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Lt-Gen Myint Swe attends tree-planting ceremony of Yangon Division

YANGON, 29 June—Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence attended the tree-planting ceremony (2010) organized by Yangon Division in the compound of Technological University (Hmawby) in Yangon North District yesterday morning.

Among the attendees were Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, heads of department, senior military officers, officers and other ranks from the regiments and units in Hmawby Station, representatives from the four districts of Yangon Division, teachers, students, factory

workers, and members of social organizations. The commander delivered an introductory speech.

The director of the Forest Department (Yangon Division Branch) presented facts about the benefits of planting trees in the rainy season.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and officials presented saplings to the attendees.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and party viewed the process of planting saplings of gangaw, starflower, padauk, mahogany, teak, ironwood, and *mezali*.

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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence taking part in tree planting ceremony in the compound of Hmawby Technological University in Yangon North District.

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Teachers should be skilled in specialized subjects and teach students to become qualified ones by changing quantity to quality

Human resources vital for national development

NAY PYI TAW, 29 June—Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) opened Special Refresher Course No. 37 for basic education teachers at the institute in PyinOoLwin Township, Mandalay Division yesterday morning. On behalf of Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein addressed the opening ceremony.

Also present on the



Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein speaks at the opening of special refresher course No. 37 for basic education teachers.—MNA

occasion were Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung,

Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu,

Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor U Phone

Zaw Han, deputy ministers, the Deputy Chief Justice of the Su-

preme Court (Upper Myanmar), members of (See page 8)

PERSPECTIVES

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Augury of greater regional development

With vast areas of arable lands, Magway Division is a source of edible oil crops, beans and pulses and many other crops. In olden days, the region often encountered delays in transporting goods due to poor transport.

Now the region has seen a large number of bridges, large and medium, including the ones over the Ayeyawady River, along with new railroad networks. In addition, many roads passing through Yoma mountain ranges and inter-district roads are under construction. Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya Road going through the Yoma mountain range has emerged as an earthen facility, which is now serviceable.

Yinchaung Bridge on Taungdwingyi-Myothit-Natmauk Road in Natmauk Township, Magway Division, was inaugurated on 27 June 2010. Being a part of the 400 miles long Inter-district Road No (1), the bridge is like the lungs in the transport sector for Yangon, Bago, Magway and Mandalay divisions.

Moreover, the road is linked with Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya Road. So, local people of Natmauk Township can directly travel to Yangon, Myothit and Nay Pyi Taw in all seasons through Myothit-Taungdwingyi-Pyay section.

Yinchaung Bridge in Natmauk Township is 320 feet long, whose upper structure is of bailey type; and its lower structure, of hardwood pile type. It is the 240th of its kind among the above-180-foot-long bridges the Ministry of Construction has constructed across the nation and the 20th facility in Magway Division so far.

Due to the transport facility, local people no longer have to wait to get across the creek while it is in floods in the rainy season. Local agricultural produce such as groundnut, sesame, rice and crops can be distributed to states and other divisions with convenience in a short time. Smooth transport of commodities resulting from new roads and bridges is, indeed, an encouraging sign of greater regional development in the division.

Which team's 2010 World Cup Champion?



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

UEC Chairman holds meeting with members of election sub-commissions in Shan State (North)

NAY PYI TAW, 29 June — Chairman of the Union Election Commission U Thein Soe held a work coordination meeting with members of the election sub-commissions of Lashio District/Township and Hsenwi Township/ward/ village-tract Shan State (North) today.

The meeting was opened with an address by UEC chairman U Thein Soe, and Member of the Shan State Election Sub-commission U Myint Ko Ko reported to the UEC chairman on electoral work.



UEC Chairman U Thein Soe makes speech in meeting with members of ward/village-tract election sub-commissions of Lashio District.—DISTRICT IPRD

Chairman of Lashio District Election Sub-commission U Tin Maung Shwe also reported on electoral work.

UEC Chairman U Thein Soe answered the queries raised by those present.

The meeting was participated by ward/

village/sub-commissions under Lashio and Hsenwi township election commissions.

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UEC member Dr Tin Aung Aye receives Australian Deputy Secretary of Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade



UEC member Dr Tin Aung Aye receives Mr Hugh Borrowman of Commonwealth of Australia Deputy Secretary of Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and party.

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NAY PYI TAW, 29 June— Member of the Union Election Commission Dr Tin Aung Aye received

Deputy Secretary of Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Mr Hugh Borrowman of Commonwealth of

Australia and party at the office of UEC here this morning.

Also present at the call were UEC member

U Win Kyi, officials concerned and Australian Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Ms Michelle Su-Wen Chan.—MNA

YANGON, 29 June— The four Gamone Pwint shopping malls—No. 1 Myaynigon, No.2 corner of Merchant Street and Bogalezay Street, No. 3 corner of Maha Bandoola Street and Shwedagon Pagoda

Road, facade of Theingyi Market and No. 4 on Kaba-Aye Pagoda Road—are launching a programme to forecast “2010 Word Cup Champion” from today till 11 July.

Any shoppers who

spend K 10,000 and above will get a coupon to take part in the programme at all shopping malls. A number of 30 Luckydraw winners will be picked out on 13 July.

At Gamone Pwint shopping mall on Kaba-Aye Pagoda Road, a special weekend sale programme is being launched to shoppers who spend K 30,000 and above.—MNA

Gamonepwint shopping mall seen on

Kaba-Aye Pagoda Road in Yangon.

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

Drone strike kills eight in NW Pakistan's tribal area

ISLAMABAD, 29 June— At least eight people were killed in a drone strike on Tuesday in the troubled South Waziristan tribal belt, northwest Pakistan, sources in the region said.

The United States forces operated unmanned drone fired two missiles at a house

in Karikot, a small village, seven km from Wana, the centre of South Waziristan bordering Afghanistan.

The missiles destroyed the house and a vehicle. The area is under the control of Taliban group, led by Mulla Nazir.

Locals said that the Taliban militants

surrounded the attack site and removed bodies and injured to undisclosed location.

This strike was the 219th drone attack since August 2008 in the restive tribal areas of Pakistan that the US believes to be heaven for fugitive Taliban operatives generally associated with al-Qaeda. —Xinhua



Investigators work at the scene where Rodolfo Torre Cantu, candidate of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) for governor of the Mexican state of Tamaulipas, was killed with four aides in an ambush near the airport in Ciudad Victoria, Mexico, on 28 June, 2010. —XINHUA

Roadside bomb kills two, wounds two in southern Afghan Province

KANDAHAR, 29 June—Two civilians were killed and two others sustained injuries as a roadside bomb struck a vehicle in Kandahar Province south of Afghanistan on Tuesday.

"This morning at 06:00 am local time a civilian car ran over a mine planted by militants in Khakriz District as a result two commuters were killed and two others including the driver were injured," spokesman for provincial administration Zalmai Ayubi told Xinhua.

Kandahar the birthplace of Taliban has been the scene of increasing militancy and violent incidents over the past couple of years.

Xinhua



An Afghan girl carries her brother in the village of Maruf-Kariz in Dand district, south of Kandahar, on 26 June, 2010.—INTERNET

Armed men attack UN vehicle in Afghan capital

KABUL, 29 June—Unknown armed men attacked a United Nations vehicle in the Afghan capital of Kabul on Tuesday, a private television channel reported.

"The attack occurred close to Public Health Ministry building in Wazir Akbar Khan District. As a result, one person was injured," Tolo television broadcast in its news bulletin.

The Public Health Ministry building is next to the fortified US embassy in Kabul.

Meanwhile, a UN spokesperson Nilab Mubariz in talks with Xinhua avoided to make comment, saying there will be no comment without investigation.

Xinhua



A man injured by a bombing is treated at a hospital in Kirkuk, 180 miles (290 kilometres) north of Baghdad, Iraq, on 24 June, 2010. A spate of attacks targeting Iraqi security forces and their allies killed at least several on Thursday, half in suicide bombings in the northern city of Mosul, officials said.—INTERNET

British bomb disposal expert killed in Afghanistan

LONDON, 29 June— 309 since 2001.

A British bomb disposal expert was killed in Afghanistan on Sunday, the Defence Ministry said on Monday. The ministry confirmed that the soldier was killed in a small arms fire engagement with militant forces in the Nahr-e Saraj District of Helmand Province.

Meanwhile, bombardier Stephen Raymond died in hospital in Birmingham of wounds sustained in Afghanistan on 26 June, the ministry said.

The death toll of British service personnel killed in Afghanistan reached

British Prime Minister David Cameron said last week that he wanted British troops to be withdrawn from Afghanistan within five years.

"We cannot be there for another five years, having effectively been there for nine years already," he added. "But Britain should have a long-term relationship with Afghanistan, including helping to train and support their troops and the government long after the vast bulk of our troops have gone."

Xinhua

A US army helicopter flies over the area where several explosions rocked the Iraqi capital Baghdad on 13 June, within minutes of each other. The Al-Qaeda front in Iraq has said it was behind last weekend's twin suicide bombings outside a Baghdad bank that killed 26 and wounded 53 people, US monitoring group SITE reported.—INTERNET

Clash leaves six dead in S Afghanistan

QALAT, 29 June— Clash between militants and guards of a private security company in Afghanistan's southern Zabul Province left six persons dead and 5 injured on Tuesday, spokesman for provincial administration Mohammad Jan Rasoulyar said.

"The clash erupted this morning when Taliban rebels ambushed a convoy of the private security company in Shahr-e-Safa District and guards of the company returned fire during which six guards of the company were killed and five others sustained injuries," Rasoulyar told Xinhua.

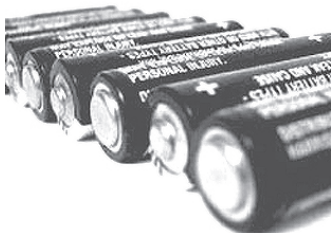
However, he did not give the name of the company, only saying the company was providing security to the convoys of NATO-led troops.

He added that later on, NATO-led troops arrived at the site, forcing the militants to flee and inflicting casualties to the militants.

Several national and international security companies provide escort to NATO-led logistic convoys in Afghanistan—Xinhua



New Israeli battery provides thousands of hours of power



HAIFA (ISRAEL), 29 June—A new kind of portable electrochemical battery that can produce thousands of hours of power—and soon replace the expensive regular or rechargeable batteries in hearing aids and sensors and eventually in cellphones, laptop computers and even electric cars—has been

developed at Haifa's Technion-Israel Institute of Technology.

The unique battery is based on silicon as a fuel that reverts to its original sand. The battery can also be left on the shelf for years and inserted into a device to provide immediate power. It was developed over the last two-and-a-half years by Prof. Yair Ein-Eli of the Technion's materials engineering department, with collaboration by Prof. Digby Macdonald of Pennsylvania State University in the US and Prof. Rika Hagiwara of Kyoto University in Japan.—NLM



A boat uses a boom and absorbent material to soak up oil on the surface of the water from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in Cat Bay near Grand Isle, Louisiana. BP's costs soared as a major storm stymied efforts to double the amount of oil captured from a ruptured well deep in the Gulf of Mexico.

INTERNET

Goce satellite views Earth's gravity in high definition

WASHINGTON, 29 June—This colourful new map traces the subtle but all pervasive influence the pull of gravity has across the globe.

Known as a geoid, it essentially defines where the level surface is on our planet; it tells us which way is "up" and which way is "down".

It is drawn from delicate measurements made by Europe's Goce satellite, which flies so low it comes perilously close to falling out of the sky.

Scientists say the data gathered by the spacecraft

will have numerous applications.

One key beneficiary will be climate studies because the geoid can help researchers understand better how the great mass of ocean water is moving heat around the world.

The new map was presented here in Norway's second city at a special Earth observation (EO) symposium dedicated to the data being acquired by Goce and other European Space Agency (Esa) missions.

Europe is currently in the midst of a huge programme of EO development which will see it launch some 20 missions worth nearly eight billion euros before the decade's end.

The Gravity Field and Steady-State Ocean Circulation Explorer (Goce) is at the front of this armada of scientific and environmental monitoring spacecraft.

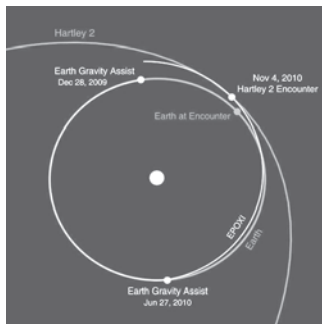
Internet



Amber Lancaster poses at the Nintendo 'Dragon Quest IX: Sentinels of the Starry Skies' Celebrity Sneak-Peek Event, on 28 June, 2010, in Los Angeles.

INTERNET

Comet-bomb interceptor makes low pass above Atlantic



One way of looking at it.

INTERNET

LONDON, 29 June—A NASA space probe famous for bombing a comet five years ago made a final "flyby" past Earth last night, changing its orbit around the Sun with the aid of the planet's gravity. The renamed "EPOXI" craft (formerly "Deep Impact") swooped low just 19,000 miles above the South Atlantic at 11pm UK time last night.

Last night's 12,750 mph flypast will see the dual-missioned spaceprobe accelerate by no less than 3,470 mph in its bid to reach the

comet Hartley 2 later this year. EPOXI's name reflects the two new tasks it was given following the Deep Impact comet-bombing run: Extrasolar Planet Observation and Characterization plus Deep Impact Extended Investigation.

After the successful 2005 strike in which the then Deep Impact smashed a probe into the comet Tempel 1, NASA assessed that the probe still had plenty of manoeuvring fuel left and that, by means of judicious low passes above Earth, it could be steered to a new rendezvous with another comet. The Hartley intercept, however, will not involve an impact probe like the Tempel rendezvous.

There is always some gravity boost at a flyby and in some cases, like this one, it is the main reason for a flyby.

The last Earth flyby was used primarily to change the tilt of the spacecraft's orbit to match that of comet Hartley 2, and we are using Sunday's flyby to also change the shape of the orbit to get us to the comet," says astronomer Michael A'Hearn, boss boffin for both Deep Impact and EPOXI.—Internet

'Velcro' effect in Guianese ants

PARIS, 29 June—In Guiana, symbiosis between Azteca ants and the Cecropia tree (or trumpet tree) is frequent. However, a surprising discovery has been made: one species of ant (Azteca andreae) uses the "Velcro®" principle to cling on firmly to the leaves of Cecropia and thus capture very large prey.

These results, obtained by Alain Dejean's team from the Laboratoire Ecologie des Forêts de Guyane (ECOFOG, CNRS/



A sphingid moth captured by one of its wings on a leaf lobe; workers can be seen in ambushing position on the right-hand side of the photo.—INTERNET

CIRAD/Université Antilles-Guyane/INRA/AgroParisTech), were published in the journal PLoS ONE on 25 June 2010.

Cecropia, the emblematic tree of Guiana also known as trumpet tree, has developed a symbiotic relationship with arboreal ants of the genus Azteca. Cecropia provides a nesting place (in the hollow stalks) and some food to these small ants, which in return, protect the host tree from defoliators.

Dejean's team from the Laboratoire Ecologie des Forêts de Guyane (ECOFOG, CNRS/Université Antilles-Guyane/INRA/AgroParisTech), in collaboration with researchers from Clermont-Ferrand, Toulouse and the Doñana Biological Station in Spain, focused on the interactions between Cecropia obtusa and a species of Azteca recently described in French Guiana: Azteca andreae.

Internet

Carbon sequestration 'as bad as nuclear waste'

COPENHAGEN, 29 June—A Danish climate scientist has published a paper criticising carbon sequestration - the idea of dealing with CO₂ emissions by stuffing the greenhouse gas away into underground or deep-sea storage where it can't affect the atmosphere.

Professor Gary Shaffer of the Niels Bohr Institute at the University of Copenhagen was already mildly well-known for his suggestion that the world's fossil fuel resources should be saved up in order to fight the next ice age in 100,000 years' time using targeted global warming.

Now the prof has done some long-term analysis into the consequences of massive carbon sequestration, and he doesn't seem happy with what he's found. According to a statement issued by the Niels Bohr Institute, sequestration amounts to creating "a burden for future society in line with that of long term management of nuclear waste".

"The dangers of carbon sequestration are real," insists Shaffer. "We should greatly limit CO₂ emissions in our time to reduce the need for massive carbon sequestration and thus reduce unwanted consequences and burdens over many future generations from the leakage of sequestered CO₂."

The prof says that deep-ocean sequestration is a definite no-no, as it means "grave problems for deep sea life" right off and the carbon gets back into the atmosphere quite fast, too.—Internet

Science

Mental disorders affect 23 million people in Brazil

BRASILIA, 29 June— Twenty-three million Brazilians need mental health care and at least 5 million people suffer from severe and persistent mental disorders, according to data from the Brazilian Psychiatric Association released on Monday.

The most frequent diseases are linked to depression, anxiety and adjustment disorders, but public policies for mental health give priority to more serious illnesses such as

schizophrenia or bipolar disorder.

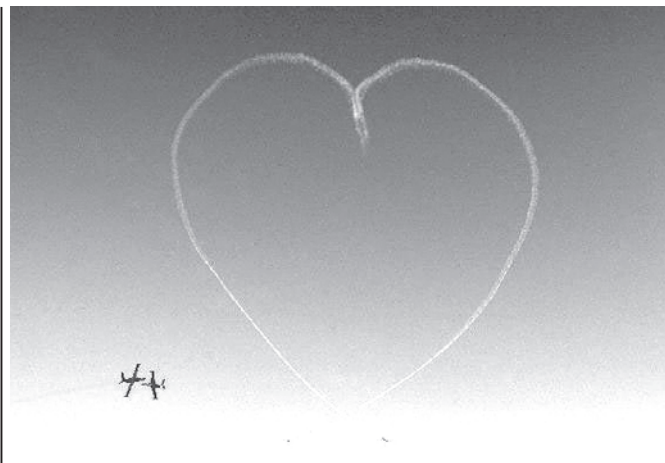
Since the approval of the so called Psychiatric Reform Law, investments are focused mainly on measures to replace care at psychiatric hospitals with open and community-based services.

The implementation of replacement network - with the creation of Centres for Psychosocial Care (CAPS) and therapeutic homes and increasing the

number of psychiatric beds in general hospitals - has advanced, but it still coexists with the former model, marked by long-stay hospitalization in psychiatric hospitals.

Brazil has 1,513 CAPS, but distribution is still uneven. In the state of Amazon, for example, with 3 million residents, there are only four centres.

Across the country there are 564 therapeutic homes, sheltering 3,062 residents.—Xinhua



The IAF Aerobatic Team flying IAI Tzukit jet aircraft create a "heart" during a ceremony for graduating Israeli Air Force pilots at Hatzirim Air Base, on 28 June, 2010. —XINHUA

Health Tip: Keeping fire extinguishers at home

WASHINGTON, 29 June— Smoke detectors aren't the only devices that should be kept throughout the home in the event of a fire.

Fire extinguishers are equally important. The National Safety Council offers these suggestions for where to keep them:

- *Keep an extinguisher that can handle both grease and electrical fires in your kitchen.
- *Place another extinguisher next to your furnace, and one in your garage.
- *Keep additional extinguishers at other places where a fire could start.
- *Make sure everyone in the home who is physically able knows how to work an extinguisher.

Internet



Researchers said on Monday they found no evidence that the cholesterol-reducing drugs known as statins can help extend the life of patients at risk of heart disease. AstraZeneca's Crestor was among the drugs studied in the meta-analysis published in the Archives of Internal Medicine journal.

INTERNET

Combo Vaccine raises risk of fever-related seizures in kids

WASHINGTON, 29 June— Toddlers who receive the combination MMRV (measles, mumps, rubella and varicella) vaccine are at higher risk of having a febrile seizure a week to 10 days after receiving the shot than children who get the MMR and varicella (chicken pox) vaccines separately at the same visit, a new study confirms.

Although the combination shot doubles the risk of febrile seizure, the odds are still quite small, experts noted.

"What's important for parents to understand is that even though there's a doubling of the risk for the combination

vaccine, the overall risk of seizure to any one child with any measles-containing vaccine is still less than one in 1,000 doses," said Dr. Nicola Klein, co-director of the Kaiser Permanente Vaccine Study Centre in Oakland, Calif., and lead investigator of the study, published online on 28 June and in the July print issue of *Pediatrics*.

The study, funded by the US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, involved the health records of more than 459,000 children who received their first dose of measles-containing vaccine between 2000 and 2008.

Internet

Physicians call for end to raves after scores of drug cases

LOS ANGELES, 29 June— Several emergency room physicians on Monday called for an end to raves at the Los Angeles Coliseum and Exposition Park as a massive weekend event

sent scores of teenagers and young adults to hospitals, mostly for drug intoxication, the *Los Angeles Times* reported on its website.

The 2010 Electric Daisy Carnival attracted 185,000 on June 25-26

at the Coliseum, which is just south of downtown Los Angeles.

During the event, at least two people were sent to intensive care units for drug intoxication at the California Hospital Medical Centre.

A comatose minor was rushed to the Good Samaritan Hospital, as the minor had drunk from another attendee's water bottle without realizing it had been laced with drugs.

"This is basically a government-encouraged drug feast. That's the wrong message," said Dr. Brian Johnston, director of the emergency room at White Memorial Medical Centre.

Xinhua

More than 1.5 million cancer survivors have kids under 18

WASHINGTON, 29 June— More than 1.5 million adult cancer survivors in the United States are parents who live with one or more children younger than 18 years old, finds a new study.

The findings may lead to greater assistance for these patients and their families, said Kathryn Weaver, of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Centre in Winston-Salem, NC, and colleagues.

The researchers analyzed data from 13,385 adult cancer survivors who took part in the United States National Health Interview Survey between 2000 and 2007.

Internet



In this photo illustration, bottles of Avandia are seen in 2007. Patients taking the anti-diabetes drug may be at increased risk of cardiovascular ailments compared to those taking other drugs to treat diabetes, a US government study found on Monday.

INTERNET



US health authorities have pressed farmers to give fewer antibiotics to livestock and poultry to reduce the risk of potentially harmful resistance to antimicrobial drugs.—INTERNET

Health

Japan's industrial production slips 0.1% in May

TOKYO, 29 June—Industrial production in Japan slipped 0.1 percent in May from a month earlier, marking the first decrease in three months, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) said in a preliminary report on Tuesday.

The decline follows a sharp rise in April from a month earlier of a

revised 1.2 percent and METI said that industrial production in Japan continues to show as "upward movement," as inventory ratio still posted positive figures and industrial output rose on year by 20.2 percent.

The ministry said that production of transport equipment, paper products, petroleum and coal products,

were responsible for the decline in the recording month, in that order.

Regarding the output of commodities that mainly contributed to the decrease, large passenger cars, semiconductor products machinery and production of flat-panel display products led to the decline in May, METI said.

Xinhua

Portugal undertakes austerity measures

LISBON, 29 June—Portuguese President Anibal Cavaco Silva on Monday signed into law a bill containing a package of austerity measures to reduce the public deficit.

The law, which was first presented by the government and later approved by the

parliament, included an increase of value added tax and taxation on companies and workers.

Some people doubt whether some measures in the law are constitutional.

The Constitutional Tribunal is expected to decide soon whether the measures are

constitutional.

The government aims to reduce the public deficit this year from 9.3 percent to 7.3 percent of gross domestic product.

Xinhua

Fitch confirms Brazil's investment grade

RIO DE JANEIRO, 29 June—World-renowned credit rating agency Fitch Ratings announced on Monday the confirmation of Brazil's investment grade.

Fitch stated that Brazil's Issuer Default Rating will be maintained at the BBB- level, the lowest investment grade granted by the agency. The country ceiling will remain at the BBB level, and the credit outlook was revised from stable to positive.

The outlook was reviewed due to Brazil's economic performance and resilience in the face of the recession, which exceeded expectations, Fitch stated. According to the agency, those aspects, together with Brazil's "relatively prudent economic policies," can help improve the country's per capita income level and fiscal solvency ratio.

Fitch added that it does not expect any major changes in the country's economic policy after the presidential elections, which are to take place in early October.—Xinhua



In this image released by the NTSB, heat from electrical arcing in the windshield heater of this American Airlines Boeing 757 shattered the windshield, spraying the flight's first officer with glass while the plane was over the Atlantic Ocean en route to Philadelphia from San Juan, Puerto Rico, on 30 Jan, 2008.—INTERNET

Oil falls below \$78 as hurricane fears ease

SINGAPORE, 29 June—Oil prices fell below \$78 a barrel on Tuesday in Asia on signs Tropical Storm Alex would likely miss most of the rigs in the Gulf of Mexico, leaving supplies undisrupted.

Benchmark crude for August delivery was down 53 cents to \$77.72 a barrel at midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract fell 61 cents to settle at \$78.25 on Monday.

Alex gained strength and appeared on track to become a hurricane Tuesday before it makes landfall very near the Mexico-US border sometime late Wednesday, said the US National Hurricane Centre in Miami, Florida.

The tropical storm's center wasn't expected to approach BP's massive oil spill off Louisiana's coast or the other major crude installations in the area, the centre said.—Internet

Revellers participate in the Pride Parade in Manhattan Borough in New York, the United States, on 27 June, 2010.—XINHUA



Balinese girls wearing traditional costumes watch the Pandanus fights during an annual sacred Usaba Sambah festival in Tenganan Pegringsingan of Bali, east Province of Indonesia, on 27 June, 2010.—XINHUA

ABC set to stage world's largest listing

BEIJING, 29 June—Agricultural Bank of China (ABC) is set to raise up to 23.2 billion US dollars in the world's largest listing, according to the price range the lender set for its shares.

ABC said late Monday in a statement filed with the Shanghai Stock Exchange that it had set the price range for the Shanghai portion of its initial public offering (IPO) at 2.52 to 2.68 yuan (0.37 to 0.39 dollars).

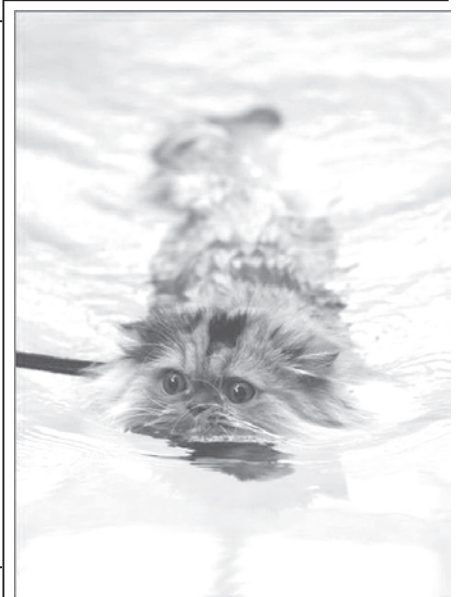
The lender last week priced shares in the Hong Kong part of its IPO at 2.88 to 3.48 HK dollars (0.37 to 0.45 US dollars).

ABC said it would offer 22.23 billion A-shares in Shanghai and 25.41 billion H-shares in Hong Kong, excluding an over-allotment option, in the preliminary prospectus it submitted to the China Securities Regulatory Commission (CSRC).

The pricing of the shares means ABC, the last of China's "big four" state-owned banks to float shares, would be able to raise up to 23.2 billion US dollars, set to beat a record 21.9 billion US dollars raised by Industrial & Commercial Bank of China in 2006.

The CSRC earlier this month approved ABC's IPO application for dual listing in Shanghai and Hong Kong, which is scheduled at mid-July.

Xinhua



Swimming cats look like drowned rats. XINHUA

Cambodia's foreign tourist arrivals rise 11.5% in first 5 months

PHNOM PENH, 29 June—Foreign tourist arrivals in Cambodia increased 11.5 percent in the first five months of this year, compared to the same period last year, according to the statistics released by the Ministry of Tourism on Tuesday.

From January to May this year, Cambodia had received 1,054,821 foreign tourists, up 11.5 percent, compared to the same period last year of 945,807 tourists, said

the report. Of the figure, Vietnam placed number one among the top ten, up 43.76 percent to 175,937, and followed by South Korea and China, increased by 33.53 percent to 125,455 and 32.07 percent to 74,558, respectively.

Whilst Thailand ranked ten among the top ten markets arrivals to Cambodia with the tourist number declined 13.83 percent to 36,995 from 42,931 due to the turmoil in the country.

According to the report, for the month of May alone, tourists to Cambodia increased by 16.9 percent to 170,164 in 2010 from 145,564 the same month of last year, of which Vietnamese tourists increased by 68.31 percent to 36,992, South Korea rose 44 percent to 19,108, and Chinese tourists up 43.45 percent to 11,162, while Thailand dropped 3.45 percent to 7,392.

Xinhua



Giant panda Quanquan plays with ice blocks at the Jinan zoo in Jinan, capital of east China's Shandong Province, on 28 June, 2010. An orange alarm of high temperature was issued in Jinan by the local meteorological department as the highest temperature reached 36 degrees Celsius on Monday.

XINHUA



Air passengers wait at the airport in the southern German city of Munich on 9 May after airspace was closed due to volcanic ash from Iceland.—INTERNET

German stocks open lower

BERLIN, 29 June—German stocks opened lower on Tuesday on Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

The benchmark DAX index of 30 big companies, decreased 95.49 points or 1.55 percent to 6,061.73.

The index of medium-sized firms, MDAX, decreased 95.58 points or 1.15 percent to 8,225.35.

The TecDAX, the index of technology companies, sank 6.84 points or 0.90 percent to 750.23.

Xinhua

A military vehicle is presented during a media preview in Zhukovsky, Russia, on 28 June, 2010. The Engineering Technologies International Forum 2010 will be held here from 30 June to 4 July. Armaments made in Russia as exhibits in the forum were presented in the show on Tuesday ahead of the forum.

XINHUA



Two new fires breaks out in NE China forest

BEIJING, 29 June—Two new fires broke out in The Greater Xing'an Mountains in China's North-eastern province of Heilongjiang on Monday. Nine thousand firefighters are combating the blaze.

One forest policeman says in some places the temperatures are too high to approach. Most vegetation in the area consists of trees which contain high levels of oil.

And the continuing summer heat is making the rescue efforts harder.

These two fires bring the total in the area to three, since Saturday, although the first one has now been extinguished.

The Greater Xing'an Mountains house the biggest forest in China. There is a danger that further fires will be triggered by thunder-storms from May to July.

Xinhua

Floods leave 10 dead in northeastern Romania

BUCHAREST, 29 June—Ten people were killed with three others missing in northeastern Romania after torrential rains triggered flash floods in counties of Botosani and Suceava, officials said on Tuesday.

According to the Inspectorate for Emergency Situation, five of the victims were from Dorohoi of Botosani county, with their bodies having been discovered on Tuesday morning in homes that were flooded after a nearby river swallowed the land.

Another man from the Ibanesti village of the same county was taken by the waters while trying to save an animal. Moreover, some 2,000 people from over 60 localities were evacuated due to the floods. The local authorities have relocated the people in sports halls and schools.

Meanwhile, dozens of houses were destroyed, hundreds partially damaged, while the road traffic on several national and county roads was interrupted for several hours because of the floods.

Heavy rainfall and river overflows are still expected in northern, northeastern and part of central Romania at least until Wednesday morning, according to officials.

The new victims brought the country's flood death toll to 16.—Xinhua



An artistic dialogue has been created between the Chinese mainland, Hong Kong and Macao Special Administrative Regions, thanks to the 2010 Hong Kong and Macao Visual Arts Exhibition.—INTERNET

More Cambodian youth watch TV during World Cup

PHNOM PENH, 29 June—More Cambodian youth have watched televisions during the World Cup in South Africa according to a survey conducted by Indochina Research Ltd. (IRL), local media reported on Tuesday.

The research showed that the percentage of the TV fans aged from 15 to 19 increased by 32 percent in the month of June alone, and that of general population aged from 20 to 29 who watches TV increased by six percent in June, Local Khmer newspaper *Rasmei Kampuchea* reported.

Those respondents were watching MYTV, a branch channel of CTN (Cambodian Television Network) which airs World Cup matches, the research showed.

Glen Felgate, general director of CTN said he anticipated that the group phase of FIFA 2010 World Cup will attract some 50 percent of the watchers to his network and the number will be higher in the elimination stage.

The IRL will issue a final research result on the TV fans for 2010 World Cup next month.

Xinhua

Teachers should be skilled in specialized subjects and teach students...

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the CSSTB, senior military officials, departmental personnel, the rector, pro-rectors, faculty heads of the institute and course instructors and trainees.

In his speech, Minister Dr Chan Nyein said at a time when efforts are being made with own resources for building the Union of Myanmar into a modern, developed nation, it is necessary to turn out experts in all sectors who are capable of using advancing science and technology.

This is why the government has adopted a 30-year long-term national education promotion programme to improve the basic education sector and higher education sector. The 2010-2011 academic year is the last year of the second five-year programme. In producing human resources for the emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed nation aspired by the entire national people, enabling every

citizen to complete step-by-step basic education is a priority of the basic education sector. Therefore, school enrollment activities have been carried out in this school opening season in all townships of the country for the schooling of every school-age child. Likewise, measures for improving pass rate of the matriculation examination, added the minister.

The government has built modern education institutions across the country such as information technology buildings, international level research centres, computer networks and electronic systems. Similarly, multi-media classrooms are being opened even in rural schools. In producing educated human resources, the nation's education goals can be achieved only when the teachers of the basic education sector can try to nurture their students to become outstanding ones.

The minister quoted Head of State Senior General Than Shwe as saying that it is necessary for teachers not only to be skilled in their specialized subjects but also to teach their students to become qualified ones by trying to change quantity to quality. Emergence of human resources is vital for national development. In

sharpening the skills of students starting from the basic education level in accord with the guidance of Head of State, teachers are not only to train their students to become intellectuals and intelligentsia capable of serving the best interest of the nation but to try themselves to improve their teaching quality.

Therefore, said the minister, special refresher courses for teachers, teachership diploma courses, proficiency courses, bachelor of education courses and multi-media post graduate diploma courses are being conducted. In nurturing young students, it is necessary to adopt student-centered approach in order to promote their initiatives and innovations and calibres. In conclusion, the minister urged the teachers to follow their codes of ethics as teaching staff and to do their bit in implementing the seven-step road map of the State for the emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic nation.

After the ceremony, Minister Dr Chan Nyein and party cordially greeted trainees. The four-week course is being attended by 1320 trainees from states and divisions in Upper Myanmar.—MNA

Rural roads inaugurated in Ayeyawady Division

YANGON, 29 June—Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe and Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs U Thein Nyunt attended the inauguration of Sangyigon-Wayachaung rural tarred road in Patheingyi Township, Ayeyawady Division, this morning.

The two miles and four furlongs long and 12 feet wide road was upgraded by Patheingyi Township Development Affairs



Committee with the funds contributed by the people, the Development Affairs Department and the committee in 2009-2010 fiscal year. The facility benefits 25 villages in Sangyigon, Wayachaung,

Zinpyun and Shwemyint village-tracts.

Next, the commander and the minister attended the opening of Kwelwe-Sakkawt rural tarred road. The 2000 feet long and 12 feet wide

tarred road was undertaken by Myaungmya Township DAC with its funds in 2009-2010 fiscal year.

They also attended the opening ceremony of the rural

gravel road to Thabyechaung Village in Myaungmya Township. The road is 4500 feet long and eight feet wide and was upgraded with the funds of Myaungmya Township

DAC in 2009-2010 financial year.

Due to the newly-built roads, Myaungmya-Yangon Road is now easily accessible at any times from the villages.—MNA

A&I Minister receives Belarusian guests

NAY PYI TAW, 29 June—Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo received Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Sergei Aleinik of Belarus and party at the ministry here on 26 June.

They held discussion on mutual

cooperation in agricultural sector and boosting agricultural production. The Belarusian side illustrated their agricultural machinery, Potash fertilizers and related goods.

MNA



Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo receives Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Sergei Aleinik of Belarus and party.

MNA

Malaysia-made battery lands Myanmar market



YANGON, 29 June —Yokohama Battery produced in Malaysia with Japanese technology has made its debut in Myanmar market recently.

One significant feature of the ISO certified brand is that plates inside the bat-

teries are envelop type ones, warding off the internal shock.

TAI-Kwong Yokohama Battery Industries Sdn Bhd based in Malaysia appointed Eagle Enterprise Ltd as Myanmar sole agent which could be reached by Ph: 685515 and 681942.

The company is distributing the Yokohama branded batteries nationwide through its retailers.

MNA

Emergency Myanmar traditional medicine kits distributed in Mandalay Div



Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint distributes traditional medicine kits for Kyaukse and TadaU Townships.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 29 June—A ceremony to hold extended distribution of traditional medicine kits by Traditional Medicine Department of the Ministry of Health took place at University of Traditional Medicine (Mandalay) on 26 June.

It was attended by Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint and Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor U Phone Zaw Han.

The commander made a speech on the occasion. He handed over traditional medicine kits to villages through village officials and so did Minister Dr Kyaw Myint and Mayor U Phone Zaw Han.

Deputy Chief Justice U Khin Maung Latt and directors-general from the Ministry of Health also presented kits to village representatives.

The distribution is second time. The kits were distributed to altogether 500 villages in 18 townships with the sponsorship of Nippon Foundation of Japan.—MNA



MYANMAR WOMEN'S DAY

3rd July 2010

Public announcement for remonstrations

1. The National Democratic Force, headquartered at Room-103, Building-3, in Dagonlwin Road, Mittanyunt Ward, Tamway Township, Yangon Division, on 24 June, 2010 submitted its applications for registration as a political party under Article 5 of Political Parties Registration Law. In its application, it is mentioned that the party will use its name, flag and seal described hereunder.
2. It is hereby announced in accord with Political Parties Registration Rules 14 (d) that if there is anyone who wants to remonstrate about the name, flag and seal of the party, they may remonstrate with the Union Election Commission with firm evidence within seven days from the date of the announcement.



Flag of the National Democratic Force



*Seal of the National Democratic Force
Union Election Commission*

Reforestation heals the wounded earth

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State (North). On 15 June, Staff Officer U Aung Zaw Min from Ministry of Forestry Shan State

Office, Township Officer U Nay Myo Tun, U Hla Oo and Shan State Manager U Win Hlaing Oo of Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise went on a field

trip to forest near Nantkyin Dam which was to be opened soon and supervised the works of forestry staff to reforest 10 acres of land with Intensive Care System out of designated 31.8 acres which is designated to be put under 2000 trees.

We, the news crew, accompanied them along their inspection of 10,000 teak plants in the forests.

Forests contribute a great deal towards the harmonic climate pattern. They are assemblies of gold giving trees saving rainwater under ground. This mid summer saw water scarcity around the country. What is the main cause? It is not reasonable to forget what has happened in this summer for the monsoon brings wet and cold atmosphere now. There will be nothing arguable to point out deforestation as the main villain of reducing storage capacity of the water resources.

It is necessary to place a hearty emphasis on conservation of the forests, which are home to a variety of harmonic biodiversity, to help the earth survive. Responsibility to conserve the forestry falls into the hands of everybody, not just the Forestry Ministry.

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Reforestation works under way.

HK has most economical local broadband access services in Asia Pacific

HONG KONG, 29 June—A study report released by the Asia Pacific Carriers' Coalition (APCC) showed Hong Kong provides the most economical local broadband access services in the Asia Pacific region, according to the Information Service Department of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)'s government on Sunday.

Hong Kong's Office of the Telecommunications Authority

(OFTA) welcomed the findings of the APCC study, stating that it affirms Hong Kong's position as the premier telecommunications hub in the region.

According to the study findings, the prices of broadband leased lines in Hong Kong at transmission speeds of 1.5 Mbps, 2 Mbps, 45 Mbps and 155 Mbps are the lowest among the 14 economies covered in the study, said a spokesman for the OFTA.

In terms of Ethernet access facilities, Hong Kong's prices are the lowest at transmission speeds of 10 Mbps and 1 Gbps.

The price for a symmetric digital subscriber line (DSL) in Hong Kong is likewise the most competitive. The study also shows that the prices of the various categories of local leased lines in Hong Kong fell on average by 30 percent to 50 percent between 2006 and 2009.

Xinhua



Soldiers work at the breach site of the dike at the Changkai section of the Fuhe River, in Fuzhou City, east China's Jiangxi Province, on 27 June, 2010. More than 400 workers and soldiers narrowed a 400-metre gap in the dike by more than 200 metres as of 10 pm Saturday, as floods that have killed 235 people ravaged the south of the country for the 12th day. It is expected that the breach of the dike be repaired by Sunday night or Monday morning.—XINHUA

Surgeons enter brain through eyelid

BALTIMORE, 29 June—Doctors at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore have pioneered a technique that can spare some patients invasive brain surgery.

Liane Lefever, 47, of Manheim, Pa., was their 18th patient, *The Baltimore Sun* reported. Surgeons were able to remove a meningioma, a brain tumour, through an incision in her eyelid.

"When you tell people you had brain surgery, the first thing people always do is look for a scar, and that's what's amazing, there isn't one," Lefever said.

Dr Kofi Boahene, a facial plastic and reconstructive surgeon, first used the eyelid for access three years ago. He had to do a biopsy on a 14-month-old boy, who had a tumour that could not be reached by way of the nose — which had already become an entrance point.

"In surgery in general, we have a goal of doing things in a simpler way so patients recover more quickly and the cost is less," Boahene said.

In traditional brain surgery, still the most common, a patient's skull is sawn open. It involves lengthy recovery and the risk of damage to the brain.—Internet

Nine killed in drug rehab centre

MEXICO CITY, 29 June—An official says nine people were killed when gunmen opened fire in a drug rehabilitation center in the Mexican state of Durango.

State Deputy Attorney General Ramiro Ortiz says among the dead is the centre's owner, who appeared to be the main target. Nine others were injured in Saturday's attack in the city of Gomez Palacio.

Ortiz said the nine bodies were found in different parts of the centre, including the patio, gymnasium and dorms. The centre had 49 patients.

Two weeks ago, gunmen killed 19 people in a drug rehab center in Chihuahua city.

Dozens have died in mass shootings at Mexican rehab clinics in recent years. Police say cartels are exploiting the centres to recruit hitmen and smugglers, threatening to kill those who don't cooperate.—Xinhua



A child eats turkey during the opening of the 30th Chicago food festival, the United States, on 25 June, 2010. Visitors swarmed in to take the chance of enjoying over 300 kinds of food during the ten-day festival.

XINHUA

Temperature makes bird beak sizes

ST CATHARINES, 29 June—Birds in northern climates have evolved smaller beaks than species in the Southern Hemisphere to control loss of body heat, researchers say.

The research studied 200 types of birds from around the world including Canadian species such as partridge, ptarmigan, tern and wild turkeys,

Canwest News Service reported Saturday.

"Unlike humans, birds don't sweat but can use their bills to help reduce their body temperature if they overheat," Glenn Tattersall of Brock University in Ontario said.

The findings are seen as a validation of Allen's Rule, which says as a function of temperature regulation animals' extremities — including ears, feet, arms, fingers, the nose and beak — will be larger in the south and gradually become smaller toward the north.

The concept was put forward in 1877 by American ornithologist Joel Asaph Allen.

"Cold temperatures impose a constraint on the size of bird beaks," Tattersall says.

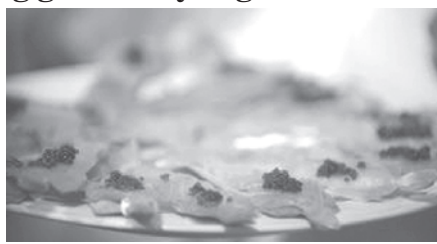
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FDA examining genetically engineered fish

WASHINGTON, 29 June—Salmon genetically engineered to grow twice the normal rate could end up on dinner plates if US regulators give the go-ahead, *The New York Times* reported.

The salmon would become the first genetically engineered animal approved for human consumption, capping a decade-long effort by the fast-growing fish's developer, the *Times* said. AquaBounty Technologies, based in Waltham, Mass., developed the salmon, which would be raised on fish farms. The genetically altered Atlantic salmon has a growth hormone gene from a Chinook salmon and a genetic "on-switch" from the ocean pout, a distant relative of the salmon.

The company said salmon normally do not



Smoked salmon Oscars with caviar are displayed during a preview of the food and beverages of the Governors Ball as preparations continue for the 81st annual Academy Awards in Los Angeles on 19 February, 2009.—XINHUA

make growth hormone in cold weather but the Chinook salmon switch keeps production going all year, enabling the fish to

grow to market size in 16-18 months instead of three years. Ultimately, though, it's no bigger than a normal salmon.—Xinhua



A South African roadside vendor displays necklaces for sale at a stall in Pretoria. Business is booming with foreign fans at bars and restaurants, which are also boosted by plenty of local support for big guns like England, Portugal and Brazil after hosts South Africa bowed out.

XINHUA

Chemical plant on fire in Beijing, casualties unknown

BEIJING, 29 June—Fire fighters are struggling to contain a blaze in a chemical plant in the southwest outskirts of Beijing.

No casualties have yet been reported.

About 40 fire appliances are in attendance at the scene.

A source close to the fire brigade told *Xinhua* that fire fighters had basically stopped the fire from spreading, but the extreme heat had

hindered their access to the plant.

The fire was said to break out at about 7 am on Tuesday in Fangshan District.

Dense smoke rose about 1,000 meters into the air, said witnesses.

The source with the fire department said the plant, which belongs to Beijing Yanfang Huaxing Warehouse Logistics Co Ltd, contained flammable chemical substances, such as acetone.—*Xinhua*

5.8-magnitude quake hits centre-south of Chile

CONCEPCION, 29 June—An earthquake measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale hit Chile's central-southern region of Bio Bio on Monday night, but no casualties or damage were reported. The quake, which occurred at 21:40 pm local time (0140 GMT Tuesday), was centered 105 km south of Concepcion, where a

major 8.8-magnitude quake and the consequent tsunamis have caused heavy casualties and damage in February, according to the US Geological Survey (USGS). Chile's National Emergency Office said on Monday that the basic services and infrastructure are in normal function. The office issued a tsunami

alert following the quake, which also affected the regions of La Araucania and Los Rios.

Xinhua correspondent witnessed panic among the local people in Concepcion, the second largest city of Chile, as the tremor caused partial power cuts in the city and Arauco Province.

Xinhua



A visitor smells a bonsai of *ganoderma lucidum* during the Beijing International Modern Agriculture Exhibition in Beijing, capital of China, on 28 June, 2010. The 3-day exhibition kicked off in Beijing on Monday.

XINHUA

HK to issue special stamps “Biodiversity”

HONG KONG, 29 June—Hongkong Post on Tuesday announced that a set of four special stamps on the theme of “Biodiversity” will be released on 15 July.

Inspired by the amazing variety of local flora and fauna, Hongkong Post presents a set of four special stamps featuring endemic species including the only freshwater fish named after the territory — the Hong Kong paradise fish, the smallest frog species found in Hong Kong — Romer's tree frog.

The other ones are *Sinopora hongkongensis*, a plant first discovered in Tai Mo Shan, the New Territories which is new to science, and *Fukienogomphus choifongae*, a dragonfly first discovered in Wu Kau Tang, the New Territories which is also new to science.

Official first day covers will be offered for sale at all post offices from 30 June, while a set of four postcards featuring the endemic species will be available at all philatelic offices.

Xinhua

News Album



More than 192 faces of terracotta warriors are pictured at the entrance to the Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army exhibition.



Alex Tippl is an Australian photographer. He did amazing underwater photography near Australian coast with a new angle. Photography captures astonishing moments of the people actively involved in surfing and scuba diving.

Double diplomas: 2 NY schools, 19 sets of twins

People attending graduation ceremonies at a pair of upstate New York high schools couldn't be blamed for thinking they were seeing double.

Twelve sets of twins graduated from Baker High School in Baldwinsville on Sunday, the same day seven sets of twins received their

diplomas during ceremonies at nearby Jamesville-DeWitt High School in the Syracuse area.

Representatives from Guinness World Records say Baker High's graduating class with 12 sets of twins breaks the previous record of 10, set by a Massachusetts high school in 2007.

Faithful bees

“Loyal” bees whose hives were stolen alerted their beekeeper in Dengfeng, Henan Province on 9 May when they flew into his yard and circled in the sky.

The beekeeper, surnamed Lu, said he knew their behaviour meant they were “homeless” and that bees can only find way back to hives within a 1-kilometer area. Lu called police after he discovered that 10 hives were missing and then found another swarm of bees hovering around the house of a neighbour surnamed Li. There he found Li lying on the ground wounded by multiple bee stings, with the stolen hives scattered around the yard.

When the police arrived, they found the stolen hives and the seriously stung Li lying in the yard. As police were taking him to the hospital, Li said he had thought he would have free honey if he kept the hives and bees, but Lu said “loyal” bees would attack the people who were not their owners.



Kungfu in World Cup

Camo-wearing bowhunters marry in tree in Iowa

An Iowa couple whose passion for bowhunting encouraged Cupid's arrow to strike wore camouflage to blend in with the wooded backdrop at their treetop wedding.

Forty-two year-old Kim Silver dressed in a silk gown made by camouflage specialists Mossy Oak, and her 61-year-old groom, Marvin Hunter, was dressed in camo shirt and pants at the Saturday nuptials.

They said their vows atop a tree stand hunting platform at the Anamosa Bowhunters Archery Club in the state's northeast.

The bride and groom occasionally punctuated the ceremony by firing arrows at targets.

Hunter said the couple had always joked about getting married on a tree stand. Silver said the pair they hunt together so much that the camo wedding “just seemed like the right thing to do.”

UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT



The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is seeking applications from dynamic and highly motivated Myanmar nationals for the following vacancies with UNDP Yangon. Detailed terms of reference are available at the bulletin board at No. 6, Natmauk Road, Tamwe Township, Yangon.

Position No. 1

Title : Admin Assistant – Three Positions
Level : SC-4
Duration of Assignment : Till December 2010 with the possibility of extension
Duty Station : Project Township offices in HDI Project

Requirements: The candidate should have a bachelor degree and at least 3 years of experience in administration, procurement and logistics management. Good command of Microsoft Word and Excel. The candidate will be able to communicate in English and Myanmar, both written and spoken. Be a good team-player and ability to work under pressure.

Position No. 2

Title : Sectoral Specialist (Capacity Development) – Two Positions
Level : SC-8
Duration of Assignment : Till December 2010 with the possibility of extension
Duty Station : Based in Yangon (with frequent travel to Project Areas)

Requirements: A Bachelor's degree with minimum 5 to 7 years experience as a field trainer, training consultant, and/or training manager in the relevant field. Master degree is desirable but not mandatory. He/she will have a hands-on experience as trainer, organizing/managing trainings, and producing training materials to suit client needs. Ability to organize and write training modules is necessary, familiarity with adult learning principles and participatory approaches is crucial. Excellent communication and facilitation skills, computer literate and have good team skills. Must be fluent in both written and spoken English. Women are encouraged to apply.

Position No. 3

Title : Economic Statistician – One Position
Level : SC-8
Duration of Assignment : 12 months (with the possibility of extension)
Duty Station : Based in Yangon (Frequently visit to Nay Pyi Taw and survey sites as required)

Requirements: Bachelor Degree in Applied Economic, Applied Statistic, Development Studies or other relevant development degree with minimum 5 to 7 years experience in National accounts. Master degree for above subjects is desirable but not mandatory. The candidate should have sound experience in price data collecting methods, CPI calculation and using database software such as MS Access and SPSS. Knowledge and experience in 1993 system of National Account is highly desirable. Must be fluent in both written and spoken English.

Position No. 4

Title : Senior Project Management Advisor – One Position
Level : SC-8
Duration of Assignment : 12 months (with the possibility of extension)
Duty Station : Based in Yangon (With frequent visit to field offices)

Requirements: Bachelor Degree in Agriculture with minimum 5 to 7 years of progressive experience in managing and coordinating rural development and training at senior management level. Master degree for above subject is desirable but not mandatory. Sound experience in providing high quality advices, demonstrated quality performance, professionalism, strong leadership skills and coaching skills. Computer literate and must be fluent in both written and spoken English. Women are encouraged to apply.

Candidates should clearly indicate the Post Title in their application, and should submit together with complete bio-data stating personal details, P-11 Form, academic qualification, work experience and a recent passport sized photograph. Applications should be addressed to **Deputy Resident Representative (Operations) Attention: Human Resources Unit (DST), No. 6, Natmauk Road, UNDP, Yangon. E-mail: registry.mm@undp.org**

Only those candidates in whose qualifications and experience the Organization has further interest will be contacted for subsequent interview(s).

“UNDP practice relating to recruitment prohibits hiring of persons currently engaged by Government services or who left Government service during the past 6 months.”

UNDP is an equal opportunity employer. UNDP regrets its inability to reply individually or attend to telephone queries on the advertised posts.

Closing Date: 13 Jul 2010 (COB)

MapQuest beta version has a cleaner, simpler look

DENVER, 29 June—MapQuest was long the leader among websites giving people online directions, but Google Maps surpassed it in 2008.

MapQuest wants those eyeballs back.

Starting Tuesday, the Denver-based mapping unit of AOL Inc. is testing a fresh look with features that some might say make it look a whole lot more like — Google Maps.

The beta version scraps MapQuest's squiggly red logo in “cheap hotel” font for a simple non-serif font in shades of green and blue. Instead of scrolling down to see a map, visitors see a map right away on the right side of the screen, just like at Google Maps. There's also a single box for typing in searches instead of several.

The beta version makes it easier to ask for directions not just from point A to B, but also points C and D. Users can reorder their directional points by clicking and dragging on icons to get directions from point A to B to C, or from A to C to B.

Once a route is mapped out, a toolbar at the top of the map allows you to search for shops, parks, gas stations or other spots along the way.

Internet

Don't Smoke

Emerging economies ‘to enjoy food production boom’

LONDON, 29 June—The emerging economies of Brazil, India, China and Russia will enjoy an agricultural boom over the next decade as production stalls in Western Europe, a report says.

Agricultural output in the Bric nations will grow three times as fast as in the major developed countries, the joint United Nations-OECD study said.

Livestock and crop prices will stay above long-term averages, it added.

And rising incomes and urbanisation in developing states will drive growth.

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Marriage Announcement

Aung Thu Khine

The son of U San Lwin + Daw Myint Myint
Thein residing at Pyay, Myanmar married to
Hla Hla Yi

The daughter of U Hla Myint + Daw Yi Yi
Myint residing at Pyay, Myanmar on 23, June,
2010 by entering marriage agreement before
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Parents of both sides

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INTERNET



Eighty feared dead in Ghanaian mine disaster

ACCRA, 29 June— A total of 80 miners trapped at the Central Region of Ghana were feared dead after they escaped from a flooded mining pit to another one which later caved in, a local official and witnesses confirmed on Monday.

An official of the Regional Coordinating Council, Kwame Oppong told *Xinhua* that information available to the council said the miners are part of about 120 miners in the illegal mine who escaped to an adjoining mine pit after water gushed into the one they were working in on Sunday at Dunkwaw-on-Offin.

“Suddenly, the second mine also caved in trapping at least 80 of them,” he stated, adding that rescue operations were underway hoping to find some survivors. However witnesses told *Xinhua* that given the nature of the disaster, finding survivors was almost impossible.— *MNA/Xinhua*

Motley Crue singer Vince Neil arrested for drunk driving

LOS ANGELES, 29 June— Motley Crue singer Vince Neil has been arrested on suspicion of drunk driving and was being held in a Las Vegas jail, police said on Monday.

Las Vegas police had few details of the arrest but Neil, 49, was expected to appear in court later on Monday.

Celebrity website TMZ.com said Neil's car was pulled over late on Sunday night after police received a complaint from a woman who alleged Neil had



Motley Crue singer Vince Neil is seen in this police booking mug shot from the Las Vegas Police Department, released to Reuters on 28 June, 2010.

INTERNET

smashed her camera earlier in the evening.

The arrest comes just a week after Neil released his latest album — "Tattoos and Tequila" — featuring cover versions of classic rock songs. Neil, who split with Motley Crue in 1992 and rejoined the band in 1997, served jail time in 1986 for drunken driving after a car crash that left a drummer dead.

In the past few years he has opened a string of bars and restaurants in Las Vegas and Florida.

Internet

Sandra Bullock, Jesse James finalize divorce

LOS ANGELES, 29 June— Oscar-winning actress Sandra Bullock and her estranged husband Jesse James have filed divorce papers in Texas, ending their nearly five-year marriage after he admitted to infidelity, according to reports on Monday.

People magazine said the divorce papers were filed under seal last week, and that a representative for Bullock confirmed the divorce is final.

Bullock seemed to



Actress Sandra Bullock accepts the generation award as presenter Betty White (L) and Scarlett Johansson applaud, at the 2010 MTV Movie Awards in Los Angeles, on 6 June, 2010.

INTERNET

'Bree Tanner' million-seller in less than a month

NEW YORK, 29 June Stephenie Meyer (MY'er), author of the "Twilight Saga," has yet another smash hit on her hands.

"The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner: an Eclipse Novella" has scored sales of more than 1 million copies in the US since its June 5 release.

Publisher Little, Brown Books for Young Readers said Monday it now ranks as the year's best-selling book so far.

It had debuted on several best-seller lists in the US, as well as in numerous countries around the world.

The novella follows the adventures of Bree Tanner, a newborn vampire introduced in the "Twilight" volume "Eclipse."

In less than five years, nearly 100 million copies of the "Twilight Saga" teen-vampire books have

been sold in nearly 50 countries, said Little, Brown.—Internet



Author Stephenie Meyer arrives at the premiere of "The Twilight Saga: New Moon", a film based on one of her books, in Westwood, California, in November. The Mormon mother turned best-selling author closes a five-year rags-to-riches saga next weekend with the release of the final chapter in her vampire romances.

INTERNET

be on top of the world several months ago when she won the best actress Oscar for playing a tough-talking Texan socialite in the

football film "The Blind Side." But only days later her marriage to James was rocked by reports of his cheating.

Internet

Oprah tops list of "Forbes Celebrity 100" in 2010

BEIJING, 29 June — Forbes magazine unveiled "The Celebrity 100" in 2010 on Monday. This list is the ranking of the richest and most powerful people in entertainment business all around the world this year. Renowned talk show host Oprah Winfrey takes



Oprah Winfrey.
XINHUA

back her crown while pop icon Lady Gaga enters into the list for the first time.—Xinhua



Chinese actress Zhang Ziyi joins Oscar-winning American actor Adrien Brody at a promotional event for OMEGA Constellation watches in Los Angeles, California on 26 June, 2010. Zhang Ziyi is an OMEGA ambassador.

INTERNET

Actress Megan Fox marries in Hawaii

LOS ANGELES, 29 June— Her career may have hit a rocky patch, but Megan Fox's personal life seems happier than ever.

The "Transformers" actress married her long-time boyfriend, former "Beverly Hills, 90210" star Brian Austin Green, in Hawaii late last week, TMZ.com reported on Monday.

The pair tied the knot during a small ceremony at the Four Seasons Resort on the state's Big Island. Staff at the hotel were not able to confirm the report, and Fox's publicist did not immediately return an email seeking comment.

Fox, 24, and Green, 36, reportedly got engaged for a second time at the same hotel earlier this month. They



In this photo, actress Megan Fox participates in a press conference for the film 'Jennifer's Body' during the Toronto International Film Festival in Toronto.

INTERNET

met in 2004, first got engaged in 2006, but called it off in early 2009. It was the first marriage for both, although Green has an 8-year-old son with actress Vanessa

Marcil. Fox is currently in theaters with the comic-book adaptation "Jonah Hex," which is shaping up to be one of the biggest bombs of the year. Last month, she was suddenly dropped from the cast of "Transformers 3" just as production was about to begin. She last year likened franchise director Michael Bay to Hitler and Napoleon, and said he was "a nightmare to work for." Her high-profile headlining role in the 2009 horror comedy "Jennifer's Body" also fizzled.

Green, meanwhile, has worked steadily in a series of low-profile film and TV projects since the popular teen soap "Beverly Hills, 90210" ended its decade long run in 2000.—Internet



Golden Horse Best Actress Li Bingbing graced the cover of Trends Health's 10-year anniversary collector's edition. The contribution she has made to promoting public awareness of environmental protection is one of the reasons she was selected by the magazine.

INTERNET

Paraguay advances over Japan on penalty kicks

PRETORIA, 29 June—Paraguay advanced to the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time with a 5-3 victory over Japan in penalty kicks after a 0-0 draw on Tuesday.

Oscar Cardozo clinched the win with a low left-footed drive past goalkeeper Eiji Kawashima. The only miss in the shootout was by Japan defender Yuichi Komano on the third try when he hit the crossbar. That made the difference.—*Internet*



Japan's Yuichi Komano, left, and Paraguay's Nelson Haedo Valdez grapple for the ball during the World Cup round of 16 soccer match between Paraguay and Japan at the Loftus Versfeld Stadium in Pretoria, South Africa, 29 June, 2010.
INTERNET

SPORTS

US soccer president: We failed to meet expectations

JOHANNESBURG, 29 June—US Soccer Federation president Sunil Gulati says the American team did not meet his expecta-

tions at the World Cup and he likely will meet with Bob Bradley after the tournament to discuss the coach's future.

Bradley was hired in December 2006 and has a contract running through the end of the year. The Americans were eliminated last weekend in the second round with a 2-1 overtime loss to Ghana.

"I think the team is capable of more," Gulati said on Monday during a one-hour assessment. "I think the players know it. I think

Bob knows it. And so at that level we're disappointed we didn't get to play another 90 minutes at least."

Gulati described Bradley as being "very disappointed" with the team's outcome.

"The missed opportunity is partly a chance to get to the quarters and the matchup with Uruguay, but it's also a missed opportunity to stay in the American public's eyes for another four, five, six days, maybe 10 days, when interest is at an all-time high," Gulati said. "I have no doubt there will still be people at bars watching games at strange times, that the TV ratings will still be good. But what the ratings might have been for a quarterfinal game or dreaming beyond that, it's certainly a missed opportunity."—*Internet*



US Soccer Federation President Sunil Gulati speaks during a news conference in Johannesburg.—INTERNET

Uruguay's Diego Godin in doubt for quarterfinals

KIMBERLEY, 29 June—Three of Uruguay's players trained apart from the rest of the squad on Monday, four days before the World Cup quarterfinal against Ghana. Diego Forlan, Diego Godin and Diego Perez jogged around the pitch while the rest of the squad did ball drills in the first 15 minutes of training.

Godin is the main concern for Uruguay coach Oscar Tabarez. The defender injured his left thigh during the 2-1 win over South Korea on Saturday.



Uruguay's soccer coach Oscar Tabarez, second from left, smiles during a training session.—INTERNET

Armstrong uses Twitter to announce final Tour

LOS ANGELES, 29 June—Seven-time Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong announced on



Lance Armstrong (pictured) has announced on his Twitter website that this year's Tour with his RadioShack.—INTERNET

his Twitter web site on Monday that this year's Tour with his RadioShack teammates will be his final one.

"And yes, this will be final Tour de France. It's been a great ride. Looking forward to three great weeks," the 38-year-old American wrote.

Realizing his tweet included several mistakes Armstrong then retweeted, "Doh, sorry, meant 'my' final Tour."

On Saturday in Belgium, Armstrong will lead team RadioShack to begin his bid for an eighth Tour de France title. Monday's announcement comes just one month after the Texan found himself embroiled in new doping allegations, dismissing accusations levelled by his former teammate Floyd Landis.

Internet

Recchi, 42, signs 1-year extension with Bruins

BOSTON, 29 June—Forty-two-year-old Mark Recchi wants to stick around and be a part of the Boston Bruins' youth



File photo shows Boston Bruins hockey player Mark Recchi during Game 6.—INTERNET

movement.

Recchi signed a one-year contract to return to Boston for a 22nd NHL season, making him the league's oldest active player under contract. It also gives him a chance to play with 18-year-old prospect Tyler Seguin — the No. 2 overall selection in last week's draft.

"I think it's wonderful any time you can get a kid like that. That's a fran-

chise player," Recchi said in a conference call with reporters on Monday. "Throw this kid in the mix, he's going to be an important part."

A seven-time All-Star, Recchi leads active players with 922 assists and is second with 563 goals. He is ninth in career NHL games played with 1,571, but after another full season could move up as high as fourth.—*Internet*

Nadal vows to play through the pain

LONDON, 29 June — Rafael Nadal has vowed to play through the pain barrier to keep his Wimbledon challenge alive.

Nadal has been struggling with a knee injury since arriving at the All England Club last week and the world number one has needed pain killers and physiotherapy to keep the problem at bay.

The French Open champion fights a constant battle with his knees after tendinitis forced him to miss Wimbledon last year when he would have gone into the event as the defending champion.

Once Wimbledon is out of the way Nadal plans to take time off to allow



Rafael Nadal has vowed to play through the pain barrier.—INTERNET

the injury to settle down, but for the next five days he is determined to push the limits of what his body can take as he tries to regain the men's singles crown he won in 2008.

Internet



Soldiers evacuate residents from the site of a landslide in Dazhai Village, Guanling County of southwest China's Guizhou Province, on 28 June, 2010. Some 107 people from 38 families were buried and trapped by a rainstorm-triggered landslide Monday afternoon in southwest China's Guizhou Province, local authorities said. —XINHUA

First body retrieved after landslide buries 107 in SW China

GUIZHOU, 29 June—A child's body was recovered from the scene of a rainstorm-triggered landslide on Tuesday, the first body to be retrieved after 107 people were buried in the disaster in southwest China's Guizhou Province on Monday afternoon.

The child, yet to be identified, was found at 5:50 pm under debris in Dazhai Village, Gangwu Township, Guanling County, a rescue headquarters spokesman said.

Some 107 people from 38 families were buried in the landslide at 2:30 pm. Monday and their chances of survival are "slim," rescue headquarters officials said.

Xinhua

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (30-6-2010) (Wednesday)

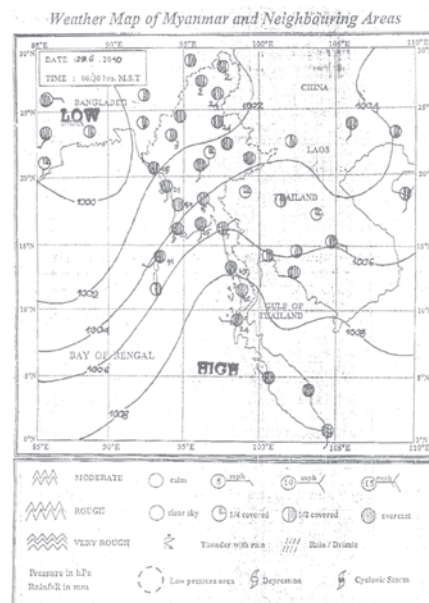
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Local Transmission

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- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Lifestyles Along The Ayeyawady (Mandalay to Pyay)
- * News
- * The Ancient City of Myanmar (Bagan)
- * Myanmar Movie "Competition of Consecration"



WEATHER

Tuesday, 29th June, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Shan State, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, scattered in upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions, fairly widespread in Chin State and Ayeyawady Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with isolated heavy falls in Taninthayi Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (0.63)inch, Dawei (3.11) inches, Bilin (2.76)inches, Kawthoung (2.36) inches, MraukU (2.28) inches, Thandwe(2.01) inches and Magway (0.90) inch. Maximum temperature on 28-6-2010 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 29-6-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 29-6-2010 was 84%. Total sun shine hours on 28-6-2010 was (0.6) hour.

Rainfall on 29-6-2010 was (0.40) inch at Mingaladon, (0.98) inch at Kaba-Aye and (1.18) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (28.98) inches at Mingaladon, (32.91) inches at Kaba-Aye and (35.24) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southwest at (21:30) hours MST on 28-6-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 30th June 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Shan State and Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Rakhine State, upper Sagaing, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at time Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Tanintha Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 30-6-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 30-6-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 30-6-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Wednesday, 30 June View on today

7:00 am

- မင်းကုန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ် တရားတော် ယောဆရာတော် ဟောကြားတော်မူအပ်သော ဥပ္ပိတသန္တိပါဠိတော်

7:25 am

- To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

- Morning News

7:40 am

- အဝံ့ဇယမင်္ဂလ် (ယဉ်ဝေယံတွန်းတေးရေး ဝိတဏသီရိဗိဇ္ဇယသွေ)

7:50 am

- Nice & Sweet Song

8:05 am

- မြို့မြို့ကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

8:15 am

- အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:20 am

- “ဝန်ကြီးကူး (မြို့တွင်း) တံတား”

8:40 am

9. International News

8:45 am

10. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Song Of National Races

4:15 pm

3. Musical Programme

4:30 pm

4. အသေသင်တန်းသို့ ပညာရေးရရှိခြင်းသို့ကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-တတိယနှစ် (ဓာတုဗေဒအထူးပြု) (ဓာတုဗေဒ)

4:45 pm

5. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

4:50 pm

6. Classical Songs

5:00 pm

7. လက်ဆင့်ကမ်းပေးဝိတတေး

5:10 pm

8. “သတင်းကောင်း”

5:25 pm

9. ကမ္ဘာ့မလားပိုင်များ (အပိုင်း-၇)

5:35 pm

10. ရွှေပုံလင်အာဆီယံ အစီအစဉ်

5:45 pm

11. Musical Programme

6:00 pm

12. Evening News

6:15 pm

13. Weather Report

6:20 pm

14. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့ရိုးရာလက်ဝှေ့

6:45 pm

15. ထက်မြက်ပျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်

7:15 pm

16. ရသပေါ်လွင်သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်

7:45 pm

17. အလင်္ကာကျော်စွာမြို့မပြင်း နှစ်(၁၀၀)ပြည့်အထိမ်းအမှတ်

ရက်ပြုတေးအစီအစဉ်

8:00 pm

18. News

19. International News

20. Weather Report

21. လပတ်မိုးလေဝသနှင့် ဓလေ့ဓနမိုးမွန်းချက်

22. နိုင်ငံတော်အတွက် ထာဝရသစ္စာ (စောမင်းနောင်နှင့်အဖွဲ့၊ တေးရေး-စန္ဒရားကွန်းဇော်

23. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “ချစ်တေးသံသာ” (အပိုင်း-၅၅)

24. မြန်မာနိုင်ငံအမျိုးသမီးရေးရာအဖွဲ့ချုပ်၏ကြီးကြပ်မှုဖြင့် ရန်ကုန်တိုင်းအမျိုးသမီး ရေးရာအဖွဲ့က စီစဉ်တင်ဆက်သော ၂၀၁၀ ခုနှစ်၊ ဇူလိုင်လ(၃)ရက် မြန်မာ အမျိုးသမီးများနေ့အထိမ်းအမှတ် “ဆယ်နှစ်လရာသီ အလှူပွဲမြင်သုန္ဒရီမဂ္ဂဇင်း မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးအလှူ” ဝတ်စားဆင်ယင်ထုံးစံပြပွဲ



- ★ 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

Reforestation heals the wounded earth

Article and Photos: *Ramanya Thwe Mon*

It is learnt that deforestation hurts the soil and weaken its fertility, thus the storage capacity of wells, lakes and dams becomes lower.

Reforestation will play the role of main character in fertile soil conservation drama. Our earth has been damaged by global warming along with consequences of climate change.

The reforestation activities are not rare ones in Myanmar as its people are credited as tree-lovers. It is obvious that water shortage comes together with dams and other water resources' dwindling ability to store water. Lashio is conserving forest in its south-eastern area under the agenda of greening Shan (See page 9)



Staff from Ministry of Forestry demonstrating reforestation.

Is this the perfect prawn?



The average industry productivity for farmed prawns is five tonnes per hectare. The new prawns produced an average of 12.8 tonnes per hectare in 2009.—INTERNET

SCIENCE DAILY, 29 June— After 10 years of careful breeding and research, scientists have developed what could be the world's most perfect prawn.

CSIRO scientists and the prawn industry have bred an improved Black Tiger prawn which is producing record yields in aquaculture farms and winning awards.

So good are these prawns that they have won five gold medals at the Sydney Royal Easter Show in the past two years, including 'Champion of Show', the highest award possible.

The scientists from CSIRO's Food Futures Flagship have used DNA technology to ensure the breeding program captures the very best Black Tiger prawn stocks that nature can provide and boost the performance of stocks each breeding season.—Internet