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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

Security, peace and stability, rule of law come first for township's development

Development degree of resource-rich Myanmar depends on extent of our efforts

NAY PYI TAW, 1 July—Prime Minister U Thein Sein, who was on inspection tour of Ayeyawady Division, yesterday visited Kanyin Dam Project in Ingapu Township and inspected construction works and development tasks in Hinthada District and Patheingyi District.

The Prime Minister accompanied by Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Chairman South-West Command Commander Maj-Gen

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein looks into progress of main embankment at Kanyin Dam.—MNA



groundwork of the main dam from view-deck. He then looked round the construction site.

Kanyin Dam Project has been built in order to irrigate about 25,000 acres of farmland in Ingapu Township and to supply electricity to surrounding areas by generating 5-megawatt electricity. The earthen type facility is being built by damming up Kanyin Creek near Tatkon Village in Ingapu Township. (See page 8)

Kyaw Swe, ministers and departmental heads, inspected the spillway of the dam. Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo reported to the Prime Minister on progress of spillway con-

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Ayeyawady Division has targeted to put 3,710,763 acres under monsoon paddy and so far, it has cultivated 1,006,394 acres of monsoon paddy.

PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 2 July, 2010

More roads and bridges for development of the Union

With the aim of ensuring equitable development of all regions across the Union, the government is trying its best to improve the transport sector by building railroads, motor roads and bridges.

A ceremony to inaugurate Yin Creek Bridge, which is the 240th facility of its kind in the nation, on Taungdwingyi-Myothit-Natmauk Road, was held at the pavilion in Natmauk Township, Magway District, Magway Division, on 27 June 2010.

As part of efforts to improve transport infrastructures, the government is building 108 miles and four furlongs long Magway-Kanbaya-Myothit-Taungnyo-Nay Pyi Taw motor road. Construction of Magway-Natmauk-Pyawbwe tar road with the length of 91 miles and four furlongs is nearing completion.

The endeavours of the government in carrying out extended construction of roads and bridges help forge friendship among national brethren. These have also improved communication and trade sectors in the respective regions. As local people are enjoying fruitful results of better health and education and widening knowledge, development gap becomes narrow among the regions.

At present, groundnut, sesame, paddy and other crops can speedily and smoothly be transported from one region to another across the Union thanks to roads and bridges built as network from the east to the west and from the south to the north.

As the government is handing down the fine legacy to the new generations, the people are to shoulder the duties to preserve these good heritages.

BCB to assist youths with building confidence

YANGON, 1 July—With the aim of helping youths to build confidence and to improve their capacity by themselves, Business Capacity Building (BCB) Centre will conduct the Confidence-Building Program course at the centre here.

Those who passed the matriculation exam are eligible to do the course which will kick off on 5 July and end on 19 August.

During the Confidence-Building Program course, the trainees will receive knowledge on costume etiquette, ways for enjoying healthy living, morality, leadership skills, proficiency English skills and computer and effective information technology skills.

The course will take place from 9.30 am to noon on weekdays.

Similarly, the centre will launch a course on Management Skills for New Managers on 20 July.

The number of the trainees is limited. More information are available at the BCB centre at Room 405, No. 8, at the corner of Bagara Road and Dhamma Zedi Road, Myaynigon, Sangyoung Township, Yangon, Ph: 538531. — MNA

People's Desire

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

Lt-Gen Khin Zaw inspects progress of agriculture, construction of railroad section in Taninthayi Division



Lt-Gen Khin Zaw of Ministry of Defence looks into ground works along the alignment of Thamok-Bokchan section of Dawei-Myeik railroad.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 1 July—Lt-Gen Khin Zaw of the Ministry of Defence met departmental officials at the hall of Coastal Region Command Headquarters in Myeik on 28 June.

The secretary of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council reported on progress of the division and implementation of the Taninthayi Division Natural Disaster Preparedness Plan.

Departmental officials reported on cultivation of monsoon paddy, reclamation of farmlands for monsoon paddy, and progress in growing oil palm and rubber for meeting the annual target.

Chairman of Taninthayi Division PDC Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo gave a supplementary report.

Lt-Gen Khin Zaw stressed the need to carry out disaster prevention drills.

On 29 June, Lt-Gen Khin Zaw attended the collective ploughing for cultivation of monsoon paddy in Aukpaung Village of Palaw Township.

Lt-Gen Khin Zaw stressed the need for the officials to supervise cultivation of high yield paddy strains.

He inspected carrying out of ground works on Thamok-Bokchan section of Dawei-Myeik railroad with the use of heavy machinery.

At the briefing hall, the project engineer reported on progress of ground works on the railroad section. Lt-Gen Khin Zaw gave instructions on timely completion of construction tasks.

MNA

Workshop on perpetual existence of Inlay Lake



Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung addresses workshop on seeking ways to conserve Inlay Lake.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 1 July—An opening ceremony of workshop on seeking ways to ensure perpetual existence of Inlay Lake took place at the Forest Department of the Ministry of Forestry here today, with an opening address by Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung.

The minister together with Environmental Conservation Committee members and attendees had a documentary photo taken.

Members of Environmental Conservation Committee Deputy Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs U Tin Ngwe and Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Aye Myint Kyu made speeches. Resource persons then submitted six papers regarding perpetual existence of Inlay Lake.

MNA



Two policemen killed in Baghdad violence

BAGHDAD, 1 July—Two policemen were killed and three people wounded in a shooting and bomb attacks in Baghdad on Wednesday, an Interior Ministry source said.

Gunmen in a civilian car opened fire from their silencer fitted pistols on a checkpoint manned by Iraqi police in

Baghdad's southern district of Doura, killing two policemen and wounding another, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

In separate incident, a bomb hidden in a bag in front of a house in Baghdad's southwestern district of Amel, went off when police experts came to defuse

it, wounding a policeman and a civilian, the source said.

Violence continued in the Iraqi cities more than three months after the country held its landmark parliamentary election which is widely expected to shape the political landscape of the war-torn country.

Xinhua



A destroyed car is towed away from the bombing scene in western Adil neighborhood of Baghdad, Iraq, on Thursday, 1 July, 2010. While violence has dropped overall across the country, insurgents trying to destabilize the country continue to attack on Iraqi security forces and government.—INTERNET

Killed in Afghanistan



Chart showing foreign troop deaths in Afghanistan since 2001. At 102, the June toll almost tripled the number of US and NATO soldiers killed in May, making the month the deadliest since the war began in 2001.—INTERNET

Airstrike kills six militants in southern Afghan Province

GHAZNI, 1 July—Six anti-government militants were killed as NATO-led airpower pounded their positions in Ghazni Province south of Afghanistan, deputy to provincial police chief Nawroz Ali Mahmoudzada said on Thursday.

"The air strikes carried out against Taliban hideout in Aaband District on Wednesday night as a result six Taliban rebels were killed and five others sustained inju-

ries," Mahmoudzada told *Xinhua*. There were no casualties on the troops, he stressed. Taliban militants have yet to make comment.

Over a dozen militants, according to Mahmoudzada, have been killed over the past two days elsewhere in Ghazni Province.

Xinhua

Two PKK rebels killed in eastern Turkey

ANKARA, 1 July—Turkish security forces killed two members of the outlawed Kurdish Workers' Party (PKK) in eastern Turkey on Wednesday, the semi-official *Anatolia* news agency reported.

The patrolling security forces came across a group of PKK rebels in rural areas of Ovacik town of Tunceli Province and called them to surrender, said the report, adding two PKK members including one woman, were neutralized in an ensuing clash.

The security operations in fight against the PKK rebels are underway in the region, added the report.

Meanwhile, two PKK members who escaped from the camps of the PKK in north of Iraq surrendered to the security forces, said the

report.

The Turkish armed forces have warned that the PKK might intensify its operations over the summer, when warmer weather brings increased infiltration of PKK guerrillas from the mountainous areas in northern Iraq.

Listed as a terrorist organization by the Turkish government, the United States and the European Union, the PKK took up arms in 1984 to create an ethnic homeland in southeastern Turkey. Some 40,000 people have been killed in the conflicts.

Xinhua



An Afghan boy transports water to his home through a neighbourhood in Kabul, Afghanistan, on 30 June, 2010.—INTERNET

Twelve corpses found in improvised graves in northern Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 1 July—Police found 12 bodies in improvised graves dug by drug traffickers in the northern Mexico state of Nuevo Leon, *Mexican* media reported Wednesday. The bodies were found in four separate graves in a ranch where two kidnapped people were rescued by government troops later Tuesday.

The corpses were in a state of accelerated decomposition and thus can't be identified. Four other graves nearby haven't been investigated yet with potentially more bodies to be found, police said.

Xinhua

A man inspects a destroyed vehicle after a bomb hidden under a parked car exploded in the upscale Mansour District of Baghdad, Iraq, on 30 June, 2010.

INTERNET



NATO says district Afghan Taliban chief arrested

KABUL, 1 July—NATO says Afghan and international forces have captured a Taliban

district leader after a four-hour gunbattle in Helmand Province.

A NATO statement said a "large number" of insurgents were killed in the Wednesday night fighting in the remote Baghran District in the northern part of Helmand Province.

A number of insurgents were wounded and captured, including the Taliban District chief of Now Zad, a district southwest of the fighting.

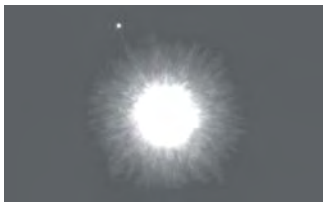
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Security forces cordon off the site after an IED (Improvised explosive device) blast in southwest Pakistan's Quetta, on July 1, 2010. At least five people were injured in the blast here on Thursday.

XINHUA

More proof that new planet and star are moving together



Newly confirmed planet is least massive planet known to orbit from its host star.—INTERNET

OTTAWA, 1 July—A planet about eight times the mass of Jupiter has been confirmed to orbit a Sun-like star that's some 300 times farther from its own star than Earth is from its sun.

The newly confirmed planet is the least massive planet known to orbit at such a great distance from its host star.

The discovery, first reported in September 2008, was made using high-resolution adaptive optics

technology at the Gemini Observatory. These latest results, published in the *Astrophysical Journal*, were led by David Lafrenière of the University of Montreal Department of Physics and a researcher at the Center for Research in Astrophysics of Quebec.

The suspected planetary system required further observations to confirm that the planet and star were indeed moving through space together. "Back in 2008 what we knew for sure was that there was this young planetary mass next to a young Sun-like star," says Lafrenière. The extreme proximity of the two objects strongly suggested that they were associated and not just aligned by chance.

"Our new observations rule out this chance alignment possibility, and thus confirms that the planet and the star are related to each other," says Lafrenière.—*Internet*

New Zealand launches emissions trading scheme



Plumes of smoke and steam belch into the air from an industrial facility in Australia. New Zealand has launched an emissions trading scheme designed to curb the greenhouse gases responsible for climate change, but the scheme has angered both businesses and environmentalists.—INTERNET

WELLINGTON, 1 July—New Zealand launched an emissions trading scheme on Thursday in a bid to curb the greenhouse gases

responsible for climate change but the scheme has angered both businesses and environmentalists.

Energy, transport

and manufacturing industries will from Thursday have to start paying for their emissions of gases such as carbon dioxide and methane, which have risen 23 percent in New Zealand since 1990.

Prices for fuel and electricity will rise, with the government estimating households will pay an extra five dollars (3.50 US) a week, although some critics say this estimate is far too low.

Businesses say the extra costs of the scheme will hurt them, while environmentalists say those costs are too low to encourage emission cuts.—*Internet*

Swiss team postpones solar plane night flight

GENEVA, 1 July—A Swiss team planning to circle the globe in a solar-powered plane has postponed a 24-hour test flight because of an equipment problem.

Bertrand Piccard, co-founder of the Solar Impulse team, says he cannot say when the next attempt will be made.

But he says the test flight has to happen before the beginning of August because after that the days will be too short to charge the plane's batteries to last through the night.

Pilot Andre Borschberg says the problem is with a piece of measuring equipment.

Piccard told supporters and reporters at the Payerne airfield in Switzerland on Thursday that it was the team's first setback.

"If this project was easy, everybody else would have already done it," he said.

Internet

Some 70,000 turtle eggs to be whisked far from oil



In this June 10, 2010 file photo, a Kemp's ridley sea turtle is lifted back to its temporary tank after being weighed, getting its heartbeat and temperature taken, and getting a shot of antibiotics at the Audubon Nature Institute's Aquatic Center in New Orleans. An effort to save thousands of sea turtle hatchlings from dying in the oily Gulf of Mexico will begin in the coming weeks in a desperate attempt to keep an entire generation of threatened species from vanishing.—INTERNET

PENSACOLA BEACH, 1 July—An effort to scoop thousands of turtle eggs from their nests to save them from death in the oily Gulf of Mexico will begin in the coming weeks in a desperate attempt to keep an entire generation of threatened species from vanishing.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service will coordinate the plan, which calls for collecting about 70,000 turtle eggs in up to 800 nests buried in the sand across Florida Panhandle and Alabama beaches.

It's never been done on such a massive scale.

But doing nothing, experts say, could lead to unprecedented deaths. There are fears the turtles would be coated in oil and poisoned by crude-soaked food as they hatch and swim out to sea.

"This is an extraordinary effort under extraordinary conditions, but if we can save some of the hatchlings, it will be worth it as opposed to losing all of them," said Chuck Underwood of the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

Internet

Russia sends cargo spaceship to ISS

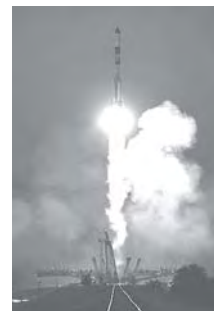
Moscow, 1 July—A Russian cargo spaceship has been sent to the International Space Station (ISS) on Wednesday night from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, said the Mission Control center outside Moscow.

The Progress M-06M spacecraft atop a Soyuz-U carrier rocket lifted off at 07:35 p.m. Moscow time (1535 GMT), delivering some 2.5 tons of fuel, oxygen, scientific equipment, video and photo equipment, containers with food and water and parcels for the ISS crew.

For the sake of interior adornment, some paintings by Russian famous artists were also delivered to the space station, so as to "bring the astronauts closer to the Nature," local media reported.

The space freighter is scheduled to dock with the ISS automatically on July 2 at 08:55 p.m. Moscow time (1655 GMT).

Earlier this month, the Mission Control has



A Russian cargo spaceship is sent to the International Space Station (ISS) from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan June 30, 2010.—XINHUA

raised the ISS orbit by 2.5 km to guarantee the ideal conditions for the docking of the Soyuz TMA-19 manned spacecraft and the Progress M-06M space freighter.

On Monday, the Soyuz TMA-19 spacecraft, previously docked with the Zvezda module, has been relocated to the Rassvet research module via a 24-minute maneuver to make room for the incoming cargo spaceship.

Xinhua

Science

Chemical blaze : Chinese firefighters try to extinguish a fire which engulfed a chemical warehouse in Beijing. The blaze was brought under control after eight hours with no casualties reported.—INTERNET





Experts optimistic about solving puzzle of Alzheimer's

WASHINGTON, 1 July— Research into Alzheimer's disease has reached a point of significant potential, even as the disease's looming impact on society grows more and more dire, experts say. Some leading scientists, in fact, worry that we may not be doing enough to press forward with key advances and new insights into Alzheimer's, the most common type of dementia among older people.

An estimated 5.3 million US residents have the disease, which results from the deterioration of nerve cells in the brain and leads to memory loss, impaired judgment, wandering and, as it progresses, to the inability to perform such normal daily functions as dressing, bathing and

eating. As the population ages, the number of people with Alzheimer's is expected to spike dramatically. Today, someone in the United States develops Alzheimer's every 70 seconds, according to the Alzheimer's Association — a number expected to rise to once every 33 seconds in a few decades.

Internet



Ready for the Tour : A decoration representing a cycling rider with the polka dot jersey of best climber is pictured three days ahead of the 97th edition of the Tour de France cycling race, in Rotterdam, the biggest European port of the North Sea.—INTERNET

Obesity ups cancer death risk in Asia-Pacific region

WASHINGTON, 1 JULY— Overweight and obese people in the Asia-Pacific region have a significantly increased risk of dying from cancer compared to those of normal weight, finds a new study. Researchers analyzed data from over 424,500 adults in Asia, Australia and New Zealand. Overall, those

who were overweight or obese were six percent and 21 percent, respectively, more likely to die from cancer (excluding those of the lung and upper digestive tract) than normal-weight people.

The study also found that obese people were significantly more likely than normal-weight people to die from colon, rectal, ovarian, cervical and prostate cancers and from leukemia. Obese women over 60 were also significantly more likely to die from breast cancer than women of normal

weight.

Despite differing dietary and other lifestyle risk factors, the study did not find "a higher relative risk for cancer mortality in Asian populations compared with Western populations for the same level of BMI (body mass index), as has been suggested for diabetes and cardiovascular disease," wrote Christine Parr, from the University of Oslo in Norway, and international colleagues.

Internet

A worker walks past idle oil skimming boats after they were forced back to port because of Hurricane Alex in Port Fourchon, Louisiana. The Obama appointee managing BP's oil spill disaster fund said there's "not enough money in the world" to pay all claims and suggested home owners with plunging property values could lose out.—INTERNET



Exercise may guard girls against dementia in senior years

TORONTO, 1 July — If you want to help your young daughter avoid dementia much later on in life, a new study suggests it might be a good idea to send her outside to play.

Canadian researchers believe they've found a link between exercise in adolescence and fewer cases of senility in a woman's senior years.

The study doesn't definitively prove that exercise lowers the risk of dementia. And the research is only based on the recollections of older women, some with signs of dementia, about their childhoods.

Still, the findings suggest that "early life physical activity is important to late-life health and in particular in preventing late-life cognitive impairment. The sooner you start being physically active, the better it is," said study author Laura E Middleton, a researcher at the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Center in Toronto.—Internet

Mouse study suggests caffeine boosts athletic performance

LONDON, 1 July— High doses of caffeine could increase muscle power and endurance during activities ranging from walking to running a marathon, British researchers report.

The finding

stemmed from testing on mice.

The researchers, from Coventry University, found that giving a caffeine dose of 70 micrometers to mice resulted in a 6 percent increase in the power output of lower leg muscles. They indicated that the effect in humans would probably be similar.

That amount "is the absolute maximum that can normally be achieved in the blood plasma of humans," Dr

Rob James, the lead researcher, said in a Society for Experimental Biology news release. "However, concentrations of 20 to 50 micrometers are not unusual in people with high caffeine intake."

The findings, to be presented on Wednesday at the society's annual meeting in Prague, Czech Republic, may have implications for the use of caffeine in sports.

Internet

Preterm births rarely discussed with doctors

LONDON, 1 July— Even though one in eight babies in the United States are born preterm each year, most new or expectant mothers and their doctors don't discuss preterm birth, a new survey shows.

Conducted by the March of Dimes and BabyCentre, the poll included more than 1,000 participants, including new or expectant mothers, mothers who've experienced preterm birth and their obstetricians/gynecologists.

Despite the fact that prior preterm birth is a major risk factor for delivering another baby prematurely, nearly 40 percent of women who had a previous preterm delivery were not informed of this by their doctors.

"If you've had a preterm birth, talk to your doctor because the greatest risk factor for having a preterm baby is if you've already had one," said Dr. Alan Fleischman, March of Dimes medical director. "Our survey found that a lot of moms don't feel informed about preterm birth's risk factors and potential consequences."—Internet



Deola Sago creation : A model showcases a creation from designer Deola Sago during the Africa Fashion week at the Sandton Convention center in Johannesburg.

INTERNET

Man the deck : Men stand on deck as the floating energy block "Akademik

Lomonosov" Russian floating nuclear power station is launched to sea in St. Petersburg. The power station is a project of the Russian Federal Atomic Energy Agency to provide inexpensive nuclear power for industrial and other puposes.—INTERNET



Health

Toyota says 270,000 vehicles have faulty engines

TOKYO, 1 July—Toyota Motor Corp. said Thursday about 270,000 cars sold worldwide — including luxury Lexus sedans — have faulty engines, the latest quality lapse to hit the automaker following massive global recalls.

Japan's public broadcaster NHK and Kyodo News agency said Toyota, the world's No. 1 automaker, was considering recalling the vehicles but didn't name sources.

Toyota spokesman Hideaki Homma said the company was considering measures to deal with the problem of defective engines that can stall while the vehicle is moving. He would not confirm a recall was being

considered.

The automaker has been working to patch up its reputation after recalling more than 8 million vehicles worldwide because of unintended acceleration and other defects.

Of the 270,000 vehicles with engine problems, some 180,000 were sold overseas and the rest in Japan. They include the popular Crown and seven models of luxury Lexus sedans.

Toyota said there have been no reports of accidents linked to the faulty engines. It did not say how it learned about the engine troubles.

The automaker's shares fell 1.1 percent to 3,045 yen in Tokyo on Thursday.—Xinhua



Visitors look at the Toyota Lexus GS 450h at a Toyota showroom in Tokyo on 1 July, 2010. Toyota Motor Corp. said on Thursday about 270,000 cars sold worldwide, including luxury Lexus sedans, have faulty engines, the latest quality lapse to hit the automaker following massive global recalls.

INTERNET

Banking sector causes collapse of Spanish stocks

MADRID, 1 July—The Spanish stock market suffered this year's third major downfall on Tuesday.

(-5.45 percent) as a result of the banking sector's liquidity problems. Fears of a double dip world recession grew sharply ahead of US jobs report to be released on Friday.

Once again, banks caused the Ibex-35 to sink under 9,200 points. Santander and BBVA shares fell by 6.8 and 7.2 percent respectively, whilst Bankinter saw the value of its shares reduced by 8 percent.

The Spanish financial sector was once more under close scrutiny by the international press on Tuesday when its liquidity problems were highlighted. According to the *Financial Times*, Spanish banks have been exerting pressure on the European Central Bank (ECB) ahead of Thursday's redemption of 442 billion euro (539.7 billion US dollars) granted to European banks at an interest rate of 1 percent one year ago. The *London-based journal* reported that Spanish banks accuse the ECB of "absurd" behavior if the European monetary authorities finally decide to terminate their emergency-cash policies.—Xinhua



A masked worker in a lab sorts through silicon wafers at solar cell manufacturing facility in Changzhou, China. The country's economy grew 11.9 percent in the first quarter of 2010, fuelling fears of overheating in the world's third-largest economy.—INTERNET

China to launch real name registration for online shops from Thursday

BEIJING, 1 July—Online shop owners in China will be required to submit personal information, including real names and addresses, to ecommerce agents before running their businesses online, according to a regulation which comes into effect on Thursday.

The regulation was issued by the State

Administration for Industry and Commerce.

The first Chinese regulation of online goods and services transactions, the regulation details the obligations of online shop owners and ecommerce agents. It also details authorities' administration of online shopping.

If online business owners fail to abide by the regulation, they may be imposed a fine of up to 30,000 yuan (about 4,410 US dollars).

Also to take effect Thursday, the Tort Liability Law will allow for the granting of compensation for psychological injuries and assessment of the sum to be granted. It also mandates better protection of personal privacy by imposing liability for unauthorized personal information leaks.

The Law on National Defence Mobilization will also come into effect on Thursday.

Xinhua

Brazil's inflation rate to reach 5.4% in 2010

RIO DE JANEIRO, 1 July—Brazil's inflation rate will reach 5.4 percent by the end of the year, according to the country's Central Bank's quarterly inflation report released on Wednesday.

The figures show a slight increase from the previous quarterly report, when the Central Bank foresaw an inflation rate of 5.2 percent. In 2011, the Bank expects an

inflation rate of five percent, up from 4.9 percent in the previous report.

The projections take into consideration a Brazilian Real-US dollar exchange rate of 1.80 reais a dollar and an annual basic interest rate of 10.25 percent. Both estimates are above the inflation target set by the Brazilian government for 2010 and 2011, which is of 4.5 percent with a tolerance of two

percentage points, which means that the inflation rate should not exceed 6.5 percent.

According to the report, there is a 12 percent chance the inflation rate will surpass 6.5 percent in 2010. In 2011, there is a 17 percent possibility.

Last year, Brazil registered an inflation rate of 4.31 percent. In the first five months of 2010, the country accumulated an inflation rate of 3.09 percent, up from 2.2 percent in the same period in 2009.

Xinhua



Little soccer fans in 2010 World Cup.—XINHUA

Chinese economy likely to maintain steady, rapid growth in 2010: PBOC

BEIJING, 1 July—China's economy is very likely to maintain steady and rapid growth in 2010, with more positive factors than last year boosting the economy, the People's Bank of China (PBOC), China's central bank, said on Wednesday.

But the nation's economy still faces a complex domestic and international situation, the central bank said in the summary of the 2010 China financial stability report posted on its website.

It is imperative to continue implementing the country's macro control policy and increase support for the economic restructuring and transformation of the economic growth pattern, the central bank said.

Further efforts are needed to strengthen prudent management of macro policies, deepen financial reforms and improve financial institutions' profitability, so as to maintain financial stability.—Xinhua

Business



A man looks at shoes displayed during 'The Brandery' trade show in Barcelona on 30 June, 2010.

INTERNET

Chinese Vice-Premier visits Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon, Mandalay, Bagan-NyaungU

NAY PYI TAW, 1 July—Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress and President of Chinese Association for International Understanding Vice-Premier Mr Zhou Tienong and party of the People's Republic of China arrived in Yangon by air on 27 June afternoon to pay a visit to the Union of Myanmar.

In the afternoon, they paid homage to Shwedagon Pagoda.

In the evening, Mayor of Yangon U Aung Thein Lin hosted a dinner to the Chinese Vice-Premier and party at Sedona Hotel.

On 28 June morning, the Chinese guests arrived in Nay Pyi Taw from Yangon.

They met with

Secretary-General U Htay Oo of the Union Solidarity and Development Association at the headquarters of the association in Nay Pyi Taw Dekkhinathiri Township.

The Secretary-General explained facts about the association. The Chinese Vice-Premier discussed bilateral relationship and future cooperation plan.

The Chinese guests viewed the ministries and staff quarters of Nay Pyi Taw, construction of the Pyithu Hluttaw building and the Presidential Residence and progress of Nay Pyi Taw, and visited the Gems Museum (Nay Pyi Taw).

In the evening, the USDA Secretary-General hosted a dinner to the

Chinese guests at Myat Taw Win Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone.

On 29 June, the Chinese delegation led by the Vice-Premier arrived at NyaungU Airport of NyaungU Township. They paid homage to Ananda Pagoda in Bagan Archaeological Region and visited Bagan Archaeological Museum. At Nanmyint Tower, they enjoyed the scenic beauty of Bagan in the sunset.

In the evening, Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung hosted a dinner to the Chinese guests at Aureum Palace Hotel and Resort. Yesterday, they visited U Sein Myint's gold embroidery industry in Aungmyethazan Township.



Vice-Premier Mr Zhou Tienong and party of People's Republic of China visit Bagan Archaeological Museum.—MNA

At Mandalay Hill, they paid homage to the Buddha image and enjoyed the beautiful scene of Mandalay.

In the evening, Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay

hosted a dinner to the Chinese guests at Sedona Hotel in Mandalay.

This morning, the Chinese Vice-Premier and party visited Myanankyaw Golden palace and the Golden Palace

Museum. They left Mandalay by air in the afternoon. They were seen off at Mandalay International Airport by Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay and officials.—MNA

Myanmar women stand tall in the world

Ingyin Hmwe (Nay Pyi Taw)

The Myanmar Women's Day, which represents the entire women, is one of the days of significance.

The Myanmar Women's Day is, in fact, an auspicious day for the women because it is designated to recognize and put on record the women who have been trying hard in the course of Myanmar history for flourishing of nationalistic spirit, patriotism, and Union Spirit, the women who have been preserving and safeguarding cultural heritage and national character and own lineage, and the women who have been doing their bit in improving the status of the Myanmar society. Myanmar has a fine tradition that in successive periods, Myanmar women intellectuals and intelligentsia and artists work hard in the interest of the nation and the people.

Myanmar women are polite due to the fine traditions, and they value and preserve nationalistic fervour or safeguarding their own race and the characters of women as their strength. They are positive role models of Asia in preserving their good behaviours, courtesy, deep belief in religion,

altruistic spirit, morality and code of conduct.

In the Myanmar society, Myanmar women have innate characters such as innate polite nature, strong spirit and great modesty. Therefore, younger generations of women have to take up and promote the fine traditions.

It is no secret that human traffickers resort to everything possible to traffic young women in the neighbouring country, and deceive the youth into copying decadent alien culture. With a view to life security of women who make up more than half of the Myanmar population, the Myanmar National Committee for Women's Affairs was formed on 3 July 1996.

Myanmar has celebrated the Myanmar Women's Day yearly on 3 July since 1998 with the participation of the mass of Myanmar women with fine traditions in the interest of the entire women.

Today, the world has seen dramatic changes in technology. So, on 20 December 2003, the Myanmar National Committee for Women's Affairs was reconstituted into the Myanmar Women's Affairs

Federation with the aim of raising the role of women, and improving the living conditions for women.

After adoption of the seven objectives, the Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation formed central, state/division, township, ward and village-level women's affairs organizations. The MWAF has been working hand in hand with the government to improve the status of the entire women. Besides, it takes a variety of measures to achieve its goal, such as conducting courses on computer, astrology, accountancy, spoken English, tailoring, knitting, fruit decoration and arranging flowers. It also provides aids for needy children, schools for the deaf and dumb, hospitals and patients, cash assistance for needy schoolchildren, and donates blood with goodwill. It takes part in environmental conservation and nation-building tasks.

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As a gesture of honouring the Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation which falls on 3 July 2010, I wish mass of Myanmar women a greater success in improving their role, and preserving and safeguarding fine traditions and cultural heritage, standing tall as Myanmar women in the global community.

Translation: MS

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein views collective ploughing for cultivation of monsoon paddy on 1000 acres of model farmland in Kyonphayoe Village of Kyaunggon Township.

MNA

Security, peace and stability ...

(from page 1)

At mile post No. 9/2 on Patheingyi Road, the Prime Minister and party oversaw private companies carrying out road works with heavy machinery and heard reports on upgrading of Patheingyi Road into tarmac one by dividing it into three sections, and upgrading of Kankalay-Thongwa-Yekye-Ngathangchaung-Bekye-Ushitpin section of the road by private construction companies and construction groups of the Public Works.

At the Laymyethna Township PDC Office, the Prime Minister met departmental personnel, social organizations and senior citizens. At the meeting, Chairman U Kyaw Zaw Hla of the township PDC submitted reports on location and area of the township, moving of the town from the west bank to the east bank of Ngawun River due to bank erosion,

composition of the township, utilization of land and annual rainfall and farming, education and health sectors and social works, preventive measures against bank erosion.

The Prime Minister fulfilled the needs. Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that the upcountry Laymyethna was situated in the western part of Ayeyawady Division and lacked behind in development; that they were there to fulfill the needs for all-round development of the region including disaster management in coordination with ministries concerned.

Natives are to cooperate with local authorities in order to ensure peace and stability and law enforcement as security, peace and stability, rule of law come first for township's development.

He continued to say that he was glad to know that the township had turned out 29 distinction-winners including one six-distinction

winner in this academic year in matriculation examination; that it is necessary to make collaborative efforts for making sure that children-at-school-age go to school regularly till completion of their basic and higher education in their own region.

Ayeyawady Division, he continued, was an inexhaustible source of rice, meat and fish; that the Government had built 10 main roads and over 500 bridges big and small, knowing that the region would definitely enjoy booming economy with better transport facilities; that people on their part were to work hard for increased per capita income making effective use of already built infrastructures.

He went on to say that the degree of progress and prosperity of food-sufficient and resource-rich Myanmar depends on the extent of our efforts.

The Prime Minister then cordially greeted those present. He then inspected drain to protect bank erosion and heard reports on digging of the drain. The Prime Minister met local people and asked progress of the region.

Along Patheingyi Road, the Prime Minister inspected upgrading of the road, cultivation of special teak plantations on both sides of the road, growing and preparations for growing of monsoon paddy and progress of Ngathangchaung and Yekyi.

At Kyonphayoe Village in Kyaunggon Township, the Prime Minister viewed local farmers transplanting paddy plants collaboratively at the 1000-acre model field of the township.

In meeting with local farmers, the Prime Minister asked their livelihoods and encouraged them to strive for development of own villages. He urged them to work hard to increase per capita income through farming and breeding and to improve their livelihoods by making good use of money they earned.

Ayeyawady Division has targeted to put 3,710,763 acres of farmland under monsoon paddy and so far, it has cultivated 1,006,394 acres of monsoon paddy. The region, it is learnt, is eager to surpass target cultivation.

The Prime Minister and party then proceeded to Patheingyi.—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially meets local farmers in Kyonphayoe Village of Kyaunggon Township.—MNA

Prime Minister U Thein Sein inspects maintenance of Patheingyi Road.

MNA





Major events of Shanghai Expo

Myanmar Media Team



Visitors seen at Myanmar Pavilion of Shanghai Expo.

(from page 16)
features bright coloured temples and traditional courtyard houses. Multimedia devices demonstrate Myanmar's customs, education, culture and resources.

Lush forests, mist shrouded mountains, and flowing streams comprise the natural landscape of the country, the nature and its unique treasures: wood carving and jade.

renowned for its refined carved pieces. Wooden elephant, bear, and fashion accessories are common favorites.

Visitors to the Myanmar Pavilion at the Shanghai World Expo are offered a rare chance to admire top-rated Myanmar jade.

According to officials with Bureau of Shanghai World Expo Coordination, there will be more than 20,000 cultural and artistic

public venues at the Expo site. Admissions to the performances are expected to be over 200,000 daily.

"The Shanghai Expo will become a showcase for the charm of different cultures," the officials said.

In addition to this, the activities sponsored by a number of international organizations will add to the festive nature of the occasion.



Performers from East China's Jiangsu Province present dances at 2010 Shanghai Expo.

There is a luxuriant display of handcarved wood sculpture. As the home of teak wood, sandal wood, and rosewood, Myanmar is

performance, or roughly 100 each day. Half of these are by participating Chinese provinces, and half by troupes from other countries, to be staged in

The People's Republic of China will stage four categories of events: ceremonies, parades, stage performance and theme

Expo 2010, are holding several times a day during the Expo.

Theme Show is named as "Window of the City" and its venue is located in Zone-C. In line with the Expo theme, it shows the evolution of urban life through fantastic settings and stunt performance and tells a story about "love, harmony and touching moments".

Performance by China Oriental Song and Dance Ensemble is a large music and dance show specially designed for Expo 2010, and consists of "Colorful World", "Splendid China". The performance is staging every day at Expo Cultural

magic, stunts, songs and dances are combined to interpret the particular charm of Chinese tea culture. The venue for this show is Entertainment Hall (Zone-D) and people watch the show every day.

During the Expo, visitors can watch the series of plays, festivals, entertainment and interactive programmes. The major events include Shaolin Kung Fu Play, Wudang Kung Fu Play, China Elements, Expo Chorus Festival, UBPA Square Festival, Rod-puppet Show, Shadow Play, Children's Multimedia Show,



An inflatable dragon flies in the air during a parade celebrating National Pavilion Day of Japan at World Expo Park in Shanghai on 12 June.

performances.

Pageants—a series of spectacular parades that echo the theme of

Centre of Zone-B.

The acrobatic drama specially designed for Expo 2010. Martial arts,

Interactive Experience Programme, Innovative Tours of Youth and Youth Series Events.



Performers of Jiangsu Province of China perform dance at Shanghai Expo.

Newest waste-to-energy plant opens in Singapore

SINGAPORE, 1 July—Singapore's Keppel Corp's environmental technology and engineering arm, Keppel Integrated Engineering (KIE), on Wednesday opened Singapore's newest Waste-to-Energy (WTE) plant.

The new plant has the capacity to treat 800 tons of solid waste a day to generate more than 20 Megawatts of green energy, contributing to Singapore's electricity supply. It is the first

incineration plant in Singapore to showcase WTE technology from a local company, which is also one of the most compact WTE plants in the world.

The plant is also the first to be built under the government agency National Environment Agency (NEA)'s public-private partnership initiative. At the opening ceremony, Keppel also announced that KIE would complete construction of a

Memstill demonstration plant in the fourth quarter of this year.

Memstill is a new technology that produces desalinated water using waste heat and membrane-based distillation.

The plant, to be built on Singapore Refining Company's petroleum refinery located on Jurong Island, will have a freshwater production capacity of 100 cubic metres per day.

Xinhua



Storage tanks of recycle used water at the NEWater plant in Singapore. Technology has played a vital role in Singapore's dramatic success in turning a weakness into an opportunity to not only become self-sufficient in water but make billions exporting the technology as well.—INTERNET



Rail workers step up installing the electric leads of the contact line on the construction site of the Baotou-Xi'an Railway, in Pucheng County, northwest China's Shannxi Province, on 27 June, 2010.

XINHUA

Japan helps Vietnam cope with natural disasters

HANOI, 1 July—Japan agreed here on Wednesday to provide Vietnam with a programme worth 22 million US dollars to improve the country's capacity in coping with natural disaster caused by climate change.

Exchange of notes for this agreement was signed here on Wednesday by Japanese Ambassador to Vietnam Mitsuo Sakaba and Vietnamese Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment Pham Khoi Nguyen.

The programme is part of Japan's non-refundable aid for Vietnam in helping the country deal with

natural disaster by collecting accurate and timely meteorological information.

At the signing ceremony, Japanese Ambassador to Vietnam Mitsuo Sakaba said the programme will contribute to developing bilateral strategic partnership between Vietnam and Japan. —Xinhua

Visitors voluntarily clear green algae in Qingdao, east China's Shandong Province, on 29 June, 2010. Local authorities and residents in Qingdao City have been struggling to remove a large mass of green algae that has come ashore on the beaches of the popular coastal tourist destination in Shandong.

XINHUA



Two terrorist attacks rock SW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 1 July—Two terrorist incidents, a bomb blast and rockets firing, frightened local people early Wednesday morning in provincial capital Quetta, southwest Pakistan's Balochistan, local sources said.

A low intensity bomb exploded near the main commercial artery, Fatima Jinnah road. It broke the window pans of nearby buildings and created scare in the area.

Only one person was injured in the incident and had been discharged from the hospital after the treatment.

Two rockets were fired by unidentified terrorists at a paramilitary Frontier Constabulary (FC) checkpoint in Sharifabad, suburbs of Quetta. No one was hurt in the incident, official sources said.

Besides, late Tuesday night, at least two paramilitary troops were shot dead in an ambush on their checkpoint in Dasht area of district Mastung of the city, official sources said.

Xinhua

Strong earthquake hits southern Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 1 July—A strong earthquake with 6.5-magnitude hit southern Mexico on Wednesday morning.

According to the US Geological Survey, the quake's epicenter was 14 km east of Oaxaca, Mexico.—Xinhua



A staff member shows a 60-centimetre-long sausage during the 2010 8th China International Meat Industry Exhibition in Beijing, capital of China, on 29 June, 2010. The 3-day exhibition kicked off in Beijing on Tuesday.—XINHUA

Victims of Tuesday's fatal amusement park accident identified

SHENZHEN, 1 July—Authorities in Shenzhen on Wednesday identified the six people killed in an amusement park ride accident on Tuesday in the southern Chinese boomtown neighbouring Hong Kong.

The dead, all Chinese nationals, included two men and four

women, and they were aged between 24 and 48-years old, according to a statement from the Yantian District government.

Five were residents of Guangdong Province and one was from central China's Hunan Province. The accident happened at 4:45 pm on Tuesday after the Space

Journey ride malfunctioned at the Overseas Chinese Town East (OCT East) amusement park. The ride simulates the conditions of a rocket launch with the passengers experiencing doubled gravity. It elevates and spins 11 cabins each carrying four passengers.

Xinhua

Gas tank blast kills three in Belgium

BRUSSELS, 1 July—A natural gas tank exploded on Tuesday in Belgian eastern city of Soumagne, killing a couple and a worker, witnesses said.

The deadly blast occurred at around 4 p.m. local time (1400 GMT) in a villa in Soumagne in the Province of Leige and buried five people inside, including a couple, two children and a worker, a local resident at the scene told Xinhua.

The two children were rescued shortly after the blast, but the other three under debris have been confirmed dead, the resident said.—Xinhua



Tibet's fourth civil airport opens

NGARI, 1 July— Gunsu Airport in southwest China's Tibet Autonomous Region started operation on Thursday, becoming the fourth civil airport on the "Roof of the World."

An Airbus 319 landed at Gunsu Airport, in Ngari Prefecture, at 10:20 am, marking the airport's formal opening.

The airport sits more than 4,200 metres above sea level and has a 4,500-metre runway. Its annual

throughput capacity is expected to reach 120,000 passengers by 2020.

Construction of the airport began in May 2007 and cost an estimated 1.65 billion yuan (241.22 million US dollars).

It is the fourth operational civil airport in Tibet after Gonggar Airport in Lhasa, Bamda Airport in Qamdo Prefecture and Nyingchi Airport.—Xinhua

The big cheese



Liu Yang brings artisanal cheese to Beijing.

BEIJING, 1 July—It's an amusing fantasy to believe that somewhere in the hulking caravans traversing the Silk Road, that ancient network connecting China to the Middle East and Europe, a single piece of cheese was slyly hitching a ride amidst the piles of fabrics, gems and spices that otherwise comprised the bulk of that era's transcontinental trade.

Xinhua

Crew members work on the deck of the icebreaker Xuelong, or "Snow Dragon", the carrier for China's fourth scientific Arctic expedition, in Xiamen, southeast China's Fujian Province, on 30 June, 2010. —XINHUA



Members act during an anti-terror drill held in Yibin, southwest China's Sichuan Province, on 30 June, 2010. —XINHUA

HK allocates 544 mln HKD to 764 research projects

HONG KONG, 1 July— The Research Grants Council of Hong Kong has allocated 544.6 million HK dollars in funds to 764 research projects, according to local government website on Wednesday.

Including an extra 15 percent of the project grant allocated to the institutional management as on-costs, the grand total awarded in General Research Fund for 2010/11 is 626.3 million HK dollars. The council received a record high of 2,463 applications by academic staff of the eight tertiary institutions funded by the University Grants Committee, up 7 percent on last year. The overall success rate was 31 percent. The average funding amount per project has also risen 7 percent from 667,000 HK dollars last year to 713,000 HK dollars this year. The number of high quality projects approved has grown 25 percent on last year.—Xinhua

Man, 81, accused of machete chase near taco stand

Police said an 81-year-old man was arrested after he chased another man around a Salem taco stand while armed with a machete. Salem police said on Monday the man accused the taco stand owner of stealing a drill from his nearby business. When the taco stand owner denied it, the suspect left and returned with a machete.

Lt. Dave Okada said the suspect chased the unidentified man around the stand several times before officers arrested him on accusations of menacing and attempted assault. He was booked into the Marion County Jail.

There were no injuries in Sunday's incident.



Shane Wilmott, 39, has trained a troupe of mice to surf. The creatures travel several feet on their little boards.

Calif woman says Chihuahua died saving her kids

A Northern California woman says her Chihuahua died protecting her children from two pit bulls that got into her apartment.

Mayda Estrella, of Richmond, says the family's Chihuahua, named Manchas, jumped in between the canine invaders and her 4-year-old son on Sunday.

A pit bull grabbed Manchas with its jaws and carried the Chihuahua away.

Contra Costa County animal

services officials say the Chihuahua was killed, and the pit bulls are now in custody.

The pit bulls' owner says they had escaped their yard by chewing through a fence. Estrella says her front door was open when the dogs came in.

She says when she saw the dogs come in, she ran into a bedroom with her other child, a newborn baby.

County officials say the owner won't face criminal charges.

Man arrested for entering house, taking shower

Authorities have arrested a man accused of breaking into a home near Roswell High School at around 2:30 pm on Wednesday and taking a shower. Roswell police spokesman Lt. James McGee said neighbours tell police they saw a man entering the home.

Police said the homeowner then arrived and found someone taking a shower. McGee said the woman talked to the man who was in the shower, then came back out of the house.

She called police who got the man out.

McGee said the unidentified man insisted he was the "Duke of Germany" before he was taken to jail in north Fulton County.

Police say pair stole nearly \$2K from Pa jail

A couple were charged with stealing nearly \$2,000 from a central Pennsylvania jail by using a routing number from a check the woman got from the jail after her release last year. Police said a 61-year-old man and his 51-year-old wife used the routing number to use Blair County jail account to pay their utility bills and transfer \$179 to the man's bank account.

The wife got the routing number when she received a check for \$6.95 to reimburse her for money remaining in her inmate expense account after her release on unrelated theft charges in October. The couple pleaded not guilty and face a preliminary hearing on 13 July.

County officials said they've changed the way its inmate account is handled to prevent future abuses.

News Album



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Consignees of cargo carried on MV BUNGA MAS 12 VOY NO () are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 2.7.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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Famous Chinese painter Wu Guanzhong cremated in Beijing

BEIJING, 1 July—The body of Wu Guanzhong, a famous Chinese painter, was cremated in Beijing Thursday.

Wu died last Friday aged 91 in a Beijing hospital.

His ashes would be scattered into the sea according to his will, said Lu Xinhua, former deputy chief of the School of Arts and Design at Tsinghua University. Lu knew Wu for more than 20 years.

Born in 1919 in Yixing in east China's Jiangsu Province, Wu is widely recognized as the father of modern Chinese painting. He integrated Chinese ink

and wash with Western painting methods.

Wu's works include the oil painting "Hometown of Lu Xun" and "The Three Gorges."

The works of the internationally acclaimed painter are in high demand.

Sales of his works at public auctions totaled 31.7 million U.S. dollars last year, according to a report compiled by the Hurun Report in partnership with the Shanghai Art Museum.

Wu donated five ink paintings to the Hong Kong Museum of Art last Friday. That brought his donations to the museum to 52. —Xinhua

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Oprah Winfrey top of Forbes celebrity power list

LONDON, 1 July—USTV host Oprah Winfrey has been named the most powerful celebrity in the world by Forbes magazine.

Winfrey knocked film star Angelina Jolie off the top spot of Forbes's annual Celebrity 100 list, which is based on earnings and media exposure.

Singer Beyonce came second, while film director James Cameron re-entered the chart at number three following his success with Avatar.

Lady Gaga was the highest new entry on the list at number four.

Internet

INVITATION TO TENDER TENDER NO. 2T(CRB)/PASA/PW/2010-2011

1. Sealed Tender is invited by the Public Works, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar. The Ministry of Construction for the supply of Prestress Concrete Wire (PC Wire) (1530) Tons & Accessories.
2. Tender Closing Date is (23-7-2010 at 16:00 hr) PM.
3. Tender Documents and detail specification are available at the Public Works, Procurement section Stores Division, No (40) Public Works, Nay Pyi Taw (5.7.2010) on Payment of (FEC-1000). To enquiry contact Phone No- 067 407577, 067-407581
4. Only bid from tenderer who has purchased tender documents officially from Public Works will be accepted for evaluation.

Managing Director
Public Works
Ministry of Construction
Ph: 067 407577, 407581

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT INVITATION TO TENDER

1. Service-related items and office equipment will be purchased for Information and Public Relations Department under the Ministry of Information.

- (a) Six Service-related Items
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| (1) Nikon Flash SB-600 Speed Light | - 2 Nos |
| (2) Nikon D-300s Digital Camera (Body Only) | - 2 Nos |
| - Nikon AF-SDX 18-200mm F3.5-5.6G EDVR II Lens | - 1 No |
| - Nikon Type Sigma Lens 18-200mm F3.5-6.3-1 No DCOS Lens | |
| (3) Digital Camera 12 Megapixel Resolution (SD With Memory Card) | - 100 Nos |
| (4) Mini DV Camcorder (With Video Camera Box) | - 5 Nos |
| (5) EVD Digital Video Disc Player High Quality | - 30 Nos |
| (6) Generator 20KVA 1P (Sound Proof) | - 1 No |
- (b) Five Office Equipment
- | | |
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| (1) Computer | - 15 Nos |
| (2) Fax Machine (FT.937) | - 25 Nos |
| (3) Book Scanner | - 1 No |
| (4) Laser Printer (A4) Canon LBP-2900 | - 15 Nos |
| (5) Digital Multi Function Copier (A3) | - 2 Nos |

2. The tender closing day will be at 15:00 hours on 16-7-2010.

3. The tender application and detail information are available at the following address.

Procurement Committee
Ministry of Information
Myanmar Motion Picture Enterprise
No. 28, Kokkine Yeiktha Street, Bahan Township, Yangon
Tel: 536029, 534574

Advisors urge new UK climate policies

LONDON, 1 July—Major changes in policy are still needed to meet climate targets despite emission cuts brought about by the recession, say government advisors. The Committee on Climate Change (CCC) calls for a "step change" in power generation, insulation and transport.

Continuing to rely on "light touch" approaches will not work, it says.

Internet

Cryosat-2 focuses on ice target

LONDON, 1 July—The Cryosat-2 mission is delivering on its promise to make high-precision radar measurements of polar ice. The first data from the European spacecraft has been presented at an Earth observation meeting in Norway.

The information clearly shows Cryosat has the required sensitivity to assess the state of Antarctic and Arctic ice, according to its lead scientist.

"All of the measurement concepts have been confirmed," UCL Professor Duncan Wingham told BBC News. The European Space Agency's Cryosat-2 satellite was launched in April on a quest to map the thickness and shape of the Earth's polar ice cover.

Internet

No escape yet from 'Swantanamo' for Ottawa royal swans

LONDON, 1 July—Plans to approve a new winter home for a flock of royal swans in the Canadian capital Ottawa in time for a visit by Queen Elizabeth II have been delayed.

Campaigners dubbed the animals' current off-season accommodation Swantanamo Bay, saying it is squalid and cramped.

Ottawa's city council has postponed a debate scheduled for Tuesday about a new home home for the birds. They are descendants of six pairs of mute swans presented by the Queen to Ottawa to mark Canada's 1967 centenary.—Internet

Cambodia expects to get first oil product by end of 2012

PHNOM PENH, 1 July—Cambodian government said Thursday that the first oil product is expected to materialize on December 12, 2012.

Sok An, deputy prime minister and head of Cambodian National Petroleum Authority said the "first drop of oil product" is expected to materialize at the end of 2012, but he has not indicated the production or capacity of processing facilities.

Earlier this month, Sok An said that 24 companies have had agreements with Cambodia for oil and gas explorations, but some of them have left when they found that oil and gas resources in the country are not sufficient for production.—Xinhua

Simple test could detect Down's



Amniocentesis carries a small risk of miscarriage.—INTERNET

LONDON, 1 July—A blood test during pregnancy could one day replace more invasive tests for Down's syndrome, say researchers.

High-risk women are currently offered an amniocentesis test, which carries a risk of miscarriage.

But Dutch researchers told a fertility conference they are on the verge of developing an accurate way of testing the mother's blood for chromosome disorders in the foetus.—Internet



Xinhua launches CNC World English channel

BEIJING, 1 July — China's Xinhua News Agency on Thursday launched its English language TV service, CNC World.

CNC World broadcasts English news programmes 24 hours a day and covers breaking news and major political, economic and cultural news around the globe.

Xinhua president Li Congjun said, "CNC will present an international vision with a China perspective. It will broadcast news reports in a timely way and objectively and be a new source of information for global audiences."

The English service is one of Xinhua's initiatives to keep pace with a fast-developing global media industry.—Xinhua

Julianne Hough keeps coy on Ryan Seacrest rumors

NASHVILLE, Tenn., 1 July — Country singer and "Dancing With The Stars" pro Julianne Hough isn't making her romantic life public, but she is giving hints that rumors linking her to "American Idol" host Ryan Seacrest are true.

When asked Tuesday whether she is dating Seacrest, Hough laughed and said that she wasn't going to confirm or deny anything. While she answered, Hough looked up and to the right with a coy smile on her face.

Hough went on to say: "Ryan's great. He's a really good guy."

Hough was in



Country Singer
Julianne Hough

Nashville to participate in the ACM Lifting Lives Music Camp for people with Williams Syndrome. She sang karaoke with the campers at a local bar and signed autographs.

Internet

Eminem sells 741,000 copies of new album in US



LOS ANGELES, 1 July — Eminem will blast in at No. 1 on the US pop album chart on Wednesday with the biggest week for a single release since 2008, according to sales data from Nielsen Sound-

Scan.

"Recovery," the follow-up to the rapper's 2009 album "Relapse," sold 741,000 copies during the week ended Sunday, enough to become his sixth consecutive No. 1 debut on the Billboard 200 chart.

Eminem's new album also wowed digitally, as downloads made up 255,000 units of the first-week tally. That's the second-biggest digital week for an album in history.

Internet

Forbes list: Here comes Lady Gaga!

BEIJING, 1 July — Lady Gaga comes only behind power veterans Oprah, James Cameron, and Beyonce on Forbes 2010 Celebrity 100 Power List.

According to Forbes.com, the judging criteria are as follows: "Earnings estimates are for 1 June, 2009 to 1 June, 2010. Includes dollars earned solely from entertainment income." Other factors are radio/ tv mentions number of magazine covers, and web hits on Google, and twitter and facebook followers.

2009 was the year of Lady Gaga. She continues to show her unique personal style without any doubt or fear, and she made her way as a newcomer to the list with a powerful gesture.—Internet

"Pirates" director may have a "Secret Life"

LOS ANGELES, 1 July — As the trailer for his new animated movie "Rango" sprang onto the web Tuesday, director Gore Verbinski entered negotiations with Fox to take the helm of the studio's long-in-development adaptation of "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty."

The "Mitty" project, which derives from James Thurber's classic 1939 short story, has — like Thurber's "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" before it — passed through the hands of many writers, actors and directors piqued by the inventive possibilities.

Thurber's story, previously filmed in 1947, centers on a man who escapes his unexciting daily life by delving into elaborate daydreams in which he is suddenly a heroic character.—Internet

Deathly Hallows brings Harry Potter to end



A still from "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part II".

XINHUA

BEIJING, 1 July — The final banquet for Harry Potter fans is almost near as the trailer for "Harry Potter and Deathly Hallows" has hit the web this weekend.

The film will be released in two parts, with the first installment slated for a 19 Nov. release. Part two will arrive in theaters on 15 July, 2011.

The movie will not only mark as the end of a saga, but will also bring an end to the long-awaited final confrontation between Harry Potter and Lord Voldemort.

In one scene, Voldemort grabs Harry's face and malevolently hisses "Why do you live?" And brave Harry responds, "Because I have something to live for."

These last two films will be the first to be shown in IMAX 3-D.

Xinhua

Jennifer Hudson opens up about family murders

BEIJING, 1 July—"Dreamgirl" Jennifer Hudson talked about her family murders for the first time publicly in an episode of "Behind the Music" airing on Monday, according to media reports.

Hudson called the 2008 triple-slaying was "surreal." The bodies of Hudson's 57-year-old mother Darnell Donerson and 29-year-old brother Jason Hudson were discovered inside the home where Hudson grew up in Chicago. Her 7-year-old nephew Julian King was later found dead in a

vehicle.

"It's all a blur. It was surreal," she said during an episode of US cable channel VH1's documentary series "Behind the Music" broadcast on Monday. "It was like I was outside of myself."

The Oscar and Grammy winning artist revealed that the overwhelming grief led her to spend two months totally sequestered in her home. "I was secluded from everything going on," said Hudson on the VH1 show. "I didn't watch TV. I didn't even know what was going on. I had enough to deal with."

Ever since then, Hudson's various interviews for new entertainment projects generally were set-up with specifically requesting "no questions about her family tragedy."

Hudson said a key moment for her came when she reappeared at the 2009 Grammys, where she won best R&B album. "If there was anything to lift me up, that was it." She said.

Internet

Space adventure "Captain EO" to return to Tokyo Disneyland



A visitor takes photos of a poster of Captain EO at the Tokyo Disneyland resort in Tokyo, on 30 June, 2010.

TOKYO, 1 July — A 3-D film, "Captain EO", which stars Michael Jackson, will come back to Tokyo Disneyland on 1 July, with new in-theater experiences.

The musical space adventure tells the story of Captain EO who leads the crew of his spaceship to send a gift to "The Supreme Leader" in a planet filled with metal and steaming vents. The new round of run will last until 30 June, 2011.

Xinhua

Aguirre quits as Mexico coach

MEXICO CITY, 1 July—Javier Aguirre on Wednesday resigned as Mexico coach following the team's defeat to Argentina in the last 16 of the World Cup.

The 50-year-old re-



Mexican coach Javier Aguirre.
INTERNET

placed ex-England manager Sven-Goran Eriksson in April 2009, but Sunday's 3-1 defeat to Argentina in Johannesburg was the fifth successive time the country had failed at the second round stage.

"It's very clear. The first person responsible is me. I believe that I have to resign my job," Aguirre told a news conference.

"It's the most honest solution, the fairest and it's something I have to do."

Aguirre was in his second spell as national coach having qualified Mexico to the 2002 World Cup where they were eliminated by the United States in the last 16.—*Internet*

Brazil demand end to violence

JOHANNESBURG, 1 July—Brazil demanded greater protection for their artists from World Cup assassins on Wednesday.

Midfield star Elano became the five-time champions' latest injury casualty when the Galatasaray player, who has scored twice in the tournament, was rated as doubtful for Friday's quarter-final against the Netherlands. Elano picked up an ankle injury in the group match win over Ivory Coast and he subsequently missed the scoreless draw with Portugal and Monday's 3-0 round-of-16 win over Chile.

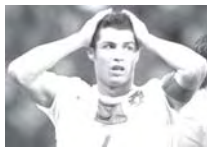
"I didn't get the chance to speak to the referee (after the incident against the Ivory Coast), but he didn't even whistle for a foul. There was a foul on Robinho later that should really have merited a red card," said Elano.

The referee for that match, Stephane Lannoy awarded a drop-ball instead.

"We have various characteristics in our squad, but there is no-one who goes out there with the intention of injuring an opponent," added Elano.

"The problem is that it's me who pays the price because I can't be available for my team. These fouls must be punished."—*Internet*

Portugal strain too much for Ronaldo, says Queiroz



MAGALIESBURG, 1 July—Cristiano Ronaldo, the world's most expensive footballer, may find playing for Portugal too heavy a burden, under-fire coach Carlos Queiroz implied on Wednesday.

Ronaldo once again failed to reproduce his club form on the international stage as Portugal went out of the World Cup on Tuesday, losing 1-0 to Spain in the last 16.

While the 25-year-old Real Madrid star has denied criticising Queiroz for the team's exit, he revealed in comments on a website owned by his agent that he felt like a broken man and had never felt such sadness.

However, his emotional comments failed to move Queiroz, who along with Ronaldo was savaged in the Portuguese press on Wednesday. The player was criticised for being virtually anonymous during the finals while the coach was accused of a lack of imagination and ambition.—*Internet*

Federer out of Wimbledon, Nadal planning offensive

LONDON, 1 July—With Roger Federer put to the sword in stunning fashion, the fight for the Wimbledon title is more open than ever and that means Rafael Nadal will go on the offensive when he faces Andy Murray in the semi-finals on Friday.

Federer's shock defeat to 12th seed Tomas Berdych in the quarter-finals on Wednesday has given a huge shot of adrenaline to the four remaining players in the men's singles draw as they bid to replace the Swiss star as Wimbledon champion.

The chief beneficiary of Federer's exit could be



Switzerland's Roger Federer at Wimbledon in south-west London, on 30 June, 2010.
INTERNET

2008 champion Nadal, who is desperate to regain the title he was unable to defend last year due to knee tendinitis.

French Open champion Nadal has shrugged off a knee problem that bothered him earlier in the tournament and was

in fine form as he fought back from a set down to win his grudge match with long-time rival Robin Soderling in the last eight.

Next in Nadal's firing line is British fourth seed Murray, who defeated France's Jo-Wilfried Tsonga to book his place in the semi-finals, and the Spanish second seed plans to take the attack to an opponent who is sometimes more cautious than he should be in big matches.

"My game is try to play aggressive and the important thing is serve well," Nadal said.

—*Internet*

SPORTS

Tiger Woods interviewed in Galea probe

BUFFALO, 1 July—Tiger Woods has been interviewed by federal authorities investigating a Canadian doctor accused of distributing human growth hormone, a person familiar with the investigation told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because the investigation of Dr. Anthony Galea is ongoing.

Woods previously acknowledged that he's been treated by the Toronto-based doctor but insisted that he did not receive any performance-enhancing drugs.

"Tiger willingly spoke to the authorities and cooperated fully," Woods' agent, Mark Steinberg, said in an e-mail. "It was confirmed that because he did nothing illegal, he is not the subject of any criminal investigation. Because there is an ongoing investigation involving others, there will be no further comment."

The New York Times first reported Woods' interview, citing two unidentified people.

Barbara Burns, a spokeswoman for US District Attorney William Hochul, declined comment.—*Internet*



Tiger Woods hits out of a bunker on the 14th hole during the Pro-Am at the AT&T National golf tournament.—INTERNET

Philippine boxing star Pacquiao enters politics

ALABEL, 1 July—Manny Pacquiao has taken his oath as a Philippine congressman, bringing the boxing star into a political arena that he said seemed more daunting than stepping inside the ring.

The 31-year-old Pacquiao, looking a bit uneasy in an elegant formal shirt and leather shoes, pledged on Monday before about 1,000 spectators in Alabel in the southern Sarangani province to be a good, God-fearing civil servant.

Talking to reporters later, Pacquiao said he was nervous that he could not accomplish much but he promised to try his best to ease the widespread poverty gripping his province, about 600 miles south of Manila.—*Internet*



Filipino world boxing champion Manny Pacquiao takes his oath as Congressman of the lone district of Sarangani.—INTERNET

French parliament hosts hearing about W Cup fiasco

PARIS, 1 July—Lawmakers taking part in a closed-door hearing about France's World Cup fiasco said Wednesday that coach Raymond Domenech refused to take any responsibility for his team's misbehavior and offered no real explanation for their debacle.

Lawmakers said Domenech, who is retiring, tried to pin blame on the media during the parliamentary hearing. Prominent lawmaker Jean-Francois Cope said his testimony "wasn't very dignified."

Many had kinder words for French Football Federation president Jean-Pierre Escalettes, who plans to resign this week, and who also testified at the hearing held by the National Assembly's commission on culture and education.

The hearing went ahead despite a warning from FIFA about French government meddling in soccer affairs. FIFA

president Sepp Blatter said the country's national team risks suspension from global soccer if President Nicolas Sarkozy or political leaders interfere in the running of the federation.

Lawmakers retorted that it wasn't Blatter's place to tell them how to do their jobs.—*Internet*



Outgoing French soccer team coach Raymond Domenech, left, and head of the French soccer federation Jean-Pierre.—INTERNET



This undated photo released by Papua Project Freeport-McMoran shows glaciers on Puncak Jaya, mountains in eastern Indonesia. 'These glaciers are dying,' Lonnie Thompson, one of the world's most accomplished glaciologists, said on 30 June, 2010.

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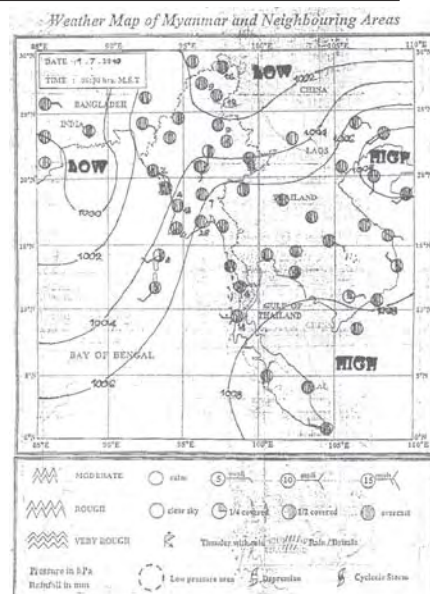
One Indonesia's last glacier will melt within years

JAKARTA, 1 July—Lonnie Thompson spent years preparing for his expedition to the remote, mist-shrouded mountains of eastern Indonesia, hoping to chronicle the affect of global warming on the last remaining glacier in the Pacific. He's worried he got there too late. Even as he pitched his tent on top of Puncak Jaya, the ice was melting beneath him.

The 3-mile- (4,884-metre-) high glacier was pounded by rain every afternoon during the team's 13-day trip, something the American scientist has never encountered in three decades of drilling ice cores. He lay awake at night listening to the water gushing beneath him.

By the time they were ready to head home, ice around their sheltered campsite had melted a staggering 12 inches (30 centimetres).

Internet



WEATHER

Thursday, 1st July, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, Weather has been partly cloudy in lower Sagaing Division, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kayin State and Mandalay Division, scattered in Mon State and Magway Division and widespread in Chin and Kayah States and Yangon Division and fairly widespread in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Maungdaw (2.32) inches, Thipaw and Ngathaingchaung (1.61) inches each, Lashio (1.57) inches and Kyauktaw (1.38) inches.

Maximum temperature on 30-6-2010 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 1-7-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 1-7-2010 was 93%. Total sun shine hours on 30-6-2010 was (1.5) hour.

Rainfall on 1-7-2010 was (0.47) inch at Mingaladon, (1.18) inches at Kaba-Aye and (0.55) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (29.45) inches at Mingaladon, (34.13) inches at Kaba-Aye and (35.79) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from East at (18:30) hours MST on 30-6-2010.

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

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

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

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 2-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 2-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 2-7-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (2-7-2010) (Friday)

Transmissions

Times

Local - (09:00am~11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission - (2-7-10 09:30 am ~ 3-7-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
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- * National Kandawgyi Garden (Pyin Oo Lwin)
- * Myanmar will host 2013 SEA Games
- * News
- * Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana-pin Laung Road to Lein Li
- * Bagan; The Land of Pagoda
- * News
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- * News
- * Culture Stage
- * Valuable Lacquerware Arts
- * News
- * Working & Living in Myanmar (Fishery)
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Myanmar Paper Toys
- * A wonderful trip to Chaung Tha Beach
- * News
- * Yangon International Airport
- * Myanmar Movies "Mystery of Snow"

Myanmar



Friday, 2 July View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ် တရားတော်
- ယောဆရာတော်ဟောကြား တော်မူသောဥပုသ်သန့် ဝါဒီတော်

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:50 am

4. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

5. အတိုးမြှင့်ပွဲ

8:10 am

6. The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies

8:20 am

7. "အသိစိတ်ကလေး အရင်းတည်၍"

8:40 am

8. International News

8:45 am

9. Musical Programme

3:15 pm

1. မြန်မာ-စင်ကာပူချစ်ကြည်ရေး ခြေစမ်းဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲတိုက်

3:15 pm

2. Morning News

7:40 am

- (မြန်မာယူ-၂၃ အသင်း နှင့် စင်ကာပူ Asian Games Team အသင်း

5:15 pm

2. ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားပွဲရိုက်များ (အပိုင်း-၉)

5:25 pm

3. မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးများနေ့

5:35 pm

4. Football planet (၂၀၀၈ကမ္ဘာ့ဖလားဘောလုံး ပွဲကြိုသုံးသပ်ချက်)

6:00 pm

5. Evening News

6:15 pm

6. Weather Report

6:20 pm

7. ရသစုံလင်အင်တာနက်ဥယျာဉ်

7:00 pm

8. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

7:00 pm

- "ဆူးလွင်းသောချစ်နွမ်းသီ" (ဒုတိယပိုင်း) (အပိုင်း-၁၃)

8:00 pm

9. News

10. International News

11. Weather Report

12. ရွှေမြန်မာ့ (စိုးစောထွန်းနှင့် အဖွဲ့တေးရေး- မောင်မောင်အေး (အလတ်ဝတ်ရည်))

13. သီချင်းချစ်သူ (နေမျိုး)

14. မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးရေးရာ အဖွဲ့ချုပ်၏ကြီးကြပ်မှုဖြင့် ရန်ကုန်တိုင်းအမျိုးသမီးရေး ရာအဖွဲ့တစ်စုတင်ဆက်သော ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ်ဇူလိုင်လ(၃)ရက်မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးများနေ့အထိမ်းအမှတ် ဝတ်စားဆင်ယင်ထုံးစံပွဲမူပြပွဲ

"အရွယ်သုံးပါးမိန်းမသားအ လှပပြောင်မြောက်စွာ"



- ★ 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

Major events of Shanghai Expo

Myanmar Media Team

A range of ceremonies, cultural shows and recreational activities are shaping the 184-day-long Expo into a gala event. More than 160 nations and international organizations have submitted applications for National Pavilion Day activities. Some 1,100 proposals for performances are scheduled to stage. All domestic provinces, autonomous regions and cities have put forward plans for their Thematic Week activities during the Expo, Myanmar Media Team has learnt.

At the Shanghai World Expo, Myanmar celebrated its National Pavilion Day on 1 June. The Myanmar delegation led by U Tin Naing Thein, the Minister for

Commerce received a welcome from Mr Zhang Xiaoliang, the vice-chairman of National Development and Reform Commission of China. Visitors were treated to some traditional performances.

Kids from Myanmar, dressed in festive outfits, ushered in the opening ceremony. Traditional songs and dances introduced the country and its people's character, which is honest, courageous and virtuous.

With the theme of "Better Urbanization with Harmonized Ecosystem", Myanmar Pavilion is situated in the Joint Asian Area. The building is influenced by Southeast Asian design elements and
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Ceremony to mark Myanmar National Pavilion Day observed at Shanghai Expo on 1 June.



Myanmar children perform traditional dances at Myanmar National Pavilion Day.

Ayeyawady Div puts 1,006,394 acres under monsoon paddy

YANGON, 1 July—Up to 30 June, Ayeyawady Division has put 1,006,394 acres under monsoon paddy.—MNA