).—INTERNET*

SCIENCE DAILY, 15 June —Between 200 and 65 million years ago, fearsome marine reptiles reigned over the oceans. Were they warm-blooded like today's mammals and birds or cold-blooded like nowadays fish and reptiles? For the first time, a study has settled the debate: some large marine reptiles were warm-blooded (in other words, they were endothermic), giving them a considerable advantage to swim fast over long distances and to conquer cold regions.

This work, conducted by researchers from the Laboratoire PaléoEnvironnements et Paléobiosphère (PEPS, CNRS/Université de Lyon 1) in collaboration with scientists from the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle and the École Normale Supérieure, has been published in the journal Science on 11 June 2010.—Internet